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In this same speech Mr. Bryan states that the next democratic platform will be largely shaped by the action of the next congress. From these statements we think the conclusion is inevitable that he was not, as a great many of the newspapers seem to think, announcing a new issue for the party, but was merely expressing his views of what might be made necessary and which all reasonable men admit will be necessary, if railroad rate legislation fails to bring relief to the public and correct the great abuses which the railroad trust has created. Mr. Bryan bases his argument squarely on the contingency "that public ownership is necessary where competition is impossible." From this it necessarily follows that if the monopoly which destroys competition among railroads can be destroyed by railroad legislation and the basis of true competition restored, unlawful discrimination prevented and the rail-

road companies taken out of politics, then no "competition destroying monopoly existing," there would be no necessity for public ownership and under such circumstances Bryan would not favor it. But, if on the contrary the railroad rate bill should prove inefficient and through the corrupting influence of the railroad trust other legislation which would bring about the much desired remedy to the people should be prevented and the railroads should continue to destroy competition, levy extortionate rates, practice unjust discrimination, debauch the politics of the nation, corrupt the courts, place a dollar mark on public service, control by corrupt means city councils, legislatures and congresses and prevent the enforcement of law, thus presenting, as every one must admit under such conditions, the great question which Mr. Bryan must have had in mind when he proposed this radical remedy—namely, whether the railroads should control the government, or the government own the railroads; then the Globe stands with Mr. Bryan in favor of government ownership of railroads as the ultimate and final remedy if such a condition arises.—Joplin (Mo.) Globe.

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