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Publishers Announcement. The subscription price of the ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT is \$1.00 per year, invariably in advance.

GLADSTONE ON BI-METALISM. On page one of this issue appears Gladstone's late remarkable utterance on the currency question.

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE'S ADDRESS. On page six of this issue will be found an address from the populist national committee.

MAKING PURCHASES. The class of persons who purchase from manufacturers or large distributing stores by "mail orders" is large and increasing.

THE RICH AND THE POOR. "All men are born free and equal" is a mighty fine-sounding phrase, but how much does it mean to the children of the poor of the present generation?

TO SMASH THE COMBINE. Among the many meetings of national importance to be held in the World's Fair city this season, perhaps there is none of greater importance to the people.

A DECEAYED PARTY. The decay of the republican party has never been more emphatically shown forth than it was by the convention of republican clubs at Louisville last week.

A LEISURE CLASS. Some recent writers have noted with pleasure that we are developing conditions that conduce to the establishment of a leisure class in America.

A SERIOUS MISTAKE. Many Nebraska populists, and among them two or three editors, are making a serious mistake in dealing with the A. P. A. question.

A TRUST is simply a giant corporation made up of lesser corporations.

the wisdom, the inspiration of their works. Under such conditions civilization can go on till mankind reaches the highest possible development.

What prospect is there that the conditions now developing in America will ever produce such a class? What class of persons are amassing the fortunes which make leisure possible?

Under the conditions we are developing, the men and women who would employ leisure for the up-lifting of their fellowmen can not achieve the material independence which is the basis of leisure.

There is but one way in which talented men and women can ever become persons of leisure under the conditions we are developing, and that is as pensioners of the rich.

Will such pauper preachers ever denounce the crimes of the rich? Will they ever proclaim the rights of the poor? Will such pauper historians ever write true histories of the age in which they live?

Already just such a leisure class as we have described is in process of establishment in America. Already hundreds of pulpits, and endowed professorships are filled with talented intellectual prostitutes.

How indeed can a leisure class that will labor for the elevation of the masses be established when the very conditions which give rise to it rest on the robbery and degradation of the masses?

We want no leisure class in America. We want justice. We want just laws, justly administered. We want an industrial system under which all men enjoy all the fruits of their labor.

Leisure will not then be confined to a class; it will be universal.

The republican party has never been more emphatically shown forth than it was by the convention of republican clubs at Louisville last week.

The time and the occasion were such as to demand important and decisive action. But the action of this convention was weak and trifling in the extreme.

The republican party has been banking on its gall for many years. When that falls there is nothing left. There has not been a time in twenty-five years when such important issues were pressing for solution.

But the men assembled in that convention did not show by a single act that they realized the gravity of the situation. In their platform, they

- 1. Endorse the last national platform of the party. 2. Point with pride to the passage of the car-coupler bill; 3. Demand a system of arbitration. 4. Declare for genuine secret ballot laws.

Not a word about pensions or old soldiers. No condemnation for trusts. Nothing to say about national banks. Silent as the grave on the silver question.

We believe it is safe to assert that never before in the history of this country did a great representative political body adopt such a trifling platform under such circumstances.

The people can expect nothing from the republican party. It will never reform itself. It will never attempt to reform the nation. It will not even recognize the need of reform.

The republican party is afflicted with the dry rot. Its decay is well-nigh completed. Its end is near.

If shown up in its true light, it can never succeed. To show it up is the duty of every populist speaker and editor. But in so doing they should beware of discussions which will help to build up the very organization they are trying to destroy.

The object is to devise ways and means for crushing the great coal combine.

The Minnesota legislature set the ball rolling. Under instructions from the legislature of that state Gov. Nelson issued a call for the convention.

The States and Territories which have promised to send delegates are Maine, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Maryland, North and South Carolina, West Virginia, Florida, Alabama, Iowa, Tennessee, Illinois, Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, and California.

Such a convention can not fail to result in great good. It may not result in breaking up the coal combine.

Government ownership of railroads and coal mines is the remedy. Of course it is not to be expected that this anti-combine convention will seriously consider such a remedy.

Within the past three years the people have devoted a great deal of time and energy to the study and discussion of the money question.

If the populists of Nebraska will learn the full force and effect of this definition and then act upon it, we guarantee that it will be worth more to their cause than all other definitions put together.

Reforms that cost nothing are worth about what they cost. No great cause ever triumphed till the people rallied to its support with their money as well as their mouths.

The People's party should never countenance the use of money for corrupt purposes. But funds are absolutely necessary to carry on the work of education and organization.

How many more deacons will it take to teach Nebraska populists the necessity of supporting their cause with their money.

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Brother Allen Root is now out over the state lecturing the alliances. The St. Paul Phonograph says Bro. Root, when at that place, indulged in some "ill-timed witticisms."

In the course of his speech he made the statement that newspapers have ceased to be the moulders of public opinion and that they print mere lies.

The trouble with Bro. Root seems to be that he is deeply impressed with the fact that "there are only a few of us left."

Bro. Root should be broader and more philosophic in his views, and take a little more of "the milk of human kindness" in his diet.

On Tuesday we received the little poem appearing in another column under the title "A Minor Strain" from Adelia Allen of Woodville, Neb.

One peg and then another And the largest shoe is cobbled; One mortgage on another And the people's homes are gobbled.

One tick and then another Till your ticker tells a minute; One ring and then another Till the people are not in it.

One vote and then another For the men with Wall Street collars; One band and then another And old Shylock takes the dollars.

One crust and then another Makes up our daily hash; One failure then another Till the c.untry goes to smash.

Organized labor of Omaha has nothing to thank Governor Crouse for in his appointments. Central Labor Union asked for recognition in two cases, viz., Frank Heacock for deputy labor commissioner and D. C. Deaver as police commissioner.

No farm or village lot complete without them. The grape can be grown as easily as corn. I will furnish the following sorts well-rooted, No. 1 stock, by mail post-paid 10c each.

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Every reader of THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT should read over the following list and see if it does not contain something he needs, which he can get with a little work, and at the same time help on our glorious cause.

Remember that the grand premium goes June 1st. For the district and county premiums, club-raisers may continue if they desire till some one reaches the required number.

for the largest list sent in by June 1st. A Goodhue windmill and feed grinder worth \$140.

For the largest list sent in from each congressional district in Nebraska (not less than sixty yearly subscribers required) a first-class sewing machine, the "Columbian," worth \$20.

For largest list from any county in Nebraska (not less than forty required) a family library of twenty cloth-bound books, worth nearly \$20.

For second largest list (not less than fifteen required) a useful library of twenty paper-bound books.

We will send three of our sheet music songs of the people; or one package of Hall's Acme Horn Preventer for cattle raisers.

We will send a handsome pearl-handled lady's knife, or a good strong two-bladed boy's knife, or a half dozen nickel silver teaspoons.

We will send a strong two-bladed farmer's knife guaranteed to be first class, worth \$1.00. This knife is one of A. Field & Co.'s "Progress" brand and is warranted.

We will send an elegant first class razor worth \$1.40. Warranted.

We will send one-half dozen silver plated teaspoons, heavy silver plate on nickel silver base—not on brass—worth \$1.50.

We will send a potato planter worth \$2.00.

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Business men, merchants, bankers and salesmen are leaving their orders at Lincoln Pant Co., 1223 O street.

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Do you want to build a house, do you want to build a barn, do you want to save money? If you do why not write to the JOHNSON LUMBER CO., Lincoln Neb., for prices delivered?

You can get fresh garden and grass-seed at Griswold's, 140 South Eleventh.

Light Bramah Fowls and Eggs. I will sell eggs from Light Bramah fowls 13 for \$1.25. Only breed handled Satisfaction guaranteed. Good as the best. Order at once. Address, ROSA B. RAND, Wahoo, Neb.

Follow the crowd to the furniture and household goods emporium of Meisner & Swearingin at 127-129 North Fourteenth street, where you will find everything in their line of the best quality and cheapest price; especially bed room suits.

The Union Pacific Railway (overland route) will now sell round-trip tickets to Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou and Pueblo, at the low rate of \$24.15 good returning until October 31st. Stopovers allowed between Cheyenne and Pueblo. Full particulars given at 1044 O street. J. T. MARTIN, E. B. SLOTTEN, City Ticket Agt., General Agent