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WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN
OF NEBRASKA

FOR VICE PRESIDENT
JOHN WORTH KERN
OF INDIANA

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

DEFEAT THIS ONE.
At the general election to be held November 3d, a constitutional amendment is to be submitted to the voters of the state, proposing to increase the salaries of certain state officers, as follows: Governor, from \$6,000 to \$10,000; Lieut. Governor, from \$3,000 to \$4,000; Secretary of State, Controller, Treasurer, Surveyor General each, from \$3,000 to \$5,000, and Attorney General from \$3,000 to \$6,000. The total expenditure of the state for the year ending June 30th was \$14,154,987. Are the voters of the state willing to vote to increase the salaries of our officials according to this schedule.—*Hollister Bee.*

If these officials are not satisfied with their positions we are certain that there are many who will very gladly take the jobs. With 11,946 business failures in the past nine months (more than in the famous 1893 panic year) and farmers and laborers in a bad fix, it is not the time to talk about raising salaries.

NOTE FOR THIS ONE.
Every honest man who has a vote on November 3rd should place his mark in the "Yes" column when he comes to vote for assembly constitutional amendment No. 3. You will find the amendment tenth on the list. Look for it and vote for it. "Yes." This amendment, if carried, will give us the Direct Primary and shatter the machine.—*Hollister Bee.*

Every vote for assembly amendment No. 3 is a vote for free parties and free government. Every voter who fails to vote for that amendment casts a vote for continuation of boss rule. The direct primary amendment will be at the top of the last column of the general ballot. Which side are you on?—*S. F. Call.*

NOTE FOR THIS ONE.
The State Assessors' Association has given a good reason why Senate Amendment No. 26 should be carried:

"There is before the people to be voted upon at the coming election a proposed amendment to the State Constitution, which, if adopted, will abolish the assessment of mortgages. This proposed amendment is known as Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 26, and repeals Section 4 of Article XIII of the Constitution relating to the assessment of mortgages, deeds of trust, contracts and other obligations, by which a debt is secured."

"In many cases mortgaged property is reduced in the assessment below the true value of the mortgage, and the mortgage for assessment purposes is reduced to the assessment of the property. The borrower still pays to the money-lender the full amount of the taxes estimated as interest, but the lender pays only the taxes upon the reduced value. If a mortgage be executed in the middle of March the borrower pays until the first of March of the following year a tax in the form of added interest, which is never paid by the lender."

"The instances are numerous where the owner has lost his property through tax sales based upon these mortgage assessments. A mortgage is assessed against the property on the first Monday in March; soon after that date the mortgage is paid off and satisfied. In nine cases out of ten the money-lender will neglect and refuse to pay the mortgage tax and the same chances are that the property owner will never think of the mortgage tax when he pays his own tax. The resulting consequence is that the land is sold to the State for the mortgage tax. In due time the State finds a purchaser and sets the property, without the owner ever knowing there was a delinquent tax against his property."

"We know that the plea is that by exempting the mortgage from taxation the capitalist is not taxed. But this is urged without reflection, for, as has been shown, the lender simply recoups from the needy borrower all and more than the taxes he pays."

"On the whole we see no good result in assessing mortgages. On the contrary, if mortgages were free from taxation, the rate of interest would be less, the cost of assessment less, and the borrower would be less at the mercy of the money-lender."

"We appeal to the common sense of the people of the State, who are suffering from a self-imposed burden, to vote for the adoption of this amendment and exempt mortgages and deeds of trust from taxation."

ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 8.—KILL IT.

The purpose of this amendment is to allow the kindergartens and evening schools to share in the distribution of the State school fund. This would result in the establishment of night schools where no necessity exists for them. It would afford encouragement to the employers of child labor, who could plead that the attendance at night school fulfilled the letter of the compulsory education law. The ultimate effect would be the withdrawal of many children from the day schools, where they rightfully belong, and a decrease in the revenues of the day schools, to the injury of every district in the State. The California Teachers' Association opposes this amendment and recommends its rejection.

POLITICAL FOR CONGRESS

The following words of Justice David J. Brewer, of the Supreme Court of the United States are peculiarly applicable and worthy of attention in this campaign:

"No one can be blind to the fact that these mighty corporations are holding out most tempting inducements to lawmakers to regard in their lawmaking those interests rather than the welfare of the nation. Senators and representatives have owed their places to corporate influence, and that influence has been exerted under an expectation, if not an understanding, that as lawmakers the corporate interest shall be subserved. There may be no written agreement, there may be in fact no agreement at all, and yet when the lawmaker understands that that power exists which may make for his advancement or otherwise, that it may be exerted according to the plicancy with which he yields to its solicitations, it lifts the corporation into a position of constant danger and menace to republican institutions."

Under the leadership of Aldrich and Cannon in Congress, the Senate and House are dominated by lawyers who, while drawing salaries from the people are "practicing law" and practicing legislation for the trusts. So the trusts get what they want, while the people get what they don't want and fail to get what they do want.

A corrupt party never reforms itself while it is in power. The only way to reform the Republican party is to defeat it.

STAND BY A WORTHY YOUNG MAN.

Supreme Justice Angelotti was elected to the bench at the age of 29 years; Supreme Justice Sloss at the age of 31 years; Supreme Justice Henshaw at the age of 32 years; and Judge Taft says that he was but 29 when he was placed on the bench. Shall we say, then, that George W. Waldorf at 34 and with ten years of active practice in the courts of our county and State, is not old enough? No one who knows his ability will raise such a point. On election day show that you appreciate a young man who has shown his honesty, his ability and his determination to "make good" by giving him your vote for Superior Judge.

FOR SUPERVISOR

(Fifth District)
GEORGE J. CAREY
Regular Democratic Nominee
Election, Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1908

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ESTATE OF MARTHA J. WATSON, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Administrator of the estate of Martha J. Watson, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit the same, with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the first publication of this Notice, to the Administrator at the office of L. D. Bonnett, in the Bank of San Jose Building, in the City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, State of California, said office being the place selected by said Administrator for the transaction of the business connected with said estate. San Jose, this 15th day of September, A. D. 1908.

IRVING S. WATSON, Administrator of the estate of Martha J. Watson, Deceased.
L. D. Bonnett, Attorney for Administrator.

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