APPLICATION FOR A CHARTER.

We the undersigned citizens of..... Precinct.....County, Neb, desiring to organize an Independent Club in conformity with the constitution and by-laws issued by the State Central Committee of the People's Independent party of Nebraska, do hereby apply to the Secretary of the State Central Committee for a charter for the same, and for all necessary papers and instructions.

[When seven names have been secured forward to C. H. Pirtle, Secretary, Lincoln, Nebraska.]

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AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

The fact is fully demonstrated that Nebraska democrats will do nothing out side of the dictation of Boyd and his crowd of railroaders, and the stinkers for the eastern monopolies. This was fully demonstrated in the recent democratic convention in Omaha when Boyd got almost a unanimous vote for delegate to the national convention, and a plank in the platform declaring for free silver was defeated. Democratic farmers, if you want justice and right you will have to cut loose from your democratic party.—St Paul *Phonograph*.

Now that Church Howe has been endorsed by the Nemaha county republicans for congress, we would like to ask the gentleman if he proposes to run on his free silver platform of two years ago or upon the so-called "honest money" platform of Saturday's convention? —Nemaha County *Herald*.

The FARMERS' ALLIANCE and the NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT have been consolidated and Mr. Thornton of the *Independent* is the editor of the combined paper with Mr. Pirtle and Mr. Thompson as assistants. Both papers have been ably edited and managed heretofore, but from this union of forces the people may expect one of the ablest journals in the country, and they will not be disapointed.—Alma *Reporter*.

There is a difference between the old party platforms and that of the people's party: The new party's platform says something that means something; the old party ptatforms say something that means anything.—Bartlett *Independent*.

The Oxnards now want the bounty placed on the raising of beets and not on the production of sugar. And if it should be done they would at once proceed to raise their own beets and get the bounty. Those Oxnards are a thrifty set.—Lincoln *Herald*.

The protective tariff argument that the starving condition of Russia's peasantry is due to the McKinley bill will hardly bear inspection. According to the McKinley idea we make paupers of foreigners and then expect to sell them our truck when they are dying of starvation. It is under these conditions that our protective tariff barons import this pauper labor to take the place of American workmen at lower wages. See?—Beatrice *Arbor State*.

Should Judge Gresham be the nominee of the independents it would mean a great deal. It would justify every voter who is dissatisfied with his party in casting his ballot for a change. It would stamp the new party with permanence and respectability. It would make the movement formidable at this election and fix its status for the future. It would put both the old parties on the alert to find out and grant what the people want. It would altogether and in every way be a grand good thing for the people of the country. And if the leaders of the independent party are honest and patriotic, if they are what they pretend to be, they will at the earliest moment ascertain whether Judge Gresham can be induced to enter the field. If he can no other name should be heard at Omaha.—Lincoln *Herald*.

"Free silver is all right, but the east won't stand it." Let the east go to—Canada then. The west and south have laid down and rolled over before eastern money mongers about long enough. —Texas *Stockman*.

The independents have nominated strong candidates for municipal offices in several places. Particularly is this so of St. Paul, Minn., where, according to the *Pioneer-Press*, all the best citizens will rally to its support. The example is worthy of emulation.—Omaha *Republican*.

The democracy of Nebraska has thrown away its last oar. If it had had the courage to take a brave stand for free coinage and an increase of circulation, the party might have had some chance for favor with the people this fall, but now the democracy of the state has gone on record as opposed to the one great reform which the farmers and many of the business men are demanding, and the doom of the party in Nebraska is sealed.—Lincoln *Daily Sun*.

An editor of an Iowa paper being asked: "Do hogs pay?" says a great many do not. They take the paper for several years and then have the postmaster send it back marked, "refused; gone west."—*Ex*.

The consolidation of the *Alliance* and *Independent* was a wise and sensible move. It will strengthen the cause they both so ably advocated, and it cannot fail to become a financial success. It will be a journal that will wield a powerful influence.—Clay Center *Progress*.

The crop of politics to be harvested next fall should interest every farmer to a greater extent than his crop of cereals because if legislation is unfavorable to him he will not be benefited beyond a living even if he reaps a larger harvest than ever before. Every farmer should help plant political reform and let the harvest be twofold next fall.—Ellwood *Independent*.

Lincoln's daily *Call* had an "elegant" half column write-up of a new saloon started there. This is something out of the usual order for the *Call* to do such advertising, but we suppose its "owl" right if they are paid enough for it.—Superior *Guide*.

The Texas legislature has passed a bill gerrymanding the congressional districts so badly that it is denounced even by the democrats themselves. One democratic member of the legislature declares it to be an "unconscionable gerrymander," and the democratic Galveston *News* says it does not see how the Governor can sign it, as its inequalities are so marked."—Philadelphia *Press*.

The democrats of Nebraska had a regular Punch and Judy time in state convention last week at Omaha, over the free coinage of silver, but the convention, in spite of the personal appeals of congressman Bryan to sustain his position in favor of the silver dollar, voted against the white metal and kissed the golden calf of Wall Street.—Ulysses *Dispatch*.

FREE ADVERTISING.

Few people have any idea of the amount of free advertising given by newspapers. And fewer still even give them any credit for it. But Mr. Mobley of the World's Fair Commission is an exception. At a recent meeting he told the commission how much free advertising it had received from the press of Nebraska. He estimated the amount of this free advertising to be "the equivalent of at least 4,000 colums of newspaper advertising, and by this method it is safe to say that at least nine-tenths of the reading people of the state have been reached. The combined circulation of the papers publishing this matter, based on the very low estimate of 500 for each paper, would be 250,000, which enter the homes of the people of every section of Nebraska.

To have reached a similar number of people through the medium of public meetings would have necessitated 750 meetings with an average attendance of 500 people at said meetings, and to have presented a similar amount of information would have required at least four hours of toilsome talk at each meeting.

To have reached the same number of people by means of printed circulars would have required at least 500,000 circulars, to print and mail which would have entailed an expense of at least $6,000 for printing and postage alone, to say nothing of the work of mailing.

The typesetting alone for this volume of matter, if set separately in each of the offices of the 500 papers publishing the same, at the regular average rate for typesetting would cost the snug sum of $6,000, or $12 for each paper.

Owing to the kindness of the press and ready print houses of Nebraska this work has been done without the expenditure of a dollar aside from two or three dollars for postage and the few days time spent in the preparation of the matter and attention to the correspondence with the papers."

The Book to Buy.

Correct use of language is as important as correct habits of thought. He who would use words correctly should have the best dictionary extant, and that is undoubtedly *Webster's International Dictionary*.

The cheap reprints of Webster's Dictionary as issued forty years ago, are worthless. A living language is subject to change and growth, and this is especially true of the English language. Hence a dictionary in order to be complete and reliable *must be revised up to date*. The new *International* is the greatest book of the kind ever issued. It is a very encyclopedia of information. If you want to buy a dictionary you should get no other.

"Bread-Winners and Bond-Holders."

Several years ago some ardent advocate of protection made up a table of figures showing how much faster wealth had accumulated in the manufacturing states than it had in the agricultural states. This statement was not allowed to circulate long. It was called in lest it should prove an eye-opener to the farmers. Nothing of the kind has been put out since till within a few months, and not by protectionists, not by any means. The people's party cranks are having their inning at statistics now. S. S. King of Kansas City, Kansas, has got out a little book on "Bond holders and Bread-Winners" which shows up the concentration of wealth in the manufacturing states in a most striking and convincing manner. It gives the figures fresh from the census office and is illustrated with diagrams. This little book should be in the hands of every voter in Nebraska. It deals with "money and transportation" as well as taxation.

McKEIGHAN'S speech on the "free wool bill." appears on our first page. Although he was only granted a very short time time on this bill, he scored some strong points. Democrats have all along been claiming that there is no difference between themselves and the people's party on the tariff. The speeches of McKeighan, Watson, and Jerry Simpson have opened their eyes to their mistake. The democrats have cried out against the tariff as "a system of robbery." Yet they have only proposed to rob the people about five per cent less than the republicans. The Alliance orators are demanding that every system of robbery be abolished, the tariff among the rest.

AT THE hour of going to press the republican state convention is in session at Kearney, and the politicians are having a "high old time." Rosewater does not seem to be "in it." John L. Webster, Judge Cobb, L. D. Richards and J. L. Keck of Kearney will probably be the delegates-at-large to Minneapolis.

The Bible says, "The laborer is worthy of his hire," but it doesn't say he will get his dues without asserting his rights.

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.

J. Y. M. SWIGART, Secretary of the Nebraska Mutual Cyclone, Tornado and Wind Storm Insurance Company, EDITOR. All communications on Fire, Cyclone or Hail Insurance should be addressed to him at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Hail.

Since the article on Hail Insurance which we published March 31st, we have received many letters on that subject, but as there are no funds on hands to pay postage with we will answer through this Department.

We are using our utmost energy to organize an exclusively wind storm insurance company, but as there were so many wanting hail insurance we have formulated the following plan as the only feasable one by which we could recommend any one to insure.

While this plan may not be perfect, it will do for an experiment and will give us a nucleus upon which we can build a permanent company next year.

The cost will be very small even if every cent is collected. All losses and expenses will be reported in this Department as they occur and each member will receive an itemized statement of all transactions at the time the assessment is made, Nov. 1st. No losses will be paid until Dec. 1st, because we want all loosers to get pay in proportion to the amount of losses sustained by all members of the company; further we do not want to go to the expense of making more than one assessment.

Any member may insure any or all of his crop, but must insure all he has of the variety he asks insurance on.

A member is only asked the small fee of fifty cents which we think is amply sufficient to pay all office expense and pay for actual work done.

You could not expect any one to go into the field and make a business of soliciting; therefore if each one who is interested in this class of insurance will carefully read this article and send a card to me stating number of acres and kind of crop you will insure, and then tell your neighbors what you have done and let them read this Department, and when we have 100,000 acres promised we will mail you a blank contract, similar to the one below outlined, and each one can be his own agent. Remember that only fifty cents is paid at the time of insuring and nothing more until Dec. 1st.

We have formulated this plan and given it to you for your approval or rejection as the case may be.

We do not think it best to make insurance good before we have $10,000 promised and that must be well distributed over the state so that a single storm would not use up all of premium.

We now leave it to you whether you have the insurance or not. Each of you must put in a little time to secure postal card promises from your neighbors right away or the company will go by the board.

Bro. J. M. Thompson, secretary of the state alliance, has consented to act as treasurer, and as there is no use for any other officer except secretary we will do that work or have it done at a cost not to exceed two dollars per day. When writing be sure to name the county and direct all communications pertaining to insurance to J. Y. M. Swigart, Lincoln, Neb.

We here give you a form of contract similar to the one that will be sent to each one who wants insurance:

CONTRACT.

I hereby apply for insurance against loss or damage by hail in the Nebraska Mutual Hail Insurance Company on the following number of acres:

——— acres of wheat.
——— " " corn.
——— " " oats.
——— " " .....
——— " " .....

Total No. of acres insured ———. For which I hereby agree to pay a membership fee of fifty cents in cash and further agree to pay ten cents per acre on the first day of Nov., 1892, for the total number of acres above enumerated; or as much thereof as may be necessary to pay losses and expenses of the company.

The applicant hereby also agrees to be governed by the following rules:

1st. All losses in small grain will be adjusted during July, August or September, and losses on corn will be adjusted during October.

2nd. After the total amount of losses and expenses have been ascertained the secretary will make an assessment on all members in proportion to the amount he has insured, and the amount thus collected will be apportioned to those who have had losses.

3rd. No member shall be paid more than five dollars per acre.

4th. In case the amount of losses exceed the amount collected, each member hereby agrees to accept in full payment of his adjusted claim his proportionate share of said amount collected.

5th. The member further agrees to pay his assessment within fifteen days after Nov. 1st.

6th. All losses will be paid December first.

I have read or heard read the foregoing contract and I hereby agree to the same.

Dated this — day of ———, 1892.
Section ——, Town ——, Range ——.
——— P. O., ——— County, Nebr.
Signed ———.
Witness ———.

Cyclone.

We have now $120,000 insurance on file in the Cyclone insurance company and therefore hope to be able to place the company on its feet by May 15th at the farthest. But if all who have promised to send us some applications will fulfill their promises we will be able to make the insurance good before that time.

THE farmers should take pride in the country schools, should build up and improve them. They should not be in haste to take their children out of the country school and send them to the graded school of the city. If the farmers themselves discredit their own schools, is it any wonder that city people come to look with disdain upon the "destrict schools' as they sneeringly call them? Is it any wonder the farmer's boys and girls become ashamed of the humble schools and the simple life of the country and turn their faces toward the city? A revival of interest in country schools is needed throughout Nebraska.

DEAR people of Saunders county: The *State Journal* is disgusted at you. It can't understand why you run off after every "fad and ism" when you are so well fixed. In the old greenback days you listened to the harangues of Thompson Bissell and Bill Dech, and have never fully recovered. You have fine farms, good houses and plenty to eat; still you have actually taken the lead in this alliance craze. You have actually helped elect some of the cranks to office, and you don't seem to get any better—if anything, worse. You are clear beyond the pale of the *Journal's* philosophy. If you don't change your ways soon, it will set you down as a political monstrosity.

WHOM SHALL WE NOMINATE?

In response to our request of last week a large number of cards have been received. Below we publish as many as we have room for.

DONNELLY AND POLK.

My first choice for president is Ignatius Donnelly; for vice-president, L. L. Polk. They represent the north and south, besides being good strong timber. FRED LILLIBERG.

Wayne, Nebr.

WEAVER AND POLK.

Weaver of Iowa for president and Polk of N. C. for vice-president; Donnelly, Powderly, Watson, Loucks of Dakota, Peffer and Jerry Simpson for members of the cabinet.

Reynolds, Nebr. C. E. BULLOCK.

LINCOLN AND BRECKINRIDGE.

We want a man for president who can carry the west and one for vice-president who can carry the south. To my mind the best men, if measured by their chances to win, are Robert T. Lincoln and Congressman Breckinridge of Kentucky, providing they will endorse our platform. I believe they are honest men and sure to be elected. The son of Abraham Lincoln will destroy prejudice in the north, and the son of the democratic nominee of 1860 will destroy it in the north.

Stoddard, Nebr. NORMAN DOWDIN.

WEAVER AND POLK.

The "north and south" rather than the "east and west," for obvious reasons. Weaver and Polk. Weaver, the vigilant and unchangable, the able and distinguished veteran of unswerving loyalty, mature experience and national fame. Polk a paragon of purity perfection and power, of whom all pure patriots and people's party promoters feel proud. L. P. CUMMINS.

Rushville, Neb.

WEAVER AND POLK,

are my choice for the head of our ticket. Both are sound true and tried on the supreme issue, the money question. Also it is good politics and sound statesmanship to thus recognize and if possible reunite on new issues and interests the once divided sections of our common country. This union can never be accomplished, nor the present evils overthrown, so long as either the democratic or republican party remains in power. JOHN JEFFCOAT.

Omaha, Neb.

WEAVER AND POLK.

My reason is: They are and have been the leaders of the two largest labor organizations in our country, and can bring to their adherence more of the laboring people than any other persons. It is the votes of the masses we need. JOHN S. MAIBEN.

Palmyra, Neb.

FAVORS GRESHAM.

The candidate should have an honorable reputation with unquestioned ability, conservative, honest and just. I know of no man who stands higher with the masses of the Amsrican people or more truly represents them than Judge Water Q Gresham, the soldier, the citizen, the just judge.

Kearney, Neb. A. H. BOLTIN.

WATSON AND SIMPSON.

My choice for president is Watson of Georgia for the reason that we are the only party that dares nominate a southern man. We have no bloody shirt to fling. Jerry Simpson is the man for second place. R. A. ROCK.

Oakland, Nebr.

WEAVER AND POLK OR POWDERLY.

Mark me down for Gen. J. B. Weaver for president, the man who has never flinched and who dared to stand up almost alone and do battle for the masses. He has ever been found on the side of right, truth, honesty, justice, and ever will be. For the second place we have a host of good men: T. V. Powderly or L. L. Polk either one would be a power. But I am for the ticket to be named next 4th of July at Omaha.

Winside, Neb. H. B. MILLER.

WEAVER AND POST.

My choice is James B. Weaver for president, and C. C. Post of Georgia for vice-president. We must have a man for president that knows no north and no south, and above all things stands square on the money question. I know that Weaver is all right in that respect. P. B. OLSON.

Malmo, Neb.

FOR THE CAMPAIGN OF '92.

The Alliance-Independent Till After Election For Fifty Cents in Clubs of Five or More.

Fifty Thousand New Readers Wanted. Help Us Secure Them And Thus Insure Victory.

The campaign of 1892 will be one of the most exciting and momentous in the history of the nation.

The great battle of the people against Plutocracy is to be fought. Victory for the People depends on their zeal and energy in spreading the light. The ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT will be a great power in arousing and educating the people. It should be in the hands of every independent voter. It should be in the hands of thousands of democrats and republicans who are willing to read both sides. Its columns will be an arsenal from which the soldiers of reform may arm themselves with facts, figures and arguments. The ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT will give full and accurate reports of the great conventions of '92. It will give the news of the movement from all parts of the state and nation. It will give reports of the work done by "the alliance wedge" in congress. We want someone in every community to solicit subscriptions, Address the

ALLIANCE PUBLISHING CO.,
Lincoln, Neb.

Meetings.

General Van Wyck and Hon. W. H. Dech will address the people of Grand Island on Friday, April 29th, at 7:30 p. m. General Van Wyck will go from there to Lexington, where he speaks on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Dech will speak at Germantown the same day.

Lancaster County Alliance

Holds its regular meetings at K. of L. Hall, Lincoln, Neb., the first Friday of each month at 2 p. m.

WM. FOSTER, Secretary,
Saltillo, Neb.

Wanted.

Red Clover, Timothy and Millet seeds. If you have any to sell send samples to

J. W. HARTLEY, State Agt.

Cotner University Summer School

Commences July 5th and lasts 8 weeks. Tuition $8; board and room $2 50 per week. Classes organized in leading studies from intermediate Arithmetic to Geometry onu Cicero. Write for particulars to PROF. E. D. HARRIS,
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