

Successful Co-operation Discussed.

The executive committee of the Nebraska F. A. & I. U. are anxious to have the members learn by trial the benefits of co-operation.

In order to stimulate thought, and work in this line they instructed the secretary to issue an address on the "various phases of co-operation found successful in this state."

It was by the work of a large number for one end that our public highways were put (and are kept) in condition to quickly transport produce to all parts of the earth.

Our postoffices are one of the successful examples of co-operation, and show the benefit of having the work "by the people, for the people," benefit all the people as equally as possible.

Our school system is a partially successful co-operation phase, and its fault is that while each tax-payer in the state co-operates for the purpose of having good schools, our haphazard district system does not allow equal benefits to all.

They co-operate with nearly all other toilers for the production of wealth, but not for its distribution. Consequently while they produce an immense amount of wealth, they are able to retain but a very small share.

The time was when the farmer was nearly independent. Our competitive system by forcing each to do what they can do best and cheapest has forced the grain raisers to co-operate with mechanics to furnish improved machinery, weavers to supply clothing, etc., etc.

How to prevent that is now the question. Modern politicians are not supposed to have any of the attributes of Divinity; but they certainly do "help those who help themselves."

What has been done by one could be by all. There is one club of farmers in Kearney county, mostly of foreign birth, who have a shipping club and have for years shipped all their own cattle, hogs, etc., and they have made it pay them well.

One sub-Alliance shipped in three cars of coal one winter and saved their members just fifty dollars on each car. One Alliance bought flour from the mill by the ton and saved fifty cents a sack from the retail price.

One Alliance bought everything in the grocery line at wholesale; they keep the goods in an unseal chamber, and each member takes what they wish at wholesale price. This is a store on a small scale and has the advantage of not paying any clerk hire, etc., etc.

They write that they are going to ship their eggs, butter, etc., hereafter. Sherman and Nuckolls counties have Alliance co-operative stores owned by a stock company and managed by a board of directors elected by the stockholders.

In Sheridan county they have a purchasing bureau. Each sub-Alliance appoints a purchasing agent and they form a county organization, electing their own officers, except the president, who is the president of the county Alliance.

They bulk the purchases of the entire Alliance of the county, and report a great saving thereby; this is a good plan, especially on machinery, as we can get a very considerable reduction by ordering in quantities even if of different makes.

Another plan which has worked exceedingly well where members do not have experience in buying and handling goods is to receive bids from the merchants for your trade.

If your Alliance has twenty families their trade is worth bidding for and the merchants will do it, especially if they can keep you from putting in a co-operative store. They generally contract to supply all presenting a membership card for ten per cent above cost price allowing a committee to examine their

books when they desire. This saves investing any capital, and if you deal with a good experienced firm is a very satisfactory way. It is not the wealth a person or a class create, but the amount they retain which makes them prosperous.

There are many things which we cannot right except by co-operation at the ballot-box. But that is the best of reasons why we should do all in our power to give immediate financial benefits to our members.

Mrs. J. T. KELLIE, Sec'y N. F. A. & I. U.

The Railroads the Great Beggars.

OKADALE, Neb., April 30, 1894.

Here is a text which I hope you will use for the benefit of Judge Hubbard and his road and give them the scoring they so richly deserve. The railroad which the great judge has the honor to (mis) represent was secured by charity.

He says, "Why, if we were to carry this crowd (Kelly's) over the Iowa railroads we would be compelled to carry 10,000 more idlers out of the state like them," (admitting having 10,000—Kelly men in Iowa! But we guess there are ten times that number). They would swamp the road and they could do nothing but a charity business.

What constitutes a state? We think it's the counties. What a swell head he, Hubbard, must be. "Ditch the trails if it destroys every man on it and hurts a lot of cars."

That is the kind of charity they—the road beggars—should have received at the hands of Iowa settlers. It becomes them to swamp the road and do a charity business, a free gift of all that wealth, and extortion in passenger and freight charges and must appoint receivers to do their business.

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An Old Soldier Speaks.

HARRISBURG, Neb., April 27, 1894.

I am glad you changed the name of your paper as I know that there are lots of men that would not take the second look at it. My time is out and has been for some time, but like lots of others I do not like to be without the paper and will send money as soon as I can and may send some more names.

It has been a good while since I sent in a list; but we out here are nearly all of us feeling a slight touch of that little depression in the financial and business departments of this country, which we have been reading about.

But say; how long, oh, how long must we must this infernal, hellish work? How long before we can get enough voters to open their eyes enough to see so they will help us to send men to congress to legislate in our (labor and producing class) interests instead of truckling to England and the bond holders and Wall Street.

Mr. Editor, I am a stranger to you all but I have been on deck a good while, and while I used to be a good Republican and am yet, I hope, or I know, that I am a genuine Abe Lincoln Republican.

We are, Mr. Editor, or once was, supposed to be a free and independent people. But my God, is it so? Can it be possible that we still retain the free and independent principles that our forefathers fought, bled and died for, and bequeathed to us as the greatest and most sacred blessings ever bestowed on posterity? I say, can it be possible, that we as a people still retain a spark of those principles?

I tell you, Mr. Editor, it looks to me as if the answer must be, No. For have we not time after time for the last thirty years been sending men to our Congress who have invariably and systematically done the bidding of England and the money lords and shysters of this country? I tell you, sir, it looks like the free and independent part was mighty near potored out of any nation or country, where they will allow any other nation to dictate what they shall or shall not do, especially concerning their most vital interests, as has been the case with our law-makers and England.

Well I have already made this too long a tax on your valuable time but please excuse me as this is the first time. Say, I would like to shake the hand of comrade Judge Wilson. He hit me all over. I was a member of

Co. A. 141st P. N. I., and I know that he has the same patriotism in his veins that coursed in them in them in 61 to 65 they are the men for me. Then there is poor Uncle Tobe I would like to offer him some consolation, but will say to him come over on the Lords side and be saved.

Yours truly, OLD SOLDIER.

Report of the Work in Saunders.

Editor WEALTH MAKERS:

Friday night of last week I reorganized the Alliance at Colon, Saunders county, with twenty-three members, and established the "Aid degree." This makes the Alliance and three degrees for Saunders county the past month.

Brother Teachman of Ceresoo will carry forward the work in the county. Speaker Gaffin and wife and Brother C. M. Lemar and wife were among the number at Colon. Brother Lemar is one of the executive board of the State Alliance. Saunders county is the banner Alliance and People's party county of the river counties of the state, and to their success, as such, is largely to be attributed the fact of their co-operative work.

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The Sultan Buys a Binder.

His Most Gracious Majesty, the Sultan Abdul Hamid Khan Gazi II, Sultan of the Ottoman Empire, successor to Mohammed the Prophet, and ruler of the unspeakable Turk, has bought a Deering binder for use on his imperial domain.

Hon. A. G. Asdikian, the Sultan's agricultural commissioner at the Fair, as a member of the famous harvest excursion to North Dakota, watched a thousand acres of wheat on the Elk Valley farm at Larimore, melt away in a single day before a cascade of forty-three Deering binders. He was deeply impressed, and after examining all other makes of machines, reported to Sultan that the Deering binder was the best made in America.

THEN FOLLOWED SOLEMN FORMALITIES. No correspondence can reach the eyes of his August Majesty, the Sultan, that is not pen-written in black ink, on a big square sheet of perfectly white paper of a certain quality and weight, folded in a certain way and enclosed in a certain size and shape of envelope properly addressed.

After the binder was packed and shipped the Sultan was apprised of the shipment by means of the following letter which religiously complied with all of the formalities just spoken of.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 29, 1893. TO HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY, THE SULTAN, ABDUL HAMID KAHN GAZI II, YILDIZ PALACE, CONSTANTINOPLE, TURKEY.

Your August Majesty:—We wish to express our sincere thanks for the high honor that your Majesty has conferred upon us by ordering the purchase of one of our Self-Binders for use on your Majesty's domain.

We feel highly complimented to learn that your Majesty's Agricultural Representative at the World's Columbian Exposition, Mr. A. G. Asdikian, who has carefully studied throughout the World's Fair all the exhibits of agricultural implements, has come to the conclusion that our Self-Binders are the best and of the highest grade in the United States, and that he has so reported to your Majesty's Commissioner General, Hakky Bey.

This was not all. Formal and carefully prepared letters were addressed to "His Excellency, Hakky Bey, Imperial Ottoman Commissioner-General to the World's Columbian Exposition," and to "His Excellency, Sureya Pasha, First Secretary to His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, both being addressed to Yildiz Palace, Constantinople, Turkey.

The present Sultan is energetic and progressive in his ideas and is laboring strenuously to advance his people in every way. His use of the Deering binder on his farm will probably bring about a great and beneficent revolution in agriculture, that will before long effect the entire convalescence of a nation that is sometimes spoken of as "The sick man of Europe."

To Send a Speaker to Oregon. POPULIST HEADQUARTERS, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, APRIL 21, 1894.

There is a movement on foot to send a speaker from Nebraska to Oregon. The Oregon election takes place in June and there is a splendid chance of Populists carrying the state. If they could do so, it would create a popular tidal wave to the People's party.

The Oregon committee is too poor to pay speakers, therefore, the national committee insists that strong Populist states like Nebraska shall choose some of their best speakers and pay their expenses and some little compensation to take part in the Oregon campaign.

Therefore, the state committee, while it makes no assessment for the purpose, asks Populists in all parts of the state to contribute what they are able to an Oregon fund. Even though it be but a mite, every little will help.

The money should be sent to J. V. Wolfe, Lincoln, treasurer of the state committee, and should be marked "Oregon fund."

J. A. EDGERTON, D. CLEN DEEVER, Secretary. Chairman.

Agents Wanted. Liberal Salary. Paid All Home or Travel. Terms furnished free. P. O. VICKERY, Augusta, Me.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Warm Weather has Stimulated Sales in Seasonable Lines. NEW YORK, May 14.—Bradstreet's review of the state of trade says: "Prolonged warm weather has stimulated farm work as well as sales in seasonable lines of merchandise, but renewed tariff uncertainty tends to prolong the period during which merchants will continue to buy for actual needs only, evidences of which fact have appeared. Bank clearings this week amount to \$903,000,000, a decrease of 5.5 per cent from the week before (which showed an increase) and a decrease of 31 per cent compared with the second week of May last year, when total clearings were among the largest on record.

Clearing House Returns. NEW YORK, May 14.—The following list, compiled by Bradstreet's, gives the clearing house returns for the week ending May 10, 1894, and the percentage of increase or decrease as compared with the corresponding week of 1893:

Table with 4 columns: Cities, Clearings, Inc, Dec. Rows include Kansas City, Omaha, Denver, St. Joseph, Wichita, Topeka.

Naval Appropriations. WASHINGTON, May 14.—After action on some minor bills in the house at 12:17 p. m. yesterday, went into committee on the whole to consider general appropriation bills (Mr. Richardson of Tennessee in the chair), and the naval appropriation bill was taken up. The debate on the bill took a very acrimonious character, and charges and counter-charges of "colonization" in the navy yards were freely passed between Mr. Reed, Mr. Boutelle and Mr. Cummings. At 5 o'clock, the house took a recess until 8 o'clock, the evening session being devoted to private bills.

Assembling of Congress. WASHINGTON, May 14.—The bill of Representative Crain of Texas to change the date for the assembling of congress was favorably reported to the house yesterday. Democrats and Republicans of the committee joined in unanimous report. The bill provides that the first session of each congress shall begin the first Tuesday after March 4, instead of waiting until the following December. The second session is to begin on the first Monday in January instead of December as at present.

Postal Telegraph Advocates. WASHINGTON, May 14.—Mr. Marion C. Butler, president of the Farmers' Alliance and Industrial Union, made an argument before the house committee on postoffices yesterday in support of postal telegraph legislation. The Alliance favored the postal telegraph scheme because it would correct an evil of monopoly. Representative Maguire of California also spoke in continuation of his argument on the subject, which he began last week.

Girl Killed by a Dog. HARRISBURG, Ky., May 14.—The 12-year-old daughter of John Brand, living in Washington county, met a horrible death yesterday. She had gone to Joel Chamlin's, a neighbor, on an errand. As she entered the gate the dog grabbed her by the throat, tearing it open and otherwise lacerated the body. The dog also killed a calf near by.

The Wrecked Sedalia Bank. SEDALIA, Mo., May 14.—Examination into the affairs of the First National bank grows more interesting daily. Yesterday it is asserted that Receiver Latimer will be compelled to order an assessment of 100 per cent on the capital stock, which means that the stockholders will have to raise \$250,000 to pay off the depositors.

To Investigate the Coxe Movement. WASHINGTON, May 14.—Chairman McComb of the house labor committee has completed the report favorable to an investigation by a special joint committee of the senate and house on the depressed condition of labor and of the Coxe movement. The report advocates immediate action.

Shot Himself Through the Head. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 14.—Louis Martin, who until recently kept one of the most splendid bars in this city, committed suicide by shooting a bullet into his head with a pistol. His wife died a month ago, and since then he has been despondent.

The Elephant Dead. NEW YORK, May 14.—Tip, the man-eating elephant, who was given poison yesterday, gave up the ghost at 4:30, and died without a struggle. After his demise the authorities waited an hour to be positive that Tip was not shamming before they permitted the members of the press to view the remains.

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 11:07 p. m. and there connects with our C. R. I. & P. train No. 13 which will hold at that point for arrival of the B. 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 People Are Being Robbed.

The discussion, started by "THE WEALTH MAKERS" on the present state of the Newberry rate bill has stirred up the Republican papers, and they are vigorously explaining that the attorneys for the state are hurrying the matter as fast as possible. Perhaps they are, but it is nevertheless true that if the law is valid the people of the state are being robbed of thousands of dollars by illegal freight rates, and there ought to be some way of stopping it.—Table Rock Herald.

Both the Democratic and Republican parties have established headquarters and are today preparing millions of campaign documents to be sent out during this campaign.

It is the opinion of the shrewdest politicians at Washington, that if the People's Party takes advantage of the blunders and infamy of the present administration, there will be no trouble in electing Populist members enough to hold the balance of power in the next Congress. It is also admitted by the closest observers among both the Democratic and Republican politicians that the next election of president will be thrown into the House, which will give the Populists the power to dictate who shall be the next president of the United States? The election in the state of Oregon comes off in June, and in Alabama in August. We are almost absolutely sure to carry Alabama, and we stand an even chance with either of the old parties in Oregon. To help to carry Oregon and Alabama is to help put life and enthusiasm in our party in every state in the Union.

The People's Party is composed of the great common people of the country who are poor and honest. It has no millionaires, bank or railroad corporations upon which to call for campaign funds.

The National Committee has established headquarters at Washington where it can procure an unlimited amount of campaign literature at a small cost. One thousand dollars used in our party will do as much work as a hundred thousand dollars in either of the old parties.

After carefully considering the above facts and the bright prospects for our party in the coming campaign, we feel it our imperative duty to appeal to our people everywhere to come to the aid of the national committee in doing this great work. In the last election our party polled more than a million votes for president.

We now earnestly appeal to 1,000 of that number to give us 85 each, 10,000 to give us \$1 each, 20,000 50 cents each, 20,000 25 cents each, and the remainder of the one million to give us 10 cents and 5 cents each. We also earnestly appeal to all People's Party Clubs, Leagues, and Leagues to raise what funds they can for the committee, by taking up collections, giving entertainments, etc. We make this request because we believe it our duty to do so. If our party ever attains success, each member of the party must contribute to that success not only with his ballot, but with whatever means he can spare. To respond promptly and liberally means success that will bless the nation for all time to come.

All contributions should be sent to M. C. Rankin, Terre Haute, Ind., who is Treasurer of the National Committee. Very Truly Yours, J. H. TURNER, H. S. TAUBENECK, Secretary. Chairman. L. J. MC FAKLIN, M. C. RANKIN, Secretary. Treasurer.

Send your name and address on a postal card for information regarding this enterprise. You may become a charter member and secure a home and permanent employment without money. A start for a New and Nobler Civilization. THE COMING NATION, Greensburg, Indiana.

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This grand national paper will be furnished for 12 weeks for 15 cents. This offer is made for the express purpose of getting reliable reform literature among the people.

Get up as large a club as possible. This offer will only be good for 60 days. Send all monies and make all remittances payable to the National Watchman Co., Washington, D. C.

EVERY POPULIST should have a copy of the Campaign Book

Now being issued under the direction of the People's Party National Committee.

This work is being compiled by N. A. DUNNING and will be the best work of its kind published. It will contain about 150 pages and will be sold for 25 cents a copy—6 copies for \$1.00, and in lots of 100 or more special prices will be made. Anyone desiring to become an agent can place an order and make a deposit of \$5.00 and at any time they wish to discontinue agency all unsold copies will be taken back and money refunded. A special discount will be allowed to all who avail themselves of this offer. Address, NATIONAL WATCHMAN CO., Washington, D. C.

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