

TAUBENECK CANNOT DO IT

HE FAILS TO HOLD THEM IN LINE AGAINST BRYAN.

Indications that Bryan Men Will Sweep the Deck—Patterson, of Colorado and Washburn, of Massachusetts Out for Bryan.

St. Louis, July 20.—Taubeneck has not been successful in holding the members of the executive committee of the Populist National Convention in line for an independent nomination by the Populist convention. Washburn, of Massachusetts, one of them, is out in a statement unequivocally declaring for the endorsement of Bryan. Chairman Patterson, of the Colorado delegation, is out in a letter urging the endorsement of Bryan.

Some anti-Bryan Populists held a secret meeting in Chairman Taubeneck's room last night at the Lindell Hotel. They discussed the situation behind closed doors, under strict injunctions of secrecy. The Populists urge that they must not lose their party identity. Twenty-two states were represented at the Bryan meeting last night. While not all are able to pledge entire delegations, they spoke hopefully of the outlook. The meeting was too limited, however, to enable an intelligent estimate whether the Bryan forces will control the Convention. The majority of the Populist newspapers favor fusion.

There will be few contested seats. Besides the Populist and Silver Conventions there will be a convention to effect legislation of the League, and National Co-operative Congress here this week. Many Populists are delegates to the former.

Gov. Stone says that the endorsement of Bryan is assured. Senator Jones, Chairman of the Democratic Committee, says that matters are progressing satisfactorily. Congressman Towne, of Minnesota, is the only one spoken of for the nomination outside of the endorsement of Bryan.

MIDDLE OF THE ROAD POPS.

They are Very Much Opposed to Endorsing Bryan.

St. Louis, July 17.—The "Middle of the road" Populists are making a strong fight against either the endorsement of Bryan and the Chicago platform, or the nomination of the Nebraska Populist platform. They are much encouraged over the action of the Arkansas Populist Convention which refused to endorse Bryan and they propose to crystallize the anti-Bryan sentiment by a public meeting of the "Middle of the road" followers on Sunday afternoon, when the campaign against him will be opened.

All the delegates and Populists who want a separate ticket and an independent Populist organization are expected to be present. Chairman Taubeneck, of the Peoples party National Committee, heads "the middle of the road" section of the party. With him are associated those who signed the manifesto issued after the Republican Convention declaring themselves for Teller.

THE SILVER CONVENTION.

Not Attracting Much Attention—Called to Order by Mr. Mott.

St. Louis, July 22.—The National Silver Convention which assembled here at noon today, attracted but little public attention. All eyes were centered on the Populist Convention. Representative Newlands was temporary Chairman.

It is said that the plan of the silverites is to perfect a temporary organization and appoint the committees before the afternoon adjournment.

A committee of 7 will be sent to confer with the Populists.

The convention was called to order by Chairman Mott, of the national committee at 12:30 p. m.

The Coroner's Inquest.

The inquest over the body of Mr. Howie, who was killed on the Carolina Central road near Matthews, Sunday, was concluded late Monday afternoon. Nothing whatever developed to sustain a theory of foul play. It was brought out that the unfortunate man was drunk the previous night and was not at home. He arrived there Sunday morning, remained on the porch awhile and went away. He had threatened to commit suicide. The bottle of blackberry brandy found by his body told its own story. The verdict of the jury was that he came to his death by being run over by an engine. It is not possible to attach blame to the railroad men.

WEAVER FOR CHAIRMAN.

THE BRYAN MEN WANT HIM TO PRESIDE.

Some of the Candidates Proposed by the Anti-Bryan Men—Eugene Debs Suggested—The Battle to be on the Floor of the Convention.

St. Louis, July 21.—Outside sentiment is for Bryan. Paul Vandervoort, of Omaha, ex-Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, is more frequently mentioned than others today. The other names mentioned are Congressman Towne, of Minnesota; Eugene V. Debs and Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota. Today is dark and rainy like yesterday. The Populists were early to bed last night and early to rise this morning. Notwithstanding the confidence in the success of Bryan, the managers are not relaxing any efforts. They are not averse to a split, which will take the radicals out of the convention. The battle will come on the floor of the convention and no one doubts there will be a display of bitterness and bad blood.

The national committee is wrestling with the question of organization today. The Bryan men will put forward Weaver for chairman, and don't believe he will be strongly opposed.

Conferences and attempted compromises will take up all the Populists time. The active work started Sunday by the partisans of Bryan, was continued yesterday and last night with more or less gratifying results. The situation is still in doubt, both factions claiming the victory. Jerry Simpson says he expects to see the convention endorse Bryan and Sewall, and a bolt follow.

THE MAJORITY'S WILL.

Editor Mack Says All Democrats Should Support Bryan.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 15.—Norman E. Mack, editor of the Buffalo Times, and a prominent Democratic leader says:

"After considering the matter in every phase, I have reached the conclusion that the only course open to Democrats is to abide by the action of the Democratic National Convention. The great mass of Democrats in Western New York are favorable to the election of Bryan and Sewall. I wish the convention had adopted a platform different in some particulars from the one adopted, but on the issue of McKinleyism, representing as it does the virtual enslavement of the masses for the benefit of the classes, the increase of trusts and monopolies, which sunk away the life blood of the Republic, and the policy and principles represented in the Chicago platform and candidates I can see no course open to loyal Democrats but to stand by the Chicago ticket. The Democrats of the South and West have been going to conventions since the war and accepting the platforms prepared for them by Democrats of New York and other Eastern States, how ever odious these platforms might be to them. I do not believe the Democrats in the East are justified, in view of this, in refusing to support, once in 30 years, the platform presented by the West and South. One of the vital principles of Democracy is to abide by the will of the majority. I think every Democrat ought to accord with the will of the Chicago convention."

BRYAN'S NOTIFICATION.

It will be on August 10, or 12. He is Preparing his Address of Acceptance, Which will be the Greatest Effort of his Life.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 24.—From present indications it is probable that August 10th or 12th will be the date of Bryan's notification in New York. Bryan will start east several days prior to that date. He is preparing his speech of acceptance of the nomination and it will be the effort of his life, exceeding in eloquence and logic his Chicago address. He will make an address at Pittsburg, en route east.

The New Ballot Boxes.

A good deal of curiosity was attracted to one of the rooms in the court house today, where the ballot boxes to be used in the coming election are stacked up. Clerk Morrow had them built according to the legislative requirements and they look like wheat bins. There are 70 boxes, 2 for each precinct in the county. As the law says that the votes on being counted are to be deposited in a duplicate box, Mr. Morrow will have to build 70 more boxes and stack another room in the court house.

IT SEEMS TO BE MR. BRYAN.

A SOUTHERN MAN WILL PROBABLY BE NAMED FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

It Takes the St. Louis Convention a Long Time to Get Down to Business—An Adjournment Taken to 3 O'clock—No Doubt About Bryan's Endorsement—Mrs. Lease to Speak this Evening—The Silver Convention Puts in the Time With Talk.

St. Louis, July 23.—The heat is intolerable. The men are in their shirt sleeves and the women in shirt-waists. At the present state of progress nominations will not be made before tomorrow. Committees were unable to finish the work, and contesting over how to endorse Bryan without Sewall, and at the same time not lose their identity. There was no prayer at the opening of the convention, the minister having been suddenly called away. A local minister has been invited.

A poll of the Populist convention today shows that Bryan has six hundred and thirteen; for a Populist ticket four hundred and ninety-three; and for a two hundred and one.

The leading Populists are generally agreed that the platform shall follow closely the lines of the Omaha platform of four years ago. The silver convention says it favors a distinctively American financial system.

A prolonged session will undoubtedly produce exhaustion and fainting strokes on account of the intense heat. Delegates with the middle-of-the-road banners are marching around the hall eliciting much cheering. The straight Populist ticket is wavering for Bryan. While awaiting the committees, the delegates are canoodling around the hall. Abley, of Nebraska, and Champion, of Maine, are two of the most prominent names for permanent chairman.

STRONG FOR BRYAN AND SEWALL.

The Silver Convention is in Line for the Democratic Nominee, but Will do Nothing Until Late This Afternoon.

St. Louis, July 24.—In the Silver convention yesterday afternoon, the following was referred to the committee on resolutions: Resolved, That the national committee of the silver, Democratic and People's party be requested to refer and designate the Bryan and Sewall silver ticket, whenever practicable, as the "American union ticket."

A resolution offered by Mr. Doniphan, of Missouri, that no candidate for congress be voted for unless he be in favor of the free coinage of silver, was referred to the committee on resolutions.

The committee on resolutions of the silver convention completed its work yesterday by adopting the platform and address to the people which had been prepared by the sub-committee. The last plank of the platform and address reads as follows:

Inasmuch as the patriotic majority of the Chicago convention embodied in the financial plank of its platform the principles enunciated in the platform of the American bimetallic party, promulgated at Washington, D. C., Jan. 23, 1896, and herein reiterated, which is not only the paramount, but the only real issue in the pending campaign; therefore recognizing that their nominees embody these patriotic principles, we recommend that this convention nominate Wm. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, for President and Arthur J. Sewall, of Maine, for Vice President.

The question of naming a delegate to nominate Bryan and Sewall was then taken up. After a brief debate it was decided not to have the Chicago candidates nominated by an individual, as the resolutions of the committee recommended such a course.

At 10:44 today, chairman St. John called the Silver convention to order, and Rev. Cobert, of Mo., offered prayer. The consideration of the platform was postponed to 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Senator Stewart made a speech, as did also Judge C. R. Scott, of Omaha. The roll was called to ascertain the number of United States veterans in each delegation, and it showed 196 Federal soldiers, 18 Confederates and 4 Mexican veterans.

The Journal for Bryan.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 21.—Secretary Smith's paper comes out for Bryan, but is against silver.

IT IS ALL BRYAN'S WAY.

A MOVE TO NOMINATE THE VICE PRESIDENT FIRST.

The Pop Convention Making Speeches—Miss Mitchell Recites the "Wail of Mr. Whitney," and Mrs. Gouger to Organize a Woman's Silver League—Chairman Allen Thinks the Convention Will Not Adjourn Until Tomorrow Night.

St. Louis, July 24.—The permanent organization of the Populist convention was perfected last night by the election of Senator Allen, of Nebraska, as permanent chairman, a result that was loudly cheered by the Bryan men. Allen was elected by a vote of 758 to 564. He was escorted to the platform and introduced by Cyclone Davis. The minority report recommended Jas. E. Champion, of Maine, for permanent chairman. Allen's nomination was made unanimous. Senator Butler then moved the appointment of a committee of 25 delegates to confer today with a conference committee of the Silver convention, whose honored president now occupied a seat on the platform. (Shouts of "No, no, adjourn.")

Mr. Branch, of Georgia, moved to lay the motion on the table. That motion was voted down and Senator Butler's motion was agreed to.

The report of the committee on rules was then (10 p. m.) presented and read, but without action on it the convention, at eight minutes past 10, adjourned until today at 10 o'clock.

Bryan seems to have it pretty near all his own way now, yet the opposition to tack the party to the Democratic party is very bitter. The middle-of-the-roaders want the Vice President voted upon first, and there is tremendous opposition.

Stewart, of Nevada, thinks the convention will endorse Bryan and Sewall, and adjourn today, but chairman Allen thinks it cannot finish before tomorrow night.

Miss Helen M. Gouger announced that she will organize a Woman's Silver League. Miss Helen Mitchell created tremendous applause by reciting the "Wail of Mr. Whitney."

Some Texas, Georgia and North Carolina delegates seem determined to bolt and name another ticket. The Silver and Populist conference committee met at one o'clock. The Silver convention will probably adopt its platform and name the candidates this afternoon.

The proposition to nominate the vice president first brought out a hot debate. Abbott, of Nebraska, favored it. He wants a Southerner for vice president.

Davis wanted to know if the Peoples party is to part the waves of the Red sea and let the Democrats walk through, while the Pops are swallowed up by the waves.

Patterson, of Colorado, said that principles are greater than men, and favors Bryan and Sewall.

Donnelly said there may be but little left of the Pop party except the national committee after this convention.

The committee's report recommending that the speeches for President and Vice President be limited to 20 minutes and the seconding to 5 minutes was adopted.

NOTHING BUT SPEECHES.

The Silver Convention Seems to have Nothing to do but Listen to Talk.

St. Louis, July 23.—Chas. A. Towne, of Minnesota, opened the ball in the Silver Convention this morning at 10 o'clock, in an address which was frequently interrupted by laughter and applause. At his mention of Senator Teller's name, the convention cheered.

Ex Gov. St. John, of Iowa, was called on and responded with great cheering. He made a mention of Cleveland that was greeted with laughter. He concluded at 11:44.

Hon. R. A. Cole, of Wisconsin, next addressed the convention and Mrs. Lease is to make a speech this afternoon.

Cole was interrupted and the chair asked for order and said Cole must be heard. There was great confusion. Cole resumed and concluded at 12:49.

He takes issue with that part of Mrs. Gougar's address advocating prohibition and defends the brewing interests of Milwaukee and St. Louis.

A recess was taken until 2:30 p. m.

Depositing Gold in the Treasury.

NEW YORK, July 23.—The banks have deposited a million and a quarter of gold in the treasury today. The Chicago banks have agreed to join the New York banks in helping out the treasury.

COMES OUT FOR BRYAN.

A Republican Repudiates McKinleyism—Favors Free Coinage and Will Support Bryan.

Some days ago Mr. H. L. Hunter, of this county, in a card published in the News & Times repudiated the Republican gold standard platform. Since the Chicago convention inquiry has been made as to whether or not he would support Bryan. Mr. Hunter gives his views to a News reporter this morning in the following candid and manly interview:

Mr. Hunter, having read your card in which you repudiated the action of the Republican convention at St. Louis, the desire has been expressed by many of our citizens to know your attitude towards the nominees of the Chicago convention?

"It has been my intention all along to give my support to the ticket that should give the strongest assurance of success to the free silver cause, and a quick release from English and Tory financial rule. The Chicago convention having nominated a ticket, an unexceptionable ticket, on a platform that meets the demands of the times, there can be no good reason assigned for not supporting it by any one who is in line with the advanced political thought of the day."

"You intend to endorse it then, do you?"
"Yes, certainly. As the question has now narrowed down to a choice between Bryan and bimetalism or McKinley and monometallicism I feel it to be the duty of all free silver advocates to avail themselves of this chance to get rid of the oppressive single gold standard, and the only way to get relief is by uniting to elect the peerless Bryan. He shall have my unreserved and hearty support."

But you were in favor of Senator Teller were you not?"

"Oh! yes, for he is the leader of us—the silver Republicans, you know. But that is all in the past now. Let us keep our eyes to the front and not look back. Enough to know that Mr. Bryan is now our man. It is a matter of religion with me. I am a reformer of the radical or revolutionary type. I have nothing to lose or nothing to gain in a personal way, by the course I have taken, but I retain a clear conscience, and I am not in the least bit disgruntled. Minorities have nothing to offer, but all the same I can work for the principle and I shall do my level best to place Mr. Bryan in the White House."

Will the Republicans in this county sustain you and vote as you do?"

Quite a large number of them have already assured me that they will, and all of them, scarcely without exception will give me credit for acting conscientiously. The party is very strong with Republicans, and many of them think there is a saving grace in the name itself. But freedom of thought is daily springing up among them, and, as they have implicit confidence in my sincerity of purpose, they will heed what I say, whether they follow me or not. But as to what others think or do never troubles me in the least. I have adopted Andrew Jackson's motto, "Be sure you are right then go ahead."

Campaign Hat.

The Times is the proud owner of the first campaign hat received in the city. It is of rough felt, light gray color, and has a silver colored band. Its brand is "Free Silver." For some reason or other Messrs. Shelton thought the editor of the Times ought to wear one of these hats, and they forthwith presented him with one, for which they have his thanks. This hat will be extensively worn through the campaign by the unterrified. The proper thing to do is to take 75c. go to Mellon & Shelton's, and get you one without further delay.

Some Good Farming.

Mr. D. P. Glenn, of Berryhill, had a load of sweet potatoes on the market today. There were 36 bushels of them and Mr. Glenn sold them at from 80 to 95 cents. He produced these potatoes on less than one-half acre of land, and at less than half it costs to raise cotton. Besides selling \$30 worth from this half acre he has ten or twelve bushels left for his hogs. That beats cotton. In addition to the above Mr. Glenn breaks the record on wheat. He sowed 2 1/2 bushels and threshed 91 bushels. That is good farming. Who can do as well?

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