



Ithica (N. Y.) Democrat. The trusts fear nothing now. They regard gratitude as a safe hitching post.

Rockville (Ind.) Tribune: There are 18,000 words in the president's message. And yet it contains a complaint about the unnecessary amount of printing occasioned by over voluminous public records.

York (Neb.) Democrat: We have too many judges with a life tenure already. Instead of adding to the number as proposed, we should make them all elective for terms of years.

York (Neb.) Democrat: It is a little disappointing that the president has turned over his strenuous anti-railroad campaign to the tender mercies of the vice president of the Santa Fe.

Rockville (Ind.) Tribune: The greenback that fought the union war is to share the same fate, a la Roosevelt, as that of General Miles—it is to be retired. There are other things that will be retired some of these days.

Hardy (Ark.) Herald: We have inspired assurance from Harper's Weekly that "President Roosevelt will revise the tariff for the benefit of all the people." This lets congress out by obviating the necessity of an extra session, or even of this one.

Millheim (Pa.) Journal: After much heralding of President Roosevelt's prepared policy of tariff revision, the president himself offers no tariff policy when his message reaches the delivering stage. He treads softly, very softly, and carries no club wherewith to whack tariff robbery.

Rockville (Ind.) Tribune: Republicans can only point to a bell, a flag, to some emblem that teaches of the

glorious past. They dare not apply enduring principles to the present, for "prosperity" is well along in its course of "breeding tyrants."

Astoria (Ill.) Argus: Democracy does not need to wait until 1908 to define its principles and begin its fight. Let the battle begin at once.

Maryville (Mo.) Forum: Grover Cleveland did not need to put his ear to the ground to hear "safe and sane" democracy hit the bottom with a dull thud.

Lubbock (Tex.) Avalanche: The democrats must reorganize and put up a man who has something to fight for. The "gold dust twins" are the same as one.

Carrollton (Ill.) Gazette: Will the democrats of Illinois again permit themselves to be Hopkinized? This is no dead issue and should be generally discussed.

Mt. Gilead (O.) Union Register: A man has been dismissed from the post-office for impertinence. They don't dismiss them for graft unless the public gets onto it.

Fairbury (Neb.) Journal: There is no place for an aristocracy in a republic, neither an aristocracy of birth nor of wealth. If some are to control and spend great wealth, the others must carry them on their shoulders and at times the load will become very galling.

Blackwater (Mo.) News: In 1900 Bryan received 2,756 votes in Cooper county, and McKinley 2,730. In 1904 Parker received 2,488 to Roosevelt's 2,766. Roosevelt got but ten more votes this time than did Bryan four years ago, while Parker got 268 fewer

votes than Bryan. Dash dash a gold-bug to dash, anyway!

Monroe (Ga.) Tribune: Let us have peace in the democratic party—but not with the republican party.

Monroe (Ga.) Tribune: The democratic party should "go democratic" as a preliminary preparation for future battles with the enemy.

Greencastle (Ind.) Star-Democrat: The protective tariff tax on tin is still on; it has been on for several years, else the Juniata Tin Plate mill at Commercial Place would not have been built; because of tariff the trust is sufficiently powerful to keep the plant out of business. And that's no lie.

Valley Falls (Kan.) Farmer: Democracy has faced defeat more than once, and came up stronger than ever. There is encouragement for democrats in the returns, strange as it may seem to those who do not look below the surface. This is the time to begin the work of preparation for the battle of 1908.

Howells (Neb.) Journal: The price of grain and hogs has made a steady decline ever since the re-election of Roosevelt. If Parker had won, what a howl would have gone up, and it would all have been charged to a lack of confidence. Will some republican brother please explain what is the matter now?

New Albany (Ind.) Public Press: The Public Press' idea of what is necessary in order that the democratic party may ever again win a national victory is, that the party must stand for something the people want; it must establish confidence in the public mind that some good will come as a result of democratic ascendancy; it must be purged of its political trickery and must be honest in primaries, conventions and general elections; it must show that success to the democratic party means more than the giving of the offices to the democrats; that the

conditions will be better under democratic rule than under republican rule; and the party leaders must be sincere in these matters before they can have any hope of convincing the people that the democratic way is better.

Belvidere (N. J.) Journal: It would give the beef trust a resounding punch in the short ribs if the tariff duty on imported hides were abolished. Every man, woman and child who wears shoes would reap a modicum of benefit. Why not hit the trust where it would hurt? Why not lift a burden from the shoulders of both manufacturers and consumers?

Bellefonte (Pa.) Watchman: The Colorado republicans who couldn't reelect labor-crusher Peabody by honest means are now banking on the fact that they have the militia and the supreme court, and with their power can accomplish what they failed to do at the election—count him in by force. And yet there are people who think there is no need of a hell.

Pukwana (S. D.) Press-Reporter: We believe that the next national democratic convention will not nominate a man because he is the pet of men who are now and have been for years persona non grata, so far as democracy is concerned, and who helped wreck the party when it was on a sure road to victory simply because they were not allowed to dominate.

Farmington (Ia.) Herald: When these questions are squarely put before the American people to study and ponder; when the democratic party will stand for definite reforms and relegate the Wall street and corporation agents and political grafters to the rear, and give the people a definite platform, and an honest, earnest candidate, known to be in full sympathy with the masses of the people, to relieve them of the burdens of the money trust, the railroad and the coal trust, the overfed tariff trusts, etc., then it will sweep the country like a Kansas cyclone.

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