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PATRIZIE HOME INDUSTRY.

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An American Internal Policy.

First—Public ownership of public franchises. The values created by the community should belong to the community.

Second—Destruction of criminal trusts. No monopolization of the national resources by lawless private combinations more powerful than the people's government.

Third—A graduated income tax. Every citizen to contribute to the support of the government according to his means, and according to his necessities.

Fourth—Election of senators by the people. The senate, now becoming the private property of corporations and bosses, to be made truly representative, and the state legislatures to be redeemed from recurring scandals.

Fifth—National, state and municipal improvement of the public school system. As the duties of citizenship are both general and local, every government, both general and local, should do its share toward fitting every individual to perform them.

Sixth—Currency reform. All the nation's money to be issued by the nation's government, and its supply to be regulated by the people and not by the banks.

Seventh—No protection for oppressive trusts. Organizations powerful enough to oppress the people are no longer "infant industries."

DIRECT LEGISLATION—Lawmaking by the voters.

THE INITIATIVE—The proposal of a law by a percentage of the voters, which must then go to the referendum.

THE REFERENDUM—The vote at the polls of a law proposed through the initiative, or on any law passed by a lawmaking body, whose reference is petitioned for by a percentage of the voters.

THE IMPERATIVE DEMAND—Whenever a public official shall be deemed dishonest, incompetent or inefficient, the voters shall have the right to retire him and elect one of their choices. The people alone are sovereign.

THERE are millions among those who voted for McKinley in 1896 who still believe in the Declaration of Independence. McKinley will have to get along without their votes next time.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY should have censured Professor Schurman's month before he permitted him to return home. The professor has given away the Hannanite game in the Orient.

MARK HANNA is said to have made five million dollars in four years by being in politics. It gave him the inside track, and he took advantage of the situation. Mark Hanna is not rustling for more glory.—Democrat.

CRACKER'S flop to Bryan puts an extinguisher upon the embryonic boomlets of favorite sons who are being groomed as stalking horses for the candidate whom the gold combination have ordered to be held in reserve by the democratic contingent of the Hannanites.

AN organization known as the Civic Federation has been organized in Chicago, ostensibly to investigate all matters relating to trusts, but in reality for the purpose of defending the trusts. The character of the men at the head of a movement is an infallible index to the character and purpose of such a movement.

THE agents of the gold combination who have been touring the West report that Democrats who are opposed to Bryan and silver are very numerous, but that they dare not let their opinions be known, because it would ruin them in their business. We advise voters to look after such chaps and see to it that they do not sneak into any of the conventions next year.—National Watchman.

THERE is no trust in the country to raise the price of the products of the farm, and the farmer has to take the best price for wheat he can get, which is pretty small now. The trusts are not doing anything for the masses, but much for their own pocketbooks. In the history of the world there has been no such steals as the workings of the trusts of the present day.

The republican leaders are planning to organize a great national anti-trust organization that will support the republican ticket next year. The trusts will nominate the candidates and furnish plenty of money to the anti-trust spell binders to howl for the ticket.

The gold combination have changed their tactics in several states. They found it impossible to succeed by working openly against Bryan and the Chicago platform, hence they have ordered their strikers to shout for Bryan and at the same time try to work into the convention delegates that can be used against Bryan if their votes are found necessary to defeat his nomination.

GARRISON, Phillips and the old abolitionists in Massachusetts, in order to show their contempt for the constitution of their country which permitted African slavery, met at Wollstone Heights and publicly burned a copy of the constitution, denouncing it as a league with death and covenant with hell.

It is generally understood that on the meeting of the next congress an effort will be made to secure a revision of the rules of the house which will restore to the members much of the power which has rested in the hands of the speaker for several congresses past. The plan will meet the approval of General Henderson, who will be the next speaker.

The English Financial System.

Editor COURIER-HERALD: James Creelman, traveling international correspondent of the New York Journal, in its issue of Sunday, Aug. 27, throws a flood of light on the banking system of English commerce. It seems that that nation has discovered at last the way to "eat their cake and save it."

Mr. Bryan and his party, including those who have been strict silver redemptionists, have been denounced as repudiators, seeking only to borrow good money and pay back bad or depreciated currency. England has been held up as a commercial and financial model for the Americans to pattern after.

will never be consummated. Let us take the good advice the immortal Washington gave us on retiring from his second term of the presidency and avoid all entangling alliances with any nation, particularly our old inveterate enemy, King George III's posterity.

Here are the banking methods which the "great moral nation" pursues in one of her colonies. The bank, for ought I know, may be very close to a missionary station, as the two are very closely allied in extending the "benefits of civilization" to the "bloomin' heathens."

Here is the fact plainly stated. Now what I would like to know is this: How can any sane man who has intelligence or capacity to drop his ballot in the box advocate or defend such a financial system as this? How can one who claims to hold country above self, truth and honor above greed and avarice, wish for and vote for a financial system that would give to a corporation such absolute arbitrary power?

J. D. STEVENS. Canby, Ore., Sept. 2.

Political Economy, or What?

The man with the hoe, we are told, is tired of feeding the man with the gun. Hence we should abandon all enterprises that call for use of army and navy.

The above from the Oregonian of September 1st illustrates to what absurd depths the apologists of competitive or capitalist production can descend when hard pressed for an argument with which to defend the present order of things.

If this editorial does not practically state that salaried non-producers are a benefit to the country, then the English language fails of its purpose. To any one who has read a single work on socialism, the absurdity is laughable, were not the theme too serious.

But we need not turn to communism to refute such abortive argument; it can be refuted even by the jumbled up logic of the competitive economy. To do this it is only necessary to ask and answer the question "Who pays the soldier?"

Suppose for an instant that the Oregonian's position were correct, to what extreme could the principle be carried? What percentage of the people should be non-producers in order that the other portion may enjoy "good times"?

Suppose all were soldiers but one man, what a jolly time he could have feeding the balance and taxing himself to pay the bill!

Here, then, is the long-sought-for solution of the question of the unemployed. Just let them join the "regular" instead of the "Coxy" army, and all will be well. Instead of maintaining costly strikes, just enlist!

What a misnomer to call a system "political economy" that teaches that non-producers are useful—a theory which even insects reject by killing their drones!

Let Labor then look up and learn. His craft no path of honor lacks. The soldier's rifle yet shall be less honored than the woodman's ax.

GEORGE OGLE. Molalla, Ore., Sept. 4.

Opinions of the Press.

It will cost the trusts more to conduct another campaign for McKinley than it would for any other man in the United States. But should he be elected, he would be worth a great deal more to the trusts than any other man.—St. Paul Globe.

Governor Roosevelt refuses to play second fiddle to McKinley or anybody else. Covered up under the emphatic denial that he will run for the vice presidency next year is the intimation that it must be the white house or nothing.—Savannah News.

It is of the greatest importance to Mr. McKinley's presidential chances that the war shall be brought to a close at the earliest possible moment. Why doesn't he send Hanna to see Aginaldo?—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

There is nothing startling about the fact that a Hanna administration should recognize slavery. Human flesh and blood are not cheap enough in the United States compared with the wishes of the combines that are running affairs.—Omaha World-Herald.

It is thought that Mr. McKinley is likely to experience some difficulty in making his next presidential message jibe with his last one.—St. Paul Globe.

Mr. McKinley's censor is still lying to the American people. And the people are lying in wait for Mr. McKinley's presidential boomlet. It is one of those cases where one lie deserves another.—Milwaukee News.

If this country were France we should know that Captain Carter's sentence was suspended to vindicate the honor of the army.—Chicago Record.

Mr. McKinley seems to be as apt at turning phrases during his vacation as he was when talking on the front porch.—Spokane Review.

The chances are that McKinley will return to Canton and leave that Philippine job unfinished.—Kansas City Times.

The Iowa Ticket.

The Iowa democratic state convention has nominated the following ticket: Governor—Fred E. White, of Keokuk county.

Special... We have a large line of Ladies' Tan Shoes which we are offering at less than manufacturing cost. Those shoes are from a late shipment of this season, and were rejected by us, but the manufacturers, F. P. Kirkendall & Co., have given us a reduction of 40 per cent. COME AND SEE THEM.

The Star Clothing House Strictly One Price House. Ladies Tan Balmorals was \$3.50 now \$2.55. Gents' Tan Balmorals 5.00 4.00. Boys' and Misses' Tan Shoes cut proportionately.

McKITTRICK, "The Shoe Man," Next Door to O. C. B. The platform, after indorsing the Chicago platform "in whole and in detail," expresses admiration for and loyalty to William J. Bryan and favors him for the nominee in 1900.

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Labor Day in Portland.

With weather as unpleasant as it was discomforting, the members of the Federated Trades Assembly found it a trying matter Monday to observe Labor day as an occasion for rejoicing. Yet fully 700 of them marched in procession through a downpour of rain, and then attended the exercises at Fulton Park.

Amount \$464 45 Balance ordered turned into the general fund of Meade Corps Volunteer Auxiliary to meet other outstanding bills and expenses 129 50 Total \$593 95

Weather Report.

Voluntary observer's report for month of August by G. Muecke at Miramonte farm, Aurora: Mean temperature, 59.4. Max. temperature on 3rd, 85. Min. temperature on 28 and 29, 40.