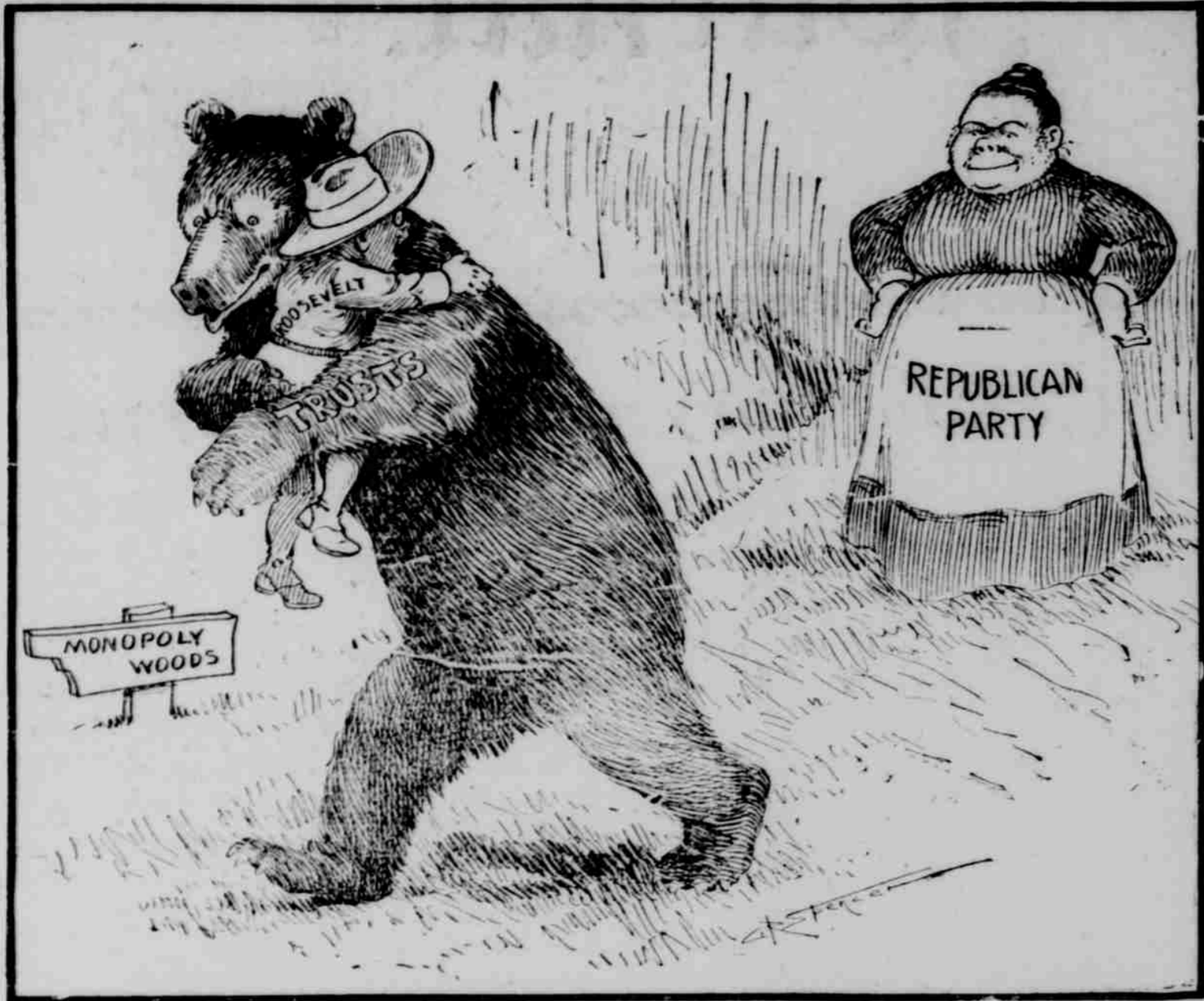


"BUT THIS MOTHER DOES NOT SHOOT."



[Special to The Record-Herald.]—St. Joseph, Mich.—The brave act of a mother saved the life of her child from a terrible death near Prescott yesterday. Mrs. Frank Gray took her family of four children, was picking berries, when a large black bear appeared. The three elder children ran to the house, leaving the baby under a tree. The bear picked it up and started off with it, when the frightened mother secured a rifle and shot the animal dead.

Commoner Comment.

ON MAMMON'S SIDE. The Milwaukee Sentinel seems anxious to earn a front place among the champions of organized wealth. It recently published an interview with Mr. Bryan and then quoting a part of the interview proceeded to make an ultra-corporation argument on the questions referred to. Here is what the Sentinel quoted: "The money question must be an issue so long as the money changers attempt to run the treasury department in their own interests, and the labor question must also be an issue, involving as it does both arbitration and government by injunction."

the republican leaders steadfastly refuse to consider the question; the sentiment in favor of voluntary arbitration is growing and will ultimately triumph. If, in the meantime, there are disturbances, lock-outs, boycotts or bloodshed, the responsibility will not rest upon those who seek to establish just and peaceable means for the adjustment of differences, but upon those who serve and syphon wealth upon the backs of Mammon who insolently assault all remedial legislation. The Sentinel will praise the president for suggesting the arbitration of one strike after the loss of one hundred millions of dollars, but it condemns Mr. Bryan for advocating arbitration as a means of settling all labor disputes without the necessity for a strike.

acquainted with the record and the merits of a man like Judge Clark. The New York World is so astonished at the obscurity of the men whom the Commoner has mentioned in connection with the presidency that it expressed its indignation in a cartoon entitled "The Little Unknowns from Nowhere." One of the men mentioned in "The Commoner" is a United States senator, and has been both a governor and a congressman; another is Mayor of Cleveland and has four times defeated Mark Hanna in his home city; another has been a prominent member of congress for ten years from one of the great states of the union, and was his party's choice for United States senator in the last legislature, and the fifth is mayor of one of the leading southern cities.

THE TARIFF ISSUE.

JUDGE TAFT MAKES PLEA FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Congress May Be Forced to Make Concessions to the Cubans and the Filipinos, but Relief for the People of the United States Is Not Likely. The last congress refused to pass the bill to reduce the tariff rates on importation from the Philippine islands and all the protectionists were in a great state of glee about it. Although the flag waves over the unfortunate islands, they are treated by the Republican leaders as a foreign country.

Happy New Zealand.

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Uncle Thomas Too Modest.

It is commendably modest in Uncle Thomas Platt, asked whom he deems the most astute statesman of his day, to reply by naming Senator Quay. It is, however, modesty at the expense of accuracy. Mr. Quay is not the most astute statesman of the present day. He is not to be compared with the venerable Uncle Thomas in any particular.

How Carnegie Catches Suckers.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie is a son of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde man on the tariff question. In this country he is a high-protectionist and has probably made over \$300,000,000 out of tariff duties in iron and steel. In fact, he probably has more tariff profits in his breeches or bank than any other man. He has shown his appreciation of our tariff generosity by giving nearly \$100,000,000 of his protected profits back to us in library buildings, etc. Or perhaps the amount returned is a "conscience fund," instead of a "thank you."

Peace for a Time.

Gen. Davis thinks that our forces in the Philippines may safely be reduced considerably, and that there will be nothing special doing in our colonial possessions until a new crop of "ladrones" is ripe for the harvest—the old stock having climbed the golden stair via the Krag-Jorgensen route.

Two Postoffice Systems.

Dr. Iyemaga says that the postal system of Japan is more highly developed than that of this country. It is more efficient, it produces more tonnage more active than Tyner Beavers & Co., though Dr. Iyemaga probably does not mean development of that particular kind.

Trust Question Being Settled.

An occasional dull boom from down New York way marks the explosion of another "useful and necessary combination of capital." The trust question, as Uncle Hanna predicted, is settling itself, but not precisely as Uncle Hanna expected it would.

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