



Weekly Press Forum

Exeter (Neb.) Enterprise: It is becoming painfully evident that Mark Hanna has let go of the prosperity lever long enough to spit on his hands.

Woodsford (O.) Spirit of Democracy: Come to think of it, aren't we a little inconsistent in making a big kick over grafting by post-officials while the nation is in the same line of business?

Owensboro (Ky.) Messenger: Mr. Perry Heath, peeping out from underneath the petticoats of the statute of limitations, is another of the sights of the purity of the republican party—the grand old party! Rats!

Gilmer (Tex.) Echo: The isthmian canal would be a good thing and our government needs it, but does she need it bad enough to get it by violating a solemn obligation to a weaker government?

Hastings (Neb.) Republican: It is noticed that the knocks given the Northern Securities merger by Attorney General Knox is not hurting or to any perceptible extent disturbing any of the other great railroad combinations.

Hastings (Mich.) Journal: Well, the report of Bristow puts the scandal worse than ever on Perry S. Heath, the secretary of the republican national committee. The postoffice department is a veritable nest of corruption.

Darlington (Wis.) Democrat: The Philippines are in a state of chronic rebellion. If the nations of the east had done as President Roosevelt has, they would long since have recognized the independence of the Filipinos and warned us to get out.

Paragould (Ark.) Soliphone: The old Panama canal scheme has been so honey-combed with fraud and reeking with corruption that even European nations have for years stood aloof from the stench that ascended to heaven from the isthmus.

Shelbina (Mo.) Torchlight: Lake Whitewash has been discovered in the Philippine islands. If congress gets to investigating the boodling in the postoffice and other governmental departments, Washington ought to tap that lake with a pipe line.

Woodsford (O.) Spirit of Democracy: We are having more "peace in the Philippines." A few days ago there was a brush there in which six "constables" were injured and three hundred Filipinos "known to be killed." Nothing said about Filipinos wounded.

Rawlins (Wyo.) Journal: As shown by recent debates in the senate the republicans are more than anxious to forget the postoffice scandals and have them hushed up. Democrats will see to it that they are kept before the public until the rascals are punished.

Bellefonte (Pa.) Democratic Watchman: It is certain that when it comes to making a nominee for president for the democracy neither the New York World nor the Brooklyn Eagle will be looked upon as "bell cows" and since they can't be "bell cows" all that is left for them to do is to "fall in behind."

Darlington (Wis.) Democrat: If the Boers should rebel against England tomorrow, would President Roosevelt recognize them the next day as a free and independent nation? And would he say to England, "Hands off?" What he would do is best shown by what he did when the Boers were struggling to maintain their freedom.

Canon City (Colo.) Clipper: The Commoner says that "the action of the administration in the Panama matter violates all of the precedents of American statesmen." The republican party is not being run on precedents these days. Since the United States became a world power the constitution and precedents have been disregarded by the party in power.

Enid (O. T.) Democrat: The Democrat believes in the unity of the states. The editor has long since concluded that secession is wrong. We do not believe that our country should back up and sustain the disruption of the United States of Colombia. With temperate and wise diplomacy we could have obtained the canal concession and not been accused of acting the bully.

Emporia (Kas.) Times: Grover Cleveland announces that he will not be a candidate for president. His decision is unalterable and will not be changed. Only a very few persons considered Grover as a possibility. His chief support came from the republican press of the country. The democracy of the nation is not surprised at his decision and heartily concurs in the wisdom of it.

Emmettsburg (Ia.) Democrat: Senator Hanna thinks that Judge Parker of New York will be the next democratic nominee for president. The boss from Ohio seems to be doing a little skirmishing for himself these days, though he is taking special pains to deny it. If President Roosevelt does not agree to surrender completely to the money power, Mr. Hanna will be given the nomination.

Bellaire (O.) Democrat: It would seem the part of humanity on the part of the senate to let up on General Wood before he entirely exterminates the Moros. As we have been told that there has been profound peace among our benevolently assimilated for the past two years, the useless slaughter of these defenseless people seems little better than the slaughter by Greeks and Romans of their helpless prisoners to entertain the depraved populace at their feasts and games.

Rochester (Ind.) Sentinel: While the president declares a part of them must be punished, the men whose pockets are filled with pilfered cash show no signs of nervous prostration, for with many of the most influential politicians claiming that to punish these "good fellows" who have done so much for the success of the party in the past will discourage men with like talents from lending assistance in future elections, a "go easy" policy will be adopted and no one but the public will be injured.

Bellefonte (Pa.) Democrat: Why do not the g. o. p. organs tell their readers more about the causes that brought about the present big break-down in the iron business, in a score of other industrial lines, in stocks of which thousands of honest and confiding people were investors, including widows, have lost their all? Why is this thus? When the country is blessed with a bountiful harvest, the g. o. p. organs would place the credit, not to Providence, but point to it as the "prosperity" wrought by political vagabonds who are running things for the benefit of themselves and favored followers. Why are so many thousands of people thrown out of employment all over the country? The trouble lies in the fact that the government is being run entirely for the benefit of the rich and to the detriment of the poor.

Bellaire (O.) Democrat: Among the thousands of petitions being pre-

sented to the senate against the seating of Smoot were hundreds from Ohio, Senator Hanna presenting large batches, many from nearby sections, Barnesville, New Concord, Canton, Cambridge, Wellsville, East Liverpool and other towns being on the list. It looks like the farce of the year to see Mr. Hanna standing before the most dignified body on earth, presenting petitions against carrying out a bargain he, his associate, Perry Heath, and other leading lights in the party have agreed to carry out and for which Smoot has already rendered value expected, and these poor, deluded people sending them, suppose that because party necessity caused the unseating of Roberts, their petitions will cause the same action toward a republican.

Bryan on Democracy. (Continued from Page 11.)

tion of any of those possessions, that we will not stand in the way of any amicable arrangement between them and the mother country; but that we will oppose, with all our means, the forcible interposition of any other power, as auxiliary, stipendiary, or under any other form or pretext, and most especially, their transfer to any power by conquest, cession, or acquisition in any other way."

Jefferson died on July 4, 1824, just fifty years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The year that marked his demise marked the entrance of the second great democratic leader into the arena of politics.

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A Rare Operation.

The life of Frank McIlhatton was saved by an exceedingly rare surgical operation, only nine other cases being recorded.

The man was suffering from an aneurism or dilation of the great artery which extended three inches above the base of the breast bone and was three and a half inches wide. As a result of this enlargement he had become unable to swallow, had great difficulty in breathing and suffered excruciating pains in the head. To save his life it was necessary to reduce the aneurism, and to do that the hospital physicians had recourse to what is known as "Corrivi's operation."

McIlhatton was able to talk to his wife five minutes after the task of the surgeon was completed, and is reported as doing well.

The operation was performed by Prof. E. W. Holmes, surgeon in chief at the Samaritan hospital, assisted by Dr. Dietrich, Dr. Snively and Dr. Finck. Many men prominent in the profession were spectators.

Cocaine was applied to the affected portion of the aorta, the disease lying in the transverse section, or arch, of that artery.

A hollow porcelain covered needle was introduced into the aneurism, and a section of gold wire, 15 feet long, was passed through the hollow of the instrument and permitted to coil in the diseased region. The wire was then connected with a galvanic battery, and the circuit was completed by the placing of a negative plate upon the patient's back, and a current of five milliamperes was turned on. This was increased at regular intervals un-

til it had attained a strength of eighty milliamperes and one hour's time had been consumed.

McIlhatton experienced immediate relief, and the operation, from a surgical standpoint, was pronounced flawless. The application of the electrical current caused coagulation of the contents of the aneurism, which thereby shrank, relieving the pressure upon the lungs and larynx.—Philadelphia Co. New York Herald.

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