

PROGRESSIVES PLAN WHIRLWIND BATTLE

Illinois Bull Mooseers Will Make Hot Campaign in Effort to Capture State and County Offices.

Chicago, Aug. 8.—With state and congressional headquarters now open, and the state primaries barely a month away, the Progressive campaign in Illinois today is in full swing. Medill McCormick, state chairman, today predicted the election of a Progressive to the United States Senate this fall, an increase in the Illinois Progressive delegation in the House of Representatives from three to seven, and the election of twenty more members to the Illinois legislature.

Colonel Roosevelt is expected to enter Illinois after the September primaries to tour the state in behalf of Raymond Robins, Progressive candidate for the Senate. Albert J. Beveridge, who recently completed a speech-making tour in behalf of Robins, and Henry J. Allen, Progressive candidate for governor of Kansas, may assist in the Bull Moose speaking campaign here. The heaviest share of the speaking campaign, however, will fall upon the shoulders of Illinois Progressive orators, including Miss Jane Addams, Prof. Charles E. Merriam, and the Progressive representatives in Congress from Illinois.

The Robins Senatorial campaign, and the fight to elect a Progressive administration in Cook county, of which Chicago is the seat, overshadow the other battles of Progressives in Illinois this year. In the state primaries of September 9, Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman undoubtedly will be re-elected on the Republican ticket. Roger C. Sullivan, gas magnate and former Democratic national committeeman, and Congressman Lawrence E. Stringer, are the leading candidates for the Democratic nomination. Robins has the undivided support of the Progressives.

The Progressives believe that Sullivan will win the Democratic nomination, in spite of the fact that Secretary of State Bryan, Governor Duane, Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, and Mayor Harrison of Chicago, have endorsed Stringer. If Sullivan is nominated, the Progressives predict the election of Robins, basing their claim on the belief that thousands of Progressive Democrats will vote for the Bull Moose nominee.

If Stringer is nominated, they believe Robins still will have an excellent chance, though admittedly not as good as one were Sullivan to be his opponent. They do not concede Senator Sherman has a chance of reelection.

Through a wide split in the Cook county Republican ranks, the Progressives see their chance to elect a majority of the new county administration. President A. A. McCormick of the county board, who was elected as a Republican two years ago, accepted the Progressive nomination this year. One faction of the Republicans named McCormick with a candidate to oppose McCormick. An insurgent element in the Republican party in Cook county named still another slate, and placed McCormick at the head of the ticket.

Representatives Copley, Hinbaugh and Thompson, Progressive members of Congress from Illinois, will be re-elected this fall, the Progressives firmly believe, on the records they have so far made. They assert they will elect four new members, but will not name the districts in which they expect these victories.

It is no secret that the Bull Moose following is depending a great deal on a heavy miners' vote for the Progressive ticket in the coal fields of southern Illinois because of the friendliness of the Progressive Senatorial candidates towards Union Labor.

Of the 150 members of the last Illinois legislature, twenty-six were Progressives. State chairman McCormick predicted today that by reason of Bull Moose gains no party will have more than sixty-five, nor less than forty-five members of the new legislature.

MINIMUM WAGE IN WASHINGTON

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 8.—The order of the industrial welfare commission fixing the minimum wage of telephone girls over 18 years of age at \$9 a week, and those under 18 and of messengers at \$6 is in effect today. This minimum is applicable to any female over 18 in any establishment operated in connection with any telephone or telegraph company and consequently includes office help. The regulation affecting those under 18 applies both to boys and girls employed in any capacity in the telephone or telegraph service. It also provides that girls and boys under 18 employed in telephone, telegraph, mercantile, parcel delivery, or messenger service shall not work earlier than 6 a. m. or later than 9 p. m.

STATON NEWS

(Capital Journal Special Service.) Staton, Ore., Aug. 7.—Marion Ewen, of Portland, is visiting relatives here. W. L. Pettit has improved the appearance of his house by a coat of paint.

Claude Watters, of Silverton, visited relatives here Sunday. W. E. Thomas and wife were over from Salem Friday.

W. F. Lottin was an independence visitor Tuesday.

The telephone central has been installed in the new building on First street. Mr. Perdy, a switchboard expert, was over from Corvallis this week doing some repair work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hingo left Wednesday for an outing at Cascadia.

Miss Eliza and Miss Hay returned Sunday from a three weeks' outing at Newport.

W. Richardson, Wesley Riggs and Wm. Nendel left Thursday morning for Tillamook county. They will make the trip by team and expect to get plenty of fish.

Misses Mary and Kitty Reiger came down from Portland this week for a two weeks' visit with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hart and daughter, Mrs. Alva Thomas and children and Paul Blakeley left Wednesday for a two weeks' outing at Newport.

Dr. Pinley is enjoying a visit this week from his mother, Mrs. Prudence Pinley, of Elk City.

Mrs. Merton Mack and baby and Mrs. Ems Goodman and baby came down from Goch Saturday for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Wm. Harlan and children are here from Mill City for a visit with her parents, W. S. Watters and wife.

Joe Higberger and daughter were down from Sublimity Monday.

Louise Bros. have commenced work on a new bungalow for Jos. Williams, near the Catholic church. The structure will consist of five rooms and will cost in the neighborhood of \$1000. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy about the middle of September.

Mrs. Henry Miller will leave August 13 for Chicago. She goes as a delegate of the Women's Auxiliary Catholic order of Foresters. She will go by way of San Francisco, Los Angeles and Salt Lake City and will also visit old friends near Chicago. She expects to be gone a month or six weeks.

Two accidents occurred at the E. Daugherty farm, in the Jordan country, Monday. Mr. Daugherty's seven-year-old daughter and her hand caught in the pulley of a hayfork, lacerating it so badly that Dr. Brewer found it necessary to amputate two fingers of her left hand. A 17-year-old brother of the little girl working in the hay left witnessed the accident and he fell to the ground, dislocating his shoulder.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN AT PUBLIC LIBRARY

New books for children at the Public Library: The library has added some nice new books for the children this week, and they will be ready for circulation Saturday. There is a pretty picture book for the little folks called "Four and Twenty Toltars". It has pictures by F. D. Bedford and verses to go with them by E. V. Lucas. Then there is Andrew Lang's "Tales of Troy and Greece" in which he tells about Helen and Priam, Ulysses and others. Another especially attractive book is "Wonderful escapes by Americans" by W. S. Booth. This gives over twenty stories describing hairbreadth experiences of soldiers, slaves and men who have gone through flood, fire and wrecks.

In addition to these there are the following:

- Birkhead, A.—Heroes of modern Europe.
- Carpenter, E. J.—Long ago in Greece.
- Catherwood, Mrs. M. H.—Rocky Fork.
- Chamberlain, J. F.—Asia.
- Huntington, H. S.—His Majesty's sloop, Diamond Rock.
- Marsfield, J.—Martin Hyde, the Duke's messenger.
- Moses, R.—Charles Dickens and his girl heroines.
- Nicolay, H.—Boys' life of Abraham Lincoln.
- Pier, A. S.—Boys of St. Timothy's.
- Roberts, T.—Red feathers.
- Stoddard, W. H.—Boys of Bunker Academy.
- Thompson, A. R.—Shipwrecked in Greenland.

BATTLE OF STONINGTON IS CELEBRATED TODAY

Stonington, Conn., Aug. 8.—With an elaborate program planned, the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the battle of Stonington opened here today. Incidentally Stonington is celebrating Old Home Week. The program includes parades in which United States army and navy organizations will participate, historical addresses by Governor Baldwin and other state notables, and the unveiling of a memorial tablet by the Society of the Daughters of the War of 1812. There will be exercises by school children, and fireworks.

LACKING KNOWLEDGE GOD'S PEOPLE PERISH

"My People Are Destroyed For Lack of Knowledge."

KEY OF KNOWLEDGE BURIED

Jesus' Teachings Harmonized the Law and the Prophets—Jewish Doctors of Divinity Had Failed to Teach the Deep Things of the Law—Opposition to Bible Study—Common People Heard Jesus Gladly—Jewish People Typical of Spiritual Israel—Jewish Age Typical of Gospel Age—Jewish Harvest Typical of Gospel Harvest.

August 9.—The Photo-Drama of Creation continues to awaken deep interest in Bible study. Its orderly presentation of the world's masterpieces of art illustrating sacred history deeply impresses the thoughtful spectator. Every subject dear to the Christian's heart is beautifully depicted.

Pastor Russell preached today from the text, "Woe unto you, lawyers; for ye have taken away the Key of Knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." (Luke 11:52) He said in part:

In the New Testament the word lawyer has a very different meaning from our general usage. It applied to those religious teachers of the Jews who made special professions of sanctity and earnest desire to know God's will, as expressed in the Mosaic Law, and to teach the same to the people. The corresponding class of today are designated Doctors of Divinity. Our text, therefore, with this correction reads, "Woe unto you, Doctors of Divinity; for ye have taken away the Key of Knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered."

Common People Heard Jesus Gladly. It was the custom amongst the Jews that lessons from the Law and the Prophets should be read every day in their synagogues. The people were thus familiar with the letter of the Law and the promises. The majority of them were, of course, illiterate; for educational facilities were not then what they are now. As a result, only a few claimed to have a knowledge of the spiritual part of the Law and the Prophets. These were chiefly of the literary and wealthy classes. To these the common people looked for guidance respecting God's will and plan.

As an illustration: When the common people heard Jesus gladly, they were unwilling to trust their own judgments, but inquired, "Have any of the Scribes and Pharisees believed on Him?" Have the Doctors of the Law, the Doctors of Divinity, endorsed Him? They have made a study of these things, and we would rely more upon their judgment than upon our own. But not one of the Scribes and the Pharisees endorsed Him, and hence few of the people believed on Him and became His disciples.

The common people were hungry for the message which Jesus brought. It is recorded that they said of Jesus' teachings, "Never man spake like this man." The nation would have gone over promptly to Jesus had the Scribes and the Pharisees, Doctors of the Law, set the example and given the word. Moreover, the teachings of Jesus harmonized the message of the Law and the Prophets, over which the Scribes and Pharisees and the Sadducees had long wrangled and disputed. Had the Doctors of the Law been as hungry for the Truth as were the people, undoubtedly all of their differences of interpretation of the Old Testament Scriptures would have been speedily removed in the light of the new Present Truth and knowledge of God, which was shining upon the Bible through the Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Apostles being Jehovah's mouthpieces.

The Key of Knowledge Buried. In our text Jesus charged the Jewish Doctors of Divinity with the responsibility of having taken away the Key of Knowledge, refusing to use it themselves to enter into appreciation of the great blessings due, and hiding it from the common people, who trusted them implicitly. We charge that the same thing is true today.

Not only were the Jewish people typical of Spiritual Israel, and their Age typical of this Age, and their Harvest typical of the Harvest, or closing time, of this Age, but additionally, now as then, God's people perish for lack of knowledge. (Hosea 4:6) Now, as then, the Doctors of Divinity will not use the Key of Knowledge themselves, to enter heartily into the wonderful privileges and blessings now due, and additionally they have buried the Key of Knowledge, hiding it from the people under a mass of forms and ceremonies.

But is Knowledge Necessary? In our Lord's day the Jewish Doctors of Divinity, or Rabbis, contented themselves with telling the people what they should do and what they

should not do, but did not teach the people—did not help them to any understanding of the deep meaning of the Law and the Prophets. In our context Jesus said to them, "You bind heavy burdens upon the people, grievous to be borne, but you do not at all attempt to carry them yourselves."

So is it today with the Jewish Rabbis, as well as with other ministers; for instance, a minister stands as a representative and mouthpiece of the church creed, which in roundabout terms declares that whoever does not live a saintly life will suffer an eternity of torment. Is not this a grievous burden to put upon any conscientious soul? Has it not caused untellable anguish to many of God's true people? Has it not driven away from God and the Bible thousands of the most intelligent minds in the world?

As the Jewish Doctors of Divinity carried no such burdens, neither do the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom. In private they acknowledge that they carry no such burdens. In public they give the inference that they do—not so much by positive terms as by implication, tone and inflection of the voice, and by the general fact that they stand for and are representatives of the creeds which so teach. It does not excuse these influential teachers for them to claim that in their official capacity they lose their personal responsibility and shift it upon those who made the creeds and those who adopt them. The people are no longer trusting the creeds, they realize that the creeds contain many inconsistencies, and that greater light is shining today from one page of the Bible upon another than shone in the days when those creeds were formulated.

The common people trust the Bible—Jesus, the Apostles and the Prophets. They know that all the creeds of Christendom claim to be built upon the inspired Record. They understand the Scribes and Pharisees of today, the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom, to give assurances that those creeds properly present the teachings of the Bible. The creeds claim to become ropes of sand if all the prominent Doctors of Divinity of Christendom came forward and publicly renounced the creeds, as they nearly all do in private conversation.

It was this matter of misleading the people, deceiving them, that constituted the basis of Jesus' charge against the Doctors of Divinity of old; and we believe that His judgment is very similar today respecting the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom—"Ye have taken away [ye have hidden] the Key of Knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered."

Christian people today are so disgusted with the creeds which have separated them and their forefathers into six hundred different denominations; that they are quite ready to discard all creeds, and to come together as one Church of the Living God to study the Bible in its own light.

Systematic Key-Hiding. The Scribes and Pharisees of our day are proving themselves to be the anti-types of those addressed by Jesus in our text, and have a substitute for knowledge. Taking away the Key of Knowledge, they say to the common people, "Do not bother your head about doctrines; leave doctrines to the clergy; let the clergy endorse all the creeds, however conflicting they be. We do this in order to lull you to sleep. There is nothing so disturbing to the Christian's rest as the discussion of the doctrines of Christ."

If there be in any congregation those who cannot feel satisfied without some kind of Bible study, let them have it; but get them rather to discuss the geography of Palestine and the habits and customs of the people, etc., than the prophecies of old or the interpretation of them, as given by Jesus and the Apostles. We ministers will keep aloof from such Bible study; we will leave the impression that we understand these prophecies perfectly, and we will keep a watch upon the Bible classes, but will interfere only when we find some brother therein who is inclined to delve after the doctrines of Christ and the Apostles.

One minister, voicing this opposition to Bible study, especially along the lines of difference where it would be of special value, said, "The Church is like a great hospital. Everything like doctrinal discussion must be banished and excluded, just as in a hospital all noise is forbidden, in order that the patient may sleep; or just as in a nursery all noise is excluded."

Alas! It is too true that the nominal Church of Christ is like a hospital, many of the patients in which are blind, deaf, asleep and mentally confused. But the trouble is that these get into this condition because of a neglect of healthful exercise; and the keeping of them quiet will but turn the present hospital into a cemetery.

What the churches of all the denominations need is the Word of God—as presented in the words of Jesus and the Apostles. "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life," said the Master. The sick and lame, the blind, deaf and mentally perplexed need to hear the voice of Truth—"Wonderful Words of Life"—otherwise they will become more sick and will perish as Christians, only to become alive perhaps as "lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God."

An Episcopal minister in our hearing urged his congregation to simply rest and not to bother themselves about their own future or that of others. The Holy Catholic Church, he said, resembled a ship, in which the members should come as passengers to be carried to the Heavenly destination. They need not examine the compass or the chart or the machinery. All that they need to do is to sit down and enjoy the journey, trusting that their pas-

senger and the Holy Spirit have given them a ticket to a proper destination.

Necessity For Knowledge. Knowledge of God, the Bible, the Scriptures, is indispensable for the attainment of the great Prize of the High Calling. Thus Jesus said, "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." (John 17:3) We are not to understand this to signify that any one who has merely been made acquainted with the fact that there is one Creator, and that Jesus Christ is His Son, is on account of this knowledge to be granted everlasting life. Some apparently think to be able to make void the various Scriptures which tell of the necessity of making our "calling and election sure" by so running as to obtain the prize.

Our Lord's words do not refer to a knowledge about God, but to a knowledge of God and His Son—a personal acquaintance with them. And such an intimate acquaintance is not obtained merely by an introduction, but by companionship. It signifies an intimacy of acquaintance, a familiarity. Everything in the Divine Word encourages those who accept the Divine invitation to draw near to God, to come into fellowship with Him.

But this knowledge of God which will bring a saintly few to salvation on the highest plane, stands related to God's Word—the teachings of the Bible; for thus God exhorted His Word, by making it the channel for spiritual refreshment and personal acquaintance with Himself.

Thus Jesus prayed for us, His followers, "Sanctify them through Thy Truth; Thy Word is Truth." Any who neglect the Divine Word will fall of the sanctifying power and thus fall of the ultimate acquaintanceship with God which alone will guarantee everlasting life. The reason why the Lord has thus arranged the matter and made knowledge of the Scriptures essential is, doubtless, that thus His faithful people may be benefited; and they alone may receive the instruction which will profit them alone, but which would more or less injure others. Thus it is written, "I shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make me free."

To this class our Lord says today, as He said to His Jewish followers eighteen centuries ago, "To you it is given to know the Mysteries of the Kingdom of God; but to all outside these things are spoken in parables and dark sayings, that seeing they might see and not perceive, and hearing they might hear and not understand. To the outsiders—the Doctors of Divinity—is not committed the Key of Knowledge."

What Constitutes the Key. The Key of Knowledge consists of the faithful study of the Word of God, with an honest purpose to know the things that are freely given unto us of God. This implies a consecration of heart; for none others would really desire that they might do the Divine will. This also implies a faith in our Lord's promise that "if any man will do God's will, he shall know of the doctrine." It is this consecrated, conscientious Bible study that is lacking today—that is being discouraged by the great teachers and Doctors of Divinity.

Everything designed to help Bible study, to get rid of the darkness of the creeds and superstitions of the past, is opposed—but not openly. The Doctors of Divinity of our day, like those of Jesus' day, are wise and act as though they do know. But they do not know; they oppose real Bible study—not openly, but secretly, "for fear of the people." (Mark 11:33; 12:12) The great religious leaders of the Jews were marked by our Lord as being less conscientious, less honest, than the masses of the people. Concerning the people we read that "Jesus was moved with compassion when He beheld the multitude, that they were like sheep without a shepherd."

And is it not so today also? Are not many of the Lord's people hanging and thirsting for the Truth, and greatly perplexed and discouraged because, going time after time to the religious leaders, they have received a stone instead of bread, a serpent instead of a fish—have received a false doctrine, a devilish misrepresentation of God's Character and of His Plan respecting humanity? These devilish doctrines of the Dark Ages St. Paul calls "doctrines of demons"; for the demons, the fallen angels, evidently have propagated them. They are to be found amongst all the heathen, but nowhere in so bad a form as amongst Christians of all denominations. Is there not therefore a great responsibility resting upon every conscientious minister of the Gospel, that he should step out from amongst the mass of the Doctors of Divinity, who are hiding the Key of Knowledge and are misleading the Lord's trusting sheep of nominal Christendom?

Impossible to Deceive the Very Elect. As we have already shown, they cannot keep peoned or asleep those who constitute "the very Elect," nor can they keep knowledge from the saintly class. Our Lord, speaking of this time, said that the deceptions would be such that they would deceive, if possible, "the very Elect"; but in their case deception will not be possible, for the True Shepherd Himself will help them. But oh, what weeping of disappointment, what clogging and gnawing of teeth will come shortly to the false shepherds, to the Key-hiding Doctors of Divinity, when they find that with all their endeavors to bolster up sham and superstitions in which they themselves do not believe, the entire fabric of Churchianity will collapse, as the Scriptures predict!

Is it any wonder that the Master prophesied respecting the unfaithfulness amongst His professed followers at this time, saying, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find the Faith upon the earth?"

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