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Official County Paper.

Democratic County Convention.

The democrats of Cass county are hereby called to meet in delegate convention at Union, on Thursday September 13, 1894, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of selecting twenty delegates to the state convention...

Table listing delegates by precinct: Tipton, Salt Creek, Greenwood, etc.

The primaries for selection of delegates will be held in the different wards and precincts Saturday September 8, at 7:30 p. m.

DEMOCRATS, don't forget the primaries Saturday evening next.

EVERY voter at the coming election should express his choice for U. S. senator.

FREE and unrestricted coinage of both gold and silver, at 16 to 1, should be the rallying cry in the coming campaign by every one who works with his hands.

THE democratic convention for Cass county, which is called for Sept. 12 (Wednesday of next week), should be a rouser. Every democrat in the county ought to be represented, through the primaries, in its delegates.

GENUINE tariff reform is not "tinkering" with the tariff. To attempt to give special privileges to favorites—as the senate syndicate has done—is "tinkering" in the worst sense.

ORGANIZED labor has begun an effort to secure the impeachment of Attorney General Olney for the part he took in the manipulation of the law to overcome the recent strike in Chicago, and THE JOURNAL is free to express the hope that its fight will be won.

WE take it that every man who does not live on a salary which is not reducible by interest in favor of an immediate return to bimetalism, and men, as a rule, favor that which is to their interest. Bimetalism is the only thing within reach that will bring permanent prosperity to this country, and the sooner the people find this out and act upon it the quicker they will appreciate its benefit.

CONGRESSMAN BRYAN Saturday took charge of the Omaha World-Herald. The first day's columns bristle all over with editorials from his trenchant pen, and indicate that on the tripod he has qualities as a writer equal in force and analytic power to the efforts which have made him famous on the rostrum, on the stump and in the hall of the house of representatives.

ONE of the bills passed at the late session of congress was of especial interest and need to pensioners. It provides that hereafter all fourth-class postmasters are "empowered, authorized and required" to administer all oaths required to be made by pensioners and their witnesses in the execution of vouchers for getting their pensions, etc., and are allowed to charge 25 cents for each voucher.

MR. MORTON WOULD BE A SENATOR.

The latest and most precious bit of news that comes from Washington is to the effect that Secretary Morton has decided to enter the race for U. S. Senator at the coming session of the legislature. A dispatch to the St. Louis Republic from Washington, states that Mr. Morton thinks the democrats will control the legislature this winter, and, as he can serve in the cabinet until March 4th next and will have a six year term if elected to the senate and only two years more as a member of the cabinet, he prefers to go to the senate when he can.

With Mr. Morton in the field for senator it will be interesting to note the result on the democratic primaries in the counties yet to hold them—whether the people will favor Morton or Bryan delegations. It strikes us that Mr. Morton is going into the field at rather a late date in view of the announcement made some months ago by Mr. Bryan; but perhaps he thinks it the only means at hand of preventing a nomination of Bryan by the state convention.

THE JOURNAL does not believe that Mr. Morton will find much encouragement in his race. He will find that the single gold standard, which he advocates, is no more popular than it was in 1892, when his vote for governor was nearly 7,000 less in the first district than was that for Mr. Bryan. Let the fight go on.

THE populists of the state seem to be largely infected with the "middle of the road" virus, and seem more anxious to have their candidates pose as partisans than to seek to succeed by moderation or non-partisan combination. There is a secret behind all this that is important in its bearing, and it is well for genuine reformers in that party to study it. It is a singular fact, as far as we have been able to observe, that talk of that sort all originates and is carried on by men in the populist party who were originally republicans and are still infected with the virus of protectionism.

IOWA citizens are about to erect a monument to the honor of its soldiery, and, singular to say, there are some of its living soldiers who are vying with each other for the honor of having their names or faces emblazoned on its sides. It strikes us that there are quite enough who heroically fell fighting for the defense of the Union and the honor of the state without embracing the questionable taste of attempting to honor any living man. Of all men whom Iowa should delight to honor, it appears to us, William H. Kinsman, of the 23d infantry, stands at the head of the list—and yet, we learn, that his name has not even been suggested. It is a shame that personal ambition should be allowed to overreach the demands of a high sense of patriotic duty in a matter which is intended as an inspiration for the future sons of the state. The writer feels that he has some right to be heard on this subject, having served four years in an Iowa regiment and done something toward maintaining its honor on the field of battle.

THE United States senate needs reforming, by the insertion of new blood into its composition. The fathers of the republic, when they framed the constitution came near adopting the plan of allowing the states to recall their senators and send a new senator in his place. They had no idea that a senator would ever be elected for more than one term. If the senate were composed of young men, like Lodge of Massachusetts and Bryan of Nebraska a rule for closing debate at the order of a majority would be passed in short order. "Senatorial courtesy" is a senatorial humbug that ought to be wiped out in a jiffy.

THE national democratic congressional committee and Chairman Wm. L. Wilson of the ways and means committee are working at cross purposes as to the tariff bill. This was to be expected, as the committee is under control of Senator Falkner, one of the senate "herrings," who belongs to the coal syndicate. Disaster may follow this year, but it will surely result in the purifying of the party from the corrupting influence of protectionism. Mr. Wilson is right, and should be sustained by the democracy of the country, and those senators who have

been "ploughing with the heifer" of protection must be driven from public life or into the republican party where they belong.

THE apostles of Jesus had their Iscariot, the American revolution had its Arnold, and the democrats in their efforts to secure genuine tariff reform now have their senatorial coterie of traitors to the cause—but that will not prevent the movement for freeing America from the thralldom of New England protectionism from marching onward to ultimate triumph and adoption. Partially freed from their curse the people will only have an appetite whetted for future conquest, until the whole system of favoritism and privilege is wiped out of existence.

THE protectionists are in a bad box as to the new tariff law. They are badly put out because of its passage, because it breaks down some of the strongholds of the system, and they are so glad because it is no worse than they dare not abuse the bill. So they go to it in patches, they curse free cottonities and a few articles of southern use, and declare it to be sectional on that ground. Let them go on. The bill is only an entering wedge which, when it gets in its work, will leave the whole crowd without a hook to hang a hope on.

THE Nebraska City Press is very anxious that a full state ticket shall be nominated by the democrats, and predicts the ruin of the party unless this course is taken. It is not so anxious for the opposition to republicanism to get together as was Mr. Morton four years ago. The fact is that with the democrats and populists each having a full ticket up will result in the continuance of the republicans in power, as the News probably knows. We believe it to be more important to beat the republicans than anything else.

THE democrats of Cass county want to make sure to express their sentiments on the currency question at their convention next Wednesday. It would be in bad taste and cowardly for them to evade the question. Let it be a square declaration—either for a gold standard or for bimetalism at 16 to 1 "without asking the aid or advice of any other nation on earth." Gold coinage alone, or immediate free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver. No dodging.

"THE protective tariff is highway robbery," says Congressman Champ Clark of Missouri, "under the protective system Rhode Island is the richest per capita state in the union; that country which God intended to be the poorest is the richest, and the Mississippi and Missouri valley that caused Thomas B. Reed, when he saw it, to exclaim: 'My God, the soil is so rich if we had it in the east we would sell it by the peck for seed—this country has, by comparison, been getting poorer.'"

OF course the republicans will not follow Rosewater in their opposition to Tom Majors' election. The rank and file of that party follow their leaders without question, and the leaders are all under the dominion of the railroads—at least they are indebted to them for favors, and they dare not oppose the railway politicians. It is a clear case of bargain and sale. Still the republican party prides itself on its patriotism. It is full of such patriotism.

THE recent investigation by the government commission of the late strike has left Carroll D. Wright, labor commissioner, in a most unenviable light. He has been riding for years on a Pullman palace car pass from George M. Pullman, and he refuses to give it up. It was noted during the hearings that his associates were much more anxious to get at the whole truth than he. How has the mighty fallen!

THE popular fad among all democrats is to favor Wm. J. Bryan for senator, and on this score there is no opposition. With some people the matter of a platform is a non-essential affair; but with Mr. Bryan it is everything. He would not accept a senatorship on a single gold standard platform if handed to him on a gold platter. Remember that.

THE ruin and loss of life wrought by the forest fires of Minnesota is something terrible to contemplate. As far as known 450 lives were lost belonging to the villages of Hinkley, Sandstone, Miller, Pokegama and various lumber camps. The details are simply horrible.

NOTWITHSTANDING the hard times this country has one great thing to be thankful for: McKinleyism is dead and protectionism has received a deadly blow.

To Cass County Populists.

The populist electors of Cass county are hereby requested to send delegates to meet in convention at Wabash on Saturday, September 8th, 1894, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination the following candidates:

One state senator. Two representatives. One county attorney. And to transact any other business that may properly come before the convention.

The basis of representation will be one delegate at large from each precinct and ward and one additional delegate for each ten votes, or major fraction thereof, cast in 1893 for Silas A. Holcomb for judge of the supreme court.

We recommend that no proxies be allowed, but that the delegates present cast the full vote to which their respective precincts are entitled.

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