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Wheat—not Bryan—is king of Nebraska just at present.

There is a fighting chance for Taft even in Georgia and South Carolina.

Drop a nickle in the slot and get your name on the Bryan roll of honor.

With corn selling for 80 cents in Kansas, the recruiting stations are not crowded with Bryan volunteers.

For a man who has a "sure thing," Mr. Bryan appears very anxious to secure the support of the Hearst Independent League.

Sherman, republican candidate for Vice President, Senator Dolliver and other prominent republicans, will speak in Nebraska during the campaign.

Good prices for Nebraska corn and wheat will cut a wider swath than the speeches of all the campaign orators of the two old parties can throw into Nebraska.

Mr. Bryan has revised his request for campaign funds. While individual contributions will be limited to \$10,000, any Platte county farmer may send his check for that amount, and contribute as much more in the names of other members of his family as he desires.

Judge Grimison of Colfax county has been a private citizen for four years and six months. That's a long time for Judge Grimison to feed on grass, and he wants to get his mouth back to the public crib. The Judge thinks the office of Lieutenant Governor is just about his size, and it is said will file for that office on the Democratic ticket.

The Taft banner at Lincoln, which was cut down at midnight by the Bryanites, has been replaced. The banner is now enclosed in wire netting, but still bears the marks of the vandals—one corner being burned off. The Taft banner is not the first campaign banner that suffered indignities from the hands of Democrats. A Lincoln banner unfurled at Cairo, Ill., in 1864, was pulled down and burned by a mob and several republicans who undertook to defend it were injured.

Treasurer Sheldon, of the Republican National committee, is a man who has succeeded in life. He started on his career a poor boy, and has succeeded in business. Is that a crime? According to the Democratic idea it is—at least he is being misrepresented and abused for the success he has achieved by the World-Herald and other intensely partisan papers. If he were a tough like "Fingy" Connors, a gambler and law breaker like Taggart, a grafter like Murphy and "wild and woolly" like Dahlgren, he would be spoken of as a statesman and a patriot. But to be a plain, unassuming business man is regarded as a crime by some of Bryan's supporters.

FROM FATHER ABRAHAM TO BILLY BRYAN.

Forty-six years have passed away since eighteen loyal governors of Northern states united in requesting Abraham Lincoln to make a call for three hundred thousand volunteers to supply the losses in the Union army from death, disability and discharge. At the time the call was issued, such men as Horatio Seymour, Samuel J. Tilden, Tom Hendricks, Pendleton, Valandingham and other Copperheads were declaring the war a failure and doing everything within their power to discourage Union sentiment in the north, and a year later, when the Democrats met in National convention in the city of Chicago, the Copperhead element in the party declared the war a failure.

When Lincoln issued his call at the request of the loyal governors, James Sloan Gibbons, a young New Yorker, aroused the north by writing a poem which became the battle song of the republic. The poem was sung in every school house throughout the loyal states and by the soldiers in their camps and on the battle fields of the south. Below is the first stanza of the celebrated song: If you look up all our valleys, where the growing harvests shine, You may see the sturdy farmers' boys fast forming into line; And the children at their mothers' knees are pulling at the weeds, And learning how to reap and sow against their country's needs, And a farewell group stands weeping now at every cottage door— We are coming, Father Abraham, three hundred thousand more!

These lines are not printed for the purpose of reviving sectional feeling. Republicans and Democrats of the north fought side by side for the Union in the War of the Rebellion. The country is now united. The Old South has passed away, and a New South has taken its place. To recall the part the loyal people of the North took in crushing the rebellion is not waving the bloody shirt. But there are some things connected with the war which the people of the north will always hold as sacred, and the poem written by James Sloan Gibbons is one of them. To pervert, or misapply, or make a parody of that poem for use in a political campaign today by a political party that denounced Lincoln and the Union army as a failure, should be condemned as inappropriate and sacrilegious.

Below is the "new" song the Bryan Volunteers of Missouri have adopted "as the army sweeps along:"

If you look up all our valleys, where the golden harvests shine, You may see the sturdy volunteers fast forming into line; And the children and their mothers are shouting loud with glee, As the Peerless Legion marches from the mountains to the sea, And a mighty shout is taken up as the army sweeps along— We are coming, "Billy" Bryan, three hundred thousand strong!

If the Democrats are compelled to wander back forty-six years to unearth inspiration for a campaign song of today, why not adopt, "Hurrah! Hurrah! the blue 'll be made red, three cheers for Jeff Davis and the Red, White and Red!" This was a popular song forty-six years ago in that section of our country where it is conceded Mr. Bryan will receive one hundred and sixty-six electoral votes.

ABUSING TAFT.

Immediately after the Republican national convention adjourned, the Bryanites insisted, and gave publicity to the statement, that corporations had raised an immense sum of money to bribe Democrats to vote for Taft; that the money to corrupt the ballot had been contributed by corporations; that the Standard Oil Company, the steel trust, and railway corporations were among the chief contributors. No proof was offered in support of the statements.

When the Denver convention met the platform makers appeared to have been ignorant of the fact that the Republican party had already passed a law against corporations contributing to campaign committees in presi-

THE FIGURES FOR IT.

New York Indispensable for Democratic Success.—Without It Bryan Cannot be Elected.

New York it is agreed on all hands is practically indispensable for democratic success. What is the chance for Mr. Bryan to carry New York with the Independence league and Hearst newspapers opposing him? The latest election in New York was last fall. It was for members of the legislature and justices of the court of appeals. The democrats and republicans united on one democrat and one republican for candidates. These candidates polled about 1,200,000 votes. The Independence league put up separate candidates. One of these received 114,000, the other 121,000 votes. About 80,000 of these votes were cast in New York city, the rest being pretty well scattered over the state. The socialist party at the same election polled about 24,000 votes and the prohibition party 18,000 votes.

There is reason to believe that quite a number of the Independence league votes cast last fall will vote for Bryan, but on the other hand he will lose a good many democratic votes as he always has in New York. The fact is that the Bryan electoral ticket needs the solid support of the Independence league to be in the race in New York—and no one knows this better than the managers of the New York democracy. Besides this the socialist party is growing vigorously in New York. It makes no deals and enters into no combinations, but has a propaganda of alert, enthusiastic young men and women who are pushing its organization and ideas, especially in the tenement districts, and most of whose converts come from Tammany. Mr. Bryan needs both the socialist and the Independence league vote to carry New York and there are no indications at present that he will get them.

It is said that the democratic ticket can be elected without New York. It can be, but it is well to look at the figures and calculate the probabilities. There are now 483 electoral college votes. It requires 242 for a choice. Let us give Mr. Bryan the solid south. Here it is:

Table with 2 columns: State and Electoral Votes. Alabama 11, Arkansas 9, Florida 9, Georgia 13, Kentucky 13.

A CORRECTION.

The Journal desires to correct a statement made last week in its editorial columns, in connection with Edgar Howard's charge against the Union Pacific Company. The Journal has been informed that Mr. Howard did not consult any of the leaders of his party before appearing before the State Board of Assessment. If the charge, as alleged by Mr. Howard, is sustained, he should be given credit for the work performed in the interest of tax payers.

THE SAME OLD BRYAN.

"The new Bryan" is the same Bryan. No newspaper writer is closer to the Fairview throne than Willis J. Abbot, the Washington representative of the Commoner. Here is a bit of Mr. Abbot's work contributed to the Review of Reviews:

There is no 16-to-1 idea in the Bryan mind today. There is no apology for the dogma of 1896, nor any attempt to revive it. Yet I am not so sure that even on this point Mr. Bryan has changed so much as the community to which he must make his appeal. We were told in those days that to continue coining silver as money of ultimate redemption amounted to repudiation and dishonor. But as Mr. Bryan pointed out in conversation with me only a few days ago, the very public men who thought it was perilous to make dollars out of silver have now passed a currency law which will enable the banks to issue money based upon railroad bonds, upon commercial securities, upon any asset which a speculative bank cashier may take and which an overburdened secretary of the treasury may perfunctorily approve.

The Bryanite point of view, even today, with silver no longer an issue, would doubtless be that a precious metal dug out of the earth, possessing the intrinsic value which any limited product of labor must possess, and having a special value for use in the arts, was at least as good a form of money as bank notes based on railroad bonds or upon the notes of speculators or captains of finance.

Mr. Bryan does not admit he was wrong in 1896. While denying that the 16-to-1 idea is in Mr. Bryan's mind today, Mr. Abbot proceeds to prove that he clings to the idea to this moment. It is not to be made an issue in this campaign; nor is government ownership of railroads to be made an issue in this campaign. But the omissions are not to be attributed to reform in the mind of Mr. Bryan. He will use other things to illustrate his zeal and statesmanship; and he will use the

Table with 2 columns: State and Electoral Votes. Louisiana 9, Maryland 10, Mississippi 10, Missouri 12, North Carolina 12, Oklahoma 7, South Carolina 9, Tennessee 12, Texas 12, Virginia 12.

There are two or three states in the list which it will take the hardest kind of campaigning to get into the democratic column this year, but let us count the solid south on that side. It requires 76 more electoral votes. Where will they come from? The democratic national convention went to Denver this year. It was after the mountain states which voted for Bryan in 1896. If it gets them all this year it will have the following to add to the solid south:

Table with 2 columns: State and Electoral Votes. Colorado 5, Idaho 3, Montana 3, Nevada 3, Utah 3, Wyoming 3.

The democrats still lack 56 electoral votes. Where shall they be had? In 1896 Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota voted for Bryan. North Dakota voted for McKinley. Suppose all four of them go democratic this year. More than that. Suppose the nomination of Kern carries Indiana. There would then be added to the democratic column the following:

Table with 2 columns: State and Electoral Votes. Indiana 15, Kansas 6, Nebraska 6, North Dakota 4, South Dakota 4.

With all these democrats must have fifteen more electoral votes. If they swept the Pacific coast and got California with ten and Oregon with four votes they would be short one vote and would need to carry Illinois with 27, or Wisconsin with 13, or Michigan with 14, or Minnesota with 11, or Iowa with 13 electoral votes to win.

These figures bring out the mathematics of the repeated assertion that New York is necessary to democratic success, and that with New York lost the democracy must carry not only every doubtful state but several which have been uniformly and strongly republican.—State Journal.

CHAUTAUQU ASSEMBLY.. TO BE HELD AT COLUMBUS BEGINNING AUGUST 4 DAILY PROGRAM.

Table listing the daily program for the Chautauqu Assembly from Tuesday, August 4 to Sunday, August 9. Includes names of performers like The Hesperians, Dr. Montgomery, The Hungarians, Judge Estelle, etc.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

The following proposed amendment to the constitution of the State of Nebraska, as hereinafter set forth in full, is submitted to the electors of the State at Nebraska, to be voted upon at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 2nd, A. D. 1909:

A JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Sections two (2), four (4), five (5), six (6) and thirteen (13) of Article six (6) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, relating to Judicial Powers.

Section 1. (Amendment proposed.) That Section two (2) of Article six (6) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska be amended to read as follows: Section 2. (Supreme court, judges, election, term; chief justice.) The Supreme Court shall consist of seven (7) judges; and a majority of all elected and qualified judges shall be necessary to constitute a quorum or pronounce a decision. The Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction in all cases relating to the revenue, civil cases in which the state is a party, mandamus, quo warranto, habeas corpus, and such appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by law.

Section 4. (Amendment proposed.) That Section four (4) of Article six (6) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska be amended to read as follows: Section 4. (Supreme court, judges, election, term; chief justice.) The judges of the Supreme Court shall be elected by the electors of the state at large; and provided, shall be six (6) years, and said Supreme Court judges shall during their term of office reside at the place where the court is held.

Section 5. (Amendment proposed.) That Section five (5) of Article six (6) of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska be amended to read as follows: Section 5. (Supreme court, judges, election, term; chief justice.) That at the general election to be held in the state of Nebraska, on the first day of July, in each of the years 1911, 1917, 1923, 1929, 1935, 1941, 1947, 1953, 1959, 1965, 1971, 1977, 1983, 1989, 1995, 2001, 2007, 2013, 2019, 2025, 2031, 2037, 2043, 2049, 2055, 2061, 2067, 2073, 2079, 2085, 2091, 2097, 2103, 2109, 2115, 2121, 2127, 2133, 2139, 2145, 2151, 2157, 2163, 2169, 2175, 2181, 2187, 2193, 2199, 2205, 2211, 2217, 2223, 2229, 2235, 2241, 2247, 2253, 2259, 2265, 2271, 2277, 2283, 2289, 2295, 2301, 2307, 2313, 2319, 2325, 2331, 2337, 2343, 2349, 2355, 2361, 2367, 2373, 2379, 2385, 2391, 2397, 2403, 2409, 2415, 2421, 2427, 2433, 2439, 2445, 2451, 2457, 2463, 2469, 2475, 2481, 2487, 2493, 2499, 2505, 2511, 2517, 2523, 2529, 2535, 2541, 2547, 2553, 2559, 2565, 2571, 2577, 2583, 2589, 2595, 2601, 2607, 2613, 2619, 2625, 2631, 2637, 2643, 2649, 2655, 2661, 2667, 2673, 2679, 2685, 2691, 2697, 2703, 2709, 2715, 2721, 2727, 2733, 2739, 2745, 2751, 2757, 2763, 2769, 2775, 2781, 2787, 2793, 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