

# Bryan and Hanna Won Fame As Party Bosses

## McKinley's Mentor Put Business Into Politics; "Great Commoner" Was Democracy's Ruler for Years

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WASHINGTON, June 14—The two outstanding political bosses at the turn of the present century were Mark Hanna and William J. Bryan.

Hanna, one of the most powerful and effective of leaders, decided that his friend William J. McKinley must not be left at the mercy of a group of machine politicians conspiring in a smoke-filled hotel room.

So he went personally through the country, with plenty of money and plenty of promises, and signed up enough little bosses and delegates to insure McKinley's nomination by the Republicans in 1896.

Then he decided that election campaigns should be put on a business basis. He raised millions of dollars, chiefly from corporations who felt that McKinley's nomination was their best bet, and elected McKinley over Bryan.

During his period as Republican national chairman from 1896 until his death in 1904, Hanna had almost complete control over the party.

Hanna had observed hotel room nominations in previous campaigns. In 1895, when it appeared the Republicans were likely to win the following year, Hanna began systematically to weed out the boss candidates

and the favorite sons. So well did his pre-convention campaign succeed that McKinley won without a struggle, although such bosses as Platt and Quay held out until the end.

When it became evident that Bryan had a real chance to win, McKinley, as national chairman, threw himself into a brilliant, expensive campaign. He set out to educate the country to the dangers of "Bryandism" and free silver.

He used 1400 speakers and 120 million pieces of literature, and levied quotas on corporations, banks and insurance companies, raising an amount estimated at six to seven million dollars.

Hanna was the most talked-of man of his time. After McKinley's election, he refused a cabinet job and had himself made a senator from Ohio. Later, when a South Dakota senator attacked him and intimated he had bribed his way into the senate, Hanna went to South Dakota and drove this senator out of public office.

The Republican party was not through with hotel room nominations, though. In 1920, the senate old guard engineered the most famous one of all time.

Senator Boies Penrose—the fat, ruthless boss of Pennsylvania—dominated the senatorial clique that

brought home the bacon at Chicago, while lying ill at Philadelphia with a telephone in his hand. Others were Senos of Utah, Lodge of Massachusetts, Wadsworth of New York, McCormick of Illinois, Brandegee of Connecticut and ex-Senator Murray Crane of New York. Their final decision for Senator Warren G. Harding was made in George Harvey's room at the Blackstone.

The New York-Pennsylvania clique was flatly opposed to Leonard Wood and Senator Hiram Johnson. Frank Lowden, runner-up to Wood, had been as good as linked by pre-convention disclosures.

On Friday night the delegates, many of them running short of cash, were praying they wouldn't have to stay in Chicago over Sunday. The senatorial group sent for Harding—who had told Harry M. Daugherty to ease efforts on his behalf, because he wanted to file for the senate again in order not to lose his seat—and told Harding he was to be the next president.

The greatest modern politician among the Democrats was William Jennings Bryan, who guided the party in five national conventions and played important roles in two others.

Never elected to high office, he nevertheless held enormous political power over a longer period than any other private citizen before or since his time.

No man ever rose to such thrilling, effective heights in national political conventions. Anyone who saw or heard him in 1896, 1904 or 1912 or 1924 never could forget him.

Though he fought the bosses in many conventions, Bryan's own nomination in 1896 was not a stampede for an unknown. A young congressman from Nebraska, he had become one of the free silver heroes of congress and for a couple of years had been working toward that nomination. His memorable "cross of gold and crown of thorns" speech went over as a wow, but it had been carefully planned. In 1890 he held the party in his hand.

He was the object of hysterical imprecations from the machine delegates. The speech was not one of his best efforts, although the resolution he proposed was defeated.

Meanwhile, Clem Shaver of West Virginia—a fairly shrewd and amiable fellow—and other friends of John W. Davis had been talking up Davis with every delegation. Bryan attacked Davis as a corporation lawyer, but Shaver built up a great second-choice following and Davis was nominated after more than 100 ballots.

Bryan's brother, Governor Charles Bryan of Nebraska, was nominated for vice president. Bryan turned to and supported the ill-fated ticket through the campaign.

William Jennings Bryan—who showed his hatred for Tammany when he bolted the Tammany-supported candidate, Champ Clark, at Baltimore in 1912 and fought Al Smith at New York in 1924—died too soon to see the west, Tammany-reared Smith nominated almost by acclamation at Houston four years ago. He probably couldn't have done much about it.

He had been talking vaguely about the nomination of a congressman named W. A. Ayers from Kansas.

At San Francisco, in 1920, he was a delegate arrayed against the eastern bosses. At New York, in 1924, Bryan vigorously supported McAdoo against Smith in the historic deadlock.

Bryan's last, notable piece of conventional oratory was in opposition to the resolution which would have denounced the Ku Klux Klan. Again,

## Aunt of King Has Serious Operation

LONDON, June 14 (AP)—A preliminary operation for removal of a cancer from the right eye was performed today on the Princess Beatrice, aunt of King George. The operation took place at Kensington palace.

Princess Beatrice is the daughter of Queen Victoria and the mother of former Queen Victoria of Spain. She was 75 years old in April.

SAN FRANCISCO FEELS QUAKE  
SAN FRANCISCO, June 14 (AP)—A slight earthquake was felt by residents here at 1:44 a. m. today and at San Jose where the movement was reported quite pronounced.

Phone vs. Radio  
If it's really an entertaining radio program the odds are 8 to 5 that the telephone will ring.—Toledo Blade.

Shortage Noted  
"Unfortunately," sighs a lady writer, "all men are not Romeos." And, for that matter, there's a more or less severe shortage of Julietts.—Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel.

## KEYNOTE OF CONCLAVE HIT BY DICKINSON

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Democratic leaders sought to distort his every word; to belittle his every effort at human and economic relief; to impugn his every motive; to frustrate his every move. Their orders were to "smear Hoover."

Democrats in the house, Dickinson said, followed Mr. Hoover for a time last fall because they had no program of their own but finally they broke away. The Republican keynote said the result was the wrecking of the economy bill and a flouting of the party's own leaders.

The relief proposal by Speaker Garner of the house which already had been lambasted by the chief executive as a "pork barrel" measure was assailed by Dickinson. He charged also that measures sponsored by the Democrats threatened to debase the dollar. He raised, he said, the "ghost of 1896."

The organizing of farmers into co-operatives for the marketing of their products was termed the outstanding accomplishment of the farm board "which has been the butt of much criticism, the greater part of which is unjust."

The board was also given credit for bolstering the price of wheat and

cotton through stabilization efforts. The profit to the farmer as a result was estimated at between \$2,000,000,000 and \$3,000,000,000.

Credit for substantial betterment through the Hoover-Hawley tariff by Dickinson was accompanied by the contention that the Democrats were badly divided on the issue, despite their criticism of the Republican stand.

He said in the senate alone there were 1019 votes for increases or against decreases by Democrats during consideration of the last tariff measure.

There has been, he continued, more recent illustrations of the "avidity" which the Democrats pursue high tariff rates.

"They generously supported duties on copper, coal, oil, and lumber," Dickinson said, referring to import levies which were placed in the recently completed tax measure.

"I have never seen a talkie like THE CHAMP"

## ENTERPRISE PERSONALS

By Billie Johnson  
(Column Correspondent)

ENTREPRENEUR (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Long are the proud parents of a nine month baby boy, born at the Enterprise hospital Saturday morning. Mrs. Long was formerly Maxine Pfeiffer of Wallowa.

Victor Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Miller, returned Friday morning from Corvallis where he has been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Stegriat, with their son and daughter, Adolph Jr. and Sally and Russell Nelson were visitors at Wallowa Lake this weekend.

## BROTHERS HAVE ACT

BAGINAW, Mich. (AP) — This town, which gave boxing one of its great lightweights, Kid Lavigne, has a brother act in Frankie, Joe and Mike Miskos.

## Not Fair?

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To kill those insects on your garden. —Chas. F. Nichols. 6-14-14.

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We wish to thank the many kind friends and neighbors who helped during the illness and death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Rogers, and also for beautiful floral offerings.

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—ADV.

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How would you like a pair of quality rubber gloves to protect your hands when you wash the dishes? You can

get a pair free with each purchase of two or more units of Pabco Multi-service Kameel at the Home Lumber & Coal Co. 6-11-14.

## \$25 reward offered for the arrest and conviction of party who placed a small bucket containing two pint bottles of home brew in the center of back seat of my Studebaker sedan while standing in front of the Pendleton hotel June 8th.

Mrs. Lela Jones. 6-13-12.

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE UNDER EXECUTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County, and to me directed and delivered, upon a judgment and decree rendered and entered in said court on the 11th day of June, 1932, in favor of H. L. Elliott, and against Dale Slusher as Trustee under the last will and testament of William Slusher, deceased, and others, are defendants, which suit is known as Equity No. 5171, for the sum of \$163,490.40, together with interest thereon at the rate of 8% per annum from November 2, 1930, until paid, and for the further sum of \$9900 as attorneys fees, and for \$71.98 costs and disbursements, which said decree, judgment, and order of sale of the hereinafter described property has been duly docketed and enrolled in the office of the Clerk of said court, and in and by which said judgment, decree, and order of sale it was directed that the hereinafter described property in Union County, Oregon, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2; West Half of the Northwest Quarter; North Half of the Southwest Quarter; Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 11;

East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14;

In Township 3 S. R. 33, E. W. M. in Union County, Oregon.

Together with the tenements, hereinafter described, and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all improvements, summer fallow plowing or other plowing or cultivation situated or located upon said premises or any part thereof, and also all the estate, right, title and interest, dower and right of dower, property, possession, claims and demands whatsoever of the mortgagee and of the estate of William Slusher, deceased, in and to the same and the reversion and reversions, and remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof

to be sold by me to satisfy said judgments and all costs.

Therefore, I will, on the 15th day of July, 1932, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the front door of the courthouse in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, sell the said premises and all the said right, title, and interest which the said defendant, Dale Slusher as Trustee under the last will and testament of William Slusher, deceased, had therein and thereto on the 1st day of November, 1931, or since then has acquired or now has in and to the said land, said land to be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds of said sale to be applied in satisfaction of said execution and all costs.

Dated this 13th day of June, 1932. JESSE BRESHEARS, Sheriff of Union County, Oregon.

June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 12.

## LIQUIDATION NOTICE

This La Grande National Bank, located at La Grande, in the State of Oregon, is closing its affairs. All note holders and other creditors of the association are therefore hereby notified to present the notes and other claims for payment.

P. L. MEYER, President. Dated June 13th, 1932.

6-14-60

## Equity No. NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION

JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. FRANK MCKINNIS and ANNA MCKINNIS, his wife; LA GRANDE NATIONAL BANK of La Grande, Oregon, a national banking corporation; and RALPH MCKINNIS, Defendants.

By virtue of an execution, judgment, order, decree and order of sale issued out of the above entitled Court in the above entitled cause, to me directed and dated the 2nd day of June, 1932, upon a judgment rendered in said Court on the 31st day of May, 1932, in favor of John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, a corporation, as plaintiff, and against Frank McKinnis and Anna McKinnis, his wife, and each of them, both joint and several, defendants, for the sum of Sixty-six Hundred Eighty-eight and 42/100 (\$6,688.42) Dollars, which said judgment bears interest at the rate of 10% per annum from the said 31st day of May, 1932; for the further sum of Sixteen (\$16.00) Dollars abstract fees; for the further sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars attorneys' fees; and for the further sum of Eighteen and 60/100 (\$18.60) Dollars costs and disbursements, and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit:—

The South Half (S 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Twenty-seven (27); the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty-three (33); the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section Thirty-four (34); in Township One (1) North, Range Thirty-eight (38), East of the Willamette Meridian, containing, according to United States Government Survey, Two Hundred Eighty (280) acres, more or less, together with all water, water rights, ditches, aqueducts, appropriations and franchises upon, leading to, connected with or, mainly had and enjoyed in connection with said described premises, and each and every part thereof, whether represented by shares of capital stock in any ditch company or by actual individual ownership or otherwise or which may hereafter be acquired by the said parties of the first part during the existence of this mortgage and used in connection with said described premises or any part thereof, and particularly including the following water rights acquired subsequent to said mortgage, to-wit:—

All water rights described in and covered by that certain water right certificate issued by the State Engineer of the State of Oregon on November 1, 1926, and recorded in the Water Right Record of the State of Oregon, in Vol. 6, page 6453, and recorded November 6, 1926, in Book 3 of Water Rights, page 232, records of Union County, Oregon,

included in that certain mortgage dated the 27th day of May, 1926, recorded at page 602 in Book 69 of the Record of Mortgages of said County and State.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of said execution, judgment, order, decree and order of sale, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on Saturday, the 9th day of July, 1932, at 11:00 o'clock a. m. at the front entrance of the County Court House in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, sell at public auction (subject to redemption), to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title, and interest, which the within named defendants, Frank McKinnis and Anna McKinnis, his wife; La Grande National Bank of La Grande, Oregon, a national banking corporation; and Ralph McKinnis, and each and all of them, had on the 27th day of May, 1926, the date of the mortgage herein foreclosed, or since those dates had in and to the above described property, or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment, order, and decree, interest, costs and accruing costs.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 1932. JESSE BRESHEARS, Sheriff of Union County, Oregon.

By H. A. KLINGHAMMER, Deputy. June 7, 14, 21, 28, July 5.

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