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THE BULL MOOSE HAS 'EM ALL GUESSING

The Bull Moose party is playing hob with the politicians in more ways than one; and it's got 'em all guessing.

For years many people have been sick and tired of the two old parties. No matter what they had in their platforms, or which party won, the people got it in the same old place.

Thousands of them, without believing in Socialism, voted the Socialist ticket as a protest—and the Socialist vote through the country has steadily grown.

Now comes the Progressive party, that isn't like a regular political party at all. There actually appears to be more religion than politics in it.

Why, the delegates sang the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "Onward Christian Soldier." Lookout for the army that goes into battle singing!

And the platform is different, too. It doesn't consist merely of planks about the tariff, the trusts, the currency and old stuff like that. It deals with topics that interest men, women and children.

Just think of a political platform favoring an eight-hour day and a minimum wage, and taking a bold stand against child-labor! Why, there's actually human sympathy in it.

They can ridicule the Bull Moose all they want to, but a party and a platform that attract such men and women as Jane Addams, Hiram Johnson, Judge Ben Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Robbins, George Record, of New Jersey, William Allen White, of Kansas, and a host of other sincere progressive and humanitarian people, can't be laughed off the map.

And it may be sung into the hearts of the people.

Of course such a party won't suit Big Business, Special Privilege, Wall Street & Co. for it might hurt business—their kind of business.

So these rascals will get back of Taft—and if he looks like a sure loser they'll get back of Wilson. Not that they think they can handle Wilson as they have handled Taft—because Wilson isn't that kind of a hairpin. He's a good man and fairly progressive. But because they think, through the August Belmonts, the Underwoods, Champ Clarks, Charlie Murphys and Tom Taggarts, they