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Nebraska's population schedule by counties is due from the census office this week.

St. Joseph may have passed its census and probably did, but it is hardly for Omaha to throw bricks.

Mr. Bryan announces positively that he will continue to receive his mail addressed to Lincoln, Neb.

WERE THEY SIMPLY PLAYING A ROLE?

One of the potent arguments used by the Bryanites during the campaign to persuade themselves that a great change had come over the country since 1896 in favor of Bryan was that great gains had been made in the way of support from the newspaper press of the country.

Now that the election is over it is amusing to find an inspired Bryan organ like the Nebraska Independent quoting approvingly from the Ithaca Democrat what it calls "some plain truths about the democratic campaign in New York," which it assures its readers is in substance just what the Independent said on the subject at the time.

The comments since election of leading democratic papers, the New York World and the New York Journal among the number, prove that their support of Mr. Bryan was reluctantly given and was due more to their opposition to McKinley and the policies of the republicans than to any harmony between their own views and those of Mr. Bryan upon the issues of the campaign.

The Independent adds its own testimony in New York that gave Bryan hearty support. And speaking as it does for those who have always been closest to Mr. Bryan at his own home it evinces a suspicion, at least, that these great newspapers, whose support was heralded as the harbinger of success, were simply acting a role assigned to them by democratic leaders anxious to beat Bryan and relegate him to the rear.

The startling point in this indictment is that it includes the New York Journal and its proprietor, Mr. Hearst, who advertised himself so extensively as president of the National League of Democratic Clubs, and who made himself sponsor for the fatal Tammany alliance. Mr. Hearst's paper has admitted that it was neither in favor of the revival of the 16 to 1 issue nor opposed to expansion, but accepted the attitude of Bryan simply because imposed by him on the Kansas City convention.

AS TO ARMY INCREASE. The question of a reorganization and increase of the army is being earnestly discussed and various opinions are expressed as to what should be done, though all agree that an increase of the regular force is necessary.

Remember that the final ratification meeting to be celebrated by the republicans will take place at Washington on inauguration day.

Nobody has yet proposed a scheme for the reorganization of the silver republican party. Not even Charley Towne could find enough of it left to reorganize.

Another thing the republican majority of the legislature will do for itself is to choose the speaker without waiting for the aid or consent of the fusion organs and managers.

no lack of constitutional authority for legislation which shall give to the country maritime strength commensurate with its industrial achievements and with its rank among the nations of the earth.

The measure has been amended materially since it was first introduced and it may be further modified. It has been misrepresented, so far as the subsidy feature is concerned, by the statement that it would involve an immediate demand upon the treasury for \$6,000,000 annually.

Although the official canvass has not yet been made, the completed tabulation by the secretary of state of unofficial returns of the late election shows that for the first time since 1888 Nebraska has given the republican candidate for president a clean majority over the combined votes cast for all his opponents.

McKinley, republican, 121,385. Bryan, fusion, 104,013. Woolley, prohibition, 3,852. Barker, mid-road, 1,193. Davis, social labor, 820.

By a curious coincidence the official count of the vote of Ohio shows Mr. Bryan to have received as the democratic candidate for president in 1900 exactly the same number of votes—neither one more nor one less—that he received as such in 1896.

Promoting Civilization in China. The execution of the Chinese officials, including an acting viceroy, at Pao Ting turns out to have been a case of cold-blooded treachery.

The American people have always contended strongly for the right to present petitions for the redress of grievances, or did so until they took the matter into their own hands and decided to redress the wrongs themselves.

At Philadelphia, President McKinley again gives acknowledgment to the great body of independent citizens who rallied patriotically to the support of the government in the recent campaign.

Mr. Bryan is another object lesson that no able-bodied man willing to work need remain idle in these good republican times.

presidential nominations than any other man in the history of the United States and has never refused a single one.

The fusionists are now trying to make political capital out of the fact that Governor Dietrich was held up by a fusion political leech to the tune of \$25 during the campaign on the old game of selling tickets to a picnic and barbecue.

Weyler's Turn to Laugh. The laugh is with Weyler. England is adopting the reconcentration policy in Cuba and she has been suggested to us in the Philippines.

A Popercute Bonnet. In the election of Prof. Fowler to the state superintendency, the schools of the state will certainly be benefited.

From the returns that have been made by the different counties of the state it has been discovered that Douglas county was wholly responsible for the election of Dietrich as governor.

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THE CENTRY'S IGNORABLE ENDING. Came in Like a Lion, Going Out Like a Lamb. London Truth.

There has been a century of giants, but the century which came in like a lion is going out like a lamb.

Trust me I am understood as only desiring to compliment where it is deserved, and that by such acknowledgments I have caused you to make an additional resolve to continue to be not only an educator, but a benefactor.

Democratic Post Mortem.

The result of the late election appears to have been a sort of solar plexus blow to future fusion. If we are to judge by the tone of both democratic and populist papers.

It is not only knocked it out but it paralyzed all future hope along that line. The pope declares that they were betrayed by the democrats, who resented the treatment that was meted out to them in the state and county conventions.

It was not that the democrats repudiated him, but that the pope who had been given a vote of militia was suddenly shut off from the public trust.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. In Nebraska in 1892 and consequently the republicans held on to that state, though their lead over the populists was only 4,000.

NO TEARS FOR THE STATE BOARD. Schuyler Sun (rep.): The State Board of Transportation is a thing of the past. The supreme court has decided rendered the law which created it unconstitutional.

AN UNSOUGHT TESTIMONIAL. ILLER GRAND, OMAHA, Nov. 21. To the Editor of The Bee: I desire to personally congratulate you upon your splendid American newspaper—having had the pleasure of it daily for the past two weeks.

THE STATE BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION. The State Board of Transportation has been knocked out by the supreme court and will do nothing more, though the secretaries will continue to draw their salaries until January 1.

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VICTORY IN NEBRASKA.

The official returns place President McKinley's plurality in Nebraska at 7,822. The total vote of the state was heavier than ever before, showing that the interest in the canvass was intense.

NEBRASKA'S VOTE IN 1900 IS SIGNIFICANT. That state early drifted into populism and thus into a coalition with the democracy. The farmers' alliance appeared in Nebraska about as early as anywhere.

WORTHY OF RECOGNITION. Bloomfield Monitor. In the magnificent fight for the redemption of Nebraska from the clutches of populism, the republican press of Nebraska did valiant and effective service.

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