

# Bryan Burial Friday at Arlington Cemetery

## THE BODY WILL LEAVE DAYTON TOMORROW

### To Lie In State on the Lawn In Tennessee Mountain Town, Resting in a Metal Casket.

### WILL ALSO LIE IN STATE AT CAPITOL

### Mortal Form of the Great Commoner Is Watched by Friends in a Simple Southern Home.

Dayton, Tenn., July 27.—Watched by his Dayton friends, the mortal form of William Jennings Bryan, whose spirit fled as he slept late yesterday, lay in the front room of a simple southern home tonight while the invalid widow worked out plans for bearing the body of the former secretary of state to Washington for ultimate burial in the resting place of the nation's military heroes, Arlington cemetery.

Humble followers of the great Commoner came from the tree-clad Cumberland slopes late today to gaze for the last time upon the face of him who was their champion of Christian faith and to pay the last tribute of honor and high esteem.

Tomorrow afternoon, under a spreading maple on the lawn of the Richard Rogers residence, where the former Democratic chieflain spent his last days and breathed his last breath, a more formal ceremony will occur when the public is invited to view the remains of the dead leader as he lies in state within a metal casket of bronze.

All details of the last rites for Mr. Bryan will be simple and without display, in accordance with the wishes of

Mrs. Bryan. The bereaved woman has borne her sorrow with unflinching courage and has at all times directed the arrangements for the care and burial of her husband's remains.

The schedule of the funeral party as tentatively outlined late today by the widow and her group of solicitous advisers, call for the departure of the body from Dayton on a special railroad car Wednesday morning at 8:40 o'clock.

His friends talked among themselves of the vigor which Mr. Bryan had shown in the days preceding his unexpected death. At Winchester on Friday the Commoner had spoken to a vast throng of cheering men and women with his accustomed eloquence and power. On the return he had declared to the attorney general that he "felt fine."

They spoke too of the heat of the long and bitterly contested fight over the Tennessee evolution law. They felt that the strain of the trial with its oppressive weather and intensity of excitement they recounted the last utterances of had weakened the fundamentalist leader's system and sapped his strength. Mr. Bryan and showed their deep grief at his departure.

"Noblest Hero of These Times." "There lies the noblest hero of these times," was the tribute of his associates as voiced in muffled tones by Ben McKenzie.

From all parts of the country, telegrams poured in by hundreds today to tell the widow of the sorrow of millions and the sympathy of uncounted thousands in her loss. Mrs. Bryan, seated in her rolling chair, at intervals throughout the day, listened to the reading of these messages by her constant attendants. Her well-controlled grief seemed assuaged by the assurance of loving hearts which turned to her in condolence.

#### HUMOROUS INSTANCES IN MR. BRYAN'S LIFE

He Could Appreciate a Joke Even at His Own Expense.—Personal Reminiscences.

Chicago, July 27.—William Jennings Bryan enjoyed a joke even at his own expense. At a dinner here, the being leader of the club entertaining Mr. Bryan said that "in consideration for your hon-

ored guest, a prohibitionist, we will refrain from singing 'How Dry I Am.'" Mr. Bryan summoned the song leader and whispered in his ear. The song leader then announced: "Mr. Bryan requests that we sing it, and suggests that those sing first who have been dry longest."

When he was given the floor, Mr. Bryan said he was glad the 18th and 19th amendments had changed the complexion of political meetings.

"We see red cheeks where before we saw red noses."

On another occasion he accompanied Dr. Clarence Edward MacArthur, former moderator of the Presbyterian Church, to a gathering of students at McCormick Theological Seminary here. Mr. Bryan was introduced as having been persuaded to speak. He promptly took exception to the word persuaded:

"If I had not been asked to speak I would have asked for the privilege," said Mr. Bryan.

Vice President Charles G. Dawes recently recalled that in their youth he, Bryan and John J. Pershing ate at the same lunch counter in Lincoln, Neb. Measured by dwellings, Bryan was the "platoon" at the three, said Mr. Dawes, occupying his own house, while Pershing paid \$10 a month for a room over a store.

#### BRYAN WAS NEAR DEATH IN RALEIGH IN SEPTEMBER, 1896

In First Presidential Campaign Sucked Beetle Into His Windpipe, Almost Choking.

Raleigh, July 27.—But for the quick work of surgeons, the obituary of William Jennings Bryan would have been printed twenty-nine years ago and they would have carried the date line, "Raleigh, N. C., September 26, 1896." The story is printed for the first time in today's Raleigh News and Observer of which Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy during the Wilson administration, is owner.

Bryan, then the youthful demigod of democracy, was swinging through the South in his first campaign for the presidency. He spoke to 20,000 people here that night and but few noticed the sharp convulsion of pain that overspread his face as he concluded or that he slumped toward his chair. Those near him saw it and sensed that something was wrong. They moved instantly to him and discovered he was unable to speak.

He was hurriedly removed to his room where an examination disclosed that with his last inhalation as he concluded

his speech he had sucked into his windpipe an enormous beetle. It was a hard-winged, sharp legged night flier of the species still common to this section. The presidential candidate suffered painful lacerations of his throat but he quickly recovered and the next day continued his trip throughout the southern states. The press dispatches of the night bore no reference to it but for the timely aid of those close to him he would have choked to death.

#### Bryan's Last Speech to Be Delivered Through Papers.

Dayton, Tenn., July 27.—The last speech of William Jennings Bryan will be delivered tomorrow afternoon.

Instead of being enunciated in the ringing tones of the "boy orator of the Platte," however, it will reach the public through the medium of the newspapers.

Prepared by Mr. Bryan for use during his participation in the prosecution of John Thomas Scopes in the evolution case, he was twice cheated of opportunities to deliver it.

The first chance passed by a freakish twist of the Scopes trial as the attorney, after expert testimony was ruled inadmissible, agreed to confine their remarks to the jury to a brief appeal for a verdict of guilty to speed the case on its way to the higher courts.

Death intervened the second time. Mr. Bryan had determined to deliver the address during the next week in Tennessee and had made arrangements for it to be printed and released to the press.

After his death, announcements were made that it would be released to newspapers for publication tomorrow.

#### Hole In His Sock Humiliated Bryan.

Wichita, Kans., July 27.—A humiliating experience of W. J. Bryan is recounted in a letter by him to W. E. Holmes, secretary of the Wichita Chamber of Commerce and a close friend of the Commoner.

With other notables, Mr. Bryan was visiting some temples in Japan, and as is customary, he removed his shoes on entering.

"Imagine my chagrin," he wrote to Mr. Holmes, "when on removing my right shoe, I found a hole in the heel of my sock. I felt that every person in the crowd saw it and I am greatly humiliated. This feeling was not in any sense ameliorated when, on removing my left shoe, there was also a hole in the heel of my left sock. I think it was the most humiliating experience of my life."

## COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

### CHINA GROVE ROUTE ONE.

We are having dry weather now. We are glad to note that Mr. George Dry has recovered from the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Miller, of Trading Ford, spent Sunday afternoon with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Yost, of South Rowan. Also Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yost and two little daughters, of Greensboro, spent a few days with Mr. Yost's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Yost.

The daughter of Mr. Paul Miller, who spent a week with her cousin, Mrs. T. M. Yost, returned to her home at Trading Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pless have returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. Pless' sister, Mrs. Frank Lyles in Keyville, Va.

### ROBERTA.

We are still having some warm dry weather. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Billings a daughter.

Mr. Charlie and Mr. Garner Verbe have returned home from Camp Glenn, where they have been taking military training.

Mr. Charlie Verbe and Miss Odessa Pressley were married last Monday in South Carolina. Their many friends extend congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Biggers spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. George Klutz, of Watts Cross Roads.

Mr. Rae Tucker, of Derita, spent Friday night with his uncle, L. W. Blackwelder.

Mrs. Julia Garmon is spending a few days with her son, Albert, of Rowan.

There was a large crowd present at prayer meeting at L. W. Blackwelder's Saturday night.

Our choir is practicing for the Sunday School convention at Poplar Tent Friday, July 31st. We are expecting to furnish singing throughout the program as has been requested.

Venus, we are having plenty of good old ripe watermelons to eat these warm days. They are very refreshing.

There was a large crowd of friends at the birthday dinner given Mr. Mack Starnes at the home of Mr. Will Kiser, Saturday, July 25th.

Come on Route Seven, with your items. We like to read them.

### SWEET DREAMS.

#### ENOCHVILLE

Mrs. H. H. Overcash is suffering intensely from being stung in a blood vessel by a bumble bee.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Upright spent Sunday with relatives in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parnell and children, of Charlotte, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cook and children, of near Kannapolis, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of H. H. Overcash's.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Wallace and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Helton and children, of Fauston, N. C., are spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Wallace.

D. P. Winecoff is expecting to add

two new rooms to his residence.

Miss Jennie Bell Overcash is spending a few days with relatives near Stony Point.

Hugh Overcash and George Edd Smith have gone to South Carolina for a truck load of peaches.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sechler, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Upright and baby, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Allman and children were visitors Sunday at C. C. Upright's.

Octavia Upright went to Mooreville Thursday to accept a position in the mills there.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Outen spent Sunday with relatives of Mrs. Outen.

A birthday dinner was given at the home of A. A. Wallace last Saturday in celebration of his birthday.

Come on, all you country correspondents. Let's get busy and report more news. Items have been a scarcity in recent papers. BUSY BEE.

### DECLARES BRYAN WAS NOT A GREAT THINKER

English Press Says Great American Was An Emotionalist, a Sentimentalist.

London, July 27.—Aside from his eloquence, the London editorial writers do not attribute any degree of greatness to William Jennings Bryan, in whom they see emotionalism as the outstanding characteristic, but admit his sincerity and personal magnetism.

The Morning Post says his life story illustrates at once the power and weakness of mere eloquence.

"Bryan's silver speech," it adds, "could not match the golden silence of such a man as Coolidge. It is characteristic of American psychology that sensibility to the charm of Bryan's oratory was combined with criticism and dissatisfaction."

The Daily Telegraph:

"He was never a thinker; he was an emotionalist. Sentimentalism was the explanation of such success as he achieved as a politician, and sentimentalism is also a sufficient explanation of why he never reached the supreme goal of his long endeavors, for there is a great saving reserve of commonsense in America."

The Westminster Gazette sees in Mr. Bryan "a rather ineffectible figure, but with fine fervor and sincerity that compelled respect."

It adds: "He must be reckoned among those who taught America to consider her duties in relation to the rest of the world. He was above all a preacher, rather than a practical politician."

The News says: "His intellectual equipment was almost negligible. He was a hopeless administrator and an impossible colleague, and although in private life honest and well-meaning, these are not qualities that ordinarily raise men to a great place. His whole life was spent in leading a lost cause."

### Ten Per Cent Wage Cut.

Lawrence, Mass., July 25.—A ten per cent wage reduction effective Monday was announced today by Walworth Brothers, Inc., manufacturers of dress goods. The reduction will affect 300 operatives.

During the last century, the average wool production of the merino sheep of Australia has been increased from four pounds to 8 and 10 pounds.

## AGRICULTURAL COLUMN Conducted by R. D. GOODMAN.

State Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention.

The State Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention, to be held at North Carolina State College, Raleigh, July 28, 29, and 30, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, will furnish the farmers of the state a great trip to see part of the state and attend a very interesting and instructive programme for farmers and their wives at a minimum expense.

Cabarrus has the reputation of sending a good delegation to the convention in past and we hope to have a good attendance in Raleigh next week. The party will leave Concord around 6 or 7 o'clock Tuesday morning and make the trip via Salisbury, Greensboro, Durham, Raleigh, and return via Sanford, and through the peach section to Albemarle.

As the peaches will be ripening about their best at this time and some of the farmers may want to bring a few and bill peaches home with them is one of the principal reasons for making the trip as suggested.

In addition to the number of lectures on the programme relating to farming and home problems I have been informed that the Snow Cap string band, that thrilled the convention with its music last year, will be there from Henderson county.

The rooms of the college dormitories, including bed and mattress will be furnished free and meals at the college dining hall will only cost you 25 cents. Anything extra in the way of towels, sheets, blankets, comb, brush, etc., should be carried along, and by several going together in the same automobile the trip can be made very cheap.

### Federal Aid to Roads

Washington, D. C., July 25.—It was announced here today by the Bureau of Public Roads of the United States Department of Agriculture that 9,445 miles of Federal Aid road was brought to completion during the fiscal year ending June 30. An additional 4,587 is reported but has not been finally inspected and accepted, said the Bureau.

"Texas," it was pointed out, "led in mileage completed during the year, with 784 miles, followed by South Dakota, with 458 miles, Illinois, with 431 miles and Minnesota, with 429 miles." Probably their most notable project opened to traffic is the Wendover out-off across the Great Salt Lake desert, which has removed an ancient obstacle to trans-continental highway traffic.

Japanese Mills Take Much American Cotton.

New York, July 26.—A report of the Japan Cotton Spinners association to the New York cotton exchange states consumption of raw cotton in Japan, during April, amounted to 197,000 bales of 500-pounds gross, an increase of 12,000 bales over March.

Whipet racing is popular in England. Instead of chasing rabbits, the dogs race toward their masters at the end of the course.



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