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pany. He told the Helm committee of the Illinois legislature that it was not true, and I believe him.

"Also Weyerhauser was named, but I don't know which Weyerhauser."

Representative Swagar Sherley, of Kentucky introduced an amendment to the pure food and drugs act prohibiting false and misleading statements as to the curative value of a medicinal preparation on patent medicine labels.

OUR BIRD FRIENDS

Do you attend the morning concerts? If you do not then you have missed one of the soulful uplifts of Onawa. Our town, studded as it is with trees and shrubs, is the abiding place of thousands of song birds.

I hear, or think I do, some man or woman whose soul is dwarfed, and whose senses are dumb to the tunefulness and soulfulness of these early matins, turn aside in derision as if this part of creation has no part in the coarse fiber of their being—pity for the soul so poorly developed.

It is not strange that the being that can not praise, be it human or not, is lost to the sweetest and holiest of earth.

I love the laughter of the children, because it is tuned to the music of joy and innocence.

I love the singing of the boys and girls, because it floats from hearts that are vibrating the strains of love as it dwells in joyous souls.

I cherish the lullaby of the mother as she sings to the babe on her breast, because it is love from the heart's deepest fountain.

I love the hallelujahs of hymnology and the anthems of the masters, because they link in sublime grandeur the harmonies of earth and heaven.

I love the symphonies of the great orchestra as it reveals the possibilities of the tone world and brings to us the immortal strains as if borrowed from a realm all divine.

But, I turn to catch a glow of creation, in this the springtime of life, when it is renewing itself—when the resurrection of nature is bursting forth in the thousand avenues of creation in resplendent form.

But in it all there is nothing more charming than the matins of the bird creation, trilling and chanting their praises of thanksgiving.

Our own Missouri valley from mountain to plain is richly endowed with these feathered songsters of the air.

Their species run into the hundreds and their calls, chants and symphonies proclaim each bright morning their praise for the new born day.

I hear what seems to be a requiem longing for a lost or departed lover, and again I hear the twitter and the love song of the sparrow and thrush—the bravado of the bluejay, the tuneful and finished cadence of the martin and the bright praise of the lark, all tuned with nature's splendor, to which symphony of the masters have given listening ears that they might transplant for great orchestral effects, but only as an artist's brush is given vision to reproduce a sunset.—W. H. Wonder in the Onawa Democrat.

THE MEANING OUT

When Judge Gary says he would like to have the federal government supervise the business of the steel trust, he is merely expressing his confidence in the ability of the steel trust to manipulate the federal government. If the government fixed a price at which steel products could be sold, and permitted none to cut that price—as Gary desires—

it would furnish the easiest method in the world for making ineffective the competition of the independents. Judge Gary has full faith and confidence that the price fixed by a standpat government—and like a true son of Privilege, he can imagine no other sort—would be ample to provide dividends on the \$1,200,000,000 of watered securities issued by the overtopping steel corporation. And he realizes that nothing short of governmental power can pay premiums on nothingness much longer.

It is a very fine scheme—for Judge Gary. But the American people still believe that government has plenty of work without pulling the steel trust chestnuts out of the fire. And as for the regulation of prices, why not try to regulate them by letting them alone? Why not give us absolute free trade in steel and steel products, and then, after a few years' experiment, see whether prices needed regulating?—Denver News.

POLITICS AND BUSINESS

The democratic majority in the house of representatives has so far eschewed politics and paid strict attention to business. It has made a record for quick work which stands without a parallel in the history of that body. This record can be continued providing the democrats continue to give attention to business.

The democratic program has included a reduction of the duties of schedule "K," known as the wool schedule. The reduction proposed has in many respects been radical because the wool industry of the country, controlled by the trust, has manipulated in such a way as to increase the cost of wearing apparel. The purpose has been to reduce the cost of living. But this purpose has been somewhat shaken by the protest of the trust which has threatened reprisals in case too radical reductions in duties are made. The threats have somewhat disturbed Champ Clark, speaker of the house, who has presidential aspirations.

Mr. Clark was a party to the tentative program of the democratic caucus in which radical reductions in the wool schedule were decided upon. He is as much bound by the decision of that caucus as any other democrat who attended it, political aspirations to the contrary notwithstanding. He can make no greater mistake now than to engage in a game of politics for his own advancement, at the expense of his party and the business of the country.—Pennsylvania Grit.

WELCOME TO MR. BRYAN

It will be a great pleasure to welcome Mr. Bryan to Des Moines today.

He comes to lay the cornerstone of the new Young Men's Christian association building and this will not be a perfunctory service, for no man has stood for manliness in private life more conspicuously.

He comes to make a few brief remarks about the general character of the republican administration, and it will be a relief to listen to a witty democratic arraignment, after so many months of rasping republican arraignment.

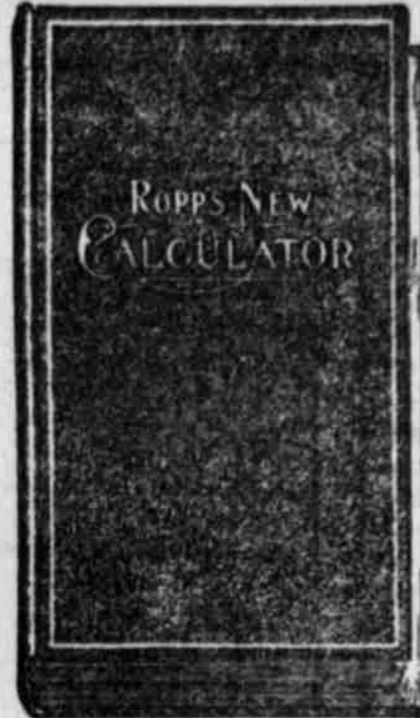
He comes finally to give us some hint of the democratic situation, and for once the country is genuinely interested in what the democrats propose to do, and in what Mr. Bryan proposes to do.

It is not unlikely that Mr. Bryan will say something tonight that will be heard a great deal beyond the walls of the banqueting room. The time, the place and the man are well met, and this is the psychological moment.

Welcome to Mr. Bryan.—Des Moines (Iowa) Register and Leader (rep.)

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