

Held For Convention News

This issue of the Independent has been held for nearly a day in order that we might give to our readers the latest news from the national convention at Kansas city. We believe that such a course meets with the approval of the vast majority of our readers.

MARK'S FIRST MILLION

It is announced in the eastern papers that Havemeyer has sent Mark Hanna a check for \$1,000,000. That is a good investment on the part of head of the sugar trust. He will make just \$29,000,000 by it.

At the same time the check was sent, a rise in the price of sugar was announced by the trust and this is the way the thing figures out.

Arbitrary rise in sugar of six-tenths of a cent a pound.

Annual consumption of sugar in the United States, 5,000,000 pounds.

Increase in the profits of the sugar trust for one year, \$30,000,000.

Increased tax by the sugar trust upon every man, woman and child in the United States, 50 cents.

Havemeyer gives Mark Hanna for corruption purposes \$1,000,000, raises the price of sugar so as to make \$30,000,000 and pockets increased profits of \$29,000,000.

Moral.—Whoop it up for high tariffs to protect our infant industries.

The annual reports of the great steel trusts have just been published. After giving the official figures of these corporations the Denver News remarks: "Nothing in the annals of industry in this or any other country approaches these figures from the standpoint of earnings upon inflated stocks." Their contribution to the republican corruption fund has not yet been announced, but in all justice it ought to largely exceed that of the sugar trust, for their income from Dingley and McKinley tariffs has been much greater than that of the sugar trust.

Moral.—Whoop it up some for high tariffs to protect our infant industries.

The round up of the republican clubs in Lincoln the other day was a wet blanket affair from beginning to end. Even the oldest citizens could not see a particle of difference in the town that day and any other. Not one in ten of the inhabitants knew that there was a republican gathering. Mr. Dietrick, who has been out in the state distributing buttons, of which he has bought 80,000 with his picture on them, reports that there is no enthusiasm in the country, and he attributes it to the fact that the people are so prosperous under Dingley tariffs that they can't enthuse. Poor Dietrick! The republicans played a shabby trick on him when they gave him a nomination in a year when they knew there was not a ghost of a show to elect him.

The staff correspondent of the Chicago Times-Herald makes another charge of forgery in connection with the promulgation of the republican national platform. He says that a certain man received \$5,000 for changing the word "Nicaragua" to "Isimian" in the canal resolution. The Times-Herald is a republican paper and has long been considered McKinley's special organ, which position it had a right to claim, because its proprietor furnished a large part of that \$180,000 that went to pay McKinley's debts when Mack was a bankrupt. Groesbecker made one charge of forgery and now here comes another, both made by republicans. Everybody knew that convention was composed of a pretty

tough lot of citizens, but it was hardly supposed that they would get down to forgery—unmitigated forgery. That seems to be the case, for neither of these charges has been denied. The Grand Old Party has descended to the ranks of the degenerates.

WHAT THE GOVERNOR SAID.

It frequently happens that a "half truth" is a most dangerous lie. This is illustrated by the efforts of certain parties to hold Governor Poynter responsible for a certain bill that was introduced in the legislature for the payment of sugar bounties. It must be remembered that Governor Poynter is responsible only for the language and statements made in his inaugural address. The governor said in his inaugural address: "I AM, INDIVIDUALLY, AND THE PARTY OF WHICH I AM A MEMBER, IS OPPOSED ABSOLUTELY TO THE PROTECTIVE POLICY OF TAXING ONE INDUSTRY FOR THE UPBUILDING OF ANOTHER; BUT MY PARTY IS NOT NOW, NOR HAS IT EVER BEEN AT ANY TIME, EITHER IN THEORY OR PRACTICE, IN FAVOR OF REPUTATION IN THE SMALLEST DEGREE. IN THE HANDS OF THE FARMERS WHO GREW THE SUGAR BEETS, I recommend that you make provision for the payment of all claims arising from the act of 1895 which may be PRESENTED BY THE ACTUAL GROWERS OF SUGAR BEETS IN THE STATE, whenever such claims are properly attested by certificates of weights from the proper authorities."

The statement that "Governor Poynter's first official act was to recommend to a republican legislature that \$100,000 be paid to the sugar trust" is an unmitigated falsehood. He made no such recommendation as the extract from his inaugural address which we have quoted above plainly shows. Individuals and newspapers alike are decidedly hard pressed for something upon which to criticize a public official when they attempt to distort the governor's inaugural address into a recommendation to pay the sugar trust \$100,000. Get a copy of the governor's address and read for yourself.

The principal charge that the Hoxie Pilot makes against Gov. Poynter is that he will not discharge one L. B. Fenner, a carpenter at the Kearney industrial school. In its issue of last week the editor of the Pilot makes five questions out of one. The editor of the Pilot seems surprised that the governor does not obey its demands and orders and at once proceed to fire Mr. Fenner from the state service. Perhaps the governor remembers how difficult it was to dispose of one C. W. Hoxie while he had his tentacles imbedded in a fat office which he was treating as a private snap. Sometimes it is wise to permit a well fed serpent to lie in its comatose condition until a proper club can be secured with which to beat its brains out. We are not acquainted with Mr. Fenner. He may be competent or he may not. Certain it is that the position of carpenter at the industrial school is not of such gigantic proportions as some would make believe. It shows how difficult it is for Gov. Poynter's accusers to find anything upon which to base their charges.

At last the publisher of the True Populist and another paper has referred to Mr. Bryan as a "distinguished Nebraskan."

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The Markets

Weekly market letter, furnished by H. R. Penny & Co., No. 131 South Eleventh street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., July 5.—While wheat prices have not reached the \$1.00 mark, predicted by a great many, the market has apparently found a higher level which will likely be held for some time to come.

From 88c last week, July option yesterday sold to 77c. But today rallied a couple of cents. The bulk of the trading is in the August option but later on the most of the trading will undoubtedly be in September, as that option was posted for the first time yesterday since the 60 day limit has been in effect, and for a time it was hard to get a line on the September, but today there appeared to be more trading in it, and the price run more evenly at 1c spread with the August.

The last few days of last week, the market did not seem to be able to show any rallying power, but since Saturday, it seems to have a great deal easier than it goes down. The huge volume of speculative trade apparent in last week's market has almost disappeared, but are probably waiting for a lower mark to get in again, as this is the time of year when the professionals seek every low point, to get in the market to be ready for any bad reports regarding the outcome of harvest.

The spring wheat situation has not improved. There have been some good showers but the larger part of the three northwest wheat states is still dry.

The bulls had a strong inducement to get into the market again the latter part of last week, as Crop Expert Snow whose information started prices up before, gave out a report Friday reducing his estimate of the total crop, winter and spring to only 460 million bushels or 127 million less than indicated by the June government report.

Foreign markets did not follow our market up as fast as they followed us down. They refuse to become alarmed over the question of future supplies while so abundantly furnished with wheat for their present needs.

This has been a strong week in corn. The big traders apparently got out of their wheat last week and took up corn for a few cents. The trading seems to be evenly divided between the August and September options, the spread being about one-half cent. The export demand for corn has been very large. The primary market receipts last week were 2 1/2 million less than a year ago. This deficiency in the way of higher prices and good prospects seem to indicate the supply of corn in the country is small. The speculators who are usually bearish at this season of the year are on the bull side now. Frequent showers are keeping the corn in fine condition, and if the present weather continues some decline may be looked for.

Here it is the fore part of July without any sort of uneasiness over the crop. It is a fact, however, that rains have been more timely than abundant. The average precipitation in June over the corn belt was below the normal. A week or two of hot dry weather this month would start a scare and the inherent strength in the market is so great that a scare this year will be unusually effective in putting prices up.

Cash Quotations

No. 2 red wheat.....	79 @80
No. 3 red wheat.....	77 @78 1/2
No. 2 spring wheat.....	77 1/2 @78
No. 3 spring wheat.....	75 @76
No. 2 hard wheat.....	76 @77
No. 3 hard wheat.....	74 @75
No. 2 cash corn.....	42 3/4 @43
No. 3 cash corn.....	42 1/2 @43
No. 2 yellow corn.....	42 1/2 @43
No. 3 yellow corn.....	42 1/2 @43
No. 2 cash oats.....	23 1/2 @24
No. 2 white oats.....	23 1/2 @24
Rye, July.....	57 1/2 @58
Rye, September.....	56 1/2 @57

In Lincoln many of the Little Citizens (republicans) were afraid to hang out the flag of the country on the Fourth of July for fear some one might suspect them of harboring the friendship of Mr. Bryan, or a feeling of state pride in his achievements. Brilliant shining lights—these little citizens.

HEIRESS AS ENGINEER

Girls Worth \$50,000,000 Pilot an Engine Across Oklahoma.

The train bearing the first arrivals to the Oklahoma City convention of rough riders left Wichita Friday morning. In a special car were Col. Alexander Brodie, Mrs. James Banks Reynolds of New York, Miss Josephine Reynolds, and Misses Elizabeth and Louise Van Buren. The young ladies were making their first trip to the west and were anxious for some fun, but they did not apprehend that it would come so quickly. At Arkansas City it was announced that the engineer, Jim Haynes, was slightly ill. This information caused Capt. Frantz of the rough riders to make a wager in the special car to the rear with the New York heiress that they were afraid to enter the cab and put their hands to the lever under the direction of the side engineer. They quickly took him up, and with the permission of Henry Asp, general superintendent of the Santa Fe in Oklahoma, Josephine Reynolds took the throttle and Elizabeth Van Buren used the fireman's seat. Capt. Frantz sat on the coalbox to see that the wager was properly won.

The two girls, whose personal wealth is \$50,000,000, started up with old-timers' skill. Their pretty white faces were soon covered with dust and grease, but the throttle was pulled farther open and the train jumped across the plains. Bands of Indians and farmers in their wheat fields looked at the flying hair and thought the engineer must be dead. But the speed grew until it reached a mile a minute. The girls made all the stops and kept the train on its regular schedule till they pulled into Oklahoma City several hours later.

Senator Teller

Senator Teller is very outspoken. He uses no soft words to the eastern democrats when talking about the platform. He tells them in effect that it must be free silver 16 to 1 or nothing. One of

Our Great Summer Clearing Sale

Commences

Thursday, July 5th

Closes

Saturday, July 14th

If you have ever attended one of our great clearing sales we are sure you will try to come to this one. If you have not attended one of our previous sales we promise you it will pay you to come to this one.

During this sale every article in our store except cotton and silk threads, Colgates toilet preparations and a few makes of corsets will be sold at a reduced price. These few articles are excepted only because we are under contract with the manufacturers not to cut the prices.

Some astonishing bargains will be offered a few of which are mentioned below.

All wash dress goods worth 45 to 55c a yard will be sold at.....	25c	All ladies cloth suits worth \$25.00 to \$35.00 will be sold at each.....	\$12.00	Ladies street hats, new styles and shapes, worth 75c to \$2.50, your choice for.....	25c
All wash dress goods worth 18 to 25c a yard will be sold at.....	12 1-2c	All ladies cloth suits worth \$19.00 to \$24.00 will be sold at each.....	\$9.00	Ladies street hats, last season's shapes, worth 50c to \$1.00, your choice each.....	10c
All wash dress goods worth 12 1/2c and 15c a yard will be sold at.....	8 1-3c	All ladies cloth suits worth \$12.00 to \$18.75 will be sold at each.....	\$6.00	All men's neckties worth 50c at each.....	25c
All wash dress goods worth 7 1/2 to 9c will be sold at.....	6 1-4c	All ladies cloth suits worth up to \$12.00 will be sold at each.....	\$3.00	All men's neckties worth 25c at each.....	12 1-2c
All wash dress goods worth 5c a yard will be sold at.....	3c	All ladies white and colored shirt waists worth \$1.25 to \$4.00, your choice for.....	\$1.00	Ladies kid gloves, about 60 dozen worth \$1.00 to \$1.50, your choice per pair.....	60c
All light colored percales worth 10 and 12c a yard will be sold at per yard.....	6 1-4c	All ladies white and colored shirt waists worth 90c to \$1.25, your choice for.....	75c	Ladies kid gloves, about 75 dozen worth \$1.50 to \$1.75, your choice a pair.....	\$1.00
All dark colored prints will be sold at per yard.....	4c	All ladies shirt waists worth 50c each, your choice for.....	35c		
All our \$1.00 printed foulard silks will be sold at per yard.....	50c				

There will be hundreds of special drives similar to the above and in addition reduced prices will be made on every article in the store except the few particularly mentioned.

This is a good time to buy domestic cotton goods, table linens, summer underwear, hosiery, gloves, cotton dress goods, black and colored wool dress goods, silks, dress trimmings, notions, ladies suits etc., etc.

Come and see for yourself.

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REPUBLICAN PLATFORMS

Interesting Comparisons of the Platforms of Fremont, Lincoln and Hanna.

To see how completely a great party can reverse itself, it is only necessary to read the republican platforms since the organization of that party. Its complete flop on the money question is too well known to deserve a repetition. From the party of the masses it has degenerated to a mere tool in the hands of a small clique of New York millionaires. It now proposes to ignore the principles of the declaration of independence and repudiate the obligations of the constitution.

Read the following from the platform of 1856, and compare it with the present course of the McKinley administration:

"Resolved, That the maintenance of the principles promulgated in the declaration of independence and embodied in the constitution is essential to the preservation of our republican institutions, and that the federal constitution, and the union of the states, and the union of the states shall be preserved."

"Resolved, That with our republican fathers, we hold it to be a self evident truth that all men are endowed with the inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and that the primary object and ulterior designs of our federal government were to secure these rights to all persons within its exclusive jurisdiction; that as our republican fathers when they had abolished slavery in all our national territory, ordained that no person should be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law, it becomes our duty to maintain this provision of the constitution against all attempts to violate, for the purpose of establishing slavery in any territory of the United States, by positive legislation prohibiting its existence or extension therein. That we deny the authority of congress or of a territorial legislature or of any individual or association of individuals to give legal existence to slavery in any territory of the United States while the present constitution shall be maintained."

"Resolved, That the constitution con-

fers upon congress sufficient power over the territories of the United States for their government, and that in the exercise of the power it is both the right and duty of congress to prohibit in the territories those twin relics of barbarism, polygamy and slavery."

"Resolved, That the highwayman's plea that 'might makes right,' embodied in the Ostend circular, was in every respect unworthy of American diplomacy and would bring shame and dishonor upon any government or people that gave it their sanction."

What a different ring from the millionaire production at Philadelphia recently. The following is a plank from Lincoln's platform in 1864:

"Resolved, That the maintenance of the principles promulgated in the declaration of independence and the federal constitution 'that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed;' is essential to the preservation of our republican institutions, and that the federal constitution, the rights of the states and the union of the states must and shall be preserved."

We have slaves in Sulu, serfs in the Sandwich Islands, and have denied the right of self-government to ten million Filipinos. We govern them with our imperial army—govern them without their consent.

State Convention Delegates

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The Bryan Continental Guards selected deputy superintendent C. F. Beck for adjutant and he accompanied that organization to Kansas City.

Should Renominate Poynter

The Democrat has not, up to the present, said aught pro or con of and concerning the renomination of Gov. Poynter, nor has it much to say now. What it does say will not be in defense of the governor for the very competent reason that he needs no defense. His public record as chief executive of a great state is open as a book and has been so distinctively upright, conservative and honorable that all the malicious attacks and garbled and distorted records of his acts by the republican machine, aided by peevish scribes and "pried loose" distortions, have failed to discolor the record to the governor's undoing.

But one specific charge has been made and that was so fully and completely answered by him in such a manly, frank manner that even the Journal of Lincoln—unfair as it is in the treatment of political foes—dared not return to the attack, but is content to produce foul connotations from the Deaverized, D. Clemetized press, of which the Kearney Pilot is a maudlin sample, under scare heads without endorsement, and this seems to be the sum of Poynter's opposition.

Poynter will be renominated and re-elected, as he should be, and with a full set of fusion officials. The Bartleys, Moores, Moshers and Rube Schneiders won't again revel in luxuries purchased with Nebraska school money to the extent of \$1,500,000.—Grand Island Democrat.

BATTLESHIP OREGON ON A ROCK.

Pride of the Navy Practically a Wreck in Asiatic Waters.

The following cablegram has been received at the navy department from Admiral Kempff: "Chefoo, July 1.—Secretary of Navy, Washington: Oregon has run aground. It is not in a dangerous position: about 38 degrees north latitude, 20 degrees, 40 minutes east longitude. Have sent to its assistance three naval vessels. It is reported that there is water in one compartment. The commander of the Oregon did not request assistance, a Japanese man-of-war having boarded vessel."

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