

"TEMPLE HALL"

Expressions by Nebraska Editors Regarding Rockefeller's Proposed Gift with a String to It

The people of this state cannot accept the donation offered by Rockefeller and denounce his methods of acquiring the wealth he is now giving away. Shut up about trusts and monopolies or refuse to accept their gifts.—C. J. Bowlby, in Crete Democrat.

The acceptance of the Rockefeller offer would be injurious in more ways than one. It would cause Nebraskans to be beholden to the King of Kerosene. It would tend to sear the public conscience. It would put the people of the state in the position of winking at robbery if given a share of the swag. And every honest, right thinking and sensible man knows that the Rockefeller wealth has been accumulated by the most gigantic and shameless system of robbery and jobbery ever framed up by mortal man. The road to financial success trod by the Standard Oil company is strewn with the wrecks of homes, the ruins of industry and the skeletons of men and women whose lives were blasted by its withering touch. Nebraska does not want its children educated with that money to a belief that money thus acquired is honest money, or that the men who acquire it in the way it was acquired are men whose lives are worthy of emulation.—Waldo Wintersteen, in Fremont Tri-Weekly Leader.

Shall Nebraska be a beneficiary of stolen goods? This is the question that confronts the university officials through John D. Rockefeller's offer to contribute two-thirds of a hundred thousand dollars for a hall at that great school. Let Nebraska proudly spurn the bribe. Rather let her ignore it. This great state can afford to tax herself for the support of her educational institutions. She cannot afford to countenance anarchy and felony by taking part of the stolen money, even though it was stolen from herself. No more rascally, no more unlawful thing was ever done than the means used by Rockefeller to perfect his organization for robbing the people at will. His donations, however, are not given as conscience money, but rather as investments in the way of keeping the people quiet while he gets a fresh grip. Let Nebraska then hold herself proudly aloof from the contamination of his gifts. Let her keep in readiness for the time when it will be possible to render impossible any more colossal thieves. In that time she may lead all her sister states, but to do so she must accept no bribes—spurn the dirty money!—J. W. Tanner, in Central City Democrat.

Quite a number are opposed to accepting Rockefeller's proposed big gift to the state university, on the grounds that he is only offering to return what he has stolen from the state. Why not let John put it back?—T. J. Pickett, jr., in Wahoo Wasp (rep.).

The offer recently made by Standard Oil Monopolist Rockefeller to donate \$66,666 to the Nebraska state university does not seem to be meeting with a very hearty approval from the state press. For years and years Rockefeller has been compelling the people of Nebraska, as well as every other state in the union, to pay tribute to him, and now he wants to erect a monument to his own memory here in their midst, just as he has been permitted to do at other places, and just as Andrew Carnegie is doing all over the country. Nebraska doesn't need any of Rockefeller's oil profits, however. The state is no pauper, and if the building which he proposes to build is really needed let a tax be levied and the people will willingly pay it. We don't need his money and he should keep it. But if he really wants to do something to make the people feel more kindly toward him, however, he might reduce the price of gasoline and kerosene and give us a little better quality.—W. H. Smith, in Seward Independent-Democrat.

If this donation comes as the price of Rockefeller's control of the university or his having any voice in its affairs, or if it comes as the price of any concession to Rockefeller's business and the reprehensible means by which he amassed his millions, it is too big a price to pay. The people are unprepared for another rise in the price of oil.—Adams & Risley, in Grand Island Democrat.

Brother Rockefeller has donated \$66,666,666,666,666,666 to the Nebraska state university—with a string tied

to it. He will now take up a collection of 25 cents a gallon on gasoline to pay it. This will not, however, interrupt the operation of the new revenue law.—Roy W. Rhone, in Kearney New-Era-Standard.

The price of gasoline has been advanced 5 cents a gallon during the past two years and now Rockefeller in his generosity offers two-thirds of \$100,000 to build a chapel for the state university. Today philanthropy consists of being able to take from many and donating the profits of the transaction for the glorification of the giver.—Alfred Pont, in Stanton Register.

You fellows who have been paying 5 cents a gallon extra for oil the past winter should feel better. St. Rockefeller has donated \$66,666.67 for a religious department of the state university of Nebraska, on condition that others contribute the balance of \$100,000. Now we move that the people who have not contributed anything—the people who use electric lights, gas or no lights at all—contribute the balance.—Mark W. Murray, in Pender Times.

This Rockefeller generosity is decidedly thin. He gives a few thousands to lull the public conscience while he steals a few millions.—Roy W. Rhone, in Kearney New-Era-Standard.

The Beacon disclaims any desire to offer objection to the proffered gift for the mere purpose of finding fault, but in the light of the history of this nation and all others since the beginning of recorded history, no permanent good will follow this. It is an attempt on the part of the multimillionaire to stifle criticism, and to shackle this great institution of learning with the pinions of an undue influence. It is only one part of the plan of capital to muzzle the great institutions of learning and make them instruments in the hands of greed to do the bidding of those who exalt the dollar and abase the man. Why does the corporation lobbyist banquet members of the legislature? Why does the politician ride on free transportation? Why are men and women of influence everywhere the recipients of special favors at the hands of the powerful combinations? Why do men like Rockefeller make liberal contributions to establish libraries and endow universities? It is the insidious encroachment of capital upon the inalienable rights of the individual. It's the same old serpent that is now silently and unostentatiously twining itself about the temple of liberty in this country whose slimy coils have destroyed every government yet established to protect the individual in the enjoyment of his inalienable rights. The sleeping giant in this country will some time awake. Will it be after he is wounded, limp, and helpless and at the mercy of organized greed? Well, perhaps so.—Beal & Wimmer, in Custer County Beacon, Broken Bow.

The Standard wishes to go on record as opposed to such an offer. We do not believe that the people of the state of Nebraska want any of this money that has been accumulated by unfair and dishonest means. If this offer is accepted it will put the people of the state in the position of winking at robbery, if given a share of the proceeds. If this offer is accepted, the Standard Oil company will advance the price of oil and wring the money out of the people of Nebraska in a short time. It is merely a scheme to bribe public opinion.—I. S. Soulier, in Cedar Bluffs Standard.

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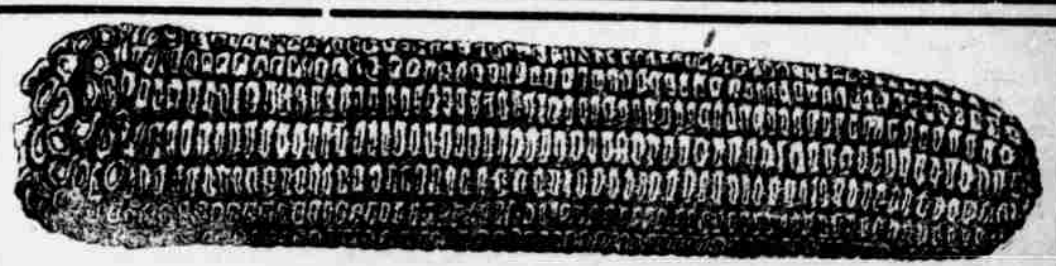
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The people of the state, however, are informed of the significance of the movement to a large extent, through the work of the federation in distributing petitions and circulars, and it is thought that it is now time to launch a campaign of propaganda.
A state conference of all those friendly to the cause was called to meet in Waco, Tex., on April 15, 1903,

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