

**A Democratic Democrat for Senator.**

The conference of the Progressive party at Des Moines on Wednesday was notable in the evidence it gave that the Progressive party is neither decadent nor dead, but means to wage a vigorous campaign in Iowa next summer against both the old parties.

Any one who nurses the delusion that there will be reconciliation of the Progressive and Republican parties does not know the temper of the Progressives. They mean to center their fight in seven states, and Iowa is one of the states. They are not respecters of persons and Albert B. Cummins is no more in their favor than Jerry B. Sullivan, Congressman Connolly, Fred White, Congressman Pepper or Martin J. Wade.

The announcement of Frank Q. Stuart, of Chariton, that he will seek the Progressive party's nomination for United States senator in the June primary assures a division of what has heretofore been the Republican vote. It assures the loss to Senator Cummins of all but a few of the 75,000 votes cast last fall for Stevens, Progressive, for governor.

But the nomination of Frank Stuart means more. It means the loss to the Democratic party of thousands of votes additional to those lost last year, unless the Democratic party nominates for Senator a Democrat. For Frank Q. Stuart is a generic democrat. He was, until last year, affiliated with the Democratic party. He was an ardent Bryan man and the reason he left the party was that he could not reconcile himself to the nomination of another than Bryan, and was dominated by the strong but mistaken notion that Woodrow Wilson was what his administration in the White House has proven him not to be.

While the impulse is to rejoice in what Frank Q. Stuart's determination to be the progressives' senatorial candidate means to the Democratic party in improved prospects of success, it is important to keep in mind what it threatens in way of Democratic loss unless the democrats nominate for Senator a man who will poll the progressive Democratic vote—the Bryan vote, if you please. To win next fall

with Cummins and Stuart splitting the anti-Democratic vote, the Democrats have merely to hold their own party strength and not repeat the mistake of letting anti-Cummins Republicans—the standpatters—make the issue and pick the candidate.

This is a time for prayerful thought by Democrats, a time for giving as yet allegiance to no man for the nomination, until the unmistakable logic of the situation suggests the best man, the best Democrat, the man who can win.—Dubuque Telegraph-Herald.

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**ASKS FOR PROBE OF MINE STRIKE**

**Federation of Labor Acts on Michigan Trouble.**

**SEVERAL FIERY SPEECHES**

**Seattle Convention Adopts Resolutions Declaring Mine Owners Ignored Men's Demands, Spurned Conciliation Attempts and Imported Gunmen, Thugs and So Called Detectives Into the Strike Zone.**

Seattle, Nov. 18.—Fiery speeches were made in the American Federation of Labor convention attacking the Michigan copper mine owners whose employees are on strike.

Resolutions demanding a congressional investigation and calling for contributions for the support of the strikers were adopted.

President Samuel Gompers said the convention undoubtedly would adopt a resolution, if presented, demanding investigation as to how the Calumet and Hecla company obtained title to its copper land.

The resolutions adopted set forth that the mine owners ignored the demands of the men, spurned their attempts at conciliation and in many ways treated them with contempt, imported gunmen, thugs and so called detectives into the strike zone and that these men deliberately killed strikers, assaulted women and terrorized children.

Joseph D. Cannon of the Western Federation of Miners described the conditions under which the workers revolted.

John P. Walker, president of the Illinois Mine Workers, who has spent months in the Calumet region, said it would be impossible to exaggerate conditions there, "which would disgrace the most barbarous country in the world."

John B. Lennon, treasurer of the federation, said he saw young soldiers drunk on the streets of Calumet with revolvers in their belts. He said he saw them insult women on the streets.

Invitations from New York and St. Louis for the 1914 convention were read.

**GIRL IS FINED \$25 ON MURDER CHARGE.**

Huntington, W. Va., Nov. 18.—Letha Perdue, nineteen years old, convicted last Saturday of involuntary manslaughter, because she shot and killed James Kendrick, her brother-in-law, paid a fine of \$25 and court costs, a total of \$71, and was released.

**"HERO" OF FIRE ARRESTED**

Chicago Postal Clerk Held as Incendiary.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Clement Thatcher, a postal clerk, hailed as a hero last February when he discovered a fire in an apartment house and awakened the tenants, was arrested, suspected of having set fires in four apartment houses Sunday morning.

The four fires broke out within an hour and all within a few blocks of each other. Two were reported by Thatcher.

**Hamline Football Star Dead.**

St. Paul, Nov. 18.—Charles Sweitzer, captain of the Hamline university football team, died after an illness of less than five days. The cause of his death was spinal meningitis. Sweitzer was playing his third year of college football this year and was considered the best center in college football in the state. For two years he was unanimously picked by critics as all star center.

**MISTOOK YOUTH FOR DEER**

Minnesota Hunter Fatally Wounds Another Sportsman.

Mesaba, Minn., Nov. 18.—John Melenski, aged twenty-two years, was fatally wounded while hunting twelve miles east of this town.

L. A. Bloom of Virginia, Minn., gave himself up as his slayer, declaring he thought Melenski to be a deer on account of a gray collar that the latter wore.

The injured youth was rushed to Mesaba, where he expired. The victim has a brother at Butte, Mont., who was notified.

**Thieves Get \$20,000 in Gold.**

Paris, Nov. 18.—Clever thieves succeeded in extracting ingots of gold valued at \$20,000 from a consignment of \$1,000,000 while it was on the way from Constantinople to Paris last week. The gold was sent by the Imperial Ottoman bank of Constantinople to the Ottoman bank here in forty cases, iron bound and sealed.

**LITTLE JESTS**



**An Incurious Company.**  
Little Elizabeth was invited to luncheon with her mother at a friend's one day, and was commanded by her mother not to speak at the table except when asked a question. She promised to obey.

During the luncheon no attention was paid to the little girl. She grew very restless and found it very hard to sit still so long without speaking. Finally she looked at her mother and asked:  
"Mother, when are they going to begin asking me questions?"

**Keeping Up With Providence.**  
In Americus, Ga., there is an old man who has quite a record for marrying. Four wives have died on him and he has married the fifth. After the fifth wedding a neighbor met the old man's son and said:  
"Well, John, I hear your father has married again."  
"Yes, sir," said the boy. "Every time the Lord takes one the old man takes another!"—Saturday Evening Post.

**Synonymous.**  
It was Springer's afternoon off and he thought he would take the children for a little outing.  
"My dear, I hear, approaching his wife, "suppose we take the children to the Zoo today."  
"Why, Will, you promised to take them to mother's."  
"All right, if it's all the same to the children."—Lippincott's.

**Hard Work.**  
"Shall you write to Maudine every day while she is away?"  
"I shall try to, but it's very discouraging to write every day to a girl who is probably turkey trotting with some other fellow at the very moment when you are pouring your heart out of her on your very best stationery."

**STRATEGY.**  
Bessie—But didn't you say if George tried to kiss you, why, you wouldn't stand for it?  
Peggy—I didn't. I—I sat down in a hammock.

**500 SHOE WORKERS STRIKE**

Change in Piece Work Results in General Walkout.

Milwaukee, Nov. 18.—Five hundred boot and shoe workers of the United Shoe Workers' union went on strike at a local shoe factory here because of a change in the piece work system, resulting in a decrease in wages.

Arvid Erlander and J. R. Oldham of Lynn, Mass., officers of the United Shoe Workers, have taken charge of the workers' case.

In the demands presented to the manufacturers the strikers ask their old rate, five minutes' time before noon and night to clean up, and that they be paid every Wednesday before closing time. An early adjustment is expected.

**TRYING TO SETTLE STRIKE**

Arbitration Board Confers With Lawrence Firemen.

Lawrence, Mass., Nov. 18.—Between 3,000 and 4,000 operatives were thrown out of work when the strike of firemen in the textile mills caused the stoppage of machinery because of lack of power. According to union officials 350 of the firemen have struck.

Two members of the state board of conciliation and arbitration came here to confer with both sides in the controversies.

The union asks for an eight-hour day at the same pay now received for a twelve-hour day.

**Cause of Insomnia.**

The most common cause of insomnia is disorders of the stomach and constipation. Chamberlain's Tablets correct these disorders and enable you to sleep. For sale by Fred Lowry.

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**BETTER FARM SEEDS**

Why It Is More Economical to Establish Seed Plots for Home Grown Seeds.

By H. P. Miller, Agent Portage County, Ohio.

[National Crop Improvement Service.] I have been astonished at the enormous amount of money sent out of the county for farm seeds, entirely an unwarranted amount it seems to me. Do not understand that I underestimate the value and importance of better seeds. They are one of the important possible helps to larger farm incomes. But not every man who advertises seeds has done anything to improve the seeds he offers and even when the seeds advertised are improved perhaps you could have made the same improvement in your own at less cost than will be necessary to secure them from a distance.

We are often misled by reports of big yields. We jump to the conclusion that they are due to improved seeds, when they may be due to tile drainage, fertilization, better tillage, better weather conditions, or all combined.

The man who really improves our farm crops is a benefactor and such improved seed is a good investment at twice, or many times, the price of common seed. It is worth it to you, provided it is adapted to your soil and climate, and it has cost the producer more in time and labor; and it is but just that he should have more.

The only way to improve crops is through selection, just as in animal breeding, and this selection must take into account the environment under which the plants grew. Not much progress can be made in the improvement of corn by selection of seed ears from the corn crib. The big ears may be so, and usually are, because of better conditions of growth. The superiority on this account can not be transmitted. The only place to select seed corn for real improvement is from the standing stalk. Only ears that have grown under normal conditions should be selected. The prize winning ears at a corn show are almost certain to be very disappointing seed ears.

**OLD-TIME HUSKING BEE.**

Revival to Establish County Type of Corn, Show Skill in Husking, and Manner in Which Seed Ears Should Be Hung Up to Dry.

A county type of corn should be selected. Seed committees of an organized county or a volunteer one where no County Farm Bureau exists should get together at once, calling a meeting of the best farmers and pick the county type, taking into consideration length of season, yield of existing varieties, shape of ear, depth of kernel, size of ear, etc. By making fun out of the work it can best be impressed in a community in shape of a husking bee.

Such a bee was held in Will County, Illinois, by the Channahon Township Club, on Saturday night, October 18, on the farm of William Beith, who is a big live stock breeder. His sales ring was fitted up with baled straw arranged amphitheater style. The center was scattered with straw. The competitors worked in teams of two, the judge making sure that each team had one hundred ears. One member of the committee had a stop watch and he was made time keeper. The person sitting next to each team was appointed monitor in order to claim judgment for his team.

After the first team had finished husking all others were required to complete their husking to participate in other events to follow. First and second prizes in shape of blue and red ribbons were awarded. Eleven teams competed, some being boys, some young men, some old men, and two teams of a young man and a young lady each. Rivalry was keen and the fun was at a high pitch at all times.

After the husking contest the county type, which had previously been selected by the County Agent and seed committee, was then produced and a brief description made why it best filled the needs of the county. Questions were permitted and answered in order to have each one present thoroughly understand and be in sympathy with the most important feature.

The second contest was for each team to find the ear which most closely approximated the county type. The team finding the nearest to the county type was awarded first prize. Second prize was also given.

The third contest of the evening was to hang up a string of ten ears of corn by the binder twine method. Each team selected ten good ears, had their twine ready and started on the count. Their contest was won in ten seconds. A second ribbon was also awarded. In addition to the ribbons the club also put up \$5.00, which was divided among the winners.

A fiddler played old-time country tunes to enliven the occasion. Following this the ladies of the club served sandwiches, cake and coffee to more than one hundred and fifty people present. Practically all the farms of the township were represented and six auto loads came from Joliet. Instead of people of this community coming to the town for all their recreation, the tables are turned and the town people are coming to the country for a part of theirs.

At the next husking bee, which will be held in an adjoining township, they expect also to give a barn dance. Arrangements are being made in this county to hold a husking bee by each of the twenty-three township clubs.

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Regular \$3.50 Price.....	Sale Price \$2.65
" 2.25 " " " " "	1.75
" 1.50 " " " " "	1.15
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" .50 " " " " "	.40
" .25 " " " " "	.20

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" 4.50 " " " " "	3.50
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" 2.75 " " " " "	2.00
" 2.25 " " " " "	1.50
" 1.50 " " " " "	1.15
" 1.25 " " " " "	.85
" .50 " " " " "	.40
" .25 " " " " "	.20

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" " 12.00.....	" " 9.75
" " 10.50.....	" " 8.50

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" " 7.50.....	" " 6.25

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Regular Price \$14.25.....	Sale Price \$11.50
" " 10.50.....	" " 8.50

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Electric, Reg. Price 10.50.....	Sale Price 8.50
Copper, " " 10.25.....	" " 8.25
Nickel, " " 9.75.....	" " 8.00
" " 6.50.....	" " 5.00
" " 5.75.....	" " 4.50

Casseroles	
Regular Price \$6.00.....	Sale Price \$5.00
" " 6.75.....	" " 5.50
" " 3.25.....	" " 2.75
" " 2.25.....	" " 1.85

Serving Trays	
Regular Price \$2.25.....	Sale Price \$1.75
" " 2.50.....	" " 2.00
" " 1.75.....	" " 1.25

Shaving Stands and Mirrors	
Regular Price \$6.50.....	Sale Price \$5.00
" " 3.75.....	" " 3.00
" " 2.25.....	" " 1.75
" " 1.75.....	" " 1.40

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Regular Price \$1.00.....	Sale Price 75c
" " .75.....	" " 60c
" " .50.....	" " 40c
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