

# The Plattsmouth Journal

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THE democratic party itself couldn't have helped Bryan so much as that Chicago convention did.

BRYAN had the best chance yet before that Chicago convention. And his chances are four hundred per cent better since.

You don't hear republicans say as much about "sound money" as you used to. Things have changed since congress adjourned.

THE next president of the United States will be nominated at Denver and elected by votes which cannot be delivered under the "modern economy" system of controlling the market.

DEMOCRATS and all others who know that business means business will go on prospering to fill the dinner bucket with prosperity, without stopping to read platforms published to apologize for panic.

MAKE up your mind to bring your entire family to Plattsmouth on the Fourth. We guarantee you the finest time you ever enjoyed at our Fourth of July celebration.

No doubt President Roosevelt looks forward eagerly to that African lion hunt. His recent chase after the "alikes" was as exciting as pot-shooting a heard of harmless herbivora.

No delegation at Denver will represent a flying wedge with a foot ball champion at the apex and no hatchet used as part of the operation of the machine of federal officeholders will be offered in evidence.

It will be worth the trip to Denver to see a national platform made. The declaration of principles of democracy will be made on the ground and it will be impossible to give it to the press 60 hours in advance of its adoption.

THE delegates at Chicago didn't hear the platform read and they didn't know what it contained. But they did know that Theodore wanted it and what they would get if they didn't obey Theodore's orders. So it was adopted.

HAVELOCK will not celebrate this year, and as that city is made up of former Plattsmouth people, of course they all know where to come to have a good time and visit with the "old folks at home." They know where they are welcomed.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT will never be able to find forgiveness for Senator Burrows, who in his keynote speech described the greatest character in the world's history and at the crucial and psychological moment, forgot the gentleman's name.

THE managers of the Fourth of July celebration in Plattsmouth are leaving nothing undone that is calculated to make visitors happy on that great day. An interesting program will continue from early morn till dewy eve, and then comes the greatest display of fireworks ever witnessed on any similar occasion.

SINCE the programmes and big bills have been printed, several more attractions have been added to the Fourth of July events, among which is a free trapeze performance. The managers are determined to have plenty of amusements and they are sparing neither time nor money to please the immense crowd of people that will be here on the glorious Fourth.

UNDER the Dingley law for the past ten months reported before the republican nomination for president, our import trade lost \$180,000,000 on the previous ten months. This, however, is not 20 percent of the total assessed for taxation as the expenditures for a single year of republican administration. By a somewhat remarkable coincidence the total value of our whole imports for ten months is \$1,013,000,000, almost evenly balancing the appropriations of the Cannon Congress.

As it was all prepared before hand, why not call it a platform?

OUR governor received ten votes for vice president in the Chicago convention. That is ten more than the governor of Iowa got.

THE Fourth of July is rapidly drawing near, and the nearer it approaches the more convinced the Journal becomes that nearly everybody is coming to Plattsmouth to celebrate.

THERE is something about the "tariff revision" plank of the republican platform which is going to make the interests which profit by the high tariff mighty friendly to the republican candidate.

THE new additions to the attractions on the Fourth of July have been secured at a great expense, but the managers of the celebration in Plattsmouth this year are untiring in their efforts to please the immense crowd that will be here to enjoy the great day.

A BOOM has been started in Iowa for Jerry Sullivan as a running mate of Mr. Bryan's. Jerry is all right in every way for vice president, but it is putting the candidates too close together, and doesn't give the other sections of the country a fair show. It would be undemocratic, to say the least.

THE Journal desires to inform its friends in the country the celebration on the Fourth will be held in Garfield park, where all the exercises will come off. People who bring their dinner will have fine shade and plenty of ice water. The program at the park has been arranged especially for those who come to hear the orations, good music, etc. You are not compelled to stand out in the hot sun this year.

OF course, a president who has the power to raise and lower tariff rates, "within certain limitations," would be likely to be right vicious in reducing the tariff on articles made by concerns which furnish the money for his campaign. Or, if he couldn't be, the Roosevelt platform was drafted upon the assumption that the public would believe that he would damage his wearing apparel in his efforts to accomplish the reduction.

THE Lincoln Star (rep.) says: "The republican national ticket presents the peculiar combination of a man who represents, heart and soul, the policies that have endeared Theodore Roosevelt to the American people, and a man who has been the opponent, in almost every case, of the Roosevelt measure in the house. The presence of James S. Sherman on the national ticket may do no harm, but either if the temper of delegates who voted for and against him is considered, will it be good."

SINCE the Chicago convention there is no question as to Mr. Bryan carrying Nebraska. This being a settled question, a great work devolves upon the democracy of the state to make the victory complete by the election of the entire state ticket. If we make a great mistake in the selection of a candidate for governor, in this alone comes a great drawback to the success of the entire ticket. Mr. Bryan should not be hampered by a candidate that will be a pull-back during the entire campaign, and in the end pull the party down to defeat. A man is not a true and good democrat who will insist upon being a candidate simply because he thinks he can get the nomination and that Mr. Bryan is able to pull him through. Give us a popular candidate for governor—one who has never been a candidate before, and is a good campaigner, and the democratic flag will be carried on to victory in November.

THE republican national platform is a mingled platitude of brags. It pictures the woes that would have come to the country under democratic rule, and it parades the blessings that a republican administration has showered upon us. But this is merely the bombast of politics which commands no consideration from the serious student of political affairs. And where thoughtful consideration is not invited criticism would be wasted. So this platform may be accepted as it was intended. It is a concession to tradition and nothing more. Except in respect to the tariff programme no new policy is outlined and the document may be consigned to that oblivion for which its makers destined it.

THE democratic national convention looks more and more like a love-feast all the time.

A GOODLY number of Cass county democrats are making arrangements to attend the Denver convention.

GARFIELD park is where all the exercises will take place on the Fourth. No standing out in the hot sun this year.

It is beginning to be suspected that somebody dropped a few "rocks" on the campaign fund publicity plank at Chicago.

FROM the present indications a large number of Plattsmouth people will attend the big Log Rolling a Elmwood Saturday. It is a fine trip to take.

THE republican candidate for vice president, James S. Sherman, is a very sick man at Cleveland, Ohio, and his friends are considerably worried at his present condition.

The "frost" that the Taft and Sherman ticket is receiving in the middle west is causing some alarm among the money bags of the east. The enthusiasm is at a very low ebb.

KANSAS CITY STAR: It is safe to say that the temporary chairman of the Denver convention will not be some ossified senator who will make a studious effort to avoid mention of Mr. Bryan's name.

THE democrats of Georgia done a very wise thing in their convention yesterday in refusing to endorse Tom Watson as a candidate for vice president on the democratic ticket. The democratic party owe Tom Watson nothing. He has done nothing but appose it for years.

IN the nomination of Congressman James S. Sherman, of New York, is a stroke in the direction of elimination of Rooseveltism. The G. O. P. has thrown off the mantle of "Progression" and returned to the old order of "Reactionism." New York had to be quieted, and, evidently in doing so, they have done much to engender discord in the party west of the Mississippi river.

THE harvester trust shows a net profit for 1907 of 8 million dollars; 4 million dividend and \$3,800,000 reserve for bat-terments after paying all expenses. How do you, Mr. Farmer, like that? You contribute every cent of the money and you have been voting men into office who pretend to be against the trusts—trust busters in words—and yet not a trust put out of business and not a thing they make put on the free list. Is it not about time you were getting active and doing some thinking.

### Something Queer About This!

(Chicago Inter-Ocean, Rep.)

In the recent telegraphic correspondence between the Hon. W. J. Bryan and the Hon. W. H. Taft, with reference to campaign fund publicity, it was generally understood that Mr. Taft had come out of the controversy with flying colors.

Mr. Bryan had undertaken to entrap, or, at least, to embarrass, Mr. Taft, by taking him unawares, but Taft was fully awake to the necessity of being in accord with the highest professions on this important question, and he not only put himself on record more completely, but more forcibly than the democratic chieftain.

Mr. Taft's reply in this instance was another demonstration of the superior moral courage and the superior ability of Rooseveltian leadership. All political observers thought they perceived at once that in the event of his nomination Mr. Taft's campaign fund, at least, would be kept free from the taint of predatory wealth, from the polluting influence of the unscrupulous corporation, from the debauching persuasions of the wealthy malefactor.

Yet in the republican national convention on Thursday of fourth-six votes of the state of Ohio which not only willingly but cheerfully acknowledged the Hon. W. H. Taft as their sole owner—the forty-six votes that were absolutely at his disposal to do as he pleased with at any time—were cast on a special roll call solidly against the proposal to make public all contributions to national campaign funds.

Of course, there is something queer here. What it is we do not know, but we surmise it would be uncharitable to guess.

# E. G. DOVEY & SON

Every Man, Woman and Child are Talking About the

## 4th in Plattsmouth!

We hear it by letter and by 'phone. We hear them talk about it in our store. That is right! We want them to come to Plattsmouth and have a good time. Every merchant is helping to make it a day of pleasure to any one who comes. You will see them out among you, for they are a jolly good lot. They want you to have a celebration you will remember with pleasure for a long time to come. Our Shoe Department is turning out 4th of July Shoes now, and we have them in Whites, Tans and Blacks, and once in a while you buy a pair and when you go to pay for them we refuse the money. Why? Pop the question.

# E. G. DOVEY & SON

GREATLY as Europe is reported to be delighted at Taft's nomination, it must be always remembered that the only Europeans whose sentiments will count in the November voting are those who have become naturalized in the United States.

As democrats wend their way to Denver they will have the proud satisfaction of knowing that every foot of the ground they travel over west of the Mississippi River, and on to the Pacific, was acquired for the union by the democratic party.

IN 1892 the republican machine, with Harrison in control, attempted to run its steam roller over all who objected to its plans for stopping the clock. The reply to Washington questions about 1908 as 1892 over again is that the clocks did not stop in 1892.

MR. BRYAN's discovery that the Chicago injunction plank is only an endorsement of the existing law on the subject, and not a demand for its amendment, has a tendency to jar the confidence of some people in the sincerity of republican platform builders.

THE great quadrennial council of the democratic party will be in session at Denver two weeks from Tuesday. One of the fundamental essentials in which it will differ from the Chicago gathering of last week is that it will say what it means and mean what it says.

TAFT's nomination makes things look brighter for Bryan, although the steel trust and other large corporations will do all they possibly can with their barrel to convince the people otherwise. In other words they have fooled the people before and think they can do it again.

THE warning of the surgeon general of the United States ought to be necessary to check homicidal insanity on the Fourth of July. Still his figures of from 80 to 92 per cent of deaths from lockjaw due to wounds from blank cartridge pistols and cannon crackers are an appeal to the common sense of parents.

NATIONAL candidates who are warranted to smile and look pleasant as a means of increasing republican prosperity may have their uses, but the optimism which distributes a square deal and a square meal to their dinner buckets emptied in spite of smiles will continue to reach its results through the perspiration which reduces weight.

THERE are many reasons why the people are all coming to Plattsmouth on the Fourth of July. In the first place we have more attractions than any other place in the county. Second, the celebration will be held in one of the prettiest parks in the state. Third, we have two good bands and two good orators of the day—Governor George L. Sheldon and Judge Oldham.

## DAILY PERSONAL NEWS

Short Items of Interest, From Monday Evening's Daily Journal

T. H. Pollock was looking after some business matters at Ashland this morning.

George L. Friedrich, of Lincoln, was looking after some legal business in the city this morning.

Isodore Sitzman, of Cedar Creek, was looking after some business matters in the city this morning.

Adam Kaffenberger was a visitor in the city this morning, looking after some business matters.

Miss Kittie Smith returned this morning from a visit of some time with relatives in Council Bluffs.

Miss Verna Leonard returned home this morning from a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Worley, at Lincoln.

Miss Marie Kaufmann, of Cedar Creek was a visitor in the city this morning, looking after some business matters.

Miss Hattie Fight returned this morning from Omaha, where she has been visiting with friends for the past few days.

Hans Tams and C. A. Welch departed for York this morning, where they will work for the Burlington on the station carpenter gang.

Eugene Tighe, of Havelock, departed for his home this morning, after having visited in the city over Sunday, a guest at the home of his grandfather, Conrad Schlater.

H. G. Van Horn and wife departed for Omaha this morning, where Mr. Van Horn will look after some business in the line of purchasing supplies for his music store here, while Mrs. Van Horn will visit with friends.

W. R. Scull and brother, H. E. Scull, of Iowa, who are here putting in a moving picture theatre in the building formerly occupied by Claus Speck, were visitors in Omaha this morning.

Mrs. W. R. Skinner, after having visited in the city, a guest at the home of her parents, Herman Herold and wife, for some time, departed for her home at Lincoln this morning. Her daughter, Minnie, will remain and visit for some time.

O. W. Meisner, of Grand Island, departed for his home this morning, after having visited in the city for the past few days, the guest at the home of J. G. Hoffman.

P. C. Hansen was a visitor at home over Sunday with his mother and sisters yesterday from Omaha, where he is working, returning to his duties on the early train this morning.

Casper J. Tygeson and wife of Nebraska City, are rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby boy which came to their home yesterday morning. All concerned are doing nicely.

Rev. Hancock, of the Holy Rosary catholic church, was a visitor in Wilber over Sunday, delivering the sermon at the church at that place yesterday, and returning home last evening.

Mrs. L. L. Porter and daughter were visitors in Omaha this afternoon.

W. W. Coates was looking after some business matters in Omaha this afternoon.

Mrs. Peter Carlson returned this afternoon from a visit with friends in Pacific Junction.

C. W. Baylor departed this afternoon for Scribner, where he takes up his work on the road.

C. C. Woodworth of Omaha was a visitor in the city this morning, looking after the paving matters.

Chas. Mapes departed this afternoon for Clayton, New Mexico, near which place he has a homestead.

Henry Herold was a visitor this afternoon in Omaha, where he has some business matters to look after.

F. M. Young, jr., of near Murray, was a visitor in the city this morning, looking after some business matters.

Miss Lillian Bookmeyer was a passenger to Omaha this afternoon, where she is giving musical instructions.

Mrs. Sue Morris and daughter, Miss Jean, departed this afternoon for their future home at Spokane, Washington.

Mrs. A. L. Anderson departed this afternoon for Omaha, where she will visit for a short time with her mother.

Miss Barbara Ptak departed for Sioux City this morning, called there by the sickness of Mr. T. O. Schroeder, the husband of her sister.

James Fitzgerald departed this afternoon for Bridgeport, where he will superintend the making of hay on the Schlater-Fitzgerald ranch.

Mr. W. H. Curtiss, father of J. L. Bates departed for his home at Dunlap, Iowa, this morning, after having visited with his daughter for the past week.

George Smith, general foreman of the Burlington shops at McCook, departed for his home this morning, after having visited for some time in the city and other points.

Ben Beckman departed this afternoon for Omaha, where he goes to see his son, Jacob, who is in the hospital at that point and where he will be operated upon for appendicitis tomorrow.

W. J. White, H. A. Schenider, and Rev. Canon Burgers were passengers to Omaha this afternoon to attend a banquet given as a welcome to the new bishop of the Episcopal church of Nebraska.

Henry J. Helps, Master Mechanic of the Burlington shops at this place, has resigned his position, effective July 1st, and will go to Los Angeles, California, to engage in the real estate business with his brother Arthur.

Mrs. J. W. Ruffner, of Omaha, and Mrs. Bora Ray, of Chicago, came down from Omaha last Saturday evening and visited in the city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Ruffner, returning to Omaha last evening on the Missouri Pacific.