

How about the "Initiative and Referendum" now days. Has annexation buried it.

The editorials of the populist papers hold out the motto in almost every production "We are for the government in almost every thing" or words to that effect.

The Free Silver Republicans have no place to lay their heads except in the lap of the demopops. Serves them right, they have seen the anti-ques of the unwashed often enough to have known better.

If Bryan is the most popular man in the United States to-day, as some of our populist leaders have the gaul to assert, how is it that McKinley got five hundred thousand more votes than he did? We call upon the Times Independent man for an answer. Please confine yourself to the question and dont delay answering. The people want to know.

How the pops worry over the annexation of Porto Rico, the Philippines and the Hawaiian islands. They claim that it adds twenty millions to our population and so reduces our per capita. They never speak of the wealth of these islands which will also be added to the United States. Almost every thing spoken of by the republican administration is connected by the pop leaders with a "per capita" these days.

Not a little dissatisfaction has been expressed by leading republicans in different parts of the county because the call for the meeting of the county central committee, and for the holding of county conventions have not for the past two or three years been more thoroughly advertised, and to a certain extent there are good grounds for such feeling. The action of the state committee will, in a measure excuse our local chairman for not acting promptly in these matters as the dates for the state convention are almost invariably too early and come at a time when it is next to impossible to get out a good representation to the county convention, yet it is supposed that our chairman will act promptly in conjunction with the state committee and therefore naturally expected that when a demand is made by the state committee for a representative delegation from our county that such demand will be met in the regular and usual way, that is, by fixing date under proper call with due notice for the election of such delegates.

The writer was present at the holding of our last committee meeting which was held only two weeks before date fixed for state convention. It was held on Saturday and after the publication day of that week which fact would only give one week with issue containing call which would reach the people. This coupled with the fact that it was truly the busiest season of the year resulted in the state delegation being selected by the county central committee and a decision to again call the committee together at another time for the purpose of fixing date to hold the county convention.

The Litchfield Monitor, changes editors about as often as any paper published, and about as often changes its politics. some years ago E. R. Bradley changed its politics all in one day from a republican paper to a pop. When he sold the plant it was for some time run as an independent paper, that is independent of all politics. Under the same management, (its present management) it was changed to a republican paper, just in time however to secure a share of the fee for printing the state amendment notices. Last year it blossomed out as a popocratic sheet, and this year again is called a republican paper. The paper is no doubt glad of being able to sail under all of the national political colors.

RESULTS OF WAR.
CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—The Hawaiian commission, composed of Senator Cullom of Illinois, Senator Morgan of Alabama and Representative Hitt of Illinois, were tendered a luncheon to-day by Alex A. Revell, president of the Union League club. Among the guests were comptroller Charles G. Dawes, ex-Senator H. H. Reagan of Texas, Thomas B. Bryan, William Penn Nixon, Dr. W. R. Harper and Dr. Henry Wade Rogers.

After the banquet brief speeches were made. Senator Morgan said the annexation of Hawaii would result in the construction of the Nicaragua canal, Cuba would be free, Porto Rico belong to the United States. Hawaii was annexed and the canal was unavoidable. Our flag had been raised in the Philippines and no man in America would permit it to be hauled down. Not only would the Nicaragua canal be constructed, but there would be a ship canal connecting Lake Michigan and the Mississippi and the Gulf of Mexico, and one between New York and Albemarle sound. He was of the firm belief that in the next century the United States would be by common consent the leader of nations of the earth.

Senator Cullom said the commission would ascertain what legislation should be enacted by congress for the government of the people on the islands and they expected to examine the condition of the people, their industries, the land question, labor question, ect., and to look at the harbor at Honolulu, and see what ought to be done to make it a great harbor. He also said the Nicaraguan canal would be built.

Referring to the war, Senator Cullom remarked that the good people of the country did not want a war, but did have a heart for humanity and humanity would be benefited by the result. In conducting the war President McKinley had shown an ability, a quietness, a degree of wisdom and prudence that have won the esteem of every patriotic citizen. Mason and Dixon's line had been blotted out, and we were one people. All were in favor of one flag, and the union.

Representative Hitt also spoke of the certainty of the Nicaraguan canal as one of the results of the war, as was a cable to Hawaii. He, too, referred to the vigor, firmness and judicious energy of President McKinley, saying that his action "was indorsed by every sensible" thoughtful man in every political party. A better appreciation of the true majesty of the American people permeated the whole world."

Ex-Senator Reagan was called on and said it might as well be written down that Cuba would soon be a part of the United States, the American people were interested in the construction of the Nicaraguan canal, and he believed we ought to have coaling stations at Samoa, in the Ladrone islands and at Manila. It was now within our reach to become the greatest commercial nation in the world. Acquisition of territory, he said, was spoken of as being "imperial." It had been said Jefferson was the great apostle of civil liberty and democratic principles, yet if the acquisition of territory was imperialism "Jefferson was the greatest imperialist this country had ever produced."

When the authority of the union was extended over the other lands, our citizens would go there and take with them the principles of our government, and the enterprise and progress of the country, and elevate the people and give them the civil and religious liberty the peace and prosperity we enjoy.

Referring to the civil war, Mr. Reagan said the result was accepted in good faith and honor and the south had stood by it, being interested in the progress and destiny and going forward with the north seeking the greatest good of all.—State Journal.

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