

# The Great Northern Indiana Fair Was a Success Throughout.

Well, talk about your fairs, the Great Northern is IT. The success of this year's fair has surpassed even the fondest hopes of everyone concerned. The last four days were holidays for the citizens of Decatur and Adams county and they were thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the time. This has been the greatest week Decatur ever saw and we acknowledge our thanks to the fair association.

Thursday's crowd reached 20,000 people and this number is not padded in the least. Those who visited the ground Thursday saw a mass of people that surprised them. Every where one went, he was soon engulfed in a vast crowd. The admissions were over 16,000, besides the season, exhibitors and pass tickets, the attendance equaling the attendance of the entire week last year. Today the crowd is likewise large and will be at least a third of yesterday's making a total attendance for the week of 35,000 people. The Decatur city band is furnishing the music and are receiving praises from everyone. This organization is a good one and deserves the support of our citizens.

The races were easily the most exciting and interesting ever seen here and old horsemen say were the best seen in this part of the country this year. Today will be equally good, including a 2:35 trot, purse \$250, with six starters; a 2:15 pace, purse \$350, with eight starters and a mile running race, best in two, purse \$150, with five starters. The summary for the day's races was as follows: Three-year-old trot or pace Tommy D. b., s., William Durbin, Kenton, Ohio 1 3 3 2 1 Steven Dillard, b. s., J. M. Stevens, Fort Wayne 2 2 1 2 Nellie S. b. m., William McGath, Montpelier 2 1 4 4 4 Hal Durbin, b. b. g., William Durbin, Kenton, Ohio, 4 4 1 3 Best time—2:27.14 2:18 trot Honey moon, b. m., James Phillips, Lima, Ohio 1 2 1 1 Nero b. m., Mrs. F. Martin King Agrippa, s. g., Tom Dillinger, Portland Wayne Chief, b. s., Fred Tapp, Ft. Wayne Baradian, b. s. J. M. Stevens, Ft. Wayne, Clay Time—2:19 1 4 2:20 pace, purse \$300: Deaware Boy, George Philips, Red Key Bessie M. b. m. J. H. Sullivan, Van Buren Virgil C. b. g., Clark & Miller, Decatur, Miss Nera, b. m., Bogash, Ft. Wayne, Algore, c. m. Tom Pyron, Butler, Best time—2:20 1 4

Rain slightly spoiled the last afternoon of the Great Northern fair, but everyone is thankful that the damp weather was postponed as long as it was, and the fair of 1904 is spoken of as the first financial success the association has yet enjoyed. Just how much money was made cannot be ascertained as there are of course some unpaid bills and premiums. As soon as possible, however, the business will be disposed of and statements made. It is safe to say however that whatever the association have profited will be put back into the treasury and used to make next year's show better than ever. The attendance Friday equalled that of Wednesday, about 3500 paid admissions. The total attendance of the week was easily 30,000 and the management are highly pleased. The awarding of premiums was conducted in a fair and impartial manner and every exhibitor was satisfied. A meeting will be held in a few days and arrangements for the future of the association at least partially made. It was a great week for the county and this city, and it is estimated that at least 10,000 people from other counties visited the fair. The rain yesterday afternoon checked business as the stand men on the grounds and they soon bussed themselves in preparations for leaving. They have all gone, and the grounds looked desolate this morning. The shows, merry-go-round, crack

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Which kind of government will the people choose?

—New York American.

## THE COST OF LIVING

What an Intelligent Laboringman Has Learned In the Hard School of Experience.

ets, are originally responsible for all this. Now isn't it about time that the voters should take an account of these conditions?—Columbus Daily Herald.

**Roosevelt's South American Policy.**

In the letter by President Roosevelt to Secretary Root and intended to be read at the Cuban anniversary dinner on May 2, was this remarkable language:

"If a nation shows that it knows how to act with decency in industrial and political matters, if it keeps order and pays its obligations, then it need fear no interference from the United States."

Joseph R. Pulitzer, taking advantage of the president's declaration that he stands on his "record," takes up the South American states, shows that they are continually at war and that they are overwhelmingly in debt. Then he comments on the showing as follows:

"Thus you propose to make us responsible for foreign debts aggregating \$1,386,417,249—more by 50 per cent than the present bonded national debt of the United States—and this not counting \$419,984,658 of domestic debts, billions of paper money and hundreds of millions due to foreign citizens and corporations for subsidies, damages and other claims. You propose to have us keep order among nearly 60,000,000 people of mixed Spanish, Portuguese, Indian and negro blood, divided among twenty sham republics which have had at least 300 revolutions in eighty years. Incidentally you take the chances of embroiling us with several European powers in the Caribbean and other islands. No wonder you want a great army and navy. If the people endorse your policy we shall need them."

### Will Support Parker.

A. B. See, a prominent elevator man of New York, simply expressed out loud the sentiments of many other Republicans who are saying nothing but doing a lot of hard thinking, when he said: "I never voted a Democratic before, but this year the business interests of the country demand the defeat of Roosevelt. While no one questions his personal integrity, still he is unfortunate in the possession of a rough-riding nature. He is impetuous and explosive, and is regarded by the best interests in the country as unsafe. If elected president by a vote of confidence, he is not the man to have supreme power at his command."

"In that event what can a man situated as I am look forward to? I have not been able to save anything aside from my home for the infirmities of old age. I am to become a burden upon my children. They must become the wage-earners and take my place in the endless chain of hard work, self-denial, frugality, in order to supply, as we call it, a 'living.' It is neither a cheerful nor a hopeful outlook."

### A DANGEROUS SENTIMENT.

Probably the most dangerous sentiment to the peace of this country that President Roosevelt has ever expressed was in the declaration in respect to the South American states. He declares that "if a nation shows that it knows how to act with decency in industrial and political matters, if it keeps order and pays its obligations, then it need fear no interference from the United States." Commenting on this sentiment, the Indianapolis News says:

"This is, of course a plain threat of intervention at any time in the affairs of any American nation that does not govern itself as we think it should do. It is to adopt the European theory that as we forbid control of South America by European powers, we must be responsible for the conduct of the nations which we protect. And this is a new doctrine—one that no American statesman, as far as we know, has ever held."

Not only do we have to pay more to run the government than we used to have to pay, but we have to pay more for our living. We pay more for clothing, for drygoods, for meat, for flour, for everything we have to eat, drink, wear, or to furnish our homes. The trusts cause these conditions. The high tariff causes the trusts. The Republican administrations gave us the high tariff. The Republican voters, or those who voted the Republicans tick-

### Jewett a Democrat.

Charles A. Jewett, former speaker of the house of representatives, who left the Democratic party in 1896, has declared for Parker and Davis. In an interview he said:

"Parker and Davis are Democrats, and were nominated by a Democratic convention, and it would be very queer if I did not support them. Of course I shall vote that ticket. The man who does not is not a Democrat, and I have been one ever since I cast my first vote for Tilden. And it's the same way with the state ticket. It's a first-class one, and is headed by the leading Democrat of the state. From top to bottom it is composed of good men, most of whom are my personal friends, and three from my district."

Under the whip and spur of public opinion that the trusts needed curbing, the 57th congress appropriated \$500,000 for the department of justice to use for that purpose. Nearly two years have elapsed since that appropriation was made and less than \$30,000 has been expended. The money spent was used by Attorney General Knox in having some other lawyers, who are notoriously not trust busters, to fight the trusts. Of course under those circumstances no trust has been disturbed since the appropriation was made. Mr. Knox, just before the corporation elected him for United States senator of that state, said there was no intention by the administration of 'running amuck' against the trusts. Attorney General Moody, who succeeded Knox, seems to be running in the same rut, and the trusts are more oppressive than before congress appropriated the money to fight them. It may be said that President Roosevelt complacently approves this do-nothing policy.

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