

The Democratic Advocate



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WHO WILL BE THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE?

Naturally there is much speculation among the Democrats of the country, as to who will be the nominee for President named by the Convention which assembles in Baltimore next month.

What we all feel is, that the opportunity is so promising, that the convention must make no mistake in selecting the candidate. The party has abundance of good material from which to select and we have faith in the good sense and loyalty of the convention to assure us that they will act wisely in this important matter.

It is certainly no time to experiment, and no time for political sentimentality to exploit itself. The convention must get down to the bed-rock of democracy, and give us a candidate who represents true democratic doctrines, who is not a visionary, and who can win.

Recently it has been said, and in authoritative quarters, that Mr. William Jennings Bryan desires the nomination, and is indirectly working to that end; that he is opposing Harmon, and flirting with Clark and Wilson, "playing both ends against the middle" and endeavoring to so shape affairs, that there will come a deadlock at Baltimore, and that to relieve the situation the convention, will be stamped for his nomination.

This in our opinion would be the most unwise thing the convention could do. It would throw a damper over the hopes of Democrats throughout the entire country, and make us feel that another Bryan defeat was before the party.

In the first place, that form of nomination is distasteful to the people, and savors rather of jugglery than of deliberation. And then the rank and file of the party do not want to be called upon again to vote for Mr. Bryan for the Presidency. We say this with full knowledge of his ability and his many excellent qualities. But he has been the candidate of the party three times and has been three times defeated. So that the party would feel from the beginning of such a campaign, that it was "riding to a fall."

The party has greatly honored Mr. Bryan in the past, and the best service he can render to it now, is to absolutely step out of the way, so far as the nomination is concerned, and let it be known by his friends that he will not be a candidate before the convention, and then fall in and work with all his might for the man who will receive the nomination. This he owes to his party, and he must not stand in the way of its success at this critical period.

It is perfectly natural and perfectly legitimate for Mr. Bryan to want to be President of the United States, but the country has shown, on three occasions that it does not share in that desire, and so, it seems clear to us that the Baltimore Convention should not consider him as being in the class of available. Let us have a candidate upon whom we can heartily unite and with whom we can win.

KEEP ON KILLING THE FLIES.

After being under way for some time, the fly crusade, which is being conducted by the Westminster Association for the Promotion of Public Welfare, has aroused a great deal of interest among all classes of our population. The children are particularly interested in the swatting contest and many children have been seen on the streets carrying swatters and killing flies whenever possible, and it is expected that this habit will grow among the children until in a few days all of them will be bearing arms against the enemy.

As an example of what can be done in this direction, one boy brought in 1126 flies which he had killed in a few days, and several have over 2000 to their credit. The interest is not confined to the children, however, but is extending to the adult population who are beginning to understand the reasons back of the fly killing, namely that it is but the first step in a movement to make our city a sanitary and healthful one to live in. As is well known by sanitarians the cause of about half the deaths from acute diseases is dirt and filth and that the only thing necessary to avoid them is a thorough and permanent establishment of clean conditions which will also diminish the amount of sickness very materially. The people are beginning to realize that flies are the greatest distributors of disease in our midst as they only have

access to everything that is contaminated with disease and to our homes as well.

This has been well shown by the moving picture called the "Fly Pest" which has been shown in this city and seen by many people. Many persons, however, who are in sympathy with the work are asking why so much is being said about flies now when there are so few flies, and to these it must be answered that one fly now is a million in August. Hence we must get after them before they get a start.

Congress is just now bothering its head as to how it is going to adjourn and when. So far as the work in the House of Representatives is concerned, it would be ready to adjourn by June 15, but the slow work in the Senate precludes the possibility of adjournment at that time and the chances are that Congress will not adjourn at all before the middle of August or else may take a recess for thirty days after the 15th of June.

The local committee in its efforts to secure the Chautauqua for Westminster, should have the support of the people. The Chautauqua meetings have always proven entertaining, instructive and broadening in all sections where they have been held. Why not subscribe for the remaining 100 tickets at once?

The Odd Fellows seemed to have a good time in our city last week and we were pleased to have them with us. Since there is so much mutual enjoyment the Odd Fellows ought to make it permanent and bring the Grand Lodge here every year.

In the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, and it is likewise a good time for father to turn his attention toward plans of getting rid of that disheveled brick sidewalk, and replace it with some form of cement walk.

One of the ministers in this city suggests that apropos of Mother's Day and wearing the carnation, we should have Father's Day and wear poppies, and Old Maid's Day and wear bachelor's buttons.

These are times when the presidential candidate who merely says "You are not absolutely accurate" to his opponent will never kick many hats out of the ring.

Mr. Robert Crain predicts that 100,000 people will come to Baltimore in June to attend the National Democratic Convention. Fatten up the Spring chicks!

Roosevelt is said to have remarked that "Maryland, My Maryland," sounded good to him.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS.

While the number of cases of infantile paralysis in 1911 was not nearly as large as that in 1910, yet the collected statistics show that the disease was widely distributed throughout the United States. The number of reported cases in 1910 was 5,861, with 950 deaths; in 1911, 1,931 cases with 440 deaths. These figures are taken from the reports of states in which the disease was reportable and from the printed bulletins of some other states. The report compiled by the bureau of the census from the registration area shows that the number of deaths for 1910 was 1,459. The data, however, are incomplete, and therefore the number of cases was undoubtedly considerably larger than these figures indicate. The deaths are probably more completely reported than the total number of cases. These figures, however, bear out previous knowledge that the disease has alternate active and more or less quiescent periods owing to lack of susceptible individuals or to the attenuation of the infection.

SOME HARMON HOT SHOT FOR COMMONER.

Governor Harmon, of Ohio, in starting his campaign in his native State this week, for the Presidential nomination replied to the attacks made on him by W. J. Bryan. Some of the Governor's pointed remarks were as follows:

"The watchword adopted for the campaign was 'Harmon has made good.' But there were some who thought I had made too good. The pickings and stealings, grafting and lobbying which had disgraced Ohio and led to my election had become too risky to be profitable.

"To stave off political bankruptcy from this bipartisan combination I had to be beaten. The Commoner's mailing list was secured and three separate circulars sent out filled with falsehood and denunciation. They bore Mr. Bryan's picture and urged his friends to vote against me because my re-election would make me the candidate for President.

"I am much more concerned about this than about any personal ambition of my own. But if the unanimous action of the Dayton convention is to be reversed at the primary it will be heralded as a repudiation of my administration. Men now thoroughly discredited would accept it as an invitation to resume their use of the party for selfish and ignoble purposes, and the fruitage of its two great victories would be lost to it.

"If Mr. Bryan knows of the many reforms accomplished in Ohio, he is grossly unfair to me and my comrades in the administration. If he does not know of them, then it is sheer wantonness for him to come into the State of my birth and home and try to discredit me with the people without specifica-

tion or proof, though even an accused criminal is entitled to both.

"Mr. Bryan twits me with alleged disappointments in the selection of delegates in various States. Well, I would rather take a disappointment from my party in its nominations than inflict disappointments on it in the elections. Though I have five times been its candidate, I have never disappointed it yet.

"Has it come to pass in the Democratic party that winning repeated victories in its name counts as nothing for man, while repeated defeats give another the right to dictate its course or limits its choice to a list of eligibles prepared by himself?"

"The best asset we have this year is the work of our Democratic House. Much of this we owe to its most capable and worthy leader, Mr. Underwood. Yet Mr. Bryan has time and again by interference and abuse imperiled the harmony and good feeling which are so necessary in that body and to party success.

"Is Mr. Bryan really for the New Jersey Governor? I do not recall a word he has said in his behalf. Is it because the Governor never supported him, but wanted him 'knocked into a cocked hat'?"

OLD-FASHIONED HAPPINESS.

We have seen 'Affinity' Earle go by the board; we have seen Mrs. Suydam and her soul-mate lying dead with the gas turned on; the other day Upton Sinclair's divorced wife was deserted by her poet lover, Kemp, and another romance was shattered. Were it not so pitiful, it would be a comedy.

After all, old-fashioned happiness is the thing. A man and a woman of moderate temperaments can be perfectly content in a humdrum sort of way without automobiles, laces, diamonds, champagne and the glitter and glare of white lights. The modest home-owner and home-maker represent the very best there is in life. They have no great yearnings for the baubles, and they can go their way hand in hand, looking straight forward, save when they stop to pluck posties by the way, resting now and then by the side of some cooling spring, sitting in the shade of great, kind trees and thanking God after the manner of their simple, lovely faith.

Here are two pictures. In the glitter, watching the swing of tinsel and listening to the clinking of false bells, the man is smoking and seeing things through the wreaths above his head; the woman is sipping wine and wooing the serpent in its bubbles. The remains of a lobster on the table, the crumbs of bread scattered by the plates, the ripple of idle converse and far-looking eyes that are the windows of a sickened soul; the yawn of ennui, a taxicab, a loveless home and dreams that sometimes break into restless ejaculation, and at the end of all—discontent.

The other, a typical old-fashioned home; the children at their play, the elder ones at their studies—perhaps a visitor or two in the family circle. The man reading his newspaper and on the other side of the table the woman sewing happily at small clothes or working out some embroidery design to which she will later lend the grace of her wearing it. Finally, the children kneeling by their little beds, and then mother tucking them in—and in the stillness of night the sort of sleep for all that comes with honest weariness.

Is there any comparison? —Evening Sun.

Is The Titanic At The Bottom?

A number of inquiries have come to "Current Events," asking if the Titanic would sink to the bottom of the sea. Some of the inquirers argue that the enormous pressure in the ocean depths would prevent the ill-fated steamship from reaching the bottom. They think the Titanic would remain suspended some hundreds of feet below the surface.

Those who think the Titanic would not go to the bottom confuse pressure with density. Water is practically incompressible, so that its density at the bottom of the sea is only very slightly greater than at the surface. Anything that will begin to sink at the surface will sink to the bottom unless it has almost exactly the same specific gravity as water. There can be no question, therefore, that the Titanic rests on some submarine plain or hill or valley. The water would not support it.

Where the lost steamer lies the depth is believed to be 6,000 fathoms. At that depth the pressure would be more than 5,000 pounds to each square inch, or practically 750,000 pounds to each square foot. If the boilers were closed so that they held confined air or steam they would be crushed like eggshells, but that would not make the ship any less certain to sink to the bottom. The ship itself would not be crushed, because the water pressure would be the same inside as outside.—Current Events.

WESTMINSTER MARKETS. Table with columns for item, date, and price. Includes items like No. 2 Red Wheat, Barley, Oats, Rye, Flour, Sea Foam, Bran, Middlings, Mixed Hay, Clover Hay, Clover Seed, Rye Straw, Wheat Straw, Supreme Dairy Feed, Corn on Cob.

ENGLAR & SPONSELLER. Table with columns for item, date, and price. Includes items like Wheat, Bran, Middlings, Cotton Seed Meal, Lintseed Meal, Hammond Dairy Feed, Bovetta Cattle Feed, Dried Beef Fulp, Hominy Chop, Screenings.

SYKESVILLE MARKETS. Table with columns for item, date, and price. Includes items like Wheat, Eye Corn, No. 1 Timothy Hay, Mixed Hay, Wheat Straw, Rye Straw (straight).

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Fine Cabbage, Tomato and Celery Plants in season. Westminster Nursery, Westminster, Md.

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WANTED—A Young Reliable Man as Assistant Funeral Director. Apply to, James M. Stoner, Westminster, Md. CANVASSERS WANTED—To handle the New Fibre Broom, the best House Broom ever put on a carpet. Write for particulars. Bartlett Brush Works, Elmira, N. Y. 3t*

FESTIVAL—Medford Grange will hold an Ice Cream and Strawberry festival on the 15th of June in Medford Hall. May 17 5t

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Mt. Zion M. P. Church at Finksburg, will hold a strawberry festival on the lawn of the Church, SATURDAY EVENING, MAY the 25th. All are invited. 5172t

BUGGY FOR SALE.

Second-hand Buggy, in good condition. Price \$20. Can be seen at Palace Stables. Good set of Harness and Net also for sale. Write for particulars. MRS. IDA P. STABLER. may 17 5t

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MATTER

remaining in the Postoffice, Westminster, Md., May 11, 1912. Edmees's Prof. Smith, Mrs. John M. Seipp, Mrs. Lettie Vanilda, Mr. J. B. Persons calling for the matter in above list will please say it was advertised. H. P. GORSUCH, Postmaster. may 17

Michael Powers a member of the Major Dandy Post, No. 843 Perth Amboy, N. J., would like old comrades to know of the help Foley Kidney Pills were to him. He had terrible pains in his back and other painful and annoying symptoms of kidney trouble and says: "Foley Kidney Pills have cured me in a remarkably short time." Write for particulars. For sale by all druggists.

BANK STOCK FOR SALE.

The undersigned will offer for sale to the highest bidder 88 Shares of the Capital Stock of the Union National Bank of Westminster, Thursday afternoon, May 23, 1912, at 3 o'clock, at the Courthouse door, in Westminster. Any one desiring to purchase the aforesaid Stock in whole or in part at private sale, may do so from the undersigned. map 17 1t ARTHUR F. SMITH.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Office of the Lumber, Coal and Supply Company of Carroll County, Md. Westminster, Md., May 18, 1912. The Stockholders of the Lumber, Coal and Supply Company of Carroll County, Md., are hereby notified that the regular annual meeting for the election of Seven Directors, to manage the affairs of the company during the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Westminster Deposit and Trust Company, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1912, between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock, a. m. LAURENCE GILLELLAN, Secretary. may 17 2t

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Sailors. A lot of burnt straw sailors, all new styles with attractive striped silk bands, regular price 75c to \$1.00, this lot while they last, 49c.

Children's Dresses. A great variety will be found here that is attracting more attention daily. A superb line of both white and colored dresses for all sizes, from infants to misses of 17 years. Prices hardly more than that of the materials and trimmings.

A FEW SPECIALS. Children's Dresses, 50c. Dresses of good percales and ginghams, for children from 2 to 6 years, attractively made, high or low necks, long or short sleeves, only 50c.

Dresses, 98c. Dresses of good percales and ginghams, sizes 6 to 14 years, a great variety of styles with high or low necks, long or short sleeves, extra values for 98c.

White Dresses. An unusually large line of white dresses, of all sizes, from infants to misses. Every one new this season. Infants' dresses, 25c to \$1.50. Children's, 2 to 6 years, 50c to \$1.50. Children's, 6 to 14 years, 98c to \$3.98. Juniors, 13 to 18 years, \$1.98 to \$8.75.

House Dresses, 98c. Ladies' House Dresses, in light or dark patterns and plain blue chambray, either high or low neck, Mendel's Make goods, which means perfect fitting, only 98c.

Children's Skirts, 19c. Lot of children's muslin skirts with body attached, made of good muslin, sizes 1 to 4 years, regular price 25c, this lot only 19c.

Dressing Sacques, 50c. Dressing sacques of good percales, in navy blue, grey and shepherd checks, "Mendels Make", either made with collar or square necks, only 50c.

Lawn Sacques, 98c. "Mendels Make" dressing sacques of good lawns, in an attractive variety of light patterns, made mostly with low neck, good values for 98c.

Utility Boxes. Just received another shipment of matting covered utility boxes, very convenient for shirt waists, skirts, and various other uses. Several sizes and shapes, all moderately priced, \$1.98 to \$3.00.

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The Opening of the New Soda Fountain

OF THE Westminster Candy Kitchen

WILL BE ON SATURDAY, MAY 18th.

As we think the people have the right to know what kind of drinks they are getting, we invite everybody to come and examine the construction of this fountain. This fountain is iceless made, according to the latest methods and style.

N. SAMIOS, Proprietor.

Sure. The "Prodigal Son" was the subject of the Sunday-school lesson, and the teacher was dwelling on the character of the elder brother.

who can tell me who this was? Silence for several moments; then a hand raised and a small, sympathetic voice: "Please, ma'am, it was the fatted calf." A dog sat out in the midnight chill and howled at the beaming moon, his knowledge of music was strictly nil and his voice was out of tune. And he howled and howled as the hours went by, while dodging the bricks we