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OUR BUCOLIC FRIENDS

The Asheville Register in an editorial last week in which it goes out of its way to refer to the members of the People's Party as "Our Bucolic Friends," closer by saying:

"We are in favor of co-operation just so long as our Populist friends are reasonable in their demands; but if they become obstreperous, we Republicans will simply step in and clear the field."

The People's Party has named but one condition to co-operation. The people of North Carolina are opposed to the single gold standard and every patriot in America is opposed to it.

Therefore the People's Party makes the "reasonable" proposition to co-operate against the infamous British Gold standard policy. The People's Party wants co-operation, but wants co-operation for the good and co-operation against the bad. The People's Party can not co-operate with those who insist upon voting and working to put a goldbug in the White House. If that is "unreasonable," then we are proud of being "unreasonable;" if that is "obstreperous," then we will continue to be "obstreperous."

In conclusion we might say that no party that insists upon supporting a goldbug for President, will do much toward "clearing the field" in North Carolina.

The majority of the voters of this State will vote to strike down the wrongs of British gold tyranny.

For this we will co-operate with every patriot in the State. We will fight any man or party that upholds and supports the British gold policy.

A LETTER AND AN ANSWER

Elsewhere we publish a circular letter issued by Chairman Butler, and a reply to same from Mr. M. L. Wood, of Bertie county. We give space to them because there is no objection to their publication and because we desire that the readers of THE CAUCASIAN shall see them together. A perusal of Senator Butler's letter will clearly show the action of the State executive committee at its last meeting. Both the matter under discussion and conclusions arrived at were thought to be of too much importance to be finally determined by the committee, and hence the chairman sought to ascertain the opinion of the people by sending out circular letters to the county chairmen and to a number of members of the party.

Now let attention be given to this part of the letter:

"OUR COMMITTEE WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU ENDSORSE THIS PLAN FOR A NON-PARTISAN ELECTORAL TICKET, PLEDGED AGAINST ANY GOLDBUG CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT. THE COMMITTEE WOULD ALSO BE GLAD OF ANY SUGGESTION YOU CAN MAKE FOR A BETTER PLAN."

A more direct appeal to the people for advice and suggestion from the people could not have been made; and therefore it must have required a wild stretch of the imagination and a woeful distortion of language to have enabled any man to see anything dictatorial or "autocratic" on the part of either the chairman or the committee. The action of the committee was not made public for the very reason that it was desired first to know whether the rank and file of the party would approve it or not; and there was no way to ascertain this except by correspondence with county chairmen and some individuals in the party.

We cordially concede to Mr. Wood the full right to his opinion, but we do think he went a little beyond the point of justification in the use of such phrases as "Is the People's Party to be directed and controlled by the people belonging to the party or by the State Executive committee?" The very essence of the chairman's letter is a wish that the people may decide what is to be done. From that letter any discerning man would indeed have to conclude that the people are asked to direct the action of the committee. We fail to see how as it might be further removed from a spirit of autocracy or committee control than this.

Mr. Wood, who is not a county chairman, received one of the circulars of inquiry. He has seen a circular to reply in circular form and allow it to get into Democratic newspapers. It seems unnecessary to point out the fact that Mr. Wood has sought to misrepresent the position of the committee. It might be properly urged that the abuse of con-

denace reposed in him is a sufficient answer to anything he may say.

One thing which seems to us to be very clear is that some one with a more cunning hand than Mr. Wood's worded his letter in part at least, and that person is very anxious to be governor. But be that as it may, the reply can do no harm as long as chairman Butler's letter is read along with it. His letter shows that the State committee is standing for principle and good government and that it is unwilling to enter into any co-operation without full assurance of support of a policy along that line.

THE SILVER CONVENTION

The National Silver Convention which assembled in Washington last week was an earnest, deliberate, intelligent and determined representative body. The delegates came from nearly all the States and they were all of the same mind, inspired by the same common patriotic purpose. The convention determined without a discordant note to put principle above party, and in the coming campaign make a common fight against the gold gamblers. Once the convention assembled the determination was quickly reached that the remonetization of silver could be effected only by independent political action and the election of a silver man to the Presidency.

With this question settled the convention had only to deal with details. The entire meeting was harmonious; the delegates were jubilant, enthusiastic and confident. There was no boasting, but there was enough plain talking to scare silver Democrats and silver Republicans out of the bushes. It was a business meeting, and both old parties so understood it. It will meet again in joint session at St. Louis July 22. That date and place was named by the People's Party National Executive Committee at St. Louis, last week, and adopted by the Silver Convention.

The People's Party Convention and the Silver Convention will meet as separate bodies, with a common understanding to nominate the same candidates for President and vice-President. The money question will be the paramount issue. All other issues will be subordinate to it. A ticket will be named without regard to past party identification and one last heroic effort will be made to emancipate the people from the insatiable greed of American monopolists and the grinding tyranny of British gold domination.

North Carolina was represented by Senator Marion Butler, Dr. Mott, B. F. Keith, and J. H. Pearson, of Burke. Dr. Mott was elected Chairman of the National Committee. Warmly recommending him to the convention for the chairmanship, Senator Butler paid a high tribute to his ability as an organizer and to his inflexible integrity as a man. Mr. Keith, of Wilmington, one of the most active and pronounced silver Democrats in the State was selected as the State Member of the National Committee.

A report is out to the effect that Mr. W. A. Chappell, former Democratic county superintendent of Wake county, has been presented by the grand jury for embezzlement. The presentment is based on the presumption that Mr. Chappell received fees for the examination of teachers which ought to have been turned into the county treasury, and which were not turned in but retained by Mr. Chappell.

A mean and low intimation comes from a Democratic source that this action is intended as a counter-irritant to the conviction of Brown and Satterfield in a partisan, political way. If this is the animus that is to inspire effort to discover and punish wrong, what is to become of the country? It is hardly possible that such an idea could have originated in anything but a Democratic brain.

We have no doubt that this matter would have been kept dark as the grave if the books and records had been in charge of Democrats, but since they are not, and since the books appear to show reasons for presentment, must an anti-Democratic cry be raised and a demand for disclosure of a probable wrong and allowing the grand jury to have such information as might possibly lead to the indictment of a Democrat? Is it possible that a Democrat can see no better reason for this course than a purpose to try to get even in showing up alleged rascality? Would a Democrat bargain not to expose the misdeeds of a Republican or Populist provided the Republican or Populist would not show up the embezzlement of a Democrat? Verily, it seems so!

The worst we have heretofore known of Mr. Chappell is that he was a malignant partisan, and his efforts, during his incumbency, were ardently directed to removing from school committees every man who was not a Democrat or who happened to renounce Democracy. This was bad enough to be known of a man supposed to be holding a position of county chairman and general interest—not party interest—and although he may be presented, we hope that nothing worse may be known of him.

THE ISSUE SQUARELY DRAWN

We note from the Congressional Record that Senator Pritchard said a few days since on the floor of the Senate, that North Carolina is a Republican State and that the Republicans would carry the State with an honest election. If this is Senator Pritchard's opinion why should he want co-operation in the coming campaign. We have an honest election law now and the next election will probably be fair.

We also note from the Record that Senator Butler arose and while he did not waste any time in discussing parties, he told the Senate that North Carolina was a free silver State and that it would not give a single electoral vote in the next election to any goldbug for President.

Senator Butler is right. This year North Carolina will give eleven electoral votes for a President who is an American patriot and who stands right on the financial question. The majority of the voters of the State endorse the resolution passed by the silver convention held in Raleigh on the 25th of last September. If the People's Party shall co-operate with any other party in the coming campaign, it will be on the basis of those resolutions. THE PEOPLE'S PARTY CANNOT CO-OPERATE WITH ANY PARTY UNLESS SUCH PARTY IS WILLING TO CO-OPERATE ON PRINCIPLE AND TO ADVANCE A GREAT CAUSE.

JUDGE CLARK AND SILVER IN MEXICO

It may be remembered that at the meeting of the State Press Association held at Greensboro last summer, Moses H. Cone, of the great cotton plant, offered to contribute \$500 toward paying the expenses of certain Democratic editors to go to Mexico to acquire and publish information about that degraded silver-using country! These same editors (one a goldbug and one a professing silverite—but both Democrats) wanted to go; but the Association had the good sense not to extend the appearance of endorsing hirelings of a goldbug's money.

The people, however, will not lose the information which they should have about that country. Elsewhere we present a letter written by Associate Justice Walter Clark, now in Mexico, whose statements are not to be questioned, relating to the use of silver. We have never seen or read a clearer and more forcible document. It is a vivid blaze of information. In its light the truth stands out in such bold relief that conviction of its existence is irresistible; and he who will not accept it as it appears here, must willfully deny the truth. We have no doubt that some few goldbugs will do this. They never deny anything but the truth in trying to promote their damnable policy and infamous plans of robbery.

We thank Judge Clark for writing this letter. Everybody ought to read and analyze it. Though not very long, it is a mine of immense wealth in the matter of information. Its illustrations and warnings are deeply significant. We hope every paper in the State—and especially every Reform paper in the State and nation will publish it. It may be put down as an eternal fact that any statement that Judge Clark may make is absolutely impeachable.

IT IS FUNNY! VERY FUNNY!

For the past two years the Democratic press has invoked the full capacity of every possible combination of the English language to denounce the "fusion" or "co-operation" between Populists and Republicans. They could see nothing in "fusion" of any kind but a scheme to take away the spoils from the Democratic party. They raved, they snorted, they shrieked, they growled, they tore their hair, they "cussed" and they lied until their vast capacity along this line was exhausted. They stand condemned to-day, by legislative resolution, as a collective colimator and liar—a resolution passed by the Representatives elected by a majority of the PEOPLE OF THE STATE.

But look! State Senator Lindsay, a Populist, writes a letter in which he suggests fusion with the Democrats and Great Scott! what a swallowing of that sweet morsel we see this same Democratic press making. They open their mouths wide. They gulp it down in a frenzy of gloe. They say it is good; and with what agonizing wastefulness they appear to look for more! "Fusion" would be altogether proper with Democrats from a Democratic standpoint, but with any other party—um—um! What a funny conglomeration! This Democratic crew is any way.

MR. E. T. CLARK RENOUNCES DEMOCRACY

Yet another man of brain and principle has formally and forever renounced the rotten Democracy. He is Mr. E. T. Clark, of the law firm of Day & Clark, at Weldon. Mr. Clark is another of Justice Walter Clark, of the State Supreme court. He is recognized as a lawyer of first rate ability, and his family name is a full guarantee of the highest standing and culture. He has been a life-long Democrat, but can no longer endure such party affiliations. In a letter he says: "The sole idea of the g. o. p. as now managed by the free-booters is to get all the offices they can in whatever manner they can. How could I stay with them? I have held on year after year, hoping almost against hope that the better element would get the ascendancy. I am now convinced that it cannot do so. I have joined the People's Party trusting that it will give us a good, clean government. When I find it has lowered its standard to the level of the Democratic ring, I shall leave it."

A Movement for Union

(Continued from first page.) The issue of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. Hon. Joseph C. Sibley made a brief address. He did not care from what party a silver man came. If he was his worst personal enemy he would

RECOGNIZE HIM AS HIS LEADER.

He feared that the machinery of the two old parties was so manipulated as to prevent the silver man from being possible for the silver man to get into their hands. The evening session was taken up in speaking, and some enthusiastic addresses were made, the most significant of which was one by ex-Governor William W. Holden, of North Carolina. He said: "I have always been a Democrat, and am one to-night. It was my ambition to lead the wing of the Democratic party which would stand up for Democratic principles, and I believe that the free coinage of silver to-day is the fundamental principle of the Democratic party. I never fight under a false banner. When I embrace John Sherman Republicanism I will cease to claim that I am a Democrat."

I CANNOT BE LED

by any Executive or any Secretary of the Treasury into the Republic. The great masses of the Democratic party in Missouri are waiting for the action of the Democratic convention; waiting and hoping and praying that that convention will adopt such a platform as will secure the vote of every man in this conference. I come here to plead for union. There must be no three tickets in the field. "I have never scratched a Democratic ticket but once in my life," and that was when my own name was on it, but this hand will

NEVER VOTE FOR ANY TICKET

that has not inscribed upon it, the restoration of the people's money." Applause loud and prolonged, following the principles this day initiated by this conference, and who are willing to "SUBORDINATE PARTY ALLEGIANCE and fealty to those principles, and to support the nomination of the national convention provided for by this conference, shall be held at the city of St. Louis, Mo., on the 22d day of July, A. D. 1896, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon. That the apportionment to such convention shall be one delegate for each Senator and Representative in the United States Congress from the several States, and one delegate for each delegate in Congress from the several Territories, and additional delegates for the several States and Territories based upon the silver strength as ascertained from the American Bimetallic Union.

APPORTIONMENT OF DELEGATES.

The number of delegates apportioned to each State and Territory shall be as follows: Alabama, 30; Arizona, 6; Arkansas, 15; California, 35; Colorado, 70; Connecticut, 15; Delaware, 3; Florida, 3; Georgia, 50; Idaho, 10; Illinois, 60; Indiana, 49; Iowa, 35; Kansas, 60; Kentucky, 25; Louisiana, 20; Maine, 9; Maryland, 9; Massachusetts, 21; Michigan, 24; Minnesota, 30; Mississippi, 25; Missouri, 45; Montana, 18; Nebraska, 61; Nevada, 18; New Hampshire, 6; New Jersey, 12; New York, 44; North Carolina, 70; North Dakota, 12; Ohio, 40; Oregon, 17; Oklahoma, 10; Pennsylvania, 46; Rhode Island, 8; South Dakota, 15; South Carolina, 35; Tennessee, 21; Texas, 70; Vermont, 8; Virginia, 40; Washington, 17; West Virginia, 12; Wisconsin, 15; Wyoming, 16; New Mexico, 8; Utah, 20; District of Columbia, 3; Indian Territory, 5; Alaska, 3.

DR. NOTT IN WASHINGTON.

He is for "Fusion" of Principle and Virtue of Party. Washington Post. "We are here to build a house of refuge," said Dr. J. J. Mott, of North Carolina, to a reporter at the Ebbitt, alluding to his attendance on the convention of silver men. Dr. Mott is one of the leading Republicans of his State, and had a large following in his candidacy for the United States Senate when Mr. Pritchard won the honor.

"Many of the silver men," he continued, "of the two old parties promise friendship to silver, but they can not fulfil their promises. It will never come that way. The conference can provide the refuge. The politicians are dubious and hesitating, but they will be left to nurse their doubts and fears while the people move ahead when they see a place they can reach."

"North Carolina is a silver State, intensely so. Her people are justly enraged at their condition. They see 60 per cent. decline in their lands, and a greater decline of all products of the soil and of live stock. There is no natural cause for this, and the knowledge that it was brought about by the financial policy of the government renders the people desperate."

"North Carolina will urge in the conference a co-operation of the silver men of all parties to elect a man for President who will stand by silver and the Monroe doctrine, and a patriot in the fullest sense."

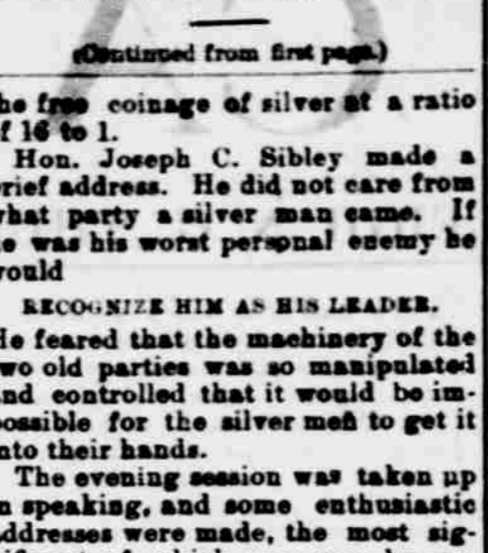
WILL THE PLAN OF FUSION CONTINUE IN YOUR STATE?

"It can continue if all candidates are for free silver, and will pledge themselves to vote only for free silver men. That is the feeling of the rank and file of the fusionists, and they will act on it when the plain alternative is presented."

THE LEGISLATURE OF MISSISSIPPI

has elected Congressman H. D. Money to succeed Hon. J. Z. George as U. S. Senator. He is a silver Democrat?!

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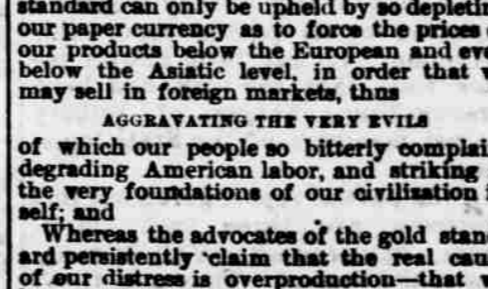
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