

HOSTS OF DEMOCRACY SELECT STATE TICKET

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On the one hand, with all the Gentiles under its banner and the Republican party on the other hand, the Mormons under its banner and the dark days of Utah, when women wept and strong men trembled, would come again. If there were any other reason for the people to raise the war cry, "Smash the ring," "Wipe the Smoothism in Utah," this base effort to debauch the state would furnish just ground. It would be resented at the polls and if it is not resented, Utah will learn that she must reap the whirlwind.

But independent of this brazen effort to reap Democratic voters away from their party standard there is ample reason why the people of Utah should "smash the ring." Political rings and the methods of political bosses are becoming obnoxious to the people of the union. All over the land men are awakening to the fact that behind the hubbub of the rings and protected by the machinations of the bosses and petty ward lieutenants, the "interests" of the land are being sacrificed from off the hard earnings of the people. They have learned that the great wheels of the machine are gigantic grafts called trusts, and that the little chisels are the petty grafters, who steal here and speculate there. Who gum shoe about and here in Utah whisper that "it is the will of the authorities," that the party which they misrepresent be sustained. There has never yet, to my knowledge, been a political machine in existence, that was not founded on graft of some kind, either graft of public office or graft of the pocket.

Smash the Machine. There is indeed ample reason why we should smash the machine. This "American" party that is held up as a shield and cross bones to frighten timid women and wailing men, sprang from the loins of the Republican party. It is a party that has said, that the truest sentiment that Reed Smoot could select for his monument is, "Smash the American party." The "American" party is Senator Smoot's own child and now he tries to disown it and to leave it on the doorstep of Senator Kearns on Election day. It is a party that if there had never been any Senator Smoot, there would never have been any "American" party, and that should not be abandoned by the parent. The time when Senator Kearns was in the heyday of his power is too recent to have passed from our memories. You recall the political quarrel in which he and Senator Smoot were engaged, and you recall how the Republican machine was waxed strong and as it waxed strong it waxed arrogant until today, no man can be a candidate of the Republican party unless he surrenders his manhood, obeys unconditionally the orders of the machine and obedience does what he is commanded to do. No man can well serve the people of Utah who is a slave of the dictators who now control the state government.

Machine Methods. This Republican ring is not satisfied with political control. Contrary to an executive order of the government, it demands and receives the assistance of the postmasters whom the people pay. It has ruthlessly and unscrupulously approached and to influence the decision of one of our district judges in an important matter that was pending before him. It stifles independent action, and it is giving Utah bad government at home and a bad name abroad. Can it be that Democrats will lend their aid, now that even the machine can see the handwriting on the wall? Can it be that the people will be blinded by the dazzling name of Roosevelt that the ring holds as a mask before its face? I have too much confidence in the common sense of the people to believe it. The Republican party can not hide behind Roosevelt this year. Why, if Theodore Roosevelt lived and voted in Utah, he would today be a most strenuous fighter against the Republican organization or else he would belie his whole record. Nevertheless, the Republican party insists that you must keep in power Smoothism, you must keep in power the obnoxious rings, in order to hold up the hands of Roosevelt.

Roosevelt's Democratic Policy. It was to the platform of "the Democratic wolves" that President Roosevelt turned for the political principles which have made his administration famous. And it was "the Democratic wolves" who made it possible for the president to secure the passage of the rate bills which the Republican state convention endorsed, and toward which it "points with pride." When the fate of the railroad rate bill trembled in the balance in the senate, who took it in charge, and who directed the battle? Was it a senator from Utah? Was it any of the Republican lambs in the senate? No. It was the old gray, Democratic timber wolf, Senator Tillman of South Carolina, and if the president had not become timid but had left the whole matter in the charge of that "Democratic wolf," the railroad rate bill would be today a more perfect and effective piece of legislation. These "Democratic wolves" are, at least, not coyotes, for they have not hesitated to sustain the president in every effort that he has made for the betterment of the condition of the people. They will continue so to do "they praise him for having aided in writing some of their principles into the legislation of congress and they honor him for it. And they also call attention to the fact that if so much of good for the people can be accomplished with their assistance, by a president who is not thoroughly imbued with Democratic principles, how much more of good will come to the people, if at the next national election they are wise enough to choose as president the thorough Jeffersonian Democrat, William J. Bryan.

Railroad Rate Bill. The Republicans of Utah in their platform praise the president for the "rate bill." I wonder how many of them know what it is. I wonder how many of them who know what it is are sincerely honest in this praise. I have been led to this marvel by reason of Section 15 of Article 12 of the constitution of the state of Utah, which reads: "The legislature shall pass laws establishing reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight, for correcting abuses and preventing unjust discrimination and extortion in the rates of freight and passenger tariffs by different railroads and other common carriers in the state, and shall enforce such laws by adequate penalties."

How many of the Republican leaders remember the time when an alfalfa member of the legislature, having the old-fashioned idea that an oath taken to support the constitution means just what it purports to mean, introduced a bill for a law to carry this provision of the constitution into effect, and how the same leaders scurried about to bury the proposed law deep in the committee room? If they

do, how can they endorse a bill which provides for the regulation of railroad rates?

The Harrington Resolution.

I must mention one or two matters arising in the Republican state convention. I do not refer to the transfer by the Republican party to the command of its boss of a large block of votes pledged to Morse for the supreme court, who at one time had the favor of the boss, to Candidate Frick, who at a later time had the favor of the boss, and which block of votes was moved from the support of one candidate to another with no more effort than pawns are moved upon a chessboard. But I do refer to that incident when Delegate Harrington had the temerity to introduce in a Smoot convention a resolution declaring, as does the constitution of our state, against a union of church and state, and which went farther and opposed the active participation of high ecclesiastics in our political affairs. Whether the resolution was politic or impolitic is unimportant. But it is a fact that Mr. Harrington had scarcely secured a reading of his resolution, no matter what house fell on him. The little bosses rushed here and there, and all was commotion. One man from Ogden, waited it postponed two years until Mr. Smoot had the opportunity to get out of the senate without assistance, and one of the most active members apostatized from his religion. Why? Because he had exercised a political right and had introduced a resolution distasteful to Senator Smoot. To those who agreed with her I commend a careful reading of an editorial in the Deseret News of Wednesday, 28, 1899, and from which I quote the following: "The Deseret News is of the opinion that every man who would be his ecclesiastical status, has an equal right with all other citizens to express his opinions on living questions of a kind that affect the public welfare, and to use the influence that he has as a citizen to bring about the uplifting of mankind and the betterment of the world, and ground that either the church as a body or its leaders in their sacerdotal capacity attempt to coerce the minds or acts of any human beings, to impose penalties upon them for declining to submit to such dictation, or to pose as a dictator in any manner or in any sense of the term."

Put an End to Discord. "Every member of the church is free to join and support any political party or creed and to vote for any candidate that he chooses to aid, and is not under any obligation to submit to arbitrary control in such matters from any source under the sun. This is the truth before God and man, and all rational people should understand it and close their ears to the tumult of falsehood and tolly raised by the most unscrupulous political adventurers that ever cursed any nation or community."

NEW STATE COMMITTEE. Men Who Will Have Charge of This Year's Campaign. The new state committee was selected by the convention yesterday and will meet at 10 o'clock this morning at headquarters to organize. The new committee is as follows: Beaver—R. R. Tanner. Box Elder—J. D. Call. Carbon—C. G. Barber, Joseph Monson, Frank Nebeker, — Evans. Davis—George Swan. Emery—B. F. Luke. Garfield—Not represented. Grand—E. B. Hammond. Iron—Charles Adams. Juab—F. J. Fennel, G. Month Whitmore. Kane—Frank Little. Millard—Daniel Stephens. Morgan—H. K. Frye. Piute—Samuel L. Bay. Rich—Robert McKinnon. Salt Lake—George G. Smith, J. W. Burton, A. E. Hyde, Jr., John Derr, D. W. Moffat, C. P. Overfield, Mahonri Spencer. Sevier—L. P. Nelson, J. W. Tye. Summit—J. L. Bowder, A. R. Weeter. Tooele—J. D. Dunlavy. Utah—J. R. Wilson. Uintah—W. F. Gies, A. J. Evans, J. M. Creer, W. M. Roylance. Wasatch—John H. Murdock. Washington—David H. Morris, Brigham Jarvis. Wayne—M. W. Mansfield.

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