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THE TIMES AND DEMOCRAT,
Orangeburg, S. C.

ORANGEBURG County is solid for
Stiles R. Mellichamp and William
Jennings Bryan.

THERE was not a vote in the
Democratic County Convention
against the endorsement of Wil-
liam Jennings Bryan.

Now let the State Democratic
Convention send an instructed dele-
gation for William Jennings Bryan
to the National Convention and we
will all be happy.

Mr. Carnegie has given five mil-
lion dollars more to his pension fund
for educators; but as long as the
tariff protects the Steel Trust,
the money comes easy.

The Taft boomers declare it is all
over but the shouting, but then "the
allies" claim Taft will not be nomi-
nated, so there you Republicans
are, still up in the air.

REPUBLICAN Congressmen are
still standing pat for the Trusts,
the universal kick of the newspaper
publishers about the tariff protect-
ing the paper combine notwithstanding.

Now Mr. Hearst no longer holds
communion with Democrats, is it
not time he was called upon by the
Democratic National Committee to
resign as President of the League of
Democratic Clubs.

If a "reasonable number" of Re-
publican members request it, Speak-
er Cannon agrees that the bill for
free wood pulp and print paper will
be discussed at the caucus. That is
quite a concession from Uncle Joe.

THE Washington Times states
that "powerful forces hold Speaker
Cannon responsible for the do-nothing
Congress, and have determined
to oust him." The only way to de-
feat Cannon is to elect a Democrati-
c Congress.

WHERE a state instructs "against"
Bryan as has occurred once in the
East and once in the West, there
are joyous shouts from the anti-
Bryanites, says the State. It is on-
ly when the proposition to instruct
"for" Bryan that their opposition
to instruction "on principle" is
strenuously presented.

THE Democrats in Congress are
still demanding the consideration of
the campaign publicity bill; a bill to
put wood pulp and print paper on
the free list, and the anti-injunction
bill. These measures are insisted
upon by Mr. Williams, the Democ-
ratic leader, as all part of the Pres-
ident's legislative program.

THE New York Sun says that
"among Republican politicians Mr.
Bryan has always been the favorite
Democratic candidate for presi-
dent." The State asks if Mr. Bryan
is such an "easy mark" for the Re-
publican, why do not Republi-
can papers like the Sun join in the
delectable task of luring him on to
certain and overwhelming defeat?

SENATOR Culberson, of Texas, has
authorized the statement that he is
not nor has he been a candidate for
the Democratic nomination. "There
is absolutely no doubt, further-
more," states Senator Culberson,
"that the Democrats of Texas in
convention this month will instruct
their delegates to the Denver con-
vention for Bryan. I believe he is
the choice of the Democrats of the
country."

SENATOR Hale's recent comment
on "the frequent and unnecessary ab-
sence of Secretary Taft from his
post of duty," and the Democra-
tic criticisms of the Secretary for his
absence from his post on campaign
missions, have had their effect at
last; and it is said that Taft will re-
sign. Why shouldn't he? Why
should he draw a large salary
while canvassing in his private in-
terest? Isn't it dishonest, and un-
worthy of a public servant? Isn't
it worse than common grafting?

Bryan on First Ballot.

The New York Herald, whose pol-
itical forecasts are remarkably ac-
curate and entirely impartial, esti-
mates that Mr. Bryan will have 765
votes on the first ballot at Denver,
or 113 more than the two-thirds
needed to nominate. Of this num-
ber 217 have already been definitely
instructed to support Mr. Bryan,
and 548 are classified as "probably"
for him, these being the representa-
tives of States which have not yet held
conventions and of some which have
elected delegates without instruc-
tions. In this list are included the
delegates from New York, who
were elected without instructions.
At the time the New York conven-
tion was held it seemed that the de-
legates from that State would be
against Bryan, but the situation has
materially changed and the leaders
of the New York Democracy have
been frightened into support of the
Nebraskan by the great strength he
has developed, which he might use
to exclude them from representation
in the convention in the face of an
attempt to unseat them by the yeel-
ment of the party that was outrage-
ously excluded from the New York
convention.

"The Bryan sentiment in Illinois,"
says The Herald, "compelled Mr.
Sullivan to play fair, and while the
support given have been some-
what unwilling, it was nevertheless
given and will suffice. The result is
that in one day the entire Democra-
tic situation in the United States
changed. Almost every State in the
Union that was wavering began to
trend toward Bryan." With the ex-
ception of Pennsylvania, New Jer-
sey, Massachusetts and Minnesota,
all of the States which have as many
as twenty votes in the national con-
vention are counted for Bryan.
Minnesota is, of course, for John-
son, but as soon as his candidacy is
shown to be hopeless, the delegates
are practically certain to go to Bry-
an, who has been extolled by Gov.
Johnson on more than one occasion.
Pennsylvania will probably be
against Bryan, but the supporters of
the Nebraskan have not yet abandon-
ed the fight for the delegation.
New Jersey has shown anti-Pryan
tendencies, but, according to The
Herald, as soon as New York breaks
to the Nebraskan, New Jersey is likely
to follow. Massachusetts has not yet
acted, but there is strong Bryan
sentiment in that State.

Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and
Wisconsin, with an aggregate voting
strength of 156 in the convention,
have instructed for Bryan. New
York, with seventy-eight votes, is
practically certain to support him.
Alabama, Michigan, Mississippi,
Missouri, New York, North Caroli-
na, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas, Virgin-
ia, each with large representation in
the national convention, may be
reckoned for Bryan, and a troop of
States with smaller votes. The
Charleston Post, from which paper
we clip the above says "Mr. Bryan
might devote himself to his plowing
entirely from now until the date of
the Democratic convention and he
would be called to the head of the
ticket. It is ridiculous to talk of
anybody else, and the thing for
Democrats to do now is to put in
their time shaping up for the cam-
paign to elect Mr. Bryan President."

Great Meeting at Sumter.

The Hon. James Wilson will visit
and address a farmers meeting at
Sumter on next Friday. This dis-
tinguished cabinet officer has not
only displayed great interest in the
agricultural conditions in the South-
ern States, but Sumter, Lee, and
Orangeburg counties have been the
recipient of special interest and fa-
vors at the hands of Mr. Wilson
through his great agricultural de-
partment.

The State farmers' Union, the
Cotton Grower's Association of
South Carolina, and Commissioner
of Agriculture, E. J. Watson have
arranged a very interesting and in-
structive program of discussion
about varied subjects of great inter-
est to the farmers of Sumter coun-
ty, and every other county in South
Carolina. Then again, the farmers
of Sumter, Lee, Orangeburg, and
Richland counties should remember
the fine work done by our deserved-
ly popular and energetic Congres-
sman A. F. Lever.

The Sumter Herald says Secretary
Wilson is coming to Sumter in re-
sponse to the earnest solicitation of,
and because of his close friendship
for Mr. Lever. Our Congressman is
very close to the "greatest farmer"
in the United States, Secretary
James Wilson. Mr. Wilson's visit to
Sumter should be considered as a
big compliment to Sumter county,
and to all South Carolina farmers.
He is doing for Sumter county, in
paying this visit to Sumter, what he
has time and again had to decline to
do for the farmers of other sections
of this great country who have been
inviting him for years to visit their
sections.

The farmers of Sumter county
have it within their power to show
by an enthusiastic and cordial re-
ception of Mr. Wilson, that Con-
gressman Lever's assertion to the

effect that the farmers of Lee, Sum-
ter, Orangeburg and Richland are
really interested in the work which
the United States Department of
Agriculture is carrying on in soil
surveys, fertilizer experiments, soil
utilization, and the experiments to
be made in winter pasture grasses;
good roads, etc., are really true
statements.

The Department of Agriculture,
with its more than three thousand
of the greatest agricultural experts
in the world and its many hundreds
of thousands of dollars is hunting
for these farmers who desire to as-
sist this government in demonstrat-
ing that science and practical farm-
ing can be worked together harmo-
niously and profitably to the farmer.

President R. I. Manning, of the
Sumter Chamber of Commerce, him-
self a practical farmer, and presi-
dent of the Sumter County Farm-
ers' Association, together with his
officers and members of the Sumter
commercial organization, and the
business and professional men of
Sumter city have put forth special
efforts to induce Mr. Wilson to visit
Sumter.

Secretary Wilson's visit is not
alone a visit to the city of Sumter.
The citizens of Sumter have turned
the big mass meeting over to the
farmers to run in their own way and
to suit their pleasure, profit, and
convenience. The city of Sumter
will do the honors, and receive, and
entertain the distinguished cabinet
officer as befits a statesman and offi-
cial of his rank. All that the busi-
ness and professional men of Sumter
ask of the farmers of Sumter coun-
ty and South Carolina is that they
will show Secretary James Wilson
that they really want the co-opera-
tion and assistance of his great
agricultural department.

Secretary Wilson's visit is no pol-
itical scheme. Neither is it brought
about as an advertising medium for
the city of Sumter. But Congress-
man Lever himself a prominent and
very influential member of the agri-
cultural committee of the House of
Representatives, and a staunch sup-
porter of Secretary Wilson's depart-
ment desires to prove to that cabi-
net officer that the farmers of Lev-
er's district are up to date, and
desirous of learning all that they can
from the department of agriculture.

Therefore, it is up to the farmers
of the Seventh Congressional Dis-
trict to be in Sumter next Friday,
rain or shine, and when Secretary
Wilson makes his first appearance in
the Gamecock County of the great
Palmetto State, give him such a
rousing and cordial welcome that he
will never forget as long as he lives.

A telegram has been received by
President Manning of the Sumter
Chamber of Commerce, stating that
Honorable Charles S. Scott, Chair-
man of the Committee of Agricul-
ture of the House of Representatives
will accompany Secretary Wilson
and Congressman Lever to Sumter
to meet the farmers of South Caro-
lina at the monster farmers meet-
ing at Sumter. This is an addition-
al compliment to the farmers of the
Seventh Congressional District and
is all the more the reason why they
should be here.

Can This Be True.

We saw it stated in a letter from
Washington the other day that the
figures of the internal revenue bu-
reau for the fiscal year 1907 show
that in the State of Virginia, where
saloons are licensed in different com-
munities, there were granted 2,357
licenses to retail liquor dealers. In
the State of Kansas, where the sale
of liquor is forbidden altogether,
but where drug stores do a rushing
business, a total of 2,583 licenses
were granted to dispense liquor at
retail.

The population of Virginia is near-
ly one-fourth greater than Kansas.
Licenses to retail dealers in malt
drinks like beer were issued in Kan-
sas to the extent of 637, while in Vir-
ginia the total was only 172. There
were 101 licenses to wholesale deal-
ers of malt drinks in Kansas and on-
ly 82 in Virginia.

The letter goes on to state that in
the State of Maine where prohibi-
tion has been upon the books for
fifty years licenses to retail malt
liquors were granted to the extent
of 468 against 172 for Virginia. The
population of Maine is less than
half that of Virginia. In the
State of North Dakota, where prohi-
bition is State wide, retail liquor
dealers were granted licenses to the
number of 1,055 and yet North Da-
kota does not have one-fourth the
population of Virginia. In the same
State were 850 men holding licenses
to sell malt drinks.

According to population there is
one retail liquor license in Kansas
for every 428 population, while in
Virginia there is one license for ev-
ery 794 people. In Maine there is
one license for every 661 peo-
ple while North Dakota makes
a worse showing than any the
others, by having one license to ev-
ery 241 people.

According to the census figure in
1900 the deaths from drunkenness
furnish almost as startling figures.
For every 100,000 people in Maine
there were 2.16 deaths from drunk-
ness, while in Alabama where sa-
loons were then licensed, the figures
are 1.10. Kentucky, where booze
was as free as water in 1900, made
a far better showing than Maine,
the average being 1.63. Can these fig-
ures be correct?

FOR 9 DAYS

Commencing Friday May 1st.

**We Are Going to Offer the Shopping Public
a Grand Opportunity to Purchase Spring
and Summer Goods at**

PRICES LOWER THAN WE HAVE EVER OFFERED BEFORE.

We have more goods than we need, more than we ought to have and more than we expect to have at the end of the 9 days sale, if prices are any object, we need the money, times are hard, money scarce, and we are offering these unheard of bargains to loosen up the purse strings of the shoppers, space won't permit us to name prices on the whole line but below we quote you some prices and when you come in we will name the others in proportion to these, come in, look and if not satisfied don't buy we are glad to show you through any way.

White Spreads and Sheets.

All	\$1.00	White quilts	now	\$.82
"	1.50	"	"	1.23
"	1.75	"	"	1.40
"	2.00	"	"	1.65
"	2.25	"	"	1.78
"	3.00	"	"	2.25
"	3.50	"	"	2.65
"	3.75	"	"	2.85
"	5.00	"	"	4.20

Table Damask Towels and Napkins

58in White mercerized table Damask a good value at 30c regular, now	23c
70in Unbleached Damask good and serviceable extra good at the regular price of 50c, now	42 1-2
68in White Damask beautiful patterns extra heavy regular 60c, now	44c
72in White all pure linen Damask our regular 85c retailers, now	67 1-2
70in Unbleached linen damask extra good and heavy regular	75c, now 62 1-2
72in Satin damask all pure linen several patterns to select from with dories to match if desired, big values at \$1.00 and \$1.25 yard, now	83c
20in Napkins good ones regular	\$1.00 now 82c
20in Napkins a heavier quality our	1.50 grades, now \$1.25
22in our 1.75 grades	\$1.37
22in our 2.25 kind	1.78
24in extra good all in regular	2.50 now 1.98
22in extra nice and heavy satin damask our regular 3.50 now	2.85
24in extra heavy pure linen large dinner size regular 4.50 now	3.65
18x36 good big towell regular	10c now 8 1-3
16x24 half linen regular 12 1-2 now	10 1-2
18x36 extra heavy and good half linen	20c kind, now 16c
Big line both figured and hemstitched extra nice that we retail for 25 cents now	21c
Extra large figured pure linen 35 cents now	26
Full line figured and hemstitched ones good large size extra heavy all pure linen 50c goods, now	42 1-2

Sheets.

81x90 Extra heavy and good smooth quality now	67c
81x90 Best quality that we handle plain hem now	75c
10-4 Sheeting bleached peppnal best on the market	30c
10-4 Linen sheeting just the thing for suits and shirts our regular	\$1.10 quality now 90c
10-4 Linen sheeting the best made extra fine and smooth our regular	\$1.50 kind now \$1.20

Shoes-Oxfords.

A beautiful stylish patent kid pump very dressy and a good value at 2.50 now	1.90
All our tan and brown oxfords regular 3.00 and 3.25 values, now	2.57
All our tan and brown oxfords regular 2.50 values, now	2.10
All 2.25 and 2.00 kinds now	1.68
All shoes and oxfords in stock reduced in proportion, space wont allow us to mention all of them.	

The Sale Commences Friday morn-
ing May 1st and continues until Satur-
day Night May 9th. every thing sold as
advertised nothing reserved or held back,
and positively no goods charged at these
prices. every thing spot cash.

ORANGEBURG DRY GOODS COMPANY.