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Wall Street Turns to Bryan.

While little is taking place in national politics to warm the cockles of Mr. Bryan's heart, he must be deriving more or less quiet satisfaction from the criticisms directed against the Hon. Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, by the eastern newspapers and the Wall street journals of nance. Mr. Cannon, who will be the next speaker of the house, recently said the Aldrich currency bill would not be considered by the next congress, and that there was no general demand for a "rubber currency." This frank and unqualified attack on the Aldrich financial program has pained the east excessively, and Mr. Cannon is variously represented as an arch and bucolic enemy of progress.

Mr. Cannon said that the demand for a "rubber currency" was made to satisfy the speculative desires of Wall street, and that the rest of the country had all the money it needed for its

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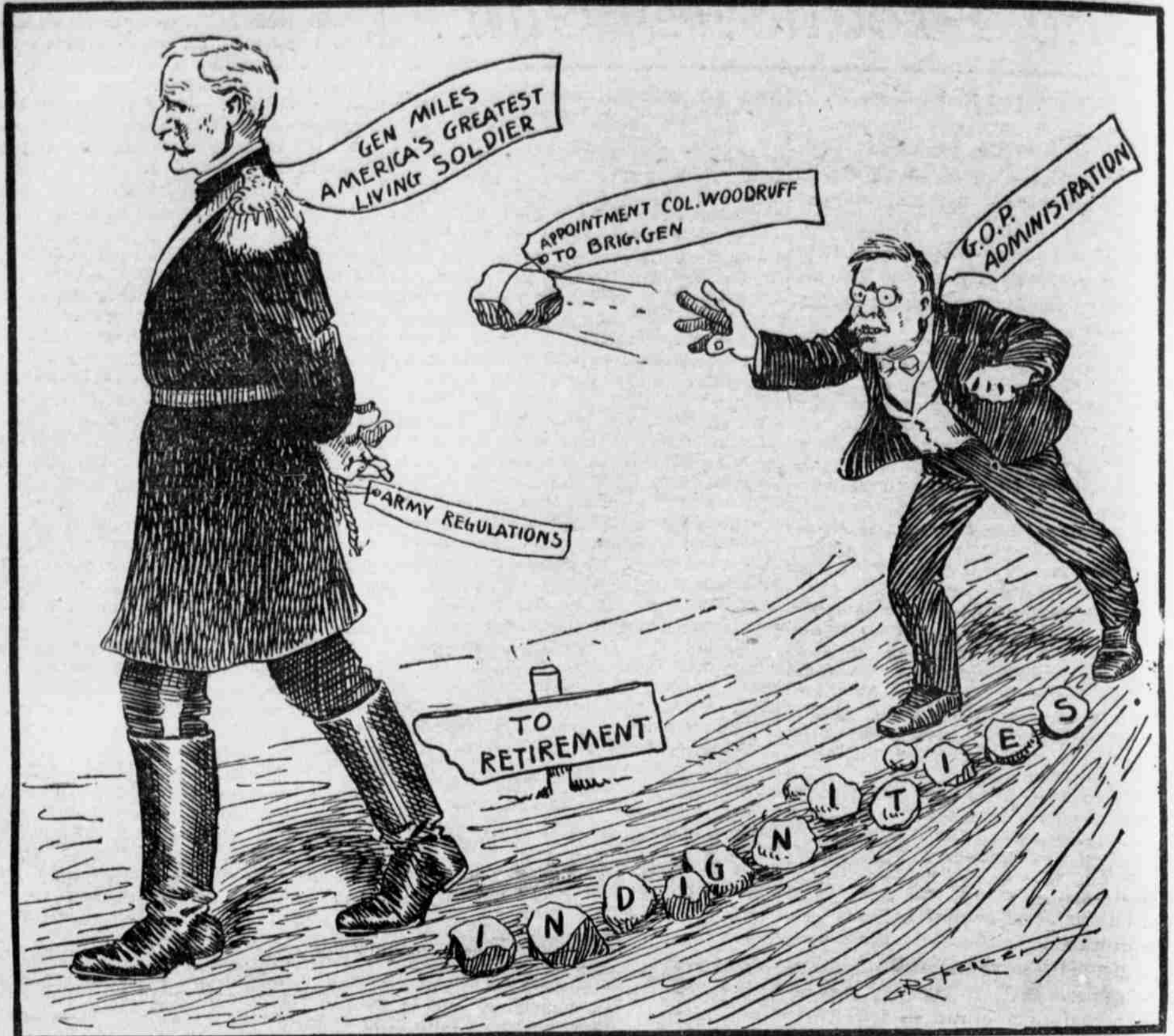
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THE LAST ONE?



business. "What does Mr. Cannon mean by 'rubber?'" screams the Wall Street Journal. "Does he deny the value of elasticity? Is rigidity an essential quality for bank note circulation? If that is so, why does not Mr. Cannon have a law enacted to abolish the use of checks? They constitute a currency system which is all rubber. The check system is so elastic that their value expands and contracts with the varying pressure of business."

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