

today more harmonious, the more consistent, the more straightforward and the more definite in the declaration of its principles.

Providence News-Democrat: "And I may add a platform is binding as to what it omits as well as to what it contains." This sentence from the speech touches just the proper keynote for a political campaign.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Yesterday's deliverance does injustice to its author. He says undisputed things in it in such a solemn way that he neither pleases nor angers anybody, but only bores him.

Baltimore American: The people are beginning to wonder how much longer Mr. Bryan will seek to win their support by misstatements and wrong renderings of the views of his adversaries.

Hartford Courant: Mr. Bryan is barking up the wrong tree. He is taking the infirmities of human nature the natural, inevitable and universal infirmities of human nature—and is charging them all to the republican party.

Cleveland Leader: Mr. Bryan's assertions that he is better qualified than Taft to carry out Roosevelt reforms—which is what he says, in effect if not in form—the country will let Roosevelt himself decide as to that matter.

Wilmington Journal: The speech is merely a point to indicate how difficult it will be through the campaign for him to find things or issues upon which he can hammer the republicans. In fact, from the Bryan point of view Taft is almost shot-proof.

Portland (Me.) Advertiser: The Bryan speech is essentially the production of a campaign speaker who knows the arts of appealing to the gallery.

Syracuse Post-Standard: Mr. Bryan's theory is that the republican party should be put out of power for the good of the party itself.

Rochester Democrat and Chronicle: It doesn't ring true. It is the skilful effort of a special pleader who relies upon the ignorance of hearers and readers concerning the questions under review.

New York World: Recognizing the political skill displayed by Mr. Bryan in this deliverance, the World must express regret that he did not make his speech a synopsis of rather than a preface to his views on the questions which are certain to engage public attention during the campaign. There is in this opening utterance a distinct promise of growth in wisdom and in democracy. It will be well for him, for his party and perhaps for his country if the more pretentious deliverance soon to come shall be in keeping with it in these respects. Anyway, his best three words are Democracy vs Plutocracy.

Buffalo Courier: Mr. Bryan's speech of acceptance means that under his militant leadership the democratic party will make a vigorous, aggressive campaign from beginning to end. It is encouraging, stimulating. It is on the high level of a great occasion and a great opportunity.

ENDORSES DEMOCRATIC TICKET

Monday, August 31, the Central Federated Union of New York City, the central organization of the New York trades unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, endorsed the following resolution, introduced by the Elevator Conductors and Millwrights Union:

"At a special meeting of the above organization held on August 21, 1908, it was resolved that we pledge our support to the president of the American Federation of Labor and the executive board of the same by

our votes to defeat the republican party, which has been responsible for the drastic action taken against labor's just demands.

"We pledge further our support to William Jennings Bryan and the democratic party in the coming election for protecting organized labor by inserting in its platform a labor recommendation and pledging its support to the same."

MR. BRYAN'S ITINERARY

Mr. Bryan's itinerary during September is as follows:

- Chicago, Ill., September 7. Peoria, Ill., September 9. Evansville, Ind., September 10. West Virginia, September 11. Cumberland, Md., September 12. Washington, D. C., Sunday, September 13. Baltimore, September 14. Wilmington, Del., September 15. Rochester, N. Y., September 16. New York, September 17. Providence, R. I., September 19. New York City, Sunday, September 26. Buffalo, September 21. Michigan, September 22. Ohio, September 23 and 24. Indiana, September 25. Madison and Milwaukee, September 25. Mitchell, S. D., September 28. After September 29 he will remain three weeks at his home in Lincoln, Neb. The itinerary provides that Mr.

Bryan will remain in Washington and New York on two Sundays, on which days he will rest. Where Mr. Bryan will speak in West Virginia on September 11, and in Michigan on September 22 has not been determined. The dates in Ohio were announced in Chicago about a week ago.

MR. BRYAN AT SALEM

Mr. Bryan's visit to his old home at Salem, Ill., on August 26 was marked by a hearty demonstration of welcome. Despite the fact that the train arrived at 6:30 in the morning, there were 500 people awaiting him at the depot, and the streets were lined with people. The crowd was one of the largest that ever gathered in the city. Mr. Bryan's speech was non-partisan and he replied feelingly to the expressions of friendship tendered him.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

Mr. Henry B. Damon, of Katonah, N. Y., has published a little volume (which can be had from him on application for 50 cents) entitled "Gems of Thought." It is a little volume of eighteen pages filled with quotations from eminent writers. Taste has been used in the selections and the thoughts presented are of a fundamental character. A few quotations will indicate this. "Study only the best, for life is too short to study everything." Bach. "The

highest results of a true education are conviction and ideals." Henry C. King. "Charms strike the sight, but merit wins the soul." Pope. "Simplicity and plainness are the soul of elegance." Dickens. "Literature is the thoughts of thinking souls." Carlyle. "We all perceive that unless religion is converted into terms of conduct, that holy thing becomes a mockery." Frances Willard. "To the receptive soul the river of life pauseth not, nor is diminished." George Eliot. "The truest teaching is living; and the primary philanthropy is to live a good life." Edward Howard Griggs. "Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us, or we find it not." Emerson. "Our reward is in the race we run, not in the prize." Rogers. "Beauty is the mark God sets upon virtue." Emerson. "One example is worth a thousand arguments." Gladstone. "These are three tests of wise work: that it must be honest, useful and cheerful." Ruskin. "The Sabbath is the golden clasp which binds together the volume of the week." Longfellow. "Our life is what our thoughts make it." Marcus Aurelius. "No pleasure is comparable to the standing upon the vantage ground of truth." Bacon. "Kindness is the golden chain by which society is bound together." Goethe. "The perception of God as active in human life is the beginning of true religion." Barton.

Mr. William Jennings Bryan

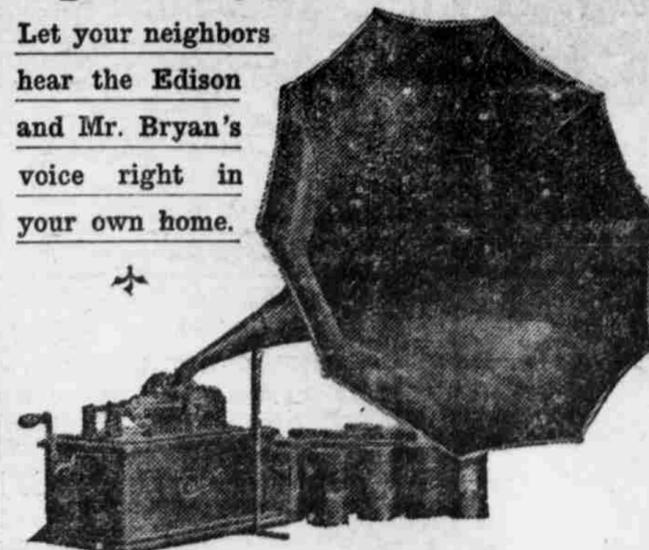


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