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MEARNS recently threw a bomb in the republican ranks in Ohio by a bitter attack upon Foraker. Foraker must enjoy seeing Taft's assistant assailing him thus while the candidate himself tells him all's well.

The campaign in the east has reached a fever heat. The demonstrations for Bryan have spread terror in the republican ranks and all along the line, the militant democracy is battling for the rights of the people with unabated vigor. A victory is in the air.

The democratic party has at last gotten together. Yesterday at Rochester the spectacle was presented to the nation of Judge Alton B. Parker, the candidate of the party four years ago for president, and William J. Bryan the candidate this year standing side by side and battling for the rights of the people. This means victory and the redemption of the country.

DEMOCRATIC candidate Maguire for congress in this district has been busy making preparations for his attack on Congressman Pollard and will soon open up. And Maguire means business, too. He will shell the Nehawka man out of the bushes and make him say whether he is for Cannon or not. If he is for Cannon then the people don't want him.

NEVER before were the conditions so promising in this country as at present. Good crops and fine conditions mean that there must be work for all. The republican attempt to scare the people and create a panic must fail. There is no reason on earth for a panic and none can last no matter who is president.

So far seven o'clock agreement has proven effective although it is but a few days old, but there is no reason why it cannot be effective. The day is long enough for all legitimate purposes and when the hour comes, the parties both merchant and clerk are tired enough to be benefited by stopping. In the case of banks the hours are much shorter yet no one complains.

THE republicans this week have begun proclaiming that they will endorse the bank deposit guaranty in their state platform. How can these people read their national candidate's speech upon this subject and take this action. Is it because they know Taft is wrong or because they intend to carry out their platform promises. And if Taft is wrong in this case as they say he is, why is he not wrong in others.

YESTERDAY Col. Bryan invaded Delaware and poured hot shot into the steel corporation. From the monster crowds which greeted him in that state and the warmth of the welcome extended it would seem the people of that commonwealth have come to realize that he is the man of the hour. Delaware is likely to return to the fold after years of wandering and cast its electoral vote for the great Commoner.

After a vain attempt to stir up trouble in the democratic and independent ranks over the gubernatorial nomination, the republicans have abandoned the attempt. They found that "Jim" Dahlgren was too good a man and a democrat to be misled by them and they found that George Berge was too good a man and independent to be bamboozled by their false statements. The democracy and independents today are lined up solid behind Ashton C. Shallenberg and he is the coming governor of Nebraska.

YESTERDAY at Rochester, N. Y. William J. Bryan scored another great triumph. His reception and the ovation accorded him was something tremendous and served to show that he is the man of the democracy and the choice of the people. From every indication at hand it is sure of the electoral vote of New York as well as that of the great west of the middle west. The boom comes every day and there is no stopping the tidal wave which is sweeping across the white house, the greatest of American statesmen William J. Bryan.

A general poll full of free soup is not the best sign of prosperity.

It has been estimated that 750 cradles call at the White house annually. And this does not include members of congress.

Will the republicans favor the guarantee deposit plan in their state platform? Perhaps they will, perhaps the won't.

The greatest handicap the republicans are suffering this year is the fact that it is always difficult to explain things to a man who is hungry.

All the "known abuses" which Mr. Taft says have "grown up," came under republican administration. They can be corrected only by a change and the election of Bryan.

From all reports the county ticket in this county seems to be almost certain of election throughout. This is because the candidates who have been named are all sterling, upright and worthy men and deserve the suffrages of the citizens. A vote for them is a vote for worthy men, and will be regretted by no one.

REPORTS from all sections of the county are to the effect that the democratic county ticket is gaining strength daily. This is as it should be. The ticket is a strong, clean one and there is no reason why it should not be elected. The legislative nominees represent the people and a vote for them is a vote for the right principals of legislation. The county attorney candidate is an exceptionally strong one with every qualification in his favor and the candidate for commissioner is one of the best men in the county. No matter what your politics are, these men are the right ones to vote for as they represent the things you know are right.

ALL the republican leaders profess to feel immensely pleased at the result in Maine. This is quite likely true as they probably looked for the state to go democratic. In no other way can they find consolation in the figures. For the first time in twenty-five years the majority has sunk below eight thousand. It has been said that the only question under discussion was the re-submission of the prohibition question but this doesn't account for the wonderful slump in the republican vote for congressman, one of their candidates barely saving his seat by a scant majority. There may be consolation in this for the republicans but as a certain ancient statesman said "Another such victory and we are undone."

"Good Times Ever Since." "I am going to vote for Bryan," says a man. Someone asked him to give a reason. "I voted for him twice," says the man, and we have had good times ever since."—Republican Exchange.

Yes; the farmers recall the good times they enjoyed last year when hogs, cattle and horses slumped in price until they could neither sell nor give them away. The times were so good that Secretary Shaw of Roosevelt's cabinet, declared in a public address, that the panic of 1907 was the most wide spread and far-reaching in the history of the country. It was so disastrous that the administration was forced to resort to "wildcat" currency to tide over the financial depression. Indeed so hard pressed was the administration that even railroad bonds were made the basis for the insurance of money—something never before done in the history of the country. Yes; we have had "good times ever since" for the money-loaners and stock gamblers.

Olney Favors Bryan. Below will be found extracts from a letter from Richard Olney, ex-Secretary of State under Cleveland. This letter was written to the New York World in answer to a query from them as to which candidate deserved election. As Olney was Cleveland's most favored cabinet officer, the letter may be regarded as the view of the gold democracy. He is also one of the soundest statesmen in the country and the author of the famous Venezuela ultimatum to England, the masterpiece of American diplomacy of recent years. He writes as follows: "You ask for my views upon the desirability of supporting the Democratic national candidate in the coming Presidential election.

"The question is, ought the Republican party to be defeated in the pending Presidential campaign? That is the issue now before the American people, in comparison with which all others are insignificant. "No more need the personalities of the respective candidates be considered, although a desire to bring them to the front is indicated by a recent manifesto from Oyster Bay lauding to the skies the personal traits of Mr. Taft. "But the truth is that each is simply the representative of his party. Each, if elected, will be the creature of his party; each, if elected, will and must obey the behests of his party. In short, ours is a government by party, and at the coming national election it is a party and not merely individuals that the American people are about to keep or place in the seats of power. "The truth is that when good business is due in this country, as abundant experience shows, it is generally apt to arrive, whatever be the political situation. "After a long period of hysteria, what the country is most pining for is rest—what its business prosperity most needs is stable business conditions. If the Taft Presidency means a perpetuation of the unsettling, exciting and perturbed conditions and controversies which have characterized the Roosevelt administration, if Taft is to be a second Roosevelt as he and his friends represent and promise, the advance of the looked-for prosperity boom will be delayed as much as politics is able to delay it. "The foregoing, among other considerations, seems to me to show quite decidedly that there is nothing in the Taft candidacy to justify or excuse Democrats in acting with the Republican party in the coming national election. On the other hand, there are sufficient grounds why not only Democrats, but even Republicans who do not make a fetish of party allegiance may reach the conclusion that the Republican party itself, as well as the country at large, will be benefited by the defeat of the party next November."

Lesson In Maine Election. The returns from the September election in Maine is awaited every four years with a great deal of anxiety by the leaders of both parties. They hold that these furnish a fairly accurate barometer as to how the country will go in November.

If Maine goes republican by 20,000 or more, it is taken to mean that republican sentiment is in the ascendancy throughout the country. If the majority falls under that figure, the elephant knows that he has a fight on his hands.

Last Monday the returns from all the cities and 400 towns and plantations gave the republicans a majority of 6,584, the smallest in more than a quarter of a century. Here are the figures on the vote for governor last Monday and four years ago:

Table with 2 columns: Party and Votes. Republican (1908) 68,300; Democratic (1908) 61,616; Republican majority 6,684; Republican (1904) 70,882; Democratic (1904) 46,712; Republican majority 24,170; Decrease of majority 17,486; Republican vote (1904) 70,882; Republican vote (1908) 68,300; Republican loss 2,582; Democratic vote (1904) 46,712; Democratic vote (1908) 61,616; Democratic gain 14,904.

Turn them, twist them as you please, there is no comfort for republicans in the figures. The party of Roosevelt carried the state by 17,486 less votes than it did four years ago and suffered an actual loss of 2,582 votes. The democrats not only cut down the majority of their opponents 17,486 votes, but polled 14,904 more votes than they did in 1904.

This can mean but one thing. Hundreds of Maine republicans voted the democratic ticket. Even in rockribbed New England there is the same revolt against "my policies," "my platform" and "my candidate" as in other parts of the country. The insurrection is general, and if the Maine result means anything at all it means the election of William J. Bryan in November.

CAPT. BOGARDUS, the world's champion shot, will be here tomorrow, both day and night. Don't forget to come out and see him shoot and hear him talk. "SHALL the people rule?" Yes, if they elect Bryan and a Democratic congress. If Taft is elected the trusts will rule.—Chicago Journal.

Charles Grimes visited over Sunday with his mother and sister near Union.

Advertisement for Glenwood Granite Works. Includes names C. P. NALE, President and W. R. BRUCE, Secretary. Features a photograph of the Lawson Sheldon Monument and text describing their granite products and services.

Where Are the Trusts?

"It is fair to judge a party, as a man, by the company it keeps. Where are the law-defying trusts and corporations in this fight? Has anybody any doubt?"

No, this statement was not made by Mr. Bryan nor by any member of the national Democratic committee. It was made by Samuel H. Untermeyer of New York, one of the foremost corporation lawyers of the country. Mr. Untermeyer represented the policy holders in their recent fight against the old line insurance companies. In his professional capacity he rubs elbows with the big guns of the interests, and is certainly well qualified to know what they are doing and planning in a political way.

Mr. Taft and his boom are in bad company, and there is no evidence that they wish to be in any other. William Nelson Cromwell is collecting funds from the tariff-fed trusts to aid in the election of Taft. Mr. Cromwell's life work is the manipulation of government officials in the interests of predatory wealth. When he collects the money he turns it over to George R. Sheldon, director in twenty trusts that thrive on special privileges from the government.

Where is the steel trust, the concern that sells steel rails cheaper in Italy than in Indiana and charges the government ten prices for armor plate? It is contributing to Mr. Taft's campaign fund and working for his election.

Where is the beef trust, that fixes the price that the farmer receives for his cattle and that the housewife pays for the meat that goes on her table? It is for Taft and a continuation of the same kind of a "square deal" that has given it a monopoly of one of the world's greatest products.

Where is the wood pulp and paper trust? Booming the Republican ticket and trying to reject Joe Cannon, who, during the last session of congress, prevented the people from getting even a little temporary relief from the exactions of this trust.

Where is the harvester trust, that sells farm machinery cheaper in Portugal and Argentina than it does to the farmers of Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas? Shouting for Taft and "Sunny Jim" Sherman, well knowing that with the Republican party in control the farmers of the country will continue to pay two prices for all their machinery and equipment.

Where are all the other trusts, big and little, that have grown fat from unjust legislation and special privileges? One answer suffices for all. They are where they have been for years, on the side of the party that has taken millions from the pockets of the many to put it into the coffers of a few. Mr. Untermeyer is right. A political

Finish the Work.

The workmen employed on the sewer to the masonic home have completed the job and the sewer is now practically in readiness for operation. It will be a big improvement and one badly needed. In addition to having this work done, work on the new addition has been completed and the men are back in Omaha where they came from originally. The new boiler room is one of the finest in this section and a vast improvement over the heating facilities at the home as they have existed before. The matter of accepting the work will doubtless be closed in a very short time and the plant thrown open for use. It is seldom a job of this magnitude. It is furnished in the time these gentlemen have done the work and considering the care given it, the work is extraordinarily good.

NATHAN STRAUSS, New York's greatest philanthropist, loved by every poor family and esteemed by all the people of America's metropolis, has returned from a European trip. "I came home early," he said, "so that I might devote the next two months doing all in my power to secure the election of Mr. Bryan." Rich men of this large and benevolent type gravitate naturally to the Bryan ranks. Rich men of the Hill, Harriman, Standard Oil and Steel Trust kind, gravitate to the Joe Cannonized plutocratic Taft banner. To which side should the plain Nebraska farmer gravitate?

THE Journal notes a list of the candidates for the state senate, published in both the Lincoln Journal and News, who are for and against county option. Among the number placed on the side against county option, appears the name of Orlando Teft, the republican candidate for Cass county. If this be true, we cannot see how such county option advocates as the Plattsmouth News and Weeping Water Republican can support Mr. Teft.

REPUBLICANS are trying to make the ignorant believe that Ice-Trust Sherman candidate for Vice President, was the author of the Sherman Anti-Trust law. It was drafted by the late Hon. John Sherman. Mr. Sherman who is running for Vice President has always been a pro-trust man and was nominated at their behest.

Capt. Bogardus Will Be Here

Capt. C. A. Bogardus, the noted trick shot will be in the city next Tuesday, September 22, 1908, and will give two exhibitions of his fancy shooting, one at 2:30 p. m., and the other at 8 p. m. He will also deliver a lecture upon political topics that will be well worth hearing. It will pay you to turn out and see Capt. Bogardus in his fancy shooting and also listen to his powerful and convincing arguments. The speech will be, in fact, one of the main things, and everyone will find much in it to appeal to them. Capt. Bogardus is one of the world's greatest shots and is known the length and breadth of the country. Do not fail to see him in his masterful exhibition. The admission is free as the speeches will be delivered in the open air, where he can make his shooting exhibition in the open. See Bogardus shoot and hear him speak.

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