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SAN FRANCISCO INTENDS TO HAVE PEACE

If it be true that the Citizens' alliance contemplates a renewal of offensive activity at this time there is great cause for regret. San Francisco has had more than enough of strife. In the returns of the recent election there was full justification for the conviction that the supreme desire of all classes was for peace.

The turning point and common purpose of the recent campaign was industrial peace. On that policy Mayor Taylor was elected by a decisive vote, in which all classes participated. Dr. Taylor is representative of no class or section of the city, but of the whole community.

It is a significant fact that Mayor Taylor was supported by every important leader of organized labor in the city, outside of the gang of job chasers and politicians who had made their profit out of labor politics. The mayor was given as many votes by members of trade unions as came to him from the business community.

Nothing would please the gang of labor politicians and job chasers better than a renewal of activity by the Citizens' alliance. It would give force and character to the charges on which they based their campaign. It would prepare the way for a renewed assault on the city offices two years hence.

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While the politicians rage on either side the great middle class suffers. That class cares very little who may fill the offices, but is resolved to have peace and quiet in San Francisco. The Schmitz administration was born of industrial strife and was kept alive by the same evil agency for more than five years.

ABOUT ADMIRALS AND THINGS

It is announced in the Washington dispatches that there is a "movement" on foot to advance Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans to the rank of vice admiral, and the excuse put forward for the desired promotion is not any especial recent performance or achievement by this gallant sailor, but it is explained that the admiral in command of the forthcoming Pacific cruise might be exposed to "humiliation" should odious comparisons of rank be instituted.

On this cruise the American fleet is to touch at many foreign ports and is to exchange courtesies with foreign fleets in several places—in Brazil, in Chile and in Argentina.

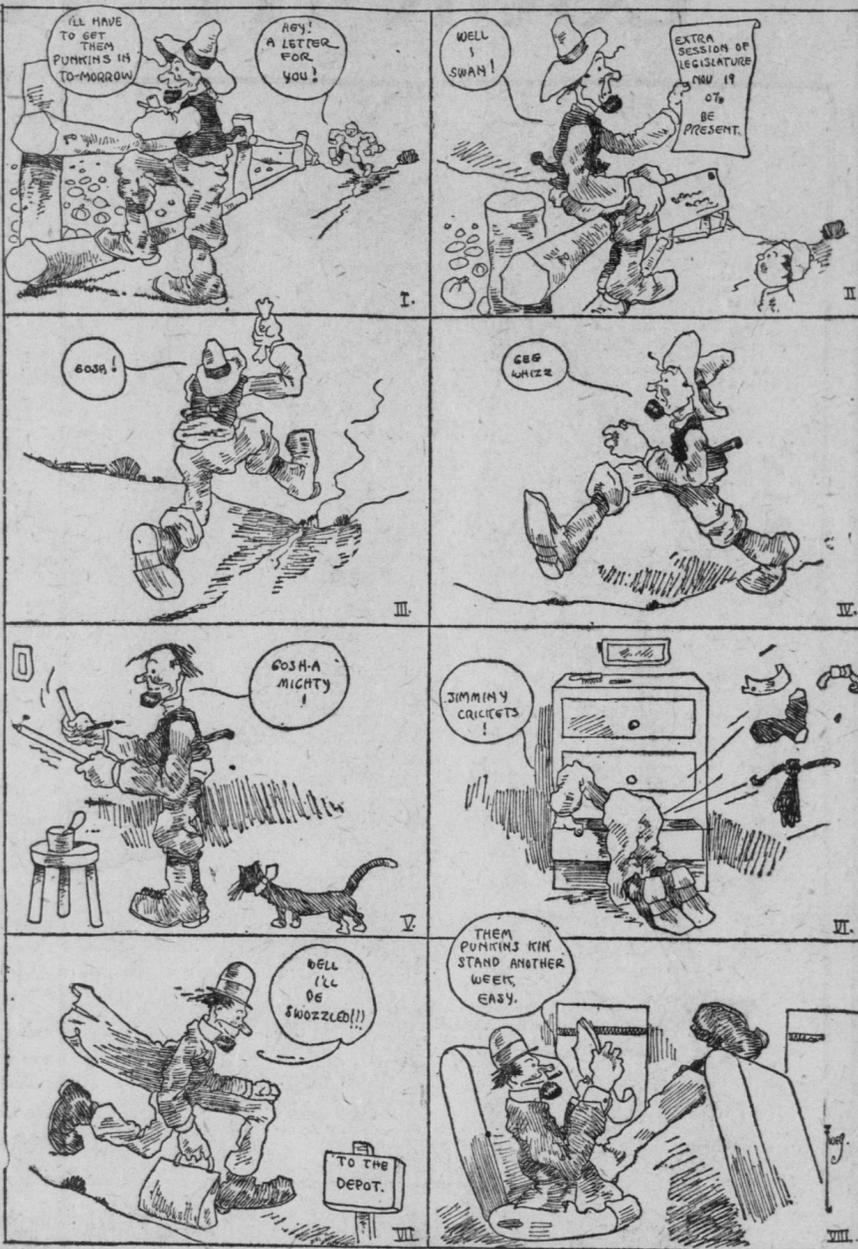
The Call would not put a straw in the upward way of "Fighting Bob," but it is fair to point out that if once we embark on a competition with the South American republics in this field it might end in a muster of admirals as numerous as the colonels of Kentucky. It happened some years ago on the lone warship of a South American country that there was an explosion, and when the tale of injury was counted up it was found that more admirals had been hurt than sailors.

BRYAN KEEPS OFF THE GRASS

MR. BRYAN is willing but apparently not anxious. Already twice he has been led to the slaughter, and no candidate has nine lives. He is, in truth, a little showprow and weary and he has his eye on Roosevelt. He would not mind Fairbanks or Knox or any of that crowd, but Roosevelt or Taft or Hughes would make his "appeal to conscience" flat and unprofitable.

Mr. Bryan's letter is stuffed with fine sentiments that do him

The Country Legislator



It reads like a good old fashioned platform. We gather a few gems of thought that glitter by the way and inflame the imagination:

Cowardice would be disgraceful—appeal to the public conscience—corrupt use of campaign funds—corporations seek to convert the government into a business asset—equal rights to all—special privileges to none—cannot favor seeking corporations—betray the voters as the republican party has done—work because they desire the triumph of democratic ideas—cannot hope to appeal to the sordid—appeal to conscience is politically expedient—conscience is the most potent force—already been aroused—the necessity of real reform—a government of the people, by the people and for the people—refusal to negotiate with predatory wealth—honest appeal by honest methods to the honest sentiment.

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Having given himself a certificate of good moral character Mr. Bryan puts himself in the hands of his friends, not forgetting to take a sly dig at Marse Henry Watterson, who has been exhorting the "peerless leader" in the Louisville Courier-Journal. Indicating the methods that ought to be pursued in selecting a candidate, Mr. Bryan very justly observes "his (the candidate's) availability is a question to be decided not by him, not by a few leaders, not even by the leading newspapers that call themselves democrat."

Alas, the leading newspapers that call themselves democrat are become so rare that Colonel Watterson is almost in a class by himself, and now Mr. Bryan drives him forth with a scornful "not even the leading newspapers." 'Tis a caustic adverb, shrewdly interjected under the Watterson rib. Yet, Mr. Bryan has tried to learn the lesson that Watterson strove to teach with obstreperous preachings. He has kept clear of his queer fads and fancies and has confined himself to the flat road of pedestrian platitude. He speaks like an oracle and keeps off the grass.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Europe watches with nervous interest the doings of the mutual admiration society that has been formed by William and Edward.

The president says he wants a successor who will carry out his policies. But he can't hope for one who will do it in his own inimitable manner.

Governor Frear says that the Japanese immigration to Hawaii is decreasing. Not surprising, considering that the islands are already overflowing with the little brown fellows.

Now comes Chicago with a story of a six pound, six weeks old baby that walks and talks. Something else for the windy city to blow about.

Four Berkeley students are going around with shaved heads in order to pay election bets. It would be ill-natured to remark that the maker of such a bet also has an empty head.

Personal Mention

F. W. Carter of Honolulu is at the Savoy.

Fred C. Reimer of New York is at the Savoy.

J. C. Haring of Pittsburg is at the Imperial.

Joseph D. Long of Redding is at the Dorchester.

R. L. Douglass of Fallon, Nev., is at the St. Francis.

Professor Sakuga Takasaki of Tokyo is at the Majestic.

Dr. H. D. Hauxhurst, surgeon of the Hongkong Maru, is at the St. Francis.

Rev. H. D. Page of Hartford, Conn., who is touring the coast, is at the St. Francis.

John A. Kepner and wife of Harrisburg, Pa., who are touring the coast, are at the Dorchester.

Attorney R. G. Lunt of Los Angeles is in the city for a few days and is registered at the Fairmont.

Bishop T. J. Conaty and Rev. Father Francis Conaty of Los Angeles are guests at the Fairmont hotel.

Mrs. Ben A. Harnett and her son Allen returned yesterday from the Orient in the Hongkong Maru. Harnett is acting assistant manager of Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

Answers to Queries

SALAMANDERS—Subscriber, City. The person who told you that the salamander "is a reptile that lives in the furnaces of smelters and that the fires of such furnaces have to be put out every seven years on account of the number of reptiles that come out of the fire boxes and spread conflagration in every direction" told you a fairy tale. The salamander is an inoffensive creature, a sort of lizard, that cannot exist in a dry place, to say nothing of a furnace. It was a popular superstition at one time that the salamander if put into fire immediately discharged a quantity of water sufficient to extinguish the flames. Experimenters have placed such reptiles in the flames expecting them to survive as unsinged as Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego out of Nebuchadnezzar's furnace heated seven times hot, but in every case the fire did not go out and the poor reptile disappeared with an odor of burning flesh.

ATLANTIS—C. H. Pentz, Cal. Atlantis, according to ancient tradition, was a vast island in the Atlantic ocean, off the coast of northern Africa. It is first mentioned by Plato, who represents an Egyptian priest as describing it to Solon. In this description Atlantis is represented as larger than Libya and Asia Minor combined and being off the pillars of Hercules, Mediterranean Sea, the interior of this imaginary land and enriches it with a fabulous history. The island is represented as having been thickly settled and that it was engulfed 9,000 years before Plato's time. 427-427 B. C.

WIDOW'S SHARE—J. N. S. Fiors, Carroll county, Ind. In the state of California, upon the death of the husband, a half of the community property goes to the surviving wife and the other half is subject to the testamentary disposition of the husband, in the absence of such disposition, that half of the property goes to his descendants equally. The entire community property is equally subject to his debts, the family allowance and the charges and expense of administration.

THE PARK FUND—J. F. City. The amount of money that was collected in this city to pay a large number of men who were out of work in the early nineties and were set to work in Golden Gate park, was \$9,999.10, all of which, except a small sum paid for teaming, was expended for labor in the park. Rolla V. Watt was secretary of the citizens' committee that received the funds.

HISTORIC TREES—H. I. F. City. The 13 original states of the union, that were planted by the members of the Sequoia chapter of the American revolution near the site of the old mining camp in Golden Gate park, were set in the ground October 19, 1899.

A SEQUENCE—N. City. If in a game of cribbage A plays a seven, B plays a four and A plays a six, A cannot claim a run, as there is not a sequence of cards. But if B plays a five he can claim a run of four, as he can count four, five, six, seven.

THE CALL BUILDING—W., Oakland, Cal. Ground was broken at the corner of Market and Third streets for the foundation of The Call building September 24, 1895. The business office of The Call was moved into that building November 14, 1897.

BERLIN—A. G. R. City. The population of Berlin, Germany, is now 2,033,900.

The Mountebank

As eastern editors regard W. R. Hearst, gets no sympathy, and his republican yoke mate, Herbert Parsons, also is widely condemned

HEARST'S political defeats at the recent election gained him no sympathy. Comments from eastern papers, some of which are presented below, show that he is regarded as a political mountebank ready to espouse any cause which he thinks will benefit him. Almost as much condemnation is given Herbert Parsons, the republican who fused with him in New York.

POLITICAL MISCEGENATION (OMAHA BEE)

While the republican candidates in New York were defeated, no mourning will be indulged over the event in republican circles generally. Republican success would have meant a forced recognition by republicans of the Hearst influence in New York and national politics. The bargain struck by Chairman Herbert Parsons with Hearst for a fusion with the independence league has been overwhelmingly repudiated by the voters, who have thus expressed their preference for Tammany as against a political miscegenation of the Parsons-Hearst type.

INSISTOR OF CONFUSION (CHICAGO POST)

Herbert Parsons, president of the New York county republican committee and better known as the instigator of the confusion with Hearst, is revealed today as the unwitting prophet of his own political destiny.

LOST PRESTIGE (NEW YORK TIMES)

In 1905 Mr. Hearst and Mr. Ivins between them received 158,000 votes, against the 150,000 now secured by the joint efforts of the republican and the Hearst machines, a direct loss of 88,000. Or, again, Ivins and Hearst polled together 470,000 more votes than McCallan; this year the fusion of the parties then represented lost by at least 40,000, a change of 87,000.

SOME GOOD DONE (MILWAUKEE SENTINEL)

A lesson has been learned in New York by this experience which will probably serve as a guarantee against future experiments of the same sort. The excuses for the deal were so unconvincing that throughout the campaign there was no successful concealment of the fact that it was brought about for the paltry purpose of controlling a few local offices. The light republican vote and the large democratic majority showed that not only were Mr. Parsons' explanations unavailing, but that his estimate of Hearst's strength as a vote getter had

been grossly overdrawn. If the outcome is demonstrating that fact helps to eliminate Hearst from politics the affair will have served at least one good purpose.

NO RECOUNT NEEDED (NEW YORK WORLD)

For two years Mr. Hearst has been seeking a vindication, and now he has it. He can no longer be in doubt as to New York city's opinion of a political leader who is willing to accept a nomination one year from a man whom he denounced as a criminal and is willing the next year to enter into an alliance with a party which he had previously claimed was owned body and soul by the corporations. There is a point in politics beyond which cynical hypocrisy can not safely be carried, and Mr. Hearst has found it. He will have no occasion at this time to ask for a recount.

INSPIRES REPUBLICANS (CHICAGO INTER OCEAN)

The extermination of the Hearst-republican fusion inspires republicans all over the country with a new respect for the republicans of New York and creates new confidences in republican intelligence, courage and loyalty. Mr. Parsons tried to turn the republicans of New York over to the Hearst independence league for the sake of a few jobs. Thus tricked and betrayed, they stood up for their faith and in loyalty to it wiped Mr. Parsons off the political map.

SUPPORT HAS DWINDLED (NEW YORK TRIBUNE)

The importance of moral issues was never better shown than in this election. Last year Mr. Hearst was in alliance with Tammany, and the republicans, standing alone, with the right on their side, were defeated in this county by 54,000. This year Mr. Hearst shifts his 50,000 votes from Tammany to anti-Tammany and the republicans, forfeiting the moral support they had last year, are beaten just about as badly as then. Mr. Hearst's support has dwindled more from his constant change of alliances.

The Smart Set

THE first of the new Friday Night dances, known so long as the Saturday Evening dancing class, took place at Century hall last night and though still noticeably juvenile proved to be one of the very prettiest of the season's formal affairs. The little club, which commenced with only a score of schoolgirls and their boy friends, has reached 90 members, and among these are all the season's debutantes, and a few of the older set, as well as the younger sisters and brothers. The affair was not very late in commencing, and as nearly all the members have been friends for years it moved from the beginning with delightful enthusiasm and ease. Last night club hall is well adapted to small dances, and looked especially pretty last night with its decorations of greens and palms.

Only two of the five patronesses were present. Mrs. James Potter Langhorns and Mrs. George A. Moore. They were assisted in receiving by Mrs. L. S. Baker, who took her daughter in law's place, as Mrs. Wakefield Baker is in mourning. Miss Helen Baker has for several years been a member of the club, but new members this year are Miss Anita Galliard, Miss Leslie Page and Miss Foute.

A change of plans will keep Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hall McAllister and their son and daughter in the city this winter. They had planned a trip to Europe and were within a few days of leaving when business matters came up that needed Mr. McAllister's presence here. They hope to make the trip in the spring.

Mrs. Michael O'Connor and Miss O'Connor will leave the Fairmont, where they have been since their return from Europe, on December 1. They have secured a delightful house in Pacific avenue for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Charles de Casotte will remain at the Hotel Rafael.

The engagement of Miss Hilda Peltzer to Arthur Smith is being informally announced this week to friends. Miss Peltzer is an English girl of exceptional beauty and charm, and came to California to attend the marriage of Miss Allice Hueter to Oscar Martz in September. She left New York on the way to England a few weeks ago and it was by letter that the news of her engagement to the young businessman became known. Mr. Smith is well known and is a great favorite with society's maids and matrons. The wedding will take place in England early next year.

Society was surprised yesterday by the sudden marriage of Miss Lena Maynard and J. R. Stanton, which took place at the groom's home near Napa Thursday and was witnessed only by the members of the family. Mrs. Stanton is a daughter of Mrs. G. F. Maynard, and with her sister, has held a prominent social position here for some years. The family is connected with some of the first people of the south. Mr. Stanton also is a favorite here and has made his home in California since his retirement from the navy, in which he was a paymaster.

The Daughters of the Confederacy have leased the big Coliseum rink at Page and Baker streets for Monday evening, November 25, and will be hostesses at a skating event. The details are in charge of several of the

prominent members of the association, and music, decorations and bright lights will be the mark in making the evening a success. Next Monday night will be the fourth of the skating club's meetings at this rink, and it is probable that a large number of members will attend the affair.

Miss Betsy Angus was hostess Thursday evening at a pretty dance at her home in Union street. About 50 young people were bidden and the large drawing rooms made a pretty picture when the dances began. Mrs. Angus and her daughter met their guests in the wide entrance hall, which was decorated with ferns and cut flowers. At midnight a delicious supper was served, after which the dancing continued for another hour. Among the guests were Miss Marian Wright, Miss Jeanette Wright, Miss Merrick, Miss Marguerite Butters, Miss Hartson, Miss Mary Powell, Mrs. Herrick, Mr. Woods, Mr. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. George Coover and Raymond Rayntons.

Mrs. Mayo Newhall, Miss Newhall, and the two debutantes, Miss Marian and Miss Elizabeth, will be hostesses this afternoon at a large tea to which several hundred have been bidden. The two youngest daughters are to be formally introduced at this affair, which has been long awaited by the smart set. A dozen of the year's girls will be in the receiving party, as will several of Mrs. Newhall's own friends. The home to be exquisitely decorated with flowers and no less than to which will be added the masses of flowers that always deluge popular debutantes on these occasions. The Newhall handsome home on Scott and Green streets is one of the most hospitable in the city, and this affair is a forerunner of much delightful entertaining to come.

Items of Interest

It takes four days for a person to go through the Escurial, the royal palace, near Madrid, in Spain. To enter all the rooms and apartments one would have to travel 120 miles.

The barometer rock of Finland—composed of rock salt, niter and clay—turns gray or black before rain, a white efflorescence of salt appearing in dry weather.

It is claimed the arctic region is an ideal place for the treatment of tuberculosis in summer on account of the almost perpetual sunshine. It is dustless, the air is pure and dry and the unusual scenes stimulate the desire for exercise. It is believed that a Greenland sanatorium is not only a medical possibility, but a practical business proposition.

In consequence of the tragic death of a married woman in Tientsin, China, who drowned herself the other day as a result of having lost all the money entrusted to her by her husband at play at the wheel at the resort in the Russian concession, a number of local gentry, headed by Liu Chia-rui, presented a petition to the viceregal bureau of commercial affairs, praying that gambling be stopped. This was forwarded to the vicerey, who has in consequence directed the customs (taotai) to communicate with the Russian consul, asking him to have gambling prohibited in the concession.

Conditions in California

The California Promotion committee wired the following to its eastern bureau in New York yesterday: California temperatures for the last 24 hours: Eureka, Minimum 42, Maximum 56; San Francisco, Minimum 50, Maximum 68; San Diego, Minimum 58, Maximum 64. Vessels passing through the Golden Gate at San Francisco during the last month, 971. San Mateo county is erecting a beautiful new courthouse at Redwood City at cost \$250,000. The great dome of glass and steel will be visible for many miles around. At the election last week San Francisco voted an amendment to her charter which authorizes the issuance of bonds bearing a higher rate of interest than heretofore, and extends their time limit to 75 years.