

# William Jennings Bryan Made Lincoln Famous With "Crown of Thorns" Speech at Democratic Convention

"You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns; you shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold."

An hour after these words were spoken to a cheering, hypnotized and seething audience at convention hall in Chicago on a hot day in July in 1896, Lincoln, Neb., was awarded a niche in the world's hall of fame.

For the speaker was William Jennings Bryan of Lincoln, then a young politician and newspaperman, little known, little loved and little feared.

The above quotations are the ending of his famous free silver speech, the address that won his first nomination for president and thrilled a nation. In an hour newspapers from one end of the country to another were carrying the story and the nation rubbed its eyes and asked:

**Object of Curiosity.**

"Where in thunder is Lincoln, Neb.?"

From that day until a week ago when Associated Press dispatches announced that the declining health of Mrs. Bryan forced the great Nebraskan to abolish his Lincoln residence, Lincolmites traveling far from their home and fireside found themselves the object of interest and curiosity.

"Lincoln," the stranger would say, "Why that is Bryan's home. What do you know about him? What kind of a fellow is he?"

Hundreds in Lincoln dislike Bryan, belittle him, scoff at the things he dares to say. But one and all agree that Bryan put Lincoln on the world's map and he did it in less than a day, something no other man or product or beverage ever did.

**Now He's Gone.**

For it took years of advertising for a beer to make Milwaukee famous. It took years for Henry Ford to win recognition for Detroit and even Los Angeles with its bathing scenes, movie folks and climates had to wait years for the fame Lincoln found handed it, through Bryan in a single day.

And now he's gone. Lincoln is like the proud parents of a son who has left. These parents live in memories, constantly brought to mind by trinkets in the house and the son's old playmates seen on the streets.

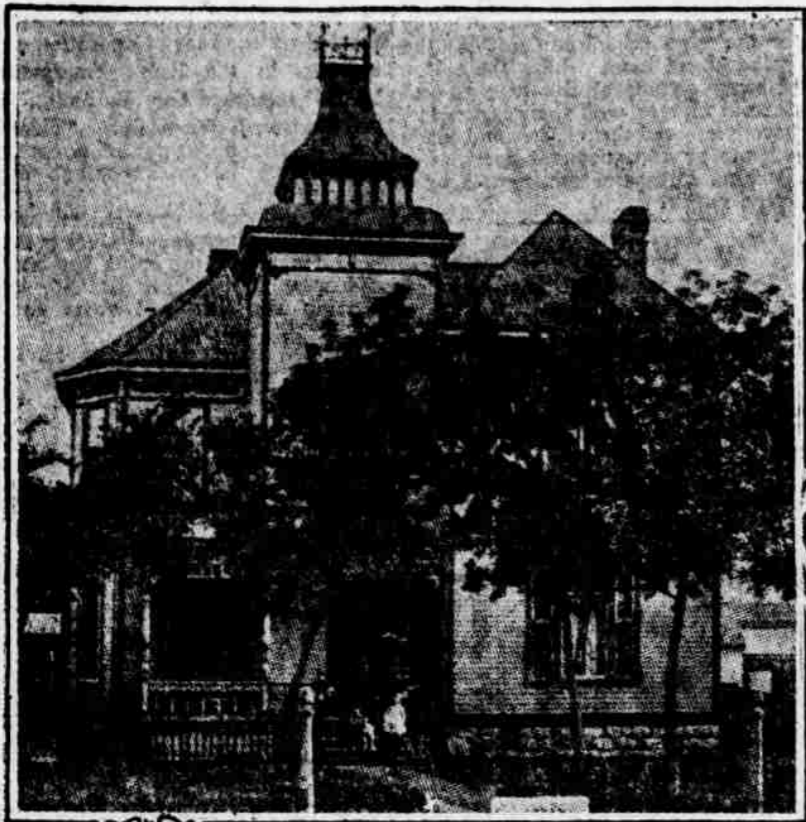
The beautiful Bryan residence, Fairview, located in the center of 140 acres of Bryan land, the Commoner office on N street, the first home of Bryan on D street take the place of the trinkets.

**Place of Playmates.**

Brother Charley Bryan, a city and state politician; Tom Allen, his brother-in-law and law partner and United States district attorney, and others of Bryan's old cronies take the place of the playmates.

It will be years before the transients sitting in easy chairs out in front of the Lindell hotel in Lincoln will fail to hear the old-time politicians telling the story of Bryan and Fairview. And sickness and death can never take Fairview from Lincoln.

At Fairview, proud Tammany has bowed a humble head and has been



known to take orders from the great Nebraskan.

To Fairview, mikados, kaisers, kings and princes from the far corners of the earth have sent tokens of esteem and gifts to the Nebraska statesman.

**Pay Tribute.**

To Fairview, Bryan worshippers, and there were thousands of them, came for thousands of miles to pay homage to the nation's great orator and statesman.

And at the first humble home of Bryan on D street some of his family were born.

And at the Lindell hotel Bryan

could be found every night before a presidential election, was tired but still capable of pulling at the heart-strings of an audience, expounding the doctrine of democracy and calling on Lincolmites to rally to the Bourbon call for help. That is until Cox ran for president.

And at times the magic words of this great Nebraskan have changed in a single night a republican Lincoln into a democratic Lincoln. For always Bryan came to Lincoln on the night before election to cast his vote and always he responded to the cry of his worried democratic

friends in Lincoln to use his wonderful voice "just once more" for the cause of democracy.

Then across the street is the First Presbyterian church, Bryan's church. Many are the Sundays that the Nebraskan has worshipped here.

**Opens Law Office.**

Bryan went to Lincoln October 1, 1887, 34 years ago. He opened a law office with A. R. Talbot. He became active in Nebraska politics in 1888 and delivered his maiden political speech in the state that year at Seward.

There were two terms in congress to his credit, following sensa-

tional debates, a few years as an editorial writer and then the Chicago convention and his first nomination for president.

After his nomination Bryan had little time to spend in Lincoln. He became a lecturer, a politician, a man sought everywhere. His family grew up in the capital city. Bryan built Fairview. His children married and finally eight years ago his wife's illness forced going to Florida, where he has spent most of his time.

**Fights Liquor Traffic.**

Never, though, did he fail to answer a battle cry in Nebraska. He fought the liquor traffic in his own state and broke with powerful Nebraska democratic politicians when he attempted to down the "personal liberty" banner of his party. It made him many enemies in his own state as his national fight against it did in the nation.

But Lincoln still is charmed by his words, goes miles to listen to him and only a few weeks ago when he passed through Lincoln on a Sunday he proved this. Rain was falling in torrents on the afternoon he was to speak in a Lincoln church. But the church was filled with old and young, always anxious to drink in his words and listen to the doctrines, sometimes of politics, sometimes of the Bible, which he continues to carry from one end of the country to another.

Bryan still writes for the Commoner. His letters come in written in his hand on hotel stationery, on anything he can get his hand on when he sees a newspaper article or something that gives rise to an idea he wishes to send home to his followers, who are still numbered among the thousands.

Bryan is 61.

Massachusetts has a new law which permits all voluntary associations to be sued, including labor unions.

## Lakeview Park Will Stage Country Store Night Next Thursday

All attendance records at Lakeview park were broken last week, when more people entered the gates than in any other week that the resort has been operating. Decoration day and the Hawaiian festival drew large crowds of pleasure seekers.

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palace will take place next Thursday. On this date the management has planned its annual country store night. The country store prizes are both useful and valuable, and consist of everything usually found in such a store. Bales of hay, squeaking pigs, lard, eggs, stockings, baby shoes, garlic, chewing gum, chocolate, sugar, hams, toys and eatables of all kinds are to be given away.

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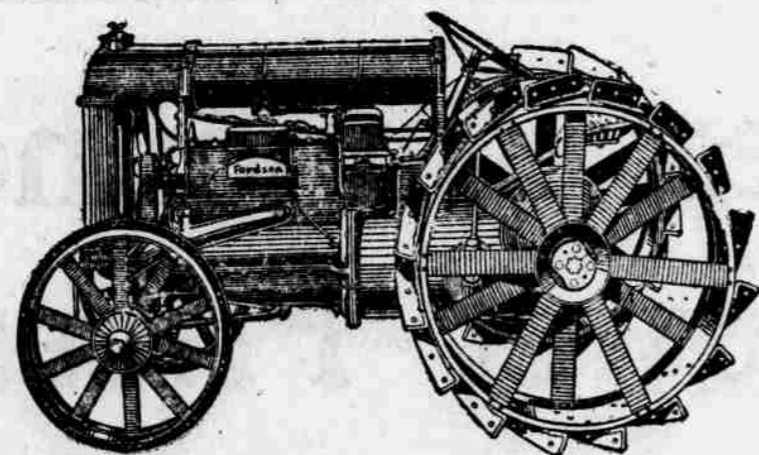
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