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BRYANITE RECORD ON TRUSTS.

The supreme court of the United States, in the well-known Knight case, decided in effect that congress has no power to control manufacture or production except as they become a part of interstate commerce.

Knowing this, as every well-informed person ought to know it, the republicans, at the last session of congress, proposed an amendment to the constitution giving congress power "to define, regulate, prohibit or dissolve trusts, monopolies or combinations, whether existing in the form of corporations or otherwise" leaving the several states "to continue to exercise such power in any manner not in conflict with the laws of the United States."

With these extraordinary prices prevailing for the great Southern staple, an advance of over 100 per cent above the times of the Wilson bill and a democratic administration, the South is marvelously prosperous. We were not surprised, therefore, to hear one of the ministers now attending the Baptist convention—himself a Southerner and of course a born democrat, although now leaning towards the prohibition party—say yesterday: "A ministerial friend of mine has just made a trip that covered the entire state of Mississippi and he was surprised to find the cotton planters, everywhere, solidly for McKinley. Rightly or wrongly they associate McKinley with 10-cent cotton, as cause and effect, and as they want more 10 cent cotton they are going to vote for McKinley."

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Here is the true reason why the Bryanites voted down the amendment. To vote for it and thus carry it through the house would have been "to eliminate the trust issue from the campaign this year," and the Bryanites needed the trust issue as a means of throwing dust in people's eyes. Should anyone imagine that this amazing statement is a campaign forgery we refer him to page 6827 of the Congressional Record, fifty-sixth congress.

THE CHRONICLE'S CODE OF ETHICS.

THE CHRONICLE takes no stock in the indiscriminate attacks that the Bryanite party are making on trusts. It believes that they are purely demagogical and for political effect. It knows, as every intelligent man knows, that while the trusts flourish as they have never done before, the country was never more prosperous nor labor ever better paid. It sees, and cannot help but see, that many of the so-called trusts have been important factors in the country's material advancement. It believes that many of the so-called trusts have cheapened hundreds of commodities that enter into every day consumption and use, while the wages of the labor that produced these commodities have been in-

creased rather than diminished. It believes there are good trusts as well as bad trusts, and that each is known by its fruits. It believes in the regulation, control and, if necessary, dissolution of all that are found to be inimical to the welfare of the masses. But it does not believe in indiscriminate assaults on aggregations of capital, as if wealth were a crime that must be answered for at the bar of justice. It believes that a man may be rich and prosperous without being a criminal, and that corporations and combinations of capital may exist without being oppressive.

This may be all wrong and wicked, according to the Bryanite code of ethics, but we cannot help it. We are built that way and have no desire to be reconstructed. We believe as firmly in the rights of capital as we do in the rights of labor and, finally, we believe that the country has no greater enemies today than the men who are bending every effort to ride into political power, by poisoning the minds of the poor with envy and hatred against the rich. Bryan and his followers are sowing dragon's teeth that, if a merciful Providence prevent not, will spring up one day into a host of armed scorpions.

A New Orleans dispatch in the New York Commercial of October 12th says: "In the excitement throughout the South, growing out of the extraordinary rise in the price of cotton to 10c a pound, the still greater rise in value of cottonseed has been overlooked. If this be considered it will be found that the cotton grower is not getting 10c a pound for his product, as is popularly supposed, but 12c. Cottonseed is selling for \$17 a ton in New Orleans, against \$8.50 a ton at this time last year, and the price is tending upward."

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The Boise Statesman thinks that "if one had to rely on Bryan's speeches to fix his genealogy he would be likely to come to the conclusion that the Nebraskan was closely connected with the families of Jefferson Davis and Dennis Kearney—then there is the additional circumstance of his other name being Dennis."

THE CANDIDATE'S LAST TRICK.

He tried imperialism and found there was nothing in it. He tried lambasting the trusts and found there was nothing in it. He tried denying that prosperity existed and asserting that it did, it was on the wane, and neither his denial nor his assertion worked.

He tried the whole platform and special parts of it, and neither parts nor whole would work. He tried Absalom, but the young man would not be scared. He tried the commercial travelers, but they were too busy to be bothered. He tried the farmers, but they had too much money in the bank.

He tried issues paramount and subordinate, and there was nothing in them. He tried militarism in a general way, and nobody was frightened. At last at Indianapolis, where he delivered his labored essay on imperialism, he sank to the depth of saying that the republicans want a standing army "so that they can build a fort near every large city and use the army to suppress by force the discontent that ought to be cured by remedial legislation."

We don't believe that there is in the country one laboring man so much of an idiot as to swallow such an assertion. It marks the desperate and demoralized candidate whose gull-catching tricks and high pretences have failed; who in the final days of his hopeless struggle reverts to his real self and returns to his essential principle and method; the belief and practice that ignorance, envy and "class" hatred are the ruling forces in the American electorate.—New York Sun.

"The financial conditions here," says a London dispatch to the New York Tribune, "are dependent to a large extent on the resources and investments of America, which, as the creditor nation, now controls European exchange. The chief problem of the money market from day to day is whether New York and Chicago will transfer gold from London to Berlin or call it back to America, for healthy remittances are constantly due from immense purchases of exports from the United States." Only four short years ago, under the last democratic administration, gold left the country or went into retirement to such an extent that President Cleveland had to borrow \$262,000,000 to save the government from bankruptcy. Under less than four years of republican rule the country has redeemed itself and, for the first time in its history, has advanced to a position where it controls European exchange and bids fair, in a short time, to become the money center of the world. Human history has nothing to compare with this record. There is a moral to this story and the man who sees it not is blind indeed.

The dispatch relating to the Jeffersonian twelve-dollar-a-plate, exclusive-of-wines dinner, which the Boy Orator of the Platte partook of last night at the Hoffman House, New York, says: "When all were seated Mr. Bryan was between Richard Crocker and Mayor Van Wyck." Shades of Moses! Does history thus repeat itself, which says: "There they crucified him and the malefactors, one on the right hand and the other on the left?"

A republican campaign speaker who comes to The Dalles and talks of protection and sound money does worse than waste his time. He is peddling his wares in a graveyard. The free traders and free silver lunatics in these parts are all like the Irishman in the story, not dead (perhaps) but speechless.

The speech of General Carr at the Vogt opera house last night settled the question beyond the shadow of a peradventure that the republican national committee is dead certain that Oregon is safe for McKinley in spite of all the political jwsmiths in creation.

It is still insisted by Col. Bryan that our present prosperity is largely visionary. Well, there is nothing visionary about that twelve-dollar-a-plate dinner (exclusive of wines) that the colonel got away with the other evening, seated between Boss

Crocker and Mayor Van Wyck. When the candidate of the "plain people" can afford to punish twelve dollars' worth of grub (exclusive of wines) at one sitting, it is plain that somebody must be prosperous. It may be remarked, in this connection, that twelve dollars' worth of grub (exclusive of wines) is sadly out of place in a man's belly who continues to await hard times and rant about an empty dinner pail.

The democrats appear to be terribly worried by the report that Hanna is raising large sums for campaign expenses. However much of truth there may be in this, it at least is certain that he is not getting them from the protected saloons and other disorderly places of New York.

BAPTISTS IN CONVENTION.

Largest and Most Representative Convention Ever Held by Them in the State of Oregon.

The Oregon Baptist Ministers' Conference continued its work yesterday afternoon. The regular program was taken up as follows: Address on "The Business of Preaching," by Rev. C. C. Smoot, of Eugene. "Pulpit Helps," by Rev. E. M. Bliss, of Portland. Both these addresses showed careful preparation and were heard with interest. Then followed a symposium on "How I Prepare My Sermons," led by Rev. S. C. Lapman, of Portland. Nearly every preacher present contributed a three-minute address. All were instructive, but some were humorous, at least to the laymen.

The closing address was given by Rev. J. H. Douglas, of Amity, on "The Pastor in the Prayer Meeting."

THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The regular sessions of the Oregon Baptist State Convention began last night. The auditorium was crowded to its utmost capacity. Rev. J. W. Stockton, of Heppner, conducted one hour's devotional exercises. At 8 o'clock the president, Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, of McMinnville, called the convention to order. The clerk, W. W. Brooks, of Portland, was at the desk.

Committee on enrollment was announced, consisting of J. H. Beavens, S. C. Miller, M. M. Bledsoe, A. Stanard, C. A. Alvord.

Committee on nominations—H. L. Boardman, L. J. Grumbell, A. W. Stanard, C. A. Nutley, L. E. Penland.

Prof. Frank Strong, president of the state university at Eugene, rendered a beautiful solo. Dr. A. Blackburn, of the First Baptist church, of Portland, then delivered the introductory sermon. Text, Rev. xiii:11; theme, "A Vision of Victory." The sermon was a forcible presentation of the old gospel of salvation through the atonement, and an appeal to the brethren to stand by the old truths with consecrated heroism. The audience was pleased and uplifted.

After the sermon the president introduced to the convention the ministers who have come into the state or been ordained since the last meeting of the body, as follows: J. W. Stockton, Heppner; M. M. Bledsoe, Arlington; J. R. G. Russell, Stayton; S. C. Lapman, Portland; J. B. Spight, Grass Valley; C. A. Nutley, Portland; A. Horen, Portland. Each of these delivered short appropriate addresses. Rev. R. W. King, of McMinnville, felicitated himself that since the coming into the state of Revs. Stockton and Spight he was not the only bean pole in the body. The address of President Hunsaker, calling the convention to order, was especially happy. It put everybody in good shape to enjoy the meetings. It was especially gratifying to know that this is the largest and most representative Baptist convention ever held in Oregon.

MORNING SESSION.

This morning Rev. Bledsoe led the devotional exercises with prayer for the Divine blessing on the work of the day and upon the work of our missionaries in Oregon.

Committee on nominations reported—President, A. J. Hunsaker, McMinnville; vice president, L. E. Penland, Helix; treasurer, J. F. Bailey; secretary, E. M. Bliss, Portland. Auditing committee, D. C. Latourette, W. C. Alaway.

Members of the executive board for three years—H. F. Merrill, Albany; D. C. Latourette, Oregon City; W. B. Hall, Portland; G. Y. Ellis, Baker City; W. P. Elnore, Halley; O. M. Richmond, Weston; A. M. Russell, Ashland; Frank Strong, Eugene; R. McKillop, Salem.

Acting Secretary F. A. Agar read the annual report of the board of managers, which shows that the Home Mission Society has increased its appropriation for mission work of the state.

The general work of the state was briefly reviewed, many indications of progress being shown.

Treasurers report showed that the amount of \$3,386.46 had been received for state mission work. "Needs of Oregon" was spoken of by Revs. C. P. Bailey, G. T. Ellis and L. E. Penland.

Call on Mrs. Morgan for art embroideries, also decorative work in oil and water colors.

EDUCATIONAL SESSION.

Convention Donates \$50 to The Dalles Baptist Church—The Easter.

Last night was the educational session of the Baptist convention. The speakers, as arranged on the program, all delivered interesting addresses. That of Dr. Leslie was especially instructive, and was ordered printed. His subject was "The Obligation Upon Baptists to Patronize their Own Schools."

A collection amounting to \$83 was taken for the purpose of aiding the Calvary Baptist church building.

The report of the committee on enrollment showed the following delegates present:

Portland, First Church—C. A. Woody, B. D.; Mrs. Woody; Alex. Blackburn, D. D.; Mrs. Blackburn; W. W. and Mrs. Brooks, Jas. and Mrs. Edmunds, L. B. Kaff, I. F. and Mrs. Failing, Mrs. I. G. Malone, Mrs. G. E. Jamieson, Mrs. S. J. Henderson, Rev. F. A. Agar, Miss C. O. Milespaugh.

Portland Second Church—Rev. Ray and Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Wallaner, Mrs. Mary Pattee, Mrs. W. B. Hall, Mrs. L. S. Ball, Miss Clara Webb, Jas. Wall, Miss R. Ring, Mrs. H. E. Hopensett.

Portland Third Church—Rev. E. M. and Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. W. R. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Shelhouse.

Portland Immanuel Church—Rev. S. C. Lapman, Mrs. C. A. Alvord, Mrs. Julia Hale, Mrs. L. A. Whitcomb, Mrs. M. Bostler, Miss M. Dunn.

Arlington—Rev. M. M. Bledsoe, Mrs. M. B. Kimball.

Astoria—Rev. L. J. and Mrs. Trumbull, Mrs. Belcher.

Amity—Rev. J. H. and Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Mary Weston.

Athens—Rev. M. Bramblett.

Brownsville—Rev. W. P. Elnore, A. W. Stanard, Mrs. E. E. Stanard, Miss Minnie Stanard, A. H. Stanard.

Baker City—Rev. G. T. Ellis, Mrs. W. S. Bowers.

Dallas—Rev. A. J. Hunsaker, Mrs. I. E. Tethiero.

The Dalles—Marshall Hill, T. Johns, Rev. C. P. Bailey, Rev. W. B. Clifton.

Eugene—Rev. C. C. and Mrs. Smoot, Prof. and Mrs. Strong.

Grass Valley—Rev. J. B. Spight, C. A. and Mrs. Heath, Miss Bertha Hill.

Orient—Mrs. Maxwell, Miss Claggett, Roseburg—Rev. S. A. and Mrs. Douglas.

Salem—Rev. R. McKillop, Mrs. E. M. Hurd.

Springfield—Rev. B. C. Cook.

Helix—L. E. Penland.

Grants Pass—Rev. Robt. Leslie, D. D.

Mayville—Frank Simmons.

Mt. Zion—John Campbell, Mrs. Robt. Lowe, D. L. Dutton.

Mt. Tabor—Mrs. T. Sherman, Mrs. A. Wakeley, Mrs. J. W. Mills.

Looking Glass—S. C. Miller.

Weston—Rev. R. Hargraves.

Yamhill—C. N. Dandinger.

Independence—Rev. C. H. Mattoon, Miss Pattie Cooper.

La Grande—Rev. C. R. Lamar.

Heppner—Rev. J. W. Stockton, M. S. Devins, Mrs. E. E. Lucy.

Holley—Rev. W. P. Elnore, Rev. George and Mrs. Finley.

Newberg—H. M. Millens, Mrs. Olive Sutton.

Oregon City—Rev. J. H. Beavens, J. J. Burgess, D. C. and Mrs. Latourette.

Portland Swedish church—Rev. G. A. Osbrink.

Swedish conference—Rev. Chas. A. Lund.

Visitors—Rev. George Varney, Spo-

kane; Rev. W. H. Latourette, McMinnville; Rev. A. W. Rider, Los Angeles, Calif.

The state mission board was in session until 4 o'clock this morning. It is reported that several of the members returning at that late hour, lost their way in the darkness and were run in by the night watchman. Up till 10 o'clock this morning two or three preachers had not put in an appearance, and various surmises are expressed as to the cause.

The next session of the convention will meet with the second church in Portland in October, 1901, Rev. C. C. Smoot, of Eugene to preach the introductory sermon.

C. A. Waddy, D. D., will give a special lecture on "Missions" tonight at 2 o'clock. Everybody invited.

Wheat Trade.

The market during the past week has been of a declining character and exporters are only buying wheat at a ruling price. Stocks at Portland and Eugene are now fully 6,000,000 bushels, enough wheat to load ships for several months to come, and as cargoes in Europe have declined fully 6d the last few days, shippers are rather cautious in over buying. The situation is not very encouraging to the farmer, who is holding his wheat for 50 cents at interior points. The weakness abroad has had the effect of lowering charter rates, and the one disengaged vessel here at Portland that refused 51s 3d some weeks ago will have difficulty in obtaining 47s 6d. Nevertheless some farmers in different sections of the interior are selling freely and are contented to let go their wheat at ruling figures. Reports are coming in that wheat has been engaged to go East, but very little so far has been shipped. This is nothing unusual, as every season we ship from 400,000 to 600,000 bushels. No doubt this season, on account of the shortage in the Dakotas and Minnesota, there will be considerable motive to go in that direction. Many of the eastern mills are anxious to obtain wheat from here, especially one bluestem, that is paragon in quality this season, to be used principally for mixing purposes.

Valley millers are having Eastern Oregon wheat shipped to them, and are mixing the same with their home-grown grade, and the quality of flour from there is better than heretofore. Quotations are: Club, 43c; bluestem, 42c; valley is quoted by millers on the basis of 60c at Portland.—Commercial Review.

A Life And Death Fight.

Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, La., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me. I would not be without it even if it cost \$5.00 a bottle. Hundreds have used it on my recommendation and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Blakeley Drug Store.

The New York Cash Store is the sole agent for the Hamilton Brown Shoe Co.'s line of footwear.

Floral lotion will cure wind chapping and sunburn. Manufactured by Clarke & Falk.

Advertisement for Castoria 900 Drops. Includes text: 'Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN. Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.'

Advertisement for Castoria. Includes text: 'CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. H. Pitcher. In Use For Over Thirty Years. CASTORIA'.