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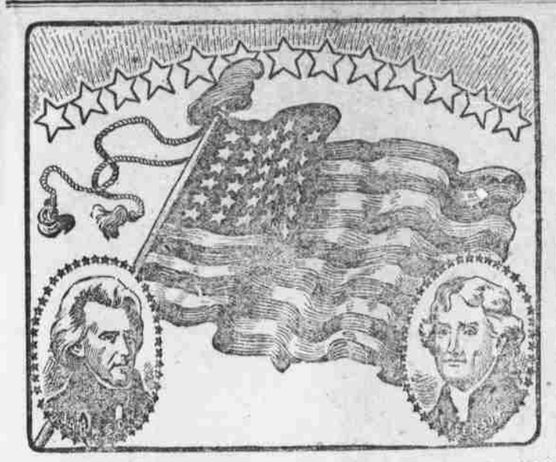

"Stand For the Flag and What It Stands For----Freedom for All."

THIS issue completes the twentieth volume of THE PRESS.

CAPT. ALBERT O. ALLEN seems to be gaining strength right along and it looks very much like it will be Auditor Allen after the first of next January.

THE St. Francois county democratic convention which met at Farmington, April 30, succeeded in electing two sets of delegates to the various State conventions. The friends of Judge Biggs are said to have done the bolting. Say, arn't you fellows afraid you will let a Pig(g) into your truck-patch up there?

WE are in receipt of the souvenir edition of the Scott County Newsboy in pamphlet form which deals briefly with the early history of Scott county, and the progress made in the development of the county, its industries and business interests. The work is well done and the Newsboy deserves much credit for its enterprise.

IT is of incalculable importance that the people, in this serious crisis of our nation's welfare, should read news and editorial articles which deal truthfully and fearlessly with the political situation as it is and the Kansas City Times meets all the requirements and the low price puts it within the reach of all. THE PRESS and Twice-a-Week Times for only 90 cents, which is little more than half a cent per copy.

HON. W. D. VANDIVER carried Stoddard county in the primary election which came off the 21st. So far he has carried every county except Dunklin. Mr. Vandiver scored another victory the other day in defeating a scheme to make the government pay an exorbitant price for the armor plates for our new battleships and was highly complimented for his clever piece of work by a number of the democratic leaders in the house.

OVER twelve thousand men are said to have been thrown out of work by the new departure of the Steel and Wire Trust. The Tobacco and Sugar Trusts have also dispensed with a good deal of assistance. When the Presidential campaign opens there will be a good deal of analyzation of the claim that the trust system assures continuous employment for all who want to work at high wages. The truth is that the success of the trusts depends largely on the cheapness of labor and the trust managers get their work done at as low a figure as possible, and when they get overstocked they discharge men without compunction. There is no sentiment about these gentlemen. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Webster vs. Foraker.

I have been reading Senator Foraker's speech in which he argued that the United States had a perfect right, under the constitution, to hold and govern distant territories as colonies or dependencies or provinces, without admitting their people to the liberties and priveleges of that constitution.

I would like to ask whether Daniel Webster knew as much about the constitution as Mr Foraker, He was called the expounder of the constitution, wasn't he?

Now, if Mr. Foraker will turn to the great Daniel's speech in the Senate on the then pending proposal to annex New Mexico he will find him saying: "Arbitrary governments may have territories and distant posessions, because arbitrary governments may rule them by different laws and different systems. We can do no such thing. They must be of us, part of us, or else strangers."—New York World.

Hanna's Opinion of Farmers.

Mark Hanna thinks he has got the farmers just where he can handle them. He evidently does not think them competent to understand what he and the trusts are doing with the finances of the country. In 1896 he declined to send speakers to the country fairs for the following reasons:

"The average attendant at a country fair is a great deal more interested in the six-legged calf, the sword swallower, the balloon ascension, the parade of prize stock, the trotting races and the patchwork exhibit, than in the intricacies of the financial question or the benefit of a high tariff. The people listen to the speech about three minutes and then hurry away to buy red lemonade.

Mr. Hanna and Napoleon had the same idea about not permitting the people to meddle with the affairs of the government. It would not be surprising if the McKinley administration set up "red lemonade" stands at the country fairs this campaign in order to please the dear people.—National Democrat.

Hon. J. M. Seibert.

It is apparent now that Hon. J M. Seibert will succeed Sam B. Cook as chairman of the State Democrat-committee. He will be elected unanimously by the state convention at Kansas City in June. No man in Missouri is better equipped for the somewhat difficult task of filling the vacancy that will be left by the retirement of Mr. Cook, than is Mr Seibert. His broad knowledge of the politics of the state and his acquaintance with people all over with Missouri his experience energy and powers of organization eminently fit him for taking charge of the coming campaign. Under his capable leadership the Missouri Democracy will roll up a tremendous majority next November.—Jefferson City Press.

Get All The Cahoot.

That colored orator made a center shot when he said in a speech that, "Before the election the white Republican and the black Republican were in cahoot with each other, but after the election the white Republican got all the offices and the black Republican got all the cahoot." This proposition of the darkey is verified in the success of the Republican ticket in Poplar Bluff, where the negro vote gives the majority that elects white Republicans to office, but the negro gets only the "cahoot."—Poplar Bluff Citizen.

The same in this county, brother. We have between 600 and 800 colored voters up here who are just loaded down with "cahoot" every two years, while the poor white Republicans get only the offices.—Cash-Book.

Trusts.

There is plenty of reason for believing that at least three of the most unpopular and oppressive trust combinations in the country have given notice to Mr. Hanna and the President that they do not intend to be held up to public scorn in the Republican platforms of the year, no matter how necessary that course may be regarded by the machine managers. They have already allowed their interests to be menaced in such ways more than is comfortable. If the party which they own, support and provide with the means of corruption cannot stand by them openly, they demand at least that it shall keep quiet about them. In view of this sentiment among the magnates who control the Administration, it is probable that there will be a desperate fight over the trust plank in the Republican National Platform of 1900. The result is very apt to be a colorless utterance similar to that at Columbus.—Washington Times.

The Rights of the Nation.

The United States as a nation, says the National Democrat is apparently losing its rights as well as the individual citizens who compose it. It may now be said with absolute certainty that the Republican party is preparing to create a seperate and distinct system and form of government, one which is beyond the scope of the government of the United States, and not governed according to the terms of the organic law laid down in the Constitution of the United States. The government of this newly created monstrosity, will be, however, in the hands and under the control of officials elected by the people of the nation to manage the affairs of the United States, government exclusively. In fact, the McKinley administration is preparing an empire superior to the Constitution of the United States, one which it would be treason for an American citizen, acting under the Constitution, to oppose.

That there is a settled purpose to mislead the people to their own undoing, is apparent from the studied articles upon the subordination of the Constitution, which American magizines accept and publish, which emannate from the pens of the conspirators against the peace and dignity of the United States.

In the North American Review for April, Senator Foraker of Ohio, takes the ground now generally assumed by the Republican politicians that the Federal Constitution is the organic law only for the states and does not extend to such newly acquired territories as Puerto Rico. But ex-President Harrison, Senator Hoar, ex-Senator Edmunds, and some other notable Republican statesmen dissent from this opinion, and subscribe to the Democratic doctrine that "the Constitution follows the flags." President McKinley said substantially the same thing last August, when he declared "Our flag does not mean one thing here and another in Puerto Rico." Mr. McKinley, however, has since changed his view of the subject, and the question will be debated among the people until it is finally decided by the supreme court of the United States.

Only A Preliminary Roast.

It is amusing, apropos of the severe roasting process to which Senator Hanna is being subjected, says the Kansas City Times by a Washington specialist for the purpose of curing his gout, to read the comments made by some of the Hanna organs upon the joy that will be caused to the democratic heart from hearing about the tortures undergone by the boss.

One of these organs a few days ago, after relating with perspiration-producing particularity how the boss was placed in a furnace, heated to 400 degrees Fahrenheit—sufficient to baste brown a leg of mutton in fifteen minutes and cook an egg hard in five—and how his interior was kept from incineration by swathing his head in wet towels, and keeping it outside of the oven, so that he might breathe the cool air proceeded to remark: "This is a species of torture similar to being burned alive, which the politician's partisan enemies would doubtles rejoice to read of."

This is a mistaken inference. There is no rancor in the minds of Mr. Hanna's political foes against him as a personality. He is hated and abhorred by all honest men in the nation who have kept informed about his performances since he became a colossal instrument for injustice and evil as the head of the republican machine. His malign influence has been displayed in the vast increase in political and personal turpitude which he has both directly and by force of bad example caused in the ranks of his partisans, since he took the direction of the campaign into his hands over four years ago. While the injury to the commonweal and to public interests and morals has not all been done by Hanna personally—his willing assistants and wicked partners in the work have been legion—he is recognized as the "head and front of the offending," and as such he is condemned, abhorred and despised by all honest and upright citizens, cognizant of the debauchery, jobbery and bribery that have characterized the elections in which he has directed the republican side of the contest, and in legislation in which he has been interested either personally or as an agent for others.

Enlightened democrats entertain no sentiment of revenge against Hanna. They regard him simply as the impersonation and directing intelligence of that spirit of greed, monopoly and imperialism which permeates the purpose, policies and acts of the republican party.

His political opponents are content to leave his punishment to a Providence that metes out a fate to every one according to the deeds done in the flesh. They feel and believe that the baking he has been undergoing for the gout is merely a slight and gentle foretaste of the caloric experience that awaits his sins in the blistering Beyond, where there is no ice trust, not wet towels for heated brows and where he can—for smoking is allowed there—light his cigar with his finger.

George Chew, the three year-old son of Mr. R. F. Chew of St. Louis, was drowned Thursday of last week near Memphis, Tenn. He with his mother and elder brother were visiting in Memphis at that time. Mr. Chew is agent for the building fund of the Children's Home Society, and is well known in Southeast Missouri as a Methodist preacher.—Jackson Herald.

Our Correspondents.

HUXIE.

Health is good.

Corn planting is a thing of the past.

Huxie is improving very fast.

George Day is building a new house for M. S. Gladish.

Haze, Will and Peter Eaker are building a company store.

Charley Liley has purchased a farm.

F. M. Young is hauling bolts.

"Esquire" Myers made a business trip to Bell City last week.

John M. Morris of Bell City has moved up on Clubb Creek.

Our merchant, Mr. Fowler, is doing a fine business now.

F. M. Young was out among them Sunday. FARMER.

LODGE.

Health very good at present.

All vegitation in full splendor.

Benton Sitzes of this place has sold his farm and bought John Short's farm.

While in Glen Allen Saturday P. M. Minter and Abe Sample of this place had a little knock down. As far as we learn the trouble arose over a revenue stamp.

Elder F. F. Yount has just returned from preaching at Pond Creek.

Born—April 22 to the wife of Avery Bess, an eight pound girl.

Trace Creek Sunday school numbers about sixty attendants at present.

Prof. D. N Yount has returned from Flat River. Poley says he got sick.

Dines Bess and family of Bessville visited Mrs. Bess' parents of this place recently.

Elder J. W. Davault is holding a meeting at Laflin at this writing.

NANNIE N.

GRAVEL HILL.

Rufus Moore and Marsh Cumpton came up from Whitewater Saturday returning Sunday.

There was a musical entertainment at the residence of William Ates Saturday night, quite an enjoyable time was had.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Lessley a fine free silver democrat. Mother and child are doing well and Mr. Lessley is just hitting the high places, something similar to a blind horse.

Rev. Glass preached an interesting sermon at this place Sunday to a large congregation.

Prof. A. B. Lessley has quit carrying the mail and gone to farming. He has been employed to teach the Stroder school.

Jason Thomas has been employed to teach our school.

Weather is fine for farming now and everybody is at work.

Miss Alpha Lessley has been quite sick since our last writing.

Willard Allen visited Henry Crader at Laflin last week.

Arthur Hartle contemplates going to Oregon soon.

Miss Katie Moore of Delta, is here visiting home folks.

PETER SHEK.

Republican Platforms.

If there was a breath of independent thought in the Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, Massachusetts or New Hampshire Republican conventions enough to keep partisanship sweet and healthy, it did not get into one of their platforms. With a similarity of expression smacking of servility these party utterances went, through the regulation gamut of self-laudation, congratulation, indorsement, reaffirmation and profound felicitation that we are not as weak and foolish as our opponents. Without originality, courage or conviction these platforms read as if the republican party monopolized all the political virtues and was beset by none of the errors common to humanity.—Chicago Times-Herald (McKinley Rep.)

Chaleston Enterprise: A traveling advertising solicitor was here a couple of weeks ago and induced fourteen of our business men to take advertising space on a sheet of white cardboard at $2 a space. The cardboard was printed, framed and hung up in one of our hotels. The solicitor realized $28 on the deal, and the advertisers probably realize now that some men devote their entire time to catching suckers. We are thinking of ordering a carload of gold bricks to sell this class of people who are always in the market for such commodities.

Mr. Wright, the government engineer who has had charge of the levee work at Bird's Point, yesterday finished making a survey of the country along the Mississippi river from New Madrid to Thompson's landing in this county. This survey was first made some twenty years ago, and the present one was made to verify it before using it in a new government map which is now in preparation.

A Letter from the Philippines.

Balanga, Luzon, P. I., March 15, 1900.

My dear friends: It has been a long time since I wrote my last letter and will try to give you some idea of what we have seen and gone through since we reached the Philippine Islands.

We haven't done a great deal of fighting, but have had many adventures and have done a great deal of hiking, as we soldiers call it.

The first troops that came here just stayed long enough to stir the niggers up right good and the job of catching them was left for us and we have been hot at their heels for three months and still after them, wading through swampy rice fields, crossing creeks and rivers, climbing rocky mountains, marching through rain and sunshine, but it would require some more gifted writer to explain and describe our hardships, and after all only those who have had experience, could know how to sympathize with the American soldier in the Philippines. But, we came here for the sake of our country and to fight for the stars stripes. Many battles have been fought and victories won and to-day in nearly every town on the island of Luzon may be seen floating in the air, the stars and stripes.

Those who have laid down their arms now respect the flag and in passing salute it just as we do, and when the band plays the Star Spangled Banner, remove their hats just as we do. Sometimes one of them forgets himself, but some of his own people always notice it and remind him of it in a forcible manner.

These people are very sneaking and seeing themselves beaten, are organizing small bands and resorting to gorrilla tactics; but are not succeeding well even at that. Only once have they been able to gain any advantage over our men and then our men had no chance to save themselves. Nine of our men were guarding a provision wagon and were attacked while crossing a small bridge which had been fixed so it would go down with the weight of a wagon. The men tried to help the wagon out and the hidden foe took advantage of their opportunity and killed six out of nine on the spot, the other three got away but lost our provisions.

We started on the advance at a town called Donelonpeon and after marching hard all day long, hungry as dogs, expecting a hard fight, and as for myself, felt as though I would as soon lay down my life as not. In fact didn't feel like I had very much to lose. But after finding the skirmish line and firing a few volleys they were in force too, took to their heels and away they went, and after firing a few volleys after them we walked into town where niggers were running, dogs barking, but the chickens seemed to be worse scared than the niggers and they had a right to be, for a soldier's appetite after a hard days march, don't allow conscience to take a very active part in the preliminaries and it wasn't long till the air was full of feathers on every hand and soon, fires were ready to do the culinary act; but about that time a spark caught one of the dry bamboo shacks, which were built close together and in a short time it became very interesting, there being no way to stop it we were compelled to give up our chickens and get to a place of safety. In a few minutes fifty houses were in flames and the popping of the bamboo's, which is equal to the rattle of small arms while a battle is in progress, made a very interesting and exciting occasion, but through it all I could not keep from thinking of my lost chicken, and had to sit down to a piece of fried bacon, hardtack and coffee. We had started on a five weeks march, but it lasted seven. We could get but little to eat and no clothing at all and the brush here are very hard on clothing. The bamboo has a little hook in its small branches, which is as sharp as a briar and very tough and will tear any kind of cloth and as you must know, the soldier has no time to look after his clothing when on duty, we were a torn, battered, barefooted, woe-begone looking crowd and we felt as bad as we looked and to undertake to describe our suffering would baffle the skill of a veteran newspaper correspondent.

I enlisted in this Co. E 32nd U. S. V., under Lieutenant Gilespie of Bloomfield, Missouri and am proud to know we have such a brave officer. He commands 400 Macabebe scouts and they are scouting the country from swamps to hills. He is now in the mountains routing out the Ladrones (or thieves) with his scouts and has captured many arms and a great deal of ammunition. His bravery and kindness to his men has captured the hearts of all,

We are now doing garrison duty at Balanga which is a beautiful little city within one mile of Manilla bay, surrounded by a very rich country—said to be the richest in this island—which produces principally, sugar and rice.

It hasn't rained here in three months excepting two or three light showers, and you understand that it is always summer here. The sun shines every day alike, never cloudy except during the rainy season which begins in July.

I have visited Manilla, which is a fine wide-awake city. There is a great deal to be seen there. People of almost any nationality and I have noticed three different tribes of Filippinos; one has short kinky hair like our African Negro, another tribe looks like our Indian only much darker, the third look nice being proud, sensible and fairly well educated.

I was much surprised at the kind of sawmills they have in this country. They put a log on benches, make it steady, hew both sides of it and strike a line on both sides the thickness of the boards to be cut and Chinamen take a saw and rip off the board. I noticed twenty or more sawing at the same time. I think they get ten cents per day for such labor.

I will try to tell you something about some of the boys, the ones I know.

Joe James is looking well. John Wolphes says he knew, when he joined the army his girl would get married. Sam Randolph is in the very best of spirits, although he says he don't" hear from his girl as often as he would like. Dolph James looks like anything but a soldier. He is getting so fleshy he thinks a tropical climate and running niggers agree with him. Garfield James says he is not home sick but will do his service on the farm when volunteers are called for to do service in foreign countries hereafter. George Smith looks wise and takes things easy. He says the time will come when we can bid farewell to the Philippines and sail back to see fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers and sweethearts.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Editor for the two copies of THE PRESS received and that they were carefully read with much pleasure and hope you will continue to send it.

Your friend,
FRANK FIELDS.

Co. E. 32 U. S. V.

Hon. John M. Wood is making excellent headway in his candidacy for Judge of the St. Louis Court of Appeals, indications are that he will have the larger share of delegates from the Southeast counties, and up in the Northeast part of the State where he formerly lived he is receiving almost a solid support, and in all probability he will receive a majority of the St. Louis delegation. R. L. Goode is carrying the Ozark region pretty generally. The race will eventually narrow down to those two men. While we have a high regard for Mr. Goode, we think that Judge Wood's merit and party services considered, should receive the nomination at the Cape Girardeau convention.—Bloomfield vindicator.

Order of Publication.

STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Bollinger. } ss.

In the Circuit Court. September Term, 1900. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of William B. Yount, collector, plaintiff

Against

Philo T. Ruggles, defendant.

At this day comes the plaintiff herein, by his attorney, W. K. Chandler, and files his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendant, Philo T. Ruggles, is not a resident of the State of Missouri.

Whereupon it is ordered by the clerk in valuation, that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against him in this court; the object and general nature of the petition filed is the enforcement of the lien of the State upon the real property in the petition described, situated in said county, viz:

250 Acres, the southwest quarter and north half of the northwest quarter and southwest quarter of northwest quarter, section 29, township 33, range 9 east. 315 Acres south fractional half and southeast quarter of northeast quarter, section 30, township 33, range 9 east.

And that unless the said Philo T. Ruggles be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, in said county, on the second Monday of September next, and on or before the third day of said term if the term shall so long continue, and if not, then on or before the last day of said term—answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published, according to law, in the Marble Hill Press.

SAM J. McMINN, Circuit Clerk;

A true copy from the record.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Circuit court of Bollinger county, this 1st day of May, 1900.

{L. S.}

SAM J. McMINN, Circuit Clerk.

Order of Publication.

STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Bollinger. } ss.

In the Circuit Court. September Term, 1900. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of William B. Yount, collector, plaintiff

Against

Oscar B. Wheeler, defendant.

At this day comes the plaintiff herein, by his attorney, W. K. Chandler, and files his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendant, Oscar B. Wheeler, is not a resident of the State of Missouri.

Whereupon it is ordered by the clerk, in vacation, that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against him in this court; the object and general nature of the petition filed is the enforcement of the lien of the State upon the real property in the petition described, situated in said county, viz:

The northwest quarter of the southeast quarter, part northwest fractional quarter and part northwest quarter of the northeast quarter section 19, township 33, range 9 east, containing 109 4 acres.

And that unless the said Oscar B. Wheeler be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, in said county, on the second Monday of September next, and on or before the third day of said term if term shall so long continue, and if not, then on or before the last day of said term—answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment will be rendered accordingly.

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In the Circuit Court. September Term, 1900. The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of William B. Yount, collector, plaintiff,

Against

John J. Holt, defendant.

At this day comes the plaintiff herein, by his attorney, W. K. Chandler, and files his petition and affidavit, alleging, among other things, that defendant, John J. Holt, is not a resident of the State of Missouri.

Whereupon it is ordered by the clerk in vacation, that said defendant be notified by publication that plaintiff has commenced a suit against him in this court the object and general nature of the petition filed is the enforcement of the lien of the State upon the real property in the petition described, situated in said county, viz:

The south half of the southwest quarter, section 14, township 33, range 9 east, containing 80 acres.

And that unless the said John J. Holt be and appear at this court at the next term thereof, to be begun and holden at the courthouse, in the town of Marble Hill, in said county, on the second Monday of September next, and on or before the third day of said term—if the term shall so long continue, and if not, then on or before the last day of said term—answer or plead to the petition in said cause, the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

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By Chas. O. Hodges Deputy.

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1820	9,638,822	1870	38,558,371
1830	12,866,020	1880	50,155,783
1840	17,069,453	1890	62,622,250
1850	23,191,876		

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