

BRYAN ASKS TAFT WHERE HE STANDS

Nebraskan Puts Queries to Republican Candidate Upon Political Issues of the Day and Wants to Know What He Will Do With Trusts and Tariffs.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 31.—W. J. Bryan last night, before an enormous audience, spoke on political issues of the day. His remarks were greeted with applause, which was prolonged and continuous. He said in part:

"In this great city, on the boundary line between Missouri, with her rock-ribbed democracy, and the west, which until 1896, was counted as republican territory, we have met to begin the campaign of 1908 and to present those principles and policies which ought to appeal to progressive republicans as well as to traditional democrats. It is only a recognition of a fact which is becoming clear to all, to say that there is a democratic element in the republican party to which a successful appeal can be made. I might give several instances of this fact. In the first place, what is known as the Roosevelt sentiment is strong in the valleys of the Mississippi and the Missouri; and the Roosevelt sentiment is not so much attached to a person as devotion to an idea with which the person has identified himself. And what is this idea? It is the idea that conditions are not what they should be. Before a remedy can be applied the need of a remedy must be admitted.

Took Democratic Policies. "When the president began to recommend remedial legislation, taking as his guide the platform declarations of the democratic party, he did not follow in the footsteps of democracy out of any desire to compliment the democrats or to encourage them, but simply because the democrats had pre-empted all the ground in front, and he could not go forward without trespassing upon their land. It is not strange that his suggestions were hailed with delight by democrats and met with indignation by republicans. Whether the president cultivated a reform sentiment in the republican party or only revealed a previously existing sentiment we shall never know, and the question is not material, anyhow. It is sufficient that it now exists; sufficient that it is so strong that the president is praised by the masses just in proportion as he assails the predatory corporations and pleads for reforms that look to the restoration of equity and fairness in the government.

What Has Teddy Done? "What has the president succeeded in doing? There are more trusts today than there was when he entered office, and he has never succeeded in getting law enacted to strengthen the present law. He has not succeeded in putting a trust magnate in the penitentiary, and the only large fine that has been imposed has aroused more criticism than commendation among republican leaders. He has not secured any traffic reforms, and yet he has been in office for over seven years. He has not secured an income tax, and the republican senators forced him into a compromise on the railroad question.

"But even a good platform would be worthless without a candidate who embodied the spirit of the platform, and what candidate have they? If the president had picked out Senator La Follette a real reformer; if the republican party had rallied to Senator La Follette's support it could have compelled the confidence of reform republicans. Senator La Follette has a record as a reformer; he has fought corporate domination in his own state for a decade.

Taft's Qualifications. "The president has picked out Secretary Taft and given him the support of the administration. Without the support of the administrative secretary would scarcely have a state in the country, and with the president's support he is having an up-hill fight. He has no record as a reformer and his speeches do not indicate a definite purpose or a courageous program. He may be the best man the president could find among his cabinet officers, but Secretary Taft's superiority over his colleagues is due not to his positive virtues, but to the fact that none of the rest of them has any reform tendencies. In fact, the widespread reform sentiment among the republican masses is not reflected to any considerable extent among republican leaders.

What Does Secretary Taft Stand For? "What does he denounce as wrong? What does he propose as a remedy? What would he do with the trusts? He tells us that he would not exterminate them, but simply regulate them.

What Would Taft Do? "What does he propose on the tariff question? Revision, but not until after election. "What reform does Secretary Taft propose for the benefit of labor? The laboring men insist that they are entitled to trial by jury; but Secretary Taft went all the way to Oklahoma to find fault with a provision in the Oklahoma constitution securing this protection to the laboring man. "What relief does Secretary Taft propose to give us from the burdens which imperialism has imposed upon the country? The appropriation for the army and navy has increased more than a hundred million dollars since we entered upon our colonial experiment. Our army is more than twice as large as it was in 1896, and we are

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GRADING. The street shall be graded down or filled up to the sub-grade as given by the City Engineer, and all soft and spongy places not affording a firm foundation shall be dug out and the space refilled with sand, gravel or crushed rock, carefully rammed or rolled so as to make such filling compact and solid.

FOUNDATION. On top of this sub-foundation crushed stone free from dirt and of quality approved by the City Engineer, shall be spread to a depth of four (4) inches, which shall be then compressed with a heavy steam roller. If any considerable proportion of the foundation material is larger than three (3) inches, it shall be separated, and the foundation laid in strata, the coarsest being placed at the bottom and the finer at the top. Where suitable gravel (consisting of not more than 25 per cent finer than 1/4 inch) can be obtained, it may be used by spreading same to a depth of three inches, and after thoroughly rolling with a steam roller (wetting the gravel to aid compression when necessary) a layer of clean crushed stone 2 inches in thickness shall be placed on the surface, and thoroughly rolled to the desired grade. On this foundation, after rolling, shall be spread a coating of Warren's No. 24 Puritan Brand Hard Bituminous Cement, or Bitulithic Cement, for the purpose of firmly binding the foundation together and making it readily unite with the bituminous concrete wearing surface. One gallon of the bituminous cement shall be used to each square yard of surface.

WEARING SURFACE. On this prepared foundation shall be laid the wearing surface, which shall be composed of carefully selected, sound, hard, crushed stone, mixed with bitumen, and laid as hereinafter specified. After heating the stone in a rotary mechanical dryer to a temperature of about 250 degrees Fahrenheit, it shall be elevated and passed through a rotary screen having six or more sections with varying sized openings, the maximum of which shall be 1 1/4 inches and the minimum 1/10 inch in diameter. The several sizes of stone thus separated by the screen sections shall pass into a bin containing six sections or compartments. From this bin the stone shall be drawn into a weight box, resting on a scale having seven beams. The stone from each bin shall be accurately weighed, in the proportions which have been previously determined by laboratory tests to give the best results—that is, the most dense mixture of mineral aggregate, and one having inherent stability. From the weigh box each batch of mineral aggregate, composed of differing sizes accurately weighed as above, shall pass into a "twin pug" or other approved form of mixer. In this mixer shall be added a sufficient quantity of Warren's Puritan Brand Bituminous Waterproof Cement, or Bitulithic Cement, to thoroughly coat all the particles of stone and to fill all voids in the mixture. The bituminous cement shall, before mixing with stone, be heated to between 200 degrees and 250 degrees Fahrenheit; the amount used in each batch shall be accurately weighed and used in such proportions as has been previously determined by laboratory tests to give the best results and to fill the voids in the mineral aggregate. The mixing shall be continued until the combination is a uniform bituminous concrete. In this condition it shall be hauled to the street and there spread on the prepared foundation to such depth that, after thorough compression with the steam road roller, it shall have a total thickness of two (2) inches. The proportioning of the varying sizes of stone and bituminous cement shall be such that the compressed mixture shall as closely as practicable have a density of solid stone.

SURFACE FINISH. After rolling the wearing surface, there shall be spread over it a thin coating of Warren's Quick-Drying Bituminous Floor Coat Composition, for the purpose of this coating being to completely fill any crevices or irregularities which may appear in the surface of the mixture. There shall be then rolled into the surface a thin layer of stone chips for the purpose of presenting a gritty surface. **General.** Each layer of work shall be kept as free as possible from dirt, so that it will unite with the succeeding layer.

still denying the Philippine Islands the doctrine set forth in the Declaration of Independence that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed.

On Railroad Question. "What is Secretary Taft going to do on the railroad question? In one speech he took occasion to explain that the president was not responsible for rate reductions. This would indicate that Secretary Taft does not favor rate reductions. He is in favor of authorizing the interstate commerce commission to ascertain the present value of railways. What does he propose to do with water stock? Does he urge reduction in freight and passenger rates wherever and whenever such reductions can be made without injustice to honest investment? "He has given no assurance on these questions, and we must judge what he would do by what he now says or fails to say. If, when he is trying to secure the support of reform republicans, he is so evasive on the subject, what could we expect of him if he were elected? "What is Show for Reform? "Does Secretary Taft favor the national incorporation of railroads as suggested by the president? Would he favor a law withdrawing from the states their control over railways and vesting exclusive control in the federal government? And if he favors national incorporation would he be in favor of giving the railroad a perpetual franchise and a perpetual guarantee of income? If not, will he explain why he will be more unjust to the Filipinos than to the people of his own country? What chance of reform is there at the hands of the republican leaders who take the side of the corporations against the people and set on the theory that inducements must be held out to capital, no matter how great the burdens imposed upon the producers of wealth? There is no doubt that the masses of the people, republican and democrat, are in favor of reform. If we can only convince the voters that the democratic party will be true to reform, victory is assured, and the only way in which we can convince the public that we honestly desire to administer the government in behalf of the people is to give them an honest platform, employ honest arguments and conduct a campaign by honest methods and through an honest organization."

Sweet Marie. Deuel & Kentner, Thursday and Friday.

JAPANESE EMPEROR HONORS ASSASSINATED DIPLOMAT. TOKYO, March 30.—The emperor has bestowed upon the late Durham White Stevens, who was assassinated in San Francisco by Koreans, the decoration of the Grand Rising Sun, the highest order in Japan. The Japanese government will give \$75,000 to the family of the murdered diplomat, and the Korean government will give about \$25,000.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS. Miss Lella Prim spent a few hours in Medford Saturday afternoon. Miss Clara Elmer, who is teaching the Phoenix school, spent Saturday and Sunday at home. R. G. Smith, who has a case in the circuit court this week, spent Sunday at his home in Grants Pass. Mrs. Bartlett Obenchain of Big Butte spent Saturday in town. G. L. Davis of the Bank of Jacksonville was a Medford visitor over Sunday. Mrs. D. H. Miller of Medford spent Saturday with friends living here.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Otto E. Miller and Elva Dundas. Engine for Plowing. MONTAGUE, March 31.—A large traction engine arrived last week from San Leandro, to be used in plowing 5,000 acres of land on the Lower ranch, five miles north of Montague.

NOTICE. Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the next meeting of the city council of Medford, Oregon, for license to sell malt, vinous and spirituous liquors in less quantities than one gallon, for six months, at Lot 10, Block 20, in Medford, Oregon, for a period of six months. BASS & HALE, Dated March 14, 1908. 218

ORDINANCE NO. 146. An ordinance providing for the time and manner of improving Seventh street from a point 100 feet east of the east line of A street to the east line of L street. The City of Medford does ordain as follows: Section 1. That Seventh street from a point 100 feet east of the east line of A street to the east line of L street, shall be improved in the following manner:

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The bituminous composition or cement shall in each case be free from water, petroleum oil, water gas or process tars, and shall be especially refined with a view to remove the light oil naphthalene and other crystallizing matter, susceptible to atmospheric influences. If the crushed stone does not provide the best proportions of fine grained particles, such deficiency must be supplied by the use of not to exceed 15 per cent hydraulic cement pulverized stone or very fine sand.

Sidewalks, Curbs, Etc. Concrete sidewalks and curbs shall be laid where required in quality and construction to conform to the specifications on file in the office of the City Engineer, and any drain tile or sewer pipe laid or any catch-basins constructed or any other work ordered by the city shall be done to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and the Street Committee of the Common Council.

All the above work and material and every process of the work, including mixing, laboring, testing and heating, shall be subject to the examination and approval of the City Engineer or of his duly appointed deputy. Section 2. The said improvement shall in all respects be done and completed in conformity with the provisions of specifications on file in the office of the City Recorder.

Section 3. The surface of the street shall be cleared of all timber, plants or other obstructions. Section 4. The contractor or contractors for said improvement shall not dig up or disturb the surface of the street within the limits of said improvement for a greater distance than two blocks without having first obtained a permit so to do from the City Engineer.

Section 5. The contractor or contractors shall take entire charge of the work during its progress and shall be responsible for any loss or accident resulting from carelessness or neglect, and the improvement shall be completed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and the Street Committee of the Common Council of the City of Medford.

Section 6. The contractor or contractors to whom a contract or contracts may be awarded for the completion of said improvement shall complete the same within the time to be fixed by the Common Council, and upon commencing said work shall continue the same without delay until completed, unless the time for the completion of the improvement is extended by the Common Council and each contract shall contain a provision that for each day required for the completion of such contract after the expiration of the time fixed by the Common Council there shall be forfeited by the contractor to the city the sum of \$15.00 for each and every day beyond the time set for completion of said contract.

Section 7. The contract or contracts shall also contain a stipulation to the effect that the person, firm or corporation to whom the contract is let shall look for payment only to the fund reserved, collected and paid into the City Treasury for that purpose, and that they will not require the City of Medford by any legal process or otherwise to pay the same out of any other fund, except as provided by the Charter. Passed the Common Council March 25, 1908.

BENJ. M. COLLINS, Recorder. J. P. REDDY, Mayor. 10

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