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Our stock of Ingrain carpets is particularly large and varied as a result of early buying, for they are proving very hard to obtain as the season advances.

MILLER & PAINE, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

THE NEW ALIGNMENT

Chairman Edmisten on the Denver Conference—Work of the Organization Committee

Editor Independent: It is with much pleasure that we notice the expressions given by the people's party papers of the country in regard to the action of the joint committee at Denver at its recent conference.

All factions of the people's party have united and fully agree that they will in the future nominate and support one candidate, who is a member of the people's party for the presidency. And while this action by the two committees cannot be binding upon the party, further than it shows the feeling among those in attendance, it was gratifying to witness the unanimity of feeling that prevailed throughout the conference. Men of thought and deeply fixed convictions can now have a place to associate themselves when it comes to exercising the right of freemen, and they can cast their ballots without being the victims of deception.

Therefore we call upon each and every populist of the country to give the matters herein suggested careful consideration and not condemn the action of the committee at the suggestion of some opposition newspaper or political leader. We can safely locate such as in opposition to our cause. We believe if we pursue a straightforward course, fully adhering to the principles promulgated at Omaha and reiterated on other occasions; therein lies the hope of the country.

We are in opposition to the trusts and every other kind of legalized greed. We believe the great corporations of the country have such a firm hold on the old parties that it is folly to expect relief from either of them. The old parties have secret influences within, that shape, mould and fix their policies. For this reason the people's party takes a firm stand for independent action, and men of high ideals and strong, unflinching determination can join their efforts in the attempt to of this a government of the people and not a government of the trusts.

There was no attempt made by the conference at Denver to promulgate a platform. The address issued by the conference did set out a few of the fundamental truths that the party stands for and on which it was founded, giving assurance to the great mass of voters that we still believe in them, that no deviation even to the dotting of an "i" or the crossing of a "t" would

be permitted and that we would continue to fight the battles of the people's party standing on its everlasting truths.

We cannot urge too strongly that all true lovers of reform give all the assistance in their power to the committee that has under its management the work of placing in each state and county a live, wide-awake, working organization, and in that way lay the foundation for an effective campaign in 1904. The head of this committee is J. A. Edgerton of Denver, Colo.; treasurer, Col. J. S. Felter of Springfield, Ill.; secretaries, J. H. Calderhead, Helena, Mont., and C. Q. De France, Lincoln, Neb. These gentlemen were chosen by the conference and endorsed by the joint national committees. In no sense will this committee come in conflict with the national committees now in existence, and it ceases to exist when it has organized the various states and counties of the country and reports to the next national convention.

We call upon all friends who were associated with the farmers' alliance and all kindred organizations north and south to join in this effort to return to the days when we made the country feel the effect of our influence. We are more powerful today than then if we will make use of our power, because we know each other better.

All committees will, I believe, work in perfect harmony, and when the national convention convenes we will centralize these into one committee and with a candidate fresh from the people, and of the people, we can make a campaign that will interest the voters who belong to the common people, including all classes engaged in legitimate enterprises, and they constitute a majority of the voters. These classes should stand side by side in the settlement of these important questions. The question is, Will we do it? The old parties will labor to prevent it, but I believe we can. The efforts of the trusts and corporations to merge everything into one body or as nearly as possible, should arouse the suspicion of every thinking man of the nation who has a business of his own or has to depend on his day's labor for a living. The trust system destroys hope and independence, leaving but two things to be done, either to join the system or oppose it.

This problem is defined clearly and we must take our position some time. Let us do it now. The classes that are in opposition to the trust system, including every man who is exercising his best efforts to conduct his business in an honorable way, to secure a

fair return for his labor and investments, and these men should have something to say about the running of the government's affairs. The extremely wealthy and aristocratic are supported by the trusts and the corporations. Do the common people have anything in common with those classes? And yet it is a fact that a majority of the representatives in the national congress and the state legislatures are made up of trust and corporation representatives. Let us express our individual rights in these matters. The trusts tax the consumer for everything that he uses. The complaint is made from all sections of the country that extortionate rates are charged by the common carriers of the country. We stand for government ownership and operation of railroads at actual cost. Stop the piling up of millions for a few while the average stockholders go to the wall.

The greatest evil is known to be the national banking system with kindred concerns controlling the money of the country. For all these and many other reasons there should be an overhauling and breaking up of political lines, and the establishing of a new alignment in the interest of the great common people. Let us do this by acting with the people's party.

J. H. EDMISTEN,
Vice Chairman of the National Committee of the People's Party.

Iowa Populists

A call has been made for the members of the people's party of Iowa to meet in mass state convention at the Y. M. C. A. building, in the city of Des Moines, Ia., on Thursday, August 27, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for state offices.

No one will be barred from taking part in the convention who favors nomination a union people's party state ticket and is willing to lend his assistance in helping to elect the same.

Former members of the farmers' alliance, citizens' alliance, industrial legion and Knights of Labor are invited to meet on this occasion, and a special invitation is extended to the members of new labor organizations, consisting of the united mine workers of America, the federal labor union and the American federation of labor, and other branches of labor organizations, and all factions of reform parties and free silver advocates, and all who favor good government and independent political action.

The call is signed by J. R. Norman, chairman, Albia; S. M. Harvey, secretary, East Des Moines.

This is cheering news. The Independent hopes to see the Iowa populists make no mistake in putting up a ticket or making a platform, because that will in a measure test the former populists who have recently been voting the democratic ticket. They can then choose between a good democrat running on a "cowardly platform," or a good populist on a courageous populist platform.

Kentucky Populists

A call has been made for a joint state convention of the allied people's party and the united labor party to meet at Germania hall, 109 West Jefferson street, Louisville, Ky., on Wednesday, August 26, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating a state ticket and taking such action as may be deemed advisable to advance the interests of the industrial classes.

The members of organized labor, representing the united labor party, will be entitled to one-half the votes to be cast in the convention, while the delegates of the people's party, representing the farmers, will cast one-half the votes.

The call is signed as follows: Representing the united labor party, Joe D. Bradburn, J. L. Baron, W. M. Sullivan, Fred Schwencker; representing the allied people's party, Jo A. Parker, W. B. Bridgeford, L. C. Sauer, John Krouse.

The Independent bids the reformers of Kentucky Godspeed in their work, although it is doubtful whether any permanent alliance can be effected between farmers and wage-workers. This has failed in the past—but if the Blue Grass boys can make it work, success to them!

Will Pay all Losses

The damage to crops in Nebraska this year by hail is much greater than the average. Scarcely any county has escaped entirely. Many farmers, realizing the danger, had protected themselves with hail insurance. Those who took out policies in the United Mutual Hail Insurance association of this city are fortunate and will receive payment in full for all losses sustained. Early in the spring The Independent cautioned its readers to be careful in placing their hail insurance and select the United Mutual, which is by far the largest, the oldest and most reliable hail insurance company in the state. The advice was good then, and it is good now, as those who acted upon it will testify.