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THE ST. LOUIS CONVENTION.

A week before the meeting of the St. Louis convention the democratic situation is as much befuddled with uncertainty as it was a month ago.

government might reasonably object to the tariff arrangement regarding the zone, as going beyond the terms of the treaty and exercising a right of sovereignty on the part of the United States not contemplated or intended.

It is to be presumed, however, that the Washington authorities have not failed to consider this point and quite probably the order made is with the acquiescence of the Panama government, which of course desires to make any reasonable concession which our government may ask.

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ROUND ABOUT WORK.

Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, and some friends circulating about in an automobile bumped against a hackman who objected to the persistent "honk" of the auto horn and refused to give up a slice of the road.

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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

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It is estimated that the Hearst support will number about 250 at the outset and while this may be increased after the first ballot it is not probable that he will make any material gain.

There will be about 100 votes cast for "favorite sons" at the beginning. The field will control the situation and any man who can control 334 delegates can tie up the convention and dictate the nomination, of course assuming that the two-thirds rule will be adhered to, of which there now appears to be no doubt.

ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

The Fire and Police board is on the right track in favoring a policy of economy and retrenchment. It is easy to increase the municipal pay roll, but it is very difficult to cut it down after it has once been increased, even when retrenchment has become imperative and the efficiency of the public service would be promoted by a decrease.

Going Ahead, Regardless.

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CRUCIAL POINT IN FATAL ILLNESS.

The truth is not always so alarming to the patient, painful as it often is to the physician, as while it seems to me this one part of our duties that does not become less trying with increasing experience.

FRUITS OF THE CONVENTION.

Chicago Chronicle (dem.): Roosevelt and Fairbanks are both able and honest men and they are positive characters. They cannot be beaten by compromisers or by radicals or by lunatics.

LAUGHING GAS.

Guest-I want a good porthouse steak. Waiter-(Glancing at the menu) house steak are required to make a deposit, sir. Philadelphia Leader.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Senator Hoar is still carrying the pocket-knife that he took to Washington with him in 1883. The checks which the king of England uses for his private business are drawn on his personal account at Coutts.

Omaha's Jubilee celebration will come in September under the auspices of Ak-Sar-Ben.

Is Judge Sullivan to be the "Uncle Joe" Cannon of the democratic vice presidential campaign? The Douglas County Board of Equalization should not allow itself to become a county board of discrimination.

Just think of General Miles being opposed because of his silence! He has evidently learned one lesson too late.

Unless a combination is formed against him, Judge Sullivan will have a walk-away for the vice presidential nomination at St. Louis.

Despite the long-range stories from Lincoln Broken Bow wants it understood that it is not trying to break into the Cripple Creek class.

The scramble for free land under the Kinkaid law is on. The offer to give anything supposed to be worth something away for nothing will attract a crowd any time.

One of his associates on the Nebraska delegation intimates that Bryan might be induced to swallow Parker after all. Politics has made stranger bedfellows than that before.

France has been duly thanked for the part it took in the rescue of Perdriaris, and the United States stands ready to reciprocate by bringing France and Hayti back to friendly relations.

The war correspondents must "stand in" with the cable companies. When there is no news to send they keep the wires hot telling how they failed to find anything interesting to write about.

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is manifesting a laudable effort to retrench and keep within its income limits. The Board of Education might follow the example with good effect.

Yesterday was bargain day at the land offices in western Nebraska. No wonder people could not resist the temptation to get 640 acres of land for the price of 100 acres, even if they had to stand up all night to get to the doors.

The Des Moines Capital says the Iowa stand-pat resolutions were "sugar-coated" by the national convention to make them easier for the "tariff-rippers" to swallow, and then, for some reason or other, it tears the coating from the pill.

If Japan contemplates carrying the war into the Baltic sea it will find that a few countries willing enough to see the Asiatic clip the claws of the Russian bear in the Orient really fear the "yellow peril" when it gets too close to home.

Thomas W. Lawson of Boston is particularly unfortunate. First he failed to make good in his effort to build a racing boat; then he lost money in a mining deal, and now a presidential campaign comes along to throw into the background his efforts to roast the fellows against whom he is aggrieved.

Secretary Metcalf of the Bureau of Commerce and Labor will find work cut out for him by his predecessor which will make the office anything but a snare.

On top of the present Beef trust investigation comes the report that the department is to investigate the Colorado situation and ascertain the means leading up to the trouble as well as the developments in the case. Those who have been forced to take prominent positions from both sides would like an unbiased account of this story.

WHO MAKE GOOD MARKETS.

One of the best things said by Speaker Cannon at Chicago was this: "It is not a few men of great wealth that make good markets, but it is the multiplied millions that work today and consume tomorrow, with interchange of their respective products amongst one another, and the prosperity of the farmer on one hand and of the operative on the other, depends on the prosperity of each as producers of their respective products and as consumers of the products of others."

Apply this sound economic statement to this country. When labor here has been well employed, as during the past six or seven years, the agricultural producers have prospered because of the increased consumption of the commodities of the farm.

A prosperous agricultural community means a good demand for the products of the mill and factory and therefore work for wage earners in the manufacturing industries. This is the interchange of which Mr. Cannon spoke. When the wheels of industry are in active operation the farmer has a profitable market for all he produces and he in turn is able to liberally patronize the manufacturer.

This is the condition that we have had for several years and it is the policy of the republican party to continue it. If we would not injure the market for the agricultural producers the great body of consumers must be kept well employed.

In order to do this we must continue in the course which it has been conclusively demonstrated is necessary to the profitable operation of all our industries. The republican party again appeals to the people to do this.

CANAL ZONE REGULATIONS.

The secretary of war has formulated plans for tariff and postal systems in the Panama canal zone, which will go into effect at once. In regard to the tariff system the order is that until otherwise provided by competent authority duties on importations into the canal zone are to be levied in conformity with such duties as congress has imposed upon foreign ports of the United States.

It is obviously the view of the administration that the canal zone is United States territory and to be treated as such. This would seem to be fully warranted by the terms of the treaty with the Panama republic, which grants to this country all the rights, power and authority which it would possess and exercise if it were sovereign of the territory, to the entire exclusion of the exercise by the republic of Panama of any such rights, power or authority. It is to be noted, however, that the towns of Panama and Colon and the harbors adjacent thereto, are excepted from the grant and most foreign trade must enter at and depart from these places. It would therefore seem that the Panama

Satisfactory Close of the Moroccan Expedition.

We think no loyal American and fair-minded citizen will now be disposed to withhold from President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay full credit and high honor for the energetic measures which were resorted to in the case of the Moroccan expedition. The naval demonstration at Tangier has been criticized as inordinate. But it has accomplished its purpose and thereby justified the administration's method of dealing with a troublesome incident.

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