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## NEBRASKA POPULISTS

### THE STATE COMMITTEE SPEAKS

Get the Facts to the People Suppressed by the Plutocratic Papers and Victory is Sure

To Our Populist Workers: The weakest point in our party organization today is the lack of a strong, vigorous press. The republican leaders have used their corruption fund without stint to freeze out and crush out populist papers everywhere; we regret to state that they have been partly successful. The counties in Nebraska where we have a strong populist paper are now the exception rather than the rule, as was the case several years ago. This has been brought about, largely, through the persistent and systematic campaign of the republicans to supplant our populist papers with great 48-page weeklies, filled with blood and thunder stories and accounts of divorces, murder trials, etc., at 25 cents per year and for 10 and 15 cents per year as a clubbing price with republican weeklies.

As a result of the effective work of our party papers we need only refer to Holt county as a fair sample. The population of Holt county has doubled in the past few years; more than 75 per cent of the immigrants into this county have been republicans from Iowa; yet our populist forces have been able to slightly increase their majority year after year and this year promise us three hundred majority for the state ticket. The Holt County Independent is one of the strongest county papers in the state; it keeps up an aggressive campaign the year around, and its readers are in close touch with county politics at all times. This work is ably supplemented by the populist county central committee, who plan systematically to keep the Nebraska Independent in the hands of every populist voter in the county. They use their money for this purpose rather than to hire brass bands and make a hurrah campaign. Result: Every populist voter is a fighter, qualified to discuss intelligently the political issues and make votes from the ranks of the enemy.

We wish to urge upon all our candidates and committeemen this fact: If you will take hold of this matter and place the Nebraska Independent and the county populist paper, if you have one, in the hands of every populist voter in your county, precinct and district, we will guarantee that our people will not be humiliated by a defeat this year by reason of the heavy stay-at-home vote.

It is not necessary to send these papers to republicans. We have enough votes to carry this state. It is only necessary to get them out to the polls on election day. This can only be done by organization and education. Get populists fully aroused to the importance of this election and the garnering of crops or even a blizzard will not keep them from the polls.

Judge John J. Sullivan is recognized everywhere as one of the noblest men and greatest jurists that ever occupied a position on the supreme bench of Nebraska. Six years of faithful service has proven that he is absolutely incorruptible. He has stood up squarely for the principles of the populist party—the party that first nominated him for this exalted position. Although Judge Sullivan is known as a democrat, he was nominated by the populist state convention six years ago and afterwards endorsed by the democrats. His record is clean and such that every populist is proud of it. Our party is proud of such officials and renominated him by acclamation at the Grand Island convention. With Judge Sullivan on the supreme bench the great common people have a "friend at court" and they know it.

Our candidates for regents of the university are especially qualified for the work. Prof. William A. Jones is one of the best known educators in the west. Dr. Ernest O. Weber is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, was a captain in the First Nebraska

and breveted major for bravery in service. Has always taken an active interest in the university and is thoroughly familiar with the work of the institution.

If the republican candidates for regents are elected it means that there will be on the board of regents three members to represent the interests of Douglas county, two members to represent the interests of Lancaster county and one to represent the balance of the state. How do the voters in other counties like this? Yours for success,  
B. R. B. WEBER,  
Chairman.  
J. R. FARRIS,  
Secretary.

### Populist Enthusiasm

R. D. Sutherland of Nuckolls county says: "Replying to your inquiry as to conditions in this county, will say: We held very harmonious conventions, nominated a splendid ticket—I think the best in years; it is well distributed over the county, all interests represented and is composed of strong, competent men. Our democratic friends adopted a set of resolutions setting forth that, whereas, the populists had nominated Judge Sullivan, and, whereas, the relations of the two parties in years past have been satisfactory, and, whereas, they felt that they could trust the populists to do the right thing, they invited the populist convention to nominate the entire county ticket. This the populists proceeded to do, heading the ticket with a fine young man—a democrat, capable and of splendid character. The balance of the ticket is of the same high order, and I have every reason to believe that the entire ticket will be elected."

Peter Dahlstein of Wheeler county says: "Conditions are satisfactory in this county. We will have our old-time populist vote this fall."

E. B. Quackenbush of Nemaha county says: "There seems to be more vigor and enthusiasm in our ranks this year than for years past. We expect to elect part of the county ticket at least. Judge Sullivan stands well with our people, and our judicial ticket has much brighter prospects of carrying than for any time in recent years."

C. W. Potter of Brown county says: "The vote for Judge Sullivan and the state ticket will show a gain over the Thompson vote of last year. Complete and satisfactory fusion in this county."

J. R. Dean of Custer county says: "The political situation in Custer county is better than for several years past. All wings of the party are working harmoniously and it is thought that we will carry the county. We have a good ticket and every man is worthy of hearty and loyal support."

R. A. Emery of Buffalo county says: "Believe our county is all O. K. All wings of the party working harmoniously and prospects bright for victory."

### No Fusion in Nebraska

The populist state convention which met at Grand Island Tuesday nominated Judge J. J. Sullivan, the present incumbent, for judge of the supreme court, and Prof. W. A. Jones of Adams, and E. O. Weber of Saunders, both populists, for regents. The nomination of Judge Sullivan was made in advance of the nomination of the distinguished jurist by the democratic convention at Columbus.

In point of numbers and enthusiasm the Grand Island convention was a success. The Omaha News, a republican paper, but inclined to be fair with all parties, puts the number of delegates at three hundred.

The populist state convention by its action makes all these nominees their own, without reference to what any other party may do, and the way the old-time populists will come out of the woods will be a caution.

Now, let's line up once more for a concentrated attack on the cohorts of corporations in Nebraska.—Custer County Beacon.

### NEBRASKA POPULISM

Here it Was Born, Here it Has Been Preserved and Here it Will Conquer

Attention of Nebraska populists is called to the list of patriotic workers printed below, all of whom sent in lists of new subscribers during the two months of July and August, varying in number from two to fifty. It will be seen that populists in almost every state have been earnestly at work. These men realized that it would not do to wait until a financial cyclone swept over the country before they began to work. In the two dullest months of the year they went at it and the list tells the result.

There have things been accomplished at Washington during the last week that will go far toward enthroning a money power in these states—a power more omnipotent than the world has ever known before. Not one man in a million will be informed of the fact. The plutocratic press, supported and subsidized by the corporation millionaires, will see to it that the people will be kept in ignorance of them. These facts will be printed in a form that the common people can understand them only in the Nebraska Independent.

If The Independent could be given a circulation in this state of thirty or forty thousand, there would soon be enough well informed men in it to take control of the state government and hold it for years to come. Readers of The Independent would be in possession of the facts with which to convince their neighbors of the right course to pursue.

The reducing of national bank capital to the small sum of \$25,000 is enabling the money power to plant a nest of well-paid plutocratic pirates in almost every small town in the state. Fifty new national banks were authorized in two days last week. To these men are granted the privilege of drawing double interest on their capital, for they get interest on their bonds and the government immediately gives them back the full value of their bonds in money that is largely legal tender. They also have the privilege of charging interest on what they owe. If a man deposits money in a bank, the bank owes that much to the depositor. But the bank immediately loans that money and gets interest on it. The state of Nebraska is being dotted over with these nests of privileged financial pirates, whom the citizens who have to work will be forced to support in luxury, and at every bank will be a headquarters for railroad workers and local managers of the republican party.

The farmers of the state are making desperate efforts to get facilities for shipping their grain and live stock to market. No one need be told that there is collusion between the railroads and elevator trust, or doubt in the least that a desperate effort will be made by the railroads and elevator trust to get control of the supreme court of the state. If the national banks, the railroads and the elevator trust get the state government and the supreme court, the farmers will become helpless slaves. Is it not for your interest and for the interest of your wives and children that the supreme court of this state shall not be turned over to the trusts and railroads? Can you do more to prevent it in any way than to get the facts to the people? Do you know of any better way to get the facts to the people than by sending them the only paper that has the facilities to get them and the courage to print them?

The Independent calls attention to the lists sent in during the two dullest months of the year—July and August—and note the number of workers in other states. Let the Old Guard and the thousands of younger men get to work in the same manner in this state. Here populism was born. Here it has been preserved. Here it will conquer if every man does his full duty.

There are not less than 60,000 pop-

ulists in this state. Get The Independent, the state paper of the party, into the hands of one-half of them and every county in it will be swept with a wave of reform. Every county in the state that has tried that manner of conducting campaigns has found it true.

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G. W. Shrader, Murray, Neb.  
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W. A. Roberts, Greenfield, Tenn.  
Walter Reed, Fremont, Neb.  
Simpson W. Day, Anderson, Ind.  
James Crawford, Dewese, Neb.  
Isaac Bruner, Muncy, Pa.  
Thos. Foley, Somerville, Ind.  
E. Gay, La Porte City, Ia.  
Isaac Higgenbottom, Swan, Mo.  
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Fisher, W. Sunbury, Pa.  
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