FUSIONISTS CHOOSE HOWARD

Sarpy County's Favorite Son to Lead the Congressional Forlorn Hope.

POLITICAL OPERA BOUFFE ON BOARDS

Fifty Delegates, Representing Three Parties in as Many Counties, Meet and Give an Imitation of a Political Convention.

Edgar Howard, by the grace of the dictum of the three-ringed mix of congressional delegates, is to lead the forlorn fusion congressional hope in this district with the same blind and almost fanatical determination that marked the martyrs of the days of religious persecution. His selection was not by any means unanimous; it was made, in fact, against the earnest protest of the populist representation from his own county. It was not so unanimous as had been expected, for it had been believed that after the democrats had spoken the other two allied conventions would yield gracefully to their dictation.

As far as the democratic convention was concerned, it was a decided frost, only twenty-eight delegates being present out of over a hundred. The Moise faction of the County Democracy crowd was entirely absent, nursing sores opened by the decision of the supreme court in the police commission case and resentful at the understanding that the Jacksonian crowd was party to the throwdown, as they call it.

The democrats met in Ostoff's hall at about 2:30 p. m. In addition to the twenty-eight delegates not more than a score of spectators were present. Frank Burkley called the convention to order, but refrained from making a speech. The sluiceway of his pent-up enthusiasm did not burst its confines perceptibly, a fact which he attributed to the warm weather. Will Herdman, who had been left out by the Moise crowd in the selection of the delegates, was present, however, as secretary of the committee and read the call.

Platti Wing Takes Control.

The Platti wing of the County Democracy at once took the lead in the conduct of the convention. On nomination by C. L. Smith, Clark O'Hanlon of Washington county was made temporary chairman without opposition. W. F. Wappich named John E. Reagan for secretary. E. P. Berriman of the Jacksonian club was also put in nomination, but withdrew.

Credentials were in for Douglas and Washington counties, but not for Sarpy county. The delegates present, however, handed in their names and the lists were accepted without contest, whereupon the temporary organization was made permanent.

While the latter action was in progress W. J. Bryan entered the room and was roundly cheered, although dazed by the paucity of attendance.

L. J. Platti, who moved the appointment of a committee of three on resolutions, was appointed along with W. R. Patrick of Sarpy and Dr. W. H. Palmer of Washington. As soon as the committee retired, and without a suggestion of a conference committee to confer with the other two conventions, G. M. Hitchcock, on behalf of the Douglas county delegation, which was decidedly weak in numbers, presented for the congressional nomination Edgar Howard of Papillion, "Sarpy county's favored son."

"As a man," said Mr. Hitchcock, "Edgar Howard is one of the characters in Nebraska today—one of those peculiar characters that will attract voters."

Howard's Nomination Unanimous.

At the suggestion of the speaker, Howard was nominated by a rising vote. Responding, the nominee said that, in view of the presence of Bryan and the fact that at another meeting a welcome was being extended to the Boer envoys, he would make no speech.

"It has been suggested that I am being led as a lamb to the slaughter," said he. "I don't know your individual thoughts on that suggestion, but as for me, no bride ever approached the marital altar with greater confidence in her lover than have I in the voters of this district."

As he finished, L. J. Quinby and T. G. Kellogg of the populist committee presented themselves in the hall and, as Mr. Hitchcock remembered that it might be advisable to have a conference committee, John Murphy of Douglas, John Begley of Sarpy and Gilbert Seeley were appointed to bear the glad tidings to the populist contingent and Ed A. Smith of Douglas, John Foley of Washington and J. W. Langdon of Sarpy to perform a similar function in the silver republican convention.

Calls for Mr. Bryan.

This was W. J. Bryan's cue to respond to calls for a speech. He said he had come to Omaha to attend another "democratic meeting," the one to extend a welcome to the Boers. The time had come when those who believed in a government founded upon the consent of the governed were looking to the democratic party. Most of the republicans believed in that principle, but republican leaders are not working on that theory just now. Speaking of the congresional contest in this district, Mr. Bryan ventured it as his moderate opinion that the fight is not altogether a hopeless one. He did not believe that the democrats should concede the election of any district in this state. It will be necessary to make gains in congress, as it would be useless to elect the executive, should the democrats succeed in doing so, unless congress were in accord with him. The party should gain two congressmen in this state and he announced his readiness to aid in doing it.

Characteristic Resolutions Adopted.

The committee on platform reported a voluminous document which was read by Chairman Piatti. It endorses in whole and in part, in letter and in spirit, the Chicago platform; favors amendments to the constitution authorizing an income tax and election of United States senators by direct vote; opposes government by injunction and the black list; favors arbitration between corporations and employes; approves the support given by democrats to municipal ownership; favors the initiative and referendum wherever it can be applied; favors liberal pensions to deserving soldiers and dependents, with enlistment and service as conclusive evidence against disease and disability before enlistment; favors immediate construction and fortification of the Nicaragua canal by the United States; condemns the Dingley tariff law as a trust-breeding and extortion-inviting measure; welcomes the opportunity of taking the federal government out of the hands of the republican party, which it arraigns; pledges war against all trusts; demands an American financial system with free coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1; declares for the issue of all money, paper or coin, by the government, the retention of greenbacks and retirement of national banknotes as fast as greenbacks can be substituted; declares against private monopolies and favors state legislation for their prohibition with supplementary legislation by congress; condemns the Porto Rican tariff; denounces the doctrine that congress or the president can exercise lawful authority beyond or in violation of the constitution; declares that a nation cannot endure half republic and half empire and denounces wars of conquest or colonial acquisition; demands a declaration of the nation's purpose as to the Filipinos; favors expansion of trade by legitimate and peaceful means, but opposes its purchase at the cannon's mouth; opposes militarism and a large standing army; regards with apprehension partiality toward any European nations; sympathizes with the Boers.

The resolutions were adopted without enthusiasm and after Edgar Howard had been authorized to select his own committee and the committee empowered to fill vacancies, the convention took a recess until 4:45 at the County Democracy headquarters. At that hour reports were received showing the endorsement of Howard by the other conventions and the democrats adjourned.

POPULISTS ENDORSE HOWARD

Take on the Sarpy County Statesman Despite Protests.

The populists endorsed the nomination of Edgar Howard, but did so over the protest of Howard's home county. Even the motion to make the nomination unanimous was met by a ringing and prolonged "N-n-n-o-o-o" from the Sarpy county corner. Still, he carried the convention by a narrow margin, the vote being: Howard, 48½; C. O. Lobeck, 42½.

The thirty delegates who made up the personnel of the convention met at 2:30 p. m. in the Peter Cooper club hall over an undertaking establishment on Farnam street and organized by electing H. Cohen as chairman and C. B. Sprague secretary.

The following delegates were appointed a conference committee to meet with similar committees from the democrats and silver republicans: R. M. Carpenter, Sarpy county; George Magney, Omaha; Peter Klewiz, Omaha; Allen Root, Douglas precinct; J. B. Whitfield, Washington county.

The convention then adjourned to 4:30, pending the report of the conference committee.

At that hour the delegates reassembled and George Magney, chairman of the committee, reported that the joint conference had decided upon Howard for congress. The announcement was received without demonstration of any kind. No enthusiasm was manifest.

Delegate Lawrence J. Quinby secured the floor and said:

Any Old Platform Good Enough.

"Ed Howard wished me to say that if this convention would endorse him we could make a platform just as radical as we pleased and he would stand on it!"

Delegate R. M. Carpenter of Sarpy county said: "I oppose the endorsement of Howard. I have lived as a neighbor of his in Sarpy county for twenty years and I know that a more relentless enemy of populism than Edgar Howard doesn't live."

J. J. Saville, chairman of the silver republican conference committee, reported that the choice of his committee was C. O. Lobeck for congress.

G. M. Hitchcock inserted a few remarks in the interest of harmony and tried to explain why the democrats had nominated a candidate before appointing a conference committee.

Tellers were appointed and the delegations proceeded to ballot between Howard and Lobeck. While the ballots were being counted several delegates changed their votes from the latter to the former and the result was announced, Howard 48½, Lobeck 42½. Mr. Lobeck thanked the convention for its vote and although not a delegate in it moved to make the nomination unanimous, but Sarpy county refused to swallow the democratic nominee and made known its dissent in a lusty negative vote.

The convention then chose a congressional committee and adjourned.

CLAMBERS ON THE BAND WAGON.

Free Silver Republicans Decide Howard is Good Enough for Them.

The free silver republican ring of the fusion circus opened its congressional engagement by the selection of Jay Burns as temporary chairman and Lawrence Rath as secretary, neither the chairman nor secretary of the committee being present. The temporary organization was made permanent and the thirteen persons present passed an order declaring themselves the delegates constituting the convention.

W. M. Maupin moved that Edgar Howard be the nominee of the convention, but no one seconded the motion. A motion declaring C. O. Lobeck the choice of the free silver republicans for the nomination prevailed and a committee was appointed to confer with the democrats and populists upon the matter. In the interval word was received from the democratic convention that Howard had been nominated and the friends of the democratic candidate made another unsuccessful attempt to have his nomination endorsed. W. M. Maupin, Lawrence Rath and J. W. Carr went to confer with the other conventions and recess was taken until 4 o'clock. A committee from the populist convention visited the free silver republicans and announced that the populists had refused to endorse Howard and awaited word from the free silver republicans.

At 4 o'clock the convention reassembled and heard a committee report by the conference committee that all three parties agree upon a candidate before any nomination be considered completed. This was agreed to and a committee was appointed to visit the populist convention in the interests of Lobeck. This committee returned in half an hour and reported that Edgar Howard had been nominated by the populists. The convention then nominated Howard and adjourned. The congressional committee of last year was continued in office.

PROSPERITY THEIR THEME

Fifth Ward Republicans Listen to Interesting Addresses by Harry Fisher and C. J. Greene.

At an unusually successful meeting of the Fifth Ward Republican club at Sixteenth and Locust streets Friday evening addresses were made by Harry Fisher of the Ninth ward and Charles J. Greene. The latter spoke for over an hour with characteristice force and eloquence and with republican prosperity as his theme. He said that the one great subject that is always of vital interest to all classes and conditions is prosperity, and that prosperity depends upon labor. There is nothing which can take the place of labor in elevating and strengthening the race—labor with the hands, with the mind or in the soul. Of the 75,000,000 people in this country about 50,000,000 depend for support upon the labor of the others. Of the latter are about 12,000,000 farmers, who wrestle with nature until their autumn harvests turn to gold in color as in quality, and then they are face to face with economic conditions in finding markets for their products. The great majority of laborers are dependent upon manufacturing interests for a field of effort, and these in turn are dependent upon capital. Capital will not venture to unlock its boarded treasures without confidence in the economic system of the country, and right here the republican party comes in. Rich and poor have confidence, and have reason to have confidence in the republican party and its leader, William McKinley, for whose renomination and re-election all classes and conditions will this fall work hand in hand.

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TWO DAYS IS LONG ENOUGH

Republican National Convention Has Its Work Well Mapped Out.

STATE CONTESTS ONLY WILL CAUSE DELAY

Customary Struggle of Southern Leaders for Recognition Will Be Settled Before Credentials Committee Is Appointed.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Philadelphia wants the republican national convention to remain in session for at least three days and hopes it will last five days. It is understood that there will be no night sessions of the convention, but even with that arrangement it will be difficult to hold the convention for more than two days. The presidential nomination is already decided. The vice president al nomination will hardly occupy the attention of the convention for more than half a day and very likely for but one ballot. There will be no difficulty about the platform. The party is well agreed on that point. The only thing left which promises to delay the convention are contests between different sets of delegates.

There are contests from nine states and the District of Columbia. The Addicks-Higgins-Dupont fight in Delaware will be carried to the national convention, as will the Evans-Brownlow fight in Tennessee. These are the only contests of national importance, though there is also a very lively scrap between the Grant-Green factions in Texas. Practically all the contests art from southern states which show no likelihood of adding an electoral vote to the republican column.

Will Head Off the CContestants.

It has been th epractice for many conventions for rival factions in these states to send contesting delegations to republican national conventions in the hope of getting both admitted with half a vote to each delegate. Then, if the party is successful in the election, the leadors of these southern factions turn up here in Washington with a demand for recognition, which always takes the form of desire for federal office. This year the republican managers have determined to take advantage of the fact that the other work of the convention is practically settled ahead of the assembling of the convention and give the time necessary to decide these contests in favor of one or the other of the factions. To this end Secretary Dick of the republican national committee has prepared a roll of delegates and received notices of contests and made up the cases as far as possible. Themembers of the national committee have been notified to be present at Philadelphia next Wednesday, June 13. They will sit as a preliminary tribunal for the hearing of these contests and make recommendations in each instance to the committee on credentials to be appointed by the convention. While the action of the national committee will not be either final or binding on the credentials committee, it is believed its recommendations will be followed by that committee and be ratified by the convention.

This departure from old methods will be hailed as a good move by delegates from republican states who have been immensely annoyed and harassed heretofore by rival factions of southern states who, in too many instances, find in federal offices their only reason of existence. It is given out semi-officially that the national committee will recommend the seating of the Brownlow delegation from Tennessee and the exclusion of the Evans delegation and the Addicks delegates from Delaware and the others.

Omaha Firm Gets the Work.

Quartermaster General Ludington made public today bids that have been accepted for improvements at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. Among the successful bidders is the firm of Graham Park & Co. of Omaha, which secures the plumbing at $6,448 and electric wiring at $1,050 of eight double sets of officers' quarters. This firm also secured the contract for wiring the bachelor officers' quarters, at $898; plumbing for the cavalry stables, at $14,086, and the construction of the artillery gun shed for $6,481. Letters notifying successful bidders that their bids had been accepted were sent out from the quartermaster's office this afternoon.

Senator Thurston was asked today whether he had decided upon his nomination to West Point Military academy, the bill having given each United States senator one appointment to the war college. The senator said that while he had a number of applications he had not arrived at any conclusion as to whom he would nominate for principal or alternate. Upon the question of holding an examination the senator said he did not look with any great degree of favor upon the scheme, although he admitted that it might save considerable worry. He believed, however, in the old way of appointing young men to West Point and if his nominee failed to continue appointing until a successful candidate is obtained. Several appointments must be made on or before July 10, as the examination will be held at West Point July 25, and should the principal fail in his examination then the alternate will have a chance at the September examinations. It is desirable to have the cadets join the war college in July, as it gives them a chance to go through the summer encampment work and familiarize themselves with practical military operations before they commence their studies in the theory of soldiering.

Free Homes Law Application.

Land Commissioner Herman has issued instructions to govern land officials in administering the free homestead law. Attention is called to the fact that only settlers under the homestead laws upon agricultural public lands which have already been opened to settlement prior to the passage of the bill are affected. No change is made in existing laws as to the time of submitting final proof and making payment of final commissions. Where final proof has been heretofore made for lands affected by the law and payment has not been made, such payment will not now be required. Where payments were authorized to be made in installments and partial payment has been made, but final proof has not been made, no other or further payment will be required when the homestead settler makes his final proof, except the payment of the final commissions and testimony fees. In reporting entries hereafter, where money is released, which if not released would belong to an Indian tribe, where sales were heretofore reported under a separate series, registers and receivers will continue so reporting them in accordance with instructions already issued. Where the right to commute homestead entries within any of the reservations covered by the law has been heretofore authorized by statute, settlers may commute their entries there in time and at prices now fixed by existing laws.

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No. 806—Round Mahogany Parlor Table—Twist center pillar—claw feet—size of top 30 inches in diameter and made to sell for $15.00—to be closed out with the balance of the pieces at **6.25**

No. 772—Library Table—heavy twist legs—large drawer and lower shelf—size of top 30x48—either oak or mahogany finish—former price $22—while they last **8.50**

No. 104—Mahogany Round Colonial Table—center pillar—brass trimmings—size of top 26 inches in diameter—regular price would be $7.50—closing price **3.25**

No. 753—Parlor Arm Chair—Hand carved arms and back—cast brass rococo trimmings—embroidered green silk velour panel in back—French legs and price $20.00—to close **8.25**

No. 391—Three-piece Parlor Set— very finely inlaid brass trimmings—open work back—former price $55—now **23.50**

No. 456—Very Large Arm Chair— French legs—arms very high—fine carving and pearl inlaid—silk tapestry (rose pattern)—upholstered—the regular price was $28—to close at **13.00**

This Solid oak Table—finely made—hand finish—size 16x16—good sized lower shelf—regular price—$1.25—clearing price— **75c**

This Solid Oak Dining Table, Heavy design—good slides and casters—6 feet long—size of top 42x42—price has been $8.75—closing price only **6.00**

This Solid oak cane seat Chair—well made—brace arm—supported back—special from $1.25 to **80c**

No. 48—Square Birch Table— shaped sides and ends—French legs—Florentine brass mounts—price was $12, now **5.00**

No. 918—Oval Parlor Table— 3 twist center pillars—shaped lower shelf—very fine hand carving on edge—size of top 24x32—regular price $12, now **5.50**

No. 152—Corner Case—Two round glass doors—mirror back—four shelves and empire carving on wood doors across bottom—stands 8 inches from the floor on French legs—worth $22—on sale **13.50**

No. 624—Corner Case—2 s/right glass doors—heavy moulding—takes wall space in corner 24 inches—was $15.00, now **8.25**

No. 272—China Case—size 38-in.— swell front—large lower drawer—all very fine quarter-sawed oak—golden oak finish—made to sell for $42—closing price **15.00**

No. 275—Hat Rack—Three large mirrors—very graceful Florentine carvings—the large center mirror 28x50—size of rack 6 feet long—regular value $150 special **52.50**

No. 650—Parlor Arm Chair—In-laid damask covering—scroll carving in back—former price $12—now on sale at **4.25**

No. 18—Solid Mahogany Book-Case—Two shaped glass doors—large mirror 38x12 above book case—with bric-a-brac shelf above—Rococo carving—stands 6 inches above floor on French legs—size of case 4 feet long, 6 feet high—former price $90—sale price **37.50**

No. 199—Real Mahogany Carved Window Chairs—Inlaid with pearl in back—silk damask upholstered seat—very stylish design—worth $25—on sale at **11.50**

No. 1022—Parlor Divan—Length three feet 6 inches—very fine spindle back—French legs—shaped seat covered in silk damask—original price $25.00—special closing price only **12.50**

No. 319—Arm Rocker—Sole leath-er seat and back—heavy carving—always sold at $10.00—closing price **4.75**

No. 250—Solid Mahogany Hand carved cane seat rocker—price was $14—reduced to **3.75**

No. 252—Double Cane Seat Hotel Rocker—Solid golden oak—nicely carved—wide flat arm—often used as a porch rocker—comfortable and large—we have a lot of 22 of them on sale—the standard price of these rockers is $5—now **2.75**

No. 100—Morris Chairs—Oak and mahogany finish—patent adjustable backs—fine, assorted colored velour cushion—regular selling price would be $12.00—while they last only **4.75**

No. 1,000—Large Oak Stationary Rocker—upholstered sapring seat and back—finely polished—price $14.00—closing price **6.00**

No. 508—Mahogany Music Cabi-net—panel door—brass trimmings—size 14x20—made to sell for $8.50—special **4.25**

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From Omaha to Chicago over the Northwestern is but a night's ride, and the most pleasant one in these days of railroad luxury. A double track span between Omaha and Chicago makes it a safe as well as a pleasant journey. A day's stop at the Grand Pacific Hotel, centrally located, will give an opportunity for a hasty glimpse of Chicago, and then a one-hundred-and-seventy-five-mile ride will bring one to Green Lake, Wisconsin, which is ten miles long and from two to four miles wide. With its richly wooded shores, added to its commodious summer hotels and cottages, it would be a pleasure to think of what "nineiy in the shade" would be in the store, office or factory. Two weeks at the Oakwood, which is the best hotel at Green Lake, is certainly a delightful prospect. No pleasanter place could be found to spend the summer. Boats, and all kinds of shady drives, and splendid fishing, make it one of the most attractive spots in Wisconsin. The weekly yacht races and hop add to the gaiety which can be expected. (Class A.)

THE NORTH WESTERN

This trip is over the Fremont, Elkhorn, & Missouri Valley Railroad to the Black Hills and Hot Springs and return. The Elkhorn carries you through one of the most beautiful farming countries in the world—the Elkhorn Valley, with its fertile fields and well-built bergs. Thence to the Black Hills, both picturesque and interesting, with its gold mines and typical western towns. The chief attraction there will be a two weeks' stay at the Hotel Evans, the finest appointed hotel in the west, at Hot Springs, which boasts of the largest and finest plunge bath in America. This will include all of the privileges of the baths without expense and this is a treat to be envied. Pleasant paths and drives, wonderful caves, cascades, canons, flowers and waterfalls go to make up the beauties which nature has abundantly furnished. (Class A.)

MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY

From Omaha to Kansas City over the Missouri Pacific, with three days at the biggest and best hotel in the west—the Coates House. The Coates House is eminently the leading hotel of Kansas City, and the traveler naturally says "The Coates House" in the same breath with "Kansas City." From Kansas City to Warrensburg, Missouri, is but a comparatively short trip. Just outside of Warrensburg is Pertle Springs, and the Hotel Minnewawa, where everything is as delightfully refreshing as the name. It is decidedly restful there, but still there is plenty to do if one has the inclination—boating, fishing, driving and other seasonable pleasures never allow time to hang heavy. Two weeks there will convince the fortunate young lady that the time is altogether too short. (Class B.)

RULES OF THE CONTEST

CLASS A—The young lady receiving the highest number of votes will have first choice of Class A trips, the next highest second choice, and so on. No votes will be counted for any young lady who does not earn her own living. No votes will be counted for Omaha Bee employes. The votes will be published each day in The Omaha Bee. The contest will close at 5 o'clock p. m. July 21st, 1900.

CLASS B—The three trips designated as Class B, will be awarded to the most popular young lady without restriction as follows: One to the most popular young lady living in Nebraska south of the Platte river. One to the most popular young lady living in Nebraska north of the Platte river, outside of Omaha and South Omaha. One to the most popular young lady living in western Iowa, not including Council Bluffs. The young lady of the three winners who receives the most votes, will have first choice of three trips, and the one receiving the next greatest number, second choice. All votes must be made on coupons cut from The Bee. Pre-payments for subscriptions may be made either direct to The Bee Publishing Company, or to an authorized agent of The Bee. The votes will be published each day in The Omaha Bee. The contest will close at 5 o'clock p. m. July 21st, 1900.

VOTES will be counted when made on a coupon cut from The Omaha Bee and deposited at The Bee business office or mailed addressed "Vacation Contest Dept.," The Omaha Bee, Omaha, Neb.