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### Call for Conference.

It is now demonstrated that the educational work accomplished by the People's Party has so far affected the people of the United States that the comparatively insignificant number of 25,000 votes, properly distributed in the last election, would have resulted in crystallizing our cherished ideas into law. This significant fact emphasizes the importance of continuing the grand and patriotic work of education without cessation, and for the purpose of deciding upon an organized campaign of education to be pushed vigorously till the next election it is thought necessary that a call be issued for a conference of the populists to meet at Indianapolis, Tuesday, Dec. 29th, 1896, at 10 a. m., in room 35, English Hotel.

All Silver Republicans and all other Money Reformers are earnestly requested to participate in the conference.

Members of the People's Party state central committee and members of the executive committee are hereby called to meet on the same day in room 35, of said Hotel. Important business.

JULIUS ROSENHEIMER,  
Chairman.

### Populist Mayor Elected.

Walter L. Ramsdell Wins the Fight at Lynn, Mass.—Municipal Contests.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 15.—The municipal elections in five cities outside of Boston to-day were very quiet. The result in Lynn was all the more surprising in that the populists elected their candidate for mayor by a majority of 1,699. Walter L. Ramsdell, the populist candidate, received 5,845 votes to 3,946 for Charles H. Baker, the republican candidate. The republicans carried the board of aldermen, and there was a victory in favor of license by a vote of 1,600, nearly two to one.

A street commissioner, twelve aldermen, seventy-five councilmen, nine school committee-men and license were voted for in this city. Enough precincts had been heard from at midnight to indicate the election of John H. Duane, democrat, street commissioner and license, by 10,000 majority. The indications are that the republicans have gained one member in the council, making the board tied politically at six.

In Cambridge Alvin F. Sartwell, democrat, was elected mayor, defeating the democratic-independent candidate by over 2,000, and no license triumphed, as usual, by 1,700 majority.

Andrew R. Curtis, democrat, was elected mayor of Newburyport, and the city voted license by 135 as against 357 last year. The aldermen elected were all independent citizen's nominees. The republicans swept Chelsea, electing Herman W. Pratt mayor, and voting no license by 231.

North Adams democrats re-elected Albert C. Houghton, and the city voted license by 295.

### Two Silver Champions.

Doubtless many of our readers, who appreciate the importance of the restoration of the bimetallic standard, would like to subscribe for and support a farm paper which while unsurpassed in its agricultural, household and other de-

partments, at the same time has been the leading exponent of the bimetallic principle of finance. With a view to supplying this want, we have made a liberal clubbing arrangement with the Farm, Field and Fireside of Chicago. For many years this great paper has been pointing out to the farmers that low prices were the result of a contraction of standard money to the gold basis and urging them as a patriotic duty of self defense to vote for the restoration of silver.

So effective has been its work, especially during the late campaign, that Chairman Jones acknowledged to Wm. J. Bryan that it had done more towards the restoration of bimetalism than any other single agency.

As will be seen by our combination offer on another page, we can give this paper in combination with the People's Pilot, both one year, for the low price of \$1.60. This offer also includes twenty packets of the best seeds in the market from the Farm, Field and Fireside's free seed distribution, where 10 cents extra is paid for postage and packing. The Farm, Field and Fireside and the People's Pilot are two papers which Mark Hanna's boodle could not influence in the late campaign.

"Excuse me" observed the man in spectacles "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where his liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or his left ear DeWitt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig-lamps." A.F. LONG.

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## PUBLIC FORUM

### Drainage Laws.

March 4, 1893, the Indiana legislature passed a law providing for the formation of drainage districts. The first drainage law in Indiana was passed June 11, 1852, and almost every legislature since has either modified some existing law, or enacted some new one providing for the drainage of wet and over-flowed lands.

The drainage district law differs in all respects from all the other drainage laws. It is said that this law was prepared by one B. F. Gifford of Kankakee, Ill., and through his influence became a law.

The law provides for two methods of forming districts, one by petition, and one by agreement. B. J. Gifford owns large bodies of land in Barkley, Gillam, Walker, and Wheatfield townships in this county and has cut large ditches through his lands by dredges and some of those ditches are said to be failures without additional work. Gifford succeeded in forming a drainage district under the agreement part of the law in which he had the small land owners at his mercy. The people appealed to the courts and the supreme court declared the agreement part of the law unconstitutional on the ground that the law "authorizes the assessments of special benefits to one man's property for the benefit of another even though the proposed drain will not be of public utility and will not promote the public health. The other part of the law will doubtless be declared void when brought before the courts.

The opinion was delivered by Judge Monks. The failure of the drainage district was a sore disappointment to Gifford, but he probably has other schemes to present to the coming legislature and he doubtless hopes to have a law enacted, by which he can compel the small land owners to contribute largely for the drainage of his lands, or sell their lands to him at his own figures. There are only a few counties in this state that have an interest in the drainage laws and none greater than those that lay in the Kankakee valley. The senators and representatives of other counties have never specially investigated the ditch laws and are willing to listen to the statements of the land owners of the Kankakee region. The land owners of Barkley, Gillam, Walker, and Wheatfield townships, should send some man, who understands their interests to Indianapolis when the legislature convenes to appear before the drainage committee and represent their interests and to keep the committee informed as to the wants and needs of our people. They should not lay on their backs until Gifford has them bound hand and foot. Large land-owners are a curse to any country for he "who owns the soil owns the people on the soil because he controls the conditions by which they live." This is not a party question, but a question of the existence of the people of those townships. Do they desire one man, a non-resident of the state to control their destinies and eventually the destinies of the county?

Some claim that Gifford has been a benefactor to this county.

Who has he benefited? Has it been the land-owners near Burk's bridge, whose land he has overflowed and depreciated in value? Has it been Jasper county, which he has required to spend thousands of dollars to build bridges? Has it been the small land owners, whose land he has taken under contracts to drain them? Let the people arouse themselves before they become tenants of this man Gifford.

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## The World in Brief.

Chicago school teachers are incensed because scrub women visit the schoolrooms but three times each year.

President-elect McKinley was the guest of National Committee-man Charles C. Dawes of Evanston, Ill., Sunday.

While the family was at dinner Sunday burglars broke into the residence of Mrs. Frank Pardridge and stole \$1,000 worth of diamonds.

Lodgers in the police stations are more numerous this winter than ever before. The majority do not come under the classification of bums, but are honest men out of work.

LaGrange Ill. women are excited over the swindle perpetrated upon them by a woman calling herself Mrs. Patrick. She collected \$1.50 worth of hair combs and taxed the women \$2.50 each. She will be prosecuted.

Harvard orators downed Princeton men in the Princeton-Harvard debate.

Frank C. Mills, treasurer of the Boston Safe Deposit Company is confessed defaulter for a sum approximating \$100,000.

Custom clerks in New York laugh at Secretary Carlisle's order to label all imports. They claim it is impracticable to enforce.

There is a rumor on Wall Street that the fortune left by Jay Gould is breaking up. Armour and Pulman have declared war on Edwin Gould.

Abraham Slimmer of Waverly Iowa, who left that city recently, has issued a card denying that he was either abducted, drugged by enemies or is crazy.

Tom Sharkey, the pugilist, drew \$8,500 from the bank, his winnings in the recent fiasco. The bank retained \$1,500 to satisfy garnishments.

Professor John Trowbridge of Harvard has discovered that with the power of 10,000 volts the X rays are just visible, and die out as soon as the current is diminished.

The daughter of Sig, Crispi, the Princess Lingua-Glossa, has eloped with one of her servants. Brazil and Italy have notified the Spanish government that they will not recognize the Cubans as belligerents.

Harry Ulrici, 15 North Center avenue, Chicago, picked up \$51 in bills on Fifth avenue yesterday and was taken to the Central station by a policeman who noticed the act. Later the money was claimed by Attorney W. E. Hughes.

Three masked men terrorized Henry Glamann and his son in their grocery at 2883 Main street Monday night and robbed the cash drawer of \$34.47.

Thomas A. McClain, of Chicago, took morphine with suicidal intent Monday night because he lost money in suspended banks. He may recover.

A mortgage for \$1,000,000 in favor of George Sherman of New York as trustee and signed by Robert Laughlin as president of the Union Consolidated Elevated Railway Company of Chicago was filed for record Monday.

The big department stores are suffering more than usual this year from the raids of shoplifters.

Three highman followed Jerome Spencer to his home in Chicago in order to rob him. They secured a diamond stud valued at \$50.

Police Captain Chapman of New York charges that Herbert B. Seeley, a member of Gotham's swaggar set, hired women to dance nude before a party of his friends in private dining rooms at Sherry's.

Fully a score of miners were entombed in a mine at Wilkes-barre, Pa. The majority have been rescued. Four or five are believed to be dead.

Deputy Sheriff Hanson of Thermopolis, Wyo., shot and instantly killed Thomas Bird, a cattle magnate, because he attended his dance uninvited.

Benjamin Haywood and Eva Good, an eloping couple from Clark county, Kentucky, blew out the gas in their room at a hotel in Jeffersonville, Ind., but were rescued.

Mrs. Cecelia Franklin, the St. Louis authoress, died Monday night from the effects of an overdose of cocaine.

A mining company has been organized at Guthrie, Ok. with a capital stock of \$500,000.

Marriages of seventeen Chicago couples were recorded in Milwaukee Monday.

Andrew Hart is under arrest at Lemville, Iowa, charged with murdering his son, Andrew Hart, Jr., Dec. 13.

Striking cabmen in New York are growing unruly and have made several assaults on nonunion men.

The Patriarch's ball, the ancient and fashionable function of New York society, was held Monday night at the Waldorf.

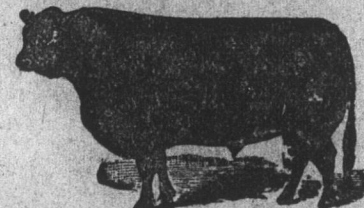
Sheriff Gunderson of Norman county, Minn., shot and killed an unidentified bank robber at Rollette, N. D., Monday night.

Greater New York will be divided into five boroughs and ten council districts.

A National Federation of Building Trades is about to be formed with headquarters at St. Louis.

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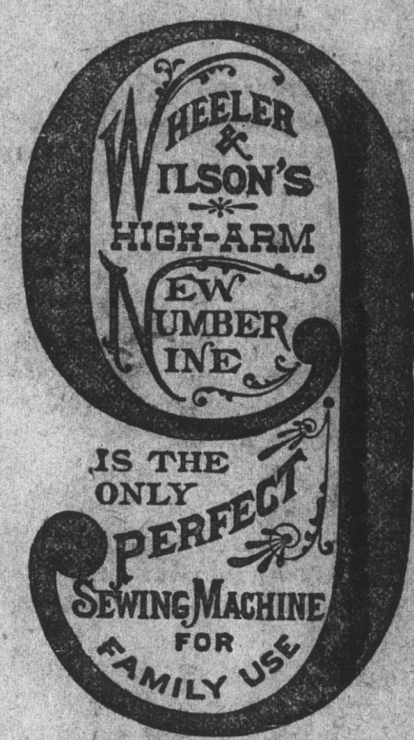
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