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Congressional Convention.

Pursuant to instruction from the State Central Committee, I hereby call a convention of the People's Party of the Tenth Congressional District of Indiana to meet at Rensselaer at one o'clock sharp, on Saturday, July 16, 1896, to elect two delegates and two alternates to the People's Party National convention to be held at St. Louis, Mo., July 22, 1896, said Congressional Convention to be composed of delegates, one delegate from each township and one additional delegate for each fifty and major fraction thereof of the votes cast for Dr. Robinson for secretary of state, which will entitle the several counties to delegates as follows: Warren 13, Tippecanoe 16, White 18, Benton 12, Newton 13, Jasper 24, Lake 15, Porter 15, La Porte 25.

The several county chairmen are requested to at once assemble county conventions to select delegates as above. Counties that are unorganized will meet in mass convention and besides naming delegates perfect organization.

Arrangements have been made for half fares on the Monon and a large popular gathering is assured as speakers of national reputation will address the people in the afternoon and evening on the Free Coinage of Silver and Money Question. Hon. H. S. P. (Stump) Ashby of Texas has been engaged and no pains should be spared to make this inaugural event in the campaign of this district productive of great good. Half rates good going on Wednesday and Thursday and returning on Saturday. F. D. CRAIG, Chairman.

Newton County People's Party Convention.

Voters of the People's Party of Newton county will meet in mass convention at Goodland, Ind., July 16 at 2 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of selecting delegates to the district convention to be held at Rensselaer July 16, 1896. Newton county is entitled to 13 delegates. Also at same time and place elect nominees for county ticket.

The reasons for taking this course are these: Hon. H. S. P. Ashby of Texas will speak in Goodland at night of date July 16. It will be a busy time of year among farmers and one meeting is sufficient for above business if it be a little to one side of the county. It will pay to go a little out of the way to hearone of the finest orators in the land tell us something about what is the matter with us, to attend to the Congressional business and to nominate a county ticket all in one day. Let the opera house be crowded. JOHN PUTT, Chairman.

GEO. A. CUMMINGS, Secretary.

NO VOTE YET.

At three p. m. today the democratic convention has not taken a vote on the nomination of a presidential candidate. That silver is riding rough shod over the gold minority is in evidence, but just who will be nominated is not known. Bland has the lead, and if he cannot be nominated his strength will go to Teller. The gold men threaten to refuse to vote. It is probable that the balloting will begin before the evening recess.

The probable platform and the proceedings are given on another page.

An Honest Million.

I have never been so impressed by a place where there was so little to see as by Nazareth, once the home of the one whose gentle life and wise teachings have so remarkably influenced the civilized world. The place is not particularly impressive, but one's thoughts are thronged with memories of teachings which began at mother's knee, then continued in the Sunday school, church, etc., and connected with every sacred relation, as christenings, weddings and funerals. And here was His home! We are treading the streets that He trod. The views that meet our eyes in every direction are scenes once familiar to Him. Yonder mountain is practically the same now as it was when it was a familiar figure in His daily landscape. I went to bed that night with an impressive realization that I was to sleep in the town which was once His home. And when leaving the next day I often turned my horse about to look again and again at the little town and its surrounding hills and valleys—scenes of His daily life.

In the last few years, during which the industrial question has assumed such great importance in our country, my mind has often gone back to those scenes in Galilee. I have thought of the principal actor, not as a teacher, but as a workingman—the Carpenter of Galilee. Millionaires and multi-millionaires have become numerous in our country, bringing in their wake an army of unemployed, many of whom, by force of conditions, degenerate into tramps and vagabonds. Both these classes, the millionaires and tramps, are a detriment to the best interests of our country. I have made a calculation bearing upon the honesty of these millions in private coffers, and to help us to realize what a sum a million dollars is and what it is to actually earn a million dollars. All will agree when a working man can save \$1 every working day in the year he is doing well.

Our era begins with the birth of this Carpenter of Galilee. Let us suppose that he was able to begin work on the day of his birth and that each working day he is able to save \$1 above his living expenses. Let us suppose that he never loses a day by sickness or bad weather and that his life and strength and health are miraculously prolonged until he shall earn one million dollars by saving \$1 for every working day. Then we will be able to realize what an honest million is.

We will trace our workman who began work on the day of his birth. At the historic time of his death, at the age of 33, what would he be worth? The calculation is easy; 365 days minus 52 Sundays equals 313 working days in each year. Multiply that by 33 years and we have 10,329 days; but we must add eight days for eight leap years. This would make it 10,387—and \$1 per day saved would equal as many dollars—\$10,387. Far from a million, yet labor began at birth and never a holiday nor a day lost by sickness! Let us suppose that he had lived the allotted 70 years; then how would the account stand? Only \$21,927! Our workman has a long and weary task before him to earn so large an amount as a million dollars. Our hero must trudge along through summer's heat and winter's storms. Years and decades come and go until they grow into centuries and still he works on, for his task is only begun. He sees kingdoms and empires rise and fall, but still he labors on, for the greater part of his task is still before him.

Christians are persecuted in various countries, the Roman Empire disappears, the dark ages completed. The crusades are fought, America is discovered, modern science awakens the world from its shroud of darkness, and still he labors on. The stirring events of modern history transpire and bring us down to the present moment, and—would you believe it?—our Carpenter is still laboring on, not yet having missed a single working day from sickness or any other cause in all these centuries. Let us see how his task would stand at this time. We are not counting interest, but purely the earnings of labor. We have seen that his savings would be \$313 per year; this would be \$31,300 per century, but adding 25 days for 25 leap years per century, it would be \$31,325 per century. To determine how his account would stand at the beginning of the present century multiply \$31,325 by 18, and the result is \$561,850, and add \$80,048 for the 96 years of the present century and the amount is \$591,898. So the task at the present time would be only a little more than half done. Let us in imagination bring him before us. Here he comes time-scarred, storm-scarred, labor-scarred. We ask him questions. He tells us interesting stories of how he has built homes for princes and peasants in many countries, of how he worked on the Colossum, the Alhambra, St. Peter's. He mentions familiarly such masters as Michael Angelo. He praises his good fortune in having steady employment during all these centuries, and that his wages were always promptly paid and that he was allowed to make up the time lost by going from one job to another by night work—but suddenly he says: "I must not tarry. I am the drudge of the ages, with the task of earning a million of dollars. I must get it honestly, therefore I must earn it. My task will require many reflections concerning our millionaires and their millions? What shall we say to those who obtain not only one million, but many millions in the few years of the adult period of a single life?

It is plain that no man can earn a million dollars in a brief human life, however hard he may work. But many have become millionaires, and while it is impossible to do so honestly, in a strictly ethical sense, we will admit that some have done so legally. This shows that these men have been enabled to do this only by the many advantages of the institutions of this country and aided by the protection of the law. Then

do these men owe nothing to the country and to the law? Indeed they owe much. But as a rule they systematically "dodge" taxes during life and at death are permitted to make any disposition of their vast possessions that they may desire to order in their will without any contribution to the government that made possible the accumulation of their vast fortunes. Is it not just and fair that a percentage should go to the government? The people of other countries think so, but we, as usual are behind.—Dr. C. F. Taylor in the Medical World.

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Warm, fair weather, with a few local rains only, was very favorable for harvesting and growing crops. Corn is in excellent condition and growing rapidly, standing quite high in many fields. It is being "laid by." Oats are very fine and never promised better. It is ripening fast, and in the southern portion some has been cut. Beans have been planted. Potatoes are in good condition. Tobacco is looking well, but worms are bad in places. Sugar beets are making good progress. Vegetables, tomatoes, cucumbers, melons and berries are abundant. Wheat and rye thrashing continues; the yield in some localities is good, in other localities it is bad. Haying continues. The crop is good, but light; much has been put up in the northern portion. Young clover looks well; it needs rain in the northern portion. Pasturage is good. A good crop of timothy is being harvested. Plenty of fruit, especially peaches. Blackberries are ripening.

NORTHERN PORTION.

Lake county—Fine growing weather; good crops of corn, oats, pastures and meadows promised; fruit good. Porter county—Oats heavy and good; wheat and rye well filled; corn doing well, but needs rain; grasshoppers bad in places. LaPorte county—Little or no rain; wheat all cut and some thrashing done; considerable hay put up, rather light. Elkhart county—Oats promises a large yield; wheat thrashing now in progress, fair yield; corn growing well, but needs rain; grasshoppers and chinch bugs numerous in localities. LaGrange county—Corn needs rain; wheat thrashed, poor yield of medium quality; young clover dying in localities. Steuben county—Beginning to need rain; wheat all cut and some thrashing done; considerable hay put up, rather light. Elkhardt county—Oats promises a large yield; wheat thrashing now in progress, fair yield; corn growing well, but needs rain; grasshoppers and chinch bugs numerous in localities. 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