

The Vanguard

NEBRASKA.

The people's independent party state central committee of Nebraska met at the Grand hotel, Lincoln, Wednesday (18th) and set the following dates:

Fremont, June 21, at 4 o'clock p. m., state convention to elect 48 delegates to the people's party national convention, to be held at Springfield, Ill., July 4.

Lincoln, August 10, state nominating convention.

This was one of the best attended meetings of the state committee in a long time. Committeemen and others were present from the following counties:

- Adams—Dr. J. N. Lyman.
- Boone—Jas. T. Brady.
- Boyd—C. J. Coffee.
- Buffalo—W. F. Porter.
- Cedar—John H. Felber.
- Custer—J. R. Dean.
- Dodge—E. O. Garrett.
- Douglas—J. J. Points, Elmer E. Thomas.
- Gage—Daniel Freeman.
- Hamilton—F. M. Howard.
- Harlan—Frank I. Webber.
- Holt—Arthur F. Mullen.
- Jefferson—W. F. Cramb.
- Howard—C. B. Manuel.
- Kearney—Victor Anderson, J. S. Canaday.
- Knox—Wirt L. Kirk.
- Lancaster—Gov. W. A. Poynter, J. V. Wolfe, J. H. Craddock, T. H. Tibbles, B. R. B. Weber, F. D. Eager, C. Q. De France.
- Nance—Dr. E. A. Kenyon.
- Nuckolls—R. D. Sutherland.
- Otoe—E. J. Stedman.
- Polk—E. A. Walrath.
- Saunders—C. M. Lemar.
- Seward—W. S. Beebe.
- Stanton—O. M. Hendee.
- Washington—C. A. Whitford.
- Webster—Dr. Robt. Damerell.
- York—E. A. Gilbert.

Total representation, 27 counties, 35 persons.

The meeting was called to order at the Grand hotel at 2 o'clock p. m. by Chairman B. R. B. Weber. Secretary Farris being absent, C. Q. De France was chosen secretary pro tem. The roll of counties was called and committeemen present were noted. A motion was carried to allow any populist present to represent his county in the absence of the regular committeeman.

After some informal speeches by Messrs. Tibbles, Thomas and Gilbert, regular business was reached by motion of Mr. Mullen that—

"It is the sense of this body that a delegate convention of the people's independent party be called to meet on the third Tuesday of June, 1904, for the purpose of electing 48 delegates to the Springfield national convention."

Mr. Howard, representing the "farmer" element of Hamilton county, moved to amend by changing the date to the last Tuesday in August. Chairman Weber held good a point of order raised that the amendment was not germane to the original motion. Whereupon the "farmer" element of Hamilton had its innings again upon Mr. Howard's substitute motion that—

"The state convention of the people's independent party be held on the third Tuesday in August, 1904."

Mr. Mullen opposed the substitute motion because he believed Nebraska should be represented at the Springfield national convention. He favored co-operation with the liberal democrats of Nebraska upon a state ticket, regardless of what might be the outcome nationally at St. Louis and Springfield.

Mr. Howard opposed having any delegates from Nebraska sent to Springfield. He had been present at St. Louis in 1896 and knew what to expect from those long-horned Texas steers who would be present at Springfield and simply run over the Nebraska delegation and stamp it into the earth. He didn't want the "farmer" element of Hamilton misrepresented in any such manner. He would give \$5 a head for Hamilton county populists who approve either the Denver conference, or the St. Louis meeting, or the Springfield call. He would simply let the Springfield gathering go by default and after the St. Louis convention, if Mr. Bryan was defeated, he would go to the Bryanites and say, "Here we are, ready to join with you."

Somehow the suave representative of the "farmer" element of Hamilton did not strike a responsive chord in the breasts of his brethren who agreed with him in damning the Denver conference and those who took part in it. Messrs. Brady, Mullen, Lyman, Lemar, Gilbert and others have never ceased to mourn the "prematurity" of that conference and the subsequent events growing out of it; they have, in com-

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mon with the giant intellect who represents the "farmer" element of Hamilton, lost no opportunity for impugning the motives of those who took part at Denver and St. Louis and casting slurs upon them; but—

None of these gentlemen were obtuse enough to think that the Springfield convention would fail to meet on schedule time because Nebraska failed to send a delegation. Hence, the viva voce vote upon the substitute of Mr. Howard gave one yea—possibly, two—and a chorus of nays. Whereupon, Mr. Mullen's motion prevailed, notwithstanding a vigorous "no" from the "farmer" element of Hamilton.

Mr. Garrett moved that Fremont be selected as the place; Mr. Lyman suggested Hastings; and Mr. Eager, Lincoln. After some discussion, Messrs. Lyman and Eager withdrew their motions, and Fremont was named unanimously. Mr. Garrett assuring hall and first class treatment. The time was fixed at 4 o'clock p. m., in order that all business could be transacted in time for delegates to leave the next morning.

Mr. Mullen then moved to leave the date and place of holding the state nominating convention in the hands of the chairman and executive committee. Mr. Brady moved to amend by ordering the chairman to meet with the democratic chairman and arrange to hold both conventions on the same day at the same place; but subsequently withdrew his motion. Mr. Eager moved that this convention be held on Wednesday, August 10,

After some talk as to date, Mr. Eager's motion prevailed and Lincoln was thereupon chosen as the place.

MICHIGAN.

Michigan populists are entitled to 22 delegates to the Springfield convention, but it seems probable that no convention will be held to select them. This opens up the way for a preferential vote by the Old Guard and Vanguard to secure a delegation.

The populist situation in Michigan is complex. Such men as Grece of Detroit, Vandercreek of St. Louis, Dr. Nichols of Greenville, Ewing of Grand Ledge and Cole of Fowlerville are leading spirits among the "fusion" populists, are opposed to independent action by the people's party and still cling to democracy in the hope of keeping the party along its Bryan-Hearst lines. Ewing was populist candidate for governor in 1892 and Nichols in 1894. They and the others have a large following who will say and do as they say and do. Lockwood of Coldwater is the only former fusionist who is known to favor independent action. The others are democrats, if Hearst and Bryan dominate—but populists if the Parker-Hill-Cleveland combine wins.

The "mid-roads" are scattered on account of factional fights. John O. Zabel, one of the really big men among them, is disgusted and has quit politics entirely. He was made national organizer to put the Cincinnati plan in force and made an earnest effort to do so; but Milton Park

and Jo Parker sat down on him and the Cincinnati plan is a dead letter. Fully half the mid-road strength has gone socialist and the other half, minus a few faithful souls like James E. McBride and a few others, is uncertain whether to support Teddy or take to the woods.

McBride, by the way, is out in a strong letter in the Missouri World favoring an adjournment of the Springfield convention three weeks, in order to let the situation clear up after the smoke of the St. Louis convention. He insists, in a private letter to The Independent, that he is "ready for the worst and anxious to invite instant demise of the people's party by postponing our national convention, if Hearst's success at St. Louis will mean demise."

It is doubtful whether, without exceedingly prompt action, a referendum vote on postponement could be taken in time to make it generally known. But the convention when it meets can delay matters a few days if thought wise. The chances are that the probable outcome at St. Louis—except bolts—will be known to a reasonable certainty before July 6.

Why can't the Old Guard of Michigan elect 22 national delegates by preferential vote? Tennessee is talking of doing this way.—D.

WEST VIRGINIA.

State Chairman Piersol writes me that owing to topographical conditions (Continued on Page 13.)