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THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

Lancaster County Convention.

We publish below the table of delegates as assigned to the precincts by the county committee. The convention is to be held at Lincoln the 26th, the primaries the 24th.

First Ward....	11	Mill Precinct..	10
Second Ward..	13	Mi'dle C'k " ..	5
Third Ward....	6	Nemaha " ..	8
Fourth Ward...	5	N'rth Bl'ff " ..	5
Fifth Ward....	8	Oak " ..	6
Sixth Ward....	13	Oli'e Br'ch " ..	5
Seventh Ward..	6	Panama " ..	8
Buda Precinct..	8	Rock Cr'k " ..	6
Centrev'e " ..	6	Saltillo " ..	9
Denton " ..	7	So'th Pass " ..	10
Elk " ..	5	St'p'nsC'k " ..	8
Grant " ..	5	Stockton " ..	7
Garfield " ..	5	Waverly " ..	10
Highland " ..	6	West Oak " ..	6
Lanc'ster " ..	5	Y'kee Hill " ..	5
Little Salt " ..	6	West L'c'n " ..	6
Total.....			231

The Picnic at Cushman Park.

The County Alliance at its last meeting decided to have a picnic at the park some time in August. The labor organizations of the city were invited to meet with them at that time. It has been suggested by some of the Knights that the date be changed to *Labor Day*, Sept. 1st, at which time a grand display will be made by the organized labor societies of the city, in connection with the county Alliance. A rousing meeting could be held. The committee on arrangements might look this matter up.

The Nebraska Lumber Dealers Association.

A letter from Fred Geochner, Pres. of Alliance No. 515 in regard to the letter from the Huddleston Lumber company to the above association. That letter was published in our paper a few weeks ago, we would say to Bro. Geochner.

Second District Congressional Convention.

We have received the call for the Congressional District Convention for the Second District too late for insertion in full. The Convention will be held at Hastings Monday July 28, at 7 p. m.

The representation is the same as the State Convention. We will publish call next week.

Resolutions Barred.

Except in special cases, on special subjects, we shall publish no more resolutions. The flood of them for the past three months has sufficiently shown the drift of public sentiment on the subjects treated.

Lost Copy.

We received some resolutiens from a K. of L. Assembly at Kenesaw. They were partly in type when the storm of last Friday came up, and the wind took the copy out of the window and out of sight, which accounts for their non-appearance.

WHAT shall I do for lice on the rose bushes? asks a lady. Cover with a sheet and burn tobacco under it. Tobacco will kill most anything but a man, and it sometimes kills him.—*Ex.*

The defeat of the free coinage of silver by the republicans should bury that party so deep that even Gabriel's trumpet will fail to resurrect it.

Fresh From the Foot of the Mountains.

EDITOR ALLIANCE:—Alliance members one and all are working hard for our cause.

Our commissioned organizer Bro. J. N. Webster is busy working up and organizing new Sub. Alliances. He has just organized a Subordinate Alliance at Calton, with a Bohemian class with 13 charter members.

We have four Subordinates, and we are all a going to have an old style picnic near Chimney Rock, Cheyenne county, Nebraska. We will have ice cream, lemonade and a platform for a dance, and some of us will make a three day's tour of the occasion, and we expect to have a long to be remembered time.

A Mr. King, the County Judge of Scotts Bluffs county, Neb., will be there also to deliver a lecture to us.

Our picnic ground will be in plain view of the North Platte river and valley, set back close to the foot hills, where there will be plenty of nice pine tree shade with plenty of cool and clear spring water that comes out of the base oft he mountains.

We will advertise the Call for a People's Independent County Convention, Precinct convention on July 24th, and county convention July 26, to send delegates to the state convention. We all think that the farmers and laborers are the enemy the adjutant-general is organizing new militia to kill.

H. M. COULTER,
Sec. Co. Alliance.

Two Ways To Look At It.

A drove of plutocratic newspapers, referring to the bill to loan money on land, ask if the government is to become a pawnbroker? Well, when the government is loaning nearly a billion dollars on unsecured paper, it might much better be in the pawnbroking enterprise. Either the national banks are private banks or they are national concerns. Among their loans as they stand to-day over $900,000,000 are loaned on "commercial paper." Of this $600,000,000 only by endorsement, and about $300,000,000 is absolutely without endorsement or security of any kind. Those blind jackals at Washington will find that land is good security when an outraged people have buried them under six feet of ballots.—*Great West.*

The national banks, by repeated decisions of the Supreme Court, are fiscal agencies of the United States. As such the government not only has full control of them, but is responsible for their proper management. So the government is in the loaning business quite extensively. All the farmers ask is that it should change its security.

A German View of Prohibition.

We publish the following resolutions and the private letter accompanying them, as they express the sentiments of a large number of our German members. We are opposed to loading our platform with a lot of issues upon which there is great disagreement. See article in another column on this subject.

OSAGE SUB. ALLIANCE, 1441, July 5th, 1890, in regular session.

Whereas, This Sub. Alliance is fully convinced that the arguments for or against the prohibition amendment inside the Alliance will cause a rupture of the Alliance, and,

Whereas, We believe that every member of the Alliance should vote on the amendment as his conscience permits him to vote: therefore be it

Resolved, That the Osage Alliance is against any such arguments inside the Farmers' Alliance or at the state or county conventions. And,

That we are against any resolutions or platforms in favor of or against prohibition which may be adopted at the state or county conventions.

The above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

DICK H. DUEDEN, Pres.,
WM. H. BORSE, Sec.

BRO. BURROWS:—If the German farmers of Nebraska were satisfied that the above resolutions would be useless, they would join *en masse*. They are opposed to any form of prohibition on the ground and principle that it is not in conformity with the gospel. This may seem odd to you, but when we claim that not one will ever enter the kingdom of heaven by law, and farther that when by our own example we can save a fallen brother, he will be saved indeed, what is the use of them making more laws and by doing so create a sin that was no sin before. We hold that if by law one evil could be exterminated all evils can, and the coming of our Savior would have been in vain.

Let us pray, but abstain from prohibition. Respectfully and fraternally yours, DIRK H. DUEDEN.

Chase County Meeting.

An enthusiastic meeting was held at Imperial on July 5th, in the court house. Not only was there a full delegation present, but the court room was filled with Alliance men and women who seemed to sympathize heartily with the measures adopted by the delegates. Owing to quite recent organization considerable time was consumed in adopting a coustitution and by-laws, but we are now in good working order, and it is decided to hold monthly meetings until after the fall elections.

Contrary to the general expectation, there was not a dissenting vote against the calling of a People's Independent Convention, and a rousing majority may confidently be expected from Chase county if the right men are selected as candidates. We all ready have fully one-half of the voting population, and our numbers are increasing more rapidly than ever. Some Subordinate Alliances report ten to twenty additions at a single session. C. L. BRAINABD.
Secretary.

[Resolutions were adopted approving the People's State Convention: condemning the action of the county commissioners for allowing special pay to county officers; calling for stringent legislation to enforce the amendment if it is passed; condemning the course of the board of transportation; favoring township organization; endorsing Senator Stanford's bill; and denouncing political sore-heads such as Dave Butler, Rosewater and Church Howe. Our space is too limited to publish the resolutions in full.—ED. ALLIANCE.]

A Regular Double-Header.

GRANT, Neb., July 9th, 1890.

EDITOR ALLIANCE:—That the producers of the United States can never pay their debts with a system of money that is plunging them deeper in debt every year no one can deny. The cursed system did its work in the old world, and was then imported to this country by traders at home and tyrants abroad. What the British bayonet failed to do British gold is doing with neatness and dispatch. Namely: Crushing American liberty and independence. Let the battle cry be, if the greenback was good enough to pay the men who saved the union and freed the black slave, it is good enough to pay the mortgage-holder and thereby free the white slave.

Yours for emancipation,
J. B. OSLER.

The banks all over the country seem to be enjoying a steady though silent and unostentatious success. It is inspiring to note the noiseless operations of these thousands of independent banking institutions, that are daily sending the strong life current into the industrial world.—*American Banker.*

Yes, the life current that carries financial death to the millions. One per cent U. S. credit is the life current; 10 per cent bank credit that floats on top, is the death current.—*Iowa Tribune.*

Independent Convention in Hall Co.

GRAND ISLAND, NEB., July 13, 1890.

EDITOR ALLIANCE:—The tocsin sounded and the stalwarts assembled. There was blood on the moon and fire in the eyes that gazed upon it. The opening anthem had for its refrain, "No politicians need apply." Aaron Cook opened with a few pertinent remarks, and then the convention settled down to business. The resolutions adopted were strong on every point, and the points were well taken. They denounced monopolies in general terms, and more particularly the National banks, convict and children's labor, forfeiture of interest and principal for usury, asked laws for equal taxation, for service pensions, for fixing maximum freight rates, and declare all contracts with the old political parties forever off.

Aaron Cook and S. H. Lee were nominated for legislators, H. A. Edwards for county attorney, Geo. Ryan for register of deeds. Senatorial and central committes were appointed, and fifteen delegates to the state convention were chosen.

That is about the way it went to the World-Herald, because their reporter was in sympathy with the meeting; but I fear the other papers will have it something like this: Seventy members of the Farmers' Alliance and eleven Knights of Labor met at the court house and held a pow wow. A. Cook, the chairman, had no ability whatever in that direction, and, though one of the candidates for the legislature, seems most unfit for the position. He was unable to see any difference between an Alliance convention and an independent convention, and even the Knights of Labor had some difficulty in getting recognition. The candidates are weak all round, with the exception of Edwards. Some merit must be conceded to the resolutions, but the ticket can be easily defeated.

REPORTS OF COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

A large and enthusiastic convention was held at Foster, Pierce Co., July 15th.

M. L. Kelly was nominated for Co. Att'y, and J. M. Burch for Commissioner.

A full delegation to the state convention was chosen.

A People's Convention was held at Grand Ialand, in Hall Co., July 12.

A. Cook and E. S. Lee were nominated for the legislature, and H. A. Edwards for county Att'y.

Full delegation to State and Senatorial Conventions were chosen.

On the 10th, of July a Peoples's Convention was held at Platte Centre, Platte Co. William Shelps and Henry Stevens were nominated for representatives, and a full delegation to the state convention was chosen.

On July 12th a People's Independent Convention was held at Indianola, Red Willow Co., and nominated for representative for the 65th Dist., A. B. Mode; for Co. Att'y, Sidney Dodge; for Co. Commissioner, S. S. Graham. It also appointed a full delegation to State convention.

The People's Convention for Nuckolls Co. was held at Nelson, July 10. For representative, Geo. A. Fulton; Co. Commissioner. J. Dihel; Co. Att'y, R. Sutherland; Clerk District Court; John Burd. Delegates to State Convention were also chosen.

Alliance Work in Gosper County.

BURWELL, NBE., July 6, 1890.

EDITOR ALLIANCE;—I write this that our friends over the state may learn how the Alliance in Garfield county is progressing. On July 4th we had a grand celebration at Brother Alderman's grove, which is situated about 2 miles from Burwell. In the morning the members of the Sub. Alliances with their families, met and formed a procession, and then headed by the Burwell brass band, proceeded to the grove. Each Sub. Alliance had a banner and flags flying. The procession was over a mile long and the grandest demonstration that ever took place in Garfield county. When we arrived at the grove we took dinner under the trees. Addresses were delivered by Alliance men and friends of the order, and the balance of the day was spent in amusing ourselves as is custimary on the glorious Fourth.

I must tell you also that our people are very strong in favor of independent political action, in fact each Alliance has expressed itself to that effect, and many that do not belong to our order and who reside in town are with us. We will be represented at Columbus on the 15th, also at Lincoln on the 29th.

Enclosed please find draft and new list of subscribers. Fraternally,
T. J. DAY.

Letter From J. J. Klinge.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 10, 1890.

EDITOR ALLIANCE:—I have not seen any items from this vicinity yet since we have organized. The Lake Alliance No. 1375 organized the 22d of March, 1890, with 16 charter members, and we are still increasing in number every meeting. We have now 50 members, and get twine, oil, flour and so forth to a great extent cheaper than before, and this branch will vote solid for the farmers' ticket, and furthermore, against prohibition; and this whole branch would like to see the W. C. T. U. column kept out of THE FARMERS' ALLIANCE paper, for lots of good old farmers will not join the Alliance on that account, then we work against prohibition all we can. Then if this city would not have the license law, where or how could we pay all the taxes. We would have to pay 18 thousand dollars more on taxes, where a lot can be sold for $1,000 and the taxes are about $20. But when we get prohibition that lot will be taxed at about the double amount and could not be sold at $500. That's the way it is in Kansas and Iowa, where they have taxed prohibition and would be glad to get rid of it again. So I advise every onest farmer of this great state of Nebraska if you vote prohibition the state will blume up like a rose in spring.

J. J. KLINGE.
Vice-President of Lake Alliance, No. 1375.

You would oblige me very much by putting what I wrote just as it is in your paper.

if aney thing is to Be chorged Please notify me and I will Pay the same.

Your truly,
J. J. KLINGE,
Grand Island, Neb.

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Gosper County to be Depended Upon.

HILTON, NEB., July 8, 1890.

EDITOR ALLIANCE: We wish to let our brother farmers know that we may be depended upon to perform our part in the struggle, to wrest our state government from the hands of monopolists, and put it in the hands of honest men elected by the people.

Our County Alliance met last Saturday, and unanimously voted to endorse the call for a People's Independent state Convention, and to keep aloof from the primaries and conventions of the old parties. Calls have been issued for People's Independent caucuses in each precinct to elect delegates to a People's Independent County convention to be held in Elwood, July 17, at 2 o'clock p. m. Let the people rule.

W. H; STONE, Sec.

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FIFTH.

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A Letter to Uncle Sam by Jacob Beck No. 5.

DECATUR, NEB., July 4, 1890.

Dear Uncle Sam: This is the Fourth of July and I have just returned from an Alliance celebration held in a beautiful grove where young men and maidens, matrons and men of hardy hairs, little boys and girls were assembled. I was called on for a speech and what do you reckon I had to say?

Well I will tell you: I told them that Uncle Sam had four ways by which he obtained money. By borrowing it—by taxing the people—by selling or leasing some of his property, or by coining it and decreeing it money and declaring it a legal tender.

I also told them that Uncle Sam had four ways of putting money in circulation: By loaning it—by donating it to parties—by purchasing property, and by paying it out for service or labor.

I argued that the general depression that prevails among farmers arose from lack of currency; and proposed the following plan to get up a "boom:"

That instead of Uncle Sam loaning money to farmers on long time at low rate of interest upon approved security, that he buy lands of parties having them for sale. And then lease said lands to parties who wished to farm, and charge them not less than one nor more than three per cent per annum on the purchase price; not permitting anyone to ever hold a lease for more than 160 acres of these lands at any one time of life. Make it a law that the lessee shall be required to pay all taxes; and so long as he paid the taxes and the amount annually due the government he could not be dispossessed of his holding

To purchase these lands I advocated the issuing of legal tender paper money; the same as you issued at the commencement of the late civil war.

I argued that such a policy would put millions in circulation, and at the same time enable the poor to get a home by paying one per cent yearly on the government's purchase price; and enable him to hold it for ever. I went on to tell my audience that I had a farm worth five thousand dollars; that I would sell it to Uncle Sam for sixteen hundred dollars if he would lease me the same farm for one per cent per annum on what he paid for it; and I would agree to pay all taxes; and pay him annually his one, two or three per cent. And that I would pay it in specie, so he would have the hard money to redeem the paper issued to purchase the farm. And I will further state that if Uncle Sam does not wish to issue greenbacks to purchase my farm, I will take a sixteen hundred dollar bond, having twenty or thirty years to run and drawing three per cent non-taxable and interest paid in specie.

Then you see I could either sell the bond at a premium, or chip in with others and start a national bank—which you know is said to be "the best banking system in the world."

I think the foregoing plan much better for the government and for the people than loaning money to the farmer and taking a mortgage on his farm. The government once owned all the land and it would be better for her to buy it all back and lease it to the occupants at such rates as they can pay. Such a policy would result in a complete overthrow of land monopoly—the system of landlord and tenant would soon perish, and along with it other monopolies would totter to their fall. Of course my improved homestead scheme came in for a share of my attention. I invited the audience to ask me questions concerning any theories, but no questions were asked. I spoke for 40 minutes, the day was pleasant, we had cakes, pies, turkey, chicken, music and mirth in abundance.

Yours as ever,
JACOB BECK.

Stirring Letter From a Lady of Otoe County.

SYRACUSE, July 9th, 1890.

EDITOR FARMERS' ALLIANCE:—I am not a member of the Farmers' Alliance, but am in full fellowship in their principles, which seem to inspire all minds alike, both the learned and the illiterate.

This movement seems heaven-born, and every mind ready to co-operate and form what is called the Farmers' Alliance.

I am a subscriber to your most excellent paper, which should find its way in every family. The learned and unlearned all apreciate it as speaking their sentiments, and welcome it with joy in their homes. All eyes read, all ears hear, and the intellect recieves stimulating and encouraging all with energy and zeal, unabating in interest.

Onward is the cry to all who respond. Louder is the call and farther it is heard, gathering in the fold as if by magic, by the thousands, extending from Maine to California united in efforts, shall accomplish that for which all are seeking and belongs to them by right. What an army against monopolists, capitalist and millionaires. Capital is strong but cannot fight without men. Will they see the cloud rising and spreading as if to envelop the whole nation, and through that fear, remove their ill-gotten wealth to a place of of safety? Do they see the government seized and manned by honest officials where corruption has so long reigned? Do they see the bright star arising, following this ever-spreading cloud, neither of which will ever turn backward in their course, but onward and onward the the cloud marches until the whole nation is enveloped and purified, driving out corrupt officials and the government reorganized and honest men in the places once occupied by selfish, greedy millionaires and lawyers, intriguing and decieving, making laws that will fill their own pockets at the expense of the millions of farmers who have been working early and late to pay off the mortgage on the farm, only to find that all the profits must go to these monopolists, leaving them worse off each succeeding year. And then to crown the whole the farm must go too, and follow the profits that have gone before. All gone. Families scattered; ruin and desolation scattered on every hand. Never will these millions of ruined men turn backward but "onward!" will be the cry "for justice, for freedom, for an equal chance, for honest legislation, where laws shall be made to benefit all the people, and not for the few whose prayer seems to be

"Bless me and my wife,
Brother John and his wife
We four and no more, Amen."

I find in settling up the estate of my husband, who died one year ago, many whose prayer might be similar to the above.

I should like to become a member of the Alliance. I have 220 acres of land adjoining Syracuse which would put me in the farmer class and eligible to membership, I should suppose, as I have lived on it and carried it on by hired help. Whether I am admitted or not my best efforts will be put fourth to advance the cause of the Alliance whose principles I am in sympathy with. I cannot vote but can influence others, perhaps, to vote the Alliance ticket.

Respectfully,
MRS. C. DAVENPORT.

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W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

Edited by Mrs. S. C. O. UPTON, of 2136 R Street, Lincoln, Neb., of the Nebraska Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The editor of THE ALLIANCE places the responsibility of this column in the care of the above editor.

Temperance Boys and Girls are We.

Real temp'rance boys and girls are we,
In sunny youth from care we're free.
And join we now in "Bands of Hope,"
Against an evil power to cope.
We know that e'en the smallest thing
Can do some good, or comfort bring,
And so will we in earnest strive,
From all our land this curse to drive!

CHORUS:—
Temp'rance boys and girls are we!
Temp'rance boys,
Temp'rance girls,
Temp'rance boys and girls are we,
Always true we mean to be!

No drink we use, but water pure,
And have few aches or pains to cure;
Good health is ours, and prospects bright;
Our heads are clear, our hearts are light.
But then to keep these blessings all,
We ne'er must heed the tempter's call,
But from "strong drink" must turn away
Nor from the path of virtue stray!

What if the way is sometimes rough!
We're doing right and that's enough
To cheer our hearts from morn till night,
As long as in this cause we fight!
We'll clasp each other by the hand,
And pledge the honor of our band,
That true and faithful we will be
Till all our land from "RUM" is free!

Labor's Burdens Lightened.

From "Prize Essay" by Geo. W. Mott.

With the disappearance of more than 200,000 would also gradually disappear the crime and pauperism which are their legitimate offspring. As labor pays every dollar of the cost to society of this offspring, the millions now thus wasted would be labor's gain.

POLITICAL OBSTACLES DISAPPEAR.

More than 200,000 saloon centers of political corruption would be swept away. The voting elements which, debased by drink, gather at the centers to exchange their votes for drink, or money, or both would gradually disappear from society. In our land and among our race rum and bribery generally go together. As a rule, nothing short of drink can generate the debasement and poverty that drive its victim to sell his birthright. Show rum the door and bribery will soon follow. Restored to soberness, with abundance of work and good wages, most of the class would again become valuable members of society, and the political friend instead of the political enemy of labor.

Again, the liquor traffic being abolished, the power of the liquor traffic may be counted out of the case. Without the revenues which they draw from labor's pockets their power would vanish. There would no longer be saloon domination, nor even a saloon factor, in politics.

Many of the monopolies would still remain, but their political power would be broken. Intimidation and bribery would be no longer easy of accomplishment. The wide demand for his labor would make the wageworker feel too independent and fearless to be easily intimidated; and without the saloon to operate from, and its debauched victims to operate upon, but little could be accomplished by bribery at the polls. It may be attempted, as now, in the halls of legislation, but it must be remembered that when national prohibition comes the majority of our legislators will be men of a higher type than we have at present, and will represent a public moral sentiment purer and loftier than it is today—a sentiment that will no longer tolerate the liquor traffic, and will therefore no longer tolerate its vile fruits.

Prayer.

The foundations of this government were laid with prayer. The constitution got its very breath in the air of faith. In every crisis of our affairs it has been the sense of divine help that has put wisdom into the brains of statesmen and courage into the hearts soldiers. Washington prayed amidst his freezing army at Valley Forge. Franklin prayed, free thinker as he was, in the confusion and despair of the constitutional convention. Lincoln prayed in the carnage at Chancellorsville and in the victories of the Wilderness. Give us, straight on, reverence for God, obedience to his laws, and respect for his ordinances; and all the other evils which sometimes fill us with consternation as we eye their increasing magnitude, will fade away. The gross materialism of the hour, the fierce greed for office; the corruption of the ballot, the evils of unchecked immigration, of intemperance, of ignorant suffrage, of Mormonism—these, one and all, would disappear in the dissolving light of a faith which can bring men under the power of supernatural sanctions, thus restraining the violence of the masses and the selfish indulgences of the individual.—*Dr. Spaulding.*

Make it an Outlaw.

Make the liquor traffic an outlaw and capitalists will grow extremely cautious about investing any funds in it in the future.

Make it an outlaw and the courts can give it no protection.

Make it an outlaw and it can no longer do a credit business.

Make it an outlaw and no decent bank will loan funds to it or decent insurance company insure it.

A Sad Case.

Years ago Charley——was a bright, promising boy, engaged at work in the glass factory here, where he continued for eight successive years. One night he was out late with a young companion. They went into a saloon. While there a drunken woman entered and stated that she did not know the way home on Sixth street. These two boys were asked by the saloonkeeper to see the woman home. They started with her, and but a few steps from the saloon another man came up and offered to escort the lady home. She was so willing to go with him that the young men supposed him to be her friend, and at once left her in his care. This man (?) after going about two blocks with her, committed an outrageous assault upon her, for which he and the other two were arrested. At the trial which followed the man offered no defense, virtually acknowledging his guilt. He also stated that the two young men were innocent. Charley had no money to pay counsel, and was convicted as an accessory. He was sentenced to the state prison for a term of forty years, and the actual criminal for fifty. The man has long ago been pardoned, while Charley remains at San Quentin, an innocent convict, and will there have to stay for some thirty years longer unless some state officer will prove himself a humantarian, willing to do something for the sake of justice and right without reference to boodle.

Poor Charley! Forty years at hard labor for being in bad company one night.—*California Voice.*