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## GOLD DEMOCRATS REPUDIATE IT

National Executive Committee Issues a Ringing Appeal.

### SILVER PLATFORM IS DENOUNCED

In an Open Letter to Democratic Voters--Charges Treachery and Injustice in the Unsanctioning of True Democrats at the National Convention--Full Delegations Expected at the September Gold Convention.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—A meeting of the national executive committee of the gold Democratic party was held at the Palmer house today, Chairman Byrum of Indiana, presided, and all the members were present except Charles W. Prosser of New York, who was detained by party work in the metropolis. The principal business which called the committee together was the preparation and adoption of an address to the Democratic voters of the country. A subcommittee was chosen to draft the address.

Assurances have been received by the committee that the organizations in the following states which were not represented at Indianapolis are sufficiently advanced to make it certain they will have full delegations at the convention: Louisiana, North Dakota, Mississippi, South Carolina. Nothing has been done in Idaho, Utah or Nevada, towards organizing and Mr. Byrum said he did not expect to see those states represented at Indianapolis. The expectation is there will be 42 states to answer to the roll call on September 2.

Chairman Byrum said to a reporter for the United Associated Presses: "New York is the best city for the national campaign headquarters and I shall work and vote for it. Ours will be a campaign of education and New York is the producing point for the most of the literature. The committee could command more assistance in New York than in Chicago. There are so many headquarters that they get mixed."

### APPEAL TO DEMOCRATS.

The committee went into session on the address as drafted by the subcommittee at six o'clock and four hours later gave out the following:

To the Democrats of the United States: The Democratic party is the only existing political organization with a history extending back to the birth of the republic. Party after party has attempted its overthrow, but none have succeeded. With each triumph was heard the prophecy that the Democratic party would surely die. It has survived all defeats. By its indomitable principles it has witnessed the birth and death of every rival save one and this, its present great antagonist, with a history of no more than forty years, and no party having the foundations of constitutional popular government.

### PRIME OBJECT OF GOVERNMENT.

Every true Democrat insisted upon a strict observance of the mandates of the federal constitution and of the limitations therein prescribed as well as upon a loyal support of all the institutions thereby created to be guaranties of the liberty it sought to perpetuate. He profoundly disbelieved in the ability of government through paternal legislation or supervision, to increase the happiness of the nation. He was opposed to all attempts to conjure comfort into the homes of the citizens or wealth into their pockets. He believed that it is the function of government to provide the people with an honest and stable medium of exchange, thus enabling them to transact their business safely and conveniently in every market of the world. He repudiated every attempt to supply to money by means of legislation that value which it can possess only by reason of those qualities that render it acceptable to the world when unsupported by legislative fiat. He believed in the greatest measure of freedom of trade and industry compatible with the necessity to obtain by constitutional means an adequate revenue for the support of the government. He believed in a simple economy, honest and efficient administration of the affairs of the nation, to the end that the prime object of government, the liberty of the people, should be preserved with the least possible resulting burden and the greatest possible certainty.

With such a record and such a creed, elected on a platform reaffirming the sound principles of Democracy—the Democratic party was called upon to select delegates to a national convention.

The delegates to the convention held at Chicago were authorized and had the power to proclaim a platform embodying their views of the true solution of the particular problems of the government now agitating the nation, but upon the condition that such platform should be consistent with the cardinal principles held by the party throughout its existence. These principles constitute the essential element of the party's life. They distinguish it from all other political organizations. If they are abandoned, the party ceases to exist. It was therefore not within the power of any majority of the dele-

## CRUMBS OF COMFORT FOR THE BRYANITES

Populist and Silver Leaders Hold a Consultation at Washington.

### MR. BACON'S CHEERFUL NEWS

He Declares That the Country Between the Mississippi River and the Pacific Ocean Solid for the Democratic Ticket and Free Coinage.

Washington, Aug. 17.—For three hours this afternoon Senator Jones, chairman of the national committee, was closeted with several distinguished Democrats discussing the subject of ways and means and the best methods of conducting the campaign. Those present were Mr. Johnson, of Kansas, the newly appointed member of the campaign committee from that state; Senator Bacon, of Georgia, Chairman Faulkner, of the congressional committee; Mr. Dan McConville, of Ohio; Major T. O. Towles, of Missouri, secretary of the bimetallic league; Hon. R. P. Bland, of Missouri; Representative Richardson, of Tennessee; Representative Livingston, of Georgia, and Senator Gardner, of the league of Democratic clubs.

Senator Bacon has just returned from a trip to the Pacific coast and reported that he found the whole coast and the country from the Pacific to the Mississippi river abuzz with enthusiasm for the Democratic ticket and the free coinage platform upon which his candidate had planted itself. Senator Bacon declared that the party would have no trouble in carrying the whole of that part of the country for the ticket. Mr. Bland gave the committee one of his characteristic talks and laughed at the claims of the Republicans that they would carry his state. The Democratic ticket, he said, was good for a majority of at least 50,000 in Missouri. Every western state in like manner, he said, was loyal to the cause of free silver and they would elect their own ticket, including Illinois and Indiana.

Chairman Jones leaves for Chicago tomorrow night or Wednesday morning for the purpose of arranging for the headquarters. He said this afternoon that he had offered Governor Stone of Missouri a place in the campaign committee, but that the governor had declined it, owing to the fact that he could not do that work and still maintain the office of governor of his state.

### BRYAN'S ITINERARY.

Although no official programme has been announced, it is understood that he will leave for Buffalo and Erie on the 24th and 25th, he will go direct to Lincoln and remain until after the first week in September. He will then probably go to St. Louis between the 7th and 10th of that month where he will speak. Thence he goes to Louisville, Ky., where he has his tentative itinerary includes Atlanta, portions of North Carolina, Richmond, and Baltimore. He will arrive in the latter city some time between the 15th and 20th of September where he will be formally notified of his nomination by the Silver party, between Richmond and Baltimore he will speak at a public meeting to be held in this city. After October 1 he will confine himself to the Middle-Western states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

### ASKED TO HOLD.

The Chicago convention having thus departed from the recognized Democratic faith and promulgated doctrines new and strange to the Democrats, all Democrats are asked from obligation to support its program. More than this, as the doctrines announced are destructive of national honor and private obligation and tend to create sectional and class distinctions, and to excite discord and strife among the people, all good citizens of the republic are bound to repudiate them and exert every lawful means to insure the defeat of the candidates that represent these false doctrines.

To this end we request all Democrats who are opposed to the platform adopted and the candidates nominated at Chicago to organize in their respective states and to send representatives to the convention of the National Democratic party to be held at Indianapolis on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1896, in accordance with the call heretofore issued by the national committee.

### GAGE WAS STABBED.

Prominent Squamish County Farmer Meets Almost Instant Death, Special to The Tribune.

Montrose, Pa., Aug. 17.—A horrible murder occurred at Brackneyville, a few miles north of here, Saturday night. Leon D. Gage, a prosperous farmer and of an old and well-known family was the victim. Michael Kelly, the alleged murderer, and his two brothers, who participated in the crime are in the county jail here.

Kelly and his brothers had been to a picnic at Silver Lake and on their return picked a quarrel with a Brackneyville man, Mr. Gage who was sitting on the hotel porch went to the latter's aid but was suddenly staggered backward. He lay on the ground until Michael Kelly and died soon after being carried into the hotel.

Kelly fled to the woods but was arrested yesterday morning on his return home for clothing and was brought here with his brothers. There are rumors here that a lynching party is being organized by the farmers in the vicinity of Brackneyville, but no serious trouble is anticipated.

### Another Democrat Resigns.

Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 17.—William B. Given today resigned as chairman of the Democratic county committee and in a letter of resignation gives as his reason that he is opposed to the platform adopted at Chicago as being un-Democratic in its principles.

Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 17.—A meeting of gold Democrats was held here this evening and a call issued for a county convention to be held next Monday to elect delegates to the state convention in Philadelphia. Both the delegates to the late Chicago convention united in the call.

### Potter County Protests.

Williamsport, Pa., Aug. 17.—The Republican conference at the Sixteenth congressional district met here this evening and after H. B. Packer, of Tiooga, and H. T. Harvey, of Clinton, had been placed in nomination, adjourned until tomorrow morning. The Potter county conference entered a protest against any action until after the Republican county convention, which meets in this city on Wednesday. No action was taken on the protest.

## EDUCATION BEGINS TO HAVE EFFECT

There is a Healthy and Growing Demand for Republican Literature.

### MARK HANNA GREATLY ENCOURAGED

A Demonstration That the People Want Reliable Campaign Literature and That They Will Approach the Republican Party for Its McKinley Will Not Take the Stump.

Cleveland, Aug. 17.—McKinley and Hanna were in conference at Mr. Hanna's home all day Sunday. Said Mr. Hanna today: "The outlook throughout the western states is more promising than two weeks ago, and I construe it as an evidence that the campaign of education is beginning to tell. We have the Chicago headquarters thoroughly organized and up to Saturday night had scattered 15,000,000 campaign documents in every section of the country. This is a more hopeful omen than what will be sent out. There is a healthy growing demand for Republican literature, which, in my opinion, demonstrates that the people want reliable information and are coming to Republican headquarters for it.

"Within a week or ten days we will begin to shoot off our oratorical artillery. It will come in good season as the people will have then had time to digest some of the campaign literature.

"It has been given out that McKinley will not take the stump and nothing has occurred to cause him to deviate from the original decision. To settle the matter once for all, McKinley will not take the stump. Neither will he address the G. A. R. gathering at Milwaukee.

"At present I cannot justly see the eastern situation. I will be on the ground Wednesday. All that I will say of Bryan's speech is that it was a skinning.

"The last member of the executive committee has not yet been appointed and the matter is still in abeyance."

### MR. BRYAN'S "REST."

He is Very Busy Correcting the New York Speech and in Making Denials.

Upper Red Hook, Dutchess County, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Here in this little Dutchess county village away from busy world of politics William J. Bryan, has established himself for a week or ten days of quiet to enable him to compose his letter of acceptance, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Perrine. Mrs. Perrine was Mrs. Bryan's teacher at the female academy in Jacksonville, Ill., the town where the Democratic candidate also received the principal part of his education. The Perrine residence is a pretty frame structure right in the village and adjacent to the general store kept by the nominee's host.

Tonight there was an outpouring of citizens from this place and neighboring villages to give Mr. Bryan a proper welcome. Party lines were not drawn in the reception given Mr. and Mrs. Bryan by Mr. and Mrs. Perrine and there were many Republicans at the gathering. Standing on the porch Mr. Bryan made a short speech of thanks. In answer to repeated inquiries as to whether he would deliver a speech to the speech to be delivered tomorrow night by Hon. Bourke Cockran, Mr. Bryan said:

Mr. Cockran and I discussed both the silver question and the income tax while in congress. If he advances any new arguments they can go to the country along with my speech of last week. I shall not return to New York until the latter part of September when I expect to speak briefly in Brooklyn on my way to New England and in New York on my way from New England."

Mr. Bryan's attention was today called to several copies that appeared in the printed copy of his Madison Square Garden speech. He gave out the following corrections: Near the end of the paragraph beginning "it cannot be successfully claimed" the word "not" should be inserted after "found" so as to read "the influence of this great nation must not be thrown upon the side of gold," etc. Near the end of speech in the sentence beginning "the people of the United States would be injured in the charge of ratio" the word "change" should read "change."

"In answer to the charge that gold will go abroad" was misquipped by the printer. That paragraph should immediately precede the paragraph beginning "our opponents cannot ignore the fact that gold is now going abroad," etc. Concerning Senator Thurston's statement in his letter to Senator Stewart, published this morning that Mr. Bryan had been charged with being in the pay of silver mine owners, Mr. Bryan said tonight that he had denied this statement on several occasions and that another denial would be made at an early day.

### Colored Voters to Meet McKinley.

Canton, O., Aug. 17.—Major and Mrs. McKinley returned from Cleveland at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Tomorrow at 11 o'clock several hundred of the colored citizens of Cleveland will call on Major McKinley. They will come from the Forest City by special train with a band and the major is expected to make them a long speech.

### Stenanship Arrivals.

New York, Aug. 17.—Arrived—Alber, from Bremen; Zandam, from Amsterdam; Fubla, from Genoa. Arrived out: Werra, at Gibraltar; Saale, at Cherbourg; State of California, at Glasgow; Massasoit, at Marseilles. Sighted: Venndam, from New York for Boulogne and Rotterdam, passed bet Lizard; Karlsruhe, New York for Bremen, passed the Lizard.

### Gail Hamilton Dead.

Wenham, Mass., Aug. 17.—Mary Adgail Dodge ("Gail Hamilton") died at 3:55 tonight without regaining consciousness since she was stricken Sunday morning.

### Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, Aug. 18.—In the middle states, today, fair, warmer and fresh to light northwesterly and northerly winds will prevail with lightly lower followed by rising temperature. On Wednesday, fair to warmer weather will prevail with light easterly to southerly winds.

## HUSBAND HORSEWHIPPED

Wealthy Philadelphian Thrashed by His Wife Before a Large Atlantic City Crowd.

Atlantic City, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Mary S. Henry created a great sensation early this evening by thrashing her husband in the presence of an immense crowd on Kentucky avenue near the beach. Henry is a woolen goods manufacturer in Philadelphia and a prominent member of the Union League club of the Penn. Valley state farm at Morrisville, Pa., on which he has expended \$200,000, which includes \$60,000 he paid for the station Anteo.

For some time past Mrs. Henry has been jealous of her husband's attentions to a Philadelphia girl. The girl was a former friend of Mrs. Henry's and while it is said that her parents are not wealthy she has been living in handsome style here at the Hotel Berkeley. Mrs. Henry today saw her husband, this girl, her sister and a well known society man of Philadelphia, riding in a bus.

The sight of her husband with the woman she believed to be his wife, so to speak, enraged Mrs. Henry beyond bounds and halting another bus she started in pursuit.

The first bus stopped at the Berkeley. By the time Mrs. Henry had come up the two clubs had alighted and passed into the hotel and the bus driver had started to drive away with the two men inside. The driver noticed Mrs. Henry's excited condition and refused to stop when she called to him to do so.

The frantic woman grasped the bridle of the horse and held on until her husband got out from the bus. A few words passed between them and then Mrs. Henry produced a whip which she had concealed about her dress and lashed it about her husband's head and shoulders several times.

Henry resented the attack by striking her with his fist and she fell down. He was immediately arrested and taken to police headquarters where he was given a hearing but Mrs. Henry refused to prosecute him.

## ANSWERING THURSTON.

Senator Stewart Throws Another Firebrand at the Enemy.

Washington, Aug. 17.—This afternoon Senator William M. Stewart gave out for publication a reply to Senator Thurston's letter to him published in the paper this morning. The letter pointed out that Mr. Bryan had been a paid lecturer in the employ of silver mine owners. The letter quotes Thurston's statement that he had not assailed Bryan's character in any instance or by any word and Mr. Stewart asks Thurston how he can reconcile that statement with the following language used by him in the speech which gave rise to the controversy:

"The proprietors of big bonanzas have found it profitable to keep a large number of lecturers and other spokesmen on the road preaching in the name of the people who have thus been employed and carried on the pay rolls of the big bonanzas for a number of years is William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, a paid agent and spokesman of the free silver combine."

The letter then continues: "Your disclaimer in connection with the foregoing statement requires explanation, provided you consider your reputation for truth and veracity valuable. But your disclaimer that you would be the last man to assail the character of Mr. Bryan reflects either upon your veracity or your knowledge of the law of libel. You are a lawyer and the fact that you have been retained by the Union Pacific railroad for so many years indicates that you are useful in some way to that institution, you ought to know that repeating a slander or libel is equally as slanderous or libelous as the original matter. You assume that you are not assailing Mr. Bryan when you are quoting what irresponsible newspapers say of him and giving to such statements all the credit your high official position can confer. You belittle your understanding when you say that it is the duty of Mr. Bryan to enter into personal controversy with every libeling newspaper scribbler who is employed to slander or defame him. The people understand the animus of partisan newspapers and make proper allowances for their assertions but when you clothe their slanders with your official robes it is a lame and cowardly defense on your part to protect yourself by skulking behind miserable newspaper scribblers.

I called your attention to the injustice of your charge, not the charge of newspapers, which I have again quoted for the purpose of calling your attention to the charge you made, supposing that you were an honorable man and would retract the charges at once, if you were unable to prove them. Instead of doing so you repeated other

## FIRE AT A CAMP GROUND.

Several Cottages and a Large Tabernacle Are Burned.

York, Pa., Aug. 17.—Emigs Grove camping ground five miles north of this city was devastated by fire at 8 o'clock this morning. Thirty-five double cottages, a large tabernacle and a dining hall were reduced to ashes. The loss will reach about \$100,000, insurance \$35,000. Many of the cottagers lost all their personal property and watches, jewelry and money was consumed in the fire. The fire broke out at seven and eight hundred cottagers on the grounds at the time the fire. They were principally from New York and Baltimore. A few children were asleep at the time but they were taken out without injury.

A number of persons were slightly burned in trying to save their effects. The fire lasted an hour and nothing but ashes marked the spot where the camp stood. The buildings are insured in local mutual companies.

## PHILADELPHIANS IN CUBA.

Seventy-five Quaker City Warriors Ready to Fight Spain.

Philadelphia, Aug. 17.—Information was received here today by the Cuban revolutionary party that an expedition consisting of 75 men and a large quantity of war munitions was landed in Cuba on last Thursday. The expedition originally set out from this country and went to South American port from whence the landing was made.

A number of Americans including several Philadelphians are said to have been in the party.

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today:

Fair; Cooler; Northerly Winds.

- 1 Manifesto of the Gold Democrats. Comfort for Bryanites.
- 2 Education Has Its Effect. Horsewhipped Her Husband. Senator Stewart Answers Thurston.
- 3 Bryan's Trip Up the Hudson. Serious Rioting at Belfast.
- 4 (Local)—Busy Day in Court. Franklin Fire Company Trouble.
- 5 Editorial. Comment of the Press.
- 6 (Local)—Accused Fire-Bug's Escape. A New Assessment Probable.
- 7 Base Ball and Other Sports.
- 8 Suburban Happenings. Wall Street Review and Market.
- 9 News Up and Down the Valley.

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