

# DEMOCRACY IS DEAD

### So Says Tom Watson in a Recent Interview.

### NO FUNERAL IS NECESSARY

### The Party Came Out of the Campaign a Total Wreck Including Tom Taggart of the National Democratic Committee.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 1.—In a statement to "The Evening Herald" Thomas E. Watson characterized the action of the St. Louis convention in repudiating the platforms of 1896 and 1900 as "the democratic crime of 1904," which, he declares, together with the tabling of the income tax plank, was the cause of the recent revolt against democracy. Watson further states:

National democracy came out of the campaign utterly wrecked, without policy, principle, purpose or leadership, discredited before all the world for all time to come. Never in this generation can it again inspire confidence; never can it again deceive the east, the north or the west. I pray God that the time is not far off when it cannot even deceive the south.

Why prate about reform under the democratic party? How can you get rid of "Tom" Taggart, the gambling establishment man? How can you eject Belmont, the Rothschild man? How can you banish "Pat" McCarren, the Standard oil man, or Gorman, of Maryland, the sugar trust man? The whole machinery of the party for the next four years will be in the control of "the plutocratic element" which overthrew Bryan at St. Louis. For four years the party will have no platform, excepting the quasi-republican abomination which was adopted at St. Louis, and for the four years the official commander in chief of the democratic party is not Bryan, nor Hearst, nor Bailey. The commander in chief is "Tom" Taggart, the gambling hall man of Indiana.

### GAMBLING IN SEATTLE.

### Two Conflicting Statutes Interfere With Operating Slot Machines.

Seattle Dec. 2.—Owing to the peculiar conflict discovered a year ago between two statutes which leave it doubtful whether the maintenance and operation of slot machines constitutes a felony or a misdemeanor, the city is prevented from formulating and passing a proposed ordinance providing for the regulation of these machines and the collection of fines from owners until this tangle is straightened out. There are two statutes referring to slot machines, one of which makes the operation of them a felony, the other makes it a misdemeanor. As the court has never decided which of these statutes applies, the city officials have been advised that they cannot pass any measure regulating the use of these machines without running the risk of being charged with aiding and abetting a felony.

In one of the council committees the proposition of passing an ordinance making the operation of the machines a misdemeanor and providing for the collection of fines for the operation of them has been strongly urged. It is pointed out by members of the committees, especially in cigar stores, have become very numerous and as they are chance machines should be regulated by law and the city should derive a revenue from the fines. Formerly the city licensed all slot machines, but when the state law was passed making all forms of gambling a felony, the city had to do away with its license scheme because it cannot license a felony. Since that time slot machines have been permitted to run at full blast and the state law regulating them has not been enforced.

### CHANGE IN UNIFORMS.

### War Department Issues Orders Regulating Style of Uniforms.

Washington, Dec. 2.—By direction of the secretary of war, orders have been issued carrying into effect the recommendations of the general staff, making changes in the uniforms of the army.

The provision for substituting as collar ornaments the letters "U. S." instead of the coat of arms, will take effect June 1, 1905. As a rule various articles of the new uniform for enlisted men will not be issued until the corresponding articles of the old pattern shall have been exhausted.

The cap prescribed is intended for habitual wear in the garrison with the service uniform, but the campaign hat is retained for wear on certain occasions. The wearing of the white uniform is made entirely optional with both officers and enlisted men.

Enlisted men are forbidden to have their clothing altered owing to their tendency to make the clothing, especially about the chest, of too tight a fit. It is also prescribed that no decoration received from foreign governments shall be worn by officers

and men while on duty with United States troops, the law forbidding such wearing while not on duty. A woolen service uniform is prescribed for the United States and cotton khaki for tropical wear.

### NOBLE BANKRUPT'S GEMS.

### Angelsey's Jewels Go for High Price At London Sale.

New York, Dec. 1.—A great crowd of fashionables gathered to witness the opening of the disposal sale of the Marquis of Angelsey's jewelry, cables the Herald's London correspondent. Despite the numbers of interested spectators the bidding was left entirely to about a dozen leading dealers. Among the objects of value sold was a magnificent round oriental pearl of the finest quality, mounted as a stud which reached the high price of \$18,250. A black pearl mounted as a scarf pin brought \$6000, while a pair of ruby sleeve links went at \$3500. The total for the day's sale was \$55,000, but all these gems will probably fade into insignificance by the side of the pair of cabochon sapphires of unusual size, mounted as sleeve links, which come up for sale. The marquis is said to have paid \$100,000 for these stones.

### EASY MONEY GONE.

### Fifteen Thousand in Gold Cannot be Located at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—Since Tuesday of this week officials of the Wells Fargo Express company and a force of special detectives have been seeking the trace of \$15,000 in gold which has disappeared from the company's offices in this city. The money was in double eagles and was delivered to the company's agents for shipment to San Jose. It has been found that the money was properly way billed, but from that point all traces of the gold is lost. Employees of the company have been questioned and searching investigations have been made but with no success. Whether it was lost or stolen no one knows.

### DECLINE OF WHALERS

### New Bedford and San Francisco Report the Annual Decrease.

The decline of the whaling industry is well shown by the following figures which are from the Whalesmen's Shipping List of New Bedford:

"Imports of sperm and whale oil and whalebone into the United States for the week ending the 14th inst. were: San Francisco, per Str. Alexander, 13,000 lbs bone; do. on freight, 7,500 lbs. Per Str. Narwhal (add) 160 bbls. whale oil; do. on freight, 2,000 lbs bone.

Advices from New Bedford, Mass., of the 14th inst. reports that the sale has been made of 800 bbls. of sperm oil, ex Hary Smith, for manufacture, at 50 cents per gallon. Sales have recently been made of 2,500 lbs. whalebone South sea, 1,000 do. Arctic, and 1,400 do. mixed kinds, all on private terms for home use and export. Stocks on hand same date: Sperm oil, 7,450 bbls; whale oil none. Whalebone in all, 92,500 lbs.

### Hearing to be Resumed.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, has issued subpoenas for twenty witnesses in the Smoot investigation, and fixed Monday, December 12, as the date for their appearance before the committee. Nearly all these witnesses are in Utah.

### Big Lease is Let.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—The Pacific Mail company has been awarded a 15-year lease of two new wharves to be built on the site of the present mail dock at Second and Brannan streets. The company's bid for the lease was \$371,673.

### Fresh and Dishonored.

Princeton, N. J. Dec. 1.—Announcement has been made officially that a freshman has been expelled from the university for violating the "honor system." This is the first breach this year of the honor system.

### PRAYE DTO A FRAZZLE.

### Rockefeller Hits the Pipe and Fires up Cigarettes.

New York, Dec. 1.—At the eight annual banquet of the Young Mens Bible class of the Fifth avenue Baptist church, John D. Rockefeller Jr., leader of the class, has announced that within a week he would be on the ocean with his family, having been advised by his physicians to seek rest by a trip lasting three months because he is not in his usual good health.

There were 253 members of the class present at the banquet. No wines or liquors were served. Tobacco however, was not tabooed and the air was heavy with cigar and cigarette smoke when speaking began.

### Roosevelt a Boxer.

New York, Dec. 1.—The fact that President Roosevelt has written to his old friend, Mike Donovan, boxing instructor at the New York Athletic club, asking him to go to Washington and "try him out," led to much interest today. Mr. Roosevelt also wishes to have his eldest son, Teddy, Jr., instructed in the manly art, and he requested Professor Donovan to recommend a Washington boxer to give lessons.

In a recent interview Professor Donovan said that the president is an excellent fighter. "He knows the game thoroughly," he said, "and surprised me with his science when I boxed with him when he was governor of the state. He is quick on his feet and does not know what fear is. He lunges right in, and the man who is opposed to him has to do pretty lively footwork to keep away from him. And keeping away is the only chance that a man would have of besting Mr. Roosevelt. This is due to his near sightedness. Once let him get through your guard and you are a goner. He can hit hard and fast, and is a wonder at striking short blows on the body and jaw. His knowledge of wrestling is exceptional and this is of great advantage in close range work."

Professor Donovan will go to Washington when the president sends for him, and this will probably be just after Christmas.

### Girl Capemakers Strike.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—A strike of 250 men and 100 girls, members of the cloth hat and cap makers' union, has followed the failure of that organization to secure a renewal of its agreement with a local firm, which announced its adoption of the open shop. Twelve shops in Chicago are affected.

### Negro Kills Policeman.

Alexandra, La., Dec. 2.—Policeman R. C. Aymond was killed today by Tom Underwood, colored. Underwood had just shot and killed Iretta Parker, colored, and the policeman was shot and killed while trying to arrest the murderer.

### BI GSTEAL CHARGED.

### Promoter in Trouble for Converting Company's Funds.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 1.—Residents of Michigan, representing about \$30,000 in stock of the Montana Co-operative Ranch Company, today intervened in the suit brought against that company by Sam H. Wood, the promoter at Great Falls.

They charge Wood with fraud and with having converted to his own use about \$20,000 of the company's funds and further charge that Attorney J. W. Speer, appointed receiver of the company on Wood's petition is a creditor of the company for \$25,000, and that he has been Wood's adviser and is acting in collusion with Wood.

### Broke the Record.

Lima, Ohio, Dec. 2.—All records on the Pennsylvania railroad for long distance runs were broken today by a special train from Crestline to Fort Wayne, Ind., with General Superintendent Schoyer on board. The distance of 131 miles was covered in 113 minutes.

Save the La Imperial band and get the diamond stud.

### Troops for the Islands.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—The Fifth Battery of field artillery, now stationed at the Presidio in this city, which was scheduled to sail for the Philippines on the transport leaving February 1, has had its orders changed and will sail on the Thomas on January 1. The Twenty Sixth field battery, from Vancouver barracks Wash., and the Twenty Eighth, from Fort Leavenworth, Kas. will sail with the Fifth on the Thomas.

For rent—Two unfurnished house-keeping rooms, over Peterson & Brown's shoe store.

### Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years" she writes, "I endured insupportable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was marvelous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Chas. Rogers Druggist.

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