

THE WORKINGMEN OF AMERICA OPPOSED TO TRUSTS

J. R. Sovereign in the Philadelphia Times.

The workingmen of America are unalterably opposed to trusts, not on the ground that all trusts are necessarily greedy and oppressive, for combinations of capital and brains for the promotion and successful operation of great enterprises need not necessarily rob or oppress anybody. The cooperation of capital and practical experience in the development of great industries may be so managed as to prove far more beneficial to the common people than the individual efforts of many persons applied singly to the same industries.

All this is admitted. But we object to the trusts because the concentration of so great arbitrary power over the fields of productive and distributive enterprise furnishes the greatest possible incentive to robbery and oppression, and already the process of extreme stratification so destructive of individual liberty, and so destructive to the perpetuity of Republican government is everywhere in evidence as a result of their arrogant domination over the industries of the country.

Trusts, like kings, cannot be trusted with the welfare of the people, or the business interests and the commercial right of the nation. We have tried them to our hearts' content and find in them a haughty, dictatorial policy no less subversive of liberty and equality than were the tyrannical exactions imposed by King George on the American colonies against which our forefathers rebelled.

The trusts to-day are striving to make exorbitant profits off the necessities of somebody else, and, by their prohibitive and restrictive orders and policies, they seek like England, in her colonial policy, to hurl into the vortex of financial ruin the last possible person who dares assume the individual right of independent operation.

No nation can be free while its industries are in slavery, and to enslave a people it is only necessary to control the means and opportunities of their livelihood. To-day we maintain all the prejudices of a free government and a free people, but we blindly sacrifice all the virtue of freedom in the slavery of industry at the feet of the trusts.

I am in favor of forcible expansion, but I want that kind of expansion that will curb the powers of the trusts through the forcible annexation of the railroads to the government of my country.

I am in favor of forcible expansion, but I want that kind of expansion that will insure the benevolent assimilation of all our people through the forcible annexation of the archipelago of Wall street to the territory of America. It would be far better for the people of America to have the conquest of Manhattan Island than to have the conquest of Luzon.

Trusts and self government are conflicting forces and cannot dwell together in the same house, and it is a remarkable coincidence when we reflect that simultaneously with the growth of the trust there comes the sentiment from trust centres, of the country that we ought to resist the notion that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Show me a trust and I will show you the organized forces of imperialism. Show me a trust and I will show you the vitalizing forces of oligarchy and aristocracy. Show me a trust and I will

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But notwithstanding all this madness of money, all this hypocrisy and cunning in politics and commercial right, we can still whisper in the spirit of the martyred Lincoln that the hope of liberty has not yet perished from the face of the earth. Cold and dull must be the temper, saturnine and unhappy must be the heart of him who cannot discern in the economic thought of the age the spirit of reform still alive. And through a better understanding among the plain people, a warmer brotherhood and a keener sense of justice, we will soon give to capital that credit and respect which all honest accumulations merit and to the industrial masses the just profits of their labor in proportion to their contributions to the wealth of the world.

THE NEGRO IN THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

Some of the papers of the State are advocating the dropping of the color line in the coming Presidential campaign. That question, say some of our contemporaries, is settled.

The ARGUS certainly fails to see it in that way. The National Republican party stands for negro office holding in North Carolina just as much as the State Republican party stands for negro office holding in North Carolina. Let us see if this statement is not true.

If you go to our neighboring town of Wilson, you will find that the postmaster and every clerk in the postoffice are negroes. Our sister town of Mt. Olive, in this county, has a negro postmaster; and here in Goldsboro the assistant postmaster is a negro. The collector of customs at Wilmington is a negro—yes, at Wilmington, the metropolis of the State. More than that, this the Second Congressional District has a negro Congressman, and a Congressman is to be elected at the coming election. These are only a few instances; many, many more could be cited of negroes in postoffices and other positions. We want this thing stopped, and the only way to stop it is to elect the entire Democratic ticket.

To the ARGUS the negro is very much in our next campaign.

APHORISMS BY MR BRYAN

No one has a right to expect from society more than a fair compensation for the service he renders to society.

The Filipinos do not need any encouragement from the Americans now living; our whole his-

tory has been an encouragement.

It was God himself who placed in every human heart the love of liberty.

In a monarchy the King gives to the people what he believes to be a good government; in a republic the people secure for themselves what they believe to be a good government.

If the Porto Ricans who welcomed annexation are to be denied the guarantees of our constitution, what is to be the lot of the Filipinos, who resisted our authority?

There is no place in our system of government for arbitrary and irresponsible power.

Can it be our duty to kill those who, following the example of our forefathers, love liberty well enough to fight for it?

It is a reflection upon the Creator to say that He denied to any people the capacity of self-government.

For more than a century this nation has been a world power. For ten decades it has been the most potent influence in the world.

A war of conquest is as unwise as it is unrighteous.

It is not necessary to own people in order to trade with them.

The laboring man will be the first to suffer when the methods of imperialism are applied to our own government.

The command "go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" has no Gatling gun attachment.

How different Washington's definition of "destiny" from the Republican definition!

MARYLAND SUFFERS

Temperature in Baltimore is Highest Since Weather Bureau was Established.

Baltimore, August 11.—All hot weather records in this city and State since the establishment of the Weather Bureau have been broken this week. For five successive days the temperature has gone above the one hundred mark.

Last night was the hottest night in twelve years. At midnight the mercury stood at 82. People tried to sleep on the roofs and door steps. Scores of babies have succumbed. Six deaths from sunstroke have been reported in four days. Work in a number of foundries and on the fiery streets was suspended to-day. Numerous sailors and stevedores have been prostrated.

On several of the docks and on the decks of iron steamers the temperature ranged between 110 and 120. On the Chesapeake Bay the heat has been unprecedented. Passengers on the steamers have been unable to sleep in berths or state rooms the last few nights.

In the country districts, excepting those along the bay shore, everything is drying up. In many places the ground in the parched fields have cracked open.

SUFFERING IN NEW YORK.

Forty-Two Deaths Yesterday and the End Not in Sight.

New York, August 11.—After a feverish night the residents of Greater New York prepared wearily for another scorching day. And the day was a "cooker."

At 8 o'clock this morning the sun was shining fiercely in a cloudless sky, and the thermometer commenced to do overtime at once. It continued to climb, until at 3 p. m. it reached 107.

As the heat increased the death roll grew and the procession of ambulances lengthened. On every hand, in the street and in shops, the killing heat hourly claimed its victims until after sundown, when the list of dead is 42, and the hospitals are crowded with sufferers.



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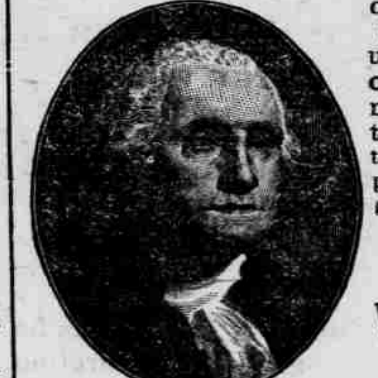
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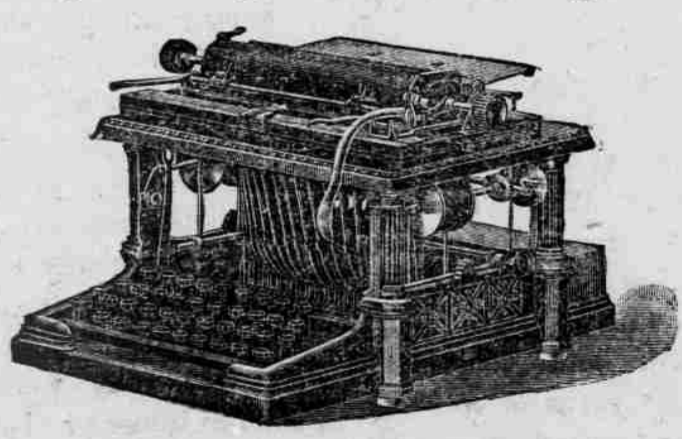
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