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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

National. President—WILLIAM MCKINLEY. Vice-President—THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

State. Congressmen—LARGE—GALUSHA A. GROW, ROBERT H. FORBES, Auditor General—R. H. HADENBERG.

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Legislature. First District—THOMAS J. REYNOLDS, Second District—JOHN SCHEUER, JR., Third District—EDWARD JAMES JR., Fourth District—P. A. PHILLIPS.

"If there is any one who believes the gold standard is a good thing, or that it must be maintained, I warn him not to cast his vote for me, because I promise him it will not be maintained in this country longer than I am able to get rid of it."—William Jennings Bryan in a Speech at Knoxville, Tenn., Delivered Sept. 18, 1896.

"The party stands where it did in 1896 on the money question."—William Jennings Bryan, Zanesville, O., September 4, 1890.

In the Light of Reason.

THAT INTERESTING chronicle on political topics, "Roderick Random," on several occasions has expressed the opinion that the strike conditions are favorable to Mr. Conroy's candidacy for congress.

In his speeches to the citizens of our county up to Saturday night they numbered sixty-three—the Democratic nominee for congress frankly states his purpose if elected to stand with his party.

First of all, history teaches us that it means a low tariff or approximate free trade. In 1891 it meant the Wilson bill, which William Jennings Bryan, Mr. Conroy's patron saint, helped to frame.

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The Convention's Work.

CONTROLLED the deliberations of the miners' convention and the result is highly gratifying to the overwhelming public opinion in favor of an immediate settlement of the strike.

But while Mr. Conroy does not say much about the tariff question, he is outspoken for free silver. His election would mean a vote changed in congress from the great standard, under which there has been four years of extraordinary prosperity that miners are about to share.

In off years it may do to let friendship or prejudice pull you over the party line, although it is always a doubtful policy; but in presidential

WAGES AND PRICES.

AMONG THE mis-statements sent out by the Democratic national committee is one purporting to come from a farm laborer who says he is getting the same pay he got four years ago, but that owing to the increased cost of necessities of life he has to pay \$1.27 for what \$3 cents bought in 1896.

Coats off for Victory. NOW THAT the all-absorbing strike has practically ended in a substantial gain for the delvers in our mines, insuring an early recovery of strike losses and a wage disbursement yearly aggregating larger by several million dollars than before, the time is ripe for a vigorous onrush to Republican victory at the November polls.

To hold what they have won, the miners need Republican triumph, for history teaches that Democratic success invariably is followed by falling wages and dull times.

It is for the laboring men of Lackawanna county in part to pass on this vital question of national welfare or adversity. In a fight of their own for better wages, a fight conducted with great skill by leaders who have shown ability of a high order and who are triumphant for the first time in the history of general mine strikes, they have established a new foundation for their personal prosperity.

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Clean-Cut Analysis of Present Issues.

ONLY EIGHT YEARS ago, a time so short that those then born are hardly yet beyond their infancy, this country was reaping the harvest of the policy of this war and those who, realizing the solemnity of national obligations, will stand by their every year, rather than to those who, for political advantage, will run from the difficulties they have helped to create and repudiate the obligations they have helped to establish.

Under its present leadership and policy the Democratic party is not entitled to anything but defeat. See that it gets this in bulk next month.

The Republican party is the party that performs. The Democratic party is the party that criticizes.

It is safe to predict that free silver will never again find place in a Democratic platform.

ness has passed all previous bounds. Labor is engaged, money has left the bank and joining hands with industry in an advanced march into every territory known to man. Timidity has given way to confidence. The sea and land are covered with the symbols of awakened enterprise, and wealth is being produced in an enormous compact, had day by day pushing farther out the boundaries of activity.

At this momentous point in their career the American people are now standing. They have reached the time when the commission issued four years ago by the Republican party is about to expire, and they must determine whether it shall be extended or revoked.

Table with 3 columns: Wage Increase, 1897, 1898, 1899, and P.C. P.C. P.C. Lists various professions like Agents, Bricklayers, Broom makers, etc.

But there is a kind of human disposition which is never ready to forget when it is not to see in the things it covets; to seek and magnify small misfortunes, even though the chief be the cause of the misfortune.

The denunciations heaped upon him then for not upholding the pledge. There was no less terrible denunciation when he showed him no for not receding from the complications which that war entailed.

Table with 3 columns: Industries, Average individual earnings, 1899, and Amount, P. C. Lists industries like Pig iron, Rolling mills, Iron and steel sheets, etc.

Here is an average wage increase exceeding 19 per cent. Does any sane man familiar with the bargain offerings in our enterprising stores believe that prices on the average are 19 per cent. higher today than in 1894?

What has been and is the attitude of the Democratic party upon this important question? If that attitude is to be determined by its acts, that party should not approve the policy of the administration.

But there is another problem in the foreground of the present time. The Democratic hope that by violent denunciation of others the people may be led to adopt this new prophet from Nebraska as the Savior of all the nations.

Your courts of justice, those impartial arbiters, which neither youth nor age can swerve, should not be overthrown by passions' ignorant assault, nor made the servants of ambition.

ALWAYS BUSY.



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Each has been in this country many years. Their reputations have been established in many forms, and each has had its turn in the direction of public affairs.

It is true that many are desiring the election of Mr. Bryan as his apostles rather than his advocates. They profess to believe that he would not do the things he claims he would, and that in fact he would do the things he claims he would not do.

I shall not discuss at length the two remaining issues of national importance. They are the result upon the courts. If Mr. Bryan should honor this commonwealth with the subject harnessed of his rhetoric, he will pay these wild notions of his.

In the general survey in which the people are now engaged there is one question which is central in the controversy. The principles which underlie a cause are not alone to be considered, but the men who have been chosen as the leading exponents of those principles are the objects of public scrutiny.

It has been the custom, when grave issues are at stake, to address some special appeal to those younger citizens who are about to enter upon the duties of citizenship.

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The American people will never forget in the enthusiasm of today that it was yesterday that made them great. They will never under any form of madness sacrifice the rights of those who have, to the desire either old or young, of those who struggle to acquire.

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safely lodged and universal confidence bestowed, and so it should remain. The young men of this country will not always retain their youth, but let us hope their honor will never depart, and an appeal to them, based upon the betrayal of their country's pledges, the violation of the rights of property and an assault upon the unsullied honor of the bench, should make the resentment of every American youth and shiver upon the heads of those so wickedly maligning him, a fire of indignation and rebuke.

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