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"T.-T.-T." is now the slogan of the third term party—Third Term Theodore.

And now Theodore says he is for the recall of presidents. More bait for suckers.

The republican party has not changed since last June when Teddy tried his best to get favors from it.

If people think before they vote, the republican ticket will win and prosperity will be continued. If they get carried away by mooses and mules they will bring on hard times.

One of the numerous generals in Mexico says that if the United States interferes in any way he will kill every American in Mexico. A company or two of real American soldiers should be sent down there and chase the generals and the few privates off the earth.

Prof. Wilson denies saying that pensions for old soldiers had become a "public folly." We don't blame him. He certainly has a lot of things to deny—statements made before he ever thought of being a candidate for presidential honors. But if anyone wants to they can find the statement on page 227 of "Division and Reunion," by Mr. Wilson.

This man Mills, who has been making alleged speeches in this part of the state, is a third term party man with socialistic theories. He inferred that the third party policy would be to let the trusts get big and fat and then at a signal from Third Term Theodore to stick a knife in them, and each make a rush and get all they can. Debs isn't in it any more.

The movement on foot in Chicago and Illinois to establish "vocational schools," or rather vocational classes in all high schools is an excellent

idea. The average of the pupils who go into high school at present and graduate is not one-tenth. They have to leave to go to work, and have nothing especial in view. The vocational training would give the nine-tenths a chance to become useful citizens when they leave school.

The republican national committee seems to have wakened up a little and fired some of the weak-kneed committeemen. That is a good plan. This is no year for trimmers. Every voter should be for someone. If he casts a vote for Roosevelt he would be more honest with himself if he voted direct for Prof. Wilson, for that's what it means. If he is satisfied with the present conditions he should vote the republican ticket straight and run no risk. There is nothing bad about the man running for president, but every man should consider carefully the conditions and run no risk in changing policies. Times are good. Let's keep them that way.

If there is any humiliating spectacle about contemporary American politics, it is furnished by Hiram W. Johnson and his intemperate speech. Unhappily, the shame belongs to California alone among the states. It is a public scandal that this ribald politician should be suffered to put shame on a great commonwealth by peddling disreputable and unpatriotic slander. Here in California we have come to know Johnson, and he might be permitted to reduce himself to absurdity and contempt by his notorious habits of speech, but when he travels the country over in his character as the official head of the state he drags the name of California through the mud.—San Francisco Call.

The Illinois State Fair this year will be held October 4-12, inclusive. Advice from Springfield indicate that it will be better and more extensive than ever before, and will maintain its proud boast of being "The Greatest Fair on Earth." The entries of agricultural products and live stock and poultry and farm implements and vehicles far exceeds the limits of the fair grounds. Nearly \$100,000 in cash premiums and purses are offered this year, a substantial increase over 1911. Thirty thousand dollars of this is hung up for speed ring purses. A daily aviation meet of three aeroplanes and a balloon, mule and pony races daily, a Cuban lady slides down a plane in an auto and turns three somersaults every day, a beautiful Shetland pony triple team and a trick pony every day, and the bands are consolidated in a grand concert every forenoon.

Is Standard Oil money one whit worse than Harvester trust money gained by a species of slavery in its twine mills? How can the Colonel square his professions of a passionate devotion to the cause of social justice with acceptance of money obtained through the exploitation of those poor girl and women workers in the Auburn mill, and doubtless in the other mills of the trust? The "conversion" of Perkins to the cause of industrial welfare does not take the taint off money from such a mill as that one. The conditions in it show exactly how much he is actually doing in a practical way to make the world a better one for his children to live in. The Colonel should lose no time in writing a letter forbidding the use of Harvester trust money in his campaign of 1912.—New York Tribune.

Prof. Wilson said the other day in Minneapolis: "I want to pay my tribute of personal respect to the president of the United States. I don't believe that any man who knows the facts can question the integrity or purpose of Mr. Taft." Roosevelt referred to Taft in a speech two years ago at the republican state convention in New York as "our able, upright and distinguished President, William Howard Taft." Now Roosevelt is abusing Taft in his speeches and even stooping to billingsgate, while Mr. Wilson sees Mr. Taft as he is. Everyone knows that if Mr. Taft had given away to Theodore and let him have the republican nomination he couldn't say too nice things about Taft. Theodore has bolted the party which made him all he ever was, and which was good enough until he was refused the nomination of the party last June.

### JUST LIKE LINCOLN.

It is generally known that Hon. John Maynard Harlan, of Chicago, son of Chief Justice Harlan, and Congressman Adam Bede, of Minnesota, are on the trail of Col. Roosevelt, and are speaking to big audiences. Following is a report at their meeting at Albuquerque, N. M.:

"The fight is on. Get off the fence. Be a man or a moose." With this exhortation former Congressman J. Adam Bede, of Minnesota, traveling in the wake of Theodore Roosevelt, helped to open the Republican fight in New Mexico. With John Maynard Harlan, of Chicago, he addressed a most enthusiastic audience.

Mr. Bede denounced the "cowards," who are afraid to get into the fight, and told his hearers that with the Roosevelt sentiment waning throughout the West the Taft forces were marching on to victory. Then he ridiculed Roosevelt's own comparisons of

himself with Lincoln. Mr. Harlan picked to pieces the Roosevelt pretensions and his hearers applauded vigorously.

**TEDDY HIS OWN DISCOVERER.**  
"The close resemblance," said Mr. Bede, "between Colonel Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln was not noticed till the Colonel discovered it along with the ten commandments. Then it was recalled that he scolded General Miles in public, making a disgraceful scene at the White House, which was so much like the thoughtful and considerate Lincoln."

"Again, upon the death of Senator Proctor, of Vermont, with whom Roosevelt had had some differences, when he was asked if he was sorry he replied that he was sorry it was not Senator Hale. This sounds very much like Lincoln."

"In his book on 'The Rough Riders' he boasts of shooting a Spaniard in the back. How Lincoln would have gloated over so brave a deed."

"On his trip down the Mississippi river with the water way commission he had a pilot peremptorily dismissed from service without a hearing and for no cause whatever. Lincoln always dismissed pilots in that way."

"Because a government employe passed his carriage in an auto on the streets of Washington he amended the civil service rules so that a department chief could dismiss a clerk without a hearing, and forced this clerk's dismissal under a rule that did not exist when the act was committed. Lincoln did something like that almost every morning."

"When a school girl on horseback passed his riding party he struck her horse an angry blow with his riding whip, frightening the animal and almost throwing the girl to the ground. Lincoln always had just such a lordly grouch as that."

"The closest resemblance, however, was shown when Mr. Roosevelt, while President, in an article published everywhere over his signature, charged corruption upon General Tyner, who was Postmaster General under Grant, but at that time was a subordinate in the Postoffice Department. At the President's behest he was indicted in the District of Columbia. The trial dragged along two or three weeks, and I frequently saw him, feeble and more than 80 years of age, in an invalid chair wheeling himself into the courtroom. But he was acquitted and as a free man went to his home to die."

"From his deathbed he wrote a last appeal to the President to withdraw what he had said and let him die without a stain on his name or a disgrace upon his family. But Roosevelt let him die without an answer and the letter is still unanswered. That is

just like Lincoln, of whom it might truthfully be said that he came to preach the gospel to the poor and to heal the broken hearted."

"Roosevelt says he desires to answer all questions," declared Mr. Harlan. "But that is just another bit of his posing. Time and again I have asked him and others have asked him, whether he could reconcile his multitude of unmeritorious and fraudulent contests for delegate seats in the Republican convention with the 'square deal' about which he prates so constantly."

"Instead of answering the question, he dodges and cries, 'stop thief,' and he expects by the mere noise of his cry to divert our attention from his attempt to steal delegate seats which he knew belonged to Mr. Taft."

"The other day at Le Grande, Ore., when an old soldier asked him to explain about George W. Perkins, the Harvester trust and that \$100,000 Standard Oil contribution, Roosevelt yelled to him, 'Shut up,' and when the man replied that he was an old soldier and had fought for his country, Roosevelt shouted, 'I know what you are, you are one of those Socialists; they are always butting in and bothering me with such questions,' and then he had the veteran put out by policemen."

**ASKS ABOUT HARVESTER TRUST.**  
"No wonder Roosevelt did not wish to explain about Perkins. How could he hope to satisfy the old soldier who he had acted with conscientious and patriotic motives? How could he when he abandoned the Harvester trust prosecutions at the demand of Perkins, who had previously given \$50,000 to his campaign fund, and against the judgment of Attorney General Bonaparte, although in compliance with the recommendation of the commissioner of corporations, who in his report to President Roosevelt recommended abandonment of the suit and said that it would be injurious to the great interests which have always been so friendly to us? And how could Roosevelt hope to persuade the old soldier that he was ignorant of the \$100,000 Standard Oil contribution, when his own letters and telegrams to Cortelyou and his own conduct at the time, now reluctantly disclosed by himself, showed that he knew all about it?"

### THAT REMINDS US—

That a rather funny and interesting letter was received about an electric light bill a short time ago. The lady wrote in substance that the bill was past due but felt sure she would be forgiven when she informed the electric people that the payment of

the bill was delayed on account of an increase in her family. She, however, guaranteed that it (the delayed payment) would not occur again.

That two school children were afraid they'd be late to school and one of them suggested that they kneel and pray that they not be late. The other one said: "Oh, no, let's hike to school and pray while we hike." A pretty sensible plan.

That there are those who are afraid that "two loads of hay will meet on the new 18-foot paving next year, and block traffic." That may be another excuse for the men to get home late.

That the fellow who has to pay for paving and hasn't got an auto, has the unique privilege of sitting on the fence and seeing them go by—providing he has a fence. If not, there will be no special objection to his sitting on the lawn—if he has one. If not, he can look out the front window—if he has one.

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