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The Democratic National Convention

The democratic national convention adjourned late Saturday night after a stormy and somewhat sensational session. Judge Parker of New York and Henry Davis of West Virginia are the nominees. The platform adopted indicates that democracy has gone back to its first love. No reference is made to the money question, neither is an income tax made a part of the platform. The Kansas City and Chicago platforms are entirely ignored. The platform is essentially an eastern one. That Belmont, Hill, Morgan and men of like kidney are its authors there can be no question.

Those who expected Bryan to be ignored were mistaken. Without him a gold plank would have been incorporated, and right here is where the sensational trick of the politicians was played. Bryan was willing to make some concession in the interest of harmony if the other wing of democracy would do likewise. Consequently he agreed to the omission of the income tax plank if Hill would agree to leave the gold standard plank out. The smooth David readily agreed and the platform was adopted as reported from the subcommittee. After the adoption of the platform and the nomination of Judge Parker Mr. Bryan who had been seventy two hours without sleep, collapsed and went to the hotel a sick man. Then Judge Parker telegraphed the convention that he would not accept the nomination unless the platform could be construed as a gold standard platform. Of course this was a trick. Judge Parker was a candidate on any old platform. He had remained silent on every question of policy

and not five delegates in the convention knew his position. After practically lying to Bryan to keep the income tax out of the platform, and after he had been nominated, he pursues a course that resulted in nullifying every concession Hill had made. In other words they kept every thing out of the platform which Bryan wanted in, and put every thing in it that Bryan wanted out, and they did it by lying, for the convention, rather than go through the work of nominating another candidate telegraphed Parker to put his own construction on the platform.

After the receipt of the Parker telegram the convention became disorganized. Speeches pro and con followed in rapid succession and Bryan got up from his bed a worn out man to continue his fight for the principles in which he believed. There is something about Bryan's sick face as he stood before that unfriendly gang from Wall street, fighting with all of his old fire for the lost cause, that takes hold of one who loves courage and principle. Bryan is today the leading democrat of America and is stronger in his hour of defeat than ever before. That his party has forsaken him is but the result of the manipulation of those men who put the dollar mark on everything in this life. The republican party may as well recognize the situation as it is. The same gang that have humiliated Bryan is today prepared to throw countless thousands into the balance to defeat Roosevelt. Eternal vigilance is the price of success, and it remains to be seen whether money can so corrupt a people as to elect a man like Parker over a man like Roosevelt.

A Worthy Enterprise.

Father Bex of the Catholic church has succeeded in raising subscriptions to the amount of \$14,000 for the purpose of erecting a new house of worship for his congregation. Though their present building has as large a seating capacity as any church in the city, it does not at all times accommodate the increasing

membership. The work upon the new church will be begun next winter and it will be located at the corner of Fulton and Second streets. The enterprise of Father Bex is to be commended. Not only has he the interest of his people at heart at all times, but he is a worthy citizen who is very popular with the entire community.

Broke His Leg.

Bert Baker, who is employed in the First National bank, was the victim of a painful accident on Monday evening. Mr. Baker had made arrangements to go to Bonesteel, S. D., to register for land and was leaving the car after having placed his baggage in it. Thinking there was one more step he came heavily to the ground upon his feet, and broke the large bone at the ankle. Dr. Fast was called and set the injured member. It will be some time before Bert will have the use of it. In the meantime he has the sympathy of his friends and no doubt he is regretting the loss of the land he expected to draw.

Obituary.

Died, June 28, 1904, the wife of Rev. James D. Harris of Preston. Flora M. Mooney was born Nov. 15, 1824, Carroll Co., Va., and was married to James D. Harris in 1846. She was converted at the age of 17 and joined the Missionary Baptist church in Mercer county W. Va.

The funeral services were held in the Baptist church in Falls City, and the remains interred in Steele cemetery. Her husband together with five children Wm. Harris of Preston, Mrs. James B. Harris and Mrs. James Lively of Falls City, Mrs. Josie O. Snidow of Porter, Washington, and Mrs. Harry Yates of Kansas City, Mo. survive her.

She lived a useful Christian life, ever shedding love and help wherever needed. Her pure spirit has gone to Him who gave it. She is not dead but sleepeth.

Sleep on, beloved, sleep and take thy rest;

Lay down thy head upon thy Saviour's breast;

We love thee well, but Jesus loves thee best— Good-night!

Calm is thy slumber as an infant's sleep;

But thou shalt wake no more to toil and weep;

Thine is a perfect rest, secure and deep— Good-night!

Until the shadows from this earth are cast

Until He gathers in His sheaves at last

Until the twilight gloom be over past— Good-night!

until we meet again before His throne, clothed in the spotless robe He gives His own;

Until we know even as we are known— Good-night!

Ladies Base Ball Game.

In a recent issue of a Sioux City paper a graphic account is given of a base ball game played in that city by Methodist and Presbyterian ladies.

The thought suggested itself, why couldn't Falls City have a ladies base ball game? Why couldn't funds for a side walk to the cemetery be procured in this way? There is plenty material in the cemetery auxiliary and the Sorosis club. Why wouldn't Mrs. D. C. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. W. H. Kerr make an ideal battery? And we'd be willing to to bet a ball wouldn't get past Mrs. Stockton as short stop. The Sorosis club could be represented by such athletes as Mesdames. L. C. Mauger, G. C. Jennings and John Gilligan. Such a worthy cause added to the popularity of the players could be the source of much profit. Think of the fun we'd all have. Now the Tribune suggests that Mrs. J. W. Holt, who has done so much toward the improvement of the cemetery property, master the two nines and get them into training.

A Fast One.

Lovers of the national game certainly got their money's worth at Poteet's ball park last Sunday when the Falls City Colts and Sterling crossed bats. Both teams were evenly matched and it was a fine exhibition of scientific ball playing from the start. Falls City run in one score in the second inning and Sterling two in the fourth; then both sides drew blanks until in the seventh Falls City run in two more scores and Sterling one in the eighth, tying the score. Then it was a battle royal, for it took twelve innings to decide the game, when the home team, by a series of timely hits run in a score, making the score 4 to 3 in their favor.

Taken all in all it was the best game played here this season. The Sterling team is composed of a gentlemanly lot of players and will always receive a hearty welcome at the hands of our base ball enthusiasts. A feature of the game was a catch by Cornell in the fourth inning when all bases were full, thus keeping Sterling from running in several scores. The score by innings is as follows: Sterling-0-0-0-2-0-0-0-1-0-0-0-3 Falls City-0-1-0-0-0-0-2-0-0-0-1-4