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A MATTER OF POLITICS CONSIDERED.

"Decided to push the next campaign on free coinage of silver, railroad control and retrenchment and reform in State government."

It will be seen at a glance that the above conceived platform document contains no part of our national platform, or the characteristic ideas and principles of Populism. It proposes the free coinage of silver; but this, detached from the financial system which we place it in, a legal tender system providing the people all the money about usury which they need to borrow makes it of no permanent value as a remedy for wealth concentration and usury. It is only by placing silver money in such a system that it is worth talking about. That is our opinion. Others differ with us, and there is room enough on our platform to differ, if it is left to pieces to suit narrow-minded political bigots. All who believe in the free coinage of silver to be a solution of the money or usury question, have undisturbed room to stand beside us, but they must keep their axes away from what we stand on, unless they are spoiling for a fight.

Further, notice that "railroad control" as distinguished, from governmental ownership and operation, the demand of our national platform, is the politic (?) change proposed. But how many Populists are there who do not know better than to favor this indefinite declaration, this impossible, already defeated method of securing justice from the transportation rings? Government ownership is practicable, as is proved in many nations, and under it the savings in dividends and economic administration and services are vast.

We shall of course advocate retrenchment and reform in the state government, and other state issues. But the campaign will be fought chiefly on national issues. We are to elect members of Congress and, through the legislature, a U. S. Senator in place of Johnson. What folly then to propose to drop our national platform, our money and transportation principles, our all-comprehensive anti-monopoly economic doctrines, for demands so weak, so lacking in robust moral principle, as to be without power to bind men together.

THE AMERICAN RAILWAY UNION.

Eugene V. Debs, so long the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the Firemen's Brotherhood, and past and present editor of the Locomotive Firemen's Magazine, has started a new railway employees organization planned to take not one class only, like each of the several old organizations, but all—engineers, firemen, conductors, brakemen, trainmen, and the rest. The new one is called "The American Railway Union." Wednesday last week Mr. Debs addressed a large meeting of rail employees at Terre Haute, Ind., and in a most interesting speech made changing conditions being brought about by the rapid railroad consolidation. He showed that the organizations of the present, local, dividend weak, are unable to offer any resistance to the far greater power, to the vast terms of service and pay dictated by the railroads. The railroad men have become merely parts of a few great chains, controlled by men who are net profits from the people and their employees as well. The great negotiations have entirely done away with the making of terms with them, and freedom of contract. They decree for the people to pay, and wages to their employees must submit to a hundred and seventy railroads the year have been gobbled up by the corporations. "In a few years," as Mr. Debs truthfully says, "all the east of the Mississippi river will be owned and operated by two corporations, the Pennsylvania-Vanderbilt systems."

way employes to organize for mutual assistance and resistance to tyranny, but he is with great ability educating them to vote intelligently and independently. He has built up a great magazine, a magazine which is filled with the light of advancing truth. Its contributors include not the old school professional, but the real economists and moral teachers of the time. In behalf of our people in Nebraska we reach out earnest hands of brotherhood to these whose co-operative and educational lines of labor converge and agree with ours. The interests of the producing classes are one and indivisible.

We rise to remark that the vote-catching wisdom of politicians is impossible folly in a new party. If some of our leaders of influence, for example, should be foolish enough to undertake to cut away our platform of principles to make it catch outsiders we could never slip it under them, and it would precipitate a fight within our ranks that would politically destroy us. What we have come together on must be held intact. It is simple, fundamental, moral and economic principles applied to new questions, which give birth to a new party; and the one possibility for it to live and grow till it reaches its majorities lies in the work of education, the further enlightenment of the people. If our present platform is right and economic, there is absolutely nothing to do but to educate the people to see it. Politics and politicians are not wanted. Cutting and trimming, compromising and fusing, are suicidal.

SHALL POETRY FIRE BE QUENCHED?

THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT is still coming out regularly each week. Its property is doubtless due to the admirable forbearance shown by Editor Gibson in not dropping into poetry any more—Lincoln Evening News. Sorry Brother Dobbins is unable to appreciate our poetic muse, but some people are built that way and a considerable number of editors, as our experience proves. They have not yet caught on to the infinite rhythm of all objects in the material world. They are too dull and slow to vibrate with "the music of the spheres."

Annual Meeting of the Farmers Mutual.

The Farmers Mutual Insurance Co., of Nebr., held their third annual meeting in the Windsor Hotel, Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 9, 1894. The meeting was very enthusiastic, and was well attended by members from the different counties. The secretary's report showed \$1,771,900 insurance, showing an increase of \$1,319,936 during the year. The losses and all expenses have been met by the membership fees leaving a surplus on hand of \$2,655.72. There has never been an assessment in the three years existence of the company. The following officers were elected. President, J. W. Caster of Emerald, Neb.; Vice President, J. P. Rouse, Alva, Neb.; Treasurer, A. Greenmeyer of Cheney, Neb.; Secretary, W. B. Lynch, Lincoln, Neb. The following Directors were re-elected for three years: B. H. Davis of Otoe county, W. J. Hildreth of Fillmore county, and J. A. Barr of York county.

MR. CARLISLE ALARMED.

The Secretary Appeals to Senator Voorhees to Press a Bond Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Secretary Carlisle has written a letter to Senator Voorhees in which he makes a statement of the condition of the treasury and of the necessity for measures being taken for its relief. He says that the time of the house has been assigned to the tariff bill until the 29th, and for this reason he appeals to the senate to take the initiative in a measure to replenish the treasury. He adds that if prompt action is not taken by congress it will be necessary for him to issue bonds under existing laws. The gold reserve in the treasury is now \$26,000,000 below the \$100,000,000 mark, and a still further reduction of about 28,000,000 is looked for by February 1. The situation is such that it is said on good authority that Secretary Carlisle will issue bonds under the authority of the act of 1873 in order to replenish the gold reserve. If congress does not act on his bond suggestions within the next thirty days, it is declared that he will not allow the reserve to fall below \$50,000,000.

Dividends for Bank Creditors.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The comptroller of the currency has declared dividends in favor of the creditors of the insolvent National banks as follows: A first dividend of twenty-five per cent for the National bank of Brownawald, Texas; a first dividend of twenty-five per cent for the Albuquerque National bank of Albuquerque, N. M.; a third dividend of twenty per cent for the Madison National bank of Madison, S. D.; a fourth dividend of ten per cent for the Cheyenne National bank of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Horticultural Notes For January.

E. F. Stephens president of the State Horticultural Society contributes the following: The habit of many orchardists is to trim trees from March to June and to defer pruning until that time. Experience shows that trees may be trimmed at any time after leaves fall, when wood is not frozen. The mild days of November, December, January or February are preferable for such work. March is often a rough blistering month disagreeable for orchard work. In winter labor is cheaper and less active demand. Leisure for more careful work is at hand. Pruning deferred until spring opens is often lost sight of in the rush of spring business. There is also a loss of vigor in pruning after trees are in leaf. Remove most of the water shoots dead limbs and such limbs as will in future crowd or cross each other. In removing large limbs it is well to follow in a day or two and coat the cut surfaces with a thick paint of lead and oil. In large orchards the use of mallet and chisel on limbs 1 to 1 1/2 inches in diameter gives more rapid work. Care should be used to cut close to collar that wounds may heal quickly. We pruned most of our 80 acre orchard December 15th to January 4th. Our workmen made excellent progress and found the weather more comfortable than average March weather. This method avoids all risk and loss of bleeding where trees stand 12 to 16 feet apart in the rain as some orchards are planted the alternate tree can be trimmed fan shape and prolong the usefulness of trees which must soon be removed to give the remaining tree more light, air and moisture. Young trees should be trimmed annually with a knife and not allow them to reach a stage where chisel and saw are required. Remember the sun rays must not be allowed to strike with full force on principal limbs or trunk, or sunscald and borers will follow. Head low and leave what eastern orchardists would call a dense head. Those who neglected the pruning of grapes should no longer delay to cut back the fine branches called laterals to three buds; leave two or three strong canes with their cut back laterals and drop these canes to the ground where they ought to be covered with hay, straw, cornstooks or even with soil. It is not the severity of our winter cold that injures vines, but the severity of the winter winds. The canes thrown on the ground without any protection dry less than antelisses guard against winter killing of roots by winter mulching. We find it profitable to haul city stable litter 3 to 4 miles to mulch our vineyards. The solid roads of this period enable us to haul large loads at small expense. This is the season when rabbits gnaw young trees, unless extra care is taken to protect them. Our habit is to purchase tobacco stems from cigar manufacturers refuse—sleep: To the liquid add pepper or carbolic acid or blood, and a little flour to make a very thin adhesive paste. Apply with a swab. Mice are guarded against in orchards by putting out bits of beef tallow and strychnine where the orchard mice may and valuable animals may find it. The importance of winter mulching cannot be too strongly impressed on the orchardist or gardener; keep it ground moist. And protect roots from dry severe cold. No better use can be made of stable litter at this season than to haul out to some small fruit garden and orchard. Mulch rows and windbreaks freely with straw. Do not forget the shrubs and trees in lawn. Coal ashes also make a valuable mulch that should not be lost sight of.

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Three Cent Column.

"For Sale," "Wanted," "For Exchange," and small advertisements for short time, will be charged three cents per word for each insertion. Initials or a number counted as one word. Cash with the order. If you want anything, or have anything that anybody else "wants," make it known through this column. It will pay.

WANTED—Butter, eggs and poultry at 231 South 11th St., Lincoln, Neb. Highest price paid.

WANTED—Twenty thousand new subscribers to THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT.

TINGLEY & BURKETT, attorneys-at-law, 1026 O St., Lincoln, Neb.

HAVE YOU anything to sell or trade? Then advertise the fact through this column and be surprised at the result.

AGENTS WANTED for the best selling Novel city only, 30,000 sold the first week in Boston. Sample by mail 15 cts. Needed in every home. Address, W. H. MAHONEY, No. 1 Revere St., Lowell, Mass.

REMEMBER that THE ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT is the best advertising medium in the west. When writing to any of our advertisers don't forget to tell them where you saw their ad.

For Sale. 1,000 acres in Lancaster county. First class Stock Farm at \$125.00 per acre. A well improved 1/2 section at \$20.00; one at \$25.00. One 5 miles from Lincoln, best in the county at \$45.00. 100 farms for sale or trade. Some genuine bargains. H. C. YOUNG, Broker, 1501 O St., Lincoln, Neb.

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Fine lots and acre tracts for sale near the colleges. Fine homes and business blocks in Lincoln, and lands throughout Nebraska, for sale or exchange. If you wish to buy, sell or trade write or call upon me.

WILL BUY County, City, Precinct and SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS. Taxes paid for non-residents. Strict attention given to collections. J. F. MEFFORD & CO., 1120 M Street, Lincoln, Nebr.

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Windsor Hotel. JOSEPH OPELT, Manager. Cor. 11th & Q Sts, Lincoln, Neb.

JOHN B. WRIGHT, President. F. E. JOHNSON, Vice-President. J. H. McCLAY, Cashier. THE Columbia Nat'l Bank, OF LINCOLN, NEB. Capital, \$250,000.

First National Bank, LINCOLN, NEB. Capital, - - - \$400,000. Surplus, \$100,000. N. S. HARWOOD, President. F. M. COOK, Cashier. C. S. LIPPINCOTT, Asst. Cashier. C. A. HANNA, Vice-President. H. S. FREEMAN, Asst. Cashier.

Van Morehead Proprietor of the South Albion Poultry Yard has taken more premiums on poultry than any other breeder in Boone Co., Neb. Enclose stamp for reply if you want a good Fowl or Eggs. For Sale. A FIVE HORSE POWER Electric Motor. In good condition. Will be sold CHEAP if sold soon. M. O. REILLY, Corner 11th & M Sts., LINCOLN, NEB. F. M. WOODS, Fine Stock Auctioneer. 1203 O St., Lincoln, Neb. Jan. 25—Lampe Bros., Vanwert, Ohio.

TOURIST CAR TO CALIFORNIA. Cheap Rate, Quick Trip. The travel from the north and northwest territory, tapped by THE GREAT ROCK ISLAND ROUTE, has demanded service of this character, and beginning October 5th, tourist cars will leave Minneapolis every Thursday morning and join the regular tourist train out of Chicago every Thursday afternoon at Columbus Junction, Iowa, at 11 P. M. Central Iowa and the great west also receive a similar service, and beginning October 10th, a Phillips-Rock Island Excursion Car will leave Albert Lea every Tuesday morning, and via Livermore, Ft. Dodge and Angut, will arrive at Des Moines that evening, and Wednesday A. M. go west on the "Big Five," via Omaha, Lincoln and Belleville, at which point it will join the regular Tuesday train from Chicago. Full particulars as to cheap rate tickets for this trip and also as to cost of berth in the tourist car cheerfully given on application to any Great Rock Island Route Ticket Agent, or agent at coupon stations of connecting lines. JNO. SEBASTIAN, G. P. A., Chicago. Tourists from Minnesota Points. Commencing October 5th, a Tourist car leaves Minneapolis every Thursday morning and runs to Pueblo and via Albert Lea to Columbus Junction, arriving at 11:30 p. m. and there connects with our C. R. I. & P. train No. 12 which will hold at that point for arrival of the H. C. R. & N. train carrying that car, and via Kansas City arrive at Pueblo second morning. Beginning October 10th, Tourist car will leave Albert Lea every Tuesday morning and run via Minneapolis & St. Louis Ry. through Angus to Des Moines, arriving at night, and there lay over and be taken west on "Big Five" Friday morning, and run via Omaha, Lincoln and Belleville to Pueblo. The Missouri Pacific route are selling round trip tickets to San Francisco, Cal., for \$65.00. Tickets good until April 30th, 1894. To Florida where flowers bloom in January, via the Missouri Pacific route. City ticket office, 1201 O street. Round trip tickets to Florida points on sale good until June 1st, 1894, via the Missouri Pacific route. City Ticket office 1201 O street.

SHERIFF SALE. Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an order of sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of Nebraska, within and for Lancaster county, in an action wherein Alonzo D. Harris, is plaintiff, and Helen A. Guttwahl, et al are defendants, I will, at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 25th day of February, A. D. 1894, at the east corner of the Court House, in the city of Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, offer for sale at public auction the following described real estate to-wit: Lot seven (7) in block eleven (11) of Lavenor's addition to Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska, and lot 8 up to 10 in block three (3) in Find and Harrison's addition to Lincoln, Lancaster county Nebraska. Given under my hand this 16th day of January, A. D. 1894. FRED A. MILLER, Sheriff.

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