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## DEMOCRACY TRIUMPHANT

A Great Meeting Greets Governor Sparks and Democratic Associates Thursday Eve.

### PRINCIPLES THE SOUL OF MAN.

Enthusiasm and Ferver for the Cause Galore, Republicans Assure Support.

### JOHN S. PARKS PRESIDES.

The Democratic state candidates were in Las Vegas Thursday evening. The party included Governor Sparks, George A. Bartlett, D. M. Ryan, James G. Sweeney and Richard C. Stoddard. The candidates were met at the depot by a large delegation of citizens who escorted them to the hotels of the town. A general reception and shaking of hands was the lot of these candidates. The whole town turned out en masse to greet Nevada's foremost Governor and his splendid running mates.

Many were the expressions of approval that greeted the governor of his course as executive and many were the assurances from Republicans of support of entire ticket.

The Democrats are the popular side. In the evening there was a mass meeting. With a beautiful moon in the evening, and with blazing bonfires lending additional vividity to the occasion and place, there was assembled an audience so large and enthusiastic as to make it a record breaking meeting of southern Nevada.

Thunders of applause and cheers greeted the eminent men as they were introduced in turn. Particularly was this effective when Governor Sparks and George Bartlett and James G. Sweeney were introduced.

John S. Park was chairman of the meeting and right well did he perform his part.

As vice presidents there were such well known Democrats on deck as Dr. C. M. Rucker, Frank M. Grace, E. J. Roselle, H. A. Barker, Al James, J. O. McIntosh, J. W. Horden, A. N. Pauff, J. S. Harris, Fred W. Shannon, Joseph Laravey, Tom Flynn, Adam Kramer, C. Chamberlain, R. J. Sullivan, W. A. Smith, Lafayette Holcomb, D. D. Hecky and Proctor Smith and Robert Shaffer.

The meeting was a great success. It was an augur. It represented the Democratic expression of public opinion organized into a permanent organization and which like an electric shock nothing will be able to resist. Democratic opinion being a passion of souls for justice makes it invincible.

Democracy is not the impulse and response of a day, but an unending purpose to bring all the people into their own. The finger of destiny is in its soul and as a consequence there is a never ending movement forwards and for better things.

The time is one of those epochs "in the history of the human race when the decayed branches fall from the tree of humanity and when institutions of oppression, oppressive because of having outlived their usefulness, fall from the tree of life and exhausted sink and leave space for fresh institutions full of sap which renew the life and recast the ideas of a people." All this changing and conforming to up-to-date ideas is democracy. A substitution of the newer and better for the worn out. These are the Democratic ideas of today. It does not mean the change of our policy of government, but the application of new means and new measures so that our economic relationship may be more equitable and the blessings of nature more justly applied under that newer order when the power of production is increased manifold through the application of machinery and science to supply the advancing needs of mankind. It is this conforming of democracy to the present and coming conditions that creates such fervor and enthusiasm for a Bryan and a Hearst who enforce such ideas. Such is the doctrine of progression, as against money bag domination with its brutal and barbarous tendencies, that the democratic tribunes of the state presided on Thursday evening. It was for this that the people applauded and cheered and pledged their support to

the state and county democracy. A synopsis of speeches will be published next week.

Wednesday evening the Republicans had a mass meeting which was well attended and addressed by the following well known gentlemen. J. F. Mitchell, candidate for Governor; G. T. Mills, candidate for lieutenant governor; Oscar J. Smith for congress; W. G. Douglass and E. R. Dodge and E. Cutts. The meeting had neither the snap or spirit of the Democrats.

### THE REASON IS PLAIN.

The question has been asked why should so much stress be laid on the success of the republican candidate, an excellent gentleman by the way, for county treasurer.

In a nutshell: It is the control of the county funds. These funds will aggregate about \$60,000 for the next term. This fund in the control of a shrewd, cunning, selfish man could be made a powerful lever, as it used to be done by the Quay machine, of Pennsylvania to support a machine and for speculative purposes by which to enrich the boss and his confidential control. Men who have the keenness to aim for such an end usually take a chance with public funds to lend them out on interest and when exigencies require it, juggle them into the stock market, either as bulls or bears, and make fortunes thereby.

This is no doubt the milk in the coconut that feeds the ambition of the republican machine. "Get a hold of the public funds, deposit them in an institution that we control," and many a hard earned dollar extorted from a people by taxation has gone "whither the woodbine twineth"—up in the air, through such misapplication of the sweat and blood contributed for public purposes by a people.

True, some such malefactors have either gone to the penitentiary and others have committed suicide, but the fellows that ever got the punishment or death invariably have been the tools of the crafty boss who pulled the string, for the boss is ever so cunning, that the dupe gets the dose and the boss so shapes as to be immune from the crime he extorts from the victim, who has lost his all and become either an outcast or an additional mound in the graveyard.

How refreshing in the face of this juggling this declaration culled from the democratic county platform appears, "We are unalterably opposed to the juggling of state and county funds for the benefit of individuals; if there is to be any source of gain by the deposit of such funds with any banking institution we demand that the people receive such benefit."

There you have it. Whom will you voters elect, Ed W. Clark, the democratic nominee, who is pledged to the democratic declaration, or the candidate of the republican party estimable gentleman though he may be, is yet the proxy result of Boss McNamee.

### HON. FRANK MANUEL SAYS!

Two weeks ago The Times said: "The protests against the machine boss methods and the machine candidates of Boss McNamee are rising into an overwhelming chorus of denunciation and revenge."

The reverse part has given away to calmer thought of those who were outraged and by a process of later vivisection of the misdeeds and the typewritten proxy control have come to the conclusion that the only thing to apply for a remedy is to vote the democratic ticket.

For ability and competent aggressiveness within the former republican lines there were none who could match ex-Senator Frank Manuel, who in conjunction with Dr. Murray of Callente was the leader of the manhood republican delegates in the late proxy controlled convention by grace of McNamee.

Manuel is eschewing the McNamee ticket. He states that on state ticket he is silent, but on the county ticket "I will vote the whole democratic ticket with the exception of two."

Yum! what a dark dismal night all these things presage for the pocket edition candidates of the McNamee machine.

How odious boss methods are! Will Stewart, Dr. Murray, Joe Taylor, Frank Manuel and many more like them battling for good honest rule.

Judge Mills, the candidate who has no opposition from any of the regular constituted parties, is almost in the position of the fellow who read his title clear.

## SAY, DID YOU EVER?

Just Read What Democrats and Republicans From All Over the County Convey.

### A TALE OF GLAD TIDINGS.

Republicans in a Rout—Democrats Triumphant—Republicans Sick—Democrats Healthy.

### DOWN WITH BOSS PROXIES.

The democratic state campaign is on in earnest. Governor Sparks and his excellent conferees the next congressman, George A. Bartlett, Justice Sweeney, Treasurer Ryan, Comptroller Raffice and Attorney General R. C. Stoddard are swinging the circle of Nevada, meeting people and talking sound democracy. Wherever these statesmen and spell binders have been they have found the Democratic spirit triumphant and the voters in such accord as to promise the greatest Democratic victory that has ever been manifested in this state. The excellence of the candidates and the splendid principles advocated is uniting the farmer, the miner, the mine owner, the railway employee in one grand, harmonious whole to effect the success of men and principles and already preparing for those jubilee meetings that will send forth the hosannas in praise that government of by and for the people is to endure as against Republican chicanery to make more effective government of by and for the money bags.

This is cheering as compared with the moribund load of the Republicans and that discussion and disintegration so manifest by the withdrawal of Cutts and acutely illustrated in Lincoln county. The Democrats working together, the Republicans at one another's throat on account of the misdeeds of the masters, only one result, John Sparks with a full complement of Democratic coadjutors to conduct state affairs for four years more and George A. Bartlett to serve the Nevada constituency in congress until he is summoned higher up.

What is true of the state is more vividly true of Lincoln county. Here is chaos in the Republican camp. The Democrats have a solid front and cheerily energetic in behalf of the entire ticket. It is a light and airy feeling that pervades them to make the battle of the ballots win and win the Democratic ballots will. In their lexicon there is no such a word as fall.

Chairman Denton of the Democratic county committee reports that never in the history of the party of that county was there such a tendency and fervor for the old political landmark of nation, state and county as there is now, and as a number of communications subjoined and culled from many others portray.

Searchlight, October 1st, 1906. J. A. Denton, Chairman Democratic County Committee:

Dear Sir: We have the Republicans on the run here. They are fighting amongst themselves and how they do plunge the knife into one another. "It is war to the knife and knife to the hilt" amongst them.

The Democrats are as one man pulling true, full of enthusiasm for their splendid candidates from top to bottom, and what is more, are gaining recruits daily from the opposition such as are disgusted by the Republican dog and cat exhibit.

All is well here and the end will be well and such is the word that Searchlight Democracy sends to many Democrats throughout the country.

From De Lamar comes the word: "Even though this is McNamee's town, where he and his ring candidates should be the strongest, yet the fact is that the honest Republicans are so disgusted that the Democrats will gain largely by the men who place decent political methods above boss indecency."

Count upon De Lamar giving a Democratic majority for the ticket. Every one of our voters are in line pulling true for the cause and have no heart burnings on account of the misdeeds of any boss. George Bondovitch, the popular ideal Democrat, means many votes for us.

Pioche sends word. Never was the Democratic party in

better fighting trim or more enthusiastic than what they are in this campaign, with them it is an altogether action for the whole ticket. The Republicans are distressed, worried and down cast and with a listlessness that plainly shows "What's the use," have practically given up the hope that lays the unction to the soul and consequently instead of being a militant Republican force have defeat marked all over them. But then there are only a few Republicans here and their heart aches will be overcome when the glad tidings will overtake them that Democrats with good efficient purposes will administer county affairs from Pioche for two years more."

The old, old haven of prosperity and good people, Panaca, tells its tale through a shrewd observer in these words: "Panaca will go Democratic good and strong this time. There is no discord. We know pretty near every one of the Democratic nominees and we know them to be good men clear through and as our people respect the good, they will vote accordingly."

The Republicans are crestfallen. They have no spirit, because they know of the doing of Mc and his proxies and they at least like a fair deal for their fellow Republicans. This they know was not given by the proxy control at Las Vegas. This made many stay at home, amongst them on election day, and others will vote with the Democrats, so all in all Panaca will have a stronger Democratic year this time than ever before."

From the Muddy Valley, the farmers paradise, comes nothing but praise. One writer states: "That the Democratic advocacy of improvement in the experimental station will give our party many votes it would not have otherwise got, and then there is Levi Syphus," so well and favorably known throughout the valley as to give us another source of strength. Everything works to the end of giving the Democrats a greater vote this time than at any time previous." From Overton, from St. Thomas and from Gold Butte, yea, wherever the spirit of fairness prevails, come these sane, cheering words to the Democratic managers.

Whoop! From Las Vegas Denton states he receives word of Democrats and Republicans alike as to the extraordinary prospects for an almost unanimous vote for the Democratic county ticket and in turn a strong support from many heretofore Republicans for that sterling Democrat, John Sparks, and George Bartlett, the whole ticket in fact. A Republican writes: "Of all the unclean things that ever disgraced our party there was none that ever was the equal of the shameful show given by McNamee and his proxies which we saw and know how it was done, and never was there any boss show more infamous and odious than that one was. No Republican of self respecting nature should vote that ticket to give license to some other political buccaneer boss to outrage again the sentiments of his party. No Republican should feel himself bound by the action of a convention that violates so brazenly the rights of true party representation. I am not the only one who will vote the Democratic ticket straight so as to purify the Republican party from so unclean a machine as that which disgraces and dishonors Republicanism in Lincoln County. It is a fair estimate that three-fourths of the Republicans will go the Democratic way this time. All hail the manly, purifying spirit of the Las Vegas Republicans. Look for a rousing vote for your whole ticket." They are up and doing and zealously working with their Republican friends for decent politics and a manly rule of the members of all parties as against any boss with home office typewritten proxies to make one-third beat two-thirds and then no primaries held at all in some precincts, and still the proxy comes from the pocket of some one to do the work.

From Hiko the old county seat, a Democrat sends word of the strength of the party. Republicans have heard of the misdeeds of the Las Vegas convention and consequently will either not vote at all or vote the Democratic ticket.

And Callente duplicate Las Vegas. More Democrats than ever there.

From Good Springs an enthusiastic Democrat writes: "The Republicans are sick. The Democrats are well. Some one assassinated the Republican party—who did it? The proxy. We Democrats do not complain of the nature of the war the boss made—it is

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the Republicans more than the Democrats who now declare political death to such political tyranny. The Democrats have justice for their cause. The Republicans present only damnation for their ticket. It is not victory nor fortune for the machine with these Republicans, but the rooting out of crime through the ballot that they may have decent politics. The Republican inspiration is: such things must perish. The Democratic cry is come with us and we will cure your party's disease; and the Republicans are coming with us, and Good Springs will cast a great vote for the Democratic ticket."

From Nelson and El Dorado it is the same. The miners there know that Sparks and Sweeney and Bartlett and Syphus and Williams and Vaughn and their friends and in days gone by gave them the mine inspector law, the eight hour law, and they know that the Democratic state and county platform assures no discriminating and lower freight rates for their employers and that this in town means more miners employed at good wages, a better standard of living and more of the comforts of life all around. No wonder a miner sends words, "We are all with your ticket and miner-like we will make a straight hole by voting for Sparks down to constable."

Even Mountain Springs sends its word of strong support. Say Democracy is invincible this

time and such a victory as it will be! Rejoice and keep on rejoicing for the people are going to have their own.

What an up-hill fight single handed and alone the deputy sheriff must have. Where will the votes come from? Oh! My kingdom for a horse!

The democratic state candidates will visit Las Vegas in the near future. Prepare to give them a rousing welcome.

The most sure political tombstone exhibit: Here lies the deputy sheriff—nothing ever so complete in its own undoing.

Wait until election day and the McNamee proxies will most assuredly declare that they are out of politics.

What an illustration of the "bridge of sighs" the republican attempt by proxies should prove itself.

What a humbug—the proxy result of a proxy controlled republican convention is.

The democratic state and county tickets are a good thing—push it along.

The Republican convention was a case of the tail wagging the dog.

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