

BIG IRRIGATION PROJECT

Agricultural Department Report Gives the Idea His Endorsement.

HALF MILLION ACRES ARE INVOLVED

Retail Hardware Dealers Meet at Lincoln to Discuss Trade Matters—Accommodations for the Veterans.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—An irrigation project of large proportions, estimated to benefit not only arid territory in western Nebraska, but a large district in eastern Wyoming as well, was outlined at a conference here today, participated in by Senator Dietrich, Edward Mead, chief of irrigation investigation for the Department of Agriculture, and State Engineer Debon. Members of the State Board of Irrigation also have given their support to the plan and will recommend to the proper authorities at Washington that it be put into effect.

Miss Mayme Kearns

Large Attendance Than Usual, All the Towns Being Taken as the First Day.

LINCOLN, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—The Nebraska Christian Missionary society opened its annual convention at Bethany last night with great enthusiasm.

The plan contemplates the construction of a canal from a point on the North Platte river near Cheyenne, southward to and across the state line, probably extending through the counties of Sioux, Scotts Bluffs and Cheyenne, and for a short distance in Deuel. Several reservoirs may be needed, but it was agreed this afternoon, from all information at hand, that a suitable site for a main reservoir would be at Cheyenne, Wyo.

Senator Dietrich and Congressman Burkett have agreed to use their best efforts in the furtherance of the plan and they expect the state of other members of the Nebraska congressional delegation.

The morning session of the society was opened by a sunrise bible study led by Frank James, pastor of the Christian church at Fremont.

After the business session of the Ministerial association J. B. Briner of Missouri, lecturer, editor, author, delivered a soul-stirring lecture on the life of Christ.

The interest in the convention is already at high tide and before the end of the week the delegates will be on their way to the various districts.

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HAS HAD ENOUGH OF FUSION

Sen. E. M. Webb of Custer Tires of Baking Out Democrat's Chestnuts.

SEES HARRINGTON KNEW HIS BUSINESS

One of Men Who Helped Found the Populist Party Prefers Republicanism to Traffic in Political Principles.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

SARSOENT, Neb., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—E. M. Webb of Custer, one of the founders of the populist party and who was a populist member of the state legislature from this district a few years ago, is out in a scathing letter in which he denounces the fusionists of the state and county, and declares he intends to vote the republican ticket this fall.

Webb's letter is a very interesting one. He writes:

"All will now admit that M. C. Harrington in 1891 was a political prophet. In his famous letter to Juan Boyle that year he said: 'We must accept the inevitable. There is only one way to wait, and fusion will be all over. There will be but two parties, and the recognized leaders of the democratic party now will be recognized leaders then. Submit gracefully.'"

"When the fusionists met at Grand Island, hauled down the populist flag, hoisted the flag of the democratic party and nominated on a platform acceptable to both a democrat for governor, who acted as democratic committeeman under Cleveland and opposed Ken in his first campaign for congress, they not only humiliated and insulted every self-respecting populist in the state, but turned the last straw in the mind of the once proud populist party of Nebraska.

"When the fusion bosses of Custer county met in convention and, at the solicitation of a mere handfull of democratic allies ('allies' hauled down the populist flag in the county which was their birth and nursed it until it became powerful and strong—when they adopted resolutions that no honorable populist cared to recognize as being even of remote populist origin—and nominated a life-long democrat to head the county ticket, they not only sealed the party's death, but committed a crime against the integrity of the party, its pledges and its own membership unequalled in the annals of political treachery and dishonor.

Platform pledges and resolutions are the inducements offered by a political party for the votes of the people. They are the party's sacred promise to do specific things, and are as morally binding upon a political party as any pledge or agreement between man and man.

Go Back on Promise.

"But a few short months ago the fusion and anti-fusion camps met at Broken Bow in joint conference, to arrive at a basis of understanding regarding the future policy of the party. At that conference resolutions were adopted pledging any further fusion in county, state or nation, and agreeing to work on independent lines. As Mr. Hoopes of Custer county said, 'It is a result of the adoption of these resolutions and this understanding the mid-roads were induced to abandon their organization, rally to the republican party, and to the fold, believing that this pledge, given at such a time and under such conditions, would be faithfully and religiously kept.

"No one then dreamed that any set of union 'leaders,' no matter how degenerate would be brazen enough to repudiate a year to place the party in a position to be condemned by friend and foe as an unscrupulous liar and pledge breaker. But it has actually been done and populists are now asked to submit gracefully, in plain English, to a party which is guilty of breaking its pledges to the people and of practicing the meanest kind of deception on its own membership in unworthy of public confidence or respect, and the man who follows such a party is helping to get reform as well as hang his hands on the willow."

"Just why 80,000 populists of Nebraska have been smothered to death and smothered by the 5,000 democrats who followed Mr. Bryan out of the democratic state convention in 1896, is no longer a debatable question. Instead of fulfilling the grand work which his founders intended and which the rank and file intended, the populist organization in this state has been used as a mere tag for democracy to play with up to 1896. Bryan had no party following in Nebraska worth mentioning. He was too much of a democrat to become a populist, but he aspired to national leadership and wanted a 'prestige,' a following, to stay him up in his struggle, not for populist principles, but for the supremacy of Bryan in the democratic party.

"The annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church for southeastern Nebraska will be held in this city from September 10 to 14. The meeting promises to be a large affair, and more than 300 delegates have already signified their intention of being present. Among the noted educators who will be present are: Dr. A. B. Leonard of New York, Dr. Thierlied of Cincinnati, Dr. William McDowell and Miss Marks of Iowa.

Pioneers Picnic at Verdun.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—The pioneer picnic opened a two days' session at Verdun this morning and the popular crowd is in the city.

The principal address today was delivered by Rev. Elmer Ward Cole of Falls City, while the program consisted of literary and musical selections. A ball game between Humboldt and the Argos of Nebraska City was scheduled for the afternoon.

Young Thelb Sentenced.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Judge Hayward this afternoon sentenced Thomas Higginbottom to the reform school for a term of one year.

Barberies Closes Lockjaw.

HUMBOLDT, Neb., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Richard Tisdale, one of the leading farmers of the section, is in a critical condition from an attack of lockjaw caused by tramping upon a barb wire while waiting about the yards during the recent high water.

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