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MacCorkle Routed Up.

Governor MacCorkle has placed himself in a very anomalous position by the speech he had printed in the Register, but which he was not allowed to deliver at Parkersburg, through the determined opposition of Mr. Edmiston, chairman of the Democratic state executive committee. It would have been the wisest policy on MacCorkle's part to have preserved a discreet silence, but as he blundered into the trap set for him by that sleek politician, Colonel McGraw, he must bear the consequences of his folly. We do not see how MacCorkle can reconcile his recent attitude on the negro question in the south, where, at the convention held at Montgomery, Ala., he was a stout defender of the rights of the colored voter, with the expressed views of several of the candidates on the Democratic state ticket, who asserted that measures would be taken in this state to repress the colored voter in the southern end of the state. Miller, of Summers, was especially lauded for his ability to round up "one-legged niggers"—this the choice expression of Colonel Joe Chilton.

His administration was known to be one of the most extravagant and corrupt in the history of the state, and to divert the attention of the people at this time from a recital of the mismanagement of the government while he was in power, he made a maliciously untruthful attack on Governor Atkinson's administration, which was wholly unwarranted. In a recent editorial the Charleston Mail-Tribune refers to this feature as follows:

To prevent criminal prosecution for embezzlement, which was demanded by papers of his own party, against high officers of his appointment, the mercy of Governor Atkinson's administration was begged with tears. The Republicans had no disposition to assist John T. McGraw to put his political enemies in the penitentiary, but they demanded that every cent embezzled should be paid back. They conceived it to be their duty to recover the property of the state and the money of the people. They did recover it—every cent of it.

Certainly ex-Governor MacCorkle did not forget the nearly \$25,000 deficiency in the office of his secretary of state, and the leniency shown by Governor Atkinson against the demands made for right prosecution by McGraw's personal organ at Charleston. He could not have had such a short memory of such an important fact. The Mail-Tribune concludes its scorching review of MacCorkle's speech (the one he didn't deliver) as follows:

"One point that seemed to arouse the anger of the ex-governor was that the Republicans had spent more on the state's institutions than the Democrats had. Well, this is pretty tough on the Democrats, who, somehow, always managed to get away with a lot of money and run up against a deficit with persistent regularity. It never occurred to the ex-governor that the reason that the Republicans could expend more money upon the state institutions without any increase of taxation was that the Republicans must have accounted more rigidly for the money received than did the Democrats, and that all the money collected under Governor Atkinson's administration went into the public use, and was not deflected to private ends.

After the notorious and flagrant mismanagement of the administration of Governor MacCorkle, for which see the back files of the Charleston Gazette, the ex-governor ought to feel a great pain when the records show that the administration of Governor Atkinson has changed Democratic deficits, as at the penitentiary, into a Republican surplus, has so husbanded the state's resources as to be able to expend a great deal more money upon the state's institutions than did the Democrats, without any increase in taxation, and to still keep monthly, with a persistence that never varies, over a million dollars surplus in the state treasury. And, further, Mr. MacCorkle, you can so with your magnifying glasses and your search warrants and you will find no breath of scandal about the secretary of state's office, or any other office, no suspicion of wrong doing, nothing but the most accurate and honest accounting of all the work done for and in behalf of the state, with every cent of money due the state accurately and rigidly accounted for."

More Misrepresentation.

The Register, with its usual penchant for misrepresentation, attempts to make it appear that at one time Romeo H. Frew had enough votes cast for him at the Fourth district congressional convention to nominate, but that he was cheated out of it by the alleged bulldozing tactics of the followers of James A. Hughes. Nothing is further from the truth. There is no ground for the assertion in the Register's story.

port of the proceedings of the convention. Mr. Frew went into the convention handicapped by the conflicting reports of his candidacy, and Kendall was never seriously a candidate. The main fight was between Woodyard and Hughes, and the latter won fairly and squarely. It ill behooves the Register to talk about rings after the tricks played at Parkersburg, where a popular nomination was overruled by that accomplished trickster McGraw.

The assertion made by the well-trained correspondent of the Register that Frew was at one time nominated by the convention is about as near the truth as that paper ever approaches. Its attempts to create dissension in the Republican ranks this year are extremely painful. It would better look into its own disordered and discontented ranks. There it will have a great opportunity for moody contemplation.

Can It Be True?

Among the Filipino archives captured by General Funston was the plan concocted by Aguinaldo for the burning of Manila and the massacre of all Americans, with frequent allusions by Aguinaldo to Bryan as the friend of the rebels. It was supposed from this that some documentary evidence of Bryan's epistolary association with the rebel chief would be discovered, but the absence of such evidence was explained by the Associated Press correspondent in the following remarkable statement:

Buenacampo, the secretary of state of the Filipino revolutionary government, who is in Manila, says that none of the really important secret papers was found, that among them were correspondence with foreign governments and letters from prominent anti-imperialists, including W. J. Bryan and Senator Hoar. All of these, he says, were sent to Hong Kong last September for safe keeping in the hands of the junta. The purpose of the letters from anti-imperialists, according to his recollection, was that the Filipinos should adhere to their demands for independence, and they would eventually be sustained by the American voters.

It is known that Aguinaldo has been encouraged in some manner to prolong his hopeless warfare by being led to believe that the Democrats were his friends, and as they were sure to win with Bryan the American troops would be withdrawn, and then it would be plain sailing for him. These facts have been established beyond question of doubt, but the Intelligencer will require something more substantial than the mere word of the Filipino secretary of state to convince it that Mr. Bryan was actually guilty of writing personally to Aguinaldo. The charge is of such a character, however, that it would be better for Bryan to deny it over his own signature.

The Chicago Inter Ocean calls on Mr. Bryan to explain, if he is innocent, in the following language:

Mr. Bryan's friends will doubtless declare such an accusation monstrous, absurd upon its face and impossible of belief. Even his enemies will regard it with incredulity. But, then, there it is, properly filed and credited. The conduct within the last two years of several eminent and supposedly loyal Americans unfortunately proves that men of longer life and greater distinction than Mr. Bryan can be tripped by political passion and prejudice into tampering with treason.

Before the war with Spain who would have dreamed that Edward Bryan would attempt to use the United States mails to foment rebellion and incite mutiny, and would glory in his shame? Who would have imagined that the distinguished and statesmanlike would lead a Malay bandit and incendiary as a second Washington, and hope to see the flag he fought to save trailed in the dust? Who would have supposed that George Frisbie Hoar, after more than forty years of public service, would from his place in the senate utter words of encouragement to bandits and assassins engaged in shooting the representatives of American authority?

Yet all these things the American people have seen and heard? Since men so eminent have branded themselves with sedition, how can Mr. Bryan expect complete immunity from suspicion after he has been repeatedly hailed by the Malay rebels as their friend, and by Tagal assassins as their hope, and has been directly accused by one high in rebel councils of promising to grant all the Filipino demands? Will Mr. Bryan explain?

Platform Making.

There will be an important conference of Republican leaders at Washington to-morrow, which is fraught with interest to the country. The discussion will be on what are to be the most important of the duties of the National Republican convention, which meets next week, which will be participated in by Senators Foraker, Fairbanks, Lodge, possibly Senator Allison, and two or three Republicans who do not hold official posts, but who have been absorbed in the subject which is the occasion for the meeting of this group.

About two weeks ago a meeting of a similar purport was held in Washington, and which was entirely tentative in its character, as the meeting to-morrow also will be. At that time it was the opinion that, in view of the certainty of the nomination of President McKinley by acclamation, the one vitally important work that remained for the Republican convention to do is the formulation of the platform. In comparison with the other—as yet undecided—action that the convention must take—namely, the nomination of a candidate for vice president—it is deemed of much the greater consequence. Of course there will be no trouble this year over the currency plank, as the recently adopted currency law will furnish the basis for that. It is the plank that will express the Republican view upon what is vaguely called expansion that will occasion the most profound and earnest discussion, not only on the part of those who are to have some share in the formal preparation of the resolution, but also on the part of citizens all over the United States. And the correspondence, the tentative drafts, the suggestions that have reached Senator Fairbanks and others are a most impressive proof not only of the deep and abiding interest the American people are taking in the subject, but more than that, they furnish good illustrations of the accuracy of the assertion of those who say that there is beginning to be a clear perception of what the majestic and momentous events though which we have passed and through which other nations have recently and are now passing, mean for civilization.

A correspondent, discussing the trend of the character of the correspondence referred to, and of the discussions, declares that it indicates "that with a great body of our thinking citizens there is beginning to be a belief that the momentous events of the last four or five years are in harmony with some irresistible law of progress, and while there will, of course, be no attempt to express a philosophical deduction of this kind in the Republican national platform, yet the purpose is to show that the events are proclaimed by

Schurz and Hoar and others, is a myth; that no such thing exists, or can exist, and that the establishment of sovereignty carries with it no other than benign and wholesome influences, having in view the ultimate participation in their own local government, so far as they are qualified, by the peoples who have recently come under the sovereignty of the United States.

It may not be attempted to show that these possessions were inevitable, although many who are counseling those who have the preparation of the platform under consideration advise that course. But it is the intention to set forth in this resolution the true meaning of expansion, how different that is from imperialism, and how impossible imperialism, as the word is generally understood, would be."

Admiral Schley has written a letter in which he states that under no circumstances will he allow the use of his name before any convention for any office whatever. Great head!

French engine builders are in a sweat over the exhibition of an American locomotive at the exposition that was made for the state.

The "Boxers" will be another object of sympathy for the Democratic national convention to waste its crocodile tears over.

The Republican vice presidential nominee will be chosen by the Republican convention, and not by a side show party.

The census returns will play havoc with those towns claiming population beyond their size.

What is Wheeling going to do on the Fourth of July—sleep through the day, as usual?

About this time two years ago matters were rapidly coming to a focus at Santiago.

All Republican vice presidential booms must weigh in at the convention side.

The "last ditch" of the Boers hasn't been dug yet.

The strawberry is at its best just now.

"BLOON MAN" UNDER THE BAN.

He is Victim of the Police in the Chicago Anti-Noise Crusade.

Chicago Record: It is likely that no father or mother was very much surprised to hear that a "bloon man" was arrested the other day for blowing his little thin-tongued horn upon the public streets. It was one of those things generally expected, and which, therefore, never happen again, except upon the initiative of some flinty-hearted officer of the law. Yet ninety-nine out of every hundred parents have probably invoked plagues upon the devoted head of the "bloon man" and wished that there was some law to stop his trade.

For it is not so much the noise of it—it is the effect of it upon the children. At the first of the intermittent squeaks they go dancing down the street as if the crazed and weakened old man was a second Pied Piper, only they invariably dance back again to their homes, and with eager, shining eyes and coaxing tongues, tease, tease, for the price of one of the gaudy globes. And sometimes they get it and sometimes they don't, but in either event there is blame and scolding for the "bloon man" who will not go along decently and quietly so that the children will not hear him.

Most of us probably remember the time when to possess one of these pretty, airy playthings was the desire of our hearts. And there was joy in the possession of them, too—while they lasted. With what pleasure we watched them floating lightly upward, knowing that a twitch of the thread would bring them darting down to us again! How delightfully they rebounded from the most delicate touch and how smooth and "creaky" to caress, withal.

There was anguish or sadness at the last. Either a sudden "pop" and nothing left but a bad smell and a flabby shred of rubber, or else an hourly withering, wrinkling and diminishing, until the big, buoyant thing is become a shriveled husk that hugs the ground and has not enough roundness to roll out of the way of the heedless foot that sooner or later treads on it.

That is the sad smell of our painted bubbles, too. It would be well if we never chased any more harmful. And there are worse nuisances than the old "bloon man," after all.

Not What the Headline Meant to Say. Chicago News: The headlines sometimes causes a smile where it is sadly out of place, as for instance this from a Philadelphia paper, in regard to the death of the famous singer, Del Puente: "Expires in His Home in This City, Where He Won Fame, from Heart Disease." Winning fame "from heart disease" may be possible in Philadelphia, where everything moves so slowly that hearts have no occasion to be hurried or deranged in action, but it is probable this is not what the headlines wished to say.

A Perfect Day. A glimpse of sunshine and of roses clinging close to the arbor where they love to cling. Comes 'mid the perfume which the flowers are flinging. Where insects mumble soft their lazy rhyme:

The clustering jewel flashes on the river Echo the sun that mildly beams on high; The red-went grasses thrash and nod and quiver. As bougbs above them beckon oft and sigh.

Ah, life is sad with love and sad with hating; A panting struggle in a ceaseless fray; Yet what a fair reward for toil and waiting. Is vouchsafed in a single perfect day. —Washington Star.

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The promising amateur musician should promise not to play any more. Some people put on so many airs that their associates invariably catch cold. If speech is silver and silence is golden where does the greenback come in? Experience is a pretty dear teacher when it comes in the form of a handsome school-ma'am.

A truly polite man always listens with interest to the story he has heard a dozen times. It's strange that people render homage to a great man when he dies, but not when he is born.

If it is true that the best noses point heavenward, the girl with the snub nose has no cause for complaint. When a physician is unable to locate the cause of a patient's illness he proceeds to discover a new species of microbe.

Last Thursday an Ohio man ran away to enact the role of Robinson Crusoe—but his wife followed him with a broom-handle and brought him back Friday.—Chicago Daily News.

NEWSPAPER WAIFS.

A Manifest Impossibility.—Warwick—Why is it that there are no real skyscrapers in London? Wickwire—There is no sky.—Puck.

Fatal to Art.—"What an artistic pipe you have," said Miss Hicks to Barber. "Artistic" returned Barber. "Not a bit of it. You can't make it draw."—Harlem Life.

Courtesies of the Code.—"That," observed the duelist, after pinning his adversary in a carefully bloodless manner: "that is the pink of politeness."—Baltimore American.

Hedging.—The Caller—So your canary's name is Joe, is it? Does that stand for Joseph or Josephine? Small Girl—We don't know. That's why we call it Joe.—Indianapolis Press.

School-Teacher.—What little boy can tell me where is the home of the swallow? Bobby—I kin, please. School-Teacher—Well, Bobby? Bobby—The home of the swallow is the stummick.—Tit-Bits.

Conundrum (by the printer's devil)—Is there any rule of English composition that Mr. ex-President Steyn invariably observes? "Yes. He never comes to a full stop without beginning with a fresh capital."—Punch.

Retort Courteous.—"I see the villain in your face," said the great lawyer who was trying to intimidate a witness. "Very likely," was the calm reply, "the face of a bright person, like a mirror, is apt to cast personal reflections."—Chicago News.

Extravagance.—"Your extravagance in dress," he exclaimed, "will ruin me!" "It is not for you," she retorted with warmth, "to taunt me with extravagance! You, who every year pay taxes upon all your property!" At this he winced, and said no more.—Detroit Journal.

Solicitude.—"What is father's attitude in the political field?" asked the grave little girl's uncle. "I don't know exactly, but the last I heard about it they said that first he got on his ear and next he was standing on his head. I'm a great deal worried about father."—Washington Star.

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