

## THE WEEKLY PRESS FORUM.

**Benton (Mo.) Record:** The steadiest friends the reorganizers have are the republicans and their organs.

**Virginia (Ill.) Enquirer:** The suggestion that the trusts be placed in the hands of the federal courts is rendered valueless by the circumstance that the federal courts are apparently in the hands of the trusts.

**Tarkio (Mo.) World:** The platform suits the democracy of this state all right and the ticket will be elected by a big majority. Nobody is kicking because the same thing was not said in four or five different ways either.

**Centerville (Md.) Times:** Puzzle—If it taxes five republican congresses to get to the point where they begin to think anti-trust legislation is demanded by the people, how long will it take the Hon. Charles Littlefield to secure the passage of a real trust busting bill?

**Stanton (Neb.) Register:** The money question is not settled yet and the republican plans for an asset currency has proven to the people the insincerity of those who profess to favor a single standard. The money question will still be the leading one in 1904.

**Provo City (Utah) Democrat:** Republicans of the nation are trying hard to get into democratic lines by advocating legal proceedings against the trusts. It's a little too late, though. The place to have effected a remedy for the trust evil was in the 57th congress, which has adjourned.

**West Bend (Ia.) Advance:** In parallel columns of the Chicago Record-Herald Monday appeared the following headlines: "Paid \$12,000 for His Bridal Outfit." "Soldiers Ordered to Reel Miners." Study out the two conditions of life suggested by those headlines. Then ask yourself, "What breeds anarchy?"

**Lexington (N. C.) Dispatch:** If the democratic party decides to follow the dictation of republicans in its national policy it will be as sure to meet defeat as the sun shines. It is safest to find out what your enemy wants you to do and then go straightway and do the other thing.

**Carrollton (Ill.) Gazette:** The democratic party does not need reorganizing. All it needs is the united efforts of all democrats, and victory is certain. All persons who are opposed to the centralization of power, imperialism, and trust domination are democrats and should be working in democratic harness.

**Millersburg (Pa.) Journal:** Republican duplicity in dealing with the trusts is shown by the fact that in every instance where Attorney General Knox instituted proceedings against the trusts it was where there was no real tangible evidence against them, but in cases where the evidence was direct and positive proceedings were not instituted.

**Farmington (Mo.) Times:** If President Roosevelt is sincere in his pretended opposition to trusts, why doesn't he make an attempt to enforce the anti-trust laws, instead of promising "special trust legislation." He and his party are "long" on promises to the people just before elections and "short" on their fulfillment after elections.

**Bellefonte (Pa.) Watchman:** Won't somebody please examine the field-glass through which the Philadelphia Times man takes his view of the political horoscope. Judging from the frequency with which he feels called upon to "shoo Mr. Bryan off the presidential track" we fear some one has pasted a picture of that gentleman on its magnifying end.

**Centerville (Ia.) Journal:** It seems that our republican friends cannot find sufficient law to make injunctions work against the beef trust and other great trusts that are robbing the people of millions annually. But when it comes to apply the injunction scheme against the laboring man it works like a charm.

**Waynesburg (Pa.) Democrat:** Who, that remembers, believes those lies about Bryan wrecking the democratic party that Cleveland had brought to victory. Indiana gave Cleveland 11,000 majority in 1892. In 1894, two years before Bryan was mentioned, this same state of Indiana rebuked the Cleveland administration by giving a republican majority of 47,000. Facts are said to be stubborn things and the reorganizers ought to be fed on them a plenty.

**Tiffin (O.) Advertiser:** The democratic national conventions of 1896 and 1900 denounced the republican policy of government by injunction, and its fruits are now being gathered by the laboring men who supported the republican party and its vicious policy. But they still have the right to vote.

**Bucyrus (O.) Forum:** The Chicago Chronicle describes the populist as "a man who is always wanting government to do something for him, who is so lacking in self-reliance that he looks to the government not as his agent, but as his guardian and benefactor; who is so much of a vagrant as to insist that the world, by which he means other people more industrious and capable than himself, owes him a living." The fellows this fits are chiefly the tariff and trust barons, the Cleverlands, the Shermans, the Pierpont Morgans, and all the host of fellows who have secured millions at public expense or through class legislation; but they don't call themselves populists, and they aren't satisfied with "a living." They want to "hog" the whole business, and leave only a bare existence for the people who toil.

**Fulton (Ill.) Journal:** There is considerable frothy talk wasted by some alleged democrats concerning "reorganization," and "harmony," and "conservatism." No meaningless shilly-shally platform, on which stands a good Lord and good devil candidate for the presidency, the campaign under the management of men who piloted the democratic party on to the rocks in 1894, and who voted the republican ticket in 1896 and 1900, and who have not expressed repentance for their ill-advised course, will win a victory for democracy and the people in 1904. During the past six years the republican politicians have given campaign material enough with which the democrats should win a glorious victory. But the democratic platform should be as clear, positive, radical as the platforms of 1896 and 1900 were on every question.

**Alliance (Neb.) Herald:** The Herald wants harmony, and wants it badly. It will harmonize on any democratic ground. The Kansas City platform is democratic ground, and don't you forget it. We were right in 1896 and 1900, and by the eternal we are right now. We want harmony, but we don't want it badly enough to accept what traitors offer nor to follow the lead of those sulked and skulked when honest democrats were fighting like men. By all means let's have harmony—the harmony of democrats who fight for principle and not for pelf; the harmony of democrats who fight for loyalty above loot; the harmony of democrats who would rather be defeated forever while fighting for right than damned once for battling for wrong. If this is a false note in the harmony chorus, all right. The Herald will continue to sing in this key till the cows come home.

## Weekly News Summary.

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It is reported that President Roosevelt will call the senate in extraordinary session early in November, to act on a reciprocity treaty with Cuba. The president hopes to have the reciprocity question cleared away entirely before the regular session of congress, which will meet in December.

The new German Lloyd steamship, Kaiser Wilhelm II., was successfully launched at the Vulcan shipyard at Stettin on August 12 in the presence of Emperor William. She is to be of 39,000 horsepower and will have accommodations for 1,000 cabin passengers.

The third reunion of the National Society of the Army of the Philippines took place in Council Bluffs, Ia., beginning on August 13. Governor Savage of Nebraska and Governor Cummins of Iowa with their staffs were present and other noted visitors were Brigadier General Charles King, General Wilder S. Metcalf, and the president of the society, Brigadier General Irving Hale, together with many noted veterans of the Philippine war. On Wednesday evening, August 13, the citizens of Council Bluffs tendered the visitors a reception which was attended by fully 5,000 people, and where several addresses were delivered.

A Washington dispatch of August 13 says: The navy department has been informed by the officers in command of the Asiatic squadron that the following named vessels have been put out of commission at Cavite, P. I.: Basco, Calamines, Panav Mariveles, Arayt, and Parasua. These vessels are small gunboats and were captured from the Spanish during the recent war. The action taken indicates that they no longer are needed for service in the Philippines.

A New York dispatch says: The four harvester companies not included in the concentration are D. M. Osborne & Co., Auburn, N. Y.; Johnstone Harvester company, Batavia, N. Y.; Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine company, Hoosic Falls, N. Y., and Adriance, Platt & Co., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. It was announced tonight on the best of authority that the headquarters will be located in Chicago.

A dispatch from New York, under date of August 13, says: Bishop O'Gorman of Sioux Falls, S. D., who accompanied Governor Taft to the vatican and who returned Tuesday, bearing a gift to President Roosevelt from the pope, will on Saturday visit Oyster Bay and then present the gift, which is a mosaic of the pope sitting on a terrace in the vatican gardens surrounded by a number of attendants, with a view of Rome in the distance. The bishop has received an invitation to dine with the president. Bishop O'Gorman will go to Newport probably tomorrow to visit Cardinal Gibbons. He said he bore a special message of greeting to the cardinal from the pope. He will later visit St. Paul as the bearer of a similar greeting to Archbishop Ireland.

It is reported from Evanston, Wyo., that a good flow of petroleum has been struck near Spring Valley. The oil is of the finest quality, and the fact that the strike occurred five miles from the other wells of the district indicates that the field is extensive.

An interesting report from Tromsø, Norway, dated August 12, and concerning the difficulties of Explorer Baldwin has been made public, and reads as follows: Evelyn B. Baldwin and several members of the crew of the America have made statements before

a notary public regarding the dispute between Mr. Baldwin and Captain Johannssen of the America. According to Mr. Baldwin's statement, Captain Johannssen refused to obey the orders of the ice pilot and that necessitated his removal from the command. Baldwin also says that Captain Johannssen left the vessel at Honingsvaag, without Baldwin's knowledge or consent. The relations between Baldwin and the ice pilot were always of the best, the statement asserts, and it is added that while the death of half the dogs from worms hindered the party from reaching as far north as intended, Baldwin is confident that within twelve months the America will reach the intended latitude, en route to the North Pole. The consulate at Christiania, to which Captain Johannssen complained, has referred him to the consulate at Bergen.

On August 13 it was reported from San Francisco that the Chinese-American Commercial company has filed articles of incorporation, with a capitalization of \$1,000,000. The incorporators are Ho Yow, who for six years has been the imperial Chinese consul general to this country, and the following San Francisco business men: Henry F. Allen, Henry F. Fortmann, George T. Hawley, Francis Cutting, P. E. Bowles, G. D. Greenwood, W. H. Chickering and Rudolph Spreckles. The purpose of the company is to develop business and trade between China and this country. Ho Yow will temporarily resign from the consulship to manage the affairs of this compact in China. The company will establish commercial museums for the exhibition of American manufactures and products all over China and will do the same in America for Chinese products.

Interesting news comes from Rome under date of August 13, as follows: Recently published statements that the famous Borghese palace was to be sold at auction are authoritatively denied by the legal representatives of the Borghese family.

A Rome dispatch on January 24 announces that the Italian government had purchased the Borghese art gallery for \$800,000, the sale being made by Prince Borghese because of financial difficulties. In November 1901, Prince Borghese offered to donate to the Italian nation all of his paintings except Titian's "Sacred and Profane Love," if he were allowed to sell that picture abroad. It was said he had been offered \$1,000,000 for this painting. The government refused him permission to sell it abroad.

A Manila report says that a small party of Moros surprised an outpost of the Twenty-seventh infantry at Camp Vicars on August 12, killing two American sentries and wounding another. The attacking Moros were all from Bacolod and the occurrence probably will result in a move against the town, which has a strong fort and other defenses. It is also reported from Manila that the fourth anniversary of the capture of the city of Manila, which was surrendered to the American forces on August 13, 1898, was observed as a general holiday.

On August 11 it was reported from Havana that at today's meeting of the house of representatives the bill to raise a Cuban loan of \$35,000,000 received from the senate was reported and referred to the committee on tariffs. The house today refused a request made by a judge of instruction, asking permission of the house to prosecute Representative Alques, who, the judge claims, is the author of an article which appeared in La Luchak, directed against Senor Diaz, secretary of public works, accusing him of being personally interested in an affair before the house. Four members voted in favor of granting the judge the permission he asked for.