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You may not like to vote for Parker as well as you would for Hearst but strike the hardest blow you can against militarism and let's stay at home and protect our own country.

It is important that the democratic and populist parties fuse on state officers this year. Get together and vote for the same set of officers and let us redeem the state from the disgrace of a know-nothing legislature. The fusion legislature of several years ago was the most honorable body that has ever graced the state house, enacted more laws favorable to the farmer and stockmen than you can expect for years from the republicans who are under the control of the railroads and the Standard Oil interests. It is not necessary to go into details as to how the last legislature played into the hands of the railroads, and every voter knows, if he is not a hide bound republican, that the railroads have increased their demands from shippers under republican rule and that it was made possible by our last legislature and the one preceding it. Why are people so blinded by party prejudices to not be able to see how the last two legislatures have been hampered by railroad lobbyists and that all legislation was carefully manipulated to favor the railroads' privileges in high freight rates and every bill passed was carefully passed by the lobbyists first.

**The Cry for More Land.**

What the Great Movement of Population Means to the Northwest.

The astonishing demand for land in the northwest will be more keen this season than ever. The fundamental basis for this demand is not generally recognized.

The average citizen in the west and northwest thinks the movement of population into his district is a "boom" that he should make the most of. He has faith in his country, but fails to grasp the whole situation.

Orange Judd Farmer points out that the truth about the matter may be thus briefly summarized:

1. The choice agricultural lands of the central Mississippi valley have reached extraordinarily high prices. Some Illinois farmers have sold at \$200 per acre land that they themselves "took up" as a free gift under the homestead act—farming land only, in central Illinois, which has reached this figure because valuation pays good interest on that valuation, not because of proximity to cities. In Iowa, indeed all through the central valleys land values have also risen enormously.

2. Farming in the central west is so profitable, so safe, and still further advances in land values are so constantly expected, that men of large means are buying these central lands and operating them on a large scale. Farming is becoming as fashionable as it is profitable, but in the central west agriculture requires more and more capital.

3. Many thousands of farmers in moderate circumstances, bired men or others who would like to go to farming but who cannot afford to pay from \$50 to \$200 per

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acre for land, are casting about for good lands that can be bought at moderate prices. The great majority of these people want such lands located in the western and northwestern states or the Canadian northwest, because they prefer the inspiring climate and the social conditions of that favored region.

4. But little privation is now required from settlers who move onto these newer lands in Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota or the northwest of the states or Canada. Almost every part of these regions is within convenient reach of railroad transportation. If in any section the mails, schools, churches, etc., are at all deficient, they are rapidly brought to perfection as population increases. In other words, Orange Judd Farmer would emphasize that it is easy to develop homes and farms on the cheaper lands of the west and northwest compared to the privations suffered by the early settlers in the central west.

5. The man who can sell out in the central west at from \$50 to \$200 per acre, and buy lands in the newer sections at from \$3 to \$25 per acre, is very much disposed to do so. He has had one taste of the enormous profit accruing from the natural increase in the value of land. He is hungry for another dose of such profits. He is still hungrier for more acres for himself and his children. If he can sell out at a price that will enable him to pay for 100 acres or more for each member of his family, and also have a snug capital left, he is very much disposed to do so.

6. Each of the foregoing reasons is enough to warrant the present activity in the real estate market throughout the west. Together they form reasons that are incontrovertible, but over and above all these conditions, Orange Judd Farmer calls attention to the uncontrollable impulse for more land that has got control of many people's minds. They are ready to "swarm" onto the newer and cheaper lands. This movement of population promises to be even larger this season than ever before.

The fever to migrate and to open up new land has occurred about once in every decade, but has been most powerful at periods of about 20 to 30 years apart. It is to be greater during 1904, relatively speaking, than was the great overflow of population into the central

Mississippi valley years ago.

These conclusions are based on an intimate personal knowledge of every section of our western states and the Canadian northwest, which we have closely studied for several years. Our conclusions are also based on a ten thousand-mile journey through this country from which we have just returned, as well as upon knowledge of the conditions of the people in the middle and eastern states. To a phenomenal extent, Orange Judd Farmer reaches all classes of these would-be immigrants and investors, and the above opinions are therefore worthy of the profound attention they will doubtless attract.—Orange Judd Farmer.

**Trouble at Bonesteel, S. D.**

The gamblers got so wild at Bonesteel when allowed to have their own way so long that they thought they were running the town and that the whole deal was gotten up for their benefit. There was a vigilant committee organized to take charge of them until the state troops could be called for. The vigilantes finally marched the gamblers to the train and loaded them into a box car and shipped them out of town. Several hold-ups were reported and preparations were being made for a general hold up and a wholesale robbery of stores, banks and the land office. There were several shots fired Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week and two persons were wounded. 200 special police patrolled the town on Friday evening and shot one man on suspicion as their orders were to fire on suspicious characters found loitering around with any apparent view of depredation. Quiet and order were restored with considerable trouble without waiting for state troops which were held in readiness to go if necessary by Lieut. Governor in the absence of the Governor.

One man was robbed of \$30.00 about noon Friday and another was asked to play at a game and upon replying that he had but \$45 he was asked to show his money, whereupon he was dealt a blow over the head and the money grabbed. The gambler started to run when the farmer got up and started after him with a gun, compelling the gambler to return the money. While this was being done two gamblers stood behind

the farmer and struck him over the head and took his money again and his gun and escaped.

Gollmar Bros. show brought people to town from out in the country fifty and sixty miles and Indians in large numbers from the reservation. There were near 5000 people or more in town and 3500 to 4000 people were at the show during the afternoon. Merchants who are conservative in their estimates, say that it was the largest crowd of people they had seen in town, and that the show was the best that had ever stopped here. There was no complaint of hold ups or short change, nor was there shell or soap games. Each member of the show seemed polite and courteous and no fakirs seemed to be with the show. Our police heard no complaints during the day and all unite in saying that the management was as orderly as a theatrical troupe. THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT takes pleasure in making this comment on Gollmar Bros. show as it appeared in Valentine and also commend the press agent and orator, Dr. J. E. Fitzgerald, to the boys of the press as being courteous in his dealings and gentlemanly in conduct. One of the best features of the show was the two trained horses dancing a waltz and a cake walk. They also performed other tricks, showing considerable intelligence and training. The elephants were also well trained. Little Dot, the dog amused many and won hearty applause for her master Zella, but the clown dutchman on the trapeze and riding the mule brought down the "house" with his antics and clever acting. The little folks turning handspins and somersaults was splendid. One of the young fellows turned so fast you could hardly see his body and looked like a wheel spinning around on an axle as he turned without advancing.

**Grand Eagle Picnic.**

A grand picnic will be given under the auspices of the Valentine Aerie at Thacher's grove, August 5, 1904. A good program has been arranged for the occasion, consisting of games of different kinds, speaking, music, etc. Everybody invited and everything free. Come out to the Eagle picnic and have a good time. Good order guaranteed.

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