

FOR PRESIDENT: WM. JENNINGS BRYAN

AND Pennsylvania, too, for Bryan? Good morning, boys!

A PREDICTION: Evans will get out of the race just like Fort did, and he won't be much longer about it, either.

THE Illinois State Democratic Convention last week instructed its delegates to vote for Bryan—and to vote as a unit. No chance for "sloughing off" in this instance.

COULD Joe Bailey truck with Standard Oil and be true to Texas at one and the same time? The answer to the question is in its asking. Senator Bailey is "fer-nist" Bryan.

AND now the senile old Republic is timidly cheeping for Johnson of Clevelanditis. But the grandy is for Joey all right. The rule with her meager following seems to be: anti-Bryan, pro-Folk.

BECAUSE a jury acquitted an actor charged with violation of the Sunday law, Judge Wallace wanted his grand jury to indict them! Is there no limit to his bigotry and intolerance?

IF my Republican neighbors had been as optimistic during the "Cleveland hard times" as they are now—or profess to be—the memory of those days would be but as a fly speck upon a plate-glass window.

THE Republican Supreme Court of Illinois, by a decision said to be without precedent, commands the admission of Negroes into the white public schools. How does this suit the Missouri Democrat whom his Republican neighbor is trying to wheedle into voting the Republican ticket? By the way, too, how does it suit the non-office-seeking, well-meaning Missouri Republican?

THE thing that brings me a little closer to prohibition—but still a long way off—is the employment of the Hon. Rev. Ben Deering by the Antis. I am not greatly stuck on professional Reformers, anyway, and Ben was the extreme limit in that role in Southeast Missouri a decade or two ago. Now—well, a man must live, I suppose, and the Beef Trust has put the price of meat away up yonder!

THE Pullitzerian candidate for President, Gov. Johnson of Minnesota, made a flying trip to Kansas City last Friday, called on Wm. R. Nelson, political Ishmaelite, editor of the Star, and immediately departed for Lindsborg, Kansas. He called on no Democrat in that town. Nelson seems to have been sufficient unto him. Until lately, I thought Johnson was an unconscious, if not unwilling, tool in the hands of the undemocratic contingent of the party; but my mind is changed. A more unscrupulous enemy to the Democratic party than Nelson does not cumber Missouri soil.

IN Senator Bradley's letter to the REGISTER last week were these sentences:

"The voice of the Democrats of my senatorial district on the senatorial question and all other questions will be the supreme law with me. As I have always stated time and again I will carry out the will of my constituents on all questions affecting their interests and not mine."

I have no doubt these expressions were used inadvertently, for the Senatorial question goes all over the State and it is not confined to one district. The vote of the whole State determines the choice for U. S. Senator, and by this vote Senator B. must abide, even if it be against the voice of his own district. That he will do so I have no doubt, but it might be as well for him to say so outright.

THE Jackson Cash-Book urges that Judge Evans could not have been so very blameworthy, after all, in his fleeing from the State to avoid service in a contest instituted by his Republican opponent for Judge in 1898. Bro. McGuire's premise is that as Evans received that year only 6 votes majority, while six years later in a second race his majority was over 400, the Judge was fully exonerated by his constituents. The theft of the Presidency in 1876 can be fully condoned by similar reasoning. But evidently Bro. Mac is not well informed as to the operating cause of effect in the case at bar. Ozark and Douglas county, which in

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1898 were included in Evans' circuit, in 1906 had been taken out of it. These counties had given 1174 Republican majority, and with them excluded Judge Evans, to have held his own, merely, should have been elected in 1904 by 1186 majority, instead of his measly 400. I say nothing of Carter, which, with a small Democratic majority, was added to the circuit in lieu of the two Republican counties taken out of it. Judge Evans is heartily welcome to all the vindication he can extract out of these figures.

THE St. Louis Police Board—the subservient tools of their master, the slick and facile Joey, who is posing as a Righteous Reformer, desiring all the possible usufruct of politics while holding himself above its contamination—that Board last week ordered the withdrawal of all policemen from the Jefferson Club. Mr. Coale, the President of the Club, protested, to which protest President Gray of the aforesaid Board responded, saying that Mr. Coale was "the political megaphone for some one else," and declaring that "it is false to assert that the police were first admitted to the Club under Gov. Folk's administration as the Club's president"; that "Folk did not accept one cent contribution from the police during his campaign." Whereupon Mr. Coale, who evidently knows whereof he speaks, replicates with some hard facts seasoned like a hot tamale. His "open letter" is as follows:

"A little brief authority has evidently turned your head. You have probably seen the well-known picture of the small dog seated before a graphophone, listening intently, with the inscription underneath it, 'His Master's Voice.' You have evidently heard the voice, and the political harangue which you sent me is the result. 'My letter to you was intended to acquaint the public with two facts—the first that the Bottoms Gang was running at large, committing outrages in various parts of the city, and especially upon the Jefferson Club; and second, to acquaint the public with the fact that no objection to police officers remaining in the Jefferson Club had been made to your board, or its predecessors, until the approach of a political campaign, when you heard the 'master's voice,' and they were ordered to resign."

"Every real Democrat in St. Louis knows that the Jefferson Club has been strictly a political organization since its birth fourteen years ago, and that it has at no time ever been considered a social organization, and at the time Joseph W. Folk was president it was a political organization, known as such, not considered to be a social organization, and that what distinction he had obtained in politics up to that time came through his affiliation with it. 'I again assert that it was under the administration of Joseph W. Folk that police officers were first solicited and admitted to the Jefferson Club.'

"I again repeat and am willing to prove that Joseph W. Folk, when candidate for Governor, knew of the collection of \$21,000 by the Police Department before the same was turned over to the State Committee, with his full knowledge and approval, and that he did not protest against it at any time."

"I am not surprised at the ignorance displayed by some of the members of your board regarding political matters, especially by yourself."

"If any of your members, with the probable exception of Mr. Bland, ever in the past contributed one cent to the Democratic party, participated in its councils, assisted in its elections, or in any other way indicated your Democracy, the same is unknown to me and other Democrats of this city. 'You therefore, could not be expected to know much of the history of the Jefferson Club or of Mr. Folk's connection with it. It may even have escaped your attention that at the time Mr. Folk was first elected to office, the charge of dishonest election was raised by a partisan newspaper and complaint was made of the Indian tactics to which your letter refers, and that, immediately after the election, Mr. Folk proceeded to Jefferson City and personally ap-

plied to the Supreme Court for an order prohibiting the opening and counting of ballots in the election, attempting in this way to prevent a determination of whether it was an honest election."

"It is true that after that time he did declaim very bitterly about Indians and crooked work at primaries, but nowhere else has his voice been lifted against alleged irregularities in any election or assistance given in any election which he himself was the beneficiary, nor has he been heard, nor has your board been heard, to denounce the Bottoms Gang or its political sponsors, probably for the reason that its patron and friend declared for Mr. Folk for United States Senator."

"I assert again that no effort was made to solicit the application of policemen into the Jefferson Club. The precedent having been set under the administration of Mr. Folk, it was not necessary."

"Speaking of politics in the Police Department: There are a number of citizens in St. Louis who would like to know how it happened that Sergeant Straughan who resigned from the Police Department after having insulted the Police Board and stating openly in its presence that he would not serve under a naturalized foreigner as Chief of Police; who had retired to his farm, was reinstated to his former rank in violation of the State law and police manual, if it were not for political purposes?"

"You and your associates know full well that the political strength of his brothers and relatives in Ste. Genevieve and St. Francois counties, which had been withdrawn from Mr. Folk at the time of his resignation, was found necessary, and that his reinstatement was for the purpose of securing this needed strength."

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