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Bryan's Views on Suffrage Are Given More in Detail

Says That In the Coming Election In Nebraska He Will Vote For Women To Have the Ballot and Gives His Reasons

Washington, July 17.—Secretary Bryan in a formal statement issued last night came out for women suffrage. He declared that he would ask no political rights for himself that he was not willing to grant his wife, and announced that his intention of supporting the proposed state constitutional amendment extending the franchise to women to be voted upon in Nebraska next November.

Woman, Mr. Bryan said, had proved herself equal to every responsibility imposed upon her and would not fall society in this emergency. Above all other arguments in favor of giving her the ballot he placed the right of the mother to a voice in the moulding of the environment of her children. "The mother" the secretary said, "can justly claim the right to employ every weapon which can be made effective for the protection of those whose interests she guards, and the ballot will put within her reach all of the instrumentalities of government, including the police power."

The statement follows in full: The voters of Nebraska will, at the election next November, adopt or reject a proposed amendment extending suffrage to women on equal terms with men. As a citizen of that state it will be my duty to participate in the decision to be rendered at the polls. I have delayed expressing an opinion on this subject, partly because I have been seeking information, and partly because my time has been occupied with national questions upon which the entire country was acting; but now that the issue is presented in my state, I take my position. I shall support the amendment. I shall ask no political rights for myself that I am not willing to grant to my wife.

As man and woman are co-tenants of the earth and must work out their destiny together, the presumption is on the side of equality of treatment in all that pertains to their joint life and its opportunities. The burden of proof is on those who claim for one an advantage over the other in determining the conditions under which both shall live. This claim has not been established in the matter of suffrage, on the contrary, the objections raised to woman suffrage appear to me to be invalid, while the arguments advanced in support of the proposition are in my judgment, convincing.

The first objection which I remember to have heard was that as woman cannot bear arms she should not have a voice in deciding questions that might require an army for their enforcement. This argument is seldom offered now, for the reason that as civilization advances laws are obeyed because they are an expression of the public opinion, not merely because they have powder and lead behind them. And as we look back over the past, we may well wonder whether the peace movement would not have grown more rapidly than it has, had woman, who secures more than man from the results of war, been consulted before hostilities began.

It is urged by some that woman's life is already full of care and that the addition of suffrage would either overburden her or turn her attention away from the duties of the home. The answer made to this is that the exercise of the franchise might result in a change of thought and occupation that would relieve the monotony of woman's work and give restful variety to her activities. And surely the home will not suffer if the mother, the child's first teacher, is able to intelligently discuss with her family the science of government and the art of successfully administering it.

Third, many well meaning men and women affirm that suffrage would work a harm to woman by lessening the respect in which she is held. This argument would have more weight had it not been employed against every proposition advanced in favor of the enlargement of woman's sphere. This objection was once raised to the higher education of woman, but it is no longer heard. The same objection was offered each time the door has opened and woman, instead of suffering degradation, has risen.

These objections, however, honestly advanced, have proven impotent to retard woman's progress. May not the suffrage be found to be as groundless as those that once forced the widow in Eastern India to ascend the funeral pyre or as those that now exclude Mohammedan women from the social benefits and responsibilities which the woman of the Christian world share?

And are not the second and third objections above stated refuted, to some extent at least, by the fact that in the states which have adopted woman's suffrage (and in the other nations that have adopted it) there is no agitation for a return to the system under which man has a monopoly of the right to vote? Is it not fair to assume that an effort would be made to correct the mistake if woman's suf-

frage had really failed to give satisfaction to the people where it has been tried?

"If one were in doubt as to which side of the controversy to take, the fact that organization and enthusiasm would be justified in giving weight to is on the side of those who favor woman's suffrage. Organization is an evidence of earnestness, as well as of a comprehension of a subject. People do not associate themselves together to secure a given end until they have reached a definite conclusion in regard to its desirability and feel that its accomplishment is worth the effort for which it calls. It is interesting to note that the same desire to make greater sacrifices to secure it than those who disinterestedly oppose woman's suffrage are willing to make to prevent it.

"As for myself, I am not in doubt as to my duty. It is not my purpose to discuss the subject with elaboration at this time, but I desire to present the argument to which I give the greatest weight. Without minimizing other arguments advanced in support of the extending of suffrage to woman, I place the emphasis upon the mother's right to voice in moulding the environment which shall surround her children—an environment which operates powerfully in determining whether her offspring will crown her latter years with joy or bring down her gray hairs in sorrow to the grave.

"The Creator has placed upon the mother a burden which she could not shift if she so desired and He has given her the disposition to bear it. Her life trembles in the balance at the child's birth; her active years are given to the care and nurture of her children; her nerve forces and love is poured out upon them. Because the wealth of her existence is bestowed upon them, they are a part of her very being—where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." When one considers the cost to parents especially to the mother, of raising a child, it seems impossible that any one would attempt to lead a child astray or rob its parents of the priceless regard to which they are entitled; and yet there are a never generation—aye, in every community, those who are inhuman enough to deliberately lie in wait to make a wreckage of the lives of young men and young women. They lay snares for them; they set traps for them; and the man who ply this ghastly trade for gain are allowed to use the ballot to advance their pecuniary ends.

"I am not willing to stay the mother's hand if she thinks that by the use of suffrage she can safeguard the welfare of those who are dearer to her than her own life.

"The mother can justly claim the right to her own life and to employ every weapon which can be made effective to the protection of those whose interests she guards, and the ballot will put within her reach all the instrumentalities of government, including the police power. If she is a widow, there is no one who is in a position to speak for her in this matter of supreme importance; if her husband is living, she can supplement his influence if they agree as to what is best for those under their joint care; if they do not agree, who will say that only the father should be consulted?

"For a time I was impressed by the suggestion that the question should be left to the woman to decide—a majority to determine whether the franchise should be extended to woman; but I find myself less and less disposed to endorse this test. Samuel Johnson coined an epigram which is in point here, namely, that "no man's conscience can tell him the right of another man." Responsibility for the child's welfare rests primarily upon the parent; the parent receives in largest measure the blessings that flow from the child's life, if that life is nobly employed and upon the parent falls the blow with severest force if the child's life is misspent. Why should any mother, therefore, be denied the use of the franchise to safeguard the welfare of her child, merely because another mother may not view her duty in the same light?

"Politics will not suffer by woman's entrance into it. If the political world has grown more pure in spite of the evil influences that have operated to debase it, it will not be polluted by the presence and participation of woman. Neither should we doubt that woman can be trusted with the ballot. She has proven herself equal to every responsibility imposed upon her; she will not fall society in this emergency. Let her vote. And may that discernment which has throughout the ages, ever enabled her to quickly grasp great truths, make her the last at the cross and the first at the sepulchre—so direct her in the discharge of her political duties as to add new glories to her and to the nation.

Two Leading Mexican Generals Active Against the Federals

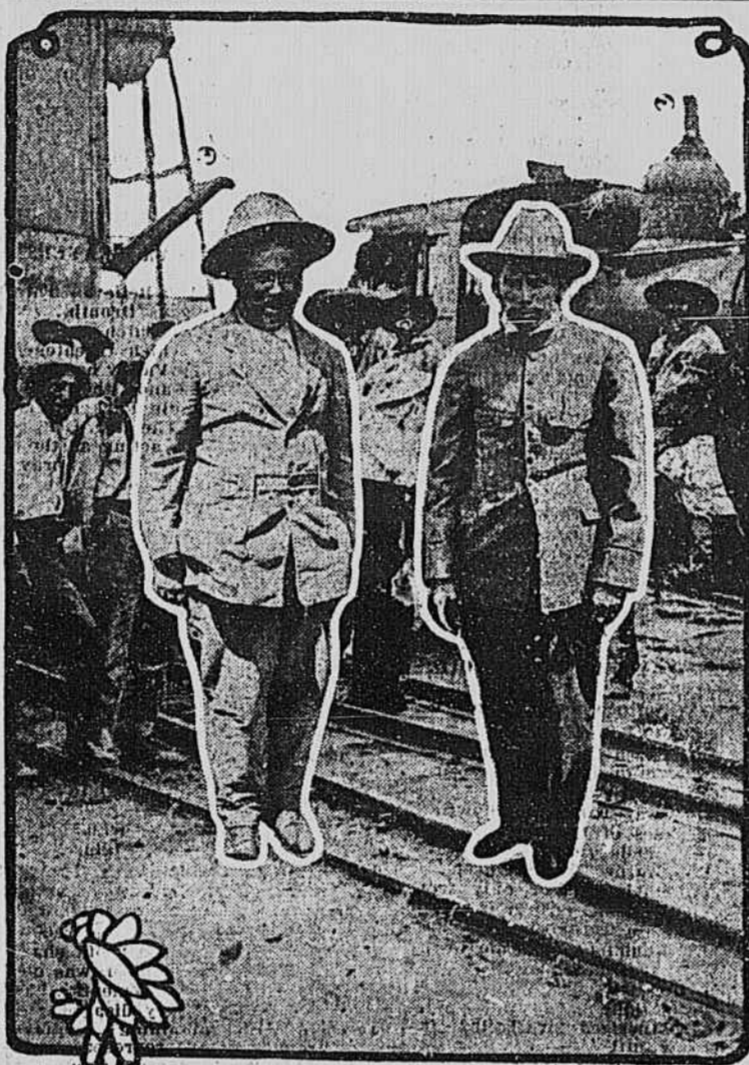


Illustration by American Press Association.

AFFAIRS in Mexico continue in a deplorably muddled state. General Villa and General Carranza are at one moment reported at odds and again they are as friendly as turtledoves, and General Angeles, the rebel artillery chief, is alternately reported as successor of Carranza and as the victim of one of Villa's execution parties. The illustration shows General Villa and General Angeles as they appeared just before the recent battle at Zacatecas, which was captured by the rebel forces. In the background is one of Villa's supply trains.

PRETTY WOMAN FACES GIBBET

Madame Caillaux, Who Killed the Editor of the Figaro, Is Paris Recently

Paris, July 17.—The indictment against Mme. Caillaux, who will be placed on trial Monday for killing M. Calmette, editor of Figaro, just made public is a long narration of the case, containing numerous extracts from depositions made by Mme. Caillaux and witnesses before the examining magistrate to bring out various points.

Full weight is given to the state of mind to which Mme. Caillaux was reduced by the violent campaign of Figaro against her husband.

"It can be understood," writes Jules Herbaux, procurator general, "that the accused, who loves her husband, was deeply wounded by the attacks of which he was the subject."

FOR TAX DODGERS

Special Instructions Issued to Income Tax Collectors.

Washington, July 17.—For the purpose of aiding internal revenue collectors in rounding up income tax dodgers, the treasury department today issued circular defining losses deductible from incomes on which returns must be made and tax paid under the law.

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In the Wreck at Norfolk Early Friday Morning.

Norfolk, Va., July 17.—A checking up today of the dead and injured in the collision at a crossing near this city shortly after midnight between an electric train on the Virginia Railway and Power company's lines, and a coal train on the Virginian railroad, showed that six persons were killed and nineteen injured. The dead, four men and two women, are all residents of Norfolk. Two of the injured are in a critical condition.

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JOE WAS TOO OLD

Barbadoes Negro Who Was Once a Champion.

New York, July 17.—Joe Walcott, of Boston, the Barbadoes negro who for years was the recognized welterweight champion, was to have taken part in a bout here tonight, but the New York state athletic commission would not allow him to enter the ring on the ground that he is too old to risk another fat battle. Walcott is 42 years old.

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WALLS HAVE EARS

There Have Been Leaks From the Executive Sessions.

Washington, July 17.—Senator Borah's resolution to make public the hearings of the foreign relations committee in connection with the proposed treaty with Nicaragua and to discuss both this and the proposed pact with Colombia, has been session when they reach the senate was discussed today in executive session. No action was taken because of lack of a quorum.

CAMPAIGN

The Party Was at Hampton Friday—Very Quiet.

Hampton, July 17.—Not more than 400 Hampton county voters today gave the state campaigners a respectful hearing. Applause was dealt out modestly by the voters. Denunciation of the governor brought liberal applause. Attorney General Peoples, Comptroller General Jones were not present at the meeting.

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Listen!

"No, I didn't want to, but I had to do it." That's what Minor says, and that's so. Minor wants more room. His business has grown till it's hide bound. Stock too big or house too little. Uh! the crowd! Must have more room, more light, more air. Must be on Main street, so Minor plans to move. How to do it, is the question, but Minor finds a way. Did not want any groceries but had to have the store corner South Main and Church streets; N. 220; J. T. McCown's grocery store you know. The young men did not want to sell out but Minor

shook the money in their faces till they gave up and took it. Now what? The store to be re-modeled, made into a 10-cent store, the up-to-date thing you ever saw, takes three moons to do it, and here are these groceries in the way. But minor knows how and Minor is going to do it. Minor says prices will draw the money from any man's pocket but these figures are strong enough to draw a man's eye teeth. No wonder everybody is making a bee-line to help move this stock.

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C. S. MINOR,
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FREIGHT RATE ON COAL

Has Been Increased Under Certain Stated Conditions.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, July 17.—In a supplemental order today the Interstate Commerce Commission held that joint through rates of bituminous coal over connecting lines from the Kanawha Coal fields in West Virginia to eastern and southeastern points may exceed by five cents per ton the rates in effect contemporaneously over the through lines of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway. The commission previously had held, in its order establishing through rates over the connecting lines, that rates must be identical with those of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

The principal southeastern destinations to which the increase allowed today will be applicable are: Clifton Forge, Covington, Richmond, Norfolk, Petersburg, Alexandria and Danville, Va.; Greensboro, Durham, Wilmington, Monroe and Charlotte, N. C.; Columbia, Charleston, Aiken, Darlington and Camden, S. C.; Atlanta, Savannah, Macon and Augusta, Ga.; and Fernandina and Jacksonville, Fla.

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