

TELLER LEADS A BOLT

The Delegates of Eleven States Follow Him.

WALL STREET IS TRIUMPHANT.

The Republican Party is for Gold and Nothing but Gold.

Now Fight for Home and Native Land and Win.

St. Louis, June 18, 1896.—In the committee on platform of the republican national convention a gold plank was adopted, and Senator Teller, followed by the members of that committee from Colorado, California, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona, Nevada, North Carolina and New Mexico, formally announced their departure from the republican party.

HURRAH FOR WEAVER.

Three Cheers for Cyclone Davis, Sovereign, Whitehead and Burkhardt.

Reports from North Carolina indicate a very satisfactory growth of the peoples party in that state. Silver republicans and democrats are joining the peoples party in great numbers.

The result of the Oregon election is all that populists could wish for. Mr. Fitch, a member of the national committee from that state, in his paper, has this to say:



J. H. DAVIS.

"Two congressmen, the possibility of being able to control the state legislature, and 40 per cent of the county offices, in the peoples party record made in Oregon. These returns say furthermore that no gold standard candidate for president can count on Oregon this fall. A magnificent canvass was made by those grand men who came over to help us. They were met everywhere by large audiences, and their grand efforts will be appreciated by every true populist. Weaver, Davis, Sovereign, Whitehead and Burkhardt, patriots all, noble, grand men. How much we owe to them for our grand success. Gained by their eloquence, convinced by their logic and earnestness, thousands have joined the mighty army of reform. Let the old guard doff their hats and let our forests resound with three mighty cheers for the greatest quintet that ever stormed the moss-covered forts where rolls the Oregon."

This victory was achieved by a combination of bimetalists, and to a large extent, the silver republicans, and silver democrats, with the populists. It was done in the peoples party, on a peoples party platform, on the money question as the paramount issue. Everything else was brushed aside. Every populist in the land can take fresh courage for the grand campaign that will follow our national convention July 22d. Gen. Weaver, who had charge of the national campaign on behalf of the national executive committee, did his work well and deserves the praise of every populist and loyal citizen of our country.

TAUBNECKS CLEAR HEAD.

"All Money Must be Full Legal Tender and not Redeemable in Coin."

FAIRBURY, Neb., June 13, 1896. EDITOR INDEPENDENT: In a late publication that I saw in the NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT, and appearing I suppose in many other papers, over the signature of H. E. Taubeneck, chairman of the peoples party national committee, he says:

"Nor will the peoples party ever surrender the principle that the government alone has the right to issue all money, whether it is gold, silver or paper and that all money must be a full, legal tender, and not redeemable in coin."

I direct special attention to the last phrase, "and not redeemable in coin." When I read that I was joyous. I never knew what metal, Mr. Taubeneck, was made of. I distrusted him. But as soon as I read that I knew that he was all right. Probably he is not accustomed to feed anybody "taffy." But if there are any of us populists who do not know the difference between our own and the riffraff doctrines floating all around us, it is not because our leader has not given us the leading text.

That "not redeemable in coin" is in the Omaha platform by unavailable inference only. I hope it will go into the next platform in clear, positive words as Mr. Taubeneck puts it. We want the other parties to do all the straddling. We want everything in clear, unmistakable and indisputable terms. Very Respectfully Yours, M. WARREN.

"Free Silver Only."

It is predicted that there will not be one hundred delegates at the national convention of the peoples party who will favor a free silver platform only, or fusion with political tricksters who will sell out to the money power even if victory upon such a platform could be obtained.—Independent Era.

[There will probably not be one. The INDEPENDENT has been offering a reward for a long time for the name of a single plank populist, and not one has been produced.—Ed. IND.]

The Populist Big Four.

All the credit for the field campaign is due to the populist "Big Four," Weaver of Iowa, Whitehead of New Jersey, Davis of Texas and Sovereign of Iowa. They led the enthusiastic masses, unfurled the silver banner in every county and planted it on all the mountains from Idaho to the Pacific. Gen. Weaver led the advance, "Cyclone" Davis the right, Sovereign the left wing and Whitehead held the center. They spoke day and night, and halls and opera houses were inadequate to hold their following.—Wahoo New Era.

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THE "TRUE POPULISTS" SPEAK.

Let Editors Outside This State Read These Resolutions.

NELIGH, Neb., June 13, 1896.—We, the Populist County Central Committee of Antelope county, steadfastly believing in and adhering to the great principles of the Omaha platform and striving for the consummation of the same into laws at the earliest possible date, express our unwavering confidence in Senator W. V. Allen and our high appreciation of his valuable service in the U. S. Senate. We also hold in equal high esteem and confidence our very able and patriotic Governor, Silas A. Holcomb.

We further declare our abiding faith in our National Chairman Mr. Taubeneck and J. A. Edgerton chairman of the state committee also in T. H. Tibbles who so ably edits the NEBRASKA INDEPENDENT and gallantly fights our battles. We view with alarm the attacks made upon our worthy and faithful leaders by Gen'l. Paul Vandervoort as the deadly hissing sound of the venomous reptile and should be as carefully watched by all true patriots.

J. D. HATFIELD, Chairman. B. F. ADMIRER, Secretary. EDITOR INDEPENDENT—I had the honor of presenting the above resolutions to a full session of our county committee and am pleased to say they express the sentiments of the entire body. I wish to say to our noble army of populist patriots of Nebraska that I have a personal knowledge of the truth of your statement that Paul Vandervoort worked for the election of J. M. Thurston to the U. S. senate. I was at that time state lecturer of the national farmers alliance and spent much of my time in Lincoln during that session and had ample opportunity to gain knowledge of the facts. S. C. FAIRCHILD, Oakdale, Neb.

He Will Do It.

The little populist party that some of you have snapped your fingers at, has smashed the solid south, rattled the great republican party and divided the democratic party squarely in two. In fact it seems that this year of '96 marks the last stand to be taken by the democratic party. Greater still should the growth of populist doctrines continue as in the past few months, as in Oregon for example, and a consolidation of the reform elements take place on a sound populist platform, it is within the range of possibilities that the populists will mop the floor with both old parties.—Joliet News.

BINDER TWINE.

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HO! FOR ST. LOUIS.

People's Party Convention July 22d

The Rock Island in connection with the Wabash R. R. has been selected by the committee in charge as the most desirable route for Lincoln delegates and their friends to take on account of the quick time and superb accommodations offered by these lines. Watch this paper for further and more complete information regarding the trip to St. Louis. -31-

Patriot John.

The bravest man I ever knew. In all this great wide world, Is he who always holds aloft The stars and stripes unfurled; Whose bosom always throbs and heaves With patriotic fire, And who to serve sweet Freedom's cause Did sacrifice his sire. He stands now in the foremost rank— His country's bravest, true, And tells the world a fearless yank. Sweet liberty to save With cheerful heart would give away His kindred every one. To save the country, any day, He'd sacrifice his—son. He feels now for his country dear Such patriotic care, (D—d be the man who thinks 'tis fear.) Himself he could not spare; And the railroads need him yet, so he Not caring for power or pelf, Thinks he can best serve liberty— By serving first—himself. Then "hail to the chief" cries every one, And hail to the sire that's dead; All hail the hypothesized son Who will go his sire instead; To twist the British lion's tail; In these degenerate days All hail the brave and generous John, And crown him with laurel bays. ABBOTT.

The above is taken from Jule Schoenharts new book, "Reform Campaign Stories." For sale at this office.

In the Fourth.

Many of the populists in the fourth congressional district seem to favor the nomination of Judge W. L. Stark of Aurora for congress from that district. The INDEPENDENT believes that "Hevlicuss" with his more than 200 pounds would give the enemy a lively chase, and would be found with a long lead at the close of the contest.

Wife Wanted.

Maid or widow; age about forty; a country lady is my choice; one with home and plenty and room in that home for the husband she loves and no other; I have but little property; temperate; use no tobacco; good standing in church and society; weight 135 pounds; love wife and home; can give the best of reference; please don't correspond for fun. W. F. L., Fremont, Neb.

Insurance Department.

Conducted by J. V. M. Swigart. Correspondence solicited.

The Nebraska Cyclone Company is now over four years old and has paid nearly \$1000 for losses. Have made but three assessments. The first was for \$1,000 per \$1000. The second was for 50 cents per \$1000, the third (just sent out) is for \$7.50 per \$1000.

This assessment is the largest ever made by any cyclone company and will hardly occur again soon. Some of our members by the ever watchful help of the stock company's road agents will conclude that the cost is enormous, but let us compare. This will bring from \$500 to \$800 more than we have liabilities at this time, hence we think there will be no need of another assessment for the rest of the year.

It has cost, membership fee \$3.00 for \$1000 with interest at 10 per cent to close of five years \$1.50. Assessment No. 1 \$1.00, interest 35 cents. Assessment No. 2, 50 cents, interest 15 cents. Assessment No. 3 \$7.50, interest to close of five years 50 cents, making a total cost for a \$1000 policy the first five years \$14.50.

In a stock company at their lowest rate premium would be \$18.00 interest, same rate \$9.00. Total \$27, leaving a difference of \$12.50 in favor of the mutuals for each \$1000.

The average insurance carried by the company for the five years has been about \$500,000, hence the saving to its members has been about \$6,250,000.

To the members who have just come into the company it will seem hard and one man has counted on the following basis, that he paid his fees and assessment No. 3 in less than three months the cost was \$10.50. By the help of a stock company road agent he figured that it would cost him \$42.00 for a year and \$210.00 for five years.

(If you depend on these road agents to befriend you, you will pay them dearly for it.) It seems so strange that farmers consider themselves competent to do all kinds of buying and generally good judges of the kind of material in the make up of that which they need, but when they are in need of some insurance, they wait until an insurance peddler comes along with the poorest kind of lottery tickets which they persist in calling a policy. He buys it and pays for it at a rate that will almost make your hair stand. Do you know that that kind of business is on a par with the following: A farmer fifteen miles from town is badly in need of a wagon. An idle loafer in town hears it and hires a fine team and drives out and sells him a wagon (sight-unseen) at \$100.00. When he gets it he finds it to be a second hand wagon ready for the repair shop for which he had used good business sense he could have got a new one fully warranted for \$65.00.

These same road agents are telling already that our company is gone up, but if each member will induce some one to join the company this year we will have nearly two million by Jan. 1st and then high assessments will be out of the question. We hope every member will do his utmost inside of the thirty days and again put to shame the fellows who say the farmers will not stick to each other when it costs them anything.

The present is the poorest time in the poorest year in the history of our state to make an assessment, hence it behooves all members to raise the money at once, because our enemies are organized to repeal our mutual law, and if our members fail to meet this assessment promptly they will have one more string to pull, but on the other hand if we pay the losses promptly we can with pride go before the legislative committee on insurance next winter and defy opposition to our law.

It seems like life or death to our plan whether our members pay promptly or not. Every one should consider that in case he had his house blown to atoms he would need his money at once, hence to do unto others as you would be done by, let us hear from every member at once with the money if possible and do not allow any small reason to deter you from paying now. You may consider that you are hard up but suppose your property was entirely destroyed by wind, you would be a subject for charity if you had no insurance, but the owner of one of our policies has a claim on you that cannot be classed as charity but a duty to help your brother in his time of need.

We send each member a marked copy of this paper and hope you will read this department. I have made arrangements with the owners to send all members of our mutual companies the paper from now until Nov. 10th for 25c.

This column will remain nonpartisan but will tell whether the candidates in the different parties are favorable to mutual insurance. We hope every member will send the 25 c with his assessment and if any one else wants it at the same price, a member can send us the money. The cause of mutual insurance will come up in the convention of all parties in Nebraska this year and there will be the strongest fight ever made on any subject, hence all members of mutual companies should get posted and we will try to keep in the front rank.

Payments are coming in quite nicely and in general, with kind feeling towards all as will be seen below: Deles Hughes of Johnson says: I would not change places with the loser for all they get, if it cost me several times \$11.75. It must have damaged each one more than he was insured, beside the danger of life and limbs." M. C. Dill of Belvidere says: This is rather tough on us, but not half so bad as it is on our friends who got hit by the breeze. Still I'm over \$13.00 better off than if I had been insured in an old line company.

The free silverites of Nebraska have made arrangements for a special through train to the Chicago convention via the Elkhorn & Northwestern road. The date and hour has not yet been determined upon, but will be furnished later. This is to be an especial Nebraska offering to the cause of free silver at 16 to 1. This train will connect at Fremont with those from other Elkhorn points, and at Missouri Valley with train from Omaha. Persons desiring further particulars may write or call on O. W. Palm, secretary of committee, Lincoln.

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