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Bryan From a Republican Standpoint.

William J. Bryan has been the guest of Falls City many times, but never has he been received more gladly than he was last Saturday. Bryan is a remarkable man, of that there can be no question. His personality is such that he draws men to him and holds them with a tenacity that proves the days of hero worship still abide with us. The most superficial review of his life proves by the results shown that here is a remarkable man. To have amassed a fortune in politics without committing grand larceny is no small accomplishment, but this is the least of the things Bryan has done. To come to a western state unheralded and unknown; a poor lawyer without practice or influence, and by the force of his personality secure the nomination for president within a few years was enough to make the nation sit up and take notice. To promulgate doctrines of government that have been twice overwhelmingly repudiated by the nation, to lead his party to two disastrous defeats but still remain alone and unchallenged in party leadership, to destroy every precedent relating to the fickleness of parties and politicians, are no mean accomplishments and mark him who does these things as far out of the ordinary. But all these things Bryan has done.

He came to Falls City fresh from world wide travel and his friends in many numbers were here to welcome him. He spoke in the opera house and in the court house, both auditoriums being crowded. There was nothing new in either speech, but it was Bryan who delivered them which was quite enough for his followers. There was much in his addresses that men of all parties indorse, but there were statements and assertions made that must have shocked even his admirers just a little, and which one would hardly expect from a leader of his standing. It is unwise for any public speaker to presume on the intelligence and knowledge of his listeners. It hardly comports with the dignity or standing of a man like Mr. Bryan to tell a half truth and from such a premise draw conclusions wholly false. Yet these things Mr. Bryan did in Falls City last Saturday. He said, among other things, that no man should blindly vote for party. That the good citizen was one who voted the other ticket when its candidates were better than his own. George Gerhart, Sam Kimmel and other gentlemen who are noted for scratching their tickets, applauded this sentiment vigorously. As the speaker announced this doctrine, one could hardly keep out of mind the speech Bryan delivered in Chicago against Judge Parker the week before Parker was nominated for president at St. Louis, in which he accused Parker of every crime in the political decalogue. And yet, within three weeks, Bryan was supporting the man he denounced as against Theodore Roosevelt president of the United States.

Bryan spoke in complimentary terms of President Roosevelt for championing the rate bill. "Yet," he said, "There was not a republican Senator who would

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father the bill in the senate and they had to get Tillman, a democrat, to push it through. Do you not suppose that Mr. Bryan knew the falsity of this statement when he made it? Surely he did. Everybody knows the history of that bill and it is astonishing that any one, much more the leader of a great party, should have made it. Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island was a member of the committee which had the bill in charge. So was Senator Dolliver of Iowa whom the President had selected to manage the bill. Aldrich is connected with Standard oil and the railroads both by financial ties and by relationship. One of his children married a child of John D. Rockefeller. He is the recognized mouthpiece of the railroads. He represents no other interest as Senator. The railroads wanted this bill defeated and at the instance of the railroads and on the motion of their mouth piece, Aldrich, the will of the President and of the republican party was defeated and the bill taken away from Dolliver republican and given to Tillman democrat. Be it said to the eternal honor of Tillman he knocked the hopes of the railroad crowd in the head by fighting for the bill as hard as Dolliver or any other man in the senate.

It was the railroads, who wanted the bill defeated and who knew that Tillman and the President are personal as well as political enemies, that took it out of the hands of a republican senator and put it in the hands of a democrat. Senator Dolliver and the President have never spoken to Aldrich from that day to this. It is said that Dolliver will never recover from his disappointment at being deprived of the honor of managing this great piece of legislation.

Yet Mr. Bryan said "they could't get a republican to present the bill to the senate and had to get Tillman, a democrat to do it."

"The republicans now say in their platform that they are opposed to the issuance of passes. We have been saying that for fifteen years and the republicans are just catching up" was another statement of the speaker. Whereupon Jim Whittaker from his seat of vantage and who travelled to the last state convention on a pass, led the cheering.

Mr. Bryan forgot to remind his audience that within the last fifteen years his party has had control of the state six years, four years under Holcomb and two years under Poynter, yet no legislation was even proposed against passes. In fact the state house was notorious because of requests for passes and our fellow townsman, Sam Lichty, was removed from the state house because he wasn't in on the dead. "We have always been in favor of regulating the railroad," said the speaker. yet he was in congress four years under Grover

Cleveland a democratic president and with a democratic congress behind him and neither he nor any other member introduced a single bill looking to the regulation of railroads. Mr. Bryan talked of tariff and said he paid \$174 duty on bronze lions he purchased in Japan. "If the republican who says the foreigner pays the tax will collect this duty from them for me I will give him half." Mr. Bryan knows that no republican ever said the foreigner paid the tax under such circumstances. In fact the tariff is designed to make the citizen who buys his goods abroad pay the tax, whether that citizen is Dollie Highkick who buys her gowns in France, Charlie Newrich who buys his diamonds in London or William J. Bryan who in Japan bought two bronze lions, "one with his mouth open and one with his mouth shut, representative of the eternal conflict between the positive and the negative."

Mr. Bryan is a remarkable man, yet a man who suggests but does not perform. He is, as Beveridge, Cummins et al., have said of him, merely a dreamer of grand dreams. "He stands on the shore of life's streams," said Senator Beveridge, "and longs for a pebble to fit his sling that he may kill Goliath." Theodore Roosevelt stands by the same stream killing Goliath with the pebbles at hand. One promises, the other does things. Mr. Bryan justified the title of dreamer in Lincoln the other evening by reciting the following poetry:

"The dreamer lives forever,
The toiler lives for a day."

True, Mr. Bryan, true. But while the dreamer lives in the rosy cloud of his dream, it has been in the day of the toiler that the world has advanced.

It was in the toiler's day that the declaration of Independence was written.

It was in the toiler's day that the constitution of the United States was penned and a new nation, dedicated to justice and liberty, first had its being.

It was in the toiler's day that the perils that beset us were overcome and the nation changed from an experiment to a grand potentiality.

It was in the toiler's day that slavery was driven from our shores forever and forever.

It was in the toiler's day that a sundered nation was reunited and a dismembered country reconstructed.

It was in the toiler's day that specie payment was resumed, a tariff principle evolved and crystalized into legislation that has made this nation a commercial giant.

It was in a toiler's day that the gold standard saved this nation from financial dishonor and commercial bankruptcy.

It was in the toiler's day that Spain was driven from the western hemisphere and old Glory raised over the Phillipine Islands.

It was in the toiler's day that the rate bill became more than



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THAT THERE MAY BE A MORE COMFORTABLE FEELING, BUT FOR ME THERE'S NOTHING LIKE SNUGLING INTO A FINE 'COMFY' OVER COAT WHEN THE WEATHER IS WINTRY IT MAKES US FEEL SO JASSY TO BE WARM AND WELL DRESSED. BE LIKE THE PRUDENT ANT, BE READY FOR THE WINTER BUSTER BROWN.

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P.F. O'Connell

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Grush ran like a wolf and had Cass Jones scared for about a day.

Norris Brown will line up with LaFollette in the senate. He is that kind of a fellow.

The west end elected James. His vote in the three Humboldt was phenomenal and was responsible for his election.

There may have been a few voters in the district that did not vote for Judge Raper, but the returns would indicate that they were few.

Shubert, Stalder and Jones each got his highest vote in his home precinct. What better recommendation can you ask of a public servant.

Nebraska will now have a Governor as good as the Governor of Missouri. The Tribune predicts that Sheldon will give the state an administration such as it has never had.

The vote was the lightest in years, not two-thirds of the vote being cast in the county. The nice weather kept many voters in the fields shucking corn. It is hard to interest men in politics with their corn demanding attention.

THE ELECTION.

It has been a long time since the republicans have won such a signal victory in this county as was won last Tuesday. All of the republican county ticket is elected except John Wiltse. Mr. Wiltse made a gallant fight against great odds and was entitled to better treatment at the hands of his party. However, the manly way in which he takes his defeat, as well as the high order of his campaign, has made him stronger in defeat than he would have been had he been elected.

In the state George Sheldon is elected by about 15,000 majority; the legislature will be republican on joint ballot, thus insuring the election of Norris Brown senator to succeed Millard. All of the republican congressmen are elected in the state excepting Kennedy who was beaten by Hitchcock, of the World Herald.

The entire country seems to have gone republican with the possible exception of Kansas. The fight between Hoch and Harris in the latter state is very close and may require the official county to determine it. Hughes is elected governor of New York over Hearst by about 60,000, while Cummins is elected governor of Iowa for a third term by greatly reduced majority. The next congress is safely republican though the present majority is cut down some.

The fight on Pollard reduced his majority some though he will receive in the neighborhood of 2,000.

It is now up to the party to keep its pledges. The next leg-

islature must give the railroad commission full and ample power to remedy railroad evils. An anti-pass law must be enacted and a direct primary provided.

The board of supervisors will be democratic. Stalder was elected in the Salem district over Snyder; Glosser beat Atwood in the Humboldt district. Zoellers was elected in the Rulo district and Simmerman in the Barada district. This gives the democrats four members of the board and the republicans three.

For Supervisors.

At the election on Tuesday the following were elected as County Supervisors: Glasser, Zoeller, Simmerman and Stalder.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us with their kindness during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. We also desire to thank the members of the Masonic and of the A. O. U. W. orders for their kindness. MRS. ADOLPHUS MESSLER AND FAMILY.

The entire republican legislative ticket was elected in Omaha. If these members do not abide by the command of the state convention and vote for Norris Brown for senator, the country members should see to it that Omaha and Douglas county is left entirely out of the picture on the question of appointments and legislation.

It has been a long time since three republicans have represented Richardson county in the legislature. The people had confidence in the principals and intentions of the party.