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SPECIAL To more fully satisfy creditors with their money than in the past three months, on account of the strike, and to reduce expenses, the Trustee has instructed me to take charge again as his agent, and to crowd things, which I shall do by selling all lines from date at cost to manufacture. I. L. OSGOOD, Agent 506-508 Commercial St., Astoria, Or.

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FOARD & STOKES COMPANY... Wholesale and Retail STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES RECEIVED DAILY. BACONS, HAMS, AND ALL KINDS FRESHLY KILLED MEAT AND FISH. SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS FOR HARDWARE and CHOCOLERY WARE Astoria Asphalt and Roofing Co. All Work Guaranteed. LEAVE ORDERS AT ROOM 1, FLAVEL BUILDING. Roof Painting and Repairing Leaky Roofs. N. JENSEN and R. O. HANSEN

HIS POSITION IS EXPLAINED

Mr. Fulton Advocates a Pair Construction of the St. Louis Platform.

REPUBLICAN BIMETALLISM

Difference Between Republican Party and Free Coinage Is Not As to the Means Employed to Attain the End Desired by Both.

Editor of the Astorian:—Disclaiming any purpose of charging you with intentional unfairness in your comments on an article I recently contributed to the Oregonian, I cannot suppress an expression of surprise that you should quote from the article the following, omitting the portion italicized, namely: "Is it proposed to serve notice on every man who has ever doubted or who now doubts the wisdom of adopting the single gold standard as the settled financial policy of this nation, AND WHO BELIEVES THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WILL NEVER SO DECLARE, but even if it should, that it represents other principles which are of paramount importance—that his vote will not be wanted in November?" And then proceed to remark that "Mr. Fulton seems to intimate that the Republican party has declared for the single gold standard, which it has not."

Why did you not quote the capitalized portion of the above paragraph, which states "the Republican party never will so declare." If you read all of the article referred to, you must also have known that it contained the following statement: "I think a voter may believe in free silver and yet so strongly disbelieve in free trade and Populism, that he would earnestly support a party otherwise satisfactory to him, which even advocated WHAT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY DOES NOT AND NEVER HAS ADVOCATED, the single gold standard."

In the face of this statement, how came you to charge me with "intimating" that the Republican party has declared for the single gold standard? In truth one purpose I had in writing the article was to protest against the construction which many are constantly giving to the St. Louis platform, namely, that it is a declaration for the single gold standard. It is not. It is a declaration against the undertaking by this nation alone of the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and a declaration in favor of international bimetallicism.

It declares that "we are opposed to the free coinage of silver, except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, WHICH WE PLEDGE OURSELVES TO PROMOTE, and until such agreement can be obtained, we believe the existing gold standard must be preserved." But, mark you, only "until such agreement can be obtained." It is, therefore, a declaration against the single gold standard as the settled policy of this nation. It practically says, it prefers bimetallicism, but does not believe this country can safely undertake it alone, because it doubts its ability alone to maintain the silver dollar at a parity with gold, and fears the result of such failure would be disastrous to the welfare and prosperity of our people. The difference then, between the position of the Republican party and one who believes in independent free coinage is, in truth, but a difference as to the means which should be employed to attain an end desired by both. They both favor bimetallicism and think it would best advance the interests of our people, but they differ as to how it can be secured. Upon this line, it seems to me, the campaign should be conducted. Nothing is to be gained by abusing or ridiculing bimetallicism for it is a principle of the Republican party. It is neither a display of argument or wit to propound that profound question "why not coin iron or wheat into money?"

The Republican party has not declared in favor of coining iron or wheat, but it has declared in favor of coining silver, and has pledged itself to do all in its power to bring about an international agreement for the free and unlimited coinage thereof, and hence it must be convinced that there is a difference between the utility of silver and that of iron as a money metal.

You say that I "make a plea for Mr. Bourne's retention" as secretary of the state central committee. Permit me to remark that I made no such plea. What I said in reference to the matter was by way of denial of the statement published in the Oregonian to the effect that I had expressed myself as favoring his removal, and I simply remarked that "if he will support McKinley and is satisfactory to Mr. Hirsch, the chairman, I see no reason why he should not continue as secretary." That is very far from "a PLEA for his retention." I do not hesitate, however, to say that I think he will make an excellent secretary, and fur-

ther, that Mr. Hirsch has the right by custom and usage to select his own secretary. It has always been the practice for the chairman to select the secretary. You say he believes in the free and unlimited coinage of silver and therefore should not be retained as secretary. What we want is a secretary who will work earnestly for the ticket, and while my memory is not exceptionally good, I have a very clear and distinct recollection that only a few weeks ago Mr. Bourne was working very earnestly for the election of the entire Republican ticket, while the Astorian and most of those who are now so loudly demanding his re-appointment, were seeking to defeat one of its nominees for congress and doing little if anything for the other. At that time their party patriotism rose to that sublime height that they preferred to see a free-trade silver "all wool and a yard wide" Populist elected rather than a Republican who differed from them on the financial question. Now I may be wrong, yet I can't escape the conviction that people who opposed the Republican ticket in June should get a record as Republicans again, before they are entitled to dictate the party management entirely.

Personally, I do not care two straws, no, not one, who shall be secretary of the committee. I am very certain that if Mr. Bourne shall conclude he cannot support McKinley, he will resign, as he should, but if he will work for McKinley's election, I cannot agree with you, that his free silver views will disqualify him. Every Republican who is opposed to independent free coinage will support McKinley no matter who is secretary; it will not drive those of contrary views out of the party to know that the secretary of the committee believes in independent free coinage, and yet supports McKinley, because he conceives him to represent principles of paramount importance. C. W. FULTON.

FOR LADIES AND CHILDREN.

Matinee This Afternoon to Swell the Regatta Fund.

Fisher's Opera House will be crowded this afternoon. A grand matinee, the proceeds of which will go to the annual regatta fund, will be given, under the direction of Mr. James McGrath, the well-known comedian. The best talent in the city will take part, and a treat is assured for the ladies and children. The matinee this afternoon will be the only performance. Mr. McGrath has worked faithfully to make the affair a success and will turn out in masses and assist in swelling the regatta fund. The prices of admission are very low—ladies, 50 cents; children 25 cents. Let all assist the great annual carnival by attending this afternoon. Remember, the performance begins at 2:30 sharp.

ATTENTION, W. C. T. U. LADIES AND THEIR FRIENDS.

The ladies of the Union are kindly requested to meet at the residence of the president, Mrs. Gearhart, on Monday at 2 p. m. for the purpose of sewing for a family by the name of Coffey, on Bear Creek, who but recently lost everything by fire. This family consists of seven children, so it will be seen that much is needed. Parties having anything to donate for this cause, are requested to leave the same at the above named place, where it will be gladly received. Assistance is solicited from ladies that can, to come and sew.

THE RED MEN.

The Great Council of Oregon, Imp. Or. Red Men, will convene in Portland on Tuesday, the 28th inst. Concomitantly, No. 7, will send the following members as delegates to the convention: Coroner Pohl, Captain Hallock, and L. Herring. Judge Cleveland, representative of the Great Council of the United States, will also be present.

TO HELP THE REGATTA.

Fisher's Opera House, Saturday matinee only, July 25th. Grand benediction to the regatta and firemen's tournament. A host of talent, assisted by the Astoria Military Orchestra of sixteen pieces. Come and enjoy yourself. Admission, children, 25c; adults, 50 cents. Tickets on sale at Strauss' Music Store.

TOM NAST NOT DEAD.

False Rumor Concerning the Well-Known Cartoonist. New York, July 24.—A rumor was current here today that Tom Nast, the celebrated cartoonist, had died suddenly. Investigation revealed the fact that the report was unfounded. Mr. Nast is in the best of health at his Morris-town residence.

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool, July 24.—Wheat, Spot, firm; demand, moderate; No. 2 red winter 1 1/4; No. 2 spring, 5s; No. 1 California, 5s 1d. Many is the leading tallo, and pays the highest cash price for fakes.

GENERALSHIP IS DISPLAYED

Cunning Scheme Concocted by the Middle-of-the-Road Faction.

VICE-PRESIDENT NAMED FIRST

A Sunked Ditch Engulfs Napoleon and His Eagles at Waterloo—Minority Report on Platform Is Adopted.

St. Louis, July 24.—The opposition to Sewall in the Populist convention practically swamped the Bryan forces at the day session of the convention by making it impossible to prevent a division of the Chicago ticket. The leaders were powerless to check the strong feeling against the shipbuilder and banker. They had carried the day in the committee on resolutions, in framing a comparatively moderate platform which they afterwards got through the convention with ease. Their strategy was skillfully displayed at other points. But the intense undecurrent feeling against Sewall was fatal to them. It was the sunken ditch, unmarked upon the battlefield, which, clutching with its muddy fingers at the wheels of his artillery, bore down Napoleon and his eagles at Waterloo.

Today the ditch was in open view. From the beginning it has gaped like a chasm athwart the path of the Bryan managers. In vain they attempted to bridge it. Moreover, today for the first time, the middle-of-the-road element displayed generalship worthy of the name. Recognizing the fact that all hope of defeating Bryan's nomination was lost, they concentrated all their efforts against Sewall. They did more; they devised a cunning scheme by which the convention was forced to nominate the vice-president before the president. It was an unprecedented thing and it served to mass the votes in favor of the Populist candidate for vice president and uncover them in advance, in the fear that if Bryan was nominated, the enthusiasm might break down the opposition to Sewall and stampede a majority of the votes for the Nebraska's running mate.

When the proposition was made to change the regular order of nominations the Bryan men strained every nerve to prevent it. They even pleaded. When the roll was called they rallied every vote at their command. Senator Butler, of North Carolina, is a powerful ally with the ninety-five votes of the old North state behind him, and Congressman Skinner, chairman of the delegation, cast the solid vote of the state against the change. When the vote was figured up, however, and he ascertained that there was a majority of twenty-six in favor of the proposition, under his direction, after a very pretty theatrical exhibition from Mr. Skinner, the vote of the delegation was cast for the proposition, and the anti-Sewall element of the delegation was forced to accept the nomination of a Populist for vice-president certain.

After a stormy session of nearly two hours the conference committee of the Populist and silver conventions adjourned without having reached any agreement. A committee was appointed from the two conventions to see if a mutual understanding could not be reached regarding the platform and presidential candidates. After much confusion, during which everybody wanted to speak at once, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the conference committee that a union of all forces, including the People's party, and free silver Democrats and Republicans is expedient, and should be effected at once for the purpose of achieving a victory for the advancement of free silver in November.

When this was adopted the conference adjourned. It was said by Mr. Baker that there were so many different views and requirements and the two parties were so widely apart in some points that a mutual platform could not be drawn up. After that the conference of the joint committee of the two conventions amounted to nothing and the silver convention promptly nominated Bryan and Sewall and adjourned sine die. The anti-Bryan men, although they presented a minority platform demanding irredeemable paper currency and crowded with bitter denunciation of the Democratic and Republican parties, did not attempt to press it after their victory. The majority report, which is moderate and contains a few radical propositions, such as the demand for a gradual assumption by the government of the ownership of railroads, and for direct legislation, through the initiative and referendum, was adopted without a division and the minority report laid on the table. The Democratic managers consulted, after it became evident that Sewall could not be nominated, and Bryan was communicated with by telegraph. Tom Patterson, of Colorado, who had possession of the telegram announcing

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GOLD RESERVE GROWING.

Over One Hundred and Three Millions Now.

Washington, July 24.—No gold went out for export today and the only withdrawals were domestic, \$307,100 in coin for hoarding and \$5,400 in gold bars. On the other hand \$1,490,000 in gold coin was deposited in the sub-treasury by New York bankers, making the gold reserve at the close of business stand at \$100,688,100.

Other financial centers are also coming forward to reinforce the treasury and today gold was offered in exchange for legal tenders to the amount of \$5,000,000. The director of the mint in answer to an inquiry has prepared a statement showing that as the full existing mint facilities of the country do not exceed an annual coinage of silver dollars exceeding \$40,000,000, not less than fourteen years would be consumed in replacing with silver dollars the gold now in circulation, supposing the latter is drawn away to Europe as has been predicted would follow the free coinage of silver, unless additional minting facilities are provided.

A WALL OF WATER.

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BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Patriotic Bankers Coming to the Relief of the Treasury.

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BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Unfavorable Crop Reports and Restricted Credits. New York, July 24.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Telegraphic and mail advices from commercial and industrial centers indicate a more unsatisfactory state of trade. Jobbers and retail houses show still further caution in the matter of securing supplies, buying for actual needs to a degree not heretofore reported. There is no outlook favoring an early revival of trade, while the volume of sales continues to be prices low, with a further restriction of credits. Unfavorable crop reports from Nebraska have caused the cancellation of some orders and long continued rains in Tennessee have checked business there. Eastern Washington and Oregon report that the long continued dry season has had an unfavorable effect on wheat. The industrial situation is somewhat more depressed, particularly in iron and steel. The business failures for the week number 250 throughout the United States against 255 last week and 219 in the same week a year ago. There are 21 failures reported throughout the Dominion of Canada this week against 23 last week and 25 in the same week a year ago. CAMPAIGN OPENS AUGUST 5. Omaha Chosen as the Place—Sherman to Stump the West. Cleveland, July 24.—Chairman Hanna, of the Republican executive committee, announces today that no advisory committee would be appointed. It was believed all along that there would be such a committee, as is customary. He would give no reason for his decision, but it is said to be because no satisfactory appointments to the committee could be made in New York owing to the relations between the Platt and the Hiss-Miller factions. The absence of advisory committee is deemed to be not of much moment as its duties are largely nominal. For the eastern headquarters of the executive, the Hotel Waldorf, in New York, has been chosen. Hanna will be there next week to confer with the eastern committee and will then go to Chicago. The opening meeting of the campaign will be at Omaha August 5, when Hon. Rowland G. Horr and Senator Burrows will speak. Senator Sherman will stump the west in opposition to free silver. GOLD DEMOCRATS. Have Issued a Call for Another National Convention. Special to the Astorian. Chicago, July 24.—The committee, appointed by the gold standard Democrats last night to prepare and issue a call for another convention, met today. After hours of discussion a majority report was prepared calling for a convention not later than September 2. A committee of five was selected to arrange for a state convention. The national committee is to meet at Indianapolis, August 2, to decide on the place of holding the national convention.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE