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JONES ON CO-OPERATION.

Turn to the inside of this paper and read what Senator Jones said, produced and endorsed in his speech in the Senate on the Teller resolution. You will remember that this same Jones is of Arkansas, and is the national chairman of the Democratic party. His speech shows that he is getting his eyes open to the serious situation that confronts the people. He is the same man who said after Bryan was nominated, that the Democrats could not carry five States without the Populist votes. He doubtless realizes that the same is still true. Then, like others, he thought that he could get them anyway; and whether they elected Bryan or not, it would tend to destroy the Populist party. Now, like others, he realizes that the only wise and just thing is to recognize the fact that the Populist party is a living, growing factor in American politics, based upon those principles that effect the great masses, and cannot die. And this is the same Jones who said at that time to let the Populists go with the negroes where they belong. We are glad to see he has seen his mistake along this line. All the trouble has come out of the fact that the local and general organized political machine in Mr. Jones' party thought they were ordained of to dictate and the people's duty to obey. But that day has passed. Individuals have rights, and parties have rights. As individuals cannot live unto themselves and frequently have to co-operate with their neighbors and other distinct individuals to accomplish needed results, so political parties cannot live unto themselves independent of others. If they attain to that power they soon become too corrupt and dangerous to the rights and liberties of the people. We think Jones is getting right, but whether he can get his party to lay aside local and personal interests and prejudices to do so, will be seen. Wonder what the Democratic papers in this State will have to say about Mr. Jones' position? Speak out, gentlemen.—Hickory Mercury. [In the next column on this page will be found the speech the Mercury refers to.]

CHAIRMAN JONES' SPEECH.

He Favors a Union of Forces on Silver, and Monopoly Which is Grinding Out the Life Blood of the People.

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, and the national Chairman of the Democratic party, in his speech in the United States Senate in favor of the Teller resolution to pay off national bonds in silver, closed his speech as follows:

Mr. President, if every leading man in the United States who has been connected with this movement were to turn his back upon it, I tell you the people would not stop; and I know something of their feeling. I believe I understand that feeling. It was not the leadership of the party at Chicago which declared this to be the leading question, but it was so declared because the people behind that convention drove the delegates to a recognition of the fact which existed in the minds and hearts of the American people, and it was that which forced that declaration in that platform; and the people are more determined now than before. They will remain true to their declaration, and so the men who are laying the flattering unction to their souls that we will abandon the fight may as well make up their minds now that they are going to wake up and find themselves mistaken, as they did when they predicted we had gone to pieces in 1896.

Mr. President, just in this line, and for the purpose of showing to the people who care to know the truth what the sentiment is, I have clipped from the Cincinnati Enquirer an editorial which I desire to read. We all know that this paper is one of the foremost papers of the land, one of the great journals which has acquired an immense influence under a direct and able leadership, which means much in this country. When that great paper recognizes the great importance of united action, as it does in the editorial which I am about to read, it cannot be ignored, and while I do not want to trespass on the time of the Senate at any length, I must beg pardon for taking sufficient time to read that article. It is as follows:

THE IMPORTANCE OF UNITED ACTION.

We beg Democrats and their silver allies of other parties to realize the overwhelming importance of continued unity. In union there is strength. Nothing but the false pretences of the Republican party that it favored bimetalism gave them the election in 1896. President McKinley, Secretary Gage, and ex-Senator Edmunds have now hung millstones around the neck of the Republican party in the shape of the gold standard measures pending in Congress. That party has forever parted company with every earnest bimetalist, including those who had hoped for international bimetalism. Victory is, therefore, absolutely sure this year and again in 1900, if we do not allow our enemies to divide us. They must not be allowed to sow tares among the wheat. The one overwhelming question before the American people is the restoration of gold and silver on equal terms to their

constitutional place as money metals.

This great government is for the common good. Without it there lie before us years of disaster, retrogression and general distress. The utmost good feeling is necessary between all the elements which acted together in 1896. Earnest advocates of free coinage will recognize the importance of cultivating good will and of overlooking personal advantages in the coming campaign. The contest for the possession of both the United States Senate and the next House of Representatives is near at hand. It is not in the nature of things that every friend of free coinage to be elected will come from the Democratic party, nor is it all necessary that former party divisions should be thought of among the friends of our cause.

A good rule to be adopted would be that where there is a true blue supporter of the free coinage of silver already occupying a seat in the House or Senate as the fruit of a generous and hearty fusion between Democrats and their Populist or silver Republican allies, it would be unwise to "swap horses while crossing the stream" in the coming campaign. It ought not to be difficult for Populists and Silver Republicans to join hands in the re-election of a true and tried Senator or Representative of Democratic antecedents, and it ought not to be difficult for Democrats to continue in place a stalwart and unwavering friend of free coinage who has hitherto been either a Populist or a Silver Republican. In other words, success will be the more certain the less inclination there is to make seats in Congress merely the prize to be contended for in a sharp struggle in our ranks for the ascendancy of an individual in a given locality.

It should rejoice every Democrat that his party has planted itself on such broad lines and has so completely restored the old Democratic landmark on the money question that its ranks are being recruited every day by accessions from the Republican party of men who refuse to be included in the sale of that party to the gold trust, which took place in St. Louis in '96.

In union there is strength; divided we fall. We earnestly exhort all those who seek the establishment of bimetalism to waste no strength in personal struggles with the lines. Democrats and their allies should only engage in a generous strife to see who shall carry forward farthest the bimetallic standard. Sustain the man who seems to be most likely to lead the allied forces to victory in any given State and district, scorning either to ask or remember who were his political associates in former contests with which the present is in no wise concerned.

After quoting what Senator Dubois, of Idaho, leader of the Silver Republican party had to say, viz: That the Silver Republicans would not endorse the present gold standard administration, Chairman Jones closed by saying:

The sentiments expressed by this great paper in the East and this distinguished citizen of the great West will awaken responsive feelings all over the country. I heartily endorse them.

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