

Weekly Press Forum

Celina (O.) Standard: Uncle Mark Hanna evidently has reached the conclusion that Ohio democrats are becoming too pernicious in politics, as he has cut the smart set at Newport and hastened back to Cleveland to take a hand in the coming campaign.

Moulton (Ia.) Sun: We have overdone the business of nursing "infant industries." These "infants" have grown under the "nursing" process until they now think they are "bigger than their pa." It is now high time to take the bottle from them and let them "root hog, or die."

Harrisburg (Ill.) Register: General Fimon Bolivar Buckner sat in a republican convention as a delegate over in Kentucky the other day. He will be remembered as the candidate for vice president on the ticket of what is now the democratic "reorganizers" in 1896. He is where they rightly belong, and where they would be if they did not hope to be able to deceive the people some more.

Rushville (Ind.) Jacksonian: The reign of the blessed gold standard idea has been supreme for several months and yet we are told that one of the principal reasons for calling a special session of congress is for the consideration of needed financial legislation. The president is now considering a suggestion made by his senatorial advisers to fix the date for the beginning of special session a month earlier than first announced so that more time may be had for discussion of needed currency reform. Isn't it strange?

Eureka (Ill.) Democrat-Journal: Our diplomats are the most knowing and cunning on earth. Their partisan papers say so, and the diplomats themselves admit it. But it is amusing to see how they are disgusted at those Russian diplomats for lying. Diplomatic lying is one of the fine arts of statesmanship, and if in this Man-

churian business the Russians have outclassed our own diplomats they must practice up a little more as they did with the Filipinos when they wanted them to help drive the Spaniards out of Manila.

Portsmouth (O.) Times: The republican party organs are maintaining that the Philippine question is settled because we have possession of the islands. Abraham Lincoln once said no question was ever settled until it was settled right, and a nation could not exist half bond and half free. What he said in the "sixties" suits the conditions now just as exactly as it did then and is just as eternally true. Not only slavery of nations, but slavery of individuals exists therein. The thief may repent of his gain, but he cannot atone in full until he restores the ill-gotten goods.

Jerseyville (Ill.) News: This talk of reorganization, of bringing back the old democratic party to its original "golden principles," of rehabilitating Cleveland and other traitors of the party, is the cheapest sort of flubdub. It presents a strong front in the plutocratic press, but that is as far as it goes. Nowadays you will see nothing but the names of Grover Cleveland, David B. Hill, Richard Olney, Daniel Lamont and A. P. Gorman in print as the personification of present day democracy. These names may obtain blazonry, because the same is virtually paid for, but they certainly have small popularity with the democratic party, because it knows what lying frauds and pinchbeck democrats they all are. Sometimes one is disposed to look upon money as the sum of all good in this country; as the alchemist's dream which transmutes everything into what you would have it. But it is not so. There are six millions and a half of men in this country, at least five millions of whom have been voting for a democratic principle.

NATIONAL HONOR

A Washington dispatch under date of September 11 and carried by the Associated press says: United States Attorney Beach today announced that the six persons named in the seven indictments returned by the grand jury last Tuesday are:

George V. Beavers, former chief of the division of salaries and allowances, postoffice department.

August W. Machen, former general superintendent of the free delivery system, postoffice department.

James W. Erwin, former postoffice inspector, with headquarters in San Francisco.

George H. Huntington and Isaac A. McGeihan, both of New York city, owners of the Columbia Supply Co. of that city.

Eugene D. Scheble of Toledo, O., a dentist and interested in the firm of Maybury & Ellis of Detroit, Mich., letter box manufacturers.

Beavers, Machen and Erwin are named jointly in one indictment for conspiracy to defraud the United States.

Another indictment is against McGeihan, Huntington and Machen for conspiracy to defraud the United States, and still another is against the same three for conspiracy to commit bribery.

Scheble and Machen are indicted jointly for conspiracy against the United States and again for conspiracy to commit bribery.

Another indictment is against McGeihan and Huntington for bribery, and the last is against Machen singly for accepting bribes.

The indictments against Beavers, Machen and Erwin alleges that the Postal Service and Improvement company of San Francisco, formerly the Montana Indicator and Letter Box company, was composed almost entirely of western postal employees; that in 1900 it set aside 1,000 shares of stock for "forwarding its interests" and that, armed with this authority, its president, Daniel S. Richardson, and Inspector Erwin came to Washington, saw Beavers, Machen, Heath and others and got an order for equipping 2,089 letter boxes with their device.

The indictment says the company was systematically relieved of its obligations in the way of paying freight, crating, painting and printing cards for the devices it was furnishing. The indictment charges that Beavers and Machen owned stock under assumed names. Most of the thousand shares of stock set aside, the indictment says, went to different postoffice officials and again President Richardson came to Washington and, following an increase in the contract price he got for the company, dividends were paid on the stock.

McGeihan, principal owner of the Columbia Supply company of New

York, is charged with agreeing to pay Machen 50 cents for each \$1.25 paid on the package box contract by the government. Specific payments to Machen are cited in consideration of increased compensation and under the package box contract, ostensibly for attaching a different support to the boxes. Scheble became interested in the firm of which Mayor Maybury of Detroit is a member, and which furnished letter boxes to the government and Scheble and Machen, in a joint indictment are alleged to have schemed to defraud the government by the supply of excessive quantities of boxes.

The indictment says that Maybury and Ellis paid Scheble to the extent of the latter's interest in the company, and that he in turn paid large sums to Machen.

In seventeen counts the indictment cites specific payment to Machen by Scheble. The other indictments involve practically similar transactions.

Montague, whose name figures in the Montague Indicator and Letter Box company, is postmaster of San Francisco.

A number of other postal cases are now pending before the grand jury which will resume its sessions here next Monday.

Artificial Corn Ears.

It is not probable that any one will attempt at the coming World's fair to work such a "fake" as was done in the Iowa building at the Columbian exposition in Chicago ten years ago. A great sensation among agriculturists was created by a display of some immense ears of corn, which were put forth as a sample of Iowa's chief staple. People supposed they were genuine, and all marveled at the size of the ears and wondered what sort of soil there could be in Iowa to produce them.

It turned out afterward that they were the product of a Shenandoah genius, who sawed a lot of corncobs into sections, glued them together and then stuck on the kernels. It was done so nicely that it deceived the most experienced farmers. These big ears of corn were afterward exhibited at state fairs all over the country.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The First Dental School.

The world's first school of dentistry and its first dental society were established in America. A Philadelphia dentist pointed out this fact the other day. "We get our American dentistry from France," he said. "A French dentist came here to fight for us during the revolution, and he taught all he knew about his profession to an American soldier. The soldier afterward established in Baltimore a school for dentists—the first school in the world—and it still flourishes. The great-grandson of the man who founded it, the revolutionary soldier who learned the principles of his profession from a French dentist beside a campfire, is practicing brilliantly in the suburbs of Philadelphia today. Every generation of this family, from the founder of the world's first dental school on down, has had a dentist in it."—Kansas City Journal.

President Roosevelt, it is asserted, is to withhold the promotion of 30 veterans, who are to be confirmed as brigadiers before retirement, until the name of General Wood has been acted upon by the senate. This is using a politician's club with a vengeance.—Buffalo Times.

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