



York (Neb.) Democrat: With the protective tariff on the one hand and the railroad tariff on the other the people are between the upper and nether stones.

O'Neill (Neb.) Independent: President Roosevelt would like to destroy the greenbacks and make all silver dollars redeemable in gold and then let the banks issue all the money.

Anna (Ills.) Democrat: The poor little innocent mail carriers are being severely dealt with by the government for political activity. The big corporations that run the government are never touched.

Stanton (Neb.) Register: Eight years ago it was revolutionary for Bryan to talk of rigid control of corporations, but his critics seem to think Roosevelt is quite right in demanding the same control.

Glasgow (Ky.) Times: In his inaugural address, governor Hanly, of Indiana, takes the grounds that passes are petty bribes and should not be accepted by law makers. True, true. And what of the statesmen that are influenced by them?

Lincoln (Neb.) Democrat: Any attempt to make the democratic party stand for a modified form of republicanism will always mean defeat. The support of the American people can only be won by a stand for something definite and tangible.

Aurora (Neb.) Register: Commissioner James A. Garfield of the Bureau of Labor, has suggested on anti-trust law almost exactly the same as outlined by Bryan five years ago. Then republican papers hooted at the plan. Will they now ridicule it?

Hastings (Neb.) Democrat: They do say that every one of the 124 republican members of the Nebraska legislature has free railroad transportation in his pocket, good for 1905. Such being the case what need the people of the state expect with regard to reduced freight rates and anti-pass legislation?

Plattsmouth (Neb.) Journal: The railroads have come back at President Roosevelt with a proposition to create a special court with complete and final jurisdiction over cases affecting rates—and likely the railroads would insist upon the privilege of naming their own judge. The railroads like to write their own tickets.

Wichita (Kas.) Democrat: If there were more newspapers and magazines with fearless and courageous editors and publishers whose regard for the public welfare were stronger than a desire for a big bank account, there would be less of official scoundrelism to expose and the laws would have freer course and be more respected.

Woodsfield (O.) Spirit of Democracy: The Cincinnati Enquirer, some weeks since, proclaimed that it would not follow any of the present Democratic leaders, naming only Mr. Bryan. We have, however, observed no marked change in the politics of that paper since its declaration of independence. In fact, its course for the last dozen years would seem to have made any such declaration superfluous.

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Lincoln (Neb.) Democrat: Let there be no side stepping in the future. Either we stand for something or we don't. Platforms are good things to stand upon if rightly constructed, but the man selected to stand upon it must be of the right sort or the people will refuse to give him support. Men who contend for principles is the sort needed.

Crete (Neb.) Democrat: If Bacon had asked Mann whether he rode on a pass or not, the latter would not have been so violent in his language when they had Bacon before the congressional committee. A congressman who rides on a pass is in a poor position to criticize. He can't serve two masters. He can't accept favors and fight the giver and be a man.

Minneapolis (Kas.) Better Way: Notwithstanding the fact that peace is fully restored in the Philippines some American soliders lost their lives the other day in an attempt to keep the Moros good in the island of Jolo where we pay the sultan and several of his dats for letting our flag float over his slaves and harems. Great old system of benevolent assimilation!

Minneapolis (Kas.) Better Way: The ship subsidy bill will occupy a good part of the time of congress this winter. It is a scheme for the government to give several millions to ship owners as was formerly done with railroad companies. When the Farmers' Alliance advocated loans on land it was denounced as paternalism. The ship subsidy—a direct gift—is "buisness." Be a ship owner.

Newton (Ia.) Herald: Hamilton represented everything that a republic cannot be and everything that a monarchy should be. He was a typical aristocrat of the imperialistic school. He believed in a government of the few, by the few and for the few. He discredited the people, believing them to be incapable of knowing what they needed or of having sense enough to vote for it.

Pierce City (Mo.) Democrat: We were told with all seriousness by our republican friends that their party ought to win so that we might have a clean state government. According to the leading republican organ in western Missouri, the republican legislature started out by selling a United States senatorship. It can not be denied that the party must have been in deadly earnest when it promised such a strenuous dose of reform.

Osceola (Mo.) Democrat: Plutocracy! Millionaires and papuers! The same system produces the same results everywhere. The bishop of London says that "90 per cent of the school children are in a half-famished condition all the time." Superintendent of schools of New York, Dr. Maxwell, says practically the same thing. Yet the socialist and the republican say our great danger is over-production! We must build big navies, keep standing armies to conquer and hold foreign peoples so far as to have a market for our surplus production.

Aurora (Neb.) Register: It is given as a reason why the president chooses the western paper trust instead of some of the eastern trusts as an example of his trust busting that the Minnesota judges are more favorable. That has a sound like contempt of court but there may be a whole gob of truth in it. Another thing is that the president can come more nearly to holding his own press in line for an attack on this injustice than some others. Whatever the reasons our hope

is that the proceedings may be as strenuously pushed and produce as rapid results as his attitude on Panama independence.

Manson (Ia.) Democrat: If President Roosevelt really means what he says about the railroads and tariff revision, and if he had a decent and sensible congress behind him, and if the senate was not composed of millionaires who are nearly all in sympathy with the corporations, and if corporation money was not the god to two-thirds of the law makers of the country, and if the republican party was not sold out, body and soul, to graft and greed, it might be just possible that the people would be granted some relief within the next four years. But there's that infernal and eternal "if" always in the way!

Columbia (Mo.) Herald: The democratic party is in a critical condition at present. It has been run over by public opinion so frequently and so roughly of late that it can stand but little more treatment of that kind. The people are not in favor of a policy of negotiation. The people are not in sympathy with a policy of conservatism. The democratic party needs to take positive position in favor of progress and to be democratic in fact as well as in name. It needs leaders like Bryan and Folk and Douglas, who stand for something, who are on the side of the many against the privileged few. With such

leaders, upon a platform with iron in it, the democratic party will get well and strong and win. Pursuing the Parker policy it is doomed to the contempt of the people and to their overwhelming opposition at the polls. Is the party ready to die?

Yakima (Wash.) Democrat: In the "Jackson day" observances held under the auspices of democratic organizations in various cities Jan. 8, it is worthy of note that the trend of sentiment within the party is now unmistakably towards radicalism as the future policy of democracy. In all the speeches made this note was distinctly sounded by the orators and seemed to find ready acceptance on the part of their audiences. The concensus of opinion within the party unmistakably demands a policy that will henceforth absolutely divorce the management of the party organization from any partnership with trust promoters or the beneficiaries of favored or protected interests. The Wall street contingent, which seized the party reins at St. Louis nominated Alton B. Parker and rushed the party into the worst defeat that it has ever known, may as well take notice and govern themselves accordingly. The honest masses of democracy have nothing in common with these men. Their place is in the republican party where in common honesty they should have remained after the memorable campaign of 1896.

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