

Willmar Tribune.

State Historical Society

MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Vol. 2.

Willmar, Minnesota, July 21, 1896.

No. 23

THE BATTLE IS ON

Bryan and Anti-Bryan People Hold Preliminary Meetings at St. Louis.

Supporters of the Nebraskan Will Push the Movement With Vigor.

Donnelly of Minnesota Among the Active Anti-Fusion Delegates.

St. Louis, July 20.—There was a meeting at the Lindell hotel last night in the interest of Bryan. About 60 men were present and quite a large number of states represented, among them being Missouri, Maryland, California, Kansas, Nebraska, Nevada, Colorado, Utah, Oklahoma, Iowa and Washington. At this meeting General J. B. Weaver of Iowa was chosen temporary chairman. It was decided to push the Bryan movement with vigor, either for a nomination or an endorsement. Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee, was asked as to what the Populists could expect in the way of recognition in case Bryan should be endorsed by the Populist party. Senator Jones replied that in the event of Mr. Bryan's election to the presidency, he would know no party, and would recognize all those who would rally to his support. Populists were not to be looked upon as stepchildren. The

and little obstacle to continuing with it. Instead of nominating others the Populist convention should nominate—endorse—Bryan and Sewall. The convention should make these two men its own nominees—the party nominees. It should adopt its own platform of principles and place them upon it as their choice for president and vice president.

"CYCLONE" DAVIS TALKS.

Populists Must Adopt Their Own Platform and Name a Ticket.
St. Louis, July 20.—J. H. Davis, better known as "Cyclone," who is here as a delegate to the Populist national convention from Texas, says:
"In my mind, there is no doubt about it. We must and will make our own platform and nominate our own ticket. My idea is that we will draw largely from disaffected Republicans in this campaign. The silver Democrat will



J. H. DAVIS.

Recognition of All Silver Men

would be equal. This announcement was received with applause by the Bryan Populists present. Senator Jones made further observations about this year's campaign being a fight by all the people for the people, and that no small differences should stand in the way of united action.

It was stated in the meeting that Mr. Bryan had formally declined to make any specific pledges, notwithstanding he had been importuned to do so. Those of the delegates present who had seen him since his nomination at Chicago stated that Mr. Bryan had said to them that the Populists must trust him as he proposed to trust them, but that under no circumstances would he make any promise of appointments of any character to men of any party. This sentiment was generally applauded as courageous in view of the prospect of receiving 2,000,000 votes, but the sentiment was construed to mean that Mr. Bryan meant to be fair to all his supporters in all respects in case of his election.

An Anti-Bryan Meeting.

Some of the anti-Bryan Populists held a secret meeting in Chairman Taubeneck's room at the Lindell. Among those present were Donnelly of Minnesota, Davis of Texas, McDowell of Arkansas and others. They discussed the situation behind closed doors and under strict injunctions of secrecy. As McDowell left the room he met Mr. Patterson of Colorado and in the course of a brief conversation said that while it was possible for the Democrats must meet them half way. "We must maintain the identity of our organization," said he.

"If you refuse to accept this opportunity to join the Democrats in the restoration of silver," replied Mr. Patterson, "the individual Populists will desert you as rats desert a sinking ship."

WORKING FOR BRYAN.

Patterson of Colorado Answers Taubeneck's Appeal.

St. Louis, July 20.—Hon. Thomas M. Patterson, chairman of the regular Colorado delegation to the Populist convention, has arrived and with others immediately began a crusade in behalf of the nomination of Bryan and Sewall by the Populist convention. During the evening Mr. Patterson and his coadjutors prepared and issued an address in reply to Chairman Taubeneck's appeal to maintain the autonomy of the party by taking a position against the nomination or endorsement of the Democratic candidates. The address of the Bryan followers as prepared by Mr. Patterson is as follows:

"We agree with Chairman Taubeneck that the all absorbing question with Populists is and should be how can they assist in the

Speedy Restoration of Silver

to its former place and at the same time maintain and advance their party organization. We believe that the Populist party is necessary to the country and that should it be disbanded or become inconsequential for want of numbers the money power would soon resume complete sway over both the old parties and the masses be deprived of a protector from the greed of corporations, trusts and syndicates.

"But we emphatically disagree with him as to the means by which these ends are to be secured. To nominate an independent ticket, one in opposition to Bryan and Sewall as it would be to McKinley and Hobart, would not only make it impossible to restore free coinage of silver during the lifetime of the youngest in the coming convention, but it

Would Practically Annihilate

the People's party so far as followers are necessary to make a party. The leaders might hold frantically to the organization during the campaign, but at its close they would find its followers in full fellowship with the Democratic party, and having voted its ticket under the name and emblem of the party, they would be obliged to support its

remain contented in his own party during this campaign, and until the party betrays him again which it will do sure if the party is not completely purged of the gold men. But if the Democrats are placable enough to 'condescend their patrician pride and counsel with us plebeians,' we can then form a union on electors that will give more votes in the electoral college than an endorsement of Bryan and still leave each party distinct on its own platform."

SENATOR JONES THERE.

Endorsement of Bryan and Sewall Would Be Gratifying.

St. Louis, July 20.—Senator J. K. Jones of Arkansas, chairman of the national Democratic committee, has arrived. He said he was on his way home from Washington, but admitted that he had stopped in St. Louis for the purpose of making a note on the drift of events in connection with the Populist convention. He declined to express any opinion as to whether the convention would endorse Messrs. Bryan and Sewall, though he confessed that such a course on the part of the convention would be gratifying. He expressed himself as very much pleased with the indications of Democratic success.

TAUBENECK FOR UNITY.

But Objects to Action Which Will Destroy the Party.

St. Louis, July 20.—Chairman Taubeneck said: "I am opposed to doing anything at the national convention that will tend to disintegrate or destroy the People's party. I am perfectly willing to do everything that is fair and honorable to unite the elements that are opposed to the gold standard by a division of the electors, and I think this can be done without taking any action that will disrupt our party or betray our principles."

Nebraskans Are for Bryan.

OMAHA, July 20.—The governor's private secretary, Benton Marel, and State Oil Inspector K. H. Edmonston have left for St. Louis. They will meet with the Bismarck league of that city and do what they can toward completing the scheme for fusion between the Bryan Democrats and the Populists. Prominent Populists are now sporting the official badge, which bears a picture of Bryan and the words: "We are for Bryan; no crown of thorns; no cross of gold."

Populist Visits Bryan.

St. Louis, July 20.—Mr. George E. Washburn of Boston, chairman of the Eastern division of the Populist party, has returned to the city from Lincoln where he went to pay a visit to Mr. Bryan. Mr. Washburn declined to reveal the purpose of his call upon the Democratic candidate or to enter into the facts of the interviews with that gentleman.

Position of the Dakotas.

St. Louis, July 20.—The two Dakotas are here with apparently diverse views. W. H. Staudish of North Dakota is for a straight-out endorsement of Bryan. Alonzo Wardell of South Dakota has a "middle of the road" badge upon the lapel of his coat. He says he is not opposed to Bryan, but the Populists must maintain their organization.

Waite Favors Bryan.

St. Louis, July 20.—Ex-Governor Waite of Colorado stated that he had abandoned his contest against the Populist delegation for a seat in the convention. "I am for Bryan and shall place no further obstacles in the way of the seating of the Patterson delegation, which is also favorable to the Democratic nominees."

Reported Heavy Cannoning.

HANNA, July 20.—Passengers from San Cristobal report having heard heavy cannoning and musketry firing all Friday. It proceeded, apparently, from north of the mountains. It is believed that an engagement was then in progress between Fuentes' command and insurgents under Nunez. The latter was most recently reported as having passed the Los Pinos range, in the province of

LIVELY TIME PROMISED

Indications Point to Much Bitter Wrangling at the Populist Convention.

No Matter What the Result a Bolt Is Practically Certain to Occur.

Delegates Divided Into Three Classes and Each Is Prepared to Fight.

St. Louis, July 20.—A very bitter war has developed among the Populist leaders. They seem to be aligning themselves for a three cornered fight: First, those who favor a straight endorsement or nomination of Bryan and Sewall which will bring to the Chicago ticket the support of the Populists; second, those who desire a fusion electoral ticket which will maintain the Populist party organization and place the leaders in a position to demand recognition in the event the ticket is successful, and third, what are known as the "middle of the road" Populists, who favor an independent platform and ticket and who oppose fusion in any form. The latter, if present indications count for anything,

Will Eventually Be Overruled.

The "middle of the road" men, however, will prove strong and valuable allies of the leaders of the second class, who seem determined to preserve their party organization at all hazards, but who profess an earnest desire to combine all the silver strength if a way can be found to give them recognition. The real fight, it is believed, will come between this faction and those who are in favor of putting behind for the present all pride of party for the sake of the silver cause to which they are pledged.

Chairman Taubeneck, chairman of this middle wing, gave out a statement outlining the plan of fusion electors as the only condition on which he is willing to join hands with the free silver Democracy. But, even with fusion electors, he wants a

Set of Populist Nominees.

the purpose being, if his plan is carried out, to elect Bryan president, and a Populist vice president. Taubeneck's interview met with a storm of protests from the faction which advocates a straight endorsement of Bryan and Sewall as the only chance of solidifying the silver forces and gaining victory.

Among the Populists from the South there is much opposition to the plan of endorsing Bryan and Sewall without conditions. Senator Butler of North Carolina, who heartily favors harmonizing all the silver elements as the only way to win, points out the strong opinion between the Populists and the Democrats in the South, and expresses the opinion that unless the Populist organization is recognized in the fight, through fusion electors, it will be impossible to secure the support of the rank and file of the Populists of the South for the Chicago ticket.

Will Be a Lively Affair.

All the indications are that the convention will be a very lively affair, with the certainty of much bitter wrangling, the probability of some sensational incidents and of a bolt of larger or smaller dimensions, no matter what the ultimate decision of the convention is. The leaders of the American Silver party who are here appear to be all of one mind—that Bryan and Sewall should be endorsed. They oppose anything which will tend to cloud the issue of "victory for silver," or divide the silver strength. They expect by their action to exercise a strong influence over the other convention, especially as there seems to be a disposition to arrange joint compromises of the silver and Populist leaders.

KANSAS FOR BRYAN.

Ex-Governor Lewelling Says It's the Shortest Cut to Silver.

St. Louis, July 20.—Ex-Governor Lewelling of Kansas was one of the energetic Bryan men to be seen at the Lindell. When asked as to the nomination of Bryan, he said: "I can speak



EX-GOVERNOR LEWELLING.

for Kansas. That state is most heartily in favor of the endorsement of Bryan. We believe that the shortest cut to silver is the best. Our party stands for more than free silver and we can obtain it with Bryan. The Chicago platform contains a great deal that we want. It is a pretty good Populist platform. Bryan is a pretty good Populist. The Democracy is regenerated. It is getting back to the principles of Jefferson and that is what the country needs."

Bank Suspension at Minn.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—The controller of the currency has received notice of the suspension of the First National bank of Minn., N. D. The capital of the bank is \$200,000.

NORWAY.

Christiania.

The "Venstres-lanemote" was in session June 16-20.

J. A. Hansen has been appointed postmaster at Hamar.

Henrik Ibsen's latest novel "Lillo Eryolf" will be ready by Christmas.

The population of Norway, according to the latest census is 1,989,674 persons.

Consul Hans Nicolay Gunderson, in Copenhagen, recently died at the age of 68.

The king will arrive at Christiania July 28. The day will be a festive occasion.

Three unknown parties were drowned in the "Puddeforden" while bathing July 1.

A new brewery costing 600,000 crowns will be erected in this city in the very near future.

Captain A. Salveson will succeed Admiral George Krogh as commander of the warship Ellida.

"Per Gynt," a Norwegian comedy, will be rendered at the L'Ouvre theatre of Paris in the near future.

An agricultural convention in which some 3,000 farmers participated, was held at Modalen last month.

The Salvation Army of Norway at present numbers 4,000 followers. Of these, 1,000 reside in Christiania.

Engraver Thronsen of Kongsberg is the recipient of a medal of reward for past services from King Oscar II.

The City of Christiania has appropriated 855,000 crowns for the improvement and construction of streets.

The three torpedo boats, which at present are being built at Elbing, will be named "Hval," "Delfin" and "Hai."

According to a recent decision of the "Oldenstinget," there will be no Latin taught after this in the Norwegian schools.

Rev. G. Jensen has recently refused to become bishop of Christiania's stiff. Dr. Bang will now undoubtedly be appointed.

William Brode Kristensen and Andreas Aabert have recently been made doctors of philosophy by the "Akademisk Kollegium."

The following gentlemen compose the board of directors for "Venstres Presseforening": Lars Holst, Haaken Laken and J. Drammen.

Rev. C. Knudsen, who was recently appointed pastor of the congregation at Noerø, will be reinstated into his present charge at Drammen.

Otto Linding, the artist, has written a play entitled "Isaks," which will be rendered at the Royal Opera at the opening of the next season.

Editor Schibsted safely returned from Budapest June 20. His return trip might have ended seriously, however, owing to a railroad accident in which several people were killed.

The Norwegian "Folkemuseum" has recently received a most valuable collection from A. T. Gjoersen at Moss. The collection consists mainly of antique utensils and "runes."

Dr. Brunchorst has been chosen as Norway's representative at the international conference held in London in the near future for the purpose of considering the publishing of a catalogue of scientific and mathematical literature.

Erik Lie's book on the history of European literature is now finished and submitted to the public. Standard critics have passed exceedingly favorable comments on this valuable work and a large and speedy sale of the first editions is anticipated.

The "Stiftsgaarden" of Christiania, which was recently sold to S. Guldbrandson of Trondhjem for 250,000 crowns, has now been sold again to George Frolish of this city for 800,000 crowns. Besides a marble factory that will now be erected on the place, Mr. Frolish has two apartment buildings of large dimensions.

Trondhjem.

Hon. Bang, bureau chief of the "Justitiedepartement," has been appointed city judge of Trondhjem.

A Norwegian hunters' and fishers' union, consisting of 100 members, was recently organized at Osterdalen.

The city council of this city has appointed the following gentlemen to serve on a committee of arrangements for a 900th celebration to be held in Trondhjem next year: Dr. Lyder Borsten, B. Braenne, Karl Lorck, Architect Solberg and Captain Sporck.

Bergen.

The steamer "Sigurd Jarl" arrived at Hammerfest with 60 tourists on board.

Rev. Hans Smith left for the Norwegian mission station at Madagascar July 20. Mr. Smith will be abroad two years.

DEMARK.

Copenhagen.

Prince Fredrick and Princess Louise are at present sojourning in their Ugarian home in Olenburg.

It has been rumored that Professor Hoffding has been tendered one of the chairs in the University of Wien.

Rasmus Feldthausen recently committed suicide by hanging. A year ago his son ended his life in the same way.

Karl Gjellerup's novel, "Mollen," will be published October next. Mr. Gjellerup's popularity as a writer will insure a ready sale of his novel.

Dr. Spokflesh of Aalborg recently died at the age of 90 years. The doctor, who has for years been a veterinary surgeon of this locality, was not only a popular practitioner, but had gained the friendship and confidence of all who knew him.

Sophus Bander's "Historie fra Skovroedegaarden" may now be read in the German under the title "Aus dem Forsthaus." The book, which has been published by F. A. Berger & Co., is the happy and successful translation of the book by

We may be excused for hoping that Polk county will be divided.

To-morrow the Populists and Silverites hold their national conventions at St. Louis.

The people's Party State convention will meet at Minneapolis, Aug. 26, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Kandiyoohi county had a full delegation present at the congressional convention.

Cleanliness is next to godliness—take a bath at I. T. Cramer's new bath rooms and be a better man.

Two porcelain tubs, clean towels, hot water, good ventilation and light airy rooms.—I. T. Cramer's new bath rooms now open.

Judge Page Morris, of Duluth, was nominated by the Republicans at St. Cloud Thursday to oppose Towne for Congress in the Sixth.

There is some talk among so-called silver republicans to call an independent county convention to place candidates for county offices in nomination.

Mrs. B. Miller returned from her northern visit last Monday evening after a month's visit with friends and relatives at Halstad, Carrington and

After paying all expenses, the Willmar Creamery had \$1027.00 to distribute among its patrons for the month of June. This will net them 11.3 cents per pound for butter.

Mr. M. Wheeler informed the editor that Henry Feig had severed his connection with the Republican party and gone over to the Democratic party.—Willmar Argus.

Mrs. O. P. Rice and son, Henry, were summoned back from their western trip by the illness of Mr. Rice last week. The latter had been taken with the quincy, but is now improving.

The fire-bell was tapped last Saturday evening at about 11 o'clock. Tramps were assuming so threatening an attitude that the night marshal took that way of securing help to disperse them.

To-day's morning papers state that the Republican will begin their national campaign at once, and that Minnesota is to be the scene of the first conflict. 'Whew!' There are red-hot times in store for us.

School meeting was attended by about seventy-five voters last Saturday evening. The reports of the work and finances of last year were read and approved. Mrs. Sophia L. Rice was re-elected as member of the Board of Education from the 3rd ward, and C. A. Birch was likewise returned from the 1st ward.

S. J. Flecten of Kandiyoohi has been taking an active part in a move to have the work on the new state capitol, which is being pushed at present, discontinued. We understand that Mr. Flecten has received liberal contributions from the well-to-do farmers of the south part of the county and will fight the matter in the courts to bitter end.

Invitations are out announcing a picnic to be held at Green Lake, July 24, 1896, by the Willmar Camp of Modern Woodmen of America, and the Maple Camp of Royal Neighbors. All woodmen their families and friends are expected to be there. Music, games and sports will occupy the time. Excursion rates will be given by the Railroad Company. The first train will leave Willmar at 7:45 a. m., second train 1:30 p. m.

Advertised Letters.

Willmar, Minn., July 20, 1896.

Gunderson Christ

Johnson Albin

Jorgenson Mrs. Gustave

Larson Louis

Olson G. B.

Pesdahl Annie

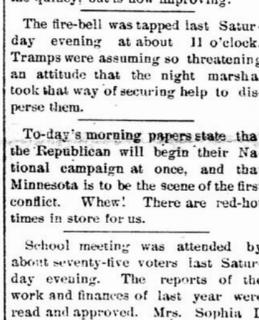
Rustad C.

Stanford B. A.

S. E. STANSBERRY

P. M.

Will He Stop?



"I guess yes." And it's about the only thing that will stop some of the lake-dwelling whirlwinds.

OUR CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT



WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, OF NEBRASKA.

CYCLE MEET.

The Willmar Cycle club, Ltd., bicycle races were fairly well attended last Friday afternoon.

No county records were lowered, but there was some good riding nevertheless. The track is in very bad condition for fast riding. Most of the riders had never ridden on a track before. Cushman Rice, the Willmar champion, seemed to have it all his own way as none of the fast riders seemed to take much interest in the race, and none entered except Rice. Carl Freeberg and McDonald did some very good riding considering that they had never ridden on a track before. The following is the result:

NOVICE ONE MILE.

C. J. Freeberg 1st—time 2:45.

ONE-FOURTH MILE OPEN.

C. A. Rice 1st—time 3:51. A. L. Rodlund 2nd; J. Selin 3rd.

ONE-THIRD MILE HANDICAP.

C. A. Rice scratch—1st—time 5:11; C. J. Freeberg, 10 yds—2nd; Leslie McDonald, 15 yds—3rd.

HALF-MILE OPEN.

C. A. Rice, 1st; C. J. Baldwin, 2nd; P. Freeberg, 3rd.

BOYS HALF-MILE HANDICAP.

Chris Holland, 20 yds—1st—time 1:21; George Tyler, scratch—2nd; Ernest Davis, scratch—3rd.

ONE-FOURTH MILE HANDICAP.

Leslie McDonald, 15 yds—1st—time 3:36; C. A. Rice, scratch—2nd; A. L. Rodlund—15 yds—3rd.

ONE-THIRD MILE OPEN.

C. A. Rice, 1st; C. J. Freeberg 2nd; A. L. Rodlund, 3rd.

ONE-HALF MILE HANDICAP.

C. A. Rice, scratch—1st—time 1:16; C. J. Freeberg, 20 yds—2nd; A. L. Rodlund, 40 yds—3rd.

The winners have been given each a badge appropriately printed with name, race and place. Some of the boys have quite an assortment of the ribbons.

Real Estate Transfers.

Lake Elizabeth—July 15—Gustaf Swedlund to John Norin, 40 a. Sec. 21—\$520.00.

July 17—P. H. Roise to H. J. Dale, whole of Sec. 17, Town of Edwards; 800 acres in Secs. 18, 28, 21, 20 and 19, Town of Willmar; Lot 3, 20 a. Sec. 18 Town of Irving; lots in blk. 22, Village of Willmar.—\$7000.

Roseville—July 15—E. F. Trower to A. F. Kelley, 240 a. Sec. 23, 44000.

Village of Willmar—July 17—P. H. Roise to H. J. Dale, lot 1, blk. 127, \$7000. Daniel T. Booth to Hinda Lovisa Broman, lots 1 and 2, D. Booth's addition, \$275.00.

July 18—Pernilla Danielson to Peter A. Nelson of lot 18 blk. 3, 62.50.

Pernilla Danielson to P. J. Erickson of lot 10, blk. 83—\$62.50.

Gun Club Tournament.

The local gun club, re-inforced by 2 sports from St. Cloud, 2 from Kandiyoohi, 5 from Litchfield and 10 from Grove City, met on the Willmar grounds and contested purses amounting to \$40. The following are those who stood highest in the general averages of the day:

E. S. Hill, St. Cloud, 1st; Lewis Johnson, Willmar, 2nd; E. Wilson, St. Cloud, 3rd; Ahlstrom, Grove City, 4th; D. N. Tallman, Willmar, 5th; F. G. Peterson, Grove City, 6th.

As we go to press there is considerable doubt as to whether the people's party convention at St. Louis will endorse or nominate Bryan and Sewall or not. As for Willmar TRIBUNE it doesn't matter what is done, it will support Bryan and Sewall and the Chicago platform in any event. It represents a principle, and is not playing politics. The money question has got to be settled now. W. J. Bryan has been brought to the surface as the leader on our side, and populists must enlist under his banner, or stand convicted before the world as political demagogues. Under the circumstances there is no alternative but to march double quick to the standard of W. J. Bryan. The claim that such action will disrupt or interfere with the people's party organization in states, congressional districts or counties is too silly for any thing.

C. J.

DR. C. JOHNSON,

Physician & Surgeon,

WILLMAR, MINN.

Obstetrics and internal diseases a specialty. Office at residence on 2nd street.

DR. O. T. HOFTOE

Physician & Surgeon.

NDW LONDON, MINN.
(Office over Bank.)

A. F. MANTOR,

DENTIST,</