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With this issue of the NEWS the Republican Executive Committee ceases to write for its columns. We have fought a great political battle, and won a great victory. From Maine to California, and from the Gulf to the Atlantic we swept the deck. In the nation there is little left of Democracy outside of the South; her condition is pitiable, her hopes shattered, her leaders crushed and humiliated. In the State her star is fast fading with the handwriting on the wall. In our Congressional districts our victory is astonishing to us as it was unexpected to the Democrats. Cowles, Morehead and Grant, who would have thought it! These splendid representatives of the greatest political party on earth. Good to the State will undoubtedly come from their services. The 34th Senatorial district has been redeemed, and will be represented by two stalwart Republicans in the State Senate. Good, good, good.

As to Caldwell County she covered herself with unfading glory, grand, superb, complete. Democracy is possession of the election machinery with the great advantage it gives them, with a dozen local speakers, and flooded with Senators, Governors, and all sorts and kinds of orators and speakers day and night, with parades, flags, bands and banners she went down in defeated, routed and demoralized by the Republican party. To use common slang, "There is not a greasy spot left" of Democracy in the County. But the "unkindest cut of all" was the attempt to throw out some of the precincts on a slight pretense of fraud, and every one of them managed and controlled by Democratic officials. What an accusation against your own party officials. But the attempt fell of its own weight. What party can live that resorts to such tactics? A few more such didoes and your name will be a synonym for fraud and duplicity. What leadership, what management, what stupidity. Poor old party like a ship at sea without compass or rudder, any party that attempts to deprive free men of their ballots deserves and will receive humiliating defeat. Let us forbear lest our criticisms grate upon the sensitive ear of some poor mortal who is still in the wilderness of Democracy, blindfolded and shipwrecked by defeat.

The following is the official vote in Caldwell County, and shows an average Republican majority of about 200, which verifies our forecast of the election some ten days ago:

PRESIDENT:	
Taft	1745
Bryan	1413
Taft's majority	332
GOVERNOR:	
Cox	1685
Kitchin	1476
Cox's majority	209
CONGRESS:	
Cowles	1717
Hackett	1463
Cowles' majority	254
SENATE:	
J. C. Sherrill	1680
J. V. McCall	1514
Sherrill's majority	166
REPRESENTATIVE:	
M. N. Harshaw	1660
L. H. Tuttle	1508
Harshaw's majority	152
SHERIFF:	
J. M. Smith	1601

J. A. Triplett	1560
Smith's majority	41
REGISTER OF DEEDS:	
J. L. Miller	1645
W. L. Grear	1530
Miller's majority	115
TREASURER:	
J. J. Austin	1683
J. H. Abernethy	1510
Austin's majority	173
SURVEYOR:	
J. H. Isbell	1695
W. H. H. Hartley	1486
Isbell's majority	209
CORONER:	
J. J. Roderts	1671
B. O. Teague	1515
Roberts majority	156
COMMISSIONERS:	
J. L. Beach	1681
J. M. Allred	1682
J. T. Hayes	1680
George R. Clark	1480
P. P. Blair	1492
W. F. Jarvis	1402
Republican majority	200
REP. EX. COM.	

Why it Happened As it Did.

Every Democrat and every Republican as well, of course has a theory as to why the election of Tuesday resulted so crushingly to Mr. Bryan. There is no unanimity of agreement and one man's opinion is as good as another's. Our own is clear cut and fixed and we should like to be acquitted of any purpose to be unkind in expression of it.

Mr. Bryan has been a candidate for President for more than twelve years—from the time of his first nomination in the summer of 1888 until sunset Tuesday of this week. We have remembrance in saying this of the ill-fated candidacy of Judge Parker in 1904, but during the period between 1900 and 1904 Mr. Bryan's candidacy only abated—it did not cease. He has therefore been before the people continuously for a long time and has kept himself at the very front of the stage, fairly dividing attention for the first four years of the twelve with Mr. McKinley and for the last eight with Mr. Roosevelt, the three having been, undoubtedly, during the twelve years the three most conspicuous American citizens. In this time Mr. Bryan has said much and written much and from time to time has attached himself to or originated a number of propositions which the people have shown that they regard as hateful, impracticable or dangerous, as for instance; the free coinage of silver; the government ownership of railroads; the initiative and referendum; instant withdrawal from the Philippines, leaving those people to their fate; the election of United States Senators and United States judges by popular vote; the control of child labor by Federal laws, and things not necessary to enumerate.

In view of these politics and in fear of what others he might project, the people have come to regard him as a theorist, a dreamer, an idealist, and have distrusted him. He is not considered a practical man or one to whom the chief executive office of the nation could be safely committed. This impression has grown upon them, so that at each appearance before them as a candidate he has been rejected more decisively than at the last. Perhaps nobody questions the integrity of his purpose or lack in personal respect for him. The

body of the people are afraid of him and that is all. He has accepted so many strange doctrines, argued them with surpassing eloquence and abandoned them under the fore of the logic of events or when he realized that they did not "take," that confidence in his judgment is lacking and there was the apprehension that if he were President he might embrace any new fad, put it into execution and work much injury to the country. Thoughtful people have not overlooked the fact, either, that five—a majority—of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States are above seventy years of age and eligible for retirement, and that in all human probability this court will be re-organized during the next presidential term, by reason of the death or retirement of a majority of its members. Such persons have enquired of themselves, what type of lawyers Mr. Bryan would appoint to these vacancies and found themselves unable to trust him with this great power and responsibility.

The above are the causes, one operating with another, that, in our judgement, brought about the undoing of Mr. Bryan Tuesday. He it was, not the Democratic party that was defeated; but unhappily, in pulling down the pillars of the temple he pulled down the structure on a great many other men—candidates for Governor and Congress in States and on down through the counties to the end of the list. It is as true in politics as in other relations of life that no man liveth to himself. —Charlotte Observer.

CIVIL WAR INCIDENTS.

As Told from Memory by an Old Veteran.

While in this camp we fared pretty well. Some of the boys did some good foraging and we had chicken, etc. A nice porker strayed into camp one day and was butchered. I went out into the country one day about three miles and got some honey for a sick man, S. F. Harper, our mess mate. John S. Haigler was a good forager up the valley to near Berryville.

I recollect being sent to a Dr. Maguire's house to guard it, and I have often thought that this was perhaps the father of Dr. Hunter Maguire, of the Richmond Hospital. We rested here for some time before we proceeded up the valley on our way to Fredericksburg, as the Federals were changing their base of operations and we had to change ours also, we marched up the valley by Strasburg, Mt. Jackson and crossed the Blue Ridge at Minnams gap over into Madison county, and on to Fredericksburg. The macadam road wore our shoes out and the last few days of the march a great many were barefooted. W. A. Tuttle and myself were both barefooted and had liberty to march out of the ranks. It was frosty, cold mornings and it snowed after we got into camp near Fredericksburg. They made moccasins for the men out of the green beef hides. I got a pair of good shoes but a great many wore the moccasins. We rested a few days and the word came Burnside was crossing the river. We hurried to Fredericksburg and got into line about two miles below the city and waited for the coming events. Heavy fighting was going on at Fredericksburg and down on our right. The 16th regiment of our brigade was down on the advance line along the rail road. In the evening two companies of our regiment were ordered to join them and our company had to go. By the time we reached the railroad the fighting was on in earnest along the whole line it seemed to me. The Federals charged the railroad and forced our men out. Some went back to the woods several hundred yards off and some fell back just a few yards to a branch and used it for a breast work. Some lay down as dead men in the railroad cut and the Federals standing over them and shooting those in the branch; and in this extremity when all seemed to be lost a new brigade of Confederates came to our relief, charging them and driving them back a considerable distance toward the river; but they returned to the charge with a new line and we got back to the railroad cut and this closed the day for us. On this last charge John Coleman was shot down, Sidney Dula had been wounded in the foot, a bad wound, Alfred Lingle lost his arm, William F. Estes was wounded and died of his wound, and Green Nelson was killed.

In this battle I had used up all my cartridges. It was the first and only time this happened to me.

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