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Populist News—Convention Notes—National Reform Press
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There has been much said lately about a union of reform forces on honest lines, the consummation of which is earnestly desired by all good citizens. One of the first steps leading to such a union would be the restoration of perfect harmony in the Peoples party ranks. The tendency in that direction at the present time is very encouraging. Extreme partisanship should give way to patriotism. Peace should take the place of prejudice and universal love supplant passion in the hearts of men. Then we shall have better government, if not the millennium.

James G. Clark the celebrated Peoples party poet, is the author of a new song entitled "The Peoples Battle Hymn," published in sheet form by the Oliver Ditson Company. Gen. Weaver says: "It is the song we have been waiting for. It is an Iliad of itself."

Reports from Illinois indicate an increasing free silver sentiment among the farmers and a material increase of the Peoples party vote at the coming election.

All advices from Oregon agree that the silver republicans are flocking to the Peoples party standard. The sentiment for Senator Teller appears to be quite strong in that case.

Parties desiring accommodations during the Convention can make arrangements by addressing T. S. Pugh, Room 356, Lindell Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. This service costs you nothing except if you wish a reply in communicating, enclose stamp. He has made arrangements with a number of hotels and private houses whereby a lower rate has been secured than others could get and those who desire to take advantage of this service should address at once with full particulars as to when they expect to arrive, etc.

The Peoples Party State Committee of North Carolina, met July 3rd, at Raleigh, and authorized a call for the state nominating convention to be held at that place on August 13. The majority of the North Carolina delegates are said to favor Teller for the presidency. The silver republicans of Minnesota have issued a manifesto stating that they can no longer stand by the party on account of its single gold standard platform. Among the signers are Congressman C. A. Towne, of Duluth, ex-Congressman John Lind of New Ulm, County Attorney Frank M. Nye and John Dainsmith of Minneapolis, and John B. Sanborn of St. Paul. All these have been very prominent in politics.

The Republican Bimetallic League, of Omaha has repudiated the Republican National platform and endorsed the stand taken by Senator Teller in bolting the party.

Capt. C. A. Powers of Indiana, desires to give notice that he will be at the Lindell hotel a few days in advance of the National Convention with a supply of literature and campaign badges, and asks our people to patronize him rather than the street fakirs as he proposes to donate a liberal percentage of his profits to the national committee.

Mr. Wm. P. St. John, president of the Mercantile National Bank of New York, was recently requested by the directors to resign, because of his outspoken advocacy of the free coinage of silver and government paper money, which he promptly did.

Republicans in Kansas and other western states are bolting so rapidly that populist newspapers cannot find space to publish their names.

Jas. Edward Leslie, a Pennsylvania committeeman, wires headquarters that the populists of Pennsylvania are a unit for Sibley, and asks: "Why confine endorsement to Teller alone?"

The Sacramento Bee, a leading Republican paper of the Pacific coast for forty years, has renounced allegiance to McKinleyism and the gold standard and comes out on the side of the people.

Dr. Wm. Bently, of Bismarck, North Dakota, president of the United States Board of Pension Surgeons, has withdrawn from the republican party and joined the populists. He is being

strongly urged to become a candidate for governor in his state.

F. M. Pullman has been endorsed by the populists of Logan county, Oklahoma, as a candidate for congress. The resolutions passed by the county convention were adopted upon motion of Leo Vincent, who had himself formerly been considered a prominent candidate. Beside Pullman, Ed M. Clark, of Perry, and W. A. Ruggles of Tecumseh, J. S. Allen of Cleveland county, and Dr. J. R. Furlong of Oklahoma City, have been added to the list of congressional aspirants.

The populists of the twelfth Texas congressional district have nominated Taylor McRae for congress. The resolutions of their convention, beside endorsing the initiative and referendum and the Oklahoma platform, declare for a reduction of officials' salaries, a restriction of convict labor, for protection by tariff of raw material as long as the same is given the manufactured article, and in favor of taking active steps to bring the Cuban war to a close.

Judge W. R. Biddle, of Fort Scott, who has been prominent in Kansas politics for fifteen years, refuses to swallow the gold platform adopted at St. Louis.

Judge Scott, of Omaha, at the last election received the largest vote cast for any candidate on the successful republican ticket. This year he says: "Human liberty will soon be supplanted by the human tyranny of the money power if the people surrender to that power their constitutional right to the free use of the constitutional coin—double standard, gold and silver." He bolts the national ticket.

J. R. Thomas, of Mt. Leonard, has been nominated for congress by the populists of the Seventh Missouri congressional district.

Judge Weeks, of Jasper county, Mo., who for some months has been spoken of as the probable nominee for state auditor on the republican ticket, has bolted the national ticket of his old party.

A. L. Maxwell, state chairman of the people's party in Illinois, has issued an address commenting the patriotism of Senator Teller in bolting the republican party and advising the populists of the state to support the Coloradoan for nomination in the national convention.

Judge J. V. Beekman, who for many years has been one of the most prominent republicans of the third and seventh congressional districts in Kansas, has left the party. Beside presiding on the bench in Kansas, Judge Beekman has been a prominent candidate for congressional honors at the hands of the republican party.

Charles E. Hunter, founder of the first republican paper in Garfield county, Oklahoma, has resigned his position as a member of the republican county central committee and has cut adrift from the party for all time.

Populists of Tipton and Kokomo, Indiana, will come to the national convention in a special train.

L. C. Bateman, populist nominee for governor in Maine, writes that the old greenbackers in his state are returning to the people's party in companies, regiments and battalions. And the greenbackers carried Maine in 1876.

Sidney M. Owen, of Minneapolis, has been nominated for congress by the populists of the Fifth Minnesota District.

All railroads in South Dakota have granted a rate of one fare for the round trip upon occasion of the people's party state convention to be held at Huron.

The Canton, S. D. Leader is authority for the report that Lieutenant Governor Day, republican, of Minnesota, has bolted his party.

J. B. Cook, republican treasurer of Stafford county, Kansas, who says that he has voted every republican presidential ticket since Lincoln was first a candidate, refuses to support McKinley.

Ex-Governor Llewelling, of

Kansas, learning of a report that he intended to attack the personal character of Col. W. A. Harris, his opponent for the nomination of governor, has issued a card of denial. He declares Col. Harris "his personal friend and says: "Should Col. Harris be nominated for governor or any other office, he will have my cordial and hearty support."

D. H. Fernandes, of Anderson, will stump his state, Indiana, under the auspices of the state committee.

Populists of Hancock, Indiana, have endorsed the candidacy of Dr. C. A. Robinson, of Fountainstown, for congress in the Sixth district.

Dr. J. H. Randall, for a number of years editor of the Chicago Express, is stumping Illinois.

The Rev. Dr. Terry, populist candidate for congress in the Eleventh Missouri district, has been endorsed by the prohibition convention.

The Colorado Populist state convention, held July 4, was a bit stormy. The delegates from Arapahoe county, led by ex-Governor Waite, were refused seats in the convention by a large majority upon a test vote and the governor and his supporters withdrew and elected a contesting delegation to come to the national convention. The resolutions re-affirm "the time-honored principles of the party as heretofore declared," highly laud Senator Teller and declare for a direct legislation plank; also, "favor such action by our national convention as will unify the support of all parties upon a candidate for the presidency who is unqualifiedly in favor of the free coinage of silver." It was also resolved that "the mission of the People's party has just begun, and the organization should be perpetuated, strengthened and kept intact." Among the delegates at-large are Editor T. M. Paterson and the Rev. Myron W. Reed. Women delegates were granted recognition in the congressional conventions held after the state convention.

Our national convention promises to be the grandest, most enthusiastic assemblage ever held in America, and every preparation is being made for the comfort and entertainment of the tremendous crowd of delegates and visitors who will attend. Our prospects grow brighter every day and populists have every reason to be proud of their grand organization and the glorious principles for which they are fighting.

James H. Eagle, a prominent lawyer of Houston, Texas, is the latest notable convert to populism. A. R.

To the National Reform Press.

The National Reform Press association will meet at St. Louis, Mo., July 20 and 21, 1896. All editors and Populist papers are cordially invited to meet with us and become members of the association. The meeting will be of greatest importance and it is urged that all members be present.

Headquarters will be at the St. James hotel, Fifth and Walnut streets.

We face the crisis of our party, and the faithful editors who have loyally maintained our principles at great sacrifice will be of great service to our cause by being present. Please send your name in advance to A. Rozelle, Corresponding Secretary, who will attend to the securing of rooms, etc.

PAUL VAN DERVOORT, A. ROZELLE, President. Recording Secretary.

From the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Arrangements have been made with all the railroads in the United States to give us a one fare rate for the round trip—just half fare, except the roads in the eastern states, known as the Trunk Line Association, with headquarters in New York, and the New England Association, with headquarters in Boston, and hope to yet obtain the same rates over their roads. Persons making application to us for the positions of door keepers or assistant sergeant-at-arms if unknown to us, must have endorsements from Populist Committeemen living in their respective counties or districts. Tickets of admission to the hall or auditorium, will be given to the different State Delegates and alternates, with some additional tickets, to each delegate, for distribution to friends. Other tickets will be given in limited numbers to each National Committeeman for distribution. Each real newspaper man, who makes the business his

avocation, will be furnished a Press ticket. One third of all the tickets go to the Business Men's League of St. Louis, who furnished the hall in which we meet and money to meet the legitimate expenses of the convention—in accordance with the agreement made with them by our National Committee at its meeting last January. The Business Men's League will sell or give away their tickets, as they may choose. So many are applying to me for tickets which I have no power to grant, I deem the above statement necessary. Reform papers please copy.

J. H. McDOWELL, Sergeant-at-Arms, National Convention, Room No. 356, Lindell Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

A newspaper whose editor has about the right ideas of peddlers and home merchants writes as follows: "If a traveling peddler comes along and tries to sell goods, before purchasing ask him if he will take your butter, eggs, hides and other farm produce. Ask him if, when your neighborhood gets ready to build a road or a bridge over a creek or slough, he will be willing to donate a few dollars to help it along. Tell him there is a poor widow down the road who would be very thankful if he would donate a few provisions. Finally, say to him that money will be scarce next season and would he mind trusting you for a few dollar's worth of goods. If he will agree to this, then patronize him."

Hon. S. P. Thompson delivered the graduating address at the exercises of the Wheatfield school. The following contains more truth than poetry, and is gleaned from the body of his address—"The love of money keeps one half of our children out of schools and installs cheap and therefore poor teachers. It siezes upon the mind dwarfs and shrivels its capacity, and destroys its usefulness."—Brook Reporter.

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CHRISTIAN. Corner Van Rensselaer and Susan. Preaching, 10:45 and 8:00; Sunday school, 9:30; J. Y. P. S. C. E. 2:30; S. Y. P. S. C. E. 8:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30; Rev. Findley, pastor.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY meets every Wednesday afternoon, by appointment.

PRESBYTERIAN. Corner Cullen and Angelica. Preaching, 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Junior Endeavorers, 2:30 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. 8:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30; Ladies Industrial Society meets every Wednesday afternoon. The Missionary Society, monthly.

METHODIST E. Preaching at 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school 9:30; Epworth League, Sunday 6; Tuesday 7; Junior League 2:30 alternate Sundays. Prayer meeting Thursday at 7. Dr. E. D. Utter, pastor.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY every Wednesday afternoon by appointment.

CHURCH OF GOD. Corner Harrison and Elm. Preaching, 10:45 and 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30; Rev. F. L. Austin, pastor.

Ladies Society meets every Wednesday afternoon, by appointment.

The pastors of all the churches in Rensselaer are requested to prepare notices similar to above, which will be inserted free in this directory.

SOCIETIES.

MASONIC—PRAIRIE LODGE, No. 129. A. F. and A. M., meets first and third Mondays of each month. C. G. Spittler W. M.; W. J. Innes, Sec'y.

EVENING STAR CHAPTER, No. 141. O. E. S., meets first and third Wednesday's of each month. Nellie Hopkins, W. M.; Maud E. Spittler, Sec'y.

ODD FELLOWS. IROQUOIS LODGE, No. 149. I. O. O. F., meets every Thursday. L. L. Fousler, N. G.; J. F. Antrim, Secretary.

RENSSELAER ENCAMPMENT, No. 201. I. O. O. F., meets second and fourth Fridays of each month. T. J. Saylor, C. P.; John Vanatta, Sec'y.

RENSSELAER REBECCA DEGREE LODGE, No. 346. meets first and third Fridays of each month. Mrs. Laurie Shields, N. G.; J. R. Vanatta, Sec'y.

I. O. OF FORRESTERS. COURT JASPER, No. 1709. Independent Order of Forrester's, meets second and fourth Mondays of each month. Geo. C. D. H. C. R.; J. W. Horton, C. R.

DEGREE LODGE, N. A. A. No. 75 BENEFICENTARY Department F. A. & I. U. meets on the second Saturday nights of every other month at the Centre School House in Union township, Jasper County, Ind.

S. T. HAMACHER, Pres. D. E. HUDSON, Secretary.

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