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Keep the Flag Flying High.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1900.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

PHILIPSBURG, MONTANA, March 19, 1900. In accordance with the party assembly by direction of the Republican State Central Committee a Republican State Convention is hereby called to meet in the City of Philipsburg, Montana, on Thursday, May 10, 1900, for the purpose of selecting six delegates to and six alternate delegates to attend the National Republican Convention to be held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, the 19th day of June, 1900, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the convention.

All persons of the state, without regard to past political affiliations, who believe in the principles of the Republican party, and who desire to participate in the party primaries and the convention, are cordially invited under this call to participate in the party primaries and the convention.

Representation in the convention is apportioned among the counties and counties, as follows:

Table listing counties and their representation: Beaverhead 14, Broadwater 14, Carbon 14, Cascade 14, Chouteau 14, Custer 14, DeWitt 14, Deer Lodge 14, Fergus 14, Glacier 14, Granite 14, Hill 14, Judith 14, Liberty 14, Lincoln 14, Mineral 14, Mussouri 14, Park 14, Powell 14, Richland 14, Silver Bow 14, Sweet Grass 14, Teton 14, Yellowstone 14.

Total 47.

The following rules have been adopted by the party for the government of the convention:

- First—Delegates and alternate delegates shall be elected to the convention, first in the case of the failure of a delegate to attend the afternoon session shall cast the vote of the delegate whom he represents.
- Second—In the absence of the delegate and his alternate a majority of the delegates from that county shall cast the vote of the delegate.
- Third—In the absence of a delegate and his alternate delegates from any county no vote shall be cast from that county.
- Fourth—In the event of a tie in the state convention, the delegates shall be given for an absent delegate and alternate delegate.
- Fifth—Delegates and alternate delegates must be Republicans and residents of the county which they represent.

J. P. WOODMAN, Chairman. T. B. MILLER, Secretary.

A REPUBLICAN VICTORY.

The interest manifested by the citizens of Philipsburg in the selection of competent men into whose care the government of this municipality is to be entrusted was a striking feature at last Monday's convention and a source of much satisfaction to all who have the welfare of this community at heart. The vote was perhaps the largest ever cast in any city convention since Philipsburg has been incorporated.

While political lines were not drawn the fact that with the exception of N. Connolly, candidate for police magistrate, who had no opposition, all of the officers named are Republicans is nevertheless significant—all are good men and well qualified to fill the offices for which they have been named.

It would seem that if any American should have an excuse to become alarmed at the words "imperialism" and "militarism" it would be a Southerner who fought for the Confederacy or who suffered in some manner by the invading forces of the North; but Senator Morgan, of Alabama, a leader in the Confederacy, and who was impoverished as a result of the war, is today an ardent expansionist and has no fear of the imperialistic bugaboo. The Bryanistic plank is shivered before it is placed in the platform.

SETTLED BY THE CODES.

The Call's opinion as to who is entitled to vote at the election for road supervisor in Road District No. 1 is about as valuable as other opinions that are continually emanating from that source. The question at issue is settled by the codes and the County Commissioners have nothing further to do in the matter than what has been done.

Section 4878 of the Political Code is as follows: "The money so collected must be expended for street purposes in the city or town. No street or alley in a city or town is a county road or a part thereof, nor constitutes a part of a road district of a county."

The boundary lines of Road District

No. 1 are established, as are also the boundary lines of the City of Philipsburg, and the law is plain on the point that no street or alley in an incorporated city or town constitutes a part of a road district. Consequently no one residing within the corporate limits of the City of Philipsburg is entitled to vote for road supervisor in District No. 1.

Isaac N. Stevens, who deserted the Republican party in Colorado to follow Bryan in 1896 and who served as vice-chairman of the National Silver Committee, has come back into the fold, and will not support Bryan. At the same time definite reports are received of a movement, headed by Henry Watterson, to capture the Kentucky Democratic delegation and use it against Bryan. Such news as this, coming from such strongholds as Colorado and Kentucky, is apt to strike Bryan's tender boom with the combined effect of a blizzard and a distillery explosion.

EVER CONSISTENT.

Chairman Jones, of the National Democratic party, says that the Nebraska platform does not forecast the National resolutions of his party and is not to be accepted as the keynote of the Democratic National campaign this year. He further says that a State platform, drafted in March, should not be taken as expressing the views of the National Democratic party in July.

Such expressions coming as they do from the Chairman of the National Democratic party are of more than ordinary significance. Ever consistent in its National policy of opposing anything and everything advocated by the Republican party the Democracy could not well be expected to announce its paramount issues until after the National Republican Convention has met, which will be in June. A lot that the leading issues may readily be guessed.

The Mail extends its sympathy to the Red Louisie Picket and Carbon County Democrat in the destruction of their plants by fire last week. Both papers are being temporarily published from the office of the Billings Gaze. The Picket Publishing Co. has ordered an entire new plant which it expects to have installed by April 15th. The managers of both newspapers are deserving of much praise for the creditable publications gotten out from the temporary quarters at Billings.

That Pettigrew, once the idol of South Dakota Republicans, is now the most despised man in the state is shown by the action of the Republican county convention at Watertown in adopting a resolution denouncing him as "an advocate of treason and a traitor to his government and to his state." Thus are the mighty fallen. It is safe to predict that Pettigrew will not receive the vote of one patriot in South Dakota in the coming election.

And so the promoters of the Topeka Capital have decided to adopt the methods of the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon and continue the paper as a strictly Christian daily newspaper. And yet, judging from the merits of this undertaking up to date, we should say that it is not likely to prove particularly profitable from any point of view after the sensation has exhausted itself.

BRYAN'S NEBRASKA PLATFORM.

Through the platform declarations of the Nebraska Democrats Mr. Bryan has announced the doctrine upon which he wants to run for office. To discuss them seriously it will be time enough after they have been passed upon by the Kansas City convention. However, the Declaration of Independence is reaffirmed, apropos of nothing in particular, unless it be to remind the faithful of T. Jefferson, our greatest expansionist. Mr. Bryan "welcomes the opportunity" which the present year affords to make another try for the offices, a sentiment which will certainly appeal to the profoundest emotions of every Democrat. That plank is positively sure of ratification at Kansas City. He claims to hate trusts worse than any one else in the round world, and says he will fight them hard if he can get the office he is after, but he does not specify what he will do to them. He will not, however, let the national banks continue to issue currency, and will disband most of the Army. He will give the Filipino independence and stand by "protection" then if their antics get them into trouble with other nations. He says what he thinks of the Dingley tariff in plain American language, and as good as says that he will put the American people where President Cleveland left them as quickly as he can. He objects to any entanglement of our people with foreign nations, but, all the same, hopes the Boers will whip the British. He is in favor of a few sensible things which the Republicans are pretty sure to incorporate in their platform on the 19th of June, and which will therefore be dropped by the Democrats on the 4th of July. The Nebraska platform is evidently put out as a feeler. What it will be when the National Democratic Convention gets through with it no one can tell.

The battleship Oregon, now in the harbor of Yokohama, is pronounced by the Japanese the most impressive battleship that ever visited the port. The Spaniards at Santiago also found her impressive. It is good for the Oregon to be in Asiatic waters. The ship has an impressive record as well as a grand appearance.

The Hon. Arthur Sewell's hope that the Democrats will adopt an expansion plank in their platform may not be realized, but it is sound Democratic doctrine just the same, and is far more Jacksonian and Jeffersonian than any of the Populistic notions that pervade Democratic platforms nowadays.

And now a Kansas man proposes to run for Congress as Jesus would have run. It deserves to be borne in mind that it is a person who has undertaken to popularize this style of blasphemy.

No, we guess Grover Cleveland is not coming out for Bryan any more than Bryan is coming out for Cleveland. The two gentlemen do not coexist.

It wouldn't be surprising to see a sprig of shamrock among the fixtures of the Easter headgear. It's an Irish, you know, as well as Irish.

The Republican party is something of an anti-concern, too. It is anti-pestilence, anti-hard times, anti-imperialism and anti-trust.

EASY LIFE IN NICARAGUA.

When the Family is Broke, the Wife Digs a Little Gold.

"When I was in the Olanchito district, in Nicaragua," said a visitor who is largely interested in mining in Central America, "I had an opportunity of seeing how the lazy natives tap nature's till when they need some small change. Near our camp by the river was a hut occupied by a typical Honduran family, consisting of husband and wife, grandfather and grandmother and a dozen or so of assorted children. The only one of the crowd who did anything except rest and smoke was the wife. At intervals of perhaps a week she would sally out with the family tubpan, erstwhile used for cooking, and proceed to an old placer dig on the river bank. There she would squat, throw a few gourdfuls of dirt into the pan, fill it with water and begin the usual circular motion of gold washing.

"She was very skillful and would keep a little sheet of dirty water spraying over the edge like a miniature cataract. When the water was exhausted, a few spoonfuls of sand would be left in the bottom of the pan, and, spreading it out thin with a bit of stick, she would go over it grain by grain, looking for 'color.' Whenever she saw a speck of gold she moistened the stick on her tongue and picked up the particle by adhesion. Each bit of the precious metal was stored away in a quill, plugged with clay at the ends, and I have known her to take out as much as a quarter of an ounce in the course of one day.

"Usually her limit was about \$2, and when she got that she stopped. Then the head of the house would arise languidly and start for the nearest store, 12 miles away. Sometimes he would trade the whole amount for whisky; but, as a rule, he brought back tobacco, salt, meal or calico.

"There are hundreds of native families who live in exactly the manner in Olanchito. Sometimes the woman will be lucky enough to strike a rich pocket that will yield a dollar or more a pan, but they never dream of washing it out at once and getting a stake. It simply means that they can secure their usual amount with less work."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

NO "PROPERTY" ESCAPES.

Some Queer Things to Be Seen in a Chinese Theater.

Over the audience rests a settled, immovable stillness, unbroken even by a sigh. No expression referable to sorrow, sympathy, joy or tears lightens the blank, dead wall of the faces. The Chinaman is impregnable. Only once do his eyes change, and that is while the property man is on the stage, and he is never off it.

The Chinese property man sees his duty to the management and puts it into practical effect. No "property" shall escape him. He gathers all things by the way. When the Chinese Romeo slays Tybalt, the property man steps on to the stage, gathers up Tybalt's sword, cap and cloak and things and walks off with them. He would enter Macbeth's banquet hall while that weak kneed monarch was exorcising Banquo's ghost, gather up the goblets and plates in one arm and Macbeth's chair with the other and carry them away. He would pluck the roses from Elaine's breast; he would take the dagger from Juliet's dead hand; he would interrupt Hamlet's soliloquy in the churchyard with a request for Yorick's skull, and he would interpose in the murder of Desdemona to remove the pillows from her bed.—Sagui Smith in Leslie's Weekly.

Advertisement for HENNESSY'S Overcoats. Features an illustration of a man in a top hat and a long overcoat. Text includes: 'This Season's Leading Styles in Men's Overcoats.... for Spring.' and 'WE WILL SHOW THIS WEEK A CHARMING assortment of Spring Overcoats. Ten new styles are here, made of vicuña cloths, unfinished worsteds, rough chevots and covert cloths. Colorings, grays, tans, browns and dark steel. They are all well made and beautifully finished, some with silk linings to the edge. Prices \$20 to \$30 each.'

Advertisement for HENNESSY'S BUTTE, MONTANA. Includes text: 'MAIL ORDERS TO HENNESSY'S, BUTTE, MONTANA.'

Advertisement for PROFESSIONAL CARDS. Includes text: 'His "Dear Old Jim," "Corbett is my friend and benefactor," says Mr. Jeffries. "I was once his sparring partner, and he treated me as a gentleman. Hence I have gladly agreed to fight him as a return for favors. I am bound by all the ties of friendship and gratitude to give him a chance to fight me." Was there ever such a touching instance of devotion? Mr. Jeffries will reward his old patron and benefactor by beating him into pulp and knocking his head off. One can fancy him saying, as he puts his terrible right into his friend's ribs, "Dear old Jim!"—Kansas City Star.'

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OFFICIAL NOMINATIONS.

I, Wingfield L. Brown, City Clerk of the City of Philipsburg, Granite County, State of Montana, hereby certify that the following nominations for city officers to be voted for at the next annual election, to be held in said city on Monday, April 2, 1900, have been filed with me as such clerk, viz.:

Table with 3 columns: Independent Citizens' Ticket, Citizens' Ticket, and Independent Ticket. Each column lists candidates for Mayor, Treasurer, Police Judge, and Alderman for three wards.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my office on this, the 29th day of March, A. D. 1900. WINGFIELD L. BROWN, City Clerk.