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The action of the common people of Cuba in regard to the dismissal of Gomez by the so-called Cuban assembly proves the truth of the position always occupied by the populists in regard to that island. There seems to be a general condemnation by all the people of the action of the assembly. They have unscrupulous office seekers in Cuba just as we have here. They make trouble there just as they do here. Their fingers itched to get hold of some of the money advanced to pay the Cuban troops. General Gomez stood in their way and they undertook to down him. The result is that they themselves are utterly discredited. The universal protest of the Cuban people against the action of the self-appointed assembly is evidence of good common sense.

The burden of taxation increases enormously every year in all of the republican states of the union without exception. In New York the per capita taxation was \$1.89 in 1880. In 1888 it is \$4.49 and still on the increase. When there is added to that an enormous payment of interest the national taxation, it means the pushing of the creators of wealth very near the line of actual serfdom. Some of the better class of citizens who have been recently investigating the matter say that they are in despair. They can see no way to reform the matter. They all had a good time while the republicans stole millions in the construction of the capitol and millions more were absorbed by the canal thieves, but the day of reckoning has come or is near at hand. There is no way of escape. What they have sowed, that must they also reap.

The republicans in the legislature passed a resolution and appointed a committee to investigate whether any of the state officers had been riding on passes and charging mileage up to the state. All the fusion state officers were called before them and the evidence was overwhelming that not one of them had charged a cent to the state for transportation while riding on a pass, the money appropriated for transportation being still in the treasury was proof of that fact. Then the republicans who had been denouncing the charging up of transportation while riding free as a great crime, refused to summon the republican state officers, namely, the supreme court judges. Every one of them, commissioners and all, ride on passes and charge up all the mileage that they can induce the legislature to allow them, but the holy republican committee would not allow them to be even summoned. Of all the hypocrites that God ever permitted to live, a republican politician is the worst.

### Hardy's Column.

Undertakers—A Billion and Half—The Good are Called Early—A Difference—The Next Jump—Paving—Has Zero Gone?—New Senator—Some Prizes—Kissing—One Watches the Other—Trusts and How to Bust Them—Chamber of Frozen Air.

The board of health are to examine the undertakers and embalmers are to ascertain whether they are competent. Why do they not let the board of death have charge of that matter? Health and undertaking don't go together.

The McKinley republicans can now boast of a billion and a half congress. They have bonated before of a billion congress. The next will probably be a two billion dollar machine. That is the way things are tending, the rich want more to live on and the poor must get along with less. If the accumulated wealth of the country paid the taxes it would be different.

Brad Slaughter, Tom Cook and

Charley Nagoon have all got rich appointments for life and for all their children after them, but we have got D. E. Thompson and Bud Lindsey left and can get along for a while.

There is a vast difference between fighting for the liberation of the Cubans or fighting for the subjugation of the Filipinos, one was a peoples war the other McKinley's war.

The next jump of American imperialism will be onto some island in the Mediterranean sea or upon some patch of territory on its shore. We need to make the ring complete before we go north or south. Sicily or Crete would make a good stopping place. We have got to have coaling stations all the way round or we can't run the world. After we have subjugated the Philippines what will we do next is the coming question?

The Des Moines paving case has just been decided in the United States supreme court against the city. People of the city caught the asphalt street paving lever and paved a street out several miles for a pleasant drive and a bicycle course and levied a heavy tax upon the adjoining property. One man living in Chicago refused to pay his tax, they sold his land and took a deficiency judgment for payment of taxes. He took his case to the highest court and beat the city out of the tax. The street pavers better look a little out. You can't confiscate property by improvements.

Is it a fact that zero has quit business in Nebraska for a time? We will sick the dog days after him if he opens out again in six months.

We have a new senator and all the republicans are pleased. He is just the man they all wanted. It would have been just so if Thompson had been elected. No matter what republicans do every republican must swear it is just right. If any of them want to vote their own convictions they have to do it secretly or lose their head.

The republicans in the legislature sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" after Hayward was elected. They really believe their God is a gold bug, and that he brought about the election of Hayward after two months' tussel. If he isn't a gold bug why does he pave his streets with gold?

The Filipino method of kissing is very different from the American method. They press the nose against the cheek and sniff as a dog does searching for a rat. Americans put their lips together and taste. It seems to me I would rather taste than smell, anything good.

We begin to think that the state officers from one party and the legislature from the other is a pretty good thing for the taxpayers.

We have no patience with high protective tariff trust howlers. It is protection that protects the trusts ten times more than it does the farmers or mechanics. Take off or reduce the tariff on all trust goods so the trusts would have to fight the world and they would soon go out of business. Take sugar, for instance, let the tariff be the same, according to value, on refined sugar that it is on brown sugar, and the trust would bust. Apply the same rule to goods of all trusts and they would soon go.

Chunks of frozen air and a pail full of the drippings are little too strong medicine for boyhood. It looks too much like Wesley's motor fraud. And yet we well remember what Aunt Hooky said fifty years ago, about the telegraph. She would believe it when she saw the letter skipping along on the wires. We will believe it when we see the frozen stuff rattin in the reservoir.

Got Him a Wife on Combinations. YENNA, March 15.—A matrimonial agent is suing Prince Schoenberg-Waldenburg before the Klagenfurt courts for the recovery of commissions which, he alleges, the prince promised him for negotiating his marriage with the daughter of Don Carlos. After the marriage, he says, the prince refused to pay.

Quay Is Still Short on Convention Votes. HARRISBURG, Pa., March 15.—The 40th ballot for Senator today resulted: Quay 97, Jenks 73, Dalmell 18, the rest scattering; necessary to a choice, 139.

### NEW SOCIALIST DEAL

Drop the all Important Plank of Their National Platform and Start Over.

Editor Independent:

There has been so much discussion recently in your columns of socialism as compared with populism that I am constrained to send you the "platform of the socialist labor party of the United States of America, adopted at the national convention in New York, July 9, 1896. Omitting the preamble and cutting it short without losing its meaning, its demands are:

1. Reduction of hours of labor.
2. The United States to obtain possession of the mines, railroads, canals, telegraphs, telephones and other means of public transportation and communication; the employees to operate the same co-operatively under the control of the government and to elect their own superior officers, but no employee to be discharged for political reasons.
3. The municipalities to obtain possession of the local railroads, ferries, water works, gas works, electric plants and all industries requiring franchises; to be operated by employees, same as in No. 2 above.
4. Public lands declared inalienable. Reversion of unearned land grants.
5. United States to issue all money.
6. Forests and waterways to be managed under congressional legislation.
7. Inventions free to all; inventors to be paid by the nation.
8. Progressive income tax and tax on inheritance; small incomes to be exempt.
9. Public school attendance by children under fourteen to be compulsory and free; mens, clothing books etc., to be furnished free where necessary.
10. Repeat pauper tramp conspiracy and sumptuary laws. Unabridged right of combination.
- 11.—Prohibit employment of children of school age and females in occupations detrimental to health and morals. Abolition of convict labor contract system.
12. Employment of unemployed by county, city, state and nation.
13. Wages to be paid in lawful money of the United States. Equal wages for men and women for same work.
14. Laws for protection of life and limb in all occupations; employers liability law.
15. Initiative and referendum.
16. Abolition of veto power in all executives.
17. Abolition of United States senate and all upper legislative chambers.
18. Municipal self-government.
19. Direct vote and secret ballot at all elections. Equal suffrage for men and women. Election days to be legal holidays. Proportional representation.
20. Imperative mandate (recall of public officers by electors).
21. Uniform civil and criminal laws in United States. Administration of justice to be free of charge. Abolition of capital punishment.

There can be no question but the principle demands of the following planks, viz: Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 15, 18, 20 are populist and substantially the same as populist party has been demanding ever since its organization, with this exception: We demand not only the possession of the railroads etc., mentioned in Nos. 2 and 3, but also the ownership and operation by the government.

In addition to the foregoing demands we demand also the free coinage of silver, the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, the abolition of trusts and combines, and we elaborate our demands more fully for monetary reforms, including abolition of existing national banks and we favor government savings banks and are against the issuing of bonds.

This comparison leads me to the conclusion that the socialist labor party ought to unite with the populist party. They are working in the main, for nearly the same reforms as we are, and we being the stronger they ought to work and vote with us.

In short, Mr. Editor, the reform forces are far too scattered. There ought to be a faithful effort made to get together into one party under one name. It would not be enough for the various reform organizations to agree upon one platform, as proposed by Miss Goff. So long as separate organizations are maintained just so long there will be organizing, destructive friction. In every county in Nebraska, in every campaign, there is fighting between the several factions of the reformers, over the candidates. Agreement on a platform would not eliminate this difficulty. Nothing short of complete union of all would.

We can never secure genuine reforms, the radical reforms we seek, until a union of substantially all of the reform organizations in the country shall be effected. This union must be on an agreed platform and under a new name.

By way of postscript I desire to ask what political organization in this country is advocating the kind of socialism discussed by Wilbur F. Bryant in his recent communication to the Independent? Will some one who knows of such a party please answer my inquiry and send its platform to the Independent?

Let us not stand up any "straw men" to knock down. W. L. HAND, Kearney, Neb.

So it seems that some branch of the socialist party has dropped that all important plank which is in their national platform demanding the public ownership of all the means of production and transportation which is nothing less than communism. This new deal is simply to draw votes from the populist party for the benefit of the money power. That money plan is for the purpose of fooling voters. All money is issued by the government now. It is nothing but another Mark Hanna scheme.

### TOO MUCH WATER

The greatest menace to the permanency of trusts is their almost uniform over capitalization. Recent history shows that they establish a scale of

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prices which invites competition. Shrewd competitors arise whom they are obliged to buy out at fancy prices. Meantime the seller looks around for another trust to combat.

The tying up of money in trusts has had a bad effect on other industrial ventures. It is largely due to this influence that the bank statements for the past month showed an increase of between nine and ten millions in their loan account.

Suppose a trust absorbs a dozen big plants. Each plant had its own set of books kept by its own bookkeeper and each separate enterprise had its own superintendent and its own corps of overseers. But with the trust one set of books replaces the dozen which existed before and one superintendent does the work twelve men did before him, and so on all down the line. A trust could probably get along with one-half of the employees of this class who had been provided with work before by the plant they absorbed.

The increase of the trusts has also led to the formation of trust associations, which simply represent a combination of capital and can more readily control the enormous sums necessary to handle the stupendous enterprises which are continually cropping up.

The total capitalization of these schemes floated or in process of being carried through since the first of January is estimated to be more than \$500,000,000.—N. Y. Journal.

### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

When Mr. Bryan was in Minnesota a short time ago he made a speech from which the following extract is taken.

"What's in a name? The poet tells us that the rose by any other name would smell as sweet, and democracy is as dear to me when preached by a populist or a silver republican as it is when it comes from one ordained and anointed in the democratic faith. (Applause.) And in an hour of trial when we need men, in an hour of battle when we need recruits, we do not look to see upon their banners the names describing the number of the regiment or the name of the state from which they come. We simply look to see if the flag is red, white and blue; that means we are all fighting for the same cause and in the same direction. (Applause.)"

Ignatius Donnelly reprints it in his paper and comments as follows:

"Mr. Bryan's denunciation of the gold democrats is another significant fact. It shows that his observations of the country (and he has been all over it) satisfies him that the gold democrats of the east cannot be coaxed back to their allegiance, and he goes for them with a club and throws himself into the arms of the populists."

W. J. Bryan is all right. He has made but one mistake since he went into politics, which considering the situation that the young man found himself in, can be pardoned. By Allen's shrewd management that mistake did no harm. If things go as they have in the democratic party in this state in the last few weeks, Bryan will be about all there is in it that populists will have any use for.

### Clippings.

#### SOMEWHAT PREMATURE.

The World-Herald asks Auditor Cornell to resign. The World-Herald is, we think, premature in its demands. Cornell is fighting for that which is dear to every man, his good name, and he should have every opportunity to prove himself guiltless. It must not be forgotten that he is being tried by a political tribunal which is never fair. His every act will be painted in the blackest colors. The democrat believes in every man having an opportunity to prove himself innocent when he is charged with grave misdemeanors that reflect on his good name. When his trial is ended if found guilty let him take the consequences. If declared innocent let him then resign and acknowledge that he was a dambpool.—Wahoo Democrat.

#### WORLD-HERALD TOO FAST.

Last Thursday the World-Herald appeared in a double column editorial demanding Auditor Cornell's resignation. In view of the fact there are two different committees investigating the office we think that judgment should be withheld until something of the accusations are shown. It is not unreasonable to suppose that the legislative committee will do all in its power to make Cornell's actions as dark as possible, while the governor's committee we opine will give every detail through investigation and report immediately the facts as they find them. Up to the present we can see nothing irregular on the part of Auditor Cornell unless he was somewhat direct and didn't out Lighty soon enough.—Red Cloud Nation.

#### A BIG DIFFERENCE.

Did you notice the difference? When the Bartley shortage came up all the little and big republican papers deluded Bartley right from the jump and clear up until he passed behind the bars. But when Auditor Cornell fell from grace the democrat and populist papers all over the state jumped onto him with both feet and have called for an investigation and the resignation of Mr. Cornell. That's the difference, and it's a big one.—Springfield Monitor.

#### LIQUID AIR MEDICINE.

A Russian physician has already begun to experiment with liquid air. He placed a dog in a room with the temperature lowered to 100 degrees below zero. After ten hours the dog was taken out alive and with an enormous appetite. The physician tried the test on himself. After ten hours confinement in an atmosphere of still, dry cold his system was intensely stimulated. So much combustion had been required to keep warm that an intense appetite was created. The process was continued on the man and the dog, and both grew speedily fat and vigorous. It was like a visit to a heating northern climate. "When will liquid air be available?" asks a medical expert.—Philadelphia Record.

#### THE EXPLANATION.

During his term of office Mr. Cornell, our state auditor, has divided the pal-

ronage of his office among the newspapers of the state instead of giving it all to one or two city newspapers as has always been done by his predecessors in office. This will perhaps explain why some of the said city papers so promptly call for his resignation before the committee gets through with the investigation.—Trenton Register.

#### OFF ITS HANDLE.

\*If the Omaha World-Herald couldn't make an ass of itself every few days it would go off and die. It's last break was a double lead editorial demanding Auditor Cornell's resignation because he had examined some eastern insurance companies as per the celebrated Lichty "Expose"—which exposed Mr. Lichty more than anybody else. Mr. Cornell is all right. He may have been a little indiscreet in his appointment, but the little "hold-up" he has worked on the eastern companies isn't a drop in the bucket to the "hold-up" these companies have worked in the state of Nebraska.—Exeter Enterprise.

#### JUDICIAL CONSPIRATORS.

There is a plutocratic conspiracy on foot to destroy this republic; and judges of our courts, high and low, have been the chief instruments in this work, since the days of John Marshall.—Ignatius Donnelly.

#### IT MAY UPSET THE ASSEMBLY.

The Majority of Cubans Sympathize With Gomez in the Controversy.

New York, March 15.—A dispatch to the New York Tribune from Havana says: The teapot of Cuban politics has been fairly boiling over again. It is clear that the controlling element in the assembly could not have measured accurately the prestige and popularity of that somewhat nondescript body before plunging into the foolhardy contest with General Gomez which Saturday's resolution of deposition has precipitated, for, with all the faults of temper and judgment which may be charged against him, Gomez remains the sole military hero of the recent rebellion.

Had Maceo or even Garcia lived there might have been a rival within the army to divide with Gomez the honors of the struggle against Spain and to challenge now the expediency of his political policy; but among the generals of the military assembly none has as yet so recommended himself to Cuban opinion as to attract a distinct or noted following. The influence of the Assembly as a whole is not to be set for a moment against that of the real chief of the army.

Though the veteran warrior accepts the decree of retirement and renounces the generalship, he remains, in spite of his enemies, the political head of the revolutionary party, and in that role will continue to direct the fortunes both of the army and of the other elements of the Cuban population, whose present desire is for a speedy termination of military control and the cessation of the political guardianship now exercised by the United States.

There are abundant indications that the military assembly's short-sighted attack on General Gomez has simply put an end to that body's already attenuated credit and influence.

#### Dr. Neely Nominated.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., March 15.—Democratic city convention nominated the following ticket for the April election: For mayor, Dr. S. F. Neely; for city clerk, Michael Przybylowicz; for city treasurer, O. C. Beeler.

#### Dr. Hammond Is Appointed.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 15.—The state board of charities has elected Dr. J. W. Hammond superintendent of the deaf and dumb school at Olathe, to succeed A. A. Stewart of Manhattan. The change of officials will be made April 1.

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- "Is the voice husky?"
- "Do you spit up sime?"
- "Do you ache all over?"
- "Do you snore at night?"
- "Is your nose stopped up?"
- "Does your nose discharge?"
- "Does your nose bleed easily?"
- "Is the nose toward night?"
- "Does the nose tick and burn?"
- "Is there pain in front of head?"
- "Is there pain across the eyes?"
- "Is there itching in the throat?"
- "Do you blow out scabs at night?"
- "Is your nose of small irritant?"
- "Do you have to clear the throat?"
- "Is the throat dry in the morning?"
- "Are you losing your sense of taste?"
- "Do you sleep with your mouth open?"
- "Does your nose stop up toward night?"
- "Have you a cough?"
- "Are you losing flesh?"
- "Do you cough at night?"
- "Have you a pain in side?"
- "Do you take cold easily?"
- "Is your appetite variable?"
- "Have you stitches in side?"
- "Do you cough until you gag?"
- "Do you raise frothy mucus?"
- "Do you cough on going to bed?"
- "Do you cough in the morning?"
- "Are you low spirited at times?"
- "Do you spit up white mucus?"
- "Is your cough short and hacking?"
- "Do you spit up little chunky lumps?"
- "Have you a disagreeable taste?"
- "Is there a tickling behind the palate?"
- "Do you feel you are growing weaker?"
- "Is there a burning pain in the throat?"
- "Have you a pain behind the breastbone?"
- "Do you cough worse at night and morning?"

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## THEY ESCAPED ON HAND CAR

Bank of Hallsville, at Hallsville, Mo., Robbed of \$973.

### TELEGRAPH WIRES CRIPPLED.

Before Breaking Into the Safe the Robbers Secured a Hand Car and Tore All the Instruments Out of the Telegraph Office—No Clue of the Burglars.

CENTRALIA, Mo., March 15.—Burglars broke into the Bank of Hallsville at Hallsville, Mo., last night, and, after blowing open the safe, robbed it of \$973 in currency and silver. The burglars, before breaking the safe, had used every precaution to make good their escape. They had entered the railroad station and torn all of the telegraph instruments out of the office, then they had secured a hand car, which they left up the track a few yards until after they had secured the contents of the bank. They escaped on the hand car towards the main line of the Wabash railroad. When within two miles of Centralia they ditched the hand car, and no further trace of the burglars can be found.

The burglars began their work about 3 a. m. They used three charges of explosives, one at the front door of the bank, one at the vault door and one at the safe door. The safe was completely destroyed. An old man living within a few yards of the bank gave the alarm by firing his gun repeatedly.

### WAS OSCAR WILDE'S BROTHER.

"Willie" Wilde, Divorced Husband of Mrs. Frank Leslie, Is Dead.

LONDON, March 15.—"Willie" Wilde, brother of Oscar Wilde is dead. His full name was William C. Kingsbury Wilde, and he was 41 years old. "Willie" Wilde became known in America in 1891 by marrying Mrs. Frank Leslie. Two years later she got a divorce, accusing him of habitual drunkenness. The next year he married Miss Sophia Leeson. Wilde was a clever writer and he was on the staff of two or three papers here—notably the London Telegraph. He wrote "leaders" and was occasionally sent to report important events.

### THREE WEEKS ON ONE TRAIN.

Passengers in Wyoming Still Snowbound—Not Suffering for Want of Food.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 15.—The Cheyenne & Northern passenger train, which has been for three weeks blockaded by the snow near Iron Mountain, is apparently little nearer release than it was ten days ago. The rescuing work train is still ten miles from the passenger. The snow in many places is ten feet deep and frozen hard. Yesterday thirty-five men with picks and shovels did not make more than 150 yards headway. It will require several days to get to the train. There are now sufficient supplies for the passengers.

### AGAINST THE INSURANCE MEN.

The Missouri Senate Votes to Extend the Anti-Trust Law.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 15.—The senate passed by a vote of 29 to 4 the Farris bill to place the insurance underwriters of St. Louis and Kansas City under the provisions of the general anti-trust law of the state. The insurance people have for years enjoyed an immunity from the restrictions of all anti-trust legislation, and they have made a hard fight to kill this measure.

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