

## LETTER FROM LAMONT

The Secretary of War States His Position.

### COMMENT IS CAUSED THEREBY

Many Politicians Believe It Foreshadow the Action of the President—The Secretary's Note—Other News of the Presidential Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Secretary of War Lamont has sent the following telegram to W. D. Byrum, chairman of the executive committee of the gold Democrats, in response to an invitation to be present at the notification of Palmer and Buckner at Louisville, Sept. 12:

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Hon. William D. Byrum, Chairman, Etc.: I regret that I am unable to accept the invitation of your committee to be present at the notification to Senator John M. Palmer and Governor Simon B. Buckner of their nomination by the National Democratic party to president and vice president of the United States.

The outcome of the Indianapolis convention in candidates and platform is inspiring to every Democrat who refuses to abandon the principles established by the fathers and steadfastly maintained with pride and honor and who declines to adopt the new and strange creed proclaimed in a moment of delirium at Chicago and promptly recognized and ratified by the Populist party at St. Louis.

I prefer to keep the old faith and remain a Democrat and shall cast my vote for Palmer and Buckner.

D. S. LAMONT.

BRYAN AT HIS HOME

A Great Day of Parading, Shouting and Speech Making.

LINCOLN, Sept. 9.—An audience of 5,000 people heard Mr. Bryan speak here. He spoke from a stand erected on the north front of the State Capitol building. Over his head was a large photograph of him self, while in many of the office windows of the building lithograph likenesses of his Republican opponents, McKinley and Hobart, looked down upon the crowd. They had been placed there by some of the Republican state officers, who had locked the doors of their rooms and taken the key away. Bunting had been used profusely in the decoration of the Capitol, and four white horses were attached to the carriage in which the nominee was taken to the courthouse. Seated with him were Mrs. Bryan, Chairman Humphrey of the local reception committee, and Chairman Groot of the silver party's notification committee. A long procession escorted them from Postoffice square to the Capitol grounds and as they came in a salute was fired by a local battery. Men from this and other counties mounted on bronchos, formed a picturesque feature of the parade.

Campaign clubs in uniform and not in uniform, big wagons covered with free silver legends, carriages containing members of the notification and local reception committees interspersed with several brass bands composed the rest of the escort.

From the time Mr. Bryan reached this city at 11 o'clock in the morning until the tired crowds retired from the streets at a late hour there was parading galore through the streets by local and visiting campaign clubs, nearly all with brass bands in front. There was an escort composed from the Burlington depot to Mr. Bryan's residence; another procession that accompanied the candidate to a mass meeting in the State House grounds, and the third and greatest preceding the notification ceremonies.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan, George A. Groot, chairman of the notification committee, and Norris Humphrey of Lincoln rode together in the midst of the night parade.

Men in white duck uniforms, carrying flambeaux, formed a picturesque part of the display. They were members of the silver clubs from Lincoln and elsewhere in the state. A thousand mounted men were in line, and these with the silver capped organizations fired off sky rockets and Roman candles as they proceeded from the postoffice square along the principal streets to the State House.

All those members of the notification committee who came to Lincoln to attend the ceremonies were seated on the platform erected in the north front of the Capitol building when Mr. Bryan arrived.

The crowd gathered about the Capitol seemed many times larger than the audience of 5,000 that listened to Mr. Bryan in the afternoon.

Returns From Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, Sept. 9.—The Democracy of Arkansas has achieved the most complete victory in the history of the state. Never before was such an overwhelming majority given any gubernatorial candidate as that given General Daniel W. Jones and he was such a large vote polled in the state.

Conservative estimates based on partial returns place the total vote at 165,000 and give Jones a clear majority over all opposition of from 80,000 to 65,000.

The figures are coming in slowly and Democrats claim that when the back counties are all in Jones' majority will run above 70,000.

Many counties have no telegraph office and it may be several days before the official returns are all in. The unusual length of the ticket makes the counting very slow.

The Vice President For Bryan.

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The statement of Senator Jones in regard to Mr. Stevenson being "our ticket" was supplemented later on by a bulletin which makes it plain that the vice president promised to take the stump for the silverites.

Chairman Jones Elected.

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