ARE SLOW IN TAKING ACTION

Contention With the Democrats-Adjourned Till Today.

Pusion dominates the Populist State Convention. Before the first day's work had been finished, the fusionists had ab-solute control. When the convention opened vesterday morning it was an eve guess of whether it would survive the day in its entirety. But the fusionists were iron-willed, and those who did not want to see another split had to come But little was accomplished all day.

Permanent organization was effected with Will R. King, of Malheur County, in the chair. Mr. King was also elected chair-man of the Populist State Central Committee. Naming of the National delegates was in progress at the time of adjourn-ment. A conference with the Democrats esulted in a platform which was read to the Populists at a very late hour and not discussed or adopted. Apportionment of offices, which is the basis of co-operative work between the two parties, is the bon work between the two parties, is the bone of contention, and it was not touched. Committees from the Populists are conferring, and are eagerly contending that the Democrats shall not act the part of bog. This tells the story of the day. Election of Mr. King as permanent chairman of the convention, and then chairman of the State Central Committee of the Content Co

chairman of the State Central Commit-tee, indicated the mastery of fusion. Straight, independent Populist sympathiz-ers had been stoutly contending for ab-solution from Democratic sins, Mr. King's influence in the country and Ernest Kroneris in Multinomah County was too much.
These leaders and their followers would accept no compromise of the views held for party success. Mr. U'Ren serenely watched the convention from the standwatched the convention from the stand-point of the disinterested spectator. A. P. Nelson was in the Multnomah delegation. State Chairman Williams had anti-fusion ideas, but was obliged to yield them up. A pleading talk was given by a Middle-of-A pleading talk was given by a hindre-or-the-Road Populist from the National Com-mittee, which nearly precipitated trouble. At the latest moment there were breakers ahead, but today's work may see a change as complete as was witnessed in the fall of independent hopes.

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Proceedings opened at the morning session with an air of suppressed apprehension. There were animated knots about the hall discussing the one dominant issue-fusion. It was confidently expected that selection of temporary chairman would precipitate the question, therefore the qualifications, as well as record and affiliations of several prominent members of the party were topics of conversation. Will R. King, who led the fusion forces to inglorious defeat in 1888 and has figured prominently in Populist affairs for years, prominently in Populist affairs for years, seemed to be the general choice of the fusion element, while the incumbent of the State Central Committee chair, Frank Williams, was most frequently mentioned by the independent, or non-fusion, wing. Both men are well known, and the con-test between them was looked forward to as the first test of the respective strength

of the two elements.
For some reason, Mr. King's name was not mentioned when nominations for tem-porary chairman began. A more pacific spirit was prevalent, and the selection of George W. Weeks, of Marion, seemed a compromise plan. While nominations be-gan with vim, they quickly toned down, and through a sheer spirit of harmony candidates withdrew until Mr. Williams was the only nominee, and consequently received the unanimous vote of the con

It was 30 minutes after the appointed time before Chairman Williams called the convention to order. There had been a slight misunderstanding about the hall, and all delegates were given time to ar-Chairman Williams called Secretar U'Ren to the secretary's desk and asked that the Central Committee's call be read which gave the apportionment of dele-gates to the different counties. Immedi-ately following this Secretary U'Ren asked

rmission for a personal explanation to e convention, which was granted. Mr. U'Ren Makes a Statement. Mr. U'Ren said there had been some

complaint over the state because of his appointment as secretary by Chairman Williams, of the State Central Commitee. "It is known to all of you," he said, "that I am not in harmony with the eentiment of quite a number of my brethrer in this movement, and that I have been very vigorously opposed to it some of the time. It has been honestly although erroneously stated that I was appointed.

As a matter of fact, I was elected by the
State Central Committee, and all the of Multinoman, and one member from Clackamas. I did not want the position, but after it had been offered to a half dozen others, some of whom refused because they did not have their speciacles and others because they could not read, after it had gone the round of half a dozen, I accepted, and I have performed the work, with considerable trouble and the work, with considerable trouble and expense, to the best of my ability. I was not in the primaries this year, nor am I a delegate to this convention, although I have the kindliest feeling in the world for

one of you." U'Ren also said the charge had been made that he had used the position of sec-retary of the State Central Committee to further the interests of the faction of the party to which he was allied. "Thus call and a letter to one Edmonston," he continued, "are the only documents I have signed as secretary of this committee." signed as secretary of this committee."

He further explained his securing of the hall, the expense attached thereto, when the chairman thought it opportune to collect the sum necessary to defray the expense, which was done. A vote of thanks was tendered Secretary U'Ren for his work, which elicited the inonical expression from him: "I greatly appreciate your sion from him: "I greatly appreciate your expression, especially after the criticism I have been subjected to by some of you.

Williams Temporary Chairman. Two men were on their feet immediately the chair announced that nominations for temporary chairman were in order. D. M. Ewing gained recognition first, and nominated J. W. Markebury, of Gold Hill, and the other claimant for attention, Isaac Swett, followed with the nomination John Jeffery, of Marion. George John Jeffery, of Marion. George to Weeks, of Marion, was also nominated, who was regarded the compromise candi-dute. John Jory nominated Chairman Williams, of the State Central Committee, who had called the meeting to order. A motion as to how the office should be voted for caused a tangle, which thickens for a time. Proxies were objected to, and also supported, as having a right to vote. Finally Mr. Weeks declined, and Mr. Marksbury followed suit. While the dele-Marksbury followed suit. While the delegates were contending over the method of procedure, Mr. Jeffery said he would withdraw for harmony's sake and to expedite business, whereupon Mr. Williams was made the unanimous choice.

Committees Appointed.

The selection of a temporary secretary was a work of short duration.
Dr. Ernest Barton was nominated first and John Jeffery later. The latter declined, and Dr. Barton said he would do the same, but that it seemed more modest to serve. A motion for appointment of a committee on credentials was followed: a committee on credentials was followed by a recess of five minutes, after which Chairman Williams announced that he appointed B. T. Ramp, Linn; C. L. Morse, Wasco; T. C. Jory, Marion; W. E. Phepps, George R. Lindley, G. F. D. Hare, Washington, and R. D. Cole, Schmidtline, A. T. Anderson, J. W. Marke-

Josephine. The committee on order of business appointed by the chair consisted of Jeffery, Marion; King, Malheur, and Merrell, of Josephine.

A motion to adjourn was made and carried, but a communication came to Chairman Williams about that time, stating that one J. B. Osborne, from Georgia, was present and would like to address the convention as a representative of the National Central Committee. Chairman Williams asked the members to remain to hear him. Mr. Osborne is a small, boyish individual, unprepossessing in appearance, but before he left the platform he made a deep impression on the convention. He stirred up more feeling than any single person who entered the convention hall, for it immediately developed that he was an emissary of the Mid-Scant Courtesy to a Georgian.

oped that he was an emissary of the Mid-dle-of-the-Road Populists.

Mr. Osborne said he simply wanted to explain the action of the Populist Na-tional Committee at the Lincoln meeting, and enumerated several high-handed pro-ceedings of the chairman, which, he said, resulted in the majority holding their in-dependent meeting. This section, he said, was now the only true representation of the People's party. "I do not desire to influence any individual to connect him-self with any particular party," said the speaker, "but I will say the time has come in the United States and in the history of the People's party when we history of the People's party when we have got to go back to our original posi-tion from which we started at the outset of our work, and to have nothing to do with the Democratic or the Republican party. (Light applause.) It is either that or death. I repeat it, gentlemen, it is either that or party death. (More ap-plause.) The time has come when men can no longer be Populists and Demo-crats at the same time."

Urged to Keep Middle of the Road. Mr. Osborne kept admonishing his audience that he was not offering any advice. When he said that "the Populists of the South are waiting to shake hands with the Populists of the West" there was more applause. By this time, as the speaker began to steady himself and was speaker began to steady himself and was fast drawing the at first indifferent attention there grew a spirit of restlessness among friends of fusion. Anxious glances were cast about to ascertain the extent of the approving sentiment, which seemed large from the applause, and slight interruptions began. At last Ernest Kroner, whose fusion work has placed by a sunger the forement of that nest Kroner, whose fusion work has placed him among the foremost of that element, rose and asked something about Barton and Donneily, the two Middle-of-the-Road nominees, and if their action had shown a disposition of fairness and justice. The speaker replied that both were put up according to the initiative and referendam idea of the party, but, falling to receive the requisite number of votes, were out, and if they continued to pose, it was without the sanction of the party.

"Since it has become a crime to be a straight Populist—" began Mr. Osborne. Voice—It is not a crime to be a Populist in Oregon.

Second Voice—Didn't you fuse with the Democrats in North Carolina?

Democrats in North Carolina?

Mr. Osborne—The Populists fused with everything in North Carolina.

Third Voice—How about Tennessee?
Didn't you fuse and join with the Democrats there for office?

Mr. Osborne—In Tennessee there was—Fourth Voice—Mr. Chairman, I move that we addown.

that we adjourn.

Chairman Williams—This meeting is now adjourned. I gave the speaker the right to address such members as cared to hear him, and those who do not want

Fifth Voice-We want to hear him; le the others go out.
Will R. King—I move that we let the gentleman complete his speech without these interruptions. It is nothing more than courtesy to him that we should do

to hear him can go out.

Mr. Osborne continued, with more spirit. He said: "We are not going to join the Democrats in the South. (Applause.) That is the way we Southern Populists feel. You people here have the Republican party, whom you hate like we hate the Democrats there. Do you understand that? The Democrats of the South are to the Populist party there what the Republicans are to you here. Do you understand that? If you want a National party, your way is to stand alone, like the Southern Populists. Is not that right? If you do not want an independent political party, you have your choice ent political party, you have your choice of the Republicans or the Democrats."

Voice-Which do you prefer? Mr. Osborne-I regard the Republican party the worst on earth, and the Demo crats twice as bad as that. We will hav ceither. We will go straight as before-Mr. Kroner-We have listened to the gentleman; we have heard all these things efore. If he has anything to say regard ing this convention, let him say it, as we will be going to lunch in a few minutes. I know that Chairman Holt, of the Middle-of-the-Road party, sent him with his message here, and if he has a message from the Middle-of-the-Road convention,

say it now. Mr. McMahon—I say we must give this gentleman the respect of a courteous hearing. If there are any who do not want to hear him, let them go out. Osborne—An audience is like a jug. There are little jugs and there are big jugs. It takes more to fill a big jug than a little one. When any of your people get your jugs full, go out of the door.

The speaker continued with his arguments, while one or two members value that the chalf and the speaker continued with his arguments. tried to get the audience of the chair. At last some one said if the Middle-ofthe-Road argument was to be presented, he insisted on the other side having a

Mr. Osborne-If there is any more objections, I will retire.

One man said the door was open for any, and several shouted: "Go on, go

Mr. Marksbury—If there is any one here unable to withstand Middle-of-the-Road arguments, he has not sufficient mind to be a Populist. Let the gentleman go on. Mr. Osborne at last gave it up, amidst conflicting cries of "Enough" and "More." When he walked to the floor there was

a multitude of admirers around him to express appreciation and condole for his The afternoon session was called to order at 1:30 o'clock. The credentials com-mittee announced its readiness to report, and submitted the following list as en

Report of Credentials Committee.

Baker-William Smith, D. W. Yoakum, J. G. Foster, W. H. Keiburn, James York, William Brown, D. S. Littlefield, M. E. Swan, A. B. Coombs, J. W. Hamilton, B L. Gardner, all by W. R. King, proxy. Benton—Chester S. Keels, John Whitaker, J. W. Ingle, B. V. Barnes and K. Vanderpool, by Chester S. Keels, proxy. Paul E. Dodele and John H. Starr, by John Whitaker, proxy. B. F. Hyland, by J. W. Ingle, proxy. Clackamas-W. H. Johnson, W. L. Hol-

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glas-R. C. Brown, John T. Long. J. J. Hedden, by J. T. Long, proxy; George Wilson, A. B. C. Whipple, J. L. Casebeer, S. R. Brisbin, Edgar Walker, J. F. Gaz-S. R. Brisbin, Edgar Walker, J. F. Gaz-ley, J. H. Whitsett, E. S. Lowe, James Richards, L. T. Thompson, L. A. Kent, W. C. Winston, all by R. C. Brown, proxy. Gilliam—W. J. Edwards, Oscar Maley, F. B. Moore, B. K. Searcey. Harney—A. J. Johnson, Charles P. Reth-

bury, first six by Marksbury, proxy; P. J. Van Hardenburg, F. M. Moore, A. A. Pen-nington, I. L. Batchelor, A. L. Sall, J. A. gton, I. L. Batchelor, A. L. Sall, J. A. ith, Edward Anderson and Frank Willme, first seven by Williams, proxy. Josephine-R. D. Cole, F. Fetch, W. H. erritt, H. C. Perkins, J. W. Barthow, C.

Merritt, proxies.
Lincoln—J. M. Puttler, Otto O. Krogstat,
G. A. Landis and J. W. Parrish.
Linn—E. E. Lange, B. F. Ramp, I. A.
Munkers, J. A. McBride, A. J. Blevins, T.
J. McClary, James Ewing, R. R. Humphrey, George McLane, C. B. Montague, J.
Clemm, A. D. Hale, George Alexander and
D. M. Jones, by Montague, proxy; J. J.
Beard, by Blevins, proxy; H. B. Springer,
by Ramp, proxy; E. C. Neal, by Munkers,
proxy. proxy.

Lane-John Cogswell, Jack Zumwalt, I. Patterson, and 13 other delegates, by Corswell, proxy. Malbeur—J. R. Gregg, W. R. King, Will-iam Morfitt and J. D. Locey, last three by

iam Morfitt and J. D. Locey, last three by Gregg. proxy.
Marion—G. W. Weeks, John W. Jory, D. E. Swank, J. H. Nowatney, J. A. Jeffery, Ellis Stevens, Eugene Manning, W. F. Jones, J. R. White, John P. Robertson, George M. Elgin, T. Y. McClellan, G. W. Murphy, L. L. Robertson, J. M. Wagner, R. R. Ryan, T. C. Jory, J. F. Short, by L. H. McMahon, proxy; B. Shaw and Fred A. McIntyre, by A. M. Blinston, proxy; John M. Payne and B. J. Sharpe, by John A. Jeffery, proxy. Jeffery, proxy.

Multnomah—W. A. Wheeler, H. W. Par-

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Kroner, L. L. Easter, S. B. Riggen.
Sherman—G. E. Kellogg, J. W. Messinger, by Kellogg, proxy; Glen Junkins, F.
H. Meader, by Junkins, proxy.
Umatilia—R. J. Slater, Alfred Laing, J.
F. Craddock, R. Semple, George Peobler,
H. S. Garfield, A. L. Swaggart and M. M. Wyrick, first seven by Wyrick; M. J. Mc-Daniels, W. H. Bailey, George Carmichael and J. T. Hinkle, first three by Hinkle,

and Dunham Wright, the two first by Campbell, proxy; J. H. Chandler, K. J. Stackland and George E. Curry, the two first by Curry, proxy; C. D. Huffman, F. Bartimess, A. V. Oliver and Fred V. Cur-ry; W. T. Grider and L. Oldenburg, by

Oliver, proxy.

Wallows-J. A. Lamman, S. F. Pace, A.
E. Donnelly and W. S. Burleigh, the first three by Burleigh, proxy.

Wasco County was not represented regularly in the convention, but C. L. More, of that county, being present, he was asked to act for the delegates Wasco was enti-

Washington-W. D. Hare, William Shul-merich, B. G. Leedy, J. C. Miller, Allan Haworth, George A. Morgan, F. M. Heidle, J. H. Stevens and J. W. Barnes, by A. W. Yamhili-Moses Johnson, J. B. Perkins.

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The committee on credentials recommended that the delegates present be allowed to vote the full county delegation. This was to cover cases in which no

This was to cover cases in which no proxice had been furnished. Crook, Grant, Lake, Morrow, Tillamook and Wheeler Counties were not represented in any man

Election of permanent officers for the convention was the next order, during

This cordial spirit of conciliation, origi-nating with the Democrats, created con-iderable applause, and Judge Boise add. ed: "We come to you in a spirit of amity, in a spirit of fraternity, with the spirit that principle must subordinate men, and ask to meet you in the same spirit."

The order of business followed. The usual recommendation for permanent or-

ganization, resolutions, electing chairman of the state central committee, were made and this specific and pointed clause: "Election of delegates to the National onvention of the People's party, at Houx Falls, S. D., to convene May 9,

There could be no doubt as to which party these delegates were intended to represent, and which National convention the delegates should attend. A sec-ond committee from the Democrats was in waiting by this time, its office being announced by the chairman to be securing the co-operation of the Populist convention in framing a common platform. This committee was a subcommittee of three from the platform committee, and asked that a like body be appointed. There was much confusion in choosing a committee. Motions, amendments and substitutes flew pretty fast, and action taken twice was reconsidered. The com-mittee of three from the Democrats were often asked to explain what their con-vention had done. Out of the chaos there finally came the plan to select a platform committee of one delegate from each county. Before doing this, however, it was determined to elect the permanent

W. R. King Permanent Chairman. Nominations for permanent chairman were confined to W. W. Myers, of Clack-amas, and Will R. King, of Malheur. Both were warmly eulogized. Mr. Mc-Mahon spake at length on the acception Mahon spoke at length on the necessity of harmony, and indorsed Mr. Myers as the man least identified with any partic-uar element. "Much as we may deplore it," said he, "we must know there are factions in this state convention, and these factions are powerful so far as the work of the convention goes. Deplore it as much as we may, if we are not careful, we will not have harmony. een suggested to me by Mr. Ogle of Ciackamas, that in the interests of harmony and in the interests of a com-mon base of adjustment of all the issues before this convention that we unite upon a man for presiding officer who is in har-mony with the different factions of this

Mr. McMahon did not question Mr. King's ability, patriotism and political rapacity, but thought harmony demanded another choice. John Jeffery, who nominated Mr. King, disclaimed any purpose of factional contentions. On the ballot, Mr. King received 143 votes, while Mr. Myers received only 88. The defeated candidate moved that the choice be made unanimous, which was done with much enthusiasm and hatchet-burying cemarks. Mr. King was escorted to the platform, acknowledged the honor and asked for a permanent secretary. Dr. Barton was manimously chosen, and Mr. Weeks for assistant. The retiring chairman was lendered a vote of thanks, on motion of Mr. Kroner, which was partly retracted,

so far as related to his work as chairman of the State Central Committee, which office he does not vacate until later. Chairman King soon got business un-der way. Several conflicting motions arose regarding conference committees. To clarify matters, Mr. Kroner moved that it was the sense of the convention that a committee be appointed to confer with the Democrats. This was the first real open test of fusion strength, and, to the general surprise, there was scarcely any opposition. All the pugnacity mani-

fest during the morning seemed to have vanished. Kroner's motion was also made to include the Silver Republicans, with whom the Populists expressed a read-ness to confer at the earliest convenience. The conference committee of five consisted of T. C. Jory, R. D. Cole, W. W. Myers, H. D. Slater and J. A. Monkers. A platform committeeman from each county represented was chosen by the respective county delegations. They were: Baker—J. C. Cooper, Benton—John Whittaker. Clackamas—George Orie.

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Clatsop—Silas B. Smith.
Columbia—Ralph Rogers.
Coos—J. H. Metheny.
Douglas—John T. Long.
Gilliam—B. K. Searcy.
Harney—E. L. Beede.
Jackson—J. W. Marksbury.
Josephine—W. H. Merritt
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Multnomah—Isaac Swelt, Sherman—G. E. Kellogg, Umatilla—J. T. Hinkle, Wallowa—W. S. Burleigh, Washington—W. D. Hars, Yamhili—Moses E. Johnson Union—A. D. Oliver.

Professor Jory moved that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the Middle-of-the-Road party to ascertain on what basis they would consent to act with the Populists of the convention in the future. This request was received with mild interest, but passed as a motion to pacify Professor Jory and those of his sympathizers. Professor Jory, Frank Williams and G. E. Kellogs were appointed. Chairman King humorously said, as the committee went out, that he hoped to see them get back. The three committeemen to hunt the Silver Republicans were J. W. Parrish, W. D. Hare and Dunham Wright.

Treated With Contempt.

Treated With Contempt. One of the first items of work taken up at the evening session, called to order at 7:30, was consideration of the reply from the Middle-of-the-Road convention. This very independent statement caused con-siderable amusement among the members of the convention, and read as follows:

"To the Convention of the People's Party of Oregon—Greeting: Your committee sen ditions your party and our party can unite in the present campaign has been received and heard, and we offer the following as

the only conditions of union:
"First, you by your state convention to recognize the call of Chairman D. Clem Deaver for a National convention of the People's party at Cincinnati, O., on May ond, that you discontinue your rela

the Chicago platform and inderse the Omaha platform. "J. L. HILL "JOHN C. LUCE, "JAMES K. SEARS, "B. H. HOLT. "JAMES K. SEARS,

"Regular People's Party Conver A motion was at once made to lay it on the table, which, of course, precluded de-tate. However, Professor Jory was grantbats. However, Professor Jory was grant-ed unanimous consent to speak, on mo-tion of Mr. Kroner. He criticised such a method of disposing of the reply, and said it was made by men acting with all hon-esty and eincerity. He thought the con-vention should submit to a vote the ques-tion of whether the conditions imposed by the Middle-of-the-Roaders were accept-able. The member who made the motion argued that the reply of the regular Ponargued that the reply of the regular Pop-ulist convention, or Middle-of-the-Roaders, was not in good faith, and called attenon to some of their work before. On the otion to lay on the table there was 53 in the affirmative and 16 negative.

convention was the next order, during the preparation for which there was continued discussion of the method of voting. The committee on order of business arrived in the meantime and announced readiness to report. A committee of five from the Democrats also came in about that time, headed by Judge Boise, and asked the convention's audience for a moment. To clear the atmosphere, the chair called Judge Boise to the platform, and he unfolded his mission of peace and good will, as well as co-operation. He said their object was to come to some understanding by which might be accomplished the combination of forces and union of effort in the common cause represented by both parties.

This cordial spirit of conciliation, origiconvention, and did not elicit the support indicated in the morning. Mr. McMahon insisted that a man holding a proxy from

insisted that a man holding a proxy from a county of which he was not a resident could not vote it, but the chair heid that, according to the rules of the convention, this could be.

Mr. Kroner nominated Will R. King in a brief speech detailing his work for the party. Professor Jory nominated Frank Williams, the chairman of the Central Committee during the past two years. Mr. Williams thanked his friend for the honor, but positively declined. No other nominations being made, Mr. King was elected by acciamation, and received a round of applause. His response was brief and to the point. By co-operation and hard work was success possible, and by that only, and he urged all to do their best.

As to National Delegates.

As to National Delegates. When it came to electing the National Delegates, the clause that had plainly been neerted purposely, concerning the Na-ional convention which the delegates were o attend was objected to by Mr. Ryan He moved that the words, 'Sloux Falls, S. D." be stricken out and in their stead be nserted, "Cincinnati," This could not be done without suspending the rules, as the former was in the order of business. Mr. Ryan moved suspension of the rules, but got only two or three ayes, when he be-came angered and took the floor for a

"As a Popul'st, representing the princi-ples of the Populist party, and on which was founded the Abe Lincoln plan of Rethe Democratic party to elect delegates to send to their convention, to nominate a president and then adjourn to the Kansas City convention, where the Democrats will say to the Populists: 'You have nominated a President for the United States in the person of Mr. Bryan, and it now falls to us to nominate a candidate for the office of Vice-President.' If we nominate Mr. Bryan, then we have no voice in nominating a Vice-President, whom we want ocratic party to elect delegates inating a Vice-President, whom we want to be a Populist. I am not ready to be led into the Democratic camp again. I am not ready to be led into the Democratic camp again. I am not ready to have another Arthur Sewall or any other Gold Democrat nominated for the second position on the ticket. If you are Democrats and want Democrats,

you are believed to the Democrats."

At this juncture objection was made that there was no motion before the house, and At this juncture objection was made that there was no motion before the house, and Mr. Ryan said he would wait until there was one, when he would resume his discussion. He did not win much approval from his hearers in his unquestionable threat to leave the convention. Nominations were begun for National delegates, but, as many of the delegates to the convention were absent on committee work and other duties, it was deemed best to postpone this until all were present. Those named before nominations ceased were D. P. Blue, of Lincoln; W. D. Hare, of Washington; Ernest Kroner, of Multnomah; J. P. Blue, of Lincoln; W. D. Hare, of Wash-ington; Ernest Kroner, of Multnomah; J. W. Ingle, of Clatsop; W. W. Myer, of Clackamas; D. E. Swank, of Marion; Dun-ham Wright, of Union; R. C. Brown, of Douglas; M. M. Myrick, of Umatilla; A. P. Nelson, of Multnomah; E. L. Beede, of Harney; W. A. Wood, of Columbia. The nominations will be continued this mornng until the 15 Delegates have been

Chairman John A. Jeffrey, of the com-mittee on conference with the Democratic convention, presented a report signed by R. J. Stater, W. W. Myers, R. D. Cole and I. A. Minkers, which report was read and set as a special order of business for this morning. The conference report, which was applauded, was as follows: We, your committee appointed to confer with a like committee on the part of the Demogratic State Convention, sespectful-

by submit this, our report, looking to a union of the forces of the Democratic and People's parties:

We have agreed upon the following distribution of candidates to be nominated by the respective parties:

First—Justice of the Supreme Court by

RECEAVE OVERTURES OF UNION

Ing of Professor T. C. Jory, Frank Williams and Mr. Kellogg, from the Fusion Populats, came into the hall. The chair called order, and they were informally received. Professor Jory acted as chair—man, and said: by the respective parties:
First—Justice of the Supreme Court by
the Democrats.
Second—First Congressional District by
the Democrats.

emocrats. d-Second Congressional District by

Democratic party and two by the reople's party.

It is also recommended that the joint
delegation of the several Senatorial, Representative and Judicial Districts of the
State of Oregon meet in joint convention
of both parties and select candidates for
the various offices as follows:

First—Nomination for District Attorney
for the First Judicial District by the Democratic party.

Second—Nomination for District Attorney, Second Judicial District, by the Democratic party.

ney, Second Judicial District, by the Democratic party.

Third—Nomination for District Attorney in the Third Judicial District by the People's Party.

ple's party.

Fourth-Nomination for District Attorney in the Fourth Judicial District by the Democratic party. Democratic party.

Fifth-Nomination for District Attorney
in the Fifth Judicial District by the People's party.

Sixth—Nominations in the Sixth Judicia
District to be equally divided between the

District to be equally divided between the two parties.

Seventh—In the Seventh Judicial District it is recommended that the selection of a candidate for District Attorney be made in a joint convention of all delegates of both parties from said district.

Eighth—Nomination of District Attorney for the Eighth Judicial District to be made by the Democratic party.

Ninth—Nomination for District Attorney in the Ninth Judicial District to be made by the People's party.

We recommend that the selection of candidates for joint Senators and Representatives be made by the delegates of their respective districts of both parties in joint convention.

We would also recommend that the

spective districts of both parties in inconvention.

We would also recommend that the nomination for the several Judicial Districts be made as herein set forth, except that in districts where said nomination shall be unsatisfactory; then, in that event, the said nomination shall be made by the joint convention of such districts separately by a fair and equitable distribution, to be determined by said joint district conventions. The nominations of one convention are to be ratified by the other. The convention voted favorably on a resolution of sympathy with the woman-suffrage movement. The resolution was offered by Mr. Ogle, of Clackamas. Adjournment was then taken till \$39 this

PERSONAL MENTION.

G. Rea, a Heppner attorney, is registered Dr. E. M. Hurd, of Salem, is registered D. B. Blue, a merchant of Yaquina, is at the St. Charles. J. W. Howard, a Grant's Pass merchant, s at the Perkins. W. H. Wehrung, of Hillsboro, is regis-tered at the Perkins. F. H. Kiddle, of Island City, is registered at the Perkins.

H. L. Truax, of Grant's Pace, is regis ered at the Imperial. J. E. McKinnon, of Huntington, i Mrs. C. H. Bradley and son, of Duluth, are guests of the Portland. C. B. Crosno, Collector of Customs, at Yaquina, is at the St. Charles.

W. H. Nelson, a prosperous farmer, of Newberg, is at the St. Charles. J. H. Coleman and wife, of San Mateo, Cal., are guests of the Portland. B. Goodwin, a San Francisco fire Insur-ance man, is registered at the Portland. W. B. and M. J. Dennis, mining men, of Spokane, are registered at the Portland. D. M. C. Gault, a newspaper man of Hillsboro, is registered at the St. Charles. Misses Edna Glenn and Harriett Mars-

den, of The Dalles, are guests of the Per-Leon S. Rosenblatt has returned from an extended trip through Southern Call-

Dr. R. E. Darnell, of Toledo, and Dr. Leroy Lewis, of McMinnville, are regis-tered at the St. Charles. J. Wesley Ladd and wife leave for Paris over the Northern Pacific tomorrow morn-ing. They will be accompanied as far as New York by Mrs. W. S. Ladd and Miss

Emma Failing.

Malcoim S. Jameson, who has many riends in this city, has accepted a posi-ion in the office of the Golconda Mining Company here. Mr. Jameson was form-erly cashler at the Portland Hotel. He went to Manila with the Sec and was promoted to a lieutenancy. He has returned from a visit with relatives in New York to accept his present po-

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.- The following Portland people are registered at local hotels: J. Hansen and H. S. Mc-Cormick, at the Grand, and H. B. Ilah at the California.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Northwestern people registered in New York today as follows: From The Dalles-Texas Balfour, at the Everett. From Tacoma-F. H. Heath, at the From Seattle-W. D. Fossay, at Herald From Spokane-C. W. Jones and wife t the Vendome.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Beel Estate Transfers.

Sheriff for E. D. White, Frank E. Hart et al. to Wm. M. Ladd, trustee, W. ½ of block 73, Carter's Addition to Port and: April 12.

Jeel Bates to United States of America, SE. ½ of N.W. ½ of section 20, T. 1 S., R. 6 E.; April 12.

H. A. Smith et ux. to Joel Bates, same; April 11

Thomas W. Jenkins and wife to Louise J. Stevens, undivided ½ of lot 4, block 112, Portland; Marca 6.
Oscar G. Smith and wife to R. S. Hail, administrator of the estate of Martha Hail, decessed, et al., lo.s. 13, 14, 15, block 10, Sunnyside; February 14

Sheriff for John Gantenbein et al. to Henry C. Houges, block 15, McMillen's Addition, and book 13, Central Albina; April 4

Sheriff for W. Y. Thornburgh and wife to Frank Botefuhr, lots 14, 15, block 4, Hudson's Addition; April 4

Fred Sherman and wife, G. W.

block 4, Hudson's Addition; April

Lounsberry et al. to J. E. Huggins,
trustee, lot 5, block 1; lots 1, 2,
block 52, Astoria; lots 17, 18, 19, 20,
subdivision No. 2, block 9, Olney's
Astoria; lots 31, 34, block 90, Astoria; SW. 34 of SE, 34 of SW. 34
section 5; lot 2, section 17, T. S. N.
R. 7 W.; SE, 34 of SW. 34 and lot
7, section 6, and NE, 34 of NW. 34
and lot 1, section 7, T. 5 N., R. 7
W.; lot 3, block 1, John Brendle's
Addition, Albina; March 31

Marriage Licenses. Marriage Licenses.

J. R. Landrith, aged 25, of Jackson County; Flora Hollowell, aged 21 John Takalo, 25, of Claisop County; Annie Ervaste, 21. Deaths.

April 10, Charles Logus, age 72 years, 94 North Ninth street; apoplexy.

April 9, Domanick Henry Adamy, age 75 years, East Milwaukie street; disease of the kidneys, April II, Olaf G. Berg, age 30 years, 171 Green avenue; cancer of the neck.

April 11, Christiana M. Smithle, age 6 years, 420 East Tenth street; diabe Births.

April 11, girl to the wife of John Johnston, 575 Quimby street. Concerning Poll Tax

GRAY'S RIVER, Wash., April 9 .- (To the Editor.)-Please state whether serving in the United States Army 15 months, and being honorably discharged, is exempt from poil tax or not.

Discharged soldiers are not exempt.

Active militiamen and exempt firemen are

FROM THE PUSIONISTS.

Middle-of-Roaders Say They Will Never Vote for Bryan or the Chicago Platform.

Like the postscript to a woman's letter the after-thought to the Middle-of-the-Road Populists' State Convention yesterday contained the pith of the whole mat The convention met at 3 o'clock and journed at 4 o'clock, without accomter. The con adjourned at 4 o'clock, without accom-plishing anything, but after adjournment the delegates remained and received a committee from the Fusion Populists and had an all-round lively time for another hour and a half. The principal work of the convention will be done today, after the committees on platform, resolutions and permanent organization have made reports.

eports.
According to the call of State Chairman Holt, the convention should contain 222 delegates. All of them were present ex-cept 210. At 1 o'clock, the hour for convening, there was no one in the G. A. R. Hall, except Dr. J. L. Hill, of Albany, who was seated at the plane, softly playing a nocturne by Chopin. A little inter, Chairman Holt and John C. Luce came in, and in another half an hour 12 dele-gates were on hand. It was stated that there might be delegates in the city who could not find the hall, and a bolt of the 12 Union County delegates was expected from the Fusion convention, and a little more delay was deemed expedient, S. H. Holt, the chairman, called the

body together at 2 o'clock, and explained that everything had been done in a hurry, and he had been allowed no time to confer with leaders or to let the people know what he was doing. The Fusionists he said, had managed to capture a lot of the Mildle-of-the Road delegates, who were sent to this convention. He asked retary.

On motion of Dr. J. V. B. Embree, of Polk County, S. H. Holt was elected tem-porary chairman, and J. K. Scars was formally elected temporary secretary. The secretary then read the call for a state

On motion of John C. Luce, the chair appointed a committee on credentials, to be left open until today. The committee is composed of: John C. Luce, Grant; Dr. J. V. B. Embree, Polk; H. J. Wilson,

On motion of Dr. Embree, the following committee on permanent organization and order of business was appointed: J. J. Houser, Jackson; H. J. Wilson, Douglas; J. M. Dennis, Polk.

Dr. Embree asked for instructions on credentials. How should the irregular fellows be treated?

Mr. Luce suggested that affairs in Oregon are in bad shape. "Many people," he said, "think they cannot vote as they please. The Fusion party is only a Democratic annex. We want it distinctly unlerstood that we are the People's party. We want the people to know we will not return to the old hog wallow. We want to appoint a committee that will kick out of the hall any man who wants to temporise with the Democrats or Fusionists."
J. B. Osbourne, of Georgia, was in the

hall at this time, representing the National committee of the Middle-of-the-Road Populists, and he was quietly talking for Debs for President all the while. The announcement was publicly made that Mr. Osbourne would speak in the hall to-day at 2 o'clock. At this time there were also in the hall three Social Dem-ocrats of Clackamas County, who came to invite the Populists to a conference that was he'd last night in the Marquan

An actual count showed the following delegates to be present: Polk-J. K. Sears, Dr. T. B. V. Embree . M. Dennis.

Jackson—8. H. Holt, J. J. Houser, Douglas—H. J. Wilson, Linn—Dr. J. L. Hill. Wasco-L. Henry. Grant-John C. Luce.

Multnomah-George H. Balley. The committee on credentials then reported. The report arranged that most of their own and some other counties. S.
H. Holt had 18 proxies in his vest pocket,
and the Wasco, Douglas, Josephine, Polk,
Grant, and Linn County delegations were all present, by proxy.
On motion of Mr. Luce, the following

committee on platform and resolutions was appointed: John C. Luce, Grant; Dr. J. L. Hill, Linn; Dr. T. V. B. Embree, Polk.
Dr. Hill then took the floor and made a

rousing speech advocating getting down to work and finishing the business of the convention. He said the platform could on completed within an bour and that he for bolters from other conventions, Chairman Holt-We are not waiting for olters; we want to get done. Considerable d'acussion followed but a Fabian policy was adopted.

On motion of Secretary Sears, it was agreed to meet again at 9 o'clock this morning, at which time all the committees would be ready to report.

The Social Democratic committee was then given a hearing. The spokesman talked in a foreign tongue, but it was gathered from his remarks that the convention was invited to attend a confer-The convention then adjourned,

At this juncture a committee, consist-

"We have come to inquire whether there are any terms by which it will be possible for the two wings of the People's party to come together. We come not in a spirit of antagonization, but in all fairness. We of antagonization, but in all fairness. We wish you to treat our proposition in a business-like way. If you tell us to go to hades, it will be no offense to us, or if you tell us we must quit toying with the Democrats, we will not be offended."

Dr. Hill, of Linn County, replied to Professor Jory's modest overtures. He said: "The members of the committee are good men, but if they want to return to the People's party, the doors are open. We are still doing business at the old stand. We united with the People's party several years ago, and we have never bolted. We went to the grave together and now if they want to unite with us let them come to the Omaha platform and stand on it." Dr. Hill said he would never

gain vote for Bryan or the Chicago platform. J. M. Dennis, of Polk County, spoke briefly and told the committee it was time to separate the wheat from the tares; to tell the Democrats to go to the Demo-cratic Corvention and the Populists to

oome home.
Dr. Embree then got the floor and made things lively. Speaking directly to the committee, he asked: ommittee, he asked:
"Which of the two National conve

will your convention send delegates to?"
Professor Jory-The Sioux Falls conven-

Dr. Embree-Do you favor that person-

Deep silence prevailed.

Dr. Embree repeated the question, and there was more deep silence.

Dr. Embree—I want to know what these gentlemen are after. For one, I will never go into a fusion convention, and will never go into a convention that recognizes Butler as a National chairman. If you will meet you; otherwise I will not. I will never follow you into the Democratic camp. I don't have to vote for Bryan. Thank God, there is a Debs yet! If the country must go to hell, I had just as soon the Republicans would lead it there as the Democrats.

Dr. Hill moved that a committee of three be appointed to draft a statement containing the only proposition the con-vention would make to the visiting committee. This was adopted.

Professor Jory, of the committee, then spoke again in a conciliatory spirit. He said there was no difference of principles in the two wings of the party. It was only a difference on questions of policy. Frank Williams also spoke in a co Dr. Embree said: "This is like a gang-plank leading from the Populists to the

Democrats. I understand your conven-tion has already made overtures to the Democrats. Now, we will never consent Democrats. Now, we will never consent for you to come into our convention until you say you will keep your skirts clear of the Democrats, and then we will divide the honors and the offices with you, and the disgrace, too."

At this point Secretary Sears proposed the following as a support of the content o

the following as a suggestion to the com-mittee. No action was taken on it: "We have no confidence in a fusion with the Democratic party.
"That political principles, in order to

succeed, must be supported and cham-pioned by a political party in harmony with these principles. We confidently be-lieve that fusion will inevitably disintegrate and destroy the People's party-the champion of the people's rights.
"Loyalty to conviction and patriotism to the good interests of our grand country impels us so to act as to maintain

the autonomy and perpetuity of the People's party.
"Fealty to our principles and fusion with no political party is a basis upon which we can heartily unite with all persons." After a lively spat between the chair-man, who desired harmony with the vis-

itors, and Dr. Embree, who was in for blood, the motion of Dr. Hill was adopted. The chair appointed on the committee Dr. J. L. Hill, John C. Luce and James K. Sears.

The visiting committee thanked the con

vention for their courtesy, and said: "Gentlemen, do not hurry. We will come The committee soon formulated the statement, which was read and then adopt-

To the Committee of the People's Party, Your committee sent to our convention to quire on what conditions your party and our party can units in the present campaign, has een received and heard, and we offer the fol-

lowing as the conditions of union: First-You by your state convention recognize the call of Chairman D. Clem Deaver for a National convention of the People's party, at Cincinnati, O., May 9, 1980. Second—That you discontinue your relations with the Democratic party and repudiate the Chicago platform and indorse the Omaha platform. J. L. Hill, John C. Luce, James K. Sears, Committee; S. H. Holt, Chairman; James K. Sears, Secretary.

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