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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT—
William McKinley

FOR VICE PRESIDENT—
Theodore Roosevelt

SIZING HIM UP.

Following are a few facts concerning William Jennings Bryan, as rounded up by the Oregonian:

Mr. Bryan said there could be no prosperity under the gold standard. Now he says imperialism is the paramount issue.

He vowed that 16 to 1 must be reaffirmed at Kansas City; he said he wouldn't run unless it was, and he threatened to go down there and appeal to the convention from the chairman's platform. Yet the first speech he makes he ignores it altogether.

He assures the silver men that that three is no reason why they shouldn't be for him now if they were for him in 1896. He is just as strong for silver as he was then, and silver is just as important. But he thinks the Eastern gold anti can vote for him without change to his money convictions. If a man is for silver and not for anti-imperialism, then silver is the main thing. If he is for anti-imperialism and not for silver, then anti-imperialism is the main thing.

Mr. Bryan is much moved by wrongs of the Filipino. He has never heard of the wrongs of the negro.

He says there is no authority for annexation of the Philippines, but he gives no authority for a protectorate over them.

He says the Filipinos are fit for self-government, but unfit for participation in this government.

He favors establishment of stable government in the Philippines, but criticises and denounces every effort made in that direction.

He would withdraw army and navy from Philippines, yet he proposes to protect them from foreign interference.

He says if Congress had promised independence to the Tagals there would have been no revolt. The treaty of Paris was not ratified till February 7, and the attack on our lines at Manila was made February 5.

He says the Filipinos should be permitted to choose their own government, and then he proposes, if elected, to foist upon them not only a stable government, but a republic.

He denounces the Republican policy in the Philippines, yet he declares the Republicans have no policy.

He gives McKinley every man who has had his share of prosperity, and reserves only for himself those that have not had their share. Bryan paid taxes on \$270 in 1896, and on \$4,450 in 1900. His place is in the McKinley column.

He says contentment is the greatest thing in the world, yet he loses no opportunity to inflame discontent and arouse class prejudices.

He wants us to return to the simply dignity of the Fathers, yet he scurries about the court the country to receive superfluous nominations, and spouts his speeches into a phonograph.

He denounces autocratic rule, yet he is himself the most dictatorial of living politicians.

He holds up Washington and Lincoln as examples, and yet he has done nothing for four years but

pursue with unblushing and unwearied ambition the Democratic nomination for President.

He is continually saying there is no show in this country for a poor man, yet, though a poor actor, a poor editor, a poor lawyer, he has made big money out of politics and invests it in the Government bonds whose very existence he denounces.

In all the foregoing there is much food for reflection. THE LEADER would respectfully suggest that those who do not endorse it read carefully some of Mr. Bryan's recent speeches and investigate the other points. If Mr. Bryan is wronged, his loyal friends should rush to his defense. Don't get mad and yell "Liar!" Just take the above items and calmly point out the flaws to lovers of the truth.

"Good" Editors.

It is somewhat amusing to observe the posing being done by the country editors during the grist of the "Gallery of Oregon Newspapermen." Perhaps it may be said to have a good influence upon the above-named population. Many of these editors are becoming "good" and are actually missing their semi-annual spree.—Arlington Independent.

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