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## ORGANIZE M'KINLEY CLUB

With Over Two Hundred Members—Elected Officers—Interesting Meeting Held Monday Night.

A meeting was held at the city hall in this city on Thursday evening, August 6th, for the purpose of organizing a McKinley and Hobart campaign club.

M. L. Kanable called the meeting to order and briefly stated its object. Upon motion made and duly carried, H. S. E. Wilson was elected temporary chairman and H. D. Clark temporary secretary.

A motion that the chair appoint a committee of five on permanent organization, constitution and by-laws, was carried. Chair appointed M. L. Kanable, Dr. Adams, Mr. Farquhar, Mr. Hedricks and Mr. Cox.

The committee on permanent organization presented the following report: President, Hon. S. E. Wilson; secretary, Harry D. Clark; assistant secretary, M. L. Kanable; first vice-president, Hon. W. V. Lucas; second vice-president, J. F. McClung of Edgemont. The report was unanimously accepted and adopted, and the officers named therein were duly elected.

The report of the committee on constitution and by-laws is as follows:

Article 1. The name of this club shall be the McKinley Campaign club of Hot Springs, S. D.

Art. 2. The object of this club shall be the promotion and advancement of the republican party and to establish and maintain a spirit of fraternity between its members by social intercourse and the friendly exchange of information and ideas, but the functions of this club shall not be to usurp any of the powers of the regular party organization or to assume any of its duties, but on the contrary it shall co-operate with and assist it, and shall consult and act in harmony with said regular party organization.

Art. 3. The affairs of the club shall be managed by an executive committee, consisting of the president, the two vice-presidents at large, secretary, treasurer and the chairman of the county central committee, who shall be a member ex officio, and a member from each ward of the city, who is not an officer of the club.

Art. 4. All questions before the executive committee shall be decided by a majority vote of the members present, and five members shall constitute a quorum of said committee.

Art. 5. The officers of the club shall be a president, two vice-presidents at large, and an additional vice-president for each ward, a secretary and a treasurer.

Art. 6. To be eligible to membership, a person must announce his intention to vote for McKinley and Hobart at the November election and subscribe to this constitution.

Art. 7. The regular meetings of the club shall be held every second Monday night at 8 p. m., at a place to be fixed by the executive committee, and shall also meet at the call of the executive committee at any time it may deem necessary.

Art. 8. Ten members of the club shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a general meeting thereof, but a less number may adjourn from time to time.

Art. 9. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the rules and order of business of this club, and all parliamentary questions shall be decided thereby.

The report was unanimously adopted. Assistant secretary and secretary were instructed to further circulate the paper for signatures. The secretary was instructed to furnish a copy of proceedings to Hot Springs Star.

### FIRST REGULAR MEETING.

The first regular meeting of the club occurred Monday evening and was presided over by President Wilson who made a few appropriate remarks and then called upon Judge Cull for a ten minute speech. The judge reviewed some of the history that the two leading parties have made sharply contrasting the magnificent record of republicanism to that of democracy and wanted to know which of these the people again wanted to trust. He made quite an exhaustive argument and was loudly applauded at its close.

Rev. Hungerford was next called upon and stated that he was very greatly surprised to be invited to speak at a political meeting and that he believed this was the first time in his life he had uttered a word in the way of a political speech. But he congratulated the enterprising republicans of Hot Springs upon the organization of a McKinley club; he wanted to see it a great success in an educational way; information is what we all want upon these main questions at issue and by thorough organization and systemizing the work of the campaign can we all be much enlightened. He hoped some of these most important questions would be so classified and assigned to speakers at the different meetings that they might be thoroughly discussed and understood. He denounced the demagogery of democracy in endeavoring to create sectionalism and arraying classes against each other.

Rev. Baker was the next speaker and as a non-partisan made a very clear and interesting statement of the money question as he viewed it. He was born in Holland and briefly reviewed the financial experiments made by that progressive little country, it having tested about all forms of monetary systems, but he believed history bore him out in saying that the gold standard was probably, in that as well as other respects, the most satisfactory.

At the cause of low prices he said he thought the three principal causes brought about this state of affairs, viz: Peace, machinery and general increased acreage, causing overproduction; take away these, give us war, wiping away the results of inventive genius, etc., and prices of everything must naturally rise, but all the legislation and all the political parties of Christendom can not raise values of products against the overproduction brought about under such circumstances. In Michigan 25 years ago country school teachers received from \$35 to \$55 a month, because there were few teachers comparatively, while now they get but from \$25 to \$35—caused unquestionably by the overproduction of teachers, or perhaps more strictly speaking, the underproduction of children.

Maj. Anderson spoke next, and said he was greatly pleased to hear these discussions from those who were not in the habit of talking politics all the time. Some say I got out of the populist party just at the wrong time, but I want to say to my good but misguided friends that I got out just the right time to prevent being completely swallowed by the democratic anaconda. The major said he hoped to have an opportunity to speak to those with whom he had lately affiliated, and who are permitting themselves to be thus swallowed by the same old democratic party that they had always fought. He said it was "the same old party, the same old rule," and simply because they had grabbed hold of another straw to save themselves did not in the least change their naiment.

The republicans will have their first rally next Saturday night, when Hon. C. I. Crawford and others will speak. The McKinley club now has considerably over 200 members and continues to grow steadily. The meetings promise to be interesting and instructive.

### WILL WYATT RETURNS FROM ENGLAND.

W. F. Wyatt returned Wednesday from a two months' absence on a visit to his parents at Gloucester, England. It has been fourteen years since he left his home for this country, hence his visit was intensely enjoyable. He says that times are unusually prosperous there, especially in manufacturing districts, and have been ever since this country changed from its republican protective policy to the democratic methods; that the people over there are convinced of the reason of their unusual prosperity, placing the entire cause to a lack of the United States continuing its protective policy with firmness. He says when we come to talk about issues in politics he never was more impressed and firmly convinced that this country needs a firm, strong protective tariff more than anything else to revive good times, give employment to labor and make our country prosperous. Mr. Wyatt is a bright, observing man and he seems to be very firmly impressed with the conclusions he has arrived at after careful observations of the results in this country and abroad. Mr. Wyatt had the delightful pleasure of returning to this country on the steamer "St. Louis" which recently broke the record in its run between Southampton and New York, making the time in 6 days, 2 hours and 24 minutes, leaving there Aug. 1 and reaching New York Aug. 6. The average speed was 20.867 knots an hour. When Mr. Wyatt came to this country 14 years ago it was on the "Alaska," which then broke the record, making the run in 7 days and 2 hours. This indicates the progress that has been made in the steamship voyage in that time. Will says that there was great interest and excitement among the passengers, and when they landed and learned of the record-breaking run that their boat, "St. Louis," had made over 400 voices rent the air with cheers. Mr. Wyatt had a grand time and gives a very interesting account of his travels.

### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby declare myself as a republican candidate for nomination to the office of Clerk of Courts of Fall River county, South Dakota. O. B. CHESLEY.

### Blanks, Blanks.

We now carry in stock a complete line of conveyancing, justice court, circuit court and clerk of courts blanks. These lines are all complete. We are also putting in others and can furnish on short notice township, school and all county officers blanks.

## A HOT FIRE AT FARGO'S.

The Stable and Store Rooms of Fargo Mercantile Company Burn Last Evening.

After the STAR forms were on the press Thursday evening, the fire alarm was given and the buildings at the rear of the Fargo block were all ablaze. It is thought some children set it while playing near the stable. The stable was first discovered on fire, but it soon spread to the adjoining outbuildings, in which were gasoline and other oils, making it a terrific blaze, though confined to a small space. A quantity of powder which was stored in the buildings was gotten out before the fire reached it.

The fire companies were all quickly on the ground, but the water was slow in doing duty, and at no time was the force anywhere near what it should be, nor what it used to be—being disgustingly scarce, with little pressure. Had the wind been blowing strongly from the west the entire Fargo block would probably have been lost, together with other buildings in that part of town; but fortunately there was no wind. One horse (the old white Doc Peirce horse that everybody knows) was burned to death, and another was terribly burned. The loss is about \$500, with no insurance.

### Crawford on Saturday Night.

Citizens of Hot Springs should not fail to hear Hon. C. I. Crawford speak upon the political issues of the day at the opera house, Saturday evening, the 15th. He is an elegant speaker and will interest everybody. The ladies are especially invited and urged to hear him. Brief remarks will be made by one or two other speakers. Don't fail to improve this opportunity Saturday evening.

### Teacher Employed.

At the meeting of the school board last Friday evening Mrs. E. E. Quirk, of Baldwin, Kansas, was employed to teach in the fourth grade.

Mrs. Quirk is a sister of Miss Edith Dudgeon, who was one of the best teachers Hot Springs ever had; she is a graduate of the Wisconsin university and has had much experience in teaching—having taught during the past five years at Armour, S. D. She comes very highly recommended.

### Killed by an Elkhorn Train.

Dan Eckland, who had been employed on the Elkhorn grade, near Smithwick, went to Buffalo Gap last Thursday to get a check cashed, spending a part of his funds to have a "good time" at the saloon. He started home "feeling good" and was killed about two miles north of Smithwick by the Elkhorn train. Coroner Joyce was called and held an inquest which resulted in a verdict of death through his own carelessness and by no fault of the company.

### Henry Beringer Killed at the Stucco Mill.

Last Friday morning Henry Beringer, who has been working at the stucco mill for a long time, quarrying the stucco, was suddenly killed by the falling of an immense rock, which struck him on the back of his head. He died almost instantly. He was married only last November and the shock to his young wife was pitiful, though she is being comforted and cared for by her good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Parrott, for whom Henry had worked for about eight years before being employed at the stucco works. Deceased was 26 years old, and an industrious, hard working man, whose death is mourned by those who knew him well.

### U. S. Judges Edgerton and Thomas Dead.

The many friends of Hon. A. J. Edgerton of this state are mourning the death of that honored gentleman, he having severed this life on Sunday morning, at his home in Sioux Falls, after a lingering illness with Bright's disease. He has been U. S. district judge for South Dakota since the admission of the state. He was for a number of years prominent in state affairs, being identified with its progress since 1881.

Hon. Alfred Delevan Thomas, U. S. judge for North Dakota, died at Fargo on Saturday after a brief illness. Neuralgia and other complications caused his death. He was well known in the Hills, having held court in Deadwood last spring.

### CHURCH SERVICES.

Services at Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 a. m., "A choice gift." At 8 p. m., "Troublesome Thoughts."

Congregational church, cor. Jennings ave. and 8th st., Rev. H. V. Rominger, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 by Rev. A. E. Richer of Chadron. Sunday school and Bible class at 11:45. Service at 8 p. m., "Lot, the man who looked out for No. 1."

Services in the Baptist church Sunday. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. Robert Leslie, "The pillar and ground of the truth." Sunday school at 11:45; Juniors at 3 p. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. Preaching at 8.

M. E. church services held in the college chapel. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. by Rev. N. A. Swickard.

### FOR FREE SILVER.

The Popocratic Meeting Saturday Night as Viewed by Vox Populi.

Some office-holders, some would-be office-holders, and a few real silver men, assembled early at the court house and proceeded to organize by electing Col. A. J. Kellar, an ex-republican, chairman, and Thos. H. Wells, an ex-pop, ex-republican, and ex-delegate to the last republican state convention, secretary. Col. Kellar on taking the chair made quite an extended address but failed to show, in our opinion, a reason why any one should support the democratic ticket nominated at Chicago. On the contrary his mistrust of the democratic party of the past should be sufficient to throw great doubt over its course in the future. The democratic party is sick from too big a dose of free trade, and like the devil they are having a mock repentance, but like the devil if successful it will be the same old unreliable party.

"When the devil was sick,  
The devil a monk would be;  
When the devil got well  
Then a devil of a monk was he."

The colonel was cheered but little as his speech was too much argumentative in form to suit the crowd. Like the Rush bottom dancing parties, they wanted something quick and devilish, and when Capt. Lawless took the floor they had it. It was a regular old fashioned calamity howl and the more he howled the more the crowd cheered. Noise was what they were after and they got it in full doses. If the captain presented a fact during the whole time we failed to catch on; but statements from calamity papers he made by the scores. He did advance one original idea in the statement that the old soldiers at the home were fed awful poor grub, but now as election was approaching they had beefsteak, mutton chops, ham and eggs, etc. We hardly know whether this charge is made in the interest of honest money or free coinage, as Capt. Phillips, the home commissioner, is free silver and Capt. Lucas is sound money. But Capt. Lawless said it was so and that we might put it in our pipes and smoke it. Whether true or not we think this was the best argument the captain made for the free and unlimited coinage of silver without waiting for any other nation in the world, although James G. Blaine in his great speech in 1878 on the free coinage bill said it would be ruinous to do so, and our friends the enemy are quoting Blaine to show that he was for free silver, and so he was and so is the republican party under the same conditions that James G. Blaine contended for. With a few quotations from Shylock's play the captain subsided. And the great friend of labor and the great workman himself Judge E. G. Dudley arose, made such a plea for the laboring man that it would have drawn tears from the Indian cigar sign. What the judge doesn't know about labor and free silver is not worth knowing. The only thing that the judge is in doubt about is whether when the silver idea becomes a law the silver will be distributed at our homes or whether we will have to go to the court house after it. But judge is rather of the opinion that it will be brought to our homes, as going to the court house would require a little too much time and exercise for us laboring men. We paid strict attention to the judge but for the life of us could not see his arguments, although he certainly made many, as the crowd was continually howling. After the judge had labored more perhaps than he has since he made his great speech of congratulation to our citizens on the election of Grover Cleveland as president four years ago, he left the stage in a state of almost complete collapse.

The real object of the meeting was now taken up and that was, as stated by that great laboring man Meredith, of Edgemont, the selection of a committee of nine, from the democrats, pops and silver republicans, three from each, as an executive committee to see about county offices and pull for their election. When the offices were mentioned about two thirds of the audience pricked up their ears and they were all attention. Most of the committee from each of the parties was selected from Hot Springs, which we think indicates that they want most of the offices. I remember but one party that was selected from outside our city which speaks well for our enterprise and public spirit.

"The question never will be settled until you determine the simple question whether the laboring man is entitled to have a gold dollar if he earns it, or whether you are going to cheat him with something else," said Senator W. M. Stewart, of Nevada, in the Congressional Record, June 12, 1874, page

4900. The question will be settled one way or the other at the coming election and it should be done carefully and considerably and not by appeals to the baser passions of men as is too much the case, we are sorry to say, by both sides. We are all citizens of the country and should be governed by the same laws, and common courtesy at least should keep us in due bounds toward one another.

### VOX POPULI.

### OTTUMWA QUARTETTE CONCERT

At the Opera House Monday Evening, August 17.

The Ottumwa Quartette will give a concert at the opera house Monday evening. This organization has been making a tour of the Hills, having an engagement with the Chautauqua and later giving concerts in the towns surrounding Deadwood from which places they have received the most flattering press notices. By many they are considered superior to the well known Schubert Quartette which was recently in the Hills. They are at least as good. Will F. Muse, the basso of the organization, is the editor of the Ottumwa Courier, and one of the best known newspaper men in Iowa. He has an organ voice, sympathetic and resonant in tone color which he uses with sweep and yet with delightful expression. He is also the "funny man" of the organization and has had, ever since his Amphictyon days at Cornell College, a reputation as a genius in art of producing smiles upon the faces of all who are fortunate to be with him even for a few minutes. The other members of the Quartette are: Eugene W. Peterson, the baritone, who has a voice of rare purity; James Swires who has a sweet, clear tenor which pleases everyone, and Edward Weeks, whose voice is exceptionally high and in keeping with the other voices of the quartet.

The Ottumwa must come back. They took the people by storm with their beautiful voices, perfect harmony and exquisite expression. Deadwood Independent.

### Opera house Monday night.

### Frightful Heat.

The ravages of the heat throughout the east and south is shocking. In the larger cities the victims of the heat run up into the hundreds. The hot weather covered the entire country east of the Mississippi. At Chicago at midnight, Monday, the thermometer registered at 84, while a few nights ago at Memphis at midnight it stood at 97. Think of bearing such terrible heat as that at midnight! The weather here in the Hills has been really delightful, the nights being so cool that one requires heavy blankets. We truly have the ideal climate.

### Republican Central Committee Meeting.

The republican county central committee met at the STAR office last Saturday. All but four of the outside precincts were represented. The resignation of Chairman Cleveland was received and accepted, together with the resignation of J. C. McKee. Chambers Kellar was elected chairman, and Geo. Dennis chosen committeeman for Union township. The time for holding the county convention was fixed for Saturday, Sept. 5th at 11 o'clock, the call for which will be seen elsewhere. The primaries are recommended for Saturday, Aug. 29. The republican organization of the county feels that it has a contest before it; in fact it always has, but the central committeemen from all parts of the county give bright reports for the outcome, and say that the people begin to realize that the democratic party is trying to fool them by claiming that they have been born again and that, therefore, they are different people now. But just the same, Bryan is expecting the same support to elect him that elected Grover Cleveland. This is the way the people from the country argue the question, and they are right. The republicans of Fall River county are in for fighting democracy upon its horrible record, and they will win on it. The people of this county will not endorse democracy.

### Crawford in the Hills.

Hon. C. I. Crawford, republican candidate for congress, has been assigned to speak in the Hills at the following places and dates:

Hot Springs, Saturday evening, August 15.  
Rapid City, Monday evening, August 17.  
Sturgis, Tuesday evening, August 18.  
Lead, Wednesday evening, August 19.  
Belle Fourche, Thursday evening, August 20.  
Spearfish, Friday evening, August 21.  
Deadwood, Saturday evening, August 22.  
Hill City, Monday evening, August 24.  
Custer, Tuesday evening, August 25.  
Edgemont, Wednesday evening, August 26.

### THE CHAUTAUQUA ASSEMBLY.

The Most Successful Ever Held in the Black Hills.

The sixth annual assembly of the Black Hills Chautauqua closed Thursday evening with a grand concert attended by about 1,000 people, Rev. W. S. Peterson, the musical director, being in charge. \* \* \* E. W. Martin took a prominent part about midway in the program at which time he made a statement of the financial condition. He called attention to the first steps taken which led to the assembly being held in Deadwood and the conditions subscribed to. These were the use of the grounds, building a road, lighting it with electricity, putting water on the ground, and guaranteeing the sale of 400 season tickets. "The city council has done its work well," said Mr. Martin, "as may be seen, but the sale of season tickets has fallen short of 400, by 165." He further went on to state that the expense of the program had been \$700, which included the expenses and car fare of the talent, as no one received further compensation, and other costs of holding the assembly had reached another \$700, making \$1,400 in all. The gate receipts were between \$600 and \$700, which in addition to the season tickets already sold, amounted to about \$1,100, leaving a deficit in round numbers of \$300, an amount which would have been covered by the sale of the entire 400 tickets. One hundred and fifty dollars of this amount was raised on the spot and steps taken to raise the remainder, when the program of the evening went on. Before the large audience dispersed short addresses were made by E. W. Martin, Rev. Peterson, Rev. G. H. McAdam and Rev. Hancher, the ten days' feast of good things closing with "God be with You Till We Meet Again," by the Ottumwa Quartette.

Deadwood has done herself proud during the past two weeks and with the help of the surrounding cities and towns has demonstrated that there, if anywhere in the Hills, can a Chautauqua be maintained. A greater interest in the real spirit of Chautauqua has been awakened this year than ever before and the good seed thus sown cannot fail to bring forth good fruit. The talent was entertained at the Bullock, where the best of accommodations and the most attentive service has been given. The press of Deadwood has also shown the greatest willingness to help along the enterprise and has been found uniformly willing to shower its favors upon those individuals, except the "Chautauqua talent."

Rev. G. H. McAdam, of Deadwood, who is the state secretary of the C. L. S., has proved of the greatest benefit to the assembly. By his gentlemanly and obliging manner, his enthusiasm and earnestness he has added much to the success of the assembly and won many friends.

And now, while writing these last lines relating to the assembly just closed, the writer feels that he cannot command words adequate to express what the presence of Chancellor J. W. Hancher was to the assembly. Always thoughtful, courteous and kind, he will be remembered by all who in ever so small a way assisted in the program. No matter was too trivial to receive consideration and attention by him or by his direction. While keeping himself in the background he was yet ever ready to fill up inevitable gaps, whether caused by the absence of speakers or some unexpected catastrophe, something for which he has the utmost capability. As a presiding officer he has few equals and his introduction of lecturers or other entertainers are looked forward to with almost as much pleasurable expectation as the program numbers themselves. From the opening to the closing day, his good judgment and untrifling zeal called forth complimentary and appreciative words from acquaintances and friends.

Whether the experiment of holding an assembly in Deadwood will be repeated or not, in many ways it has been a grand success and been worth the effort it cost.—Rapid City Journal.

### Closing Out at Cost.

By order of the receiver, F. H. Rugg, will close out, for cash only, the entire stock of Hulst & Price's lumber and grain at the following low prices:

LUMBER  
Framing lumber.....\$10.00  
Stock lumber.....10.50  
Flooring No. 1.....20.00  
Flooring No. 2.....16.00  
Window 50 and doors 40 per cent off list  
GRAIN  
Oats......70  
Bran......60  
Shorts......65  
Everything else in stock at same proportion.  
Geo. A. Field,  
Agent.

NOT WHAT WE SAY, but what HOOD'S Sarsaparilla Does, that tells the story of its merit and success. Remember HOOD'S Cures.