

NEBRASKA'S POSITION ON THE LIQUOR QUESTION

During his present tour, Mr. Bryan, in speaking of Nebraska's position on the liquor question, repeated what he has said on several occasions, namely, that in the matter of liquor legislation Nebraska stood in the front rank 26 years ago, but that today other states have gone forward while she has stood still, thus leaving her now in the rear rank on this subject.

He then called attention to a recent editorial in the World-Herald which left out the reference to liquor legislation and charged Mr. Bryan with reflecting on the state generally.

Mr. Bryan said:

"You need not be surprised at anything you see in the World-Herald about me. It's owner, Senator Hitchcock, and his editor, Mr. Newbranch, have deliberately misrepresented me ever since I learned of and exposed, the effort of the liquor interests to control democratic nominations for the state senate with a view to controlling that body.

"The only interest Mr. Hitchcock manifested when I informed him of what I had learned was to ask, 'Haven't they been doing that all the time?' Mr. Newbranch even warned me against the men representing the liquor interests. He asked, 'Do you know that they will resort to anything, even physical violence?'

"Mr. Hitchcock knew of their political methods and Mr. Newbranch knew of their criminal methods and yet these men are using this so-called democratic paper to misrepresent and abuse any democrat who refuses to worship a beerkeg and accept his opinions ready made from the brewers and distillers. And the democrats of Nebraska are asked to renominate Senator Hitchcock and to accept the advice of Mr. Newbranch."

AMEND THE PRIMARY LAW

The present primary, perfect as it is in principle, gives the city voters an advantage over the country voters. The voters in the city are near to the polling place and can vote without inconvenience or loss of time, regardless of weather. Not so with voters in the country; they have to travel long distances which, in the busy season, means a considerable pecuniary loss, and in bad weather it may be very difficult to get to the polling place.

Why not put the voters in the country upon an equal footing with the voters in the cities by collecting the ballots as we distribute mail? If the government can afford to carry a postal card out to the farmer's house it ought to be able to collect the VOTE, the basis of popular rule. If it can afford to deliver mail every day it ought to be able to collect the votes at primary and general elections. Until this or some other amendment is secured, the farmers must take the time and put up with the inconvenience, or suffer the consequences. This is especially true at the coming primary when the dry votes of the country are necessary to overcome the wet votes in the cities. DON'T FAIL TO VOTE.

W. J. BRYAN.

MULLEN'S FORMER FRIENDSHIP

Mr. Arthur Mullen is fortifying his appeal to democratic voters by referring to former support of me. He was once a friend, and is now unfriendly, but I do not know when the change took place, or why. I can not even say whether it took place before the election in 1908 or afterwards, I do not know whether it was when he became attorney for the Harvester trust or before or after; or when the liquor issue arose. All that I know is that for reasons which I have never learned he changed from friend to foe. It is not fair that he should claim credit for former support unless he explains the cause that has changed an enthusiastic supporter into an implacable enemy.

W. J. BRYAN.

WHO'LL BLOW FIRST?

A farmer once prepared to blow some powder down a horse's throat. He got the tube all ready, but the horse coughed and the farmer took the powder himself.

So with the saloon element: if one party expels them they will go to the other party, and neither party has room for any more bad men than it now has. The democratic party should blow first and rid itself of this sordid mercenary element.

The democratic voters will prefer Dunn to Hitchcock where they know both. If they only know Hitchcock, they will still prefer Dunn.

MAYOR CHARLES W. BRYAN

Democratic Candidate for Governor of Nebraska—
Primaries April 18



A CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM

Mayor Bryan favors re-election of President Wilson.

Indorses business administration of Governor Morehead.

Mayor Bryan favors the reduction of telephone rates to a reasonable basis.

He prevented the fire insurance combine from putting through the last legislature a bill that would have robbed the people of the state of upwards of a million dollars, and he is now warning the people against electing insurance men to the legislature.

He favors a uniform system of scientific good roads building under the direction of the state and county engineers by use of all public labor possible.

He favors rural credit legislation that will enable the farmers to secure cheaper money to protect their crops against a low market.

He favors state hail insurance to protect the farmers against loss of crops and impositions by unreliable companies.

He favors the use of the flood waters of the Platte river to supplement the rainfall in the semi-arid counties in western Nebraska.

He favors legislation that will permit the farmers to vote by mail at primary and general elections with ballots distributed by rural mail carriers.

He favors giving to Omaha the right to construct and operate a municipal light plant the same as Lincoln has, and it would save the users of electric light and power one quarter million dollars annually.

Mayor Bryan favors the development of the water power of the state by municipal, county, district or state development so that cheap electric current may be furnished to light the homes in the towns and on the farms, and in the factory, to furnish heat in place of high priced coal and to operate interurban railways throughout Nebraska.

Mayor Bryan is not an experimental reformer. The progressive measures he is advocating are practical and in the interest of the entire people of the state.

These practical constructive measures are in operation in other parts of the country. Why not give them to Nebraska people?

Mayor Bryan is a successful business man,

and is also a successful farmer, owning and operating a one-hundred and sixty acre stock farm near Lincoln.

His executive and constructive ability have been demonstrated as mayor in Lincoln.

The "special interests" of the entire state are opposing his candidacy on account of his practical and successful fights to protect the people's interests.

Advertise Nebraska by giving her people legislation that will protect them from the greed of the special interests and permit the people to develop the natural resources of the state for their own benefit.

He has devoted the past twenty years of his life in an effort to secure progressive legislation for the public — municipal, state and national.

He has entered the gubernatorial contest to help the people to secure legislation which has been denied them on account of the special interests working together under the leadership of the organized booze interests to protect each other. Will you help eliminate them?

The fight Mayor Bryan is making is your fight. If you favor the measures he stands for, help him to secure them for you.

MAYOR CHARLES W. BRYAN HAS ACCOMPLISHED MANY GOOD THINGS FOR THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN

Led successful fight for commission form of government and thereby enabled Lincoln citizens to buy electric current from municipal light plant, saving in light and power bills about \$75,000 annually to the people.

Led successful fight against giving gas company fifty-nine year franchise, which also defeated compromise of refund due Lincoln people, saving to public \$100,000.

Led fight that defeated the so-called home rule charter, and preserved the right to the city of Lincoln to have municipal ownership of public utilities.

Required Lincoln Gas Company to reduce price of gas from \$1.20 to \$1.00 per thousand cubic feet, saving to gas consumers \$56,000 annually.

Successfully resisted a raise in street car rates to school children, saving to children about \$3,000 per year.

Secured from the express companies of Lincoln an extension of the free delivery zone to include practically the entire city.

Established a free legal aid department, which has settled one hundred and thirty-nine cases for wage-workers who were unable to employ an attorney.

Established a free municipal employment bureau to assist the laboring classes to find employment.

Led successful contest to vote \$50,000 bonds to extend city park to within walking distance of laboring people of the city.

Led successful contest to vote \$50,000 bonds to build garbage disposal plant to improve sanitary conditions in labor section of the city.

Many reforms and reorganizations in city government in the interest of efficiency and economy have been enacted under the leadership or upon recommendation of Mayor Bryan, as the files of Lincoln's daily newspapers will verify.

**Vote for Charles W. Bryan for Governor,
At the Primaries; a Friend of the Masses, who can
Lead a Successful Campaign for the Election of the
Democratic County, State and National Tickets in
Nebraska This Year.**