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The Democratic Administration After Two Years of Fair Trial Under the Most Unhampered Circumstances

ARGELY on account of the feelings inherited from the of our Civil War, the on both sides of Mason and Dixon's have been blind to political facts of the most importance. It was hard for Northern people to realize that the Republican party had gone into the control of powerful men who meant to plunder the producing classes, by which would silently but irresistibly transfer to the beneficiaries of Special Privilege the fruits of all sorts of industry. It was equally hard for the South to believe that her corporations wanted exactly the same advantages that the Northern corporations wanted, and that the powerful capitalists of the Southern corporations would use the Democratic party in their own selfish interest. In vain, we tried to convince the voters, North and South, that both these old parties were nothing but two different names, for the same thing. Their fight is a sham: their real purpose is to keep the people divided and to prevent a party of the people, such as the Greenbackers were, such as the People's Party was, such as the Socialists are. In vain we told the people that Woodrow Wilson's books proved him to be a Tory, a Hamiltonian, devoid of popular sympathies, purely devoted to wealth and Privilege, utterly lacking the large-hearted and large-souled democracy of Thomas Jefferson. With an infatuation that was almost pathetic, our people rushed to the support of Wilson and Bryan—why?

the Most Unhampered Circumstances

Because the Baltimore Convention placed Wilson upon a Jeffersonian platform, after *Champ Clark had been slaughtered by his own delegate, Bryan, on the pretense that Clark had made a deal with Wall Street corporation interests.*

Back of Clark was a Congressional record that proved him to be a people's man, honest, earnest, simple and Jacksonian in courage.

Back of Wilson was a corporation record as governor of New Jersey, and a Tory—Hamiltonian record, as a writer of books.

Back of Bryan was a 20 year roar of virtuous patriotism, vociferous devotion to the welfare of the common man, vehement denunciation of the Money Power, and boisterous determination that the Government should live sparingly, and hitch its inauguration

horse, as it were, to the plank fence, after the manner of Thomas Jefferson.

Well, we have now had two years of Bryan-Wilson-Democratic performance, and we may look around ourselves, in the effort to find where we are "at."

First, let us refresh our memories about the Baltimore platform, which Bryan and Wilson vowed to keep sacred.

It pledged the Democratic party to limit the taxes to the actual necessities of the Government, "honestly and economically administered."

It did not hint that Wilson would demand \$35,000,000 of the people's money to build an Alaskan railroad for J. P. Morgan, John D. Rockefeller and the Guggenheim brothers.

The platform says that the tariff system is one that "makes the rich richer, and the poor poorer, and that under its operations, the farmer and the laboring man are the chief sufferers."

It contained no intimation that this tariff system would be allowed to stand in all of its enormity, and with the added burden of the free admission of raw material for the manufacturer and of competition from abroad thrown mainly against our farmers.

As to "the laboring man," he is left right where the Democrats found him, oppressed by the tariff and ground to powder by the unrestricted immigration which gives to the manufacturer, mine-owner, and corporations generally, unlimited fresh supplies of European "pauper labor."

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How long will the slanderous campaign against the State of Georgia continue?

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BUT WE COULDN'T LOSE A FRIEND LIKE THIS, SO HE STILL GETS THE JEFF.

Dear Sir: The fact that I have been with you all through the life of the People's Party paper, and the New York Magazine, and the Jeffs up to now intensifies the regret of having to be without them.

But old friend, the wave of Democratic prosperity the big dailies keep telling us about has so completely and everlastingly engulfed us that we can't get on our feet or grab anything in the floating ruin. Since we

the local Farmers' Union bull, or boar; while neighbor Brown has been won over by the Union's efforts for better markets. The community spirit runs no farther with some men than its possible for the community to contribute to their immediate material welfare.

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Your friend,
Ga. C. H. KITTRELL.

oes, with Mr. Watson on the ticket will have more brains in its stomach than it ever had in its head."

In the evening after the convention adjourned, I met Cyclone Davis of Texas at the Grand Restaurant. I asked him what would be the outcome of the nominations made at the convention. He said that Mr. Sewell would be taken off and that it would be Bryan and Watson, and all the powers that be could not defeat them. I asked him what assurance he had that Mr. Sewell would be taken off. He answered that he had all the assurance that was needed, and that he was satisfied that it would be done. I frequently saw William Joel Stone in the convention and from what I could learn the Democrats had agreed to put Mr. Sewell off. In fact, I am satisfied that if some promise had not been understood, that convention would never have nominated Mr. Bryan. I am convinced that if chairman Marion Butler had demanded the taking off of Mr. Sewell, it would have been done. I always believed that he had a selfish motive in not making such a demand. I am also sure that if Mr. Bryan had recognized Mr. Watson, and the two committees had treated him with the consideration due him, the ticket would have won despite this vice presidential mix-up. As I remember it would have taken only a gain of 20,000 divided as needed in four States, Indiana, Kentucky, California, and Washington.