

An Article on Their Worth, Etc.

ERMIRA, Or., July 25, '96.
ERRON GUARD: Having just returned from a trip to the Blue River mines, situated by actual survey 45 miles east of Eugene, Lane county, Oregon, I propose to give your readers some points relative to these mines...

BRYAN NOMINATED.

The Free Silver Candidate Victorious.

THE POPULISTS FALL IN LINE.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 24; 10:04 a m.—Weather cool; light rain falling. Most of the delegates in their seats. It is said the transportation question will be touched on, and an initiative and referendum plank inserted in the platform. The financial question will be the keynote.
10:05—Chairman Allen calls the convention to order.
10:14—Mrs. Marion Todd, of Michigan, is now addressing the convention.
10:18—Ohio delegates present the platform with a novel composed of 66 pieces, 48 kinds of wood, representing each state and territory.
10:48—Texas refuses to appoint a member of the committee to confer with the silverites.
10:56—Minority report of committee on rules and order of business just read. It recommends that the nomination for vice president be made prior to that of president.
Ignatius Donnelly speaking. Says that but little will be left of the populist party except the national committee after this convention. He protests against allowing the nominees to select the national chairman.
Judge Green, of Nebraska, replies to Donnelly. Says "We are here to save the life of the populist party." Interruptions and confusion.
Howard, of Alabama, addresses the convention. Liberally cheered. He makes the point that this convention should select the national chairman and not the nominees or the national committee.
11:30—Gerry Brown, of Massachusetts, author of minority report providing for priority vote for vice president, advocates its adoption.
Abbott, of Nebraska, favors majority report. He says nominate candidate for president first and southerner for vice president. Great cheering.
"Cyclone" Davis asks convention to substitute vice president for Sewall. Tremendous cheering. Delegates on their feet. He asks "Do you want this young Samson (populists) thrown at the feet of the democratic party to be swallowed?" Cries of "No! No!"
Davis asks "Is the people's party to part the waves of the Red sea and let the democrats walk over while the populists are swallowed up by the waves?"
Patterson speaks; interrupted frequently. Cries of "put him down." The chair appeals to the convention to give him a respectful hearing. A Kansas delegate asks if a representative of the McKinley ticket would be given a hearing.
Jerry Simpson, of Kansas, takes the platform. He pledges the 85 votes of Kansas for vice president if they will vote for the adoption of the majority report.
Judge Plowman, of South Dakota, speaks in favor of the majority report.
McIver, of Louisiana, addresses the convention. At his conclusion the convention rises and gives him three cheers.
Calls for Gibbs, of Texas.
Mims, of Tennessee, Petty, of Kentucky, Buckett, of Mississippi, and Gibbs, of Texas, are mentioned for vice presidential candidates. Chairman suspends all business until order is restored.
Committee's report recommending speeches for president and vice president be limited to 20 minutes and seconding speeches to five minutes, carried.
National committee increased from one to three members in each state and territory.
Senator Butler moves that the national committee select their own chairman and officers; carried.
"Cyclone" Davis favors nomination of president before vice president, but favors southern man for vice president.
California, Indiana and Kansas pledge their votes for vice president from the south. Several delegates speaking at the same time. Chairman rapping for order. Confusion.
2:08—Roll of states being called to decide whether president or vice president shall be voted for first is being taken.
2:14—Vote including Michigan indicates that vice president is to be first named.
2:40—Minority report nominating vice president before president accepted by majority.
North Carolina delegates asks if the northwest is in earnest in conceding the vice president to the south; will change vote if not. Several of states' votes challenged which causes confusion. Delegates on their feet. Chairman orders music.
Minority report nominating vice president before president adopted by a vote of 785 to 615. Motion to take recess until 5 p m defeated.
3:05—General Weaver, chairman of committee on platform and resolutions, reading the platform. Greeted with cheers.
PLATFORM.
Platform is long. Denounces the gold power and demands national money issued by the government only, to a full legal tender for all legal debts, both public and private; demands no bonds be issued except by act of congress; demands election of president, vice president and U S senators by direct vote of people.
3:26—General Coxy offers minority report on platform.
Platform demands recognition of Cuba as an independent nation; favors direct legislation by initiative and referendum system; recognizes financial reform as the paramount question; invites all people to co-operate with them to that end.
4:03—Rhode Island reads part of minority report fashioned after the declaration of independence; referred to committee on platform. Delegate Robert Pine, of Rhode Island, insists on reading report. Ordered removed by the chairman. Great excitement. Police now escorting Pine from platform.
Motion to take recess until 7 p m, lost.

Majority report on platform adopted. Motion to adjourn voted down. 4:25—Nomination for vice president now in order.
Convention adjourned until 6 p m.
EVENING.
6 p m—Delegates arriving slowly. Indications are that convention will conclude its labors and adjourn sine die tonight.
Special of last night's session.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 24.—Convention called to order. Nominations for vice president in order. Tom Watson of Georgia, was nominated unanimously on the first ballot.
Bryan announced that he would not accept the nomination for president unless the convention nominated Sewell for vice president.
Convention adjourned until tomorrow morning.
MORNING SESSION.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 25.—Weather cloudy but pleasant. About half of the delegates are in their seats.
9:37 a m.—Convention called to order. Call of states ordered for selection of national committee.
10:17 a m.—Nomination for president now in order. Judge William L. Green, of Nebraska, takes the platform but is interrupted by a point of order and retires. Chairman rapping for order and says he hopes the scenes of yesterday will not be repeated.
10:25—On motion Arkansas rule suspended and Judge Green resumes his speech. Green declines to continue his speech.
10:33 a m.—Gaither yields part of time of Alabama to Gen Weaver, who is presenting name of William J. Bryan.
Weaver makes an eloquent appeal for the nomination, not the endorsement of Bryan.
Great cheering at the conclusion of his speech.
Banners bearing the words 'A cross of thorns' were carried around the hall.
Different states waving banners.
Guides of Arizona, Florida, West Virginia, Idaho, Wyoming, Michigan, New Mexico, North Dakota, Montana, Maryland, Georgia, Louisiana, Vermont, Virginia, Mississippi, Kansas and Minnesota are all flocking over to the Nebraska delegation. Cheering still continues.
Maine, Oregon, Rhode Island and Texas do not join the procession. Banners of Nebraska with portrait of Bryan being carried around hall. Great demonstration.
Fields, of Virginia, seconding nomination of Bryan. Moves rule be suspended making nomination unanimous.
Ashby, of Texas, is ready to endorse Bryan if Bryan will endorse populist platform.
Roll call of states demanded and ordered upon motion of Fields, to make nomination of Bryan unanimous.
Roll call of states interrupted amidst great confusion. Chairman rapping for order. Telegram from E V Debs requests that his name not be presented.
Roll call of states demanded. Field's motion withdrawn. Roll call of states resumed for nominations.
Cator, of California, Ex-Governor Haynes of Georgia and Idaho second Bryan's nomination.
12:20 p m—Taubeneck on behalf of majority of the Illinois delegation seconds Bryan's nomination. Indiana also seconds Bryan. Iowa yields her time to Kolb of Alabama who seconds Bryan.
Jerry Simpson of Kansas seconds Bryan's nomination. Kentucky surrenders her time to the Tennessee delegate who also seconds Bryan.
Louisiana yields her time to Mrs Roberts of Colorado. She is greeted with cheers. She seconds Bryan.
Maine divides and nominates S F Norton of Illinois. The other delegates second Bryan.
Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan and Minnesota second Bryan.
1:10 p m—Mrs Lease introduced and addressing convention. She seconds Bryan.
Livingston of Missouri nominates T G Donnelly of Minnesota. Donnelly refuses to allow his name to be presented. Livingston then nominates General Coxy.
Montana seconds Bryan.
Judge Green of Nebraska seconds Bryan.
J Wells Long speaking for Missouri says the nomination of Coxy is not the voice of the delegation. Missouri will support Bryan if he accepts the platform of the populists.
Nevada, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New Jersey, majority of New York delegation, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota and Tennessee second Bryan.
Rhode Island seconds Norton.
Livingston of Missouri withdraws Coxy's name as a candidate before the convention.
Utah and Vermont second Bryan.
West Virginia divided. Seconds Bryan and Norton.
Arizona seconds Bryan.
Texas still firm in the middle-of-the-road. Seconds Norton and will support Bryan if he accepts populist platform.
District of Columbia seconds Bryan. Oklahoma and Indian Territory second nomination of Bryan.
Arkansas waives time and passes. Motion that national committee be given plenary power to transact all necessary business of the party after adjournment adopted. Roll of states ordered for vote on president.
BRYAN NOMINATED.
Including Georgia vote stands Bryan 181; Norton 20.
Including Kansas, Bryan 329; Norton 31.
Including Minnesota, Bryan 475; Norton 62.
Bryan declared nominated. Including New Hampshire, Bryan 568; Norton 100.
Texas casts her solid 103 for Norton. Rumored that Chairman Allen has a telegram from Mr Bryan stating that as he was nominated by the democratic party on the democratic platform he could only accept the nomination of the populists on the democratic platform.
Chairman Allen says he understood a fictitious telegram would be sprung on the convention.
Texas clamoring for reading of telegram.
Bryan's official vote, 1042; Norton, 321. The result was received with great cheering.
Chairman rapping for order. Procession formed. Banners and

guidons of nearly all the states. Enfire convention on their feet. Continued applause and confusion.
Convention adjourned sine die.
DAMAGES DEMANDED.
J. E. Holt, the San Jose Capitalist, Will Sue the Southern Pacific.
San Francisco Examiner, July 22: "J E Holt, the capitalist, who lives at 353 South Eleventh Street, San Jose, is confined to a room in the Ross House, on Ninth street, Oakland, as a result of an accident at the Oakland mole. Holt is seventy-one years old, and is in a bad way. While standing on the platform of a car he was knocked down by a sudden jar of the train and his foot was crushed between the bumpers, rendering amputation necessary.
Mr Holt has employed lawyers and will sue the Southern Pacific Company for \$10,000 damages. The capitalist says that the accident was due to the negligence of the railroad men. He further asserts that after he had been injured he was persecuted by the railroad detectives. Holt has money and he knows how to make a fight. He says that whether or not he gets any damages he intends to expose the methods of the Southern Pacific Company.
'I have often heard about the methods of the Southern Pacific Company," said Mr Holt yesterday, "but I thought that things had been a little exaggerated. Now that I have had experience with them I am ready to believe all that is said about it. The way I have been treated is an outrage. I had important business in Oregon so I took advantage of the cheap rate and bought a \$5 ticket to Portland last Friday. I came up from San Jose and went to the mole to take the Portland flyer. Nobody was around to direct me where to go. I got on a train and entered a sleeper and the porter put me out. Then I went into the next car and a porter put me out of that. They passed me down the line and finally told me to get off the train as I was on the wrong line. Then a porter told me my train was on an adjoining track and I got aboard and found all the doors of the cars locked.
'Finally a big man came rushing by the car where I was standing and a porter told me that he was the conductor. I had a big basket in my hand and I ran after the conductor, but he went so fast I could not catch him. It was within 20 minutes of the time for the train to start. Finally I saw some people getting on the platform of the train and I followed them as they were going to the same point as I was. When we got on the platform we found the car doors locked and none of us could get in. There was nobody on hand to direct the passengers and they had to struggle for themselves. While I was standing on the platform when an engine bumped into the train and I was knocked down and my foot was crushed. I was hustled to the Receiving hospital and while undergoing great pain a railroad detective hounded and persecuted me.
'He said to me, 'You know that this accident was due to your own carelessness.' I told him that I knew nothing of the kind, and requested him to mind his own business. Anyhow he badgered me about my name. Then the railroad people sent a telegram to my wife and told her I was only slightly hurt. They telegraphed her a pass and when she went to the station the agent handed her out a pass and told her to sign it. She said that if her husband was injured by his own carelessness she would not take a pass on the road. The agent replied: 'Well, I have orders to give you one. You know it is our policy to pet people these days.'
'Mrs Holt did not understand the situation and she took the pass and rode to Oakland on it. When she arrived here she found that she was the victim of a railroad conspiracy in regard to the pass. Now I am going to have satisfaction from the rough treatment."
McMinnville's Light and Water.
The following is taken from yesterday's Oregonian:
City Treasurer E C Apperson of McMinnville has computed the cost to the city of the electric light and water system since it was installed, 64 years ago. He finds the total cost of the plant to date \$81,000, divided as follows:
Proceeds from sale of bonds.....\$29,000
Proceeds from loan..... 1,400
Collections from light & water. 32,440
Collections from taxes..... 11,300
Transferred from general fund..... 12,560
Other receipts..... 100
Present indebtedness..... 2,000
Total.....\$81,000
McMinnville has one incandescent dynamo with a capacity of 500 16-candle power lights. The city has no arc lights but uses 65 candle power lights. These lights are supposed to cost the city \$2 each per month.
DIED.—Baker City Republican: Harlan E Bundy died at Junction City, Lane county, Oregon, on July 19, 1896, aged 70 years, 10 months and 27 days. Mr Bundy was one of the honorable and old-time settlers of Lane county and he married an elder sister of Mrs M A Alfred, of this city, and of Henry and James Hoffman of Eugene, two prominent citizens of that city. The funeral services were held at Junction City on July 20th, and the interment took place at Monro. Too high an estimate can never be placed upon the life and character of the deceased while living, and to his friends and relatives this fact will be a consolation.
Daily Guard, July 24.
A COMMOTION.—Quite a commotion was created on last night's south bound overland train. A family was en route to Indian Territory and one of the small children was found to be missing upon the arrival of the train at this place, and it was naturally thought the youngster had fallen from the train and probably been killed. After considerable telegraphing it was learned the child got off the train at Harrisburg with another family.
Daily Guard, July 25.
NOT GUILTY.—The jury in the case of Chas. Brady, of Coburg, charged with larceny of hay by ballot, returned a verdict of not guilty last evening and the defendant was discharged.

AN AWFUL CRIME.
The East Oregonian does not think that Bryan's youth should be counted against him. Besides, a man is no spring chicken at 36. Bryan is attacked because of his youth, as though that were a crime. William Pitt was once charged by Horace Walpole with being a young man, and Pitt's reply to the charge is one of the most forcible and beautiful things in the history of English parliamentary oratory. Mr. Bryan could with propriety, make about the same reply. Pitt said:
"The atrocious crime of being a young man, which the honorable gentleman has with such spirit and decency charged upon me, I shall neither attempt to palliate nor deny; but content myself with wishing I may be one of those whose follies may cease with their youth, and not of those who continue ignorant in spite of age and experience.
"Whether youth can be attributed to any man as a reproach, I will not, Sir, assume the province of determining; but surely age may justly become contemptible, if the opportunity which it brings have passed away without improvement, and vice, appear to prevail when the passions have subsided. The wretch who after having seen the consequences of a thousand errors, continues still to blunder, and in whom age has only added obstinacy to stupidity, is surely the object of abhorrence or contempt, and deserves not that his gray head should secure him from insult. Much more, Sir, is he to be abhorred, who as he has advanced in age, has receded from virtue, and become more wicked with less temptation; who prostitutes himself for money which he cannot enjoy, and spends the remainder of his life in the ruin of his country.
CABLE'S PREDICTION.
Ben. T. Cable, of Illinois, one of the gold democrats who opposed the platform adopted by two-thirds of his party at Chicago, is frank enough to admit that the main issue is a vital one, and liable to make trouble in the East. In a recent interview he used these words:
"This silver craze is now going to grow. It is going to become as dominant in the East as it is today in the West. The gentlemen from the East with whom I have talked do not seem to realize the peculiar quality of the silver mania. It is worse than the 'grip.' The contagion is in the air. I am not prepared to state what will occur in the Eastern states, but I do say, after a thorough tour of this state, that Illinois will give a democratic majority of 50,000 for a free silver candidate."
This from the great Rock Island R. R. magnate is pretty conclusive evidence, and we hope will prove true.
BRYAN'S WORDS.
With the following words W. J. Bryan closed his speech in the Chicago convention, the making of which did much to make him the nominee of the democratic party:
"My friends we shall declare that this nation is able to legislate for its people upon every question without waiting for the consent of any other nation on earth, and upon that issue we expect to carry every state in this country. It is the issue of 1776 over again. Our ancestors, who when 3,000,000 in number, declared their independence of every nation on earth. Shall we when grown to 70,000,000, have less courage? If they say we cannot have bimetalism until some other nation assists, we reply; We will restore bimetalism and let England adopt it because the United States has led the way. We shall answer their demands for a gold standard by saying to them you shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns. You shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold."
Hazlett the pilgrim printer who has been going up and down this coast for thirty or forty years is again coming this way from the north. The McMinnville Transcript says: His beard is almost snowy white and his locks now hang in long ringlets about his neck, white with the frost of many winters. His step is less sprightly than twenty years ago, his shoulders begin to droop, when he walks the streets his head is bowed as if he is in deep meditation. Hazlett, the "pilgrim print," who has "hit the road" more miles and "counted more railroad ties" than any man in this country, and whose annual visit to every printing office in the northwest is regular, has been in town this week. The poor old fellow is old and feeble and should go to the home for aged and infirm printers.
BORN.—To Mrs B H Buck in this city, July 24, 1896, a son.

The Sacramento Bee, one of the most influential Republican papers of the Golden Gate state, says the adoption of the gold standard plank at St. Louis will cause California to be lost to McKinley by 40,000 votes.
Tacoma has a speedy and inexpensive way of settling election contests. When one is pending somebody breaks in and steals the ballots and further proceedings are brought to an end.
There were twenty-three free-coinage representatives in the New York delegation in the Chicago convention whose voice was hushed by the unit rule forced upon them by the state convention.
Garret A. Hobart, the republican nominee for vice president, bolted the nomination of James G. Blaine and supported Gen. B. F. Butler for president. There is a slight suspicion that the state of Maine will not give an unusually large majority for McKinley next November.
If an editor leaves his desk for twenty-four hours he is always accused of something unusual. It serves him right. He should toil right along during the 365 days in the year at his desk, and never utter a complaint. An editor is deserving of a "crown of gold" in the future world if not on this earth.
It is amusing to see the "small fry" Republican so-called free silver papers hedging now in order to support McKinley on his single gold standard platform for president, says the Epigram. Honest and conscientious people have greater respect for such a paper as the Oregonian, which has fought along that line all the time, than for these little vacillating sheets that seem too cowardly to stand for principle.
Everything indicates that Mark Hanna is beginning to realize the immensity of the contract he has taken. He is making overtures to some of his opponents in order to get their assistance. Mr. Hanna admits having spent \$100,000 to nominate McKinley, and says nearly two-thirds of it was his own money. Does any sane man suppose that Hanna doesn't expect to make money by that investment, if he can land McKinley a winner.
There will be three clergymen in the next legislature, the Rev. Mr. Driver, the Rev. Henry Barclay and the Rev. Mr. Mulkey, of Polk. Driver and Barkley are free silver men, and Mr. Mulkey is a goldbug. The prayers of Driver and Barkley will be for free silver and that of Mulkey for gold, and although no one accuses Mulkey of being overstocked with religion, yet it is likely that his prayer will outweigh the other two, and that the legislature will go for gold.
These are the words of Mr. Gladstone, the towering English statesman: "The whole world owes us interest on industrial, town state and nation stocks and bonds. That is payable in gold. Establish bimetalism, and you will cut England's income in two. You will benefit the rest of the world, and England will lose half the revenue she now receives from capital invested beyond her shores." These remarks were made one evening in the House of Commons and voice the sentiment of the money lenders of Lombard street. No wonder the English shyllocks are highly elated over the nomination of McKinley.
Col Alley, of the Baker City Republican, intimates that the Oregon Press Association is a political organization. The president of body is a republican, as was his predecessor; the chairman of the executive committee is a republican and the majority of the delegates to the national convention were of that faith. All the committees are appointed and republicans have made these selections for the past two years. Mr. Alley should correct his libellous article or be "thrown out" of the association. The assertion that the democrats control the body is false and Mr. Alley is aware of this, or should be. By the way, the Dolph republicans claim that Mr Alley is a populist masquerading under a mask.
There is much in the democratic platform to be admired. It is a consistent platform. It declares for free silver, the income tax and protection for revenue. These are children of the same parents. They are fit associates and smoothly run one into the other. They are evils all three—but they are remedies and palliatives for still greater evils. Between evils men have to choose the least. The platform will prove popular, it will be strong with the people. The average citizen and voter will find little to condemn in the platform, while much to commend. It certainly reflects the voice of the people; it certainly recognizes their right and influences; it certainly shows sympathy for them. In this respect it is a democratic platform and one that strongly appeals to the great mass of the plain people.