HEAR BOTH SIDES.

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for six weeks under the startling headlines:

MR. BURROWS ENDORSES
Mr. W. C. Holden and Liberty.

And these same issues were literally filled with the vilest and most abusive tirades ever published in Nebraska.

Let me clip a few lines from these issues just to show their character. These lines are from his attacks on Thornton, Wolfe, Pirtle, Blake, Kem, Dech, Greene, and the balance of "the gang:"

"S. Edwin Thornton; the arch-traitor and Benedict Arnold."

"Mr. J. V. Wolfe, the patriot (?) and self-sacrificing (?) office seeker."

"Van Wyck's Henchman, Blake."

"J. A. Edgerton, the dead-beat."

"Crew of conspirators."

"Railroads and banks interested in the Alliance Publishing Company"

"Pirtle, a suppliant, crawling and wriggling his snaky length along."

"Pass Boodlers, Pirtle, Thornton Dech and company."

(Speaking of Kem) "What a glorious reformer. Old party methods hide their heads for very shame when your name is mentioned."

"Pirate crew of politicians."

"Desperate political free booters."

"S. Edwin Thornton is in his (Jay Gould's) employ as editor of the Missouri Pacific Sun-shine and Alliance-Independent."

"Kem, the Custer county dwarf, can not and should not be re-elected."

(Referring to W. L. Greene) "The carrion crows have started out to obtain office, or wreck our party."

During the six weeks over fifty columns were filled with articles from which the above are sample phrases. And over it all rested like the blessing of a black angel: *"Jay Burrows endorses W. C. Holden and Liberty."*

Not only this, but Burrows himself was a regular contributor to Liberty during those weeks. He not only kept an article on Van Wyck standing, but he wrote two letters one dated June 29, in which he assailed I. D. Chamberlain as a railroad tool; and one dated July 8, in which he assumed to speak for John H. Powers saying he "would not be a candidate for second place."

Besides all this, Holden had sprinkled all over every issue the following:

"Read J. Burrows on Van Wyck on an inside page of this paper"

Worse yet, Holden had a six column supplement struck off with Burrows' letters and some of his own matter, and thousands of these were scattered over the state. Each bore the following interesting legend in bold faced type:

Any persons wishing copies of this supplement please address J. Burrows, Lincoln, Nebraska.

And now I approach a phase of this matter to which I have never adverted. Holden, according to his positive claims, was circulating about 50,000 copies per week. This in six weeks would make 300,000, saying nothing of the thousands of supplements sent out by Burrows. These papers were scattered broadcast over the state. Thousands of them were sent to republican postmasters who distributed them. Thousands more were scattered on the streets of Lincoln, Omaha, Kearney and other cities. All this cost money. Holden was not getting any legitimate income to speak of. I doubt if he received during those six weeks $100 from subscriptions and advertising. Figuring these 300,000 copies at the low price of half a cent a copy they cost $1,500. Who put up that money?

At the time, I heard it whispered that Burrows was putting up the money, but most people have always believed that the corporations of the state were putting up the money. I have some very good evidence on this point which I reserve for future use.

Now I want to put the question to Jay Burrows, and I put it in the name of every honest independent in Nebraska:

Who paid the expense of issuing and scattering 300,000 copies of Burrows' letter of endorsement, and assaults on Van Wyck?

I believe, and the honest people of this state believe, that but one of two answers can be truthfully given: Either Burrows paid the expense himself, or the corporations paid it. He can take his choice.

Burrows and Holden were confidential companions during the summer and fall of last year. They talked and worked together. Burrows was a frequent visitor at Holden's office. I myself saw them together in the state library working like brothers over the congressional record, digging up ammunition to fire at the head of the people's ticket. They were boon companions and allies, in as villainous a piece of treachery as was ever concocted.

Fifth.

In this paragraph Burrows proves himself guilty of being in full sympathy with Holden's assaults on me. If he wants to father Holden's slanders, he is welcome to all the glory he can get out of it.

Sixth.

I think for unadulterated hypocrisy, I have never seen anything equal to the claim set up in the sixth paragraph of Burrows' statement. He says:

When Holden came here and began his attack on Thornton, I saw that injury to the independent party would result, and I intervened as a peacemaker.

Mr. Burrows would have the people believe that he intervened as a peacemaker out of pure and unselfish love for the independent party. What were the facts? He did come to me and beg me not to pay any attention to Holden's attacks. This was just a few days before he entered into the deal to buy a half interest in Liberty. At the time he talked to me, he had "fully determined to become associated with Holden" according to his own admission. His object in "intervening as a peace-maker" was most selfish and base. He and Holden at that very time had their plans laid to join hands in the villanious work which they afterwards attempted to carry out. No wonder he wanted to shield the "notorious boodler" from exposure!

Seventh.

And now we come to the most astonishing statement of all:

"I do not have to either approve or disapprove of the course of Mr. Holden since the above letter was written."

And this is Burrows, the bold aggressive writer the fearless exposer of of traitors! And as such he is appealing to the people for renewal of support and confidence!

I do not believe there are a hundred independents in Nebraska who will hesitate to pronounce Holden an enemy to our cause. Yet Burrows in his appeal to these people for support utterly refuses even to "disapprove of his course."

I fancy the true and loyal independents of the state will reply about as follows: "Certainly Mr. Burrows, you don't have to either approve or disapprove of Holden; but we don't have to give you our confidence and support, and never will while you play the coward in this manner."

Do you remember the assaults which Burrows made on ex-Governor Butler? Do you remember how he hounded the old man to his death with the cry of "traitor?" Now I never took much stock in those charges. But admitting for the sake of argument, that every charge Burrows ever made against Butler was true, still Butler's record and character would be as snow to pitch compared with Holden's!

But we haven't reached the bottom of this matter yet. The depths of cowardice have not yet been fathomed. It is a fact that since the date of Senator Allen's election, Mr. Burrows has been very anxious to make the people believe that he does not approve of Holden's course. He went about the Lindell hotel and called members of the legislature and other independents into dark corners to tell them confidentially that he had found Holden out. He even called his former boon companion names that wouldn't look well in print, for while Burrows frequently "swears by all that's holy," he sometimes swears by things that are unholy. He chased around after the Lincoln correspondent for the reform papers of the state for three weeks trying to get him to tell the people in his letters that "Burrows was denouncing Holden." He even wrote out in his own hand-writing an interview denouncing Holden, and tried to get this correspondent to include it in his letters. By this means he hoped to "sneak" an advertisement into a lot of papers over the state. I am willing to give Mr. Burrows this advertisement and will not charge him anything for it.

Now we come to the interesting point. Why did Mr. Burrows do all this sneaking and dodging? Why didn't he come out openly in the columns of his Alliance Leader and denounce Holden? The answer is near at hand. Holden found out what Burrows was doing, and he came out in Liberty with a few savage remarks that scared the wits out of Burrows.

Burrows will not disapprove Holden's course in his columns because *he dare not. Holden knows too much.* Holden is the one man in Nebraska who knows the length, and breadth and depth of Burrows' damnable treachery during the past year, and he is not a man to be trifled with.

And now it seems to be all fixed up. Harmony and peace reigns between them. Holden takes two columns to publish Burrows' defence, including "private letters" from prominent Alliance men. And Burrows gives out as his ultimatum to the independents of the state:

I do not have to either approve or disapprove of Holden's course.

That Burrows has ever sincerely condemned Holden I do not believe. His sneaking confidential denunciations were made with a view to enlisting the sympathy of members of the legislature, but in this he signally failed.

Eighth.

The farther Mr. Burrows goes the farther he gets from the truth. His eighth paragraph is simply a barefaced falsehood and he knows it better than anybody else. The truth is that he knew about "that old matter brought up against Holden" a long while before Liberty was started. He evidently refers to Holden's sell-out to the Union Pacific. He talked about it with Mr. Pirtle a month before Liberty was started. He discussed it with Thompson long before he wrote that letter. Holden himself says that Burrows' denial on this point is absolutely false.

Burrows says: "It was something that occurred before I came to the state." Yet in his private letter to Holden he says: "I have known you for the past twelve years." One of these statements is false. Mr. Burrows can take his choice. That "old matter" occurred less than twelve years before that letter was written.

Ninth.

Who ever accused Mr. Burrows of having "any financial interest in Holden's paper?" I never heard of anybody making such an accusation. Yet he keeps denying it vigorously. He simply sets up a straw man and pounds it to make the people think he is brave.

No, Mr. Burrows, that denial is not "sufficiently broad;" neither is it sufficiently thick.

You have altogether forgotten one point. You have forgotten the darkest chapter of your villainy. You have said nothing of your effort to betray the *Farmers' Alliance* into Holden's hands. That occurred before any of these other things. It was more than a year ago, before you sold out to Mr. Pirtle. You secretly bargained with Holden to take your half interest in this paper for $2,500, and did all in your power to consummate the deal, and you would have succeeded had not some good independents gone to Mr. Thompson and earnestly besought him to save our movement from such a dire calamity. He vetoed your deal. You never intended that this should be known, but I know it and *I dare you to deny a word of it.*

Tenth.

Thompson and Rigby were the principal active agents in the attempt to wreck the ALLIANCE INDEPENDENT. I am well convinced, however, that Burrows and Holden were the arch-plotters. The facts already shown are sufficient to prove this. There is plenty of other evidence, but I will not dilate upon that point.

As to Mr. Burrows admiration, I care nothing whatever. I am not striving to win admiration but rather the confidence and friendship of honest men and women. If by loyalty and faithful service in our grand movement, I can do this, I am satisfied.

As to the closing sentence of paragraph 10, I cannot discuss it, but I ask the people to re-read it and consider it in the light of the facts I have given, and see how much of manhood its continued repetition shows.

Eleventh.

When Mr. Burrows asserts that this company watered its stock, he again shows how fully he sympathized in Holden's dastardly effort to ruin the reputation of the Alliance Publishing Company. There was never a cent's worth of watered stock issued by this company and Burrows knows it as well as I do. The price paid Burrows by Pirtle for his half interest was taken as a basis and the stock was issued on that valuation.

Further, I will leave it to any Independent reader in Nebraska if I have not during the past three years made as vigorous and persistent a fight against the railroads as any man in Nebraska. I have published ten times as much matter on this question as Burrows has published in the same time. I have never hedged nor halted for an instant, I have never ridden a mile on a free pass. And yet Burrows vents his spleen by asserting that this paper "gave up its principles for railroad transportation!"

Mr. Burrows knows very well the pusillanimous character of this charge, yet like the "whited sepulchers" of Christ's day he folds his hands and says "I have never lifted a finger to injure Thornton."

Twelfth.

In this paragraph Burrows makes a slanderous attack on our old friend Romine. He is one of the old-line green-backers who was in this work long before Burrows got out of the old party. Mr. Romine may have his faults. He may not be perfect. Who is? But I want to say that Burrows charges against him are a tissue of false-hoods. Romine has done a large amount of work for our cause, and his speeches have generally given good satisfaction. The most contemptible thing in this attack is the charge that Romine was discharged from his place in the senate for disreputable practices It is a slander set in motion by Senator Lowley, one of the rankest railroad tools in the state. The following document signed by seven independent senators will explain itself and show just how much reliance is to be placed in Burrows' statements:

March 13. 1893.

Whereas a report has been circulated over the state through the papers and in other ways to the effect that J. B. Romine was discharged from the senate for "neglect of duty and disreputable practices," therefore we the undersigned senators certify that the charge is false. Mr. Romine was discharged because it was cheaper for the state to buy a safe for the keeping of the records than to employ a custodian to take charge of them

Wm. DYSART.	L. W. YOUNG
J. H. DARNES.	W. A. SANDERS
W. M. GRAY.	GEO. N SMITH.

In Conclusion.

I have said only a tithe of what I might say on this subject. But I have surely said enough to prove all I set out to prove.

To regain the confidence of the people whom he has basely betrayed, Burrows sets up a tissue of falsehoods, slanders others, and plays the hypocrite in every sentence. True he has ability, (though much over-estimated) but intellectual ability without moral rectitude is a curse.

If our movement is to succeed, it must be through the leadership of men who love truth, and despise hypocrisy.

To reward treachery is to invite it in others.

To say we will forget the past is to ignore both wisdom and justice.

There is a price at which even harmony is too dear.

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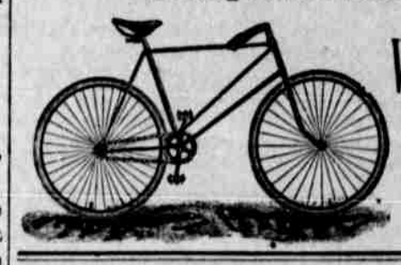

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