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MR. BRYAN IN NEBRASKA

Lincoln (Neb.) State Journal: Mr. Bryan is probably to be saved the mortification of going to the national convention by a smaller vote than Senator Hitchcock gets.

Lincoln (Neb.) Evening News: Notwithstanding the liquor interests of the state, aided and abetted by the state machine, Senator Hitchcock and Mayor Dahlman fought openly and to the best of their ability against the selection of Mr. Bryan as a delegate at large from Nebraska, that great leader goes to Baltimore with a certificate of election, and that certificate is backed by the highest vote received of any of the candidates for delegate-at-large.

EVERY INCH A PRIEST

Special dispatch to the Cincinnati Enquirer: New York, April 22.—Winnowed from among many pathetic stories of the Titanic catastrophe today was a tale of two clergymen who went down with the Titanic while ministering to the stricken passengers.

Father Byles was in the first cabin and the German priest in the steerage. Both ministers had celebrated mass in the steerage Sunday morning. The story of their deaths was related today by three women survivors of the Titanic—Ellen Mocklare, Bertha Moran and Miss McCoy.

When the liner struck the iceberg, they said, Father Byles came down the steerage passageway with hand uplifted, commanding the people to be calm and giving them absolution and his blessing.

"He led us to where the boats were being lowered," said Miss Mocklare, "the meanwhile saying his prayers, and helped women and children into them. He whispered words of comfort and encouragement to all. The passengers were deeply impressed by his self-control. Twice he refused to enter a boat and save himself."

A Colorado Boy's Good Work

Bryan Messiner, a sixteen-year-old Colorado boy, has demonstrated at an early age that he possesses the first quality of success—the ability to "hustle." Besides, he has shown the possibilities open to workers, young and old, in spreading the doctrines of good government among the voters.

In a recent letter to The Commoner, Mr. F. S. Rockefeller of Colorado, writes:

"Under date of February 6 I received a letter from you asking me to send you five subscriptions at the campaign rate of 50c a year. I was at that time and since then have been too sick to attend to the matter. However, I have a nephew (Bryan Messiner), who is sixteen years old. He was born in Colorado during the campaign of 1896 and his father being an admirer of Mr. W. J. Bryan, gave his son the name of Bryan. I told my nephew he was under obligations to extend the usefulness of The Commoner. He started out and at the end of three days, or rather evenings, he came in and dumped down \$18.00 to pay for the enclosed list of subscribers."

This is an excellent record for anyone, but more especially commendable in a boy of this age. Bryan Messiner can not vote for several years yet; in fact, he will not be able to cast his first vote for president until 1920, but the work that he has done, and the work that he will do in the future, will perhaps be just as effective for the cause of good government as if he could cast a hundred or even a thousand votes himself.

When Bryan Messiner's club was formed the campaign rate for The Commoner was 50c. He therefore placed The Commoner into the hands of thirty-six voters. Since then the campaign rate has been reduced to 35 cents, or three subscriptions for \$1. At the new rate, such a club would place The Commoner into the hands of fifty-four voters. This illustrates what effective work can be done in this campaign, and shows how easy it is to reach a large number of voters in each precinct by getting up Commoner clubs.

A change of just a few votes in each precinct will often change the entire result in a county or state. The Commoner's special campaign rate of 35 cents on new subscriptions—or 3 NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS for \$1—will enable the workers in every precinct to put good campaign literature into the hands of every new and doubtful voter from now until the close of the campaign. This work should be done early—before the voters are deluged with tons of misleading campaign literature. Form a club in your precinct. Interest the young boys in the work, and make an effort to build up your party's strength in your own community. The attached coupon can be used for a club of three new subscribers, but the form may be copied on blank paper where a larger list of names is sent. Many clubs are coming in from all sections of the country. Add your precinct to the rapidly growing list.

WISHES HE COULD SEND 1,000

William Edmonds, Virginia—Herewith find list of eight campaign subscriptions at the special campaign rate of 50c each. I wish it was possible for me to send you a thousand subscriptions.

CLUB RAISERS GETTING ACTIVE

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UTAH FALLS IN LINE

Thos. De La Mare, Utah: Find enclosed \$5.75 to pay for sixteen campaign subscriptions running until the close of the campaign.

THREE FOR \$1.00 CLUB

THE COMMONER, Lincoln, Neb:

Gentlemen—Enclosed find \$1.00 for which please send The Commoner to the following new subscribers under your special campaign offer—THREE FOR \$1.00—from now until the close of the presidential campaign.

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