

Bryan on Roosevelt.

President Roosevelt's first message to congress contains much that can be commended by members of all parties.

His comparison between the granting of perpetual water rights to others than the users and the giving away of perpetual franchises to the public utilities of cities is just and timely.

The president's recommendations on the Chinese question are welcome; they will insure a prompt extension of the Chinese exclusion act.

The president has stated his position with clearness on the general subject of emigration and on the subject of civil service, and he pledges his administration to make the appointments in the army and navy depend upon merit and not upon personal, political or social influence.

In discussing the tariff question the president assumes what is not true, namely, that "there is general acquiescence in our present tariff system as a national policy."

The president follows the republican platform, and recommends the creation of a new cabinet position to be filled by a representative of the commercial and industrial interests.

does not specifically indorse the Nicaragua route, he will not permit the railroads to further delay the inauguration of this great enterprise.

The president makes no reference to the Boer war. Whether he has been so occupied with public affairs as not to have learned of the struggle going on in South Africa, whether, having learned of it, he considers it a matter of trivial importance; whether he sympathizes with the Boers, but is prevented by allegiance to his party from giving expression to that sympathy; or whether his sympathies are with England in her efforts to extend her empire, all these are left to conjecture.

Scant attention is given to the money question; less than three hundred words are used to set forth the president's position on a question, which the republican papers declared to be paramount in the last campaign.

The act of March 14, 1900, intended unequivocally to establish gold as the standard money and to maintain at a parity therewith all forms of money medium in use with us, has been shown to be timely and judicious.

The price of our government bonds in the world's market, when compared with the price of similar obligations issued by other nations, is a flattering tribute to our public credit.

In many respects the national banking law furnishes sufficient liberty for the proper exercise of the banking function, but there seems to be need of better safeguards against the deranging influence of commercial crises and financial panics.

Does this mean that the president does not favor the proposed measure making the silver dollar redeemable in gold, or does it mean that he is going to adopt the plan followed by the gold standard advocates in the past and prevent as far as possible the discussion of financial measures?

Does it mean that he does not favor them, or that he prefers to have them sprung upon congress and rushed through before the people have a chance to understand them? If measures are necessary to protect the people against the deranging influence of commercial crises and financial panics, why not present such measures for the consideration of the people? If the currency should be made "responsive to the demands of our domestic trade and commerce," why not outline a plan so that the public generally can examine and discuss it? Everybody reads the president's message, but comparatively few people know anything about the bills presented.

The two subjects specially emphasized in the president's message are the trust question and the Philippine situation.

A perusal of the president's utterances on the trust question will convince any unprejudiced reader that the president has heard from the trust magnates since he made his Minneapolis speech. His famous phrase in regard to the shackling of cunning is reproduced, but it is so diluted with warnings, cautions and fears, as to be scarcely recognizable.

The inference is natural—that the trust evil is not really serious, if industrial conditions are as favorable as the president asserts. He borrows the epithets of the trust magnates when he warns the country against "ignorant violence," against "the ignorant or reckless agitator," against "crude and ill-considered legislation," and against "appeals, especially to hatred and fear."

It is reached to be suspended a few years until the case is reached in the supreme court, and that will tide the party over another presidential election.

The fatal mistake made by the president is that he fails to recognize that a private monopoly is always, and under every circumstance, a menace to the public. There can be no sufficient or satisfactory regulation of a private monopoly.

On the subject of imperialism the president, without attempting to defend the principles involved, shields himself behind the force of circumstances. He assumes the patronizing air of the advocates of "destiny" and "duty" and insists that "our earnest effort is to help these people upward along the stony and difficult path that leads to self-government."

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JEROME JUNIOR PROPHECIES

"Chinky" Says Papa Is Going to Surprise Folks Pretty Soon. "No, I'd never like to see papa president of the United States. I don't know that I'd like to see him even governor, because then he would not have any time to spend with mamma and me, and he'd be always working and never get any rest."

"Chinky," as the son of the district attorney elect of New York is dubbed, is eleven years old, but he is politically wise beyond his years.

"Oh, he's going to surprise everybody before he gets through!" "Yes, I like Low and Shepard both. I like Low principally because he is educated and believes in education.

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Pensions For Bank Employees. Plans providing for a pension fund for aged employees of the Fourth Street National bank in Philadelphia were favorably passed upon at a meeting of the board of directors of that institution the other day, says the New York Times.

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