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OUR TICKET.

For President—W. J. BRYAN
 For Vice President—CHAS. A. TOWNE.

The Democratic Convention.

The largest and most enthusiastic national convention ever held was the one of last week, at Kansas City. It fixed the policy of the Democratic party. It must now remain as it has been during the past four years, and as it was in the days of Jefferson and Jackson, a party of the people as against the moneyed interests. While the platform and vice-president are not what the Populists desired they come nearer to it than could have been reasonably expected. The platform is a decided victory for the more radical element in the party, and the vice-president is an old-time greenbacker, who, while vice-president with Cleveland, never bowed the knee to that stuffed prophet and was not on friendly terms with him because he would not give up his individuality and his manhood as Carlyle, Voorhees and others did at Cleveland's demand in the carrying out of a Republican gold bug policy. While Stevenson is an old-time Douglass Democrat, and as such was demanded by the eastern and southern Democrats, Populists need have no fear that should Bryan's death place him in the presidential chair, he would stand now as he did in 1896, squarely upon the platform, and for the carrying out of every plank in it. He would not be a reactionist. With the nominees and the platform now before the people, there should be no discord or difficulty in all the reform forces uniting in placing the greatest living American, W. J. Bryan, in the presidential chair.

The following from the Kansas City Star, being a portion of the description of the scene following the nomination of Bryan expresses as well as words can, the tremendous enthusiasm at this time. It was equally as great on the adoption of the platform, the demonstration lasting in each instance over half an hour:

"It was a simultaneous roar from all parts of the hall. Up went the delegates upon their chairs, over their heads went the flags and above them all soared and rang the cheers for Bryan. The band loyally performed its share, but the noise of its creation was only a drop in the torrent. The men from the state of Nebraska flung up a large banner bearing a likeness of Mr. Bryan upon one side and upon the other, the word, 'Nebraska,' and a smaller portrait of Mr. Bryan, enclosed in a star of blue. Whatever may have been the differences of delegates over the platform they seemed to have forgotten them, and all were as one in favor of the man. New York vied with Nebraska and Kansas in venting its enthusiasm.

"Richard Croker was on a chair, both arms aloft, a flag in his right hand, which he waved vigorously. Hill was not behind him in the show of loyalty to the nominee and, waving his arms, he let forth a series of cheers that equaled those uttered by any man on the floor. Over in Illinois, Ohio and Indiana, where 16 to 1 is not popular, there was no hesitation now. The die was cast, the gage of battle lifted and they swung into the line as fiercely as any that had stood unflinching by Mr. Bryan in the fight before the committee on resolutions.

"Round the hall started the Nebraska men with their huge banner, and catching up their state emblems the other delegations took up the march, waving

flags and hats and cheering at the top of their voices without cessation save for the breath necessary to a fresh outburst."

Much Ado About Nothing.

Stanley was going to be a great moral governor—but he hasn't.

He was going to reform all the state institutions—but he hasn't.

He was going to wipe out the hell holes in the Klondike and prosecute the inmates—but he didn't.

And Godard was going to prosecute 'em with a big "P"—but he didn't.

And Stanley was going to economize by reducing the state house force—but he didn't.

And Godard was going to enforce the laws in the interest of the miners—but he didn't.

And Cole was going to stop the raids upon the treasury—but he didn't.

And Clark was going to stand with Breidenthal on the charter board and force the corporations to comply with the law—but he didn't.

And Mr. Stanley was going to make the railroads come to time and do justice to the live stock shippers—but he didn't.

And he and Church were going to bring the insurance companies up 'a standin'—but they didn't.

And Godard was going to the U.S. supreme court and compel the Colorado people to quit using the waters of the Arkansas river, and get as far as Washington on his mission and pass—and then he didn't.

The whole performance has been like that of the immortal Buck Dawes, who was going to put Pilcher behind the bars as soon as he took the oath of office as attorney-general—and then didn't.

And now Brother Stanley is writing long interviews for the daily papers, accompanied by double column cuts of his noble face, telling the people what wonderful reforms he will bring about if they will give him another whack at the deal—but they won't.—F. P. Scott, Lantern.

Republican papers are beginning their campaign lies a little earlier than usual and exercising less than the usual care in making them seem plausible. Two of the latest are, that Senator Harris came all the way from Washington to get I. P. Campbell to withdraw and that ex-Governor Leedy made \$40,000 as governor which he has now lost in mining. The idiocy shown in manufacturing such absurd stories is only equaled by the moral depravity. The Republican campaign mud-slinging liar has begun his work. It is to be a prominent feature in this campaign.

One of the most effective and eloquent speeches ever delivered was that of Webster Davis before the Kansas City convention on the Boers, following which he renounced his allegiance to the Republican party because of imperialism, and declared his intention to support Bryan.

Do not fail to notice the call for a county convention elsewhere in this paper. Unless other notice is given, primaries will be held as suggested. It is important that they and the convention be well attended.

The total known thefts in Cuba to date by Republican officials, is \$573,972.43, with more to be heard from, if a thorough investigation is ever had.

Not one word about Porto Rico or the Porto Rican tariff in the Republican platform. About that, the Republicans have nothing to say.

Democratic Meeting.

There will be a mass convention of the Democrats of Sumner county held at the council chambers in the city of Wellington, Saturday, July 21st, for the purpose of selecting six delegates, to attend the state convention to be held at Ft. Scott, Thursday, July 24th, and such other business as may come before the meeting.
 M. C. CORNWELL,
 Chairman County Committee.

In 1860, it cost the people only \$4.25 per capita to pay the entire expenses of the government. In 1896, at the close of the Democratic administration, the whole expense of government was \$4.94 per head. The per capita cost of McKinley's administration for 1899—a peace year—was \$7.97. The increased expenditures of the present administration exceed those of the Cleveland regime \$3.03 per head. The expenditures for direct cost of government alone for the year 1900—on the basis of appropriations actually made—will be \$9.59 per capita. That's an increase of per capita expenses over the per capita expenses at the close of Cleveland's administration of \$4.65! These figures do not include extraordinary expenses in the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico. For the privilege of living every man, woman and child must pay the government \$9.59 each, or \$4.65 a head more than four years ago!

It is now in order for the Kansas delegates to the national Democratic convention to explain their vote on vice-president. Did it represent the wishes of the Democrats? We believe not. A vote for Towne could not have changed the result, but it would have shown the proper spirit. In the interests of harmony and in justice to both Populists and Democrats of the state the facts should be known. Explanations should come quickly and in no uncertain tone.

In seventeen months the whole import trade of Manila (Philippines) is \$5,001,453. Of this the Yankee share is \$567,266. The public revenue to accrue to America from it is \$777,994. Not counting the blood, the Philippine war has already cost \$400,000,000. The conflict's present cost is over \$1,000,000 a day. Good investment! Keep it up!

Every voter in the county should read the Voter during the campaign. Get your neighbor to subscribe. 25 cents, until after election. Sample copies will not be sent out during this campaign.

The \$\$\$\$\$\$\$ marks were all over that Philadelphia platform. The word "trust" does not appear once. The issue is clear enough—its Money against the Masses.

J. M. Spence has sued his wife, Elizabeth Spence, for divorce. They were married in McCracken county, Kentucky, in 1856, and have seven living children, all of whom are grown and all married except one. Spence alleges that his wife has abandoned him.

The Kansas apple crop will be all right this year. Twenty-six counties have reported to the secretary of the state horticultural society showing the condition of the crop. Three counties report 100 per cent, and many counties report from 75 to 90 per cent.

The Chinese system of writing, with its thousands of individual characters, does not lend itself easily to transmission by telegraph, so the Chinese words are represented by English numerals sent over the wire and translated at the receiving end into Chinese characters. The charges for telegrams are curiously arranged. The Chinese words, represented by numerals, are sent at one-half the rate charged for straight English words, but at the other end a charge of 1 cent a word is required for putting the numerals back into the Chinese characters.

Every housekeeper likes to hear of a new recipe. Here is one taken from the Woman's Home Companion. It sounds good—try it; it is called tomato salad: Boil two quarts of canned tomatoes, twelve cloves, one small onion sliced, one bunch of celery, sweet herbs if desired, one blade of mace and twelve pepper corns for thirty minutes; strain and season with salt, add one-fourth of a box of gelatine dissolved in a little of the boiling liquid, then cool; pour into a mold, bury in salt and ice for four hours. Invert onto a bed of lettuce and serve with mayonnaise dressing.

A complaint comes from the prairie country of western Kansas to the effect that the winds do not blow with the vigor and regularity characteristic of their work in years gone by. This complaint appears to be general all over the western section of the state. It has been heard for some time, but within the last two years the murmurings have been getting louder. The time was when the stock man with a wind mill was absolutely certain that he would have all the power he needed to supply water for his stock; but it appears that this cannot be counted on for a dead certainty any longer. The wind mill is all right, with a breeze behind it, but there are times now when the breezes fail to come, the wheels stand idle, and the water gets low. Half a dozen western Kansas papers of last week's issue contained kicks because the wind failed to get to the front with force enough to keep up a supply of water for the stock. In the old days such a thing was not known, and it must be that the winds are hunting a place where they can get freer sweep. Some of the western Kansas stock men have sized up the situation, concluded that the winds are going to desert them, and have secured gasoline engines with which to do the work formerly done by the wind mill.

People's Party Convention.

A delegate convention of the People's party of Sumner county is called to meet in Wellington on Saturday, July 21st, at 1:30 p. m. at the court house, for the purpose of electing 6 delegates and 6 alternates to attend the state convention at Fort Scott on July 24th.

Also, to decide whether County ticket be nominated by Crawford County System or in delegate convention.

The basis of representation of said convention will be one delegate for each ten votes cast for Hon. W. E. Bush for Secretary of State at the November election in 1898. The apportionment will entitle the precincts, townships and wards to the following number of delegates:

Gore, 1st precinct	6	Jackson	5
Gore, 2nd precinct	2	Greene	4
Belle Plaine	12	Valverde	5
London	10	Walton, 1st precinct	4
Illinois	4	Walton, 2nd precinct	5
Conway	8	Gueph	10
Eden	6	So. Haven, 1st pre.	7
Creek	8	So. Haven, 2nd pre.	4
Springdale	3	Falls, 1st precinct	5
Sumner	6	Falls, 2nd precinct	2
Seventy-six	6	Caldwell	3
Harmon	5	Bluff	3
Palestine	5	Wellington	5
Harmon	14	1st ward	3
Oxford	3	2nd ward	4
Avon	3	3rd ward	4
Wellington	6	4th ward	5
Osborn	8	5th ward	3
Ryan	8	6th ward	3
Dix-on	8	Caldwell	3
Morris	4	1st ward	3
Chikaska	4	2nd ward	3
Downs	6	3rd ward	3
Total			211

It is recommended by the county committee that the primaries for selecting delegates to said convention be held at the usual place for holding such meetings, on Wednesday, July 18th, at 8 o'clock p. m. If necessary for any cause to change from this date the committee will give due and sufficient notice. The county central committee will meet immediately after the convention adjourns.

IVAN D. ROGERS, Secretary.
 J. ROBERT GILLAM, Chairman.

Attention, Everybody.
 Should you wish my services as an auctioneer and should you have some special day in view on which to make the sale, arrangements should be made early as dates are now being taken rapidly and weeks in advance.
 Yours for a good time and good prices.

As ever the Old Reliable,
 J. W. ANDERSON,
 Mulvane, Kan.

The question has often been asked, "How did the Boxers originate?" What does the word mean? This society was organized years ago; it is a secret society, and at first was religious and athletic. During trouble with thieves and robbers it formed itself as a protection to the government. It is also known as the Big Knife Society. A year ago the Boxers became thieves and robbers, and since then they have pillaged and plundered without mercy, departing from the cause they were organized to help.

The anti-trust union decided to defer the special Thanksgiving services, mention of which was made a few days ago, until Thanksgiving Day. The special service was to have been held August 5.

The western roads have decided to sell no more cheap tickets for Labor Day excursions, because the demand is not sufficient to justify the roads in making reduced rates.

Slaughter Sale

AT DEAN'S
 BIG SHOE STORE.
 HALF Price during July
 on Misses' and
 Children's

Oxfords!

- LOT 1.** Misses' and Children's \$1.35 and 1.50 Oxfords, sizes 8 1-2 to 11 and 12 to 2, at 78c
- LOT 2.** Misses' and Children's \$1.00 and \$1.25 Oxfords, sizes 8 1-2 to 11 and 12 to 2, go at 68c
- LOT 3.** Ladies' \$1.50 and \$2.50 Oxfords, sizes 2 1/2, 3 and 3 1/2, at 68c
- LOT 4.** Ladies' Button Shoes, sizes 2 1/2 to 4, former prices \$2 to \$3, at 88c

See our 60c Baby Slippers for 25c
Geo. B. Dean



Every Order
 we receive is appreciated and filled in a thoroughly satisfactory manner.

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 fresh and in perfect condition. Full weight and full measure is guaranteed. We carry no dead stock, for little figures keep things moving. Goods received from wholesalers today are in consumers' hands tomorrow. Good quality and these prices make trade lively.

E. E. Brown.

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Former Prices were
\$2.50 and \$2.75

A limited number of Oxfords in the very latest styles which we will close out at **\$1.98.**

- NO. 1.**—Congo Turn Oxford, opera heel, fancy vesting stay, former price \$2.75, sale price **\$1.98**
- NO. 2.**—Congo Turn Oxford, military heel, rox toe, former price \$2.50, sale price **\$1.98**
- NO. 3.**—Southern Button, opera heel, serg top, former price \$2.75, sale price **\$1.98**
- NO. 4.**—Tan Vesting Top, one-half opera heel, rox toe, former price \$2.75, sale price **\$1.98**
- NO. 5.**—Chocolate Oxford turn, military heel, rox toe, former price \$2.50, sale price **\$1.98**

There is great value in these Oxfords at \$2.50 and \$2.75, show an eye for business and take advantage of this sale. We also have 36 small size Paris Ox at 98c, former price \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Visit our Shoe Department during this sale and we will show you Oxfords at **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.**

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