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#### ROOSEVELT THEIR ISSUE

Recent debates in the United States senate indicate that the democratic leaders intend to make "Roosevelt" their issue in the coming campaign. The republicans are ready to accept the challenge, as they are quite willing to go before the country on the record of their party chief.

In his short but eventful administration, President Roosevelt has been brought face to face with the most serious problems of the present generation; the labor question, the trust problem, the race question and questions of international politics, and each and all he has met with unflinching courage, and so far as it was possible, solved in a manner that has gained the approval of a large majority of his countrymen. By his firmness, tact and forethought the anthracite coal strike was brought to an end. The sympathy he showed for labor on this occasion won for him the admiration of the nation. Yet, when labor demanded too much it found the president determined to enforce the law regardless of political consequences. Toward capital he has been equally just and independent In the Northern Securities case the action of the administration was prompt and positive. Toward capital and labor he has lived up to his declaration: "No man is above the haw, and no man is beneath it." The record of his administration in foreign affairs is remarkable. Cuba was granted reciprocity; the Alass on the 14th. The platform has met kan boundary dispute was settled favorably for the United States; a cans in the state and has been rightcommercial treaty was signed with by termed "a model of brevety, ac-China; Turkey was forced to respect curacy and clear statement." All the American flag; the European allies were forced to take their dispute tion during republican management with Venezuela to a court of arbi- are modestly mentioned in the plat, tration, and above many things the form. Panama canal treaty was signed. His political opponents have tried to cast upon him the blame for the der on the 20th prohibiting the grazscandals in the post office depart- ing of sheep on the Baker City forest ment. They purposely forget, how- reserve. Horses and cattle are alever, that these abuses began years lowed to graze on the reserve. ago during the democratic admin'scovered and the perpetrators punish- souvenir dollars.

ed in the administration of Theodore Roosevelt.

The democrats call him unsafe because he is blunt, positive, quick, fearless and independent, or because he does not consult Wall Street on national affairs. "One man power" is their description of his masterful influence over his party. "Roosevelt luck" is their name for his happy faculty of winning popular approval for all his acts.

The republicans ask for nothing better than Rooseveltism as a campaign issue.

#### What Shall the Issue Be?

It seems that the democratic party is at sen for a campaign issue. Numerous conferences have been held with the hope of fishing from the sea of democracy some monster serpent heretofore unknown, that would smack its chops and gulp down anything from a four-bit dollar to an "Aristocratic Roosevelt," and wash it down with a draugh of democratle differences.

"Jeffersonian Simplicity." "No. that's a myth, that wont do.' "Sit "Free Silver," says Bryan. down!" says Cieveland, "Imperialism," "No, that wont physic 'em any more." "Nigger at dinner." "No, that wont do, Jefferson done that." Bryan pops up again. "Platform of 1896 that I stood on." "Oh. Bill, do keep quiet," says Grover. Somebody said"the trust question," but no, "that would mean Hearst. "Well, then Roosevelt aristocracy. "Hold on!" said someone way back in a corner, "let's get a finger in the investigation ple. That's the best thing out." "Well, Roosevelt has made a thorough investigation of all the departments where fraud was discovered. We can't play second fiddle to Roosevelt. like Hearst did in the anthracite cosl strike and the Northern Securites merger case," "Well, but then, we will run a bluff. We will ask for a congressional investigation, and they wont give it to us, and then we will say congress adjourned without doing its duty." Tve got a stunter for you," this voice sounded like it was way down in Alabama. "How would this Panama Canal Scandal strike in?" "No good at all, nine-tenths of the people in the United States favor the Panama canal. No. Never mention that, for just between us, that was one of the greatest things a president of these United States ever accomplished." "The post office scandal would make 'em shudder." "Yes, and some of us would shudder too, when it come to light that these post office scandals were begun years ago when we were in power and we dared not meddle with the big fellows that were mixed up in it." Bryan was asleep till some one incidentally mentioned \$50,000, when he suddenly sprang to his feet, and to divert the subject indulged in a lengthy speech, the eloquence of which struck the walls and vibrated among the empty sents, for they had all gone home.

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