

REPUBLIC OR EMPIRE

WHICH WILL WE HAVE IN THE NAME OF THE UNITED STATES?

American Imperialism the Child of Plutocracy—Will We Discard Our Past? Pertinent Thoughts on a Current Question.

Following is an extract from an article written for the September Arena by the editor, John Clark Ridpath:

It would be a strange exception to the order of human nature and to the concordant acclaim of history that the American people, of all the peoples of the world, should give away their past as if it were nothing.

Will the American nation in very truth discard its past? Have we no more pride? Is patriotism dead? Is the new railway terminal in Boston worth more than Independence Hall?

In this world each nation must take its own course. Each people must do as it will; each must have its own standards and its own ideals.

Year by year in the United States the wealth created by the labor of the millions has been sucked up and concentrated in the hands of a few.

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The republic, on the other hand, has nothing in common with the reign of gold. It knows nothing of the institution of any power over society other than the expressed will of the people.

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new truth, in the restatement of the old truth in newer and more attractive forms in order that men may love the truth and find it, in the dissemination of the truth by literature and art, in the creation of institutions having respect to the intellectual and moral betterment of mankind.

All these elements of life the republic cherishes. All of them wither under the empire. Under the reign of gold democracy is impossible. The reign of gold is an essential part of imperialism.

In America the new imperialism is favored most of all by the plutocratic classes. The plutocracy has succeeded, by taking advantage of the conditions of American life, in accumulating the means out of which to construct the empire.

Whoever has read the history of piracy will have noted with amusement the alarmed anxiety of the pirates to get into some situation where they can deposit their treasures without the possibility of disturbance or discovery.

Year by year in the United States the wealth created by the labor of the millions has been sucked up and concentrated in the hands of a few. Such a process can never go on according to justice or with any sincere regard for the rights of producers.

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Enthusiastic for the State Ticket, Editor Independent:

I must congratulate the fusion party for the nomination they have made for Governor.

It was a foregone conclusion that the balance of the ticket would be re-nominated. But we voters were anxious to show the conventions would select that they would select an able, honest and representative man as my choice.

We farmers are more than pleased to have one of our members nominated for the high office, for although we are in a vast majority in the state, nearly every office is filled with the other professions.

Reform the state from a corps of honest men to a set of thieves—Where does the nightmare come in? All of you gentlemen in the State House from Governor down to back door, send us a good sized night mare every few days.

Respectfully, M. M. HALLECK, Central City.

Hybrid Socialism.

Wholesale grocers from many parts of the United States have been meeting in this city for the purpose of forming an organization which shall fix the prices which retail grocers may charge.

From this hybrid socialism monopoly reaps all the advantages. The only advantage the ordinary citizen gets is an object lesson.—New York Journal.

New York, Aug. 27.—(Associated Press telegram)—Several of the nurses in the hospital at camp Wickou, are suffering from dysentery. Orders were issued today that they be given more time in which to exercise, bathe and rest.

When the Eighteenth Ohio landed yesterday nearly 300 were reported sick and were sent to the detention hospital, but it later developed that only 170 of the men were really sick.

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