

PLOT STORIES ARE UNFOUNDED

Tales of Schemes to Defeat Bryan for the Democratic Nomination Are Myths.

IN CLASS WITH FIVE MILLION CONSPIRACY

Wild Dream of President Roosevelt in Connection With Bourne Dinner Equals Accounts of Treason to the Commoner.

(Washington Bureau of the Journal.) Washington, May 18.—Stories that "conspirators" and "plots" with substantial foundations have been formed to defeat W. J. Bryan for the Democratic nomination for president are being sent out from Washington. There is just about as much real accuracy in them as there was in the \$5,000,000 conspiracy or gentlemanly agreement story which was promulgated from the White House in connection with the Bourne dinner.

That \$5,000,000 story was easily analyzed as the shrewdest capitalizing of obvious political "plots" by President Roosevelt, who took several well-known conditions, joined them together, labeled opposition to him, not less majestic but conspiracy, and issued the statement for the purpose of aiding his political fortunes.

That there are Democrats who oppose Mr. Bryan, every one with sense knows. That they would like to defeat him, every one knows. That, desiring to defeat him, they will form plans to that end, also is true to all.

But that there is not much reason to place importance on these facts most instructed people are firmly convinced.

South for Bryan. The south will be for Mr. Bryan. Senator Culberson is the one southern man who has had real support for the nomination.

The north is for Mr. Bryan, excepting the ultra-conservatives, whose influence in the coming national Democratic convention will be as durable as the proverbial snowball in Hellix. (Hellix is a small town in Oregon, where the temperature is high.)

People With Common Sense. All of which means that the people are for Mr. Bryan; that is, those people who profess allegiance to the Democratic party. The same Democrats, so-called, who are against Mr. Bryan, are just as much against Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. La Follette, or Mr. Folk, or Mr. Hughes of New York. They are against any one who believes that labor should have a just division of the products of industry; that laws shall be respected, quite as much by wealthy corporations, managers as by labor men; that bad conditions universally recognized now should be cured, and that the government should be brought back to the people, where it was intended it should originate.

They are against any one who insists that the common people are better fitted to decide governmental questions than those whose interests are on the side of privilege, and those subservient creatures who go to privilege for their instructions.

Roosevelt Dominates Party. It is known here that President Roosevelt just now absolutely dominates his party; that were the national convention to be held at this time he or his choice would be named by acclamation. But Mr. Bryan has not less power with his party; more, in truth, because he has not been elected and has not a large stock of federal patronage with which to beat into political insensibility those who oppose him. Officeless, a high private in the rear ranks, a country editor formerly, Mr. Bryan can have the nomination if he wants it, and will be urged to accept it in 1908.

The memory of the 1904 Democratic national convention and the disastrous campaign which followed are too fresh to lend color to vigorous life cabals for the defeat of William J. Bryan. This is known perfectly clearly by all Washington newspaper men, and they all aver to this effect in their private conversations.

It may be that a southern man will be chosen for the vice-presidential nomination. There is talk of departing from the precedent, which ought to be honored in the breach, by giving the second place to some deeply anti-quoted, animated sack of dollars. In fact, Senator Culberson might have the second place, were he willing to take anything lower than the head of the ticket.

James Jameson's House Burned. (Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Astoria, Or., May 18.—The home of James Jameson at Jewell, in the Nehalem valley, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon with a loss of over \$5,000 and but a small insurance. The fire was caused by a defective fuse. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jameson were in Astoria when the fire occurred.

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WONDERFUL ENTHUSIASM

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The life of a great city has an interest in working for decent government. Upon this line we come to our opponents and ask them to show where Dr. Lane has failed in any of these particulars. But they will not make this showing; they cannot do so because they cannot put their fingers upon a single act of malfeasance during all the two years of his administration. We have invited them to meet with us and discuss these things, but they have not replied and will not do so.

The speaker then turned his attention to the arguments of Chairman Cooke and Mr. Devlin that Republican success was of paramount importance because President Roosevelt had his eye on Portland.

Politics Out of It. "President Roosevelt," he said, "is a very busy man. He regulates nearly everything with the digging of canals in Panama to the raising of babies at home, but I honestly do not believe that he knows there is to be a municipal election in Portland in June. But if he did know the man, I am sure he would be with us. He would say, 'Vote for the man representative of high ideals, moral decency and civic righteousness irrespective of what political party he belongs to. If any man has been put into office who, for two years has served these ideals and fostered them, that man should be upheld in his policies by reelection.'

"There is a great ethical movement all over the country—deeper than the surface currents of daily life. The people are coming again into their own. It is a movement for morality, for the uplifting of the race. It is a movement of the hard-working, honest voters, not of the politicians. You know how you feel here and I am not appealing to you to vote for Harry Lane because he is a Democrat. For I care nothing for his politics, but I appeal to you because he has had an eye upon the uplifting of the city, has thrown around the children of the city the strong arm of the protection of the law. If he has been successful in these things it becomes your duty to reelect him."

Enemies Show Current. "A man is judged by the enemies he has made. Dr. Lane has made many bitter enemies and I will tell you some of them. Below the deadline into the north end where the dives and the dens are filled with the drink-soaked wrecks of humanity and there you will find every man from the boss to the bouncer shouting the name of Devlin.

"Then go down into the redlight district, that plague spot on the current of life, where hopeless beings float like black shapes on edging tide of vice, that haunt of those nameless parasites who fatten off the wages of shame, and ask them to vote for Dr. Harry Lane. If you do the streets of Hellix will be a scene of riot and his in its denial.

North End for Devlin. "Those fellows know their man well. They choose them carefully and every one will vote for Thomas C. Devlin. And if he is elected they will demand his toll. But these are not our friends. They will not vote for us and it is the proudest compliment Dr. Lane can have for them to oppose him.

"Our friends, the enemy, can have the saloon vote, the gambling vote, the clever brain of the late Chief Sullivan of San Francisco and has been adopted by all the larger cities on the coast. It consists of a circular pipe leading from the surface of the first floor into the basement and is covered with grating.

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Lane Makes One Promise. Mayor Lane's address was the sort-out of the evening. He reviewed briefly

VOTE FIVE TRUE BILLS

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conferred on the committee its extraordinary powers, which include even the right to demand the resignation of the mayor himself. Schmitz has apparently made no reservations, but has bound himself to act in every way in accordance with the committee's requests.

F. W. Van Sicken, a member of this committee, said: "If we demand removal of the chief of police, of any commission, or any official connected with the city government, he must remove those we designate or go back on his written promise. The only hold we have on him is his promise. If he disbelieves that he will do anything but the committee asks. I believe that he is not only willing but anxious to do what we want."

No Promises Made. "No promises were held out to him or any kind. We are not to intercede with the prosecution to secure a light punishment, or to help him to evade punishment. He will have to make his own fight against the prosecution without any help of any kind from the committee. We have nothing to do with the prosecution of the grafters. This committee of seven is solely interested in restoring the law and order in San Francisco. The very life of the city depends on this being done."

This committee will take no sides in any dispute, but will uphold the law, and, although District Attorney Langdon affects to take little stock in the new committee, if Schmitz keeps his word, and he pretty well will, there will be a great upheaval among the city officials.

Schmitz retains the absolute power of removal and appointment of all members of the city commission. Already he has removed the chief of police, and he and the mayor were in consultation for an hour yesterday. Later, at the demand of the committee, Captain M. O. Anderson was removed from command of the mission squad for failure to prevent attacks on cars. Other changes will come soon. Schmitz will retain his office for the present.

Many interests have combined to defeat me. The red light interests have combined with the utility interests. I have offended them in many ways. They have vetoed many ordinances that they wanted. Millions of dollars worth of the city's streets have been given away in franchises, and not a dollar required in return for the city. Many of them were passed over my veto. Others were not.

I believe I stand between you and a serious condition of affairs. All the interests of the city, and they are many, have joined hands against me, and there is plenty of money in the company. I am proud to have those people and those interests as my enemies. My people have lived here for years, my grandfather and grandmother, my father and my mother, before me. I was born here. There are many before me who knew all of them.

"I could not look these people in the face if I did not do my duty. It is an honor, before me, to be the hardest work I ever did in my life. A man who would not do his duty would be a dog, and I am not a dog."

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companies in the Coeur d'Alenes, a total net profit of \$4,488,754 was realized by them in 1906.

During the same period they distributed in dividends \$5,540,000. These companies were the Federal, which was the main source of Charles Gwensmy's fortune, the Bunker Hill & Sullivan, Hercules, Hecla and Snowstorm.

Developments in the Metalline hills, a continuation of the Coeur d'Alenes, where railroad construction has been inaugurated, ores are being sacked for shipment and concentrators are being built, are expected to place that district in the Coeur d'Alenes class within the next two or three years.

In southern Oregon the success of the Blue Ledge, the Sterling mine, and the sensational gold discoveries on Sucker creek, are attracting substantial investments for machinery and development. The outlook for profitable mining in southern Oregon is brighter than ever before.

Ditch Company Incorporated. (Special Dispatch to the Journal.) Cove, Or., May 18.—Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Caldwell Ditch company. The incorporators are B. F. Bell, A. G. Conklin and M. J. Duffey, all of Cove. The capital stock is \$5,000. The principal place of business is Cove.

A Significant Prayer. "May the Lord help you make Bucklen's Arnica Salve known to all," writes J. G. Jenkins of Chapel Hill, N. C. "It quickly took the pain out of a felon for me and cured it in a wonderfully short time." Best on earth for sores, burns and wounds. 25c at Red Cross Pharmacy.

ENORMOUS INCREASE (Continued from Page One.)

throughout the wide territory reached by Portland commerce. Investments in lands, fruit growing, irrigation and mining are being made by Portland capitalists as never before. The field is large and offers practically certain profits for the investor who places his money judiciously.

In mining developments in southern Oregon, Idaho and eastern Washington is a notable feature of the situation. The building of the Oregon Short Line from Huntington to Lewiston, following the route of the Snake river, is opening in the Seven Devils country rich copper, silver and gold ore.

Many Portland men are interested in Snake river copper developments, and it is said that within the next six months many of these newly opened mines will be shipping to the smelters ores that will net enormous profits to the mine owners.

Portland Money in Mines. Similar conditions exist as to lead along the Pand O'Reilly river to the northward, where a score or more of Portlanders have been for the last year carrying on developments in lead mining. The success of the Coeur d'Alenes companies and the advance of the price of lead from \$3.90 to \$4.50 in the last five years has stimulated investigation by investors, and corresponding activity by prospectors.

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Large advertisement for Humphrey Gas Arc Lamps. Features the headline 'THE GREAT ILLUMINATION' and lists streets where lamps are in operation: First, Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, Yamhill, Alder, and Washington. Includes contact information for The Gas Company.

Advertisement for Kuroki Has Narrow Escape From Wreck. Includes text about a yacht disaster and a testimonial for Stearns' Electric Paste for treating rheumatism and other ailments.

Advertisement for Tea. Features the headline 'TEA' and text describing 'The best "cheap" tea is hot water; don't spoil good water with trash tea.' Includes a testimonial for Foster & Kleiser Signs.

Advertisement for Portland Cockroaches. Features the headline 'PORTLAND COCKROACHES' and text describing Stearns' Electric Paste as an effective method for getting rid of cockroaches and other pests.