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CO-OPERATION IN FRANCE.

The Former Strikers at Carmaux Start Under Flattering Prospects.

ALBI, France, Oct. 26.—Great festivities attended the opening yesterday of the co-operative glass factory which has been put up by the former strikers of the Carmaux Glass works. The strike, which grew out of the discharge of a member of the Glass workers' trade union last year, was transformed into a lockout when the men notified the management of their willingness to return to work. Great excitement was caused by the incident throughout France, and efforts were made to induce the French minister to intervene in the dispute and secure justice for the workmen. The Paris municipal council voted large sums of money to support the strikers, and many other municipalities all over the country followed suit.

M. Caudrin, of the Paris municipal council, at yesterday's ceremony, saluted the workers in the name of Paris. M. Henri Rochefort delivered a speech, as did M. Jaures, the Radical Socialist deputy for Carmaux, who was prominently identified with the championship of the cause of the strikers, lit the furnaces.

At an open air meeting M. Jaures declared that the present movement had founded a social revolution and marked the downfall of capitalism.

Mr. Bryan's Quiet Sunday.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Oct. 26.—Yesterday was a day of quiet and rest that William J. Bryan spent in this city, where for six years he prepared himself for his after life. In the morning he attended services at the State Street Presbyterian church and listened to a sermon by Rev. A. B. Morris. It was probably the largest congregation that divine has addressed in that edifice. Long before the hour that the congregation generally assembled the church was crowded, and in front of the building many of the citizens of Jacksonville waited for over an hour in order to get a glimpse of the candidate. When he did arrive there was a general craning of necks, and one of the admirers of his opponent cheered for McKinley. After the sermon an informal reception was held from the pew which Mr. Bryan had occupied, and as soon as possible the nominee was taken out at a side door and put into a carriage which drove rapidly away.

Buried for Twenty-eight Hours.

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 26.—Barney McConner, was entombed in a coffin that lay deep in this city early yesterday morning. He was taken out last night, after having been in the tomb for twenty-eight hours, and at that time a gang of men were busy at work in the cemetery. They buried him, and yesterday afternoon as fifty men, under the direction of the police, were engaged in

the work of rescue. Sufficient liquid nourishment to keep him alive was sent down to him in his tomb through a gas pipe. About 3 o'clock the rescuers uncovered his head, and it was found that he was standing erect among a mass of timbers, which had kept the earth from smothering him. He was taken out eventually and sent to the hospital, where it was found that he had sustained no injury beyond that of shock.

Killed by a Dynamite Bomb.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Hamlin J. Andrus, secretary of the Arlington Chemical works, located in Palisade avenue, Yonkers, was instantly killed yesterday by a dynamite bomb, which the police think was placed there for the purpose of destroying life and property. There is a deep air of mystery about the entire affair, and one particularly sensational rumor is afloat. The body of the victim was frightfully mangled by the explosion, and death must have come instantly. It is believed the bomb was placed there with the intention of killing John F. Andrus, brother of the dead man, who is many times a millionaire. The police, however, believe that Andrus was experimenting with a bomb of his own invention, intended for burglars.

Still Destroying Kentucky Tollgates.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Oct. 26.—The tollgate raiders have not left a tollgate on a single pike in Franklin county undisturbed, and the owners of these roads are very much incensed at the destruction of their property and will take such action as will bring the raiders to justice. Saturday night a mob of about a hundred men came down the Lawrenceburg pike destroying all the tollgates as they entered Frankfort. They then went out the Louisville pike from Frankfort, laying to the ground the gates as they rode along in the moonlight and defying interference by the tollgate keepers.

A Murder Mystery Solved.

CORNISH, Me., Oct. 26.—On Oct. 5 Mrs. Betsy R. Hobbs was found dead. She lived alone about one and a half miles from Eppingham, N. H. When found the house was burning and her body half cremated. The mystery was cleared Saturday by the confession of Charles Savage. He accuses Frank J. Palmer of the murder. A coroner's jury has brought in a verdict against Palmer of murder in the first degree. Savage was held as a witness. Palmer is 16 years old and lives at West Parsonfield. Savage is 20 years old. He declares that Palmer killed Mrs. Hobbs on account of a grudge.

W. C. P. Breckinridge was indorsed for congress by the Republicans of the Seventh Kentucky district.

By a collision on the Florida Central and Peninsular railroad, near Swansea, Ga., two train hands were killed.

IN THE CLOSE STATES.

The Post Gives an Account of Bryan and McKinley Chances in Doubtful States—Chances Favor Republicans.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Wheeling, Oct. 25.—The situation in West Virginia at this time is that the heaviest vote in the history of the State will be polled, and the chances are decidedly favorable to the Republicans. Among the campaign managers the republicans seem to have the most confidence, and their poll of the counties shows that they have some ground for their claim of a plurality of votes. Chairman Dawson says that the plurality will not fall short of that of 1894, which was 13,000. He also claimed all four Congressional districts.

The Democrats concede the First District, and claim the State by about 8,000 plurality. The Populist-Democratic fusion, on both State and National tickets, is now complete, but Republican managers claim it will not figure largely, as the sound money Democratic vote, they say, will out number Populists, who only cast 3,500 votes in 1894 and 4,000 in 1892.

The Democratic Committee say that a secret poll taken by them proves the falsity of Republican claims. The State is claimed by Republicans by a majority of 7,000.

INDIANA.

Indianapolis, Oct. 25.—The leaders of both parties here are making extravagant claims for publication.

Chairman Gowdy says that the State will give its electoral vote to McKinley, and that the Republican State ticket and legislative candidates are equally safe. He will talk of nothing short of 40,000 majority for McKinley. Chairman Martin asserts with equal confidence that Bryan will carry the State. He does not enter into details, but is clearly looking for a landslide. Indiana is more rampant for Bryan to-day, than at any time since the campaign opened.

A level headed Republican who has stumped the State said to-day that he expected McKinley to carry the State by 10,000 majority. He thought if the Republicans controlled the Legislature it would be a very slender margin. He admitted a big republican defection among the farmers, and thought this might reach 15,000 votes. His estimate of the gold Democratic bolt was 20,000. He said the Democrats in many sections were "Bryan crazy," and he had never before known so much feeling in an Indiana campaign.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Raleigh, Oct. 25.—It is generally admitted that the Republican candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor and the fusion candidates for the other State offices will be elected in this State. The total vote will be not less than 300,000. The fusion vote two years ago for Congressmen was 150,000 and the Democratic vote was 126,000. The new election law will increase the combined Republican and Populist vote to 180,000. The fusion of the Democrats and Populists on Bryan will run his vote greatly beyond the vote for Watson for Governor.

Nearly all the Populists of Republican antecedents will vote for McKinley. The result for President depends upon the size of the gold Democratic vote, the number of Democrats who will not vote for the Bryan Watson-electors, and the middle-of-the-road Populists, who will not vote for the Bryan-Sewall electors. What the defection from these sources will be cannot be calculated. It may be enough to give the State to McKinley, but the chances favor Bryan. The Republicans are solid for McKinley and are confident that goldbug Democratic vote will throw the State to McKinley.

KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Oct. 25.—The outrage on Secretary Carlisle at Covington, the great sound money demonstration in this city Saturday night, participated in by thousands from all over the State and the sober second thought that has set in with people who think at all, seem to have taken Kentucky from the doubtful column and placed it solidly in the McKinley and sound money line. Conservative people think that the State will go for McKinley almost certainly. The total vote will be about 400,000, an increase of 25,000 over the highest vote yet cast in the State.

Bryan and McKinley will come to Louisville about even, and the majori-

ty this city gives will be the majority in this State. This will be anywhere from 8,000 to 15,000. Palmer and Buckner may poll 20,000 votes in the State, but this is even doubtful. The Covington incident is changing many votes from Palmer to McKinley.

IOWA.

Des Moines, Oct. 25.—About the middle of the coming week the Republican State Central Committee will issue a statement claiming Iowa by at least 50,000 majority for McKinley, and declaring it possible that the majority may reach 90,000. The statement will be a serious declaration of the belief of the committee, and will not be issued for political effect. The silver Democrats have issued a statement, in which they claim the State, but make no figures. They qualify their declaration by the statement that if McKinley carries Iowa it will be by fraud. In this statement the Populist State Committee has joined. The claims by the Silver Central Committee is that Bryan will carry the State.

TENNESSEE.

Nashville, Oct. 25.—The Democratic managers in Tennessee enter upon the last week of the campaign confident that Bryan and Sewall will carry the State, and that R. L. Taylor will be elected Governor, along with the Legislature. At headquarters all sorts of estimates are given out, but to careful observers it would seem that Bryan would have from 20,000 to 25,000 plurality, and that Taylor will win over George N. Tillman, the Republican gubernatorial nominee, by a majority of at least 12,000. The Populist vote in Tennessee numbers about 24,000. Bryan will get this vote almost solidly, while Taylor will cut into it very largely. Some of the strongest Populists in the State are in open rebellion against their State Committee, and are working for Bryan and Sewall. From this State all silver Congressmen will be elected.

NEBRASKA.

Lincoln, Oct. 25.—With election day but a little over a week away, Nebraska can still be claimed among the doubtful States, so doubtful that no man, aside from a party manager, who has a political reputation to sustain, would care to hazard a certain prediction as to the outcome. The past week has witnessed by far the hottest campaign ever known in Nebraska, and if any advantage has been gained by either side it is clearly with the Republicans. Speakers of national reputation have been poured into the State by wholesale. Not a county has been neglected, and the effect is certainly felt. The masses of this State feel sure it is for Bryan. The Republicans have organized thoroughly and are doing some hard work.

MINNESOTA.

St. Paul, Oct. 25.—According to the Republican indications now point to McKinley's carrying Minnesota by 15,000 upward. Tawney will probably be elected by an increased majority, as will McCleary. Heatwole is expected to get 2,000 majority. Stevens will likely be elected by 4,000 upward. Fletcher will probably be re-elected, but the situation in Minneapolis is hard to determine. Towne and Morris are fighting hard in the Sixth, and both claim a certain victory. It is reported that Towne's supporters are trading Bryan for him. Eddy has the most desperate fight, and the odds of 2,600 majority to be overcome are thought by many too heavy.

THE DAKOTAS.

South Dakota may go for McKinley while the contest in North Dakota is favorable to Bryan. The contest in these States will be close, with chances for Bryan in each.

OHIO.

Columbus, Oct. 25.—Chairman Carlisle of the Ohio Republican Committee, was interviewed to-night and asked for an estimate of the Ohio vote on the 3d proximo. He refused to make any figures, saying that the State would certainly go for McKinley, but he would not fix any majority. He said he can see wherein an estimate at this time might do us harm. Our workers possibly might think we had an easy victory. By the middle of the week not later than Thursday I will be able to give my figures to the Post, when I furnish them it will mean just what we mean to have.

Chairman Taylor of the Democratic

State Committee, claims the State for Bryan by a safe majority, but will give no figures. He claims that the disaffection from the Republican forces on account of the silver issue is greater than the managers count on, more than sufficient to offset the Palmer Democrats. This, with the aid the Democrats hope to receive from the class known as the laboring men will more than turn the State from McKinley.

The Last Estimate.

Col. O. O. Stealy, the veteran Washington correspondent of the Louisville Courier-Journal, an intimate personal friend of Secretary Carlisle and Henry Watterson, a gold-bug by faith, has been figuring on the result of the election, and gives his table as follows:

States reasonably certain for Bryan:	
Alabama.....	11
Arkansas.....	8
California.....	9
Colorado.....	4
Florida.....	4
Georgia.....	13
Idaho.....	3
Kansas.....	10
Kentucky.....	13
Louisiana.....	8
Mississippi.....	9
Missouri.....	17
Michigan.....	14
Minnesota.....	9
Montana.....	3
Nebraska.....	8
Nevada.....	3
North Carolina.....	11
North Dakota.....	3
South Carolina.....	9
South Dakota.....	4
Tennessee.....	12
Texas.....	15
Utah.....	3
Virginia.....	12
Washington.....	4
Wyoming.....	3
Total.....	222

States reasonably certain for McKinley:

Connecticut.....	6
Delaware.....	3
Illinois.....	24
Indiana.....	15
Iowa.....	13
Maine.....	6
Massachusetts.....	15
New Hampshire.....	4
New Jersey.....	10
New York.....	36
Ohio.....	23
Oregon.....	4
Pennsylvania.....	32
Rhode Island.....	4
Vermont.....	4
Wisconsin.....	12
Total.....	211

States doubtful:

Maryland.....	8
West Virginia.....	6
Total.....	14

Reasonably sure for Bryan.....

Reasonably sure for McKinley.....	211
Total vote electoral college.....	447
Necessary to a choice.....	224

Commercial Men for Bryan.

The commercial traveler, of our business men, have a better chance to get on the right side of a question than any one else. Daily they come in contact with all of our people. They have opportunities of getting news from prominent men from every part of our country, and they as a class being men of a high order of intelligence formulate the opinions which can be relied on. During the first part of the present campaign, Francis' cry was that these men were for Bryan en masse. But subsequent demonstrations have shown this to be false. At Baltimore when the parade was given in honor of Bryan hundreds of these men were in the parade and they presented the candidate with a neat testimonial as a token of their regard. It is a safe conclusion to draw that the commercial men are nearer to the truth than the "gold bug" class. Last evening night in Raleigh the parade was formed and the Bryan and Sewall Association were in the parade. The sentiment of the commercial men is strongly in favor of Bryan.