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**VOTERS DAY AT
THE Y. M. C. A.**

The Address on Sunday Afternoon
Was by Hon. James W. Gordon of Henderson Co., Illinois.

FOUR EXTRA MEETINGS

Every Sunday Afternoon For the Balance of This Month Will
See Service at Opera House.

Three hundred men gathered at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium yesterday to hear the prosecuting attorney of Henderson county, Illinois, give his stirring address on the enforcement of the laws of our land and appeal to men for good citizenship.

Before the address was given, Mrs. Marder's orchestra gave a half hour's concert in the reception hall. Mayor Strimback presided at the meeting and after the regular announcements were made by Mr. C. R. Joy, the Scripture reading from the book of Nehemia was given by Prof. Wm. Aldrich of the public schools.

It was intended that Mr. Theo A. Craig should introduce the speaker of the day, but on account of absence, Mr. J. O. Boyd with a few very appropriate words, presented the Hon. Jas. W. Gordon, who spoke forty minutes on the subject as announced. His address in part is as follows:

Gordon's Address.
Friends: It is certainly gratifying to see so many of you gathering together to consider the subject of the day. It is a presumptuous duty to expound the duties of citizenship as so many in this audience actually perform the hard work when I was in knee pants and kilts. They know from experience what I may try to state to you today. I should perhaps take for my text on this Sunday afternoon a question and an answer as found in the 11th and 12th verses of the 21st chapter of Isaiah: "Watchman what of the night; the morning cometh."

Look out—look away—look abroad. Look out beyond the night that envelops us into the day of accomplishment. This country with its wealth and prestige second to no other nation has a great purpose in history. Neither the African nor the Norseman were permitted to settle this country because they were pagans. It looked as though France and then Spain would mould the destinies of our republic; but the settlement of our country was left to the Anglo-Saxon and the Christian civilization of the people to establish a republican form of government.

The Anglo-Saxon race was the only one capable then and as a matter of course is now the only race capable of that ability to rule and to settle this country. It was reserved for the Anglo-Saxons to furnish the theatre of action for the working out of this great nation and race and the establishment of Christianity of the world. Beginning with the thirteen original states on down to the acquiring of the islands of the sea, as we have needed them, we have expanded and as we have been brought face to face with circumstances we have, in the Providence of God, gone on expanding and our ability and responsibility has been strengthened.

Sure God's guiding hand is in all of this—no emergency has come but what the man of the hour has been raised up to meet conditions. Great men from Washington to Lincoln were led unswervingly to do their duty marvelously well. In our present day, thank God, we have Roosevelt and Folk—scourgers of evil doers and exponents of the law not afraid to clean up the vital parts of our nation. We have arrived at a crisis in our affairs. It was consummation of wealth formerly, now it is a problem of distribution.

There is a great need of men; true greatness does not depend upon wealth or domain or prestige, but on character. Strong, brave, courageous men are needed in time of war. Mentally and morally strong men are needed in these times and what we need in this country are heroes of peace as well as heroes in war.

Every nation has its problems: We have one next Tuesday at which time there must be elected a President of these United States. Other problems present themselves to me at this time and I will simply mention them in passing. Labor and capital; problem of human greed; negro problem of vast importance to those south of Mason and Dixon's line; liquor problem; and that of graft. These must be solved and all may be included under one great problem which is the greatest of all—whether law shall rule or lawlessness destroy.

The cardinal sin is disrespect for the law. In the hovels of the poor, in the palaces of the rich and in all activities of life it is existent. A mob such as we had at Springfield shows us the utter disrespect for the laws



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and ordinary intelligence and such individuals must be guarded and such violations must be wiped out if the welfare of the government is to advance. Then comes civic and legislative corruption with polygamy as a striking example. There is no such thing as personal liberty in this country; it is a constitution! Liberty and ours is a government of law. One may have a personal right to do things but they must be done according to law, for the law steps into all of our activities and says "thus far and no farther." It is absolutely impossible to have license of anarchy in this country.

Our standards of morality are too lax. Large corporations must obey the law same as the humblest citizen of our commonwealth. This spirit of disrespect of law permeates the artery of our national existence. It is a moral problem. Our republic is based upon law and only as the law is enforced in this country is the law respected. The people themselves are responsible for the enforcement of the law; after all it is not so much the judge, or the prosecuting attorney but the petit jury that decides upon the question of the operation of the law eventually. People should have a clear and concise conception of the laws.

I am not a pessimist for I believe that this nation will as surely settle all question of weight that are now confronting the people as did our forefathers. To despair of America, is the despair of humanity. We never yet have failed on these great problems. It is right to depend on officials—honest and efficient servants. Give them the right hand of fellowship if they are doing right and let them know it. Men who are charged with the enforcement of law sometimes get lonesome. A man of doubts needs no encouragement as he is of no use.

Individualism is the unit from which we must estimate the respect and character of the nation. Every man should realize his responsibility and should be a good, live politician. At this time of the year it is very important that the citizens should vote as it is the greatest privilege one has. One should attend the primary meetings and help nominate good men for office otherwise complaints are unceasing for the wrong man is elected.

In your Y. M. C. A. you have a boy's department which is eminently important; the boys of the city slums need lifting, otherwise we must not expect good citizens. Lend helping hands to better both moral and civic conditions. There are two classes of people in this country: those that saw wood and those that sit upon the fence and tell how it ought to be done.

The faithfulness of this nation's citizenship will save us and when men shall obey and respect the law and think less of riches and prestige we shall find ourselves truly great with a nation of character.

Four big Meetings.
Four big opera house meetings will be held during the remaining Sundays of November. Every man in the city should plan to hear the speakers at these meetings as the Association has never attempted such a gigantic series of afternoon meetings in its religious work department.

Nov. 8.—Wm. E. Sweet of Denver, Colorado.
Nov. 15.—Walter Williams, of Columbia, Mo.
Nov. 22.—Albert J. Nathan of Warren, Pa.
Nov. 29.—Harry W. Arnold of New York City.

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PROVES THINGS**

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HE TELLS HIS PLATFORM

Also Declares That a Five Percent Guarantee is the Same as One Which Guarantees 100 Percent.

George S. Tracy of Burlington, democratic candidate for congress for the First district, spoke at the county court house Saturday evening and made a couple of explanations. He said that he objected to the newspaper stating that he was telling falsehoods in his campaign and attempted to prove that he always spoke the truth.

He had been accused of a falsehood when he said that New Hampshire and Massachusetts had tried the guarantee bank deposit scheme for thirty years and he objected to this.

Here was his proof; That these states had a safety fund law which provided that banks should keep a fund of 5 per cent of the deposits for the protection of depositors. If the bank busted, the depositor with \$100 in the bank was sure of getting \$5, or only 5 per cent of whatever sum he had in the bank. Tracy claimed that this was the guarantee of bank deposits and therefore he had told the truth when he said these states had tried the great scheme of the democratic platform which is for the guarantee of the entire deposit of the bank customer.

He also proved that he was right when he said that the bankers of Iowa had endorsed the plan, by reading from the proceedings of the state association where the scheme was recommended twice by a committee and each time turned down flat by the convention by a majority vote. He seemed in earnest in trying to make his audience believe that this was a real endorsement of the scheme, when if fact, by his own proof, the matter had been turned down twice.

Tracy's Address.
Henry G. Seeman called the meeting to order and called Cortes Maxwell as chairman who said that he talked through the end of a lead pencil and not through words. He introduced Mr. Tracy without further ado.

Mr. Tracy began by stating that he believed every candidate who is running for an office in which laws are made, should come before the voters and tell just how he stands. If he does not do this, he is either afraid has some hidden motive or is ashamed of his party.

I am running on a platform and associated with candidates of whom I am not ashamed. I want the vote of every man, white or colored, that I can get. No great political battle was ever won by abuse. I believe in the truthfulness of political speeches and I believe every word I utter to you tonight.

He then read a list of the things he promised to support if elected, including: Guarantee of bank deposits; in favor of the labor plank in the democratic platform; a reduction of the tariff laws on trust made goods and farm machinery; the passage of a pension bill of \$1 per day to every soldier who carried a musket for 18 months and the publishing of campaign expenses before election.

That is his platform, so he said, and he promised to vote for all of these bills and for any bill that the people shall rule. The speaker then took up each of the planks in his own platform and spoke at length on them.

He was unutterably opposed to the postal savings bank plan, believing that it would be the death of every savings bank in the country.

The guarantee bank deposit scheme was the real thing in his mind. He said that it was not a new scheme but had been tried in Oklahoma and was great, a bank busting down there and every depositor getting their money the next day, excepting a farmer who was too busy to drive to town until the next week.

The honest man will never object to being watched. The dishonest man will always kick.

He cited a bank at Carroll, organized in 1858, which went broke, also a bank at Charleston and several others, including one in Ohio, Taft's own state, which failed and the depositors got left because the deposits were not guaranteed. After talking over the matter with bankers in Chicago, Burlington and other little towns, he said that he had not found one banker but who would rather have had guarantee of deposits than postal savings. No bank is immune from a run if the depositors all start at once.

He thought the objection to the guarantee plan was not to the plan, but because of the party which urges the plan. He called attention to the Fowler bill, a republican measure on this

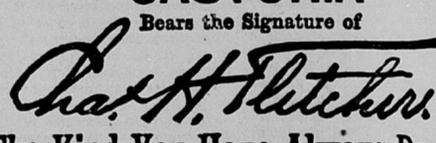
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plan, presented January 8, 1908, and declared if it was a good thing to be fostered by one party, it should be to the other.

Germany had the plan for it said so in Bryan's paper. The Iowa bankers endorsed the plan in 1905 at the annual meeting in Des Moines, he said, and read parts of the proceedings where a committee had suggested this but the report was tabled. The matter came up at the next convention and was again tabled, the majority of the bankers of the state association having twice turned down the proposition according to the very proof the speaker pretended to be giving his hearers that it had been endorsed.

The states of New Hampshire and Massachusetts have tried the plan for 30 years and it has been greatly successful, he said, and as proof read of eastern laws whereby banks formed a safety fund of a small amount, which in case of a bust, would pay 5 per cent to depositors.

The democratic party does not believe in destroying property, he said, in mentioning the trusts. The speaker discussed the tariff, campaign contributions and other matters in an interesting and eloquent manner.

A Fine Quartette.
After the address by Mr. Tracy, the Bryan Quartette from Ft. Madison sang a number of campaign songs, which were really the feature of the evening. The quartette was composed of splendid singers and the audience went wild with enthusiasm over the songs which were finely given. The quartette made a great hit and was forced to respond to a number of encores.

E. C. Webber of Fort Madison also made an address during the evening which was well received.

The audience numbered almost one hundred and there was some enthusiasm at various times, the greater part of it being given by Dave James, the colored man who spoke out loud in meeting several times and seemed to be greatly enjoying the speaking.

L. E. Williams spoke out once also, stating that The Gate City would have no good argument in the campaign, unless it used falsehoods.

Outside of that, everything was lovely and the meeting, although devoid of the usual democratic enthusiasm and large attendance, could be called a rather successful meeting in the interests of a just cause.

Mind Your Business!
If you don't nobody will. It is your

VALUABLE TESTIMONY.

To the Editor of The Gate City:
I am not a politician, but the forty years of law practice has given me an inside into the working of the machinery of the courts, so that a hint from me as to the court should not seem to be a "bullet" or "ski." The smooth work of the court is dependent in large measure on the competency of the clerk. As the district court has jurisdiction in probate matters it is particularly necessary to have the clerk competent, helpful and kindly to parties having business in the court. The judge has in large measure to depend in probate matters on the clerk for the expeditious conduct of business. Upon the judge depends, where there is an untrained clerk, the details of each case; where the clerk is trained, competent and trustworthy it becomes an easy matter to conduct the complicated details of the probate business in court. Ed. S. Loftis, as clerk of the superior court and as deputy clerk of the district court, has proven himself the right man in the right place. As clerk of the district court he is competent, trustworthy and can well perform the quasi-judicial duties devolving on him in that capacity. If the people generally understood the facts, as those who are best posted do, his election would be nearly unanimous in the approaching election.

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