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SOME MIGHTY INTERESTING READING

William Jennings Bryan, in his capacity as a syndicate newspaper correspondent sends a dispatch reviewing the work of the Democratic national convention at San Francisco. The following excerpts from that dispatch make mighty interesting reading:

"The real issue presented is whether the President is infallible, and the Democratic party is asked to take the affirmative of the proposition.

"While professing a willingness to accept reservations of a certain kind within certain limitations the platform does not indicate the kind of limitations or the limitations. Our ship is sent to sea with sealed instructions; it is not strange that the convention finally became so exasperated that it decided to choose a pilot without consulting the dictator.

"If the President were willing to concede to the Senate the right to exercise its constitutional authority, if he were willing to act in the spirit that permeates a corporate government, if he were half as willing to compromise with a co-ordinate body of his own government as he was to make concessions to every foreign nation, if he were as willing to consent to a little freedom on land as he was to abandon the freedom of the seas, the treaty would have been ratified months ago.

"Just a little recognition of the right of other officials to exercise the authority conferred upon them by the same constitution that gives him all the authority he has would have put the treaty out of the campaign and thus enabled us to deal with domestic problems as well as do our duty to the world.

"But having reached the highest pinnacle of fame to which a human being was ever lifted, he has rewarded the confidence of his nation and the generosity of his party by an exhibition of egotism which would be pathetic if it were not tragic. No large party in a democracy can hope to appeal to the conscience and judgment of a nation unless it has a higher purpose than sycophantic service to one autocratic individual.

"When the United States aided in attacking the arbitrary idea of government in Germany, it was with the hope of banishing it from the world, not for the purpose of transplanting it to American soil. But the convention had adjudged, and its work is submitted for ratification or rejection to millions of citizens who will act without the restraints imposed upon hand-picked committees and partisan delegates."

Indeed, the millions of citizens will so act.

They will agree with the inference of Mr. Bryan that President Wilson is not infallible.

"Our ship is sent to sea with sealed instructions," says Mr. Bryan of the Democratic party. It is sent to sea without any instructions at all, and with a broken rudder, a frozen engine and no sails, to float about in the doldrums, headed no where excepting in the direction of sure defeat.

The Chautauqua is an American institution of free speech that could not be as successful in any other country. The Salem Chautauqua will open tomorrow, with the best week's program ever offered in this city.

The Philadelphia Public Ledger says that the United States may soon recognize Mexico. One hundred and nine million, nine hundred and ninety-nine thousand, nine hundred and ninety-nine men, women and children in the United States recognized Mexico eight years ago as an infernal nuisance and have done it ever since; one man wouldn't.

Harding is the exact opposite of President Wilson. That ought to help a lot.

Nobody seems to want to take the mandatory for that San Francisco ticket.

Now that Attorney General J. A. Mitchell Palmer is no longer worried about that nomination he will at once demand that the high cost of living immediately come down. Har, har!

Chairman Hays says the fight this fall in behalf of Senator Harding will be aimed at the Democratic platform and not the nominee. There would seem to be enough to talk about in that direction. It is politics and not men that the people desire to hear discussed.

There will be no swinging around the circle by the presidential candidates in this campaign so far as the Republicans are concerned. We don't need a good voice just now in this country as much as we do a good president. Bryan is about the only man who could talk forever without getting hoarse—but he was never elected.

FUTURE DATES

July 5 to 24—Summer school for rural pastors at Willamette university.
July 6 to 20—Annual encampment of Oregon national guard, infantry and engineers at Camp Lewis, artillery at Fort Stevens.
July 19, 20 and 21—Willamette valley tennis tournament, state hospital courts.
July 22, 23 and 24—State Elks convention in Salem.
August 3 to 14—Buyers' week convention in Portland.
September 4 to October 3—Oregon state fair.
September 4, 5 and 6—State convention of Artisan lodges, Salem.

HE'S WISE

THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION —

Dodged on prohibition, and nominated Cox. (?)

Endorsed Wilson's League, and asked for interpretative reservations;—(which the 23 Democratic Senators voted for in the Lodge reservations.

Said there wasn't any such thing as "war graft," and if there was, the Republicans shouldn't spend good money trying to uncover it.

Uncle Sam

"I see now why they call it a 'con-vention.'"

of alien peoples? Or do they want to continue to manage their own affairs in their own way? Do they wish to continue to enjoy the blessings of liberty, or do they wish to become a subject people of the old world monarchies?

Do the people of this country wish to close their mills, let their farms lie idle, shut down their mines, let industry languish and the workingmen remain idle or do they wish to continue the prosperity which has been theirs under the protective tariff? It is conceded that not all mills will close, nor all farms lie idle, but very many will under existing free trade, and very, very many workmen will certainly suffer from lack of employment. It has always been so under free trade, and it always will be.

The Democrats favor what they call a "tariff for revenue only," which means that they favor a tariff which does not equalize the difference between the American cost of production and the foreign cost of production of competing products. It means that they will continue to tax the products which this country does not produce, thus adding the tax to the cost to the consumer. But it is clearly proven by the official reports that the Democratic "tariff for revenue only" is a failure as a revenue producer. We do not need to go back to ancient history for proof of this fact. Take the last three fiscal years under protection and the last three fiscal years under free trade as a comparison, and the truth of our assertion becomes apparent. The figures are from official sources and are those given out by the free trade administration. They show the total amount of foreign goods entered for consumption, and the duties paid thereon for each of the years given, as follows:

Fiscal Year	Value of Imports	Duties Col'd Thereon
1911..	\$1,527,945,652	\$309,965,692
1912..	1,640,722,902	304,899,366
1913..	1,766,689,412	312,509,946
1917..	2,667,220,021	221,659,066
1918..	2,864,893,987	180,589,834
1919..	3,095,876,582	184,457,867

Under three years of protection we imported goods to the value of \$4,935,357,966; under three years of free trade goods to the value of \$8,627,990,590, or practically twice as much under free trade. Under three years of protection, with only half the imports, we collected duties to the amount of \$927,375,004; under three years of free trade, with double the imports, we collected duties to the amount of only \$586,706,767. Thus we see that the "tariff for revenue" plan of the free traders is a rank failure, for the protective tariff is shown to be four times as good a revenue producer.

That is the difference between the two parties. One is a party of theories and those theories are disproven by experience. The party of protection does not theorize, it simply takes the facts as shown by history and bases its policies upon them. Which do the voters want—free trade theories which are proven false, or protective principles which

are proven true? The voters will decide.

THE HUSBAND HABIT.

New York skirts are trying out a new idea in exterior decoration. When a woman loses her husband and has passed the mourning season she wears a little knot of black silk ribbon tied to her wedding ring. If it was a divorced ring is adorned with a dainty red bow. If this fad should become general, an introduction of some of our favorite stars would seem like a visit to the ribbon counter.

CAMPAIGN FUNDS.

According to a research by the Wall Street Journal the party with the largest campaign fund wins the election. It is claimed that this was true of every presidential contest since 1860, with the exception of the last one. In that the Hughes campaign fund was reported as \$2,000,000, and that of Wilson \$1,400,000, but it is agreed that the campaign fund had little to do with shaping the result.

In the days of Lincoln a campaign fund of \$100,000 was considered ample, and if the national committee handled that sum it could cover the country. Nowadays a million may be spent in a single state. Indeed a million may go in a primary campaign to boost a candidate toward a nomination and then not produce results. This would indicate that the campaign fund is not as potent as it used to be. Furthermore, the fund frequently reflects the candidate or the issue. It is easy to raise a fund when the nominee is popular and the cause an appealing one. In that case there may be a large fund and yet no urgent need for it. The sure thing is that the national committee will spend all the money it collects. In

fact, the campaign fund is for the purpose of keeping the committees in spending money and giving them opportunity of demonstrating that they can expend it to good purpose. So the story goes.

LOOKING BACKWARD.

The president has just pinned the distinguished service cross on General Peyton C. March for gallant work in the Philippines in 1898. First thing we know they will be awarding the Carnegie medal to Noah for heroic services in saving lives during the great flood.

MUCH WASTE.

It is asserted that the money and organization at the command of the attorney general in the fight against high prices were utilized in extending his campaign for the presidential nomination.

If that be true, it looks like a dead loss all around. We got no cut in the cost of living and he gets no nomination.

SWEETNESS AND LIGHT.

For the first time in a decade the United States is this year spending less money for cigarettes than for candy. This should cheer up Lucy Gaston Page a whole lot. Yes, sir, we are only spending \$860,000,000 for cigarettes, while the candy men are getting a round billion. Inside of 40 years we will be spending more than twice as much for candy as cigarettes and it will be perfectly safe for our girls to venture forth. This country certainly does look fine.—Exchange.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

The Germans have signed. They will deliver what coal they

have to deliver, and pay what money they have to pay.

They will deliver and pay as little as possible, and they will work and scheme and come back as an industrial nation, with the raw materials of Russia to work up, and they will make England sit up and take notice, and the United States, too, if our country does not get an all Republican administration at Washington, committed to adequate protective tariff rates.

The Salem chautauqua will be all ready for its week's program, on Sunday night.

Try to save up a little gasoline, to show the Elks the city and country next week.

As the Marion county market roads lead further out, the scope of Salem as a city of size and solidity widens. With the city connected up with the country and the country

connected with the city, there will be symmetrical growth and mutual prosperity. The work on the market roads goes on grandly.

The kick-off at the Salem paper mill is getting near now.

Inquiry Committee Will Have Session Next Monday

The committee provided by the 1920 special session of the legislature to inquire into the operation of the state industrial accident commission and which recently was named by Governor Olcott, will hold a meeting in Portland next Monday. It is the committee's duty, after investigating the department, to formulate recommendations for legislation to be presented to the session of 1921. The committee is composed of 15 members, five chosen from the ranks of labor, five from the employers and five from the state at large.

The names of Alden, Fish, Bale, Pereira, Mary Adel Hays and Naphe will stand out in your memory as bright spots. You will hear them at Chautauqua. Have you your season tickets?



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"How long halt yet between two opinions?"—I Kings, 18:21.

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BRING A FRIEND

Mat. 4:5

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