## THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 1898.

Iowa Calamity Shut Off.

speak, as the discussion had not been really further sharpening of the steel.

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mony.

work.

been arranged for.

ferees were ready.

Compromise Suggested.

that is to say, the conferees agreed upon

the broad proposition of having an early

convention in 1900, say February 22, and

that the populist national committee was

not to make any overtures in the direction

of fusion, but was to proceed independently

in the holding of its convention, whatever

might be the desires of the democrats and

the silver republicans. Each state, how-

ever, was to be governed according to the

dictates of its own political interests in

the matter of co-operation with any other

The question of preventing the national

convention or the national committee from

allowing any fusion propositions to emanate

from them was a paramount issue. Upon

this Colonel Burkitt had made one of his

attacks upon Chairman Butler at the morn-

ing session-he had charged up to the sena-

tor as a fault the sending out, conjointly

with like emanations from the democratic

and silver republican parties over the sig-

natures, respectively, of Chairmen Jones

and Towne, of the populist circular advising

political co-operation, and forced the fusion-

ists to admit that if that had not been

the personal act of Senator Butler it had

at least been entirely unauthorized by the

it had been sent out as an official docu-

ment he proved, inasmuch as the expenses

of publishing it had been charged up to

Almost Anything for Peace.

That

rank and file of the people's party.

the account of the national committee.

party.

germane to the question-the credentials

Viva Voce Vote in Doubt.

A viva voce vote was taken on the report.

Reversing the case of the Vandervoort

ler repeated his act of the night previous by

making a summary ruling. "The ayes have

vision! Division! Mr. Chairman, 1 rise to a

point of order!" came the shouts of ex-Con-

of the report would not exclude the states

the middle-of-the-roaders to raise a clamor

for a call of the roll, and at a suggestion

from Senator Allen, Chairman Butler or-

dered Secretary Edgerton to call the roll.

Before it was started, however, a fusionist

motion for a recess until 2 p. m. prevailed.

Keep Up the Fight.

It was about 2 o'clock before the national

middle-of-the-roaders made themselves

ler, who was personally interested in the

lowa contest as a member chosen by the

to heard, through ex-Congressman L. H. Wel-

fore it until the vote was decided.

George F. Washburn of Massachusetts

would first have to be reconsidered as a

whole, he argued, before any portion of it

could be taken up again-it could not be re-

Butler Chokes Them Off.

The chair maintained this position of

Senator Allen despite the objections of Wel-

ler and several other anti-fusionists, and

ordered Secretary Edgerton to go ahead

with the calling of the roll, permitting,

however, upon the demand of Ali Reed of

said the report could be adopted as a whole

There is no minority report.

Weller was permitted to state his

dentials has been adopted,"

with positive

gavel struck

and It carried.

said

BUTLER WINS HIS BATTLE was charged with that act. Why was Van- the people's party should be kept to itself conference and he begged that the two sub- He had simply held it subject to the disposi-

Chairman of Populist National Committee Comes Out on Top.

PAUL VANDERVOORT IS EXCLUDED

Committee Votes to Bar Him from Any Participation-Debate Long and Flerce and Park Faction Routed.

Still chafing over the manner in which Chairman Marion Butler had shut them off the night previous, the middle-of-the-roaders were early on hand at Creighton hall when the populist national committee reconvened yesterday morning. All night they indulged in loud protests against what they considered to have been an "outrage" and were now prepared for the "Philippi" bout. The first thing was the presentation of ]

the report of the credentials committee. According to this report, only twenty-seven behalf of Vandervoort. Frequent interrupregular members were present and there tions came from the fusionists. Delegate were seventy-nine proxies. In the matter J. Y. Callahan of Oklahoma, who held J. S. Motsinger of Indiana, F. W. D. Mays of of the contests the committee reported as Soule's proxy, forced him to listen to an follows:

W. S. Morgan (anti-fusion), present in per-son, and J. H. Boyd of the Cooper (Tex.) People's Cause, holding the proxy of A. W.

Flies. Florida—All proxies, A. C. Wicks (anti-fusion) for Frank H. Lytle; Elmer E. Thomas of Nebraska for S. S. Harvey and D. W. Hamilton for John F. Rhoads.

For Illinois-George W. Wicklins, present in person, and L. D. Raynolds of the Chicago Express and Nick Haus of Texas, both anti-fusionists, holding respectively for Frances R. Cole (whom the committee had recognized instead of Eugene Smith) and J. D.

For Iowa-S. B. Crane, the proxy of W. H. Robb; J. E. Anderson and S. B. Crane pres-ent in person. person.

For Pennsylvania-John O. Yelser of Ne-For Ohio-L. B. Allen, proxy for Hugo Preyer. Not present, J. S. Coxey and D. D. Chidester,

Recommendations for the Future. The report concluded with a number of recommendations, as follows, for governing to the contests in and settling questions of membership in the future:

First. That hereafter the national committee do not recognize any power of substitution or right of assignment or transfer

in a proxy. Second. That no man can hold and use a proxy of any national committeeman outside his own state.

Third. That no man can hold a proxy from another state when he has been recognized publicly by the populist authorities of his own state, as not in the people's party. Fourth. That the national chairman or secretary be directed to enter on the list of members of the national committee those whose names are certified to the national accretary by the state chairman and secretary or by the three national committeemer the state and no other, and if state chairman or secretary or by two of the national committeemen from his state on the rolls.

telegraph proxies.

Lastly, we recommend to the next national convention of our party a change in at our rules so that one man can hold and use meeting, three proxies from his own state and that against no man can use any other proxies than those from his own state.

All the five committeemen had signed the report. They were Sen-ator William V. Allen of Nebraska, chairman, A. H. Cardin of Kentucky, ex-Governor John P. Buchanan of Tennessee, Congressman C. A. Barlow of California and Eltweet Pomeroy of New Jersey, whose name had headed the list of nine which had been attached to the call under which the national committee had met in Omaha.

All forenoon was consumed with a debate over the report, the "middle-of-the-roaders" making a test fight over Paul Vandervoort's exclusion as a proxy.

Burkitt Has

dervoort rejected, and yet Hugo Preyer was and deliberated upon privately. recognized as a committeeman and a proxy from him accepted. Schilling Defends Preyer.

Several jumped from their chairs at once.

but Robert Schilling of Milwankee was to his feet the quickest in the eyes of Senator Butler, and was accordingly recognized. Mr. Schilling, with some heat, took exception to the statement of Morgan, respecting Preyer, and explained that the reason Preyer had taken the check was to expose Mark

Hanna's methods. "I have been intimate, as a friend, with Mr. Morgan for many years," said Mr. Schilling, with a voice gradually rising to a high amendment, the fusion majority loudly pitch, "but if he makes the statement which

is an act of iniquity." Once afterward the Preyer incident was referred to by Jo A. Parker of the Louisit and the report of the committee on creville (Ky.) Free Republic, and then Schilling waxed vehment and shouted that the his "check had never been cashed." Prof. Vincent of the Nonconformist corroborated Schilling.

Colonel Burkitt obtained the floor again gressman L. H. Weller of Iowa, All Reed and launched out into a long speech in of the same state, who had an Alabama proxy, Chairman Milton Park of the Nashville committee and several Texans, N. H. Washington and W. F. Haughawout of Misinterrogation almed at Vandervoort's right sourl.

Arkansas-Thomas Fletcher (fusion) and to hold a proxy from Alabama, seeing that point of order. He asked if the adoption state whatever. There was not much point in which the contests had not been deto this query, though, because two-thirds termined. This furnished an occasion to of the proxies in the meeting were held by non-residents.

Punctures Paul's Pretensions.

A question from Congressman Charles A Barlow of California had vastly more effect. Mr. Barlow was determined to get an answer to his question, too, if at all possible He came up to Colonel Burkitt-Mr. Barlow

had a fusionist front seat to the right from Another determined effort was made by the chair-and asked Colonel Burkitt point the middle-of-the-roaders in the afternoon blank if he would, under the circumstances, to defeat the report of the credentials com have objected to Mark Hanna had he come mittee and the rest of the time was devoted to the meeting holding a populist proxy in his hand. The whole story of Vandervoort's to an endeavor to oust Chairman Butler in political status had been told-how he is not recognized at all as a populist by his

party in Nebraska, and it had been on ac- grace. count of this that Eltweet Pomeroy had ridiculed Colonel Burkitt's antagonism committee reassembled. Immediately the doctrine of state's rights. "Would you have Mark Hanna?" demand objected demanded Mr. Barlow. Colonel Burkitt ignored the question. Mr. Barlow went closer and repeated his straight anti-fusion convention, and he

question with more emphasis and sharpness, inquired of the chair if it was not a fact but still Colonel Burkitt paid no heed to that the chair had declared the report it. The fusionists saw the point and raised adopted by a viva voce vote after a division had been called for, and also if the parlialoud laugh. mentary effect of the adoption of the report

The thing was growing tedious and several points of order were raised in quick would not be to bar the contestants of the succession, but the discussion of the merits contested states from membership in the of Vandervoort was tolerated by Chairman national committee. Chairman Butler re-Butler-a position of the chair which the peated the ruling he had made just before middle-of-the-roaders said was "fair." adjournment for dinner had been taken, to-Joseph B. Buchanan of New Jersey objected wit: That he had declared the report to the discussion taking too wide a range, adopted as Weller said, and that he had and George F. Washburn of Massachusetts yielded to a demand for the calling of the surprised both fusionists and anti-fusion- roll, but that no other question was before ists by getting up and favoring the ac- the committee than the determining of the

ceptance of Vandervoort's proxy-a surprise vote by a roll call and none could come be-Fifth. That hereafter we recognize no which gave Jo Parker of Kentucky a chance to go over the record of the investigation the charges against Vandervoort Memphis middle-of-the-road and then the matter of the contests could the It had been charged be taken up seriatim and disposed of. To against Vandervoort that he had forfeited this Senator Allen demurred. The report his right to populist recognition by working

as a tool in the interests of the republicans, but, according to Parker, the Mays' investigation committee completely exonerated considered in part. Vandervoort, because his accusers did not show up. "Where were his accusers, then? cried Parker, as his eyes flashed and his arms swung about. All the middle-of-thecoaders shouled themselves hoarse at the ex-

iltation of Parker. Shut Vandervoort Out. Parker himself, however, felt disposed to

lowa the portions of the report pertaining acquiesce in the general feeling of weariness to the contests and its recommendations to he matter was productive of and ex- be read first.

pressed a wish that it be brought speedily Tellers Vincent and Parker, who had been to a close. Some sport hitherto had been made assistant secretaries, vote as fast as the contestants would per indulged in by the fusionists over the long-windedness of the middlemit it to be taken, for numerous explanaof-the-roaders, night the tions were insisted upon during the roll previous had been loud in their protests call. against delay, but now seemed in no hurry Before the vote was announced Weller, to quit. At a suggestion from Senator who held the proxy of R. R. Prewitt of Allen, Parker finally moved the previous Mississippi, informed the chair that he question, and this was put and carried. wished to change his vote-his proxy-from Colonel Burkitt's Vandervoort amendment to the credentials report was immediately position to move a reconsideration. W. F. put by the chair, first to a viva voce vote. Haughawout of Missouri also asked that Loud and many were the "noes" from the his proxy vote--that of Dr. DeWitt Askew chairman's right, fewer but louder were the of his own state-be also changed from a "ayes" from the chairman's left. negative to an affirmative. But antici-"The noes seem to have it." deliberately pating what was the intention of the middle declared the chair, with gavel upraised of-the-roaders, W. J. Danford of Illinois ready to strike the desk, but a shout from who held the proxy of Congressman John C. a middle-of-the-roader for a division pre-Bell of Colorado, requested that the chair vented a final declaration against Burkit's would recognize him immediately upon the amendment. A call of the roll was at announcement of the vote. The vote reonce demanded and it was decided to do sulted in the adoption of the report by an so, except that the states wherein were contests were omitted because the report 37. This showed the exact strength of the was still hanging fire. middle-of-the-roaders. Chairman Butler Prof. C. Vincent (fusionist), editor of the had no sooner announced the vote and de-Non-conformist, holding the proxy of P. J. clared the report adopted than both Weller Gardner of Massachusetts, and Jo Parker and Danford were on their feet, shouting of the Louisville (Ky.) Free Republic (antiat the chair for recognition; also Haughafusionist), with a proxy from W. B. Bridgeyout of Missouri. ford of Kentucky, were made the tellers Nailing it Down. The call of the roll was frequently inter-Danford was recognized. He said he had rupted by some questions as to whether isked beforehand because he had anticipated there was a contest here or there, and once what the other side was intending to do. some middle-of-the-roader voted the name Now he would move a reconsideration to of agreement, but he saw no necessity whatof E. S. Peters, proxy for Z. T. Garrett of clinch the vote by which the report had North Carolina, on the Vandervoort side, a been adopted. Weller also demanded recog- Chairman Butler. trick which Congressman Barlow exposed nition. Robert Schilling of Milwaukee grew and which forced Chairman Milton Park tired. He managed to get in a few words credentials report. He first demanded the of the anti-fusion committee to an admisto the effect that "there are a few people sion that the Peters vote possibly came from himself. After a while the call of the roll was got through with. It resulted in barring out Paul Vandervoort by a vote of 54 noes to 51 ayes on the Burkitt amendment. Washburn was one of the ayes.

and deliberated upon privately. No sooner had Mr. Buchanan finished than several from both sides sprang to their feet. "burying the hatchet." He would assure Mr. Bryan's written direction. Cougressman James Gunn of Idaho. Congressman Barlow demanded recognition. every populat present that if "this batchet The chair refused on the ground that he had

Butler Defends Himself.

previously held that only Colonel Burkitt dig R up again," and No hoped that a for-Another talk directed toward the neces-Kansas, and Congressman John C. Bell of and Mr. Buchanan should be permitted to mal burial would take wace instead of any sity for the resignation of Chairman Butler was indulged in by Colonel Burkitt and then Chairman Butler thänked Mr. Park for Senator Butler took up his own defense. He committee's report. Then Mr. Barlow moved his kind words and bened the conferees wanted to tell the gentlemen from Texas officeholders, namely J. W. Porter, secre-the previous question to shut off all debate would be successful in their efforts at har-

he was "made of North Carolina material, which would not run under fire," and though they tried to do so for another twenty-four Weller was proceeding again when D. hours they could not wear him out. "He Clem Deaver of Nebraska requested of him would suffer his right arm to be torn off bepermission to make an announcement. Mr. shouted ays and the middle-of-the-road Deaver got it and told the convention that fore he would yield under the circumhe does about Mr. Preyer such a statement minority flercely yelled "no." Chairman But- free tickets to the Transmississippi Exposi- stances." They might cause him to lose his health, but they could not force him to retion for all the committee's members had tire so long as he believed that he was doing his duty by his party and his country. He Weller had just got started again, but the confusion was so great and the most of the intimated that he might have considered the

advisability of a resignation had it not been fusionists were leaving the ball in such an for the hard fight the Texans had made upon unceremonious manner that a motion to take him and the manner in which he had been a recess prevailed to give the conference committee time to get together, patch up the treated in his own state by men whom he had sought to befriend and for whom he had party differences and report some feasible basis of agreement and line of policy for the stood up. His own colleagues on the comfuture. This shut off Weller, but he did not mittee from North Carolina, J. L. Ramsey and Z. T. Garrett, after, upon his advice, seem put out much, because the attempt to they had been retained upon the national talk against the noise had been very hard committee, had turned over their proxies to two of his opponents in Texas, Mesars, R. A

The conference committee held a meeting immediately or, rather, resumed the one it | Cala and E. E. Peters, and upon every proposition opposed to him in the committee the had been having in a desultory manner, but making it more to the purpose. The Butler votes of these two Texans had been cast against him. His enemies could not force side was represented by Senator W. V. Allen, Joseph R. Buchanan of New Jersey and him to yield by any such tactics, and, there Congressman James Gunn of Idaho; the fore, no matter how much his resignation Park committee had for its representatives was insisted upon by his opponents he W. S. Morgan of Arkansas, Colonel Frank would not yield. His words were loudly ap-Burkitt of Mississippi and Harry Tracey of plauded by the fusionists. Texas. After an hour's deliberation the con-

Several other speeches were made, prin was afterward called. cipally by W. F. Haughawout of Missour and George F. Washburn of Massachusetts. Of course Mr. Haughawout maintained the

When the national committee came toposition Colonel Burkitt had taken and regether again Chairman Butler proceeded iterated the principle of the Omaha platform to the main point at once, asking: "Is the that no officeholder, national, state or informal conference committee ready to remunicipal, should hold any position of auport?" Joseph R. Buchanan responded by thority either in the primarles or the conventions of the party. On the other hand Mr. Washburn stood by Mr. Butler and voiced the sentiment that "under no circumstances should Mr. Butler resign." "He nust not resign," repeated Mr. Washburn, ticket:

For governor, L. C. Long, Magnolia; for lieutenant governor, Kittel Halverson, Bel-For the Butlerites, Messrs, G. F. grade; for secretary of state, M. Wogenberg, Duluth; for auditor, Charles Hopkins, Fairfax: for treasurer, P. H. Rahilly, Lake City; for attorney general, John F. Kelly, St. Paul; for clerk of the supreme court Georgia, James H. Ferriss of the Joliet (Ill.) A. L. Stromberg, Forest Lake.

News and S. C. Granberry of Texas were Ignatius Donnelly, the leader of the bolt ers, was indorsed for United States sen-An adjournment was then taken at a late ator. Three new members of the populist hour to give the new conferees a chance to national committee were selected. Whether meet together and the hour of 9 p. m. was or not they will be seated depends upon the

fixed upon for hearing their report. outcome of the contest between the factions now gathered at Omaha. Herculean Task.

and Allen of Nebraska, as regular members;

Territorial Delegate J. Y. Callahan of Okla-

represents by proxy.

mittee at its present session

people's party right now."

Donnelly for Senator.

DEATH RECORD.

ioma, Bank Expreiner J. W. Breidenthal of

When after 11 p. m. the national committee convened it was found that the new con-

Joseph Updegraff. MARYVILLE, Mo., June 16 .- (Special.)-Joseph Updegraff, for many years one of the most prominent democratic politicians and leading citizens of northwest Missouri died at his home in Maryville at 1:45 o clock Wednesday morning at the advanced age of 79. His aged wife and the following children survive him: Mrs. A. L. Charles of Hughes Mo.; Mrs. Henry Zumwell of Perrydale. Ore.; Mrs. Will Clark, Moberly, Mo.; W. A. Updegraff, Salina, Kan.; Joseph Updegraff, Maryville, Mo.; M. G. Updegraff, Arkoe,

ans who hold a North Carolina proxy, that Miss Jessie Chapman. FRANKLIN, Neb., June 16 .- (Special Telgram.)—A young woman named Jessie Chapman, who arrived here Monday night from Bismarck, N. D., where she has been teaching in the high school, died this favored fellow-kickers. Besides being a evening at 7 o'clock. She stopped here to "middle-of-the-roader" and a determined op- visit her sister, Mrs. J. Cawthorne, a few

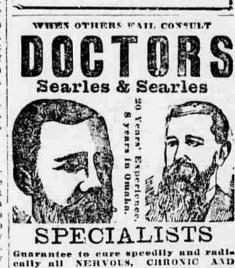
weeks, whence she was going to her home. ponent of Senator Butler, Mr. Peters is the



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cult task on hand to effect a basis of agreemen than had the old ones. In the meantime the "middle-of-the-roaders" had held a meeting at the Barker hotel and had instructed the conferees representing them to hold out for Chairman Butler's resignation. no matter how long it took-to follow the identical tactics that had been pursued the day previous by the fusionists in the matter of the credentials report, the Park com mittee indulging in the hope that they could succeed in wearing out Senator Butler. The

ference committees had a much more diffi-

enti-fusionists felt much better than they had the night before over the matter of expenses, because they had received an assurance from E. E. l'eters, one of the Tex-

he would cover the expense of every "middle-of-the-roader" in Omaha until the fight was settled. He owns 15,000 acres of cotton land in Texas and consequently is considered to be in a position to sustain his less

saying that it was the unanimous wish of the conference committee that the national committee should go into executive session to consider the recommendations which the conferees had to make, and this was done. After the doors had been closed and the It was finally decided to have another coneporters barred out the conferees reported ference committee appointed from both through Senator Allen. Their report ides. amounted to an agreement upon about every-Washburn of Massachusetts, J. H. Anderson thing that the middle-of-the-roaders had of Idaho and Eltweed Pomeroy of New the nerve to insist upon except the resig-Jersey were selected, and for the "middlenation of Senator Marion Butler from the of-the-roaders" General William Phillips o chairmanship of the national committee;

chosen

Eltweet Pomeroy, who, as the secretary of the credentials committee, read the report, took a few moments to explain the character of the task the committee had. The leader of the middle-of-the-road contingent, Colonel Frank Burkitt of Mississippl was watching his opportunity and got to his feet as soon as Mr. Pomeroy finished. and, with much flourish of oratory and a great deal of dramatic posing, occupied the floor with a long speech in which he charged the credentials committee with having refused to recognize Paul Vandervoort of Nebraska as being entitled to hold the proxy of M. W. Howard of Alabama. He lauded Vandervoort's military record, said if that gentleman was good enough to have been elected, the only male member of the Women's Relief Corps of the United States and honorary president of Clara Barton's Red Cross society he was a good enough populist for Nebraska, and therefore good enough to hold an Alabama proxy in the national committee, and finally branched off into a spread-eagle protestation of loyalty to his country. Colonel Burkitt always wears a

suit of confederate gray. He said he "loved the gray, not because he did not love his country's flag, but because he liked the Vandervoort's proxy, he said, he held in his hand, and he asserted that the credentials committee had positively refused to admit Vandervoort, whose claims had been presented once or twice Wednesday, and again with additional testimony just before the national committee assembled, and then moved that Vandervoort's proxy be accepted as an amendment to the seating of Vandervoort in the committee, outright, regardless of the report.

## Pomeroy Gets Back at Him.

Debate followed, in which several uncomplimentary things were said about Hugo Preyor of Ohio and others. Mr. Pomeroy immediately followed Colonel Burkitt. Mr Pomeroy said he was always interested in the spectacle of a southern man fighting his own doctrine of state rights. Several times Colonel Burkitt attempted to interrupt Mr. Pomeroy, but Chairman Butler shut him off, saying: "The gentleman from New Jersey cannot be interrupted unless he permits it; the gentleman from New Jersey refuses to allow himself to be interrupted." Mr. Pomeroy explained how the Vandervoort matter had been presented to withdrawn by the very men who were urging his side of the case

Senator Allen, who had a seat right in front of the chair, also made an explanation which did not explain, from the middle-ofthe-road point of view, and then W. S. Morgan, editor of the Louisville, Ky., Buzz Saw, who is the anti-fusion candidate for gov ernor of Arkanaas, arose, amid the shouts of his side, and came forward to the platform for a two-minute speech, he said. It was a hot talk he gave and he accused the credentials committee with acting in a very lop-sided manner. It had admitted a proxy see that he stood in the way of populist from Hugo Preyer of Ohio, he said, and yet peace and harmony. "What if the require-Hugo Preyer had accepted a check of \$25 ments of party harmony did involve the from Mark Hanna as one of that humiliation of one man? What if that man gentleman's agents. This thing he does happen to be our honored chairman?" knew, said Mr. Morgan, because he he asked, pleadingly. He insisted that been the Ohio present at Marion Butler of North Carolina should state convention at the time Hugo Preyer give place to a new chairman.

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### Burkitt Pours Out His Wrath.

Colonel Burkitt secured a monopoly of the loor again and kept it for almost an hour. It was a typical southern speech. He went over the whole political history of populism, giving the votes of several states, particularly Nebraska, Mississippi and the southern states, and shook a lot of party dirty linen in the faces of the committee. Two-thirds of the populist vote of the United States, he said, came from the original the credentials committee and had been thirteen southern states. "If you gentlemen of the people's party persist in continuing in your present course you will force us of

the south to affiliate with the republicans, or we will force you to come over to us." Frequently he attacked Senator Butler to his face, charging him with, before he was a member of the national committee, going town to a St. Louis meeting with a pocket full of proxies and securing a modification of the rule adopted in Omaha in 1892 excludthing for peace. ing legislators and office holders from membership in the party conventions and coun-Weller stepped forward amid the laughcils. If Senator Butler, he argued, was ter, howls and derision and cat-calls of the good general or a true populist he would usionists, and was about to spring his lowa

contest upon the committee, whether or no. Under the ruling the chair had made, in maintaining the view of Senator Allen that the report would first have to be reconsidered as a whole before any portion of it could be taken up, Weller's Iowa contest Joseph R. Buchanan of New Jersey, editor of the reform page of the American Press association, followed Colonel Burkitt with

would have to come up entirely independent. He was about to go ahead with it anyway and lay all the evidence before the committee when Chairman Milton Park of the Nashville middle-of-the-road committee requested him to give way for a minute, so he. Park, could say a few words about the efforts being made to bring about harmony. As for his attitude toward the southern He yielded and Milton Park then, in a brief states, he was just as good a southerner as speech, very much softened in tone and per-Colonel Burkitt-he had had a Kentucky suasive in style, pleaded for conciliatory tactics and informed everyone that during born in Missouri, but he loved the whole the noon receas both the Butler and Park sountry. He urged that the dissensions of committees had chosen subcommittees on a

Except the light upon the had been the only material point at variance in the conference committee. Senator

Allen had been willing to make any kind of concession restricting the populist com mittee from emanating further propositions in the direction of fusion, if by so doing it would contribute anything toward mollify ing the Texas middle-of-the-roaders. Thi 'aye" to "no," his object being to be in a was about all that Senator Allen read from sition to adjourn was heeded until midnight his few pencil notes. The fusion element saw at a glance that the fight of the Park organization committee was being made upon Senator Butler, personally, and stood prepared for whatever might turn up. enjoyed. Senator Allen made a speech in favor of

he basis of harmony laid down and Colonel Frank Burkitt of Mississippi, one of the onference committee, also, followed with one full of generalities, in which he intimated about as strongly as he could without being impolite that the salvation of the almost two-thirds majority. It stood 64 to populist party depended in great measure upon settling the differences at issue and if any man stood in the way he ought to get out of it.

The defense of Senator Butler was taken up by Senator Allen. He went into a long review of the acts of the committeemen of the people's party ever since the St. Louis

convention. He felt that the party must be united and that every time a man deserted its standard he jeopardized the success of the populists and this was why he counseled getting together upon some sort of a basis

ever for the demand for the resignation o

## That Bryan Message

Senator Allen took occasion to reply to here who have been howling and growling ome of the attacks which the middle-of-theall night over what they said was unfair road press had made upon him unmercifully treatment of them at the hands of the na- of late. He had been charged with refusing tional committee and now they come here to read a telegram at the St. Louis convenand, nothwithstanding they have been hon- tion, said to have been sent by W. J. Bryan estly beaten by a majority of over twenty and in which Mr. Bryan has said he would votes, they propose to try to run this entire not run for the presidency unless he had neeting to suit themselves." Accordingly Mr. Sewell as a running mate. Senator he moved to table all the motions to recon-Allen told the committee he had never re sider. They were promptly tabled by the ceived any such telegram at all. He had customary viva voce vote, this time the beard that ex-Governor Stone of Missouri fusionists being far more enthusiastic than had received such a telegram, but he, him ever, to the point of exuitation, and the reself, had had no personal knowledge of it. sponse in the negative from the middle-of- It had been alleged that Mr. Stone had the-roaders being very faint, indeed. wanted the message read to the convention The Park crowd had "met the enemy at to force Thomas Watson to retire from the Philippi" and suffered as badly as Brutus field, by making it appear that Mr. Watson

and Cassius. The Butler side had been the did not have any possible chance of elec-Octaviaus and Antony of this contest. tion, in the hope that a ticket could be But the anti-fusionists would still make a agreed upon by both the populist and demonoise and several of them flew out of their cratic parties for both positions on the naseats when Senator Butler declared the tional ticket. As to this, Senator Allen could not say anything one way or another. tabling motion carried. Weller was persistent. Milton Park shouled at the chair that because he did not know anything about it. "the gentleman from Iowa" was asking As to the charge that he had" received recognition. So insistent was Weller that \$1,500 from Mr. Bryan-the proceeds from Senator Butler finally yielded, as though the sale of Mr. Bryan's book-the money had

about exhausted and willing to do most any Weller Bound to Be Heard

been sent to him simultaneously upon the receipt of a telegram from Mr. Bryan informing him it would be sent, but he had ers in this committee meeting makes an inhad no chance of refusing it and it had never teresting list. Roughly there are: United been used for campaign purposes whatever. States Senators Butler of North Carolina



president of the National Cotton Growers t Espyville, Pa. She was only association PRIVATE diseases of Men and women. lays.

# More Oratory on Tap.

Mrs. Amanda C. Webber. The conference committees had intimated SYRACUSE, Neb., June 16 -- (Special Tel to the national committee a desire for more egram.)-Mrs. Amanda C. Webber, aged 58, time-would probably need until 1 a. m.but the national committee evidently predied Tuesday night. She came here forty-one years ago. Her husband survives her. The ferred to take advantage of the nocturnal uneral occured today at 2 p. m. hours for purposes of oratory for no propo-

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Jesse H. Everett.

And not then until a fight over whether John R. Sovereign of Missouri should be GRAFTON, Neb., June 16 .-- (Special.)allowed a seat as the holder of a proxy from esse H. Everett, aged 53, died Sunday by a J. H. Voorhees of Colorado or not had been paralytic stroke, and was buried Monday, Rev. Andress officiating.

The motion to admit Sovereign was made by Robert Schilling of Wisconsin.

Colonel Frank Burkitt at once objecte and several points of order were raised by Haughawout of Missouri and other anti fusionists against Mr. Sovereign's presence in the meeting until his status was determined upon.

Colonel Burkitt said Sovereign's own state had removed him from his position as a committeeman because he had electioneered against a straight populist in 1896. Chairman Butler permitted Sovereign to say a word or two in his own behalf and Sovereign pronounced Colonel Burkitt's statement false and an uproar ensued. It was concluded then that the best thing to do was to take a recess until 1 a. m. at which time the report of the conferees was expected.

#### Conferees Report.

The conferees finally reported after 1 o'clock this morning, or rather they brought in two reports, one from the "middle-ofthe-roaders" and one from the Butleries. General William Phillips read the former Its main point was a recommendation that the principle of the Omaha platform against officeholders being allowed membership in the committees and conventions of the party should, be lived up to strictly in the future. The other report was read by Eltweed Pomeroy of New Jersey. Its chief concession was that the populist national convention in 1900 should be held at least a month earlier than either the democratic or republican conventions.

As the Butlerites were not willing to concede the Omaha platform principle respect-0 ing officeholders in committees and conventions, that was considered a sufficient point of difference without the question of Senator Butler's chairmanship being gone into at the time; in fact, the committee chairmanship hinged upon the result of the action of the national committee on the middle-of-the-road contention and it was not likely to prevail.

General Phillips started the speechmaking again and the discussion was kept up to a very late hour

#### Here's the List.

The number of legislators and officehold-

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