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THE MAN BRYAN.

W. J. Bryan is to make a tour of Oregon and Washington this month. He will make a speech in Pendleton on the morning of the 29th, and at Walla Walla in the afternoon. He comes upon the invitation of friends and admirers. Bryan is a public character, a servant of the people, and for this reason it is fitting that he should address them on public issues, whenever time and occasion permit. He was a presidential candidate in 1896 and he will be one again in 1900, the democracy decreasing and the fates permitting.

Bryan came near being elected president in 1896, polling over 6,000,000 votes. It is quite probable that he will develop still greater strength this year, and it is within the possibilities that he will be chosen by the American people as their chief magistrate. Bryan will be forty years old on the 19th of this month, being just in the prime of life, both from a mental and physical standpoint. His record is clean; his character blameless, and his capacities quite extraordinary. He has pitched his voice in advocacy of his and his party's aims and ideas for five years constantly, without weakening himself before the people. For a while he stood almost alone in upholding the standard and principles of the democratic organization, and by his persistence, determination and ability brought order out of chaos to the party.

Bryan deserves more at the hands of the party than any other man in it, just because of his devotion to it. He stemmed the ebullience of his party's falling fortunes and labored at the oar until others came, attracted by his hopeful, sanguine ever-good-natured personality, coupled with his earnestness to win victory against overwhelming odds. He has proven himself a safe, courageous, brave and forceful leader, and deserves all the honors he has won, as well as those that may be accorded him.

"Billy" Bryan is of the West and he possesses the characteristics, the warm heartedness, frankness and generosity of the West. He is a plain every day fellow; free from fuss and feathers and all pretensions. He is the tribune of the plain people; not the attorney of the few. His rise is not due to any cabal of men, any combination of capital, or pull or power, but only to his individual efforts, to the exercise of freedom of speech, to the simple rights and liberties that are guaranteed to every citizen under a government of the people, by the people, for the people.

Those who give him encouragement and support are simply giving force to the declaration that it is far better that man should rule than wealth; that equal rights should be preserved than privileges extended.

THE LOUD BILL.

There is a bill before congress, under the title H. R. 6071, which is attracting considerable attention. It proposes to remedy the deficit in the postal receipts and some of the abuses of the postoffice department by a better definition of what comes under the head "second class mail matter." Persons who have profited by the encroachments in this connection are circulating petitions and letters to bring about the protest of publishers of country newspapers against the passage of this bill, first introduced into the house three years ago by Congressman Lord of California.

The bill simply proposes to correct the abuses that have resulted in the admission of mail matter to second-class rates which was never contemplated by the postal laws and which

has entailed the loss of many millions of dollars of revenue to the government. The object of the bill, in fact, is to confine the second-class mail privileges to the legitimate newspapers and periodicals which they were originally intended to cover and to throw out the tons of serial novels, almanacs, books and advertising circulars which purport to be "family journals," which have been unlawfully receiving the benefit of pound rates and which are the main cause of the annual deficits in postal revenues, ranging from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000.

The country newspaper publishers are being deceived by gross misrepresentations regarding the Loud bill, and are being stimulated to effort by declarations that will lead them to file a protest against the measure with their congressmen. It is a fact that the Loud bill is in the interest of the publishers of legitimate newspapers and periodicals all over the country. No honorable publisher can object to any of its provisions. The second-class mail classification was made in the interest of the dissemination of popular intelligence. It was never intended that it should embrace serial novels, issued in book form, or fake newspapers printed to advertise proprietary remedies or other merchandise.

The postal deficit last year was nearly \$7,000,000, the postoffice department lacking that much in meeting expenses. By making the Loud bill a law it is expected this deficit will be met, and congress could go further and thereby create a surplus in the department by correcting some of the abuses in connection with transportation of the mails, in the payment of fancy prices for the rental of postal cars and through outrageous charges of favored railroads.

THE DANGERS OF IMPERIALISM.

David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford university, has started some vigorous thinking in the Central States. It is due to his lecture at Indianapolis before the school-teachers at the University Club on "Lessons from the Transvaal." Ex-President Harrison was among those who welcomed him. President Jordan said the most dangerous and subversive theory since that of secession was that American imperialism, exemplified in the taxation of trade with Puerto Rico. It would be repudiated by the American people, as it ought to be. If we were to retain our new possessions as part of the United States the constitution gave states all the range of honest congress needed in managing them. They must take care of themselves, as the rest of us did, for the word "sovereignty" was unknown to American law.

"The time has come," he continued, "to decide whether what we want is expansion, extension of American institutions or holding these inferior nations as inferior nations for our own benefit and, incidentally, for their own good. There is only one answer to that question, and that is: Expansion is impossible under our constitution. Wherever our flag goes to stay there our constitution goes to stay. There never can be two kinds of citizens under our flag—a regular citizen and a three-quarter citizen. The desire to add the Philippines to the United States is based on ignorance of what the Philippines really are and what we will ultimately do with them.

"To admit Luzon and Mindanao as states might be bad policy, but would not be bad morals. The constitution provided that import duties shall be equal throughout the United States. There shall be no more between states. Therefore any tax levied on Puerto Rico provides that it is not part of the United States. If it is not part of the United States it is not under the constitution, hence it is not under the dominion of the president and congress, who are creators of the constitution. Congress cannot do other than extend the general tariff law to any part of the United States. To suppose that congress can go where the constitution cannot and yet be a creature under the constitution is an idea unthinkable.

"When the country of Hawaii disappeared its people became citizens of the United States with all the rights and prerogatives of our own citizens, including the right of tariff protection and of free trade enjoyed by other citizens of the union. Congress cannot extend the constitution to any place that the constitution does not extend through, there is no warrant in the constitution or for sovereignty in terms of possession and sovereignty as distinguished from equal rights and ordinary citizenship. It is bad enough to make negroes and Malays equal citizens of the United States; to make them vassals would be infinitely worse. The tropical economical system which is rapidly ruining Great Britain cannot be fastened on the people of the United States."

great man, is utterly devoid of conscience. While none of us want to see England actually whipped, there are many of us who would like to see a good sized knot tied on the tail of the British lion. Further along President Jordan said:

"The great lesson of the Transvaal will be learned later on. Imperialism, militarism, greed, will never strengthen England permanently. The only strength a nation has is in the hearts of its people, and that is what makes the United States as a nation what it is today. Imperialism is the slavery of nations. Not until 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' was written did the people of the United States realize what the slavery of men really meant. Someday somebody will write the 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' of British imperialism, and it will create a greater stir than did the book of Harriet Beecher Stowe. Great Britain is in the wrong. The Anglo-Saxon has a mission to perform. Its influence should be felt in every nation, its sword in none."

Ex-President Harrison was among those who applauded Dr. Jordan's assault upon imperialism.

CROOKES' WHEAT PROBLEM.

If Sir William Crookes is to be believed, says the London Spectator, scarcity of food is not by any means remote; it may come within sight of persons now alive, and those not very young. At present the deficiencies of the wheat-eating countries are supplied by North America, especially by the United States. In 1897-98 the wheat crop of the United States was about 540,000,000 bushels. Of this quantity 217,000,000 bushels were exported to Europe, where no country, excepting Russia and Turkey, grows enough for its own population. The states are able to do this without trenching on the home supply, because the total population is not more than 75,000,000. In 1831, if the increase of population goes on at the same rate as that of the last 30 years, the 75,000,000 will have increased to 130,000,000, and the surplus for export will be no longer available.

When, therefore, will the wants of the world be supplied? Russia at present exports largely, the total being something more than two-fifths of that from the states. But it cannot be hoped that Russia will come to the rescue of a hungry world. It is already hungry itself, exporting food while its own people are starving. Any change here must be in the way of distribution. This change will be the more speedy because the Russian population, in spite of its sufferings, increases. Indeed, the difficulty of the general problem is aggravated by the fact that up to the point of actual starvation, scarcity not only does not check, but actually stimulates, the rate of increase. A perfectly well-fed, well-educated and generally comfortable population has a tendency to diminish rather than to grow.

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