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'If any man must fall for me to rise, Then seek I not to climb. Another's pain choose not for my good. A golden chain, a obe of honor, is too good a prize Po tempt my hasty hand to do a wrong

Unto a fellow man This life hath woe sufficient, wrought by man's satanic foe. and who that hath a heart would dare proion Or add a sorrow to a stricken soul That seeks a healing balm to make it whole my bosom owns the brotherhood of man.



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PEOPLE'S INDEPENDENT PARTY STATE CONVENTION.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 18, 1894. The People's Independent electors of the tate of Nebraska are hereby requested to elect and send delegates from their respective counties to meet in convention at the city o Grand Island, Neb., on Friday, August 24, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nomiusting candidates for the following state officers, viz: Governor, lieutenant-governor secretary of state, treasurer, auditor, attorney. general, commissioner of public lands and buildings and superintendent of public instruction; and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the convention.

The basis of representation will be one dele gate at large from each county in the state and one additional delegate for each one hundred votes, or major fraction thereof, cast in 1853 tor Hon, Silas A. Hojcomb for judge of the supreme court, which gives the following vote counties:

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Antelope		Kearney 1
Banner		Keith
Blaine		Keya Paha
Boone		Kimball
		Knox
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Boyd	100	Lincoin 1
Brown	100	The state of the s
Buffalo	20	Loup
Burt	. 9	Madison 1
Butler	18	McPherson
Cass	11	
Cedar	- 6	
Chase	- 6	
Therry	- 6	Nemaha
Cheyene	- 6	Nuckolis
Clay	14	Otoe
Colfax.		Pawnee.
Cuming		Persins
Custer	25	Phelps 1
Dakota	- 2	Pierce.
Dawes	7	Pintie.
Dawson		Polk
Deuel	4	Red Willow
Dixon	7	Richardson
Dodge		Rock
Douglas		Saline
Dundy		Barby
Fillmore		Saunders
Franklin		Scotts Bluff
Frontier		Seward
Furnas	11	Sheridan.
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Hitchcock.		Webster.
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We would recommend that no proxies be allowed, but that the delegates present cast the full vote to which their respective counties are

J. A. EDGERTON. Secretary. D. CLEM DEAVER.

Take care, take care, 'tis a dangerous thing To goad the wolf to the end of his den. Injustice may crush, but it cannot kill The patient sense of a natural right. It may slowly move, but the People's will. Like the ocean in Holland, is always in sight

Hefore the law was written down with parch ment or with pen; Hefore the law made citizens, the moral made men.

Then let law die, my brother, but let human

Law stands for human rights, but when it fails those rights to give, beings live.

THE Democrats of Iowa are coming into the Populist party, it is reported. The same is true however in many other states.

THE Knights of Labor are arranging for twenty-four political railies in No- both the letter to Mr. Bryan and his and dividend drains to make up those told," we do expect. brasks this fall. Prof. d'Allemand is reply, we are of the same mind, and great incomes. The Populists propose Master Workman. The Knights are all Populiste.

been unseated by the House of Repre- tor to succeed Manderson. centatives, and Moore, Populist, secures after so long a time the seat to which he was sleeted

failure of memory we let the important siking him to announce himself a cannews matter of the action of the Ne- didate for the U. S. Senate and at the brasks Knights of Labor pass without same time make known the principles, simply the free coinage of silver. But fight with, for the alleged right to live many of the legislative reforms for every state. They would upon those notice. At the recent state meeting of the personal platform, upon which he if this is really in his opinion the great and grow rich by the sweat of others, which organized labor contends," con- bonds, bought at a discount, get perthe Knights at Omahu they took official would stand. The League committee lessue why does he stay in the party And as we look back through history tinues the call, and the opinion is exaction in the shape of a decision to sup- went on to say that upon making these which refuses to demand free and unport the Populist party, this fait. They announcements "the friends of bimetail- limited silver coinage, a party that has been shed on earth has been shed on ea are also to send out organizors to build ism in the Damocratic party propose to closed the mints against even the limit- by men controlled by the robber spirit, necessary to guarantee action along would obtain the power to draw an up the order. The Knights are all urge your nomination by that party." od colonge of silver! And why does he men determined to rule and to be served. legislative lines.

"AND YET SO FAR."

Mr. Bryan either lacks the disposition of heart, or the grasp of trute, to be a Populist. Therefore he casnot be United States senator from Nebraska

He aspires to be a leader of the people, yet does not knew, seemingly, what has brought them into bondage. He makes no mention of the vast and fast growing oppression of land monopoly he seems to think that the money monepoly would be troken (or the monopoly would be affected as much as he think safe) by coining silver free and he would promise to redeem all greenbacks in coin; be thinks the way to deal with the rail roads is to "control" them, a la maxi mum rate bill and interstate commerce bill style, we infer.

He has framed a platform about his own size to stand on, a platform that leaves out the Populist demands for government banks and money at cost, government owned railroads and transportation at cost, and he silently repudiates our stand against landlordism. Leaving out these fundamental, necessary reforms his platform is comparatively worthless, powerless to attract the intelligent, and it will be useful to him only in the degree that he can with it lead the undiscriminating to suppose that he is a thorough-going, practical

reformer. Mr. Bryan would be a leader of reform in the Democratic party, only it will not be led even the mild lengths which he goes. It is not a reform party but a spoils party. Yet he hangs on to it as a child to its mother.

But he has conceived the great idea of gathering the people of all parties about himself, his plan, his platform, his person being banked on as an attraction sufficiently powerful to destroy all other attractions and opposing or separating ideas. He rejects the Populist platform, and yet longs for the men who stand on it, and to allure them to him he has pieced together a patch work of small reforms which are unobjectionable to us, but of too little account. They are not large enough and do not promise enough to attract men. Not even with the brilliant Bryan thrown in can a party powerful enough to disintegrate other parties be built for him upon such a base.

Mr. Bryan wants the People's Independent party of Nebraska to endorse him and its voters to elect him to represent them, yet he refuses to be a Populist. We also refuse to be Democrats, and cannot be represented by Democrats. The mountain will not go to Mohamm-

ed. The most eloquent Democrat in the an intelligent Populist. The Populist ple. is a later product in the process of mental and moral evolution. The great- ident ineligible to reelection. est orator that lives cannot destroy the broad foundations of truth upon which our party is built. Neither is it possible to show that free silver is a great and adequate remedy for the monopoly ownership, take notice] of railroads. oppressions under which the millions groan. The free silver remedy con- terest of the people. Foreclosure and sidered apart (we include it, however) is not to be compared with the Populist financial system of government banks which we must have to prevent usury drains, periodically glutted markets, enforced idleness, an increasing proletariat army and conditions that breed a violent revolution.

No. Mr. Bryan, you are a man of pleasing presence and persuasive speech, but we want men to represent us, Populists to push our great platform demands, men who will proudly and fearlessly contend against land, money and transportation monopoly, all monopolies in fact, and according to the practical plans that the party decides on. We have eloquent men in our party, as eloquent as Mr. Bryan, but we do not delegate or elect any class of men to do our thinking for us. We are in no need of men outside of the party who are, or who think themselves, greater and wiser than the Populist party. The sturdy self-respecting rank and file of our party, the men who do their own thinking, cannot be lured outside the party by any silver tongue.

We suggest, in the interest of holding the Populist vote in its entirety for Populists, that the state convention make a choice for U.S. senator from its own ranks, and that such man make a campaign for the principles of our party platform.

BRYAN'S PLATFORM ANALYZED.

Ours," was written and in type before revenue." the letter of the Nebraska Free Coinage | "An income tax as a permanent part Democratic League appeared in the of our fiscal system" presupposes that consider him a menace, an enemy whose to cut off these income sources, and thus will is set to attract Populists out of the gradually reduce people to something party to himself, and so to destroy its like industrial equality. We declare FUNSTON of Kansas, Republican, has chances to elect a Populist U. S. sona- that"Wealth belongs to him who creates

last week the World-Herald contained labor. a latter from the Free Coinage Demo-By an oversight and an inexcusable cratic League ad irossed to Mr. Beyan,

to Bryan reads as follows:

We are confident that every element | free coinage? in the state favorable to the principles you have so ably championed are favorable to your election as United States enstor, and we are certain that the political party which does not champion your the masses of the people of Nebraska.

The italics in the above are ours Democrats.

cing his candidacy, he said:

The words which we have italicised portant words. They prove that Mr.

The principles which Mr. Bryan announces as his platform, boiled down, are as follows:

I. Tarlif for revenue.

II. An income tax as a permanent part of our fiscal system, preferring a and all parties have it in their plat- and thousands starving to death in the graduated tax.

III. Strict economy in public expenditures.

IV. The free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, and "the issue of full difference between these two demands terms of tribute. And they would allegal tender paper redeemable in coin. by the general government, in such quantities that the volume of the currency, gold, silver and paper together, will be so adjusted to the needs of business that the dollar will be staple in its purchasing power and thus defraud neither debtor nor creditor."

V. An amendment to the national constitution enabling the people to elect nation cannot make a Democrat out of U.S. senators by direct vote of the peo-

VI. An amendment making the pres-

VII. Liberal pensions toward disabled and needy soldiers, their widows and dependents.

VIII. Government control [not and other public corporations in the inon an exorbitant valuation."

extends.

X. Independence of caucus rule.

January."

Summing all up he says: "These, enemy. gentlemen, are my views, briefly stated, which are likely to become the subjects | him to destroy Populism. of federal legislation during the senatorial term, and by them I am willing to be judged."

But all these views fall far short of making Mr. Bryan such a man as the gent voter as having far-reaching benebriefly consider each.

of the schedule, and what shall and taxation to meet government expenses

To our readers who do not get the shall be cat." He shall not draw an

Mr. Bryan's third plank is part of the

profession of all parties.

His fourth plank, which he considers 'most important and far-reaching," is till it had no more men nor stores to The closing paragraph of this letter stay outside of the Populist party, the And this same selfish spirit still pre-

only party that makes the demand for

ulists embraces much more than free workers, not in exchange for labor, but whole move is a Populist scheme." coinage. We reject the doctrine that for the privilege of laboring, or for per- Great Populist movements of this sort greenbacks must be redeemed in gold mission to exchange labor products. are filling the old parties and ruling candidacy will not reflect the sentiment of or silver. And we demand that the And over these injustices, which are powers with consternation. The tailgovernment shall not only issue all the gathering all the capital and resources ure of the strike is driving the organizmoney, but that it shall be distributed (the means of subsistence on which The words itsilcised are evidently ad- to the people, loaned, as they need it, freedom depends) into few hands and the Populist party. It is their only dressed more to the Populist state con- and so kept in circulation, at a tax not correspondingly enslaving the masses, hope of salvation. And they are comvention, soon to meet, than they are to to exceed two per cent per annum, a universal conflict is resulting and will ing to us in bodies of hundreds of thous-Mr. Bryan. And they assume that the We call also for postal savings banks result. masses of the Populist party would pre- that the people may have a safe place fer to vote for a Democrat, which would to deposit their money. The mere issue prove them to be not Populists but of more money would only bring temporary relief. Through the channels Mr. Bryan's letter, over two columns of interest, rents and dividends it would by non-working stockholders. The A. long, we have not space for, but will gather itself into the hands of the mo R. U. strike was an effort to compel the here give the essential part of it. He nopolists and money loaners as often as Pullman company to pay living wages announces his candidacy and his plat- every ten years, and we would have and reduce its dividend demands. form. We read his letter with interest glutted markets, falling prices, panics Every conflict between organized labor to see if he had left the Democratic and period of business depression, just and the corporations is over this quesparty. He has not left it. His lan- as we used to have periodically before tion. The interest and rent questions guage shows that he has not changed silver was demonstized. It is not pos- are practically the same as the dividends since he said to a Bee reporter in Omaha sible to prevent falling prices, or to give question. By means of dividends, inthree or four months ago, "I am a to the dollar a staple purchasing power, terest and rent the power of monopo-Democrat, and shall remain with the by merely issuing money to the people. lists is steadily increasing, and the party." In his letter last week, announ- It must be kept steadily circulating by means of government banks of loan, de-It will be my aim, if elected, to act posit and exchange, which, loaning at tinues to legally rob them. Dividends, with those of my own party and with those of every other party who are striving to repeal the unjust laws now monopoly tribute with a corresponding monopoly tribute, with a corresponding | wretchedness, indescribable suffering, lation as may be necessary to protect percentage of goods left in the markets degradation and class hatreds; and un-Mr. Bryan does not recognize this. . He in the foregoing paragraph are the im- therefore is not a statesman. He is not qualified to serve the people in the Bryan is a Democrat, that he is not a great matter of needed financial legisla- The landlords, capitalists and money Populist. And the distinctively Popu- tion. And he has no word to say against loaners of today believe the working list principles which he rejects would land monopoly. Financial legislation, classes ought to labor for the enrichmake it impossible for him to vote with even the perfect, equitable system ment of their political and economic the Populists for distinctively Populist which the Populists propose, must be

nopoly and speculation.

troversy, nor is it probable that the slaveholders were. courts would uphold such compulsion.

We should have added to the above ership of the telegraph system. This alone is distinctively a Populist party Mine Workers Knights of Labor Amer demand. But very many men in both ican Rallway Union and Street Railthe old parties favor it.

Now observe, Mr Bryan is not standing on, he has deliberately rejected the garding political action and issue a call vital part of our platform, the three for a state conference August 15, the great Populist demands by which we day preceding the People's party conwould secure destruction of the money, vention. The leaders have decided to wansportation and land monopolies. lead the ranks of organized labor into sale of the Pacific railways, or their He is a Democrat, and, therefore, if politics that the workers may get conpurchase and operation by the govern- elected, will oppose distinctively Popument, "in order that the commerce of list legislation, except in the matter of they have 200,000 votes and they will Nebraska and other western states may nationalizing the telegraph. He does be turned to the People's party. not be burdened by tolls to pay interest not recognize the three great sources of wealth concentration, or, if he sees IX. In capital and labor disputes how they are robbing, ruining and en-"the application of the principle of ar- slaving the workers, he takes no strong bitration as far as the federal authority effective stand against their legalized continuance. His hope is to draw the abetted by the executive, judicial and Populists away from their platform, The fourth plank above given defines away from their party, away from the what Mr. Bryan calls "the most import- legislation we demand and need, to elect ant and far-reaching question which him as a Democrat to the senate. He will confront the senators elected next knows he cannot be elected in any other way. He is therefore our political

Let the state convention speak out upon the most important questions against the suicidal policy of helping onstration to convince those who are

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

The signs of the times are best read by those whose knewledge of present times demand. There is not a single thought and social forces is greatest. measure of great value, or one that Asd among those whose knowledge is strongly commends itself to the intelli- most thorough and comprehensive there is much agreement in affirming ficial and lasting effect, in the legisla- that great dangers, and difficult to avert, prisonment those who advise and those tion which Mr. Bryan favors. Let us confront us. "Blood and fire and vapor of smoke" are declared to be but just "Tariff for revenue" leaves forever below the horizon. Will the "great and open the war over and corruption incl- notable day" of justice that the opdent to the adjustment and readjustment pressed millions have long cried for with public good has been either ignorcome suddenly and violently, or is the ed. ridiculed or denied. what shall not be duty free. Direct light spreading so widely and with such warming, melting power that we shall lican or Democratic party, one of which The article entitled, "No Fusion in is a great improvement over "tariff for be saved from the clash and crash of made possible and is responsible for the elemental forces?

"The bright day from heaven unrolled, the glad morn whose fadeless other for its inability or neglect to World-Herald. But now, after seeing there must always remain interest, rent glory prophets and bards so long fore- make good its promises to redress the

""Tis coming up the steep of time And this old world is growing brighter.

But the forces of darkness in the social sphere fight like wild beasts over the proy. But thirty years ago this country declare that the wage workers' hope it," and "if any will not work neither was divided and deluged with blood. North and South contended in most daily news we should state that early income from the product of others' flerce and murderous war till militions says: were swept down by cannonshot and musketry, and bayonet and saber.

What was it all about?

Why, the South second and fought the interest of our country.

vails in the industrial, commercial and urged to send at least one delegate to political world. Rent, interest and But the money question with the Pop- dividends are now demanded from the

We might as well face the music at once. The Homestead trouble was a struggle to force down wages in order to increase or hold up dividends demanded workers in increasing number are being made dependent on the class that confuture it will be secured in spite of law

The slave holders believed black men were ordained of heaven to serve them. masters. The slaveholders of a genersupplemented by a land tax which will ation ago fought furiously to retain their gradually reduce and destroy land mo- power over the workers. The rent interest and dividend monopolists today Mr. Bryan's fifth and sixth planks are | will fight as bitterly and kill as mercinot questions of pressing importance. lessiv to perpetuate their tribute-com-His seventh demand all will agree to manding power. Why are millions idle forms. His eighth demand is not a greatest agony today? Simply because Popu ist demand. We demand not the capitalists will not employ men and control, but the government ownership money loaners will not lend money and and operation of, the railroads. The landlords will not lend land, only on is vital. It is the difference between a low half the people in the land to starve plan that is practical, and one that has before they would yield their claim to already been found to be of little or no this price which they fix upon liberty and labor. Nevertheless it is an unjust His ninth plank is indefinite, and claim, and the ballot will yet decide compulsory arbitration is neither likely against it. Then, if the capitalists rebel to be accepted by either party in con- they will be put down, as the southern

GREAT LABOR MOVEMENT TO US

The representatives of the United way Employers' Union met in Columbus, Ohio, August 2nd, to confer retrol of the government. In Ohio alone

The printed call says:

The stirring events witnessed in connection with abor troubles during the past few months should convince all honest, ardent advocates of labor's cause that corporate power, when aided and military arm of the state and national government, can and will override the rights of our people and oppress wageworkers, regardless of the efforts of organized labor, as now constituted and directed to prevent it. That organized labor prefers concilia-

tory and peaceable methods for adjusting wages and other disputes between employer and employed needs no demfamiliar with the past industrial history of our state or country, but when such methods were ignored or spurned to employers the right to strike still remained and proved to be our most potent weapon to protect our rights and strike down our wrongs.

Until lately a strike was considered a legitimate method of industrial warfare but as the law is now applied it practi cally restrains workingmen from striking to redress grievances or ameliorate conditions and punishes by fine and imwho direct them; it has placed an embargo upon thought and a restraint upon expression and action to such an extent that our right of free speech and the greatest personal liberty consistent

It is evident that labor cannot hope for relief at the hands of either the Repubgreat power exercised by concentrated and corporate wealth now used to plus der and oppress the people, and the

Attention is called to the fact that the Federation of Labor, Knights of Labor, and the different national and inter-national trade organizations at St. Louis for future prosperity depends upon independent political action, and then

Recent events in industrial affairs have served notice upon us that the time for such action cannot longer be

the convention.

The old party press declares that"the ed working millions of the nation into

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE.

The condition of the western half of the state, we learn from parties who have just returned from Custer county is a condition of appalling destitution. Custer is a sample county, and the Beacon states that:

There is not enough food in the county to last till show flies, and cold weather will soon come in its season. Hundreds of people are now in actual want, and filled with fear as to the outcome. Many have already abandoned their homes in the hope of bettering their condition, leaving the fruits of years of unrequited toil It is too bad. Words cannot express our sorrow.

A call is made in the Beacon for the county board to call a special election to vote either for county bonds or warrants to pay labor and build irrigation ditches and improve the roads. THE WEALTH MAKERS advises that the work be paid for in county warrants receivable for taxes. Then they will circulate as money and be non-interest

The Lancaster county Populists called for public employment of the Nebraska drouth sufferers on the roads and digging irrigation ditches, and that they be paid in such state and county warrante. It was the plank drawn by the writer, appearing in the platform we proposed in our last issue. We also urged in the last WEALTH MAKERS that an extra session of the legislature be called to convene not later than October 1. We think now there should not be any delay. The people are in urgent need. In this issue our readers will find an appeal from Buffalo county for an extra session of the legislature. The First National Club of Lincoln has also presented an appeal to the governor (or the Lieutenant Governor, Crounse is away) to immediately call the legislature in extra session to provide the people work upon state irriga-

WHY DEBS IS PERSECUTED.

Eugene V. Dabs is hated by the ruling class not so much for what he has done as an organizer and leader of the A. R. U. in its great strike, as he is for what he has said to lead his great following out of the old parties into the Populist party. July 29th he spoke in the opera house at Terre Haute, Ind., which seats 1800 people. Fully 2,500 people crowded in to hear him. He talked about the strike, and in closing touched on politics as follows:

There is not a wrong that cannot be righted by the intelligent use of the ballot. Men have marched under false banners unwittingly. There is no difference between republicans and democrats so far as labor is concerned. [Great cheering.] From 1873 to 1894 we had a high protective tariff, and in 1873 the tramp was born. It's not a question of the tariff at all. It is a uestion of money. [Wild applause.] But the powers that be under both parties have ever gone into partnership with the oppressors of labor. I've reached that point where I believe it absolutely necessary to good government to wipe out both of the old parties Here the entire audience arose and cheered for five minutes,] I am ashamed that I have voted three times for Grover Cleveland. [Renewed cheers.] Take off your party fetters. Be of and for yourself. I now say to you in all earnestaess, I am a Populist. [Wild cheering.

The Populist party is now the popular party. The workers, and all who call for justice and equal rights and privileges, are crowding into it and halling it as the only hope of the country. It is wonderful how the current is setting toward us. It now seems probable that the Populist party will poll the heaviest vote in 1898, and we may have a rebellious money power to deal with in '97, as we had a rebellious stave power to fight in '61.

THE INCONSISTENCY OF CRITICS The New York Tribune of August 2nd,

has in its editorials this paragraph: Peffer declared the other day that he would gladly vote to abolish the United States Senate. But he has not yet taken the first step in the direction of abolishing himself.

And the very next paragraph reads as follows:

The question uppermost in Washington is this. "Do the Trusts own both flouses of Congress and the President

THE capitalists of the country are bacoming greatly interested in the Good Roads question. The 5th of last month they gathered from forty states, 400 in number, and held a convention in Asbury Park, N. J. Their entire interest delayed with safety to our interests and in the roads is a desire to get a million sollars worth of interest bearing, gold "The People's party is pledged to fifty year bonds out of each county in