

MR. EDMISTEN'S VIEWS

Favors Steps to Unite all Factions of the Populist Party.

SUCCESS THEN IS ASSURED.

Would Adopt the Referendum Plan and Refer it to the National Committee.

Senator Butler's Position.

Senator Marion Butler has written a letter to Mr. James H. Ferris of Joliet, Ill., who is chairman of the executive committee of the National Reform Press Association...

"I will gladly submit the question of a national committee meeting to the full committee whenever requested to do so by those authorized to represent the Nashville conference...

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and direct from the people of every district in the nation.

Personally, I think the proposition to call a national convention in the spring of 1898 for the purpose of nominating a presidential ticket for the campaign of 1900 a very unwise and hazardous one. For a faction of the party to take such action in defiance of the national organization seems to me nothing less than suicidal.

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Chairman People's Party National Executive Committee.

Commenting on the above, Hon Ignatius Donnelly, one of the leaders of the middle of the road movement says: "We have been among those who were very suspicious of Senator Butler. We feared that it was his purpose to 'sell out' the party for his own preferment."

Let Hon. Milton Parks adjourn the conference of Jan. 12 for two or three months. There is no hurry. We have two years before us, and every effort should be made for peace and harmony.

These are movements in the right direction and will meet the approval of Nebraska populists.

CHAIRMAN EDMISTEN'S VIEWS. In answer to our questions, have you seen Senator Marion Butler's letter, addressed to Mr. James H. Ferris, dated Dec. 22, who is Chairman of the Executive committee of the National Reform Press Association?

The matter to be settled soon by the people's party is, shall there be two national organizations of the people's party or but one, and the plan adopted by the Chairman of the National Committee, Mr. Butler, is to submit the question to the National Committee by referendum.

It was as follows: These people were enabled to dismiss their political prejudices, and join hand in hand a few years ago, in the Farmer's Alliance and other organizations, and have begun the study of their conditions. It was then and there the honest men of all sections of the country, solemnly vowed each other that all former differences should be dismissed and they would join their efforts together with but one purpose in view, that for the bettering of their conditions and protecting themselves against the encroachment of corporate influences, and if possible, restore to the great commonwealth, the rights of the government to the people as was intended by the forefathers, which have been wrenched from them by law and misconstruction of the same.

Yes, it was my happy privilege to go as a delegate, to Cincinnati, in 1891, and attend the first meeting, looking to the uniting of these forces and that was our first experience with those of the South and East, and well do I remember of the experience related by each, of the conditions they were surrounded with. The vows made there should not be broken, and again it was my privilege to attend as a delegate at the great National Conference held at St. Louis, where there were credited delegates from twenty-two industrial organizations, representing each state in the Union, and again the same experiences were gone through with and out of that chaotic condition, they resolved they would organize themselves into a political party and from that meeting was sent forth their platform of principles and a call for the Omaha National Convention on July 4, 1892. The old timers, the lifelong workers of this cause will remember the being that was sent from the south to meet and from the lakes to the gulf it was a new declaration of independence; there were rays of hope that beamed through this new declaration of independence that gave new life and inspired them with new zeal. Every patriotic citizen who had, on account of the conditions of the two old parties, refused to be connected, or if allied with either, it was under protest, and it was with reluctance that they entered the right of franchise or free men, but now a new day had come, they could withdraw with impunity from all claims that either of these parties may have had upon them, and they did it with the same

did on other occasions when British rule was attempting to force us to bow to its scepter.

At the first national election of this young party, known as the "peoples party," because it had been organized by the people, coming as they did from all the political parties, it showed to the utter surprise of all, that the people of all sections of the country had kept their vows with each other and had rolled up the enormous vote of almost two millions; this gave confidence to a great many in the old parties and the actions of thousands showed the dissatisfaction in the old parties and the disposition manifested by hundreds of thousands to break away and go with the new party was simply appalling and apparent on every hand and as a result there is today the greatest dissatisfaction in the old parties and it exists everywhere and in our mind the mission of the peoples party today is as great as it ever was, and as one of the members of the National Committee, I am willing to meet with our dissatisfied brethren and we will discuss matters over thoroughly until we understand each other, and complete confidence should be renewed if possible, and to me it would seem that nothing that is within the bounds of reason should be neglected or withheld on the part of any, but all should feel firmly bound by obligations that were formerly entered into to stand by and support the peoples party. It is the duty of every loyal patriotic member of this party to lend all assistance he can to preserve a united body and not only a united body but we want a party without factions.

When we consider that there is a meeting to be held the 12th of this month to take steps to call a national convention for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for the presidency and vice-presidency by one part of the people's party in one section of the country, and by this act forever dividing the organization, I fear this course cannot be carried out and maintain the present condition of the party, two organizations cannot exist for the same purpose, it means that in the effort for supremacy the cause of humanity suffers and a divided and shattered army must expect defeat. Can we afford to make this move? I say, no.

Let the peoples party make the effort honestly and fairly to prevent the disorganization of the party by adopting the plan of Chairman Butler in deferring action at the meeting fixed for the 12th at St. Louis, and if a majority of the members of the national committee vote to hold a joint conference and "I believe they will," then let us gather together, not only as committeemen, but let the leading men of the party in the nation take part in this meeting, and I believe when we fully and completely understand each other that we will not have the differences that some have imagined or suspected. I cannot believe that these men who have had all manner of abuse and slander heaped upon them are ready to part company simply because of a few slight differences. I can't believe the men who for patriotism and for the good of humanity and the upbuilding of a better government, will tear themselves asunder and trample underfoot the results of a half a life-time work, men are not constituted that way, at least it would seem that calm and deliberate judgment would take the wiser course, as to what that course will be I cannot tell. However with fair and reasonable propositions submitted upon which we could vote, it seems to me the right can and will be reached in this way, and no man can expect or demand any unreasonable thing from any source upon these grounds. I am firmly of the opinion that the peoples party will emerge from the present condition in better fighting trim than ever before.

It will have been tried as by fire, the doves will have been separated and the yoke metal will run together as one body with this solution of the question it is within the province of the peoples party to go on and accomplish the purposes for which it was organized, yet it would be placed in a position where men from all parties who are dissatisfied with broken promises, that have been made to them from their parties from year to year, till they are simply disgusted, could join this party with greater assurance of success in reform in the near future than any.

Probably one of the strongest reasons for this would be the fact that in the new party are not to be found the great moneyed magnates with all their wonderful influences to shape and mould policies, platform and legislation. No doubt we would have to contend with the unscrupulous politician who would try to force himself upon the party, but with the rank and file of the party, constituted as it now is, he would not be permitted to accomplish any great damage with the usual scheming they are engaged in.

Yes, with this condition restored and "I believe it will be," the party can with good and substantial reasons go into the contest for supremacy in this nation and so long as it adheres to the principles now set forth it will command the respect and confidence of all good citizens throughout the country. The breaking up of the two great political parties and their crushing and decaying condition is perceptible to any one who is familiar with or has been for any length of time, and it most point out clearly to the membership of the peoples party that to them is going to be entrusted the custody and management of the affairs of our country at no far distant day, providing one party holds together firmly and awakes out upon the banner the same living principles as the foundation stones upon which she has builded. The question is, shall we do this? I say, yes, and I believe nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand of the party will agree with me. If you think this is right, if you think the party should press forward and lay claims upon new fields, let us go into the political field and demand its rights and with honor and justice on our side, we will wage a contest that will bring to us victory, and when we have gained and achieved victories sufficient in number in addition to those already gained in many of the states, we can count the principles advocated by us into law and then we will have been able to overcome all obstacles and by the union of all our areas and resources we will claim to have been the cause of the overthrow of the powers of plutocracy and the overthrowing of the rights of the people, when the man is superior in the dollar, yes, when all men will be equal, these are the objects of the peoples party and I do not believe they will cease their demands until these things are accomplished.

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Annual Meetings. The Dwelling House Mutual will convene at the Ideal Hotel in Lincoln, on Jan. 25, at 7 p. m. The Nebraska Fire and Cyclone Co at the same place on the 26, at 7 p. m. The Mutual Insurance Association will meet on the 9th, at 8 a. m. at same place. We hope every mutual in the state, will be represented. Electricity and Spontaneous combustion will be the special subjects under consideration. If any Mutual man who cannot attend the meeting, has any special freaks of this kind, we would be pleased to have him write us on the subject, so that the meeting may have the experience of all, for consideration. The Lancaster county Co. meets in Lincoln on the 12th inst. We would like to have the report of all companies as to amount of insurance written before last year, amount written last year, amount of losses during the year, amount of assessment.

Two Ducks at Budapest. BUDAPEST, Jan. 4.--Two ducks with wounds were fought here yesterday. Count Stefan Tiza wounded Ludwig Gay and Edmund Gajary wounded Stefan Rayovsky. In both cases the wounds were serious. Tiza and Gajary received flesh wounds.

To Restrict Court's Power. ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 4.--Assemblyman Green of New York will introduce a bill intended, he says, to put a stop to "government by injunction."

Prominent Artist Drops Dead. WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.--Mrs. Adaline M. Fassett, an artist of national prominence, dropped dead on the street last evening. J. G. Ayer's Widow Dead. New York, Jan. 4.--Josephine Melin Southwick Ayer, widow of James G. Ayer, died suddenly at her home near the Hotel Des Invalides, Paris, on Monday last, aged 71 years.

A Corporation in Politics. Senator Butler is credited with positive information that the Standard Oil Trust and the Joint Traffic association have together contributed \$250,000 towards the campaign expenses of the republican congressional committee and the sum of \$100,000 to the democratic congressional committee. How true this information is, we have no means of knowing, but we very much suspect that it has some foundation in fact. It is a way the corporations have. They regularly set apart a large proportion of their profits for the benefit of the politicians, a fact which explains why so many of the enemies of the people are regularly re-elected to the house of representatives. As Martin Rittinghausen says in his great work on direct legislation, it is the enemy of the people who is current of a long career in a representative body.--Twenty-first Century.

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