

CURRENT HEARST'S WAY

THE REPUBLICANS SHORT OF FUNDS
Opposition of Nearly Every
Newspaper in New York City
Editor Candidate is Said to Be
Gaining—Willie's Barred
Open and Overflowing—Election
Stands on the Vote of the Up-
State Farmer—Hughes Still a
Favorite in the Westinghouse
Unique Features of a Warm Cam-
paign.

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New York, Nov. 2.—It looks like
Hearst. Judging from appearances
and the talk about the places where
he will gather, the current is set-
ting his way. Two weeks ago senti-
ment seemed to be about evenly di-
vided between Hughes and the edi-
tor candidate, but things are certain-
ly pointed towards the latter's way
now. With the exception of The
Daily News, the personal organ of
Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tam-
many Hall, every New York paper
is bitterly opposed to Hearst, but
the letters to them from patrons and
subscribers have a decided Hearst
flavor, and this may be taken as a
pretty good indication of the people's
trend of thought.

THE TROUBLE WITH US IS, said a
prominent Republican ward politi-
cian, speaking privately to a group
of personal friends the other night,
"we are short of funds while Willie
is a barrel of open and overflowing."
Tim Woodruff spoke the truth the
other day when he said that up to
1904 40 per cent of the Republican
campaign contributions came from
the corporations.
CORPORATIONS SCARED
"Well, this year the hand-me-
downs we are getting from the cor-
porations are pretty dinged frequ-
ent and in amounts so small as
almost to cause tears at headquar-
ters. The corporations never were
anxious to pay up, you know, and
now simply such a howl has gone up
about corporation corruption they
are simply scared to hand over any
large amounts. They are afraid
they'll get caught and they aren't
disposed to stir up any amount of
feeling on the part of the general
public. They are aware of the fact
that the public's patience has been
strained just about to the breaking
point, and they are dreading the
more risks. Of course, some is com-
ing in at the back door. It's fool-
ish talking about stopping campaign
contributions from the corporations
altogether. The corporations have
got too much at stake not to
want to put the party under some
obligations so as to prevent adverse
legislation. And then you know
there never was a politician's heart
so hard that it didn't soften at the
sight of a fat little dough bag. He
just naturally can't resist it.
"But though occasions like a little
lump coming that cheers our
hearts, times aren't like they used
to be. The campaign managers for
the Republican party are doing some
pretty close figuring. I don't know
what they tell you. You'd be surprised
if you knew some of the economies that
have to be enacted.

"You see this election depends on
the votes of the Apollonians. They
are the deciding factors this time.
New York city will be a cinch for
Hearst. Well, heretofore we
have always been paying the farmers
voters 'team hire.' The average up-
State farmer is a shrewd old scawa-
g. He'd knock 'em down in a
second if you offered him 15 out-
right for his vote, but if you offer
him a 'V' for the time and trouble
consumed in hitching up his
horses to drive in to the polling
place, why he'll naturally vote the
way you hint at just because you
have been so thoughtful and friend-
ly. And this year Willie Hearst is
paying the 'team hire,' see?"

HUGHES MEN CONFIDENT.

However, the supporters of Hughes
appear confident. They say there's
nothing going to be some surprise yet.
Down in Broad street, where the
curb brokers seethe and shout, bet-
ting has been brisk for some time,
with the odds on the Republican
candidate. Hughes is being backed
steadily at 3 to 1. Just last Monday
a broker who is said to be an agent
for John W. Gates, the Wall street
plunger, put up \$10,000 to \$10,000
that Hughes would win.

The campaign is certainly warm-
ing up these last few days and the
epithets that are being hurled about
are calculated to jar severely on a
man with a sensitive nervous system.
Mr. Hearst is no mean adjective slinger.
Here are a few examples.
Hughes—"The Apollonias candi-
date, an animated feather-duster."
Jerome—"A croton bug."
Judge Parker—"A cockroach."
Senator McCarran—"A reeking
criminal."

On the other hand Jerome calls
"Willie" a political mountebank;
Senator Bailey dubs him "a political
shamshank"; "Hughes" is a political
assassin; and now Dr. Theodore L.
Cuyler, the eminent divine, has come
to the front with a sermon in which
he declares that Hearst is "a self-
seeking, self-nominated and self-
advised plutocrat" who would "de-
file the White House with his pres-
ence."
Looking over these endearments, it
would seem that a good way to have
and maintain a good reputation is to
stay out of politics.

TALKING MACHINE CAMPAIGN.

A unique feature of Hearst's can-
didacy is his moving picture and
talking machine campaign. Five
crews, armed with biographs and
graphophones, left the city Monday
to give residents of even the remotest
rural sections an opportunity to hear
Hearst by motion picture and gram-
mophone as in life upon canvas, the
moving pictures portraying him in
the act of making a campaign ad-
dress.
While he is out of the city, the
papers that oppose him are making
a great deal out of the fact that
Hearst, individually and through his
various corporate identities, is the
defendant in various libel and dam-
age suits aggregating the enormous
total of \$7,500,000. They say this
furnishes a reason why he is so de-
sirous of landing his friends and al-
lies on the Supreme Court bench.

Has Developed Into an Able Speaker.

Wadesboro Messenger-Intelligencer.
The speeches of Hon. Robt. N. Page,
Democratic nominee for Governor in
this county, were very strong presenta-
tions of good, sound Democratic doc-
trine. Mr. Page was always a clear
and convincing talker but in the past
two years he has developed into a
speaker of unusual ability. The party
in Anson has been greatly benefited
by his visit and speeches.

Great Chance For Rock Hill.

Rock Hill, S. C., Record.
Let that "pavement proposition" go
through all right and Rock Hill will
be the only city in the South with ex-
clusive cement sidewalks. What an
advertisement this would be for Rock
Hill!

A METHODIST MINISTER RECOM-
MENDS CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH

We have used Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy in our home for seven years,
and it has always proved to be the best
remedy. We have found that it would
do more than the manufacturers claim
for it. It is especially good for croup
and whooping cough.

IN DEFENSE OF PLUMBERS.

One Concern Which Pleads Not Guilty
to the Sundry Charges Fired at
the Trade in the Recent Meeting.—
Refutation of the Allegations of
Certain Citizens.—The Amended
Ordinance a Sort of Force Bill, and
Worthy of Russia.

To the Editor of The Observer.

Knowing that your paper is always
open to both sides of every question
we make free to ask space in its
columns to defend ourselves against
the aspersions and bitter attacks
made at a recent meeting by some
few citizens of Charlotte.
It is not our purpose to take up
the fight for the other plumbing es-
tablishments. Other firms may pre-
sent their cases to the public, and
protect their rights in whatever way
they deem best. Going into business
less than a year ago, it was then,
and ever since, has been our highest
ambition to win the respect and con-
fidence of our fellow citizens, by do-
ing business upon a high plane.

At this meeting the contracting
plumbers attended as invited guests
of the city council, and as such felt
secure against vilification and unwar-
ranted attacks, but in this they were
mistaken, as some of the speakers
were both violent and profane.

Dr. I. W. Faison, an unsurpassed
enthusiast for the welfare of the
people, opened the proceedings by
hurting an explosive at the "robber
plumbers." By his own confession,
the doctor had been diligent in seek-
ing the truth, keeping his ear
steadily to the earth, and listening
attentively to all complaints; hence,
his charges are based on hearsay.

Dr. Faison said he "had heard com-
plaints on every corner." "I have
heard that these plumbers refuse to
let a man ride to his work—they
want him to walk, in order to kill
time." "Horrible! Our plea to this
insinuation is that our company has
been too poor to buy outfits for such
purposes. However, we fear that
the poverty plea will come as a
far cry to those who have kept an
inkling as to the gold mine we are
developing on "plumbers row."

From that reliable and exhaustless
source of supply, the "corners," Dr.
Faison draws the inference that there
are many things "rotten in Den-
mark," which is, we suppose, another
name for "plumbers row."

Among other things the doctor
said, "I understand," corner news of
course, "that master plumbers have
a meeting nearly every day." We must
combat that assertion, even though
the news was obtained at the "corn-
ers." Our customers have kept us
too busy to meet so often. Semi-
monthly is just as often as we can
spare the time to meet. Furthermore,
the doctor said, that he "understood"
—from the usual source—"that the
plumbers kept within a few dollars
of each other on prices for con-

tractors." To this charge, which in-
fames collusion, we reply that we can
substantiate the fact, that bids on
the same job have varied as much
as several hundred dollars. Does this
look like collusion?

One of the chief complaints has
been the higher prices of plumbing,
and this charge failed, not to be up
on this occasion, but the plumbers
met it by proving from their invoices
that their prices had only kept pace
with the rapid rise in the prices of
plumbing supplies. When this was
shown, both Dr. Faison and Mr. W.
F. Dowd frankly admitted that the
prices for plumbing were not unrea-
sonable.

Col. A. L. Smith, at a former meet-
ing, stated that man could not dig
a hole in his yard, for a pipe, with-
out getting a licensed plumber to do
the work. "You cannot get a monkey
wrench to fix a leaking pipe—the
plumbers must do it." Conclusive
evidence of the avariciousness of
these greedy plumbers. Let us ex-
amine this charge. Last March, Col.
Smith in company with a negro, en-
tered our saleroom. We fitted his
pipe as requested, and loaned him
the necessary tools for placing it. Is
this the return we get for our ac-
commodation? However, it is but
just to state, that at the last meet-
ing, Col. Smith, having been remind-
ed of this fact, arose and withdrew
the charge.

Mr. E. Wittkowski's chief com-
plaint was the impossibility of get-
ting the plumbers to install bath tubs
bought elsewhere, and the reason he
assigned for their not doing so, was
that "they wanted to force him to
buy their tubs." Bpt. Mr. Wittkows-
ky, with all due deference to your
word, that you had tried all the
plumbers, we know for a certainty
that you never applied to us, as we
have always installed supplies upon
request, no matter by whom, or
where bought. Lately we placed a
tub for Mr. W. C. White, bought else-
where, and at a price satisfactory to
him. Order all the tubs you desire,
and phone up 732.

Mr. E. L. Keebler entered the arena
in regular fighting trim and began to
hurl his fiery shafts right and left.
Suddenly the air became sulphurous.
His specific charge was that, "It is
a damned hard matter to get any of
these plumbers to do a small repair
job." We cannot see why that should
be, unless it is a fear of coming in
contact with live wires. You have
never tried us, Mr. Keebler. Call
around the next time you need re-
pairs. Our rule has always been to
answer promptly every call for re-
pairs work. If a workman is not on
hand we phone one up, always a mas-
ter plumber, and send him around
immediately. We look upon it as
an act of humanity to do so, as the
demands are frequently urgent, and
also as good policy. It brings us
in touch with those from whom we

occasionally get large and paying
contracts. There is but little profit in
repair work, but we look upon it as
a duty we owe to the public.

Of the many accusations, that have
been made, not a single one applies
to the Acme Plumbing Co. So far as we can comprehend the
meaning of the ordinance, which was
proposed at this meeting, it would
seem to be aimed at a set of recal-
citrants, and its object to drive un-
willing slaves to obey their masters.
It appears to be a sort of force bill,
and reminds us more of Russia than
free America. It is time to sound the
alarm. The people will set things
right when they have time to reflect.
We have faith in their moderation
and justice. There is no room for
fanaticism in this country. Rad-
ical measures always prove a boom-
strang.
"Whom the gods would destroy,
they first make mad."

ACME PLUMBING CO.

Negro Brakeman Seriously Injured
Near Statesville.

Special to The Observer.
Statesville, Nov. 2.—Will Davidson,
a negro brakeman, was terribly man-
gled in a small wreck in the manu-
facturing district near the Statesville
Cotton Mill. A shifter was pulling a
box car with Davidson on top. The
car jumped the track and the negro
was caught under the wheels. One
leg was entirely cut off. The other
was amputated at Billingsby Hos-
pital. He may recover. The cause
of the accident is unknown.

Machinists Satisfied With Adjustment.

Special to The Observer.
Spencer, Nov. 3.—The situation fol-
lowing the settlement of the strike
on the Southern Railway to-night is
stated to be all that is desired. The
machinists who went out on a strike
October 8th discussed the terms of
settlement to-day and all are well
pleased with the arbitration proposi-
tion agreed upon. The Southern of-
ficials are making active prepara-
tions to clear the shops of strike-
breakers and the old employees will
return to work Monday.

Blackburn Speaks at Lenoir.

Special to The Observer.
Lenoir, Nov. 3.—The Republicans
had a rally to-day and Spencer Black-
burn spoke to about 1,000 people. Of
this crowd about one-third were
Democrats, not 500 more people than
are usually in town on Saturday here.
Blackburn brought a band from
Salisbury, but had only fair music.
About fifty men on horseback went
to meet him.

Occasionally one has the fortune to
meet women who are ideal in looks and
figure. Nineteen times out of a hun-
dred you will find such takes Hollister's
Rocky Mountain Tea. Tea or Tablets.
25 cents. R. H. Jordan & Co.

In Thousands of Homes
Pe-ru-na Is the Family Doctor.



Mr. and Mrs. Plamann and Children.

A Happy Family, Kept Well and Hearty By Taking Pe-ru-na.

Mrs. Alvina Plamann, 1719 Walnut street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes:
"I am now able to do my housework again, and have a good appetite. I have used thirteen bottles of Peru-na and one of Manalin.
" My husband and children are also in good health. We always keep Peru-na in the house. I thank you a thousand times for your advice."

An Enemy to the Home.

CATARH is the natural climatic
enemy of every home.
Over every home hangs the inevit-
able certainty of catarrhal invasion.
No home is entirely free from it.
Every person is subject to it.

It would be no exaggeration to say
that two-thirds of the homes of America
have suffered more or less from this in-
visible, almost omnipresent enemy,
catarrh.

Peru-na is the natural protection of
the household.
It is intended to relieve catarrh and
catarrhal diseases in any and all of their
phases.

Peru-na is the Household Remedy.
Mrs. Carrie King, 780 North Cascade,
Colorado Springs, Col., writes:
"Peru-na has been my favorite and
only household remedy for nearly five
years. I have suffered for years with
biliousness and kidney and liver trou-
bles. If I caught a little cold, the pains
were increased, and headaches and
headache were of frequent occurrence.
"However, Peru-na cured me—twelve
bottles made me a new and healthy
woman. For three years I have enjoyed
the best of health. I keep Peru-na con-
stantly in my home, and if my husband
or I catch cold or feel indisposed, a few
doses of Peru-na never fail to restore us."

Peru-na is sold by your local druggist. Buy a bottle to-day.

The Many Phases of Catarrh.
Catarrh may appear in the household
in the form of a slight cold or cough, an
attack of grippe, or even hay fever.
Peru-na meets these invasions squarely
and repulses the enemy before it gains
a foothold.
Therefore, Peru-na is a household rem-
edy. Used at the correct time it often
obviates the necessity of continued
doctoring.
Perhaps in no other way can the wis-
dom of economy and foresight be so
forcibly expressed as in keeping on
hand a bottle of Peru-na to protect the
various members of the family against
the encroachments of catarrh.
We have on file thousands of testi-
monials from heads of families, located
north and south, east and west.
These letters praise Peru-na for its
efficient protection of the family against
catarrh.
Mother and Children Depend on
Peru-na.
Mrs. J. F. O'Connor, 460 S. California
Ave., Chicago, Ill., First Soprano, Areal
Singing Society, writes:
" For a number of years I had suffered
from catarrh of the head, and while
some of the remedies helped me a little
while taking them, they did not cure
me permanently. My child was also
sensitive to the cold and every little
draught gave her a cold in the head, and
my daughter, Mary, was cured of
catarrh of the head by Peru-na."

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No one who has ever had a BELL TELEPHONE in the home would think of keeping house without it. Why should you not avail yourself of this economical necessity, which your friends and neighbors find indispensable?

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THE STORY OF ONE PIANO SALE. What Free Life Insurance Does for Club Members. Macon, Ga., Sept. 15, 1906. Ludden & Bates E. M. H. Savannah, Ga. Gentlemen: On being informed of the death of my husband on the 14th inst., your manager here to-day handed me a receipt for \$150, same being amount of unpaid balance on the Ludden & Bates Club Piano No. 5196, bought of you August 29, 1905. We had paid \$187 on this piano, which, with the above receipt, completes the purchase price of \$387, and our indebtedness to you is now canceled. I wish to express my deep appreciation of your action in this matter, and am glad we decided to purchase a Ludden & Bates Club Piano, particularly on account of the Free Life Insurance feature. Wishing you every success, I remain, Very truly yours, (Signed) MRS. CHAR. GEISMAR.

If interested in the purchase of a Strictly High-grade Piano, write us at once—to-day—about our High Club, now forming. Club Booklet "D" will explain the fairest, safest and best piano proposition ever made. Club Members pay \$287 instead of \$400, which is the regular price. Easy payments. Each Club Member receives Free Life Insurance benefits—the above letter speaks for itself. Write for Club Booklet "D" for full particulars. LUDDEN & BATES, E. M. H. Savannah, Ga.

The Singer in Your Sewing Room

makes that corner of your home a place to take pride in. And comfort, too. Not only is the Singer the lightest-running, most noiseless and efficient of sewing machines, but you know it's always going to stay so. No dis-ablement because of missing parts, this year or twenty years from now—there's a Singer store within your easy reach, and you know quite well there always will be!

When you buy a sewing machine keep in mind this one thing—it's for life! That's why you want the Singer, and no other.

The strongest claim that can be made for a sewing machine is that it's "practically as good as a Singer." Everybody has heard it—but it's never better than a claim. The Singer is in every way the best—all the way from cam to cabinet—and everybody knows it! Sold only by SINGER Sewing Machine Co. 228 North Tryon St. Singer Stores everywhere.



By this sign you may know you will find SINGER SEWING MACHINES. Singer Stores everywhere.

Can You Guess

What advertisement occupied this space last Sunday?

Don't you remember two animals and a vehicle? Then came a trade mark, consisting of the 25th and 2nd letters of the alphabet with an "&" between. Well—then you will recall that we told you about something very clean and in big chunks—just the thing for you to have during Cold, Snappy weather (In fact it is a good thing for you to have at any time.)

Very Important. Those who haven't had it and those who are out of it, had better phone us early to-morrow morning, as it is going mighty fast.

You Have Guessed It!



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