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No party ever yet resorted to forgeries and won a victory. Mr. Bryan speaks in Plattsmouth next week. Watch for the day and hour.

From reports received from the county there seems small doubt of the election of the democratic county ticket. Everyone realizes it is the best in the field and represents the right principles.

Then again suppose something should happen and Jas. S. Sherman became president of these United States in place of Mr. Taft. Those who want four years more of Joe Cannonism can vote the ticket in hopes of this and those who consider Mr. Taft as against Joe Cannonism are taking chances of having this happen.

The president's son-in-law proposes to revise our form of government and create a Roosevelt dynasty. After eight years of Taft, then four years more of Teddy, then eight years of son-in-law Nick, then Teddy, Jr., and so on ad infinitum. Wouldn't it be well to consult the people about this change in our government.

Has there been any good reason advanced yet why the farmer and the laborer, and the small business man should not have his bank deposit guaranteed as well as the big capitalist, the insurance company or any big corporation. The republicans oppose the bank guarantee but they have not yet advanced one single logical reason for so doing.

Publicity of campaign contributions after election is a puerile scheme to evade the intent of such a law. Let the people know what candidate and what party the looters of the nation are behind and they will do the rest. To let them know after they have been trapped into voting for the ring and grafters, is a criminal connivance with thievery.

CHAIRMAN MACK says that the wave rises higher and higher each day, and democratic victory is absolutely assured. New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maryland, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Kentucky, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Kansas, Colorado, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, California and the solid south will roll up the greatest majority ever given a presidential candidate in the electoral college. And they are all for Bryan.

Repeating the Forgery. The News in its issue of last evening reproduces without apology, the forged letter sent the Chicago Tribune from this city making false representations concerning the position of Mayor Henry R. Gering in this campaign. This is absolutely inexcusable inasmuch as this paper in its issue of last Saturday, October 3, denounced this letter as a forgery and only serves to show the extent to which the personal hatred of the News for Mr. Gering can go. Being given circulation by such sheets as the News, the letter can do Mr. Gering nor the democratic party any harm, for the animus which impels its publication is so plain that the most dense person cannot fail to see it. However, it is just as well to have the public know as at any other time that the whole miserable emanation is the vile forgery of some person with a personal grievance against Mr. Gering. The Chicago Tribune was imposed upon in its publication and will take steps to detect and punish the party responsible and the United States government will attend to the party using the mails for its transmission. Henry R. Gering is in full and hearty accord with the democratic national platform and in absolutely unity with its candidate the Great Commoner, William J. Bryan. Forgeries and malicious personal attacks cannot injure him, nor swerve him from his position as an ardent supporter and admirer of Mr. Bryan.

The bottom of the full dinner pail still crawls toward the top.

If Mr. Taft believed that the guaranty of bank deposits was bad in the East why didn't he explain to the people of Nebraska the reason?

EVERYDAY adds to the rosate hue of the reports from the whole country regarding Mr. Bryan's chances. He seems to be a sure winner this year.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT today authoritatively denies that he will take the stump for Taft. The latter's friends seem to still believe he has a show since they are willing to fight Roosevelt off the stump.

DEMOCRATS, the nation over, rejoice that Chairman Mack of the National Committee so speedily recovered from his illness. Mr. Mack has proven a power of strength to the party during this campaign.

This Lincoln Star in answer to the Journal's editorial calling attention to the fact that Mr. Taft did not say a word about the guaranty of bank deposits, in his speech here, remarks that "Mr. Taft does not believe in bank guaranty, but he had so many other things to talk about—issues that are touched upon in his own platform—that he did not have time to discuss the deposit question in this state."

It further says that it is not in his platform nor in the republican state platform, and that Mr. Taft was speaking for Nebraska republicanism when he toured this state.

Yet, the attention of the people is called to the fact that Mr. Taft in the east did speak upon the bank guaranty question although it was not in his platform nor was it in the platform of the eastern state where he spoke. But he believed his views would be popular there and he knew it was disastrous to give them vent in this state.

Then the Star helps a little when it says Taft represented Nebraska republicanism in his speeches. That being the case, the man who wants his bank deposit protected should vote the democratic state ticket as well as the national ticket.

But the pregnant fact is that Mr. Taft spoke against bank guaranties in the east and was silent in the west where people wanted to hear his views. If his views were good in the east they were good in the west and why was he afraid to state them.

Some Responsibility.

The republican orators from Mr. Taft down have been harping upon the high price of farm products and declaring in stentorian tones that the republican party alone is responsible for them. Such a thing as even dividing the responsibility with the Creator is out of the question with those worthies. It is all republican—the republican party produced the rains and the winds and the clear light of Heaven—all this is due to the great and beneficent republican party. While all this is tommy-rot and nonsense Taft and his speakers continue to regale the country with it day after day.

But there are some things Taft and his party disclaim responsibility for and one of these things is the panic which has swept the land broadcast like a typhoon. They have denied responsibility for a condition by which the farmer with his high prices could deposit his money in the banks and then have the banks calmly tell him that he couldn't have it when he wanted it. They deny the responsibility for the work of man but claim the glory of the Creator. They deny that under their administration money went out of circulation in this country and paper with out even government credit was made to serve in its stead. They deny responsibility for absolute conversion of the country from a gold basis to that on credit which existed in this country last fall.

But the farmer knows who was responsible for this state of affairs. He knows that the republican party was in power last year and is in power now, and that last year he could not get his money from the banks when he wanted it but instead, was given a piece of paper issued absolutely without authority of the law and told to take that or nothing.

Now, isn't it time for the republican party to stop claiming all the glory or else assume some of the responsibility. If they made the high prices of farm

products then they certainly made the condition which tied every dollar of capital up and paralyzed commerce and industry in this country from ocean to ocean. If they clam the credit for the good times, they must assume the responsibility for the wreck and disaster which the last year has seen hovering over the land. In fact, they are responsible for the panic and the suspension of bank payments in this country while Providence alone made the prices. And the farmer reads and knows these facts.

Did anyone hear about Pollard's repudiation of Joe Cannonism?

GOOD evening. Did you notice the bottom of the dinner pail is a little nearer the top?

From the eastern states come the most flattering reports of great democratic gains and it becomes more and more evident that W. J. Bryan is sure of election as president. Then will the people rule.

Is a candidate who speaks against an issue in one state where it is not mentioned in either state or national platforms and then declines to speak on the issue in another state because it is not an issue, sincere?

REFERENCE is made in another column to the little meeting Congressman Pollard had at the University at Lincoln. It was a frost but not near so severe as the congressman will encounter on November 3rd, when he will be buried in a snowstorm.

Guaranty of Deposits.

In this state the republican papers are making a desperate effort to have it appear that the question of guaranteeing banks is not an issue. The word has been sent forward to confine their remarks to a repetition of the cry that it is not an issue. Taft in his invasion of this state did not discuss the question because "it is not an issue," yet, Mr. Taft did discuss the question earlier in the campaign when he made it an issue if it had not already been one, by his statement of opposition to the idea.

And it was a question in the republican state convention where the bankers won out and defeated the proposition by a decisive vote. This too, in spite of the fact that Governor Sheldon led the fight for the proposition.

As the democrats in the nation and state have declared for the guarantee, it becomes a most vital issue in the campaign and one which Mr. Taft and the republican state candidates must meet.

And the reason for it being an issue is that it is a just and needed remedy for many of the troubles which beset the financial and commercial world. It will stop such panics as those occasioned by a loss of confidence. In his speech at this point, Mr. Taft stated that the panic which we are now suffering from was due to a "lack of confidence." If that is true the enactment of a law which would have assured depositors that their funds in the bank were safe, would have prevented the hard times from which we now suffer. It would have kept the hundreds of thousands of working men at their toil, and it would have kept the market for the farmers products open. It would have kept the money in circulation which at the beginning of the distrust, was hurriedly drawn from the banks and hoarded because of the distrust of their methods.

Mr. Taft and the republican papers know this. They know this law is justly due the people; that the only people opposed to the law are those who seek to use the people's money to their own advantage and escape liability for their acts. Yet knowing all this, they still maintain "it is not an issue." Such talk is folly. It is an issue and the farmers, laboring men and business men are united in demanding the passage of the law. To this end they will vote together and elect William J. Bryan and a democratic congress in the nation, and Ashton C. Shallenberger and a democratic legislature in the state.

From every quarter of the county reports of the strength of Billy Ramsey for County Attorney. That he is going to win out for election is a foregone conclusion. He has a host of friends and everyone is in the field to help him.

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REPUBLICAN prosperity in 1908: The bottom is out of the full dinner pail.

GOOD evening. Have you heard of Pollard repudiating Joe Cannonism this evening?

WHILE we are all congratulating ourselves over the excellent prospect for the democratic national ticket, let us not forget that the Cass county democracy has a winning county ticket in the field.

C. N. Seybert is making a strong and aggressive campaign for Commissioner. From advices at hand it looks as if he had much the best of the fight at present and his friends are confident of victory.

In another place the Journal reproduces an article upon Pollard and Joe Cannonism taken from Frank Harrison's Capital. The way to prevent Joe Cannonism is to vote for John A. Maguire. He will not vote for Joe Cannon.

THE Tariff is to be revised by its friends if Taft wins. The friends of the tariff all live in Pennsylvania, New York and the east and they can't see beyond the Alleghenies. The people to revise the tariff should be the people who pay the tax and they all live west of the Alleghenies. Nebraska should vote to have western people revise the tariff and have President Bryan sign the bill.

AFTER all Taft shows some political genius. He only speaks on subjects mentioned in the platform when he knows public sentiment is against him on those subjects not mentioned in his platform. In states where he believes public sentiment is with him, he denounces those things not in his platform. Witness the bank guaranty. In Nebraska he is silent upon this because it is not in his platform. In Virginia and New York he denounces it but it is still not in his platform. Great old boy, that man Taft. But the people know he is deceiving them and he can't escape the consequences.

MR. BRYAN will be in Plattsmouth next Thursday evening, coming from Nebraska City in a special train. He also stops briefly at Union, but the big address will be in this city. It is the intention to have everyone hear him and if the weather is favorable and the crowd warrants it, he will speak both in the open air and the Parmele Theatre. Invite your friends to come out and hear the truth, no matter where they live. People having relatives at points in Western Iowa are especially asked to have them attend. For those living in the southern portion of the county, the Missouri Pacific promises extra equipment on the evening train and returning that night. There will be other speakers in attendance and other attractions.

It is a pretty hard job for the republicans to convince the railroad men that their policy is good for them. They have practically ceased trying it, except to threaten, how much worse things will be under the democrats. As the country is full of all kinds of crops which foreign countries must have and the railroad's must move these crops, the laboring men are not to be deluded by threats. It takes trains to haul grain and it takes workmen to keep the engines and equipment in shape and the roadbed in condition to run over, and just as long as the railroad has the stuff to move, just that long will labor get employment, and this is true whether Taft or Bryan is president. Then again the only party in this country to stop railroad building and close down railroad shops is the republican party. If they are responsible for the good times and high prices, they are also responsible for the hard times and closed shops and the starving men, women and children in the cities. Think of it?

A One-Sided Bargain.

The information is coolly given out from an inspired source that if Pollard stays by Uncle Joe in this fight he is to get the chairmanship of a good committee. There fore Pollard should not be pressed by his constituents on the Uncle Joe question.

A few years ago when legislators traded their votes for post offices and collectorships and jobs in Alaska the people came to call the action by the ugly name of "bribery."

What about the congressman who trades off the interests of his constituents for a chairmanship? Is he different from the man who trades for a postoffice?

Chairmanships in Washington are important to the individual who holds them. He is up that much closer to the throne. He is part of the "pull." He becomes a cog in the machine which is used by the "interests" in bossing the law-making body. He may even be known in time as the "whip" for the speaker.

But where do the constituents come in? How many people in Nebraska know what committees their congressmen serve on? And how many of them care?

But they do care when their representatives walk up like cattle and vote for the candidate for speaker selected for them by the "interests." And they do care when their representatives swing into line at the signal from the "whip" to vote for ship subsidies and criminal financial bills, and against measures framed to benefit the people.

Are the people of any Nebraska district willing to allow their votes to be used in lieu of cash in the buying of chairmanships from Joe Cannon? And do they like to have the terms of the bargain advertised boldly in advance?

Come out, Pollard. Be a man, and disavow this monstrous bargain. Stand by your people first.—The Nebraska State Capital. (rep.)

Why Not Guarantee Both. A farmer sells a hundred dollars worth of stock or grain to his local dealer and gets a check for it. He presents it to a national bank and gets in return a certificate of deposit. The next day he sells a like amount, but when he presents his check decides to take the amount in currency and the banker counts him out \$100.00 in the notes issued by the bank. Next day the bank fails. The farmer holds \$200 of his obligations, \$100.00 in the form of a certificate of deposit, the other \$100.00 in the form of bank notes. The latter is good as gold, but whether he will ever receive any portion of the former depends on the condition of the bank. Why should the one be as good as gold and the other doubtful? Simply because the bank notes are guaranteed by the government, and the deposit is not. Why should the one be guaranteed and not the other? Why not guarantee both?

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