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THE REPUBLICAN PROGRAM.

How Rosewater Has Things—The Proprietor to Oppose Trusts and Make it a Defender of Wage Workers—Laughable but seriously Proposed.

The late republican state convention deserves a more complete report, both as an historic event and as a news episode in practical politics, than the brief summary in last week's Independent. The object of this article is to present such a report from the standpoint of an eye witness and student of current politics.

The convention as set to music written in Omaha whose chief composer was a much assailed individual, by name, E. Rosewater. There is no political bias in this statement—no desire to play upon that now nearly obsolete harp string, "anti Rosewater sentiment," in Nebraska. It is an impartial statement of a political fact necessary to a reasonable comprehension of Nebraska politics. After all these years of boiling and bubbling his party the little editor from Omaha welds more influence in the republican state convention of today than any other single man.

To strike the keynote of the convention music Judge Ben Baker, of Omaha, (the man who sentenced Joe Butler to twenty years in the penitentiary) was put forward as temporary chairman. The Judge made a fumble. He had a set speech about twenty minutes long. The convention didn't want to hear the speeches and the last five minutes of it was delivered to an accompaniment of boot heels, groans and exclamations of "ring off." The really important part of Judge Baker's speech—the keynote to strike—was neglected by an impatient crowd of delegates and has since been neglected by his party press—it was a declaration of the purpose of the republican party to control the trusts and protect the interests of organized labor. A good many readers of these lines will smile at the suggestion, but the shrewd political management back of Ben Baker knew the value of such a declaration and it will not fail to receive mention hereafter where it will do the most good.

The permanent organization, with the retiring supreme judge Norval as chairman, had been skillfully planned to harmonize the friends of that gentleman. The appointment of a committee of nine on resolutions was visibly made by Judge Norval with the assistance of Governor Savage's private secretary, H. C. Lindsay.

The nomination of a candidate for supreme judge showed real, earnest rivalry for the distinction—a condition of affairs which has not been known in Nebraska republican state conventions since the defeat of 1896. The first ballot resulted: Sedgwick, of York, 266 1/2; Davidson, of Johnson, 212; Kayser, of Douglas, 201 1/2; Jewell, of Buffalo, 171; Barnes, of Madison, 243.

The third ballot revealed the fact that Judge Barnes' friends in North Nebraska were voting for Sedgwick, without the formality of a withdrawal. Two explanations of this were at once suggested. The first was that Judge Barnes had been an active candidate for a place on the supreme court bench. His friends considered the place as good as promised him and when he was turned down there was angry threats. Now, if Judge Sedgwick could be nominated and elected to the supreme bench there would be a vacancy on the commission which Judge Barnes—enough said. The other explanation was that Judge Barnes had been an active candidate for a place on the supreme court bench. His friends considered the place as good as promised him and when he was turned down there was angry threats. Now, if Judge Sedgwick could be nominated and elected to the supreme bench there would be a vacancy on the commission which Judge Barnes—enough said.

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the latter had promised to pay back the state's money if given opportunity to collect it. He looked upon it as simply a business transaction, if the state could get back \$200,000 or \$300,000 it would better do so. There was a ripple of applause at this statement of the "business proposition", which the governor brought out with emphasis. It was his strong point with a party which has made much of its claims to protection of the "business interests"—but the applause lacked much of being unanimous. He went on to say, "If I am wrong blame me—don't blame the republican party. I did not consult the party. It was a matter of my own judgment. I considered that Mr. Bartley had suffered all it was possible for him and his family to suffer by imprisonment and I thought if it was possible for him to suffer more—or for those who had the money—it would be by paying back the money. I did not ask Mr. Bartley to give me the names of those who had the state's money—I understood there are such persons—because I knew the statute of limitations both to civil and criminal actions had run against these people during the four years Mr. Bartley had been in prison. Mr. Bartley was the only man who could go to these men and demand of them the money with prospect of getting it. I did not ask Mr. Bartley to pay back what was lost in banks, but a reasonable part of what was outside the banks."

"How much did you expect to get back from Bartley?" demanded Representative Marshall, of that county. "About \$25,000—a reasonable part of it," replied Gov. Savage. "Why did you go back on the record of the republican party?" shouted delegate Martin, of Merrick county. "I have not gone back on the record of the republican party," replied the Governor.

Delegate Martin continued to speak in a loud, defiant voice telling the governor that he was not above the republican party. Efforts were made to pull him down to his seat. There was confusion and hisses. Courtney, of Lancaster, moved to adopt the platform with exception of the part relating to Bartley. Reavis, of Richardson, moved to adopt it as a whole.

It was plain that the convention was divided in opinion. There was a strong element that had come up to the convention with a backing of local indignation against the Bartley parole. On the other hand the appearance of the governor, his plea for his own action, the sympathy excited in his behalf by harsh criticism from the floor all tended to make the result of the vote uncertain. The convention was in a dilemma from which it would gladly escape. At this juncture Mr. Rosewater advanced up the aisle, was recognized by Chairman Norval, and called to the platform. "There are some things this convention needs to know. In the first place the committee on platform was unanimous for this plank as reported. Personally I was not in favor of the clause asking for the immediate return of Bartley, but as that was the sentiment of the majority I agreed to it. The question is before you. You can't dodge it. If you vote this plank out of the platform the republican party will be beaten and disorganized at the coming election." There was many more eloquent and impassioned speeches made on the question, but this bold presentation of that matter as a question of defeat or victory settled whatever doubt there had been as to the convention's action.

Judge Paul Gessen, of Otoe, received applause by saying he was not in favor of one law for the rich man and one for the poor man. If it was right to let Bartley buy his freedom with \$200,000 it was right to let any horse thief buy his way out by restoring the value of the horse. For some time the burly figure of Chas. O. Whedon, Bartley's attorney, had been standing in the Lancaster delegation asking recognition. He was called to the platform. He began by calling the convention "gentlemen of the jury," but must have realized that it was a very difficult and unruly jury. He made his plea, as strong a plea as an attorney could make for his client under the circumstances. He reminded the convention that Bartley was a State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

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manded Mr. Whedon, "Let us be fair. Bartley had been in prison fifty months. Give him a chance to pay this money back. This resolution ought not to prevail."

Whedon was followed by C. F. Reavis of Richardson. He was tired of having Joe Bartley thrown up to him. He wanted to end it now. If Bartley really wanted to restore that money to the state, why had he waited until the statute of limitations had run against those who had the money? If he meant good faith why did he not give the names of those who had the money?

Miles, of Sidney, and General Colby, of Beatrice, tried to stem the tide against the governor's action, but in vain. Frank Martin of Richardson, and A. E. Cady, of Howard, voiced the sentiment of the more conservative element of the party, that it was the duty of the party to express its opinion, and if that opinion was contrary to the opinion of the governor, concede him honesty of purpose.

The roll call by counties revealed Lancaster's 76 votes solid for striking out the Bartley plan. Douglas county's 144 went solid in its favor—the total result 998 for the plank and 165 against. The fight was over and Gov. Savage, a very much chagrined man, already revolving in mind the order for Bartley's return to prison. CONVENTION AFTERTHOUGHTS.

If one were to ask which motive swayed the convention—fear of political defeat, or the republican party's "both," in a crowd of politicians political preservation is the first law. yet it was noticeable that the strongest applause of the debate followed Paul Gessen's declaration that he did not believe in one law for the rich man and another for the poor man.

The convention marked to the observant mind several changes in the situation within the republican party. Among them the rise of the Elkhorn railroad as a political factor, the overthrow of the Lancaster county supremacy and the substitution of Northern Nebraska dominance in the party councils with Edward Rosewater as the real party leader and manager. A. E. SHELDON.

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leaders of better judgment were in control.

"Make no mistake, senator," rejoined Mr. Mack, "William J. Bryan and the principles for which he fought will be upheld by the masses of the democratic voters. If there is a repudiation it will mean that the republicans will read themselves out of the party. In 1904 new issues will be accepted, but the old issues will not be abandoned. It may be that the party will split but it will not be the doing of the men who have been loyal during the years of defeat. And let me assure you that the minority will be the bolting element. If this attempt to punish Mr. Bryan and annihilate his friends is persisted in democratic success will be impossible in 1904, improbable in 1908, and then will come the triumph of loyalty."

To this Mr. Gorman responded good-naturedly that there will be no party defection and no party split. We will pull together in 1904," he said, "and with a conservative leadership we will drive the enemy from power."

CLOSE UP THE RANKS.

Chairman Edmisten Issues a Final Address—Enthusiasm and Harmony Among Populists All Over the State.

Editor Independent: If you will permit me I will briefly state some of the reasons why the members of the people's independent party in this state should be active in holding their county conventions and arranging for full delegations to attend the state convention to be held at Lincoln, September 17.

First, we should be active because we believe in the principles as advocated by our party as firmly as at any time in the past, and even more so when we study the actions of the national and state administrations.

The policies adopted by both at home and abroad has attracted the attention of others who are looking on with an envious interest, and cause them to give out interviews condemning the course adopted by our national head, signifying the adopted plan of the powers that be. The principles of the forefathers, wherein they sought to found a new government upon sound principles guaranteeing equal rights, with equal opportunities to follow a chosen vocation with some degree of certainty that legitimate enterprises conducted in an economical manner would yield reward that would bring happiness and comfort to the homes and our commonwealth. But there seems to have been a great change come over those that are in control, when compared with the founders of the government.

The people's party is in favor of a government conducted along the lines of that for which our forefathers were willing to offer for its defense their lives, their fortunes and sacred honor. Principles fought for then were of no greater consequence to the citizenship of that trying period than principles that are pressing themselves for our careful consideration at this time, therefore no true friend of reform can falter but it is a test of the genuineness of his faith in populism.

As the time approaches for holding the state convention the old time enthusiasm revives and the reform forces will enter this political contest with as much of a determination to sweep the state as ever they did. And will if we are to judge of the outcome from what we see in the actions of the republican party while at Lincoln in the past four years. It was not that they did not want Bartley released, but the schemers and politicians fear the decision of the people on this question at the polls.

The governor who had released him from the penitentiary felt the sting of the convention in passing the resolutions requesting the return of Bartley to the penitentiary. The republican governor offered as his excuse for releasing him that Bartley had promised to make good the amount embezzled, except the amount in banks which failed. But the governor now says nothing has been done in this respect.

Will Governor Savage tell the people of this state what prospects there was for having this money refunded when Bartley was released? Will he so state whether he would have returned him to the penitentiary if the convention had not passed the resolutions it did. Governor Savage should have taken the tax payers of the state who have been robbed by Bartley in his confidence and made a plain specific declaration to Bartley and those who seem to be so closely allied with him, that if they would refund the money then he would be released, but that he would not release convicts on a promise to do better, where the crime is so great as that of Bartley's.

If Mr. Bartley wants his freedom and desires to have the governor extend to him his clemency then let Mr. Bartley make a full confession of how the people's money was squandered, and give them some idea how they may expect its return. Until that time Mr. Bartley should be returned to the penitentiary and not given the pleasant duty of looking after the flowers and having a private room in the hospital, but consigned to hard labor during the day and escorted to a prison cell at night, as is intended by the law and the order of the court that sent him there.

If the republican party want to make Mr. Bartley the issue in this campaign, well and good, the fusion forces are ready to meet them, in fact the republicans cannot excuse this issue. They have only made this play for political effect, and when the campaign is on Bartley will have the same influences at his command that were able to secure his release before, and Governor Savage's feelings will by that time have been able partially to recover and the constant effort that has been going on since Bartley was sentenced will be again set in motion. It certainly is a plain case to every

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