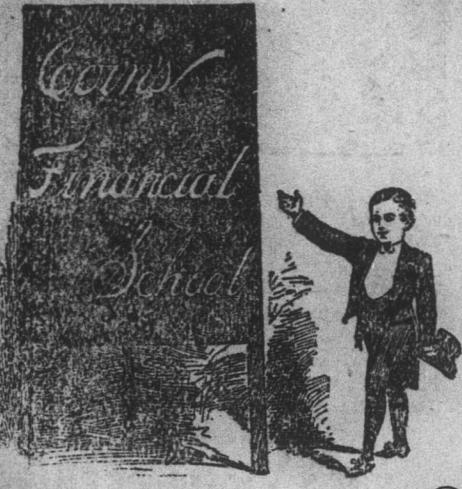


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Prof. C. Vincent, of Indiana, is campaigning in Texas.

The People's party state nominating convention in Iowa will be held at Des Moines Sep. 10th.

C. D. Bell has been nominated for congress by the People's party of the Second Kentucky district.

A majority of the republican state committee of Montana have declared their intention to support Bryan.

Headquarters of the People's party in Texas have been located in Dallas, with Chairman J. S. Bradley in charge.

The democrats of South Dakota have endorsed the Populist State ticket, which practically insures its success.

John W. Breidenthal the recognized Populist leader in Kansas, has been reelected chairman of the state committee.

Populists and democrats of the Fifth Nebraska district have fused on the same candidate for congress, R. D. Sutherland.

Mr. Bryan denies emphatically that he has at any time been in the employ of the silver mine owners or the Bimetallic League.

Capt. H. B. Linton, a prominent farmer, has been nominated for Congress by the Populists of the 6th Missouri district.

The democrats and Populists of the Eleventh Iowa district have nominated the same candidate for congress, Judge A. Van Wagenen.

The Populists of the First Missouri district have nominated the redoubtable J. Weller Long, ex-Secretary of the State Committee, for Congress.

The Populists of Michigan are asked to endorse Mayor H. S. Pingree, of Detroit, the republican nominee for governor, which they will probably do.

The name of Lafe Pence, the brilliant ex-congressman from Colorado is being mentioned in connection with the Populist nomination for the governorship in that state.

The free silver men of Sedalia, Mo., democrats, Populists and republicans, held a meeting Aug. 18 and organized a "Bryan Free Silver Club," the name of Sewall being omitted.

Eugene V. Debs, the great labor agitator, is a staunch friend of Tom Watson. He thinks the democrats should substitute the Georgian for Sewall, on their National ticket.

The policy of uniting the democratic and Populist forces in Missouri, on a state ticket, congressional candidates and presidential electors, is being quite generally discussed.

Nearly all the democratic county conventions in Colorado have endorsed Senator Teller and Congressman Shafroth, republicans, and Congressman Bell, Populist, for re-election.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad has issued an order against the sale of silver literature on their trains. Silverites might reciprocate by refusing to ride over their line.

All reports agree that there never has been such a demand for campaign literature before, as this year, and that nine-tenths of all matter sent out by various committees deals with the finance question.

The state executive committees of the People's party, of California, met recently and endorsed the action of the national

convention. They also issued a statement concerning the work of the convention, calculated to correct erroneous impressions regarding the proceedings.

Georgia Populists are very sanguine of success. They claim they will poll a larger vote this year than ever before and that large accessions are being received from the republicans and prohibitionists.

The democrats of Texas have rejected the propositions of the Peoples party looking toward fusion, in which the intention was that the democrats should have eight and the People's party seven electors.

Any fear that may have been entertained that Watson's name would be removed from the Populist National ticket should be dispelled, since the meeting of the Executive Committee last week, when it was positively declared that Mr. Watson would remain in the field.

The New Executive committee of the People's party has decided to open headquarters in Washington City during the campaign. This may be a good thing for Washington, but the rank and file of Populist voters will be slow to believe that it is the best thing for the party.

A. H. Livingstone, the People's party candidate for congress in the Fourteenth Missouri district, has left it to the judgment of a majority vote of the state committees of the People's and democratic parties as to whether he should retire from the race or his opponent, Prof. W. D. Vandiver.

The speech delivered by Burk Cochran, at Madison Square, New York, last week, in reply to Mr. Bryan's speech of acceptance, is characterized by the New York Journal as a piece of "billingsgate and bombast." When the Cochran and other attorneys for Wall street begin to weep crocodile tears for the laborer, it is evident they have an ax to grind.

A correspondent writing from Rock, Island, Texas, says the colored people in that locality are affiliating with the Populists in large numbers and that in some counties—notably Wharton—there are not enough democrats left to hold a county convention. He says big barbecues and encampments are being held which are attended by almost the whole population.

Astonishment has been expressed in many sections of the country at the fusion scheme between the Populist and republicans in Texas. Either Texas republicans are unlike the republicans of other states, or the Populists are different from the ordinary sort. At any rate, no one need fear that Texas Populist are not able to hold their own in any kind of combination.

The suspicion exists in many localities that the "National Democratic Party," [the name assumed by the gold democrats] will endeavor through the aid of the supreme court to exclude the Chicago nominees from the official ballot in states where the Australian system is operative. In the event of their success Bryan's only hope of election will be through the Populist ticket.

A. L. Maxwell, the ex-chairman of the People's party State Committee of Illinois, has been given a place on the democratic state ticket, as candidate for Auditor of State, in fulfillment of a fusion compact between the two parties. Four Populists have been given places on the electoral ticket and H. E. Tawbeneck, ex-chairman of the National committee, has been made chairman of the Illinois State committee of the People's party.

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State Crop Reports.

NORTHERN PORTION.

Porter county—Heavy rains and storms, no serious damage; corn maturing rapidly; thrashing progresses slowly; some plowing for wheat; apples falling badly; corn crop large and well filled, will not be out of danger from frost before September 15th. LaPorte county—Heavy rains; corn looks extra good; some millet hay made; plowing for wheat.

Elkhart county—Corn growing nicely, but not yet out of danger from frosts; millet hay mostly made; tomato yield light. LaGrange county—Thrashing mostly done, yield light, quality medium; pears ripe; grapes turning; potatoes poor in quality and yield. Steuben county—Corn has matured considerably, some fields almost ready to cut; little plowing done for wheat; heavy crop of peaches. DeKalb county—Ground in fine condition for fall plowing, which progresses rapidly; corn maturing rapidly and some fields ready to cut, crop heavy. Kosciusko county—Oats thrashing completed and good yield, quality poor; large acreage of potatoes destroyed by rot; large crop of tomatoes ripening; farm work retarded by rain.

Fulton county—No rain; corn much damaged by wind and hail last week; corn maturing nicely and most will be out of danger from frosts by September 1st; millet a good crop; thrashing about all done; potatoes rotting in ground; apples falling badly. Whitley county—Week favorable for farm work; most wheat and oats thrashed; corn where not damaged by rain doing finely; buckwheat promises heavy crop; little plowing done yet; apples falling badly. Allen county—Corn maturing rapidly, some is in good shape now, but the fodder is too green yet, will be out of danger in about two weeks; plowing has begun. Adams county—Good week for farmers; ground still very wet; not much plowing done; corn much blown down by winds and damaged some; bottom lands overflowed.

Miami county—Weather cool; wheat thrashing almost completed, inferior quality; corn fine crop, but some damaged by winds; tomatoes good, with small acreage; plowing delayed. Cass county—Corn crop continues improving and will be a large crop, will be out of danger from frosts in about a week; clover seed not very good; pastures never better. Carroll county—Cool weather, with light showers; corn maturing quite rapidly; plowing for wheat pushed, but some ground little wet; potatoes and cabbage rotting on lowlands; millet harvest progressing rapidly and good crop; melons good size, but poor quality. Benton county—Corn still looking well, blown down in places, will be out of danger from frost in two weeks; oats thrashing about half completed and quality not very good, being damaged by rains; potatoes and pastures good. Grant county—One or two light touches of frost, but no damage reported, except in lowlands; thrashing progressing; oats poor, too much rain. Jay county—Heavy rains, large quantities of peaches and apples blown from trees; potatoes rotting very badly; corn looks well except on lowlands. Lake county—Corn still in good condition; unusual growth of all vegetation; crop of corn will be large if there is no frost before September 20th.

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