

lars, net thirty-four million dollars.

My friends, I challenge him who cares to differ, either those who promoted this robbery, or the public officials, who failed to turn on the light at the right time, to dispute my statement that this thirty-four million dollars of net proceeds in a single year is more than 100 per cent on the investment of capital made in the company for stocks to which this thirty-four million dollars profit will accrue.

Thirty-four million dollars is it? A sufficient sum to build ten comfortable homes between each and every mile post along the main line of this system from Omaha to San Francisco, and pay for them in a single year.

This reckless manipulation and building up of inflated values on a sand foundation inevitably invites the results that followed. When the sand washes away, the structure falls.

If such a stock exchange were not permitted to exist by the states, and not given the use of the United States mail by the United States, and true inventories of assets were required, these spurious goods would not be unloaded on the innocent investors of the world, and the credit and good faith of our glorious country brought into disrepute.

Government by Injunction

During the year that preceded the Oklahoma constitutional convention, we planted our flag on the breastworks builded by our people to defend individual liberty against corporate oppression. Subscribed on our banner, we said: "In Oklahoma there shall be meted out justice to whom justice is due," and one of our principles was that government by injunction, as that expression is understood throughout the union, shall never be permitted in Oklahoma where it is in the power of the state to prevent it.

We declared that the irate judge, proud of his hastily issued order, and determined to wreak vengeance upon the real or imaginary offender, should have his hand stayed, and his wrath curbed until at the hands of his peers the accused should be found guilty of real disobedience to law.

The people of Oklahoma by an overwhelming majority ratified the constitution, which contained this provision, and Oklahoma's law will be respected by all classes of citizens, because respect for law and obedience to its mandates comes surest from the justice of such law rather than from its arbitrary character or severity. A distinguished fellow citizen of my native state felt aggrieved at the work of our convention, and when he came among us last August he declared that he would refuse to ratify the Oklahoma

A Sign

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constitution because it deprived the judge of the power to arbitrarily and hastily punish those who offended against his will, but I am pleased to notice that within the last few days, even my former neighbor has unanimously ratified the constitution of Oklahoma by a speech at Cooper Institute wherein he said that he was willing, first that the order of injunction should only be issued after notice to the opposite party, and second, that all charges of contempt should be tried before some judge other than the one who issued the order, and who should hear and determine the charge for contempt.

Thus, my friends, the world progresses, and I have every ground to believe that before next November my worthy fellow Buckeye may have had a little farther insight into the sterner affairs of business and individual rights, which is sure to lead him to a complete ratification of the Oklahoma constitution.

Now, my friends, you will see we accept the plea of confession, which eliminates half the controversy, but we reject the plea of avoidance. The same hand that claims the credit for having turned on the light, after nearly seven year of official idleness, has yet to explain why he left the country and his people so long in darkness.

Democracy does not seek to array one class against another. Isn't the farmer, the laboring man, the merchant, the banker, the manufacturer, and the railroad man, and all the business interests which they represent and traffic in, and their investments, whether of labor or money to be served and to be amply rewarded; but we do not concede that justice should be blinded in the administration of laws, while one class is oppressing another, nor do we believe that he whose duty it was to turn on the light the first day of his official term and keep it turned on until he handed the reins of government to his successor, can be excused, if after nearly seven years of indifference, he now says that what happened is not to be charged to his account, and I want to ask when the poor widow, and the one weak with age, who have invested their little estate in the stock of the United States Steel company, and a just congress has destroyed its value by repealing its tariff graft, who will say that the light should not have been turned on in 1901, the year of the birth of this inflated monstrosity, and who will there be to say that the light should not have been turned on before Harriman sold the inflated stocks of the Union Pacific system.

My friends, I have already taken much of your time, but whenever I think of the difference of the price of beef in the hide as compared with the price of beef in the skillet, I am constrained to believe that Nebraska has suffered long enough, and I shall rejoice if any thought of mine presents a ray of hope for the future.

When we speak with pride of the bountiful crops, and the vast volume of exports, let that pride be based upon a realization that those who produced this wealth have shared justly in its benefits.

My friends, I am here in the home of him who is dear to the heart of every Oklahoman. He whose counsel and wisdom has aided us in laying the foundation for honest government, peace and plenty. Our motto in Oklahoma is derived from him and it reads: Let The People Rule, and upon this motto we have declared that Oklahoma shall forever be blessed by him who is willing to live on the fruits of his own honest industry, and cursed by him ambitious to prosper by graft, greed and monopoly. We know you must appreciate your distinguished fellow citizen within the borders of Nebraska; if not, you would be unlike the balance of the civilized world. You

know that whatever may be said of good government honestly administered, finds no approval and in many instances origin in the teachings of William J. Bryan, and when we disregard politics, in order that we may deal justly with history, we recall with pride that the eighteenth century had its Jefferson, the nineteenth century had its Lincoln, and the twentieth century its W. J. Bryan.

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