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THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

For THE ALLIANCE.

What's Wrong?

Oh what is the matter? Oh tell me what's wrong? That the farmers and workmen can't get along; That the harvest is great that we get it, When the spring rolls around we have nothing at all.

Perhaps there are some whose names are recognized. But how many hands are now big and browned. Yet know not the glory of chisel or pen. But toil for their loved with the might of true men.

There are hearts that are noble and live that are great. Who know naught of fame or honor of state. For who is more noble than that will give. All the strength of his years that his loved ones may live?

When you talk of the noble, the good and the great. Rate not the brave toiler's noble ruler of state. For what was the power that developed our land? Was it pallet and chisel, or sturdy brown hand?

Who built the proud vessels that sail on the seas? Who leveled the forests? Who felled the great trees? Who drove back the savage? What won our fair land? Save the might that God gave to the sturdy brown hand?

Who digs in the bowels of old mother earth. For treasure there hidden, for gems of great worth? Too oft for a pittance they risk life and health. While they add to the store of the nation's great wealth.

Though a man be a sculptor, a painter, or singer. To the tiller he freely a tribute should bring. For his raiment, his bread, all the fruit of his land. Is won by the toil of the sturdy brown hand.

If then fair maiden when decked as a bride. 'Tis the strong son of toil who stands by your side. Fear not, for your future is safest with him. When wealth has departed and fame has grown dim.

If his heart is as true as his strong hand is brown. Surely no better refuge could ever be found. In sickness he'll be the best nurse in the land. There's the tenderest touch in the sturdy brown hand.

If poverty comes he'll meet it half way. If death's angel carries a loved one away. He'll be strength in your weakness, a solace in grief. In his strong, manly faith you will find sweet relief.

And at last when he's called to heaven's fair land. You will lean o'er his coffin and kiss his brown hand. And his children who tenderly fit his last glove. In his broad calloused palm will read his love.

'Tis the same old, old story of toil and true man. So often retold since the world first began. That when God has a work He'll have wrought. He ever has chosen the sturdy brown hand.

Meeting of Greeley Co. Alliance.

EDITOR FARMERS' ALLIANCE:—Our county meeting held June 7th was a success as a demonstration of our number and strength. Delegates from nearly all Sub. Alliances in the county, also Knights of Labor, met at Greeley Centre. Both associations formed in a grand parade, and marched to a dinner served by Alliance women. After dinner speeches were made Mr. Bigelow of the K. of L., and Mr. Sullivan of the Alliance, and an article written by the "Great Dehorner" was read. Alliance songs were sung by members, while we had a grand good time all around.

Mr. Sullivan said he served this county during the war of the rebellion and was proud of it, and he had now enlisted for another struggle in the defense of right and justice, and he was also proud of that. The sentiments expressed that day coincide with the general opinion of Antelope county, that we have no more use for G. W. E. D.

The general Alliance will take part in the celebration at Greeley Centre on the Fourth, when we expect to have another big time. Our executive committee has no doubt asked the State Secretary to send a speaker. Hope their petition may be granted. Greeley county farmers and laborers are to-day nearer together in their views than ever before, and by next November we think that imaginary line will be nearly if not quite erased. The Farmers' Alliance is fast getting the inside track on the "slop slingers" here, and all the dirt they throw hereafter will fall upon themselves. We look upon "our paper" as a morning star, and it is a day which the poor people of Nebraska can't afford to neglect. The Farmers' Alliance need not labor in the fields to help pay thirty per cent interest bearing debts, as is now the case.

Yours respectfully, E. A. HADLEY, Organizer of Greeley Co.

ELSEWHERE in this issue may be found notice of the popular new Alliance songster, issued by our Kansas friends. It is having a marvelous sale in Nebraska as well as in other states. By all means secure a supply for your Sub. Alliance. They are genuine enthusiasts, and no mistake.

The Alliance Songster very appropriately devotes one page to a portrait of the popular state president, "Kansas Ben" Clover.

GREAT PROSPERITY IN CLAY CO.

Farmers Making 30 to 40 Per Cent on Their Investment.

EDGAR, June 22d, 1890. EDITOR ALLIANCE:—As I have not seen only failures in this vicinity in your valuable paper lately I will try and gather a few. Being in the village of Edgar not long ago I heard some gentlemen talking about the extravagance of the farmers. The crowd of men was composed of lawyers, doctors, merchants and bankers. They said the farmers lived too well and dressed too well to keep out of debt, and stated that they were making from 25 to 40 per cent on their money invested. Now this is a mistake, for I have been farming for the past five years, and on an average I have not made 5 per cent on the money.

During the five years of my farming I have only raised one crop, and two failures and two one-third crops. This year my small grain is hailed out, and my corn badly damaged. From such causes I was compelled to sell my corn last fall for 12c to pay 2 per cent on my mortgages. I have not made 5 per cent on the dollar invested I would be satisfied; and to help the matter I will agree to eat grass and wear coffee sacks a while longer. The farmers in this vicinity are not to be blamed for their present loss; but they have to pay interest, and not one in ten have meat to eat half of the time. Same way with their cattle—everything has to go for interest.

With a few remarks I will stop for this time, and hope for better times to arrive soon. If you consider these items worth your space please let the farmers of Nebraska know how we are prospering in Clay county.

Yours truly,

A SUBSCRIBER.

Independent Conference in the Second District.

HASTINGS, NEB., June 22, 1890. DEAR SIR AND BRO.:—Acting under instructions, I am requested to notify you that a conference will be held in Hastings, Nebraska, on Monday, July 7th at 10 a. m., 1890, for the purpose of deciding what line of political action should be adopted by the people of this 2d congressional district. County presidents or county secretaries, or any two of the above named officers will be recognized delegates in the conference, but in such counties as have elected political committees to represent their counties, said committee will be the delegates, and you are hereby requested to immediately notify such committee of time and place of conference. If your county cannot send a representative you will please write a line to the secretary and express your views on the situation. One delegate from each labor organization other than the Alliance will be allowed each order in your county. By order of committee.

H. B. MCGAW, Sec'y. A. TOMPKINS, Co. Organizer, With W. W. Adams, Co. Pres., V. HORN, Vice State Pres. Meet at Germania Hall.

"Put None but Patriots on Guard To-Night."

GRANT, June 23, 1890. EDITOR ALLIANCE: Millions are shareholders in the stock books and collect for them are their overseers, and the better they imitate Sambo in Uncle Tom's Cabin the sooner they are promoted.

Although it must be an inspiring sight to stand on a tented field and guard mount in time of war and watch each regiment contribute its share of men to guard the camp from the encroachments of the enemy while their comrades are in the trenches, it is more grand to take a stand to-day, unobstructed by old party ties, and watch the industrial army, each factor contributing its portion to guard their common interests, and to keep the inspiring foe, while they toil in the fields, factories and mines. Brothers, crawl out from under those old pieces of rotten ties and watch and help cheer the grandest marshaling of forces the world ever witnessed. J. B. OSLEK.

A State Alliance in Missouri to be Organized by the National Alliance.

Moulton, Iowa, June 21, 1890. To The Officers and Members of Subordinate Alliances in Iowa:—

There will be a delegate convention held at Savannah, Missouri, on Wednesday and Thursday, July 16th and 17th, 1890, for the purpose of organizing a State Alliance under the auspices of the National Farmers' Alliance.

Each Subordinate Alliance will be entitled to three delegates, and are urged to see that they are fully represented. Send your ballot and best men.

The place of meeting was selected with a view of being the most convenient to the largest number of Alliances. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, July 16th, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Mr. N. B. Ashby, Lecturer of the National Farmers' Alliance, will be present and address the convention. Very truly yours, AUGUST POST, Secretary.

Ambition the Ruling Incentive. Mr. Randall in the Nationalist.

Of the man's criticisms that have been made of Mr. Bellamy's popular work, "Looking Backward," the general tenor has been that it does away with free competition and the perfect liberty of action of the people, through which it is claimed, has come the development of the 19th century; and that to restrict in any way this liberty of action would be to retrograde and set back the hands upon the dial of progress, and produce a condition of arrested development highly injurious to humanity.

Several reviewers have hinted that there is not enough of the good things of life for every one to have abundance, and that to make anything like an equal distribution, would bring down the whole community to a state of penury, which would prohibit culture and the graces and refinement of our highest social states. Hence for the world's good some must be elevated

NEBRASKA NEWS.

In General.

Crete has a population of 2,314.

The census returns give Hastings a population of 13,630. Edgar's mayor cast the deciding vote last week in favor of granting a school license.

The Gazette says that Plainview is getting ready to awake from her Van Winkle sleep.

The republican county convention of Custer county will be held at Broken Bow, July 19.

Documents relative to the proposed mail service between Chadron and Pine Ridge agency have been forwarded.

A. M. Franklin, a brakeman, had his foot so badly crushed by the cars at Broken Bow that amputation was necessary.

Lightning struck the electric plant in Nebraska City Saturday night and wrecked the machinery to the extent of \$3,000.

Sterling boasts of a building boom. At present a brick bank, a \$2,500 church and a \$10,000 school house are in course of construction.

A Knox county Presbyterian has come to the conclusion that a man who uses tobacco is not fit to lick a postage stamp, let alone preach the gospel.

Reports received here indicate that Saturday's storm was very severe west of Ulysses, destroying wind mills, sheds, corn cribs, mowing houses and blowing them off their foundations. No lives lost.

The storm last Saturday night did considerable damage to crops and buildings a few miles southeast of Overton. Mr. Schraake's house was unroofed and the porch torn away. Mr. Warner's barn was blown down. The roof of Mr. Greenaway's house was taken off and carried some distance.

The windows badly shattered by hail. Mr. Trimble's granary was blown away. Peter Johnson lost three horses by lightning. The crops in the storm belt were considerably damaged by hail.

Omaha special: Omaha is industriously clamoring for a new census and we insist that it take place at least thirty days from Monday. The reason whereof is in this: Monday morning Mrs. S. W. Wadsworth, wife of a stone mason living on Ninth street near Hingoo street, was shattered by hail. Mr. Trimble's granary was blown away. Peter Johnson lost three horses by lightning. The crops in the storm belt were considerably damaged by hail.

The official census returns give Loup City a population of 677.

The census of school children, completed by Assessor Fellis of Hastings shows the official figures to be 2,276 children of school age, an increase of 20 per cent over 1889.

Albert Burton, a farm hand working near Gretna, in Sarpy county, was overcome by the heat Wednesday and died. He was an Englishman, and having no relatives in the vicinity was buried by the county.

Mrs. Jacob Gabriel of Kearney caught a sixteen year old burglar in the house, and after a hard struggle shook her husband's gold watch, a gold ring and \$21 out of his pockets and turned him over to the police.

While attending the circus at Plattsmouth a farmer named Rusterholtz purchased of a fakir for \$30 a small paper box containing \$60 in glittering gold. He retired to a secluded spot and upon opening the box found it contained only a long felt hat.

Four young men were convicted and fined \$1 each for distributing state eggs upon the person of Ray Schofield, editor of the Strong reporter, while he was making a friendly call upon a young married lady. Now if he can find the man who "piled" the type in his office the blind eyed goddess will be avenged.

A. H. Smith, editor of the Lyons Mirror and a pioneer Iowa, goes back on the prohibition state and falls down before Nebraska grass in this way: "A farmer in this vicinity who perhaps raises more tame grass than any other in the country, told us yesterday that the heads of timothy in his meadow would average as much as eight inches in length, and many were as much as twelve inches long. Where is the Iowa man who can beat it?"

A meeting was held at Kearney Friday night to arrange for the relief of the cyclone sufferers at Pleasanton and Sweetwater. Committees were appointed to solicit aid and a mass meeting was called for next Sunday night. Mayor Baker telegraphed to Ravenna to draw on him for \$200. Kearney will do her share.

The girls of western Nebraska are rejoicing over a ruling of the general land office which sets forth that after making a homestead entry, a single woman may marry without losing her claim, provided she complies with the law in the matter of residence, cultivation and improvements.

O'Neill will soon be reached by the Short Line tracklayers.

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The Senate.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Call arose to address the senate on the subject of the resolutions heretofore offered by him (and reported back adversely from the committee on foreign relations) authorizing the president to open negotiations with the Spanish government for the purpose of inducing that government to consent to the establishment of a free and independent government of the island of Cuba and the other in relation to the German ownership of the bonded debt of Cuba.

When the clerk was reading the second resolution Sherman arose and moved that the doors be closed.

The vice president directed the galleries closed and the doors closed.

Call being thus unexpectedly cut off in his desire to make a speech before the public, said that he would not insist on the order to close the doors was insisted on by Messrs. Sherman and Elihu Root and was carried into execution.

The doors were re-opened at 1:30, and the senate took up the house bill for the admission of Wyoming into the union as a state.

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