

come tax, why not give them a choice to vote on an amendment providing for the election of United States senators by popular vote. In your speech of acceptance, you said you were personally inclined to favor such a change in the constitution. Would this not be an opportune time to present the subject to congress?

"Two constitutional amendments, one authorizing an income tax and the other providing for the popular election of senators, would make your administration memorable and I pledge you whatever assistance I can render in securing the ratification of these amendments. With great respect, I am,

"Yours truly,

"W. J. BRYAN."

But does Taft want or need Bryan's support?

BOUNTIFUL HARVEST PROMISED

If the government crop estimate for July is anywhere near the truth there will be far more than enough food for man and beast in the United States, and with the ever-progressing business prosperity there is no doubt that practically all the humans will have enough money to pay for their necessities.

The estimate for wheat is 700,000,000 bushels, which is 30,000,000 more than last year.

Of corn there is promised 3,120,000,000 or 460,000,000 more than last year.

Oats, 220,000,000 bushels more than last year, and 70,000,000 tons of hay, which is more than 7,000,000 tons greater than ever was known before.

The general rains of the hay-producing season are responsible for this enormous and unprecedented yield of the hay crop.

It will be a great winter for the horses, cattle and sheep, and the most hoggish of hogs, in view of the prodigious corn crop, will get all that is coming to him.

All this means prosperity to the farmer; it means that the farmer will spend more money than usual; it means tremendous freights for the railroads, and should in all conscience mean bread for the workingman at least at the old normal prices.

Such a boom in crops, and an increasing boom in all branches of industry and business, should infallibly ensure a prosperous year for everybody.

Let it be a year of confidence, hopefulness and happiness!

If not, then chautauqua today.

Peaches—no, the other kind—will soon be ripe.

It isn't late, even now, to get the chautauqua habit.

case balance of nearly \$12,000,000, and he also knows where he can get more if he really needs it.

It is claimed the new "petrol butter," which the Standard Oil company is planning to manufacture from crude petroleum, lasts longer than ordinary butter. It is not so certain, however, that this is a point of recommendation. The same things would doubtless be true of wagon grease.

Obituary

Jesse Triestram.

Jesse Triestram, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Triestram, Boerman court, died late Saturday night of typhoid fever. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the late home. Rev. Trost will officiate.

Edward Longjohn.

Edward Longjohn, son of Peter Longjohn, died Sunday evening at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dozeman, 522 Bosker avenue, after a brief illness from cholera infantum, aged three years and eleven months. The funeral will be held from the home Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. *Died July 18, 1909*

Charles Miller.

Charles Miller, a civil war veteran, died at his home, 1518 West North street, Sunday, at 6 p. m. He is survived by his wife and one son, Frederick L., who lives at home. Comrade Miller was a member of the Orcutt Post, G. A. R. The funeral will be held at G. A. R. hall this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Interment will take place at Riverside cemetery and will be in charge of Orcutt Post.

Mrs. Laura Schurr.

The funeral of Mrs. Laura Schurr, of Richland, who died late Saturday of tuberculosis will be held from the late home this morning. Rev. Scott will officiate. The deceased was 30 years old and besides a husband and young daughter is survived by a father, mother, two sisters, Mrs. Collins, Portage; Mrs. Elma McLane, Plainwell; also four brothers, Daniel Reniff, Jr., Denver, Colorado; Emmett, Plainwell; Lewis, Marshall; Leslie, Plainwell.

Nellie McMacken Dygert.

Nellie McMacken Dygert, aged 27, wife of Elmer Dygert, died at her home, 905 John street, Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, after an illness of about five months. Death was due to lung trouble. She was born in Climax and for the past seventeen years has been a resident of Kalamazoo. She leaves besides her husband and mother, Mrs. W. M. Cole, one brother, Ira McMacken. Funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home. Burial at Riverside cemetery.

Mrs. Mary Hoskins.

Mrs. Mary Hoskins, a pioneer of Kalamazoo and native of Ireland, died late Sunday night at her home on Kalamazoo avenue. She was 65 years old and had lived in the city

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sonal liberty is not found any in the law of the United States some people don't have brains to see the difference between the

Can't Be Bottled.

"Suppose some Yankee should invent a machine whereby we bottle up all the tuberculosis. All that it would take to stamp the disease then would be ten added to the United States population. Would the government to all the undertakers, the coffin makers and the tomb trust if they protested against it urged that the bottles be uncorked and the microbes let out and trolled by regulating them?"

"There is another great scourge sweeping over the country today that is the red plague. This scourge takes away more than 1000 men and women every year not only puts them into a drunkard's hell but into a drunkard's hell have learned from the scientist drunkenness is a disease and we also scientifically learned the only kind of drunkenness is abstinence.

Raps Local Option.

"But here we have the germs all bottled up in the bottle, in kegs and jugs, and the question of letting the germ is put up the statesmen immitate 'conservative' and say 'Her can't put all these saloon men business; we will uncork the and regulate the germs by local option.' And, by the way, I think best definition of a conservative statesman is one who has his backbone and coined his religion up into a re-election.

"We are not fighting the germs we are fighting the liquor traffic your saloonkeepers have a certificate of good character from the city council, and what on earth a man a certificate of good character to sell whisky with is beyond comprehension. Why don't the goods merchant and other store owners need a certificate of good character? I am sure there is not one of them that would not like to a guarantee of his virtue. It is nois 10 per cent of disease was to alcoholism. It has been de scientifically a poison and the way to stamp alcohol out is to fight against it. If it is not a stimulant and not good for medicinal purposes, 400 physicians in Germany refusing to prescribe it should we not quarantine against it? We have had the question put before us for forty years and it has not made good and now we are fighting it out from the standpoint of disease.

Hits Them Both.

"The whisky trust has done damage and caused more debate in politics than all the rest of the trusts put together. It is the great trust that the two great busters have never tried to shied when they ran up against the whisky trust.

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