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"THE LIBERTY OF THE PRESS IS THE HIGHEST SAFEGUARD TO FREE GOVERNMENT"—Col. E. D. Baker.

**For President**  
Robert M. LaFollette

**SOME EARLY CONVENTION HISTORY.**

"All history makes it impossible that either be nominated. The Republican party will nominate neither." Senator La Follette, in proof of the claim that he holds the best chance of either, told how Blaine and Bristol were rival candidates in 1876 and the contest became so heated that the Republican party nominated neither, and a man of almost total obscurity, Rutherford B. Hayes, with only the Ohio delegation to support him, was nominated and made president. Four years later similar conditions arose with Grant, seeking a third term, and James G. Blaine, seeking the nomination. Garfield, with only one vote in the convention from Pennsylvania, was nominated and elected. Coming down still later, Benjamin Harrison, with only the Indiana delegation backing him, was nominated and elected. "So don't you see," said the great progressive, "you're not throwing away your votes when you vote for me?" The audience shook with laughter. "I've gotten Hayes, Garfield and Harrison beaten to a frazzle," continued La Follette, "for I have 36 votes from North Dakota, one lone vote up in Washington, and there's 26 more from the state of California that I'm going to get. That's more than enough. Do you want to name the next president? If you'll give me California, I'll do the rest. But I don't want California on any other basis than this, that I represent your convictions better than any other candidate. And if I do represent your convictions, then I'll be, oh, so proud to have the vote of the Golden state, which shall link hands with Wisconsin."

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**In the House of Representatives.**  
Opposing repeatedly raids upon the treasury in the way of subsidies.  
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Blocking a townsite scheme granting undue concessions to the railroads by uncovering a joker in a bill granting a right of way over an Indian reservation.  
Protecting the dairymen of the country from the fraudulent sale of oleomargarine for butter.  
**In the United States Senate.**  
His fight to perfect the Hepburn railway bill.  
His fight against the grain elevator monopoly.  
His fight to conserve the coal fields in the public domain.  
His fight against overpayment to railroads for transportation of mails.  
His fight against the Aldrich emergency currency bill.  
His fight for the co-employee and 16-hour bills.  
His fight for a tariff commission with adequate powers to ascertain reasonable tariff rates.  
His fight to eliminate jokers in the Wickersham railroad bill and to give the Interstate Commerce Commission adequate powers of control.  
His analysis of the Payne-Aldrich tariff measure.  
His exposition of the Canadian reciprocity sham.  
His management of the wool and the farmers' free list bills.  
His contention that tariff conference should no longer be secret.

**ROOSEVELT'S RECORD.**

Seven years as president—and not one word for the recall of judges.  
Seven years as president—and not one word for the revision of the tariff.  
Seven years as president—and not one word of the overshadowing danger that threatened the rule of the people.  
Seven years as president—and not one word against the use of federal patronage in influencing delegates to the national convention.  
Seven years as president—and not one word for presidential primaries.  
Seven years as president—and seven years of co-operation with Aldrich and Cannon.  
Seven years as president—and not one word of encouragement for Senator La Follette, the real leader of so-called progressive Republicanism.  
The above list includes all the issues which might be called distinctly progressive from the insurgent standpoint, and they form the basis of Roosevelt's opposition to President Taft. Yet for seven years, during which he was the most popular and most powerful man in the country, he did absolutely nothing to advance them. He could have brought about any one of the reforms he now pretends to think of such vital importance, if he had earnestly advocated it. His silence then proves that his present attitude is solely for the purpose of advancing his own political ambitions.  
Regarding Roosevelt's recent victories, it is notorious that wherever he has triumphed, reactionary candidates for governor, senator or congressman have been nominated and have been carried to victory with him.  
In Oregon, Jonathan Bourne, progressive, was defeated for the senatorial nomination by Ben Selling, reactionary. In Nebraska, Norris Brown, the Taft candidate, was barely beaten by George W. Norris, progressive, and insurgent leader of the house last session. In Illinois, Walter Clyde Jones, progressive candidate for governor, was beaten by Governor Deneen, reactionary.  
But as the crowning proof of Roosevelt's insincerity when he makes claim of being progressive, witness the action of the Illinois state convention, controlled absolutely by Roosevelt, in refusing to endorse the

initiative, referendum and woman's suffrage planks, which the real progressives in that convention attempted to have inserted.

**ROOSEVELT ON LA FOLLETTE.**

I doubt whether American students of social economics fully realize the extraordinary work that has been accomplished during the last decade and is now being accomplished in the state of Wisconsin under the lead of Senator La Follette and the group of entirely practical and, at the same time, zealously enthusiastic workers who have come into active control of the state mainly or largely because of the lead he has given them. We can now, at least in many cases, look for leadership to Wisconsin when we desire to try to solve the great social and industrial problems of the present and the future. It is only in Wisconsin, so far as I know, that a really serious and thorough effort is being made to find out how to frame measures which shall give the people control over the big corporations without going into wild extravagances. After my visit, I felt like congratulating Wisconsin upon what she had done and was doing, and felt much more like congratulating the country as a whole because it has in the state of Wisconsin a pioneer blazing the way along which we Americans must make our civic and industrial advance during the next few decades.—Theodore Roosevelt, in the Outlook.

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