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Judge Rodey's Ringing Address at Socorro.

Spoke on Matters of Territorial Interest.

Larrazolo Has Nothing to Commend Him for the Delegateship.

NO CLAIM UPON THE PEOPLE.

The Socorro Chieftain, in its comments on Judge Rodey's speech, made recently at Socorro, says:

"Mr. Rodey has the reputation of being an eloquent speaker. By his address on this occasion he easily sustained that reputation. The address dealt principally with matters of territorial interest but did not neglect national issues. The speaker pledged himself if elected to do all in his power to secure the passage of the bill now pending in congress for the support of and maintenance of the School of Mines. He expressed deep indignation that any set of political schemers should presume to try to secure legal enactment of so great an infamy as the Stephens bill. He declared himself in favor of liberal appropriations by congress for the irrigation of arid lands. He advanced unanswerable arguments in favor of statehood. He denounced forest reserves. He displayed remarkable familiarity with present national issues and proved himself to be soundly republican on all of them. He urged that a delegate to congress who was in sympathy with the administration could accomplish most for his constituents, and closed by expressing perfect confidence in his own election."

O. A. LARRAZOLO.

Has Little to Commend Him for the Political Position Which He Seeks.

O. A. Larrazolo, the democratic nominee for delegate to congress, has little to commend him for the high political position which he seeks, says the Socorro Chieftain.

To be sure, Mr. Larrazolo is reputed to be man of good private character and to be possessed, like a well-known personage in fiction, of "the gift o' gab wery gallopin." But there are hundreds of democrats in New Mexico who probably possess those qualities to even a higher degree than Mr. Larrazolo does, and yet what a sorry spectacle any one of them would present as representative of this territory in the congress of the United States.

According to current report Mr. Larrazolo has been in New Mexico but a short time. He who aspires to represent any community in high political position, should have a thorough knowledge of that community and a keen sympathy with its people in their life, in their needs and in their aspirations. This knowledge and this sympathy can be acquired only by long and active participation in the affairs of a community. The democratic nominee does not, therefore, possess qualifications which should distinguish him as a fit representative of New Mexico in congress and he should not be elected.

NO CLAIM ON THE VOTERS.

Larrazolo Is a Stranger to New Mexico and Has No Claim Upon the People.

The democratic candidate for congress, O. A. Larrazolo, is traveling about making speeches advocating his own election, says the New Mexican. This is, of course, proper and right from his standpoint. No doubt he would like to go to Washington and draw the $7,500 in pay and allowances allowed the delegate from New Mexico. But there certainly exists no reason whatever why a man who has been in the territory only three years, and who is not identified in any way, shape or manner with the people of the territory should be elected to this office. He can do no good there. The New Mexican does not say that he would do any positive harm if elected. The next congress will be republican, and hence it would be impossible for him to do anything of the kind. On the other hand, there is no doubt that if Mr. Rodey should be elected to congress he would do the territory and its people great good. No delegate can be expected to do an immense amount of good, but Mr. Rodey would work hard and energetically in the direction of getting needed legislation for the territory, and ought to obtain the passage of an enabling act. Mr. Rodey is in every respect better qualified and equipped than the democratic nominee for the position. He is a man in the prime of life, has obtained an enviable reputation in his chosen profession of the law, and has the respect of those who know him. He will make a good delegate, that is assured; hence he should be elected.

OUR DELEGATE.

Unanimous Nomination of Judge Rodey Received With Satisfaction.

The unanimous nomination of Bernard S. Rodey by the republican convention has been received with general satisfaction by the press and people of New Mexico, says the Santa Fe Capital. With one accord the selection of Mr. Rodey as the standard bearer of the republican party has been ratified and approved by the leaders and the rank and file of the party. The high estimation in which the people of the territory hold Mr. Rodey for his honest, upright character, and pure life, both in public and private affairs, will insure him a large vote from many of the conservative voters of the territory, irrespective of any party affiliations wich they may entertain. Mr. Rodey is not a politician neither is he a partisan of his party. If elected he will be the representative of the entire people of the territory, and will work for the best interests of the whole people. He is a young man, bright, logical, educated and talented, full of work and energy. In fact just such a man as New Mexico needs in congress, who by his persistent hammering upon the doors of congress, for the benefits of statehood, will compel it to open its doors and let us into the communion of the sisterhood of states.

Mr. Rodey will poll as no other candidate has done for several past elections for delegate the united and unanimous vote of the republican party.

TEXAS CANDIDATE.

The New Mexican says that Mr. Larrazolo, if elected, would aid the people of El Paso to pass the infamous Stephens bill, now pending in congress. The passage of this bill would rob the people of the territory of the right, enjoyd for 300 years, of using the waters of the Rio Grande and of its tributaries for agricultural and pastoral purposes. Mr. Larazolo is a native of Chihuahua, who lived for some years in Texas and who came to New Mexico only about three years ago. He is not identified with our people or the interests of the territory. He is a bird of passage, who, if defeated will go back to El Paso, very likely and perhaps to Chihuahua. The people of El Paso can vote for him for congress until doomsday if they so choose, or the people of Chihuahua fr governor or any other office if they wish to. But certainly the people of New Mexico should not vote for him, as he could and would not represent them properly in congress if elected. He does not know how and would not know how. He knows too little about them, their wants, their wishes and desires. This may be ringing the changes on Mr. Larrazolo, but these statements are facts and truth, and hence will bear repeating from now until election day.

POINTED POLITICAL PARAGRAPHS.

San Juan isn't a very large county, but the democrats up there think it is big enough to hold two democratic tickets.

One of the prominent republicans of this territory is confident of the election of Mr. Rodey. He offers to bet $5,000 on the success of the republican nominee.

The honest American wage-earner is the peer of the bluest-blooded aristocrat in the world, and the dollar paid him for his toil must be kept an honest one hundred cents dollar.

The democratic managers in this territory send out their speakers with instructions to "make so much noise about imperialism that the people can't hear what the republicans are saying about free wool."

The Las Vegas Record gives two columns of short interviews with prominent citizens of Las Vegas, all of whom say they voted for Fergusson at the election two years ago, but will this time vote for Rodey.

In a dozen years or so, Mr. Bryan will probably be grateful for his own defeat. The imagination palls before the problem of what he would find to do with himself if he become an ex-president so young, with a pledge not to run again staring him in the face.

One thing about trusts cannot be too often reiterated. They bear in themselves the seeds of their own destruction. Whenever an organization succeeds in monopolizing a business and puts up prices, it inevitably breeds rivals, who inevitably cut prices down again.

New Mexico's delegate to congress can certainly accomplish more for his constituency if he is in sympathy with the administration than if he is not. It is a foregone conclusion that the next administration will be republican. Therefore, vote for Rodey.—Socorro Chieftain.

The Raton Gazette, a democratic paper, says: "Although the regularly and lawfully elected delegates from this precinct to the democratic convention at Springer were not admitted and had no voice in its proceedings and although the candidates were not selected with a view to making a strong ticket, yet the Gazette will, as a party paper, support the ticket thus set up."

A democratic printer came along the other day and we gave him a job. Yesterday morning we had occasion to refer to our old friend Elijah, when he was at Mount Horob, and this democratic compositor planted the good old man on "Mount Harett!" You can't trust a democrat with biblical affairs—they are out of his line—but we apologize to Elijah.

The El Paso Herald says of the Texas gentleman who is running for congress in New Mexico: "Mr. Larrazolo served one term as district attorney here, but realizing that New Mexico afforded a better field than Texas, for the realization of his political ambition, he removed to Las Vegas." After the 6th of November he will realize that New Mexico is not the field he was looking for, and will probably move on.

In March, 1896, 964 sheep raisers in the United States reported that they had 1,458,804 sheep worth an average of $1.76 per head. In March, 1900, these had increased to 2,501,215 sheep, of an average value of $3.90 per head. In Washington 23 sheep raisers reported 65,708 sheep in 1896, average value, $2.15. In 1900 these had increased to 98,753, worth an average of $4.38. In Idaho forty sheepmen reported 156,358 sheep, worth $1.75 per head in 1896; in 1900, 275,161 worth $4.10 each. You will not be able to pull the wool over these sheepmen's eyes this year. They will not vote to return to free trade.

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WHO IS LARRAZOLO?

His Nomination Due to Local Pride.

A Man of No Experience and Small Views.

Judge Rodey, His Opponent, Thoroughly Well Known.

ARTICLES ON THE CANDIDATES.

MR. LARRAZOLO.

The democratic nominee for congress, Mr. Larrazolo, was nominated largely upon his reputation of being a fluent speaker and an eloquent orator, says the Santa Fe Capital. We believe this to be a fact. Mr. Larrazolo's reputation at the bar among lawyers sustains this opinion. We fail to see, however, why these accomplishments alone should entitle Mr. Larrazolo to any serious consideration with the people of the territory for their support in his candidacy. What the people of New Mexico needs in its representative in congress is not an orator nor a fluent speaker, nor a handsome man—another virtue which the friends of Mr. Larrazolo claim for their candidate. This we will also concede to be true. The present time is a critical one in the history of New Mexico, and it needs a man of some national and territorial reputation, a man of some legislative experience; a man of broad views and expansive ideas; a man acquainted with the wants of the people and the needs of the territory, which Mr. Larrazolo does not possess. Nor is it claimed for him by his friends that he possesses these qualifications or any of them. He has been a resident of New Mexico but a few years and beyond his practice at the bar as a lawyer his reputation and acquaintance are all local to the county of San Miguel.

His nomination was also due largely to local pride which controlled beyond good judgment the delegates from San Miguel county. There were many reasons and good ones at that why at least a half dozen other men well known in the democratic party and whose names were before the convention should have been the nominee instead of Mr. Larrazolo.

The republican party, however, is satisfied with his nomination equally as well as it may please the delegation from his own county. He was the candidate of the Optic and with all due respect to the persistency of that newspaper to have "its candidate" win the prize and "be its candidate," we are of the opinion it will prove to it and the democratic party that he is merely an "optical illusion" and on the sixth day of November his shadow will be very much of an opaque character.

Personally, The Capital has nothing against Mr. Larazolo. We assume that his private character is all that is claimed for it, but we know that at this particular time, New Mexico's interests demand that its delegate in congress shall be a man of men, level has had legislative experience; one who has had legislative experience; one can grasp the situation in congress with respect to New Mexico's affairs at once, without going through a tutelage of a year or so in that body. All these qualifications can be found to an eminent degree in Bernard S. Rodey, the republican nominee.

OUR NEXT DELEGATE.

Hon. B. S. Rodey, the republican candidate for delegate to congress, is not so widely known, perhaps, as many other leading republicans, says the Taos Cresset. But nowhere in this broad territory would it be possible to find a man more able to fill the position to which he aspires, one more just, honest or considerate of the rights of the people, or one surrounded by so many disadvantages and hardships in his youth, has had the stamina to endure them, until fate at last coming to his aid has assisted in their destruction. He denies not the charge of having landed a poor Irish emigrant waif, of six years of age, in the wilds of Canada, some thirty odd years ago, where he worked in the mines and as a wood chopper and attended the country schools a few weeks in winter. He has not forgotten his companions of that time or the hardships of their vocation. The nights and Sundays of hard law study in the office of B. F. Butler, of Boston, who befriended him after he had drifted to that metropolis, gave the first hope of a brighter future. About twenty years ago he came to New Mexico and found employment in a railroad office and later in the office of the district clerk, until he was admitted to the bar. As an attorney he rapidly became known and recognized as one of the most brilliant. Since then he has served in the legislature and held other positions of honor and trust and to-day stands as the nominee of the republican party, a deserving candidate for the highest office the people of New Mexico have to bestow.

PURE IN POLITICS.

The republican convention at Santa Fe could not have nominated a better man that Bernard S. Rodey. He stands for all that is pure in politics, and he united every faction of the republican party in the territory. He is an able man, and his efforts in behalf of New Mexico will be respected in Washington.—Red River Prospector.

GENUINE HUMOR.

A ridiculous utterance sometimes becomes side-splitting, when uttered in a serious manner. The following, taken from Mr. Larrazolo's speech of acceptance, is the most humorous thing of the day:

"I don't know what will be the result, but if the worst should come; if an emperor and a throne should be raised, if but one democrat is alive, you will find him standing by the cradle in which human liberty was rocked—and if they are determined to tear down our constitution, if they should tear down the statue of the goddess of liberty from her high pedestal, they shall not desecrate it. Ruin and destruction they will bring us but the goddess shall not be desecrated. It is not merely a figurehead, it stands for principle—the principle of freedom—a principle that men have a right to govern themselves according to their ideas. If it be torn down, then our people will take it in their hands and go to the farthest corner of the world until a spot is found, and there, kneeling down as did our forefathers at Plymouth Rock, then and there establish a government where liberty will reign."

A BIRD OF PASSAGE.

The democratic-pop. sheets in the territory, seeing the signs of defeat staring at them, are setting up a great howl that the republican papers and the republican leaders are attempting to inject the race issue into the campaign. As usual these papers and sheets are lying, and they know they are lying. The republican newspapers care nothing for the fact that Mr. Larrazolo is a native of Chihuahua. They care nothing for the fact that Mr. Rodey was born in Ireland. If they are both at this time citizens of the United States, that is all that is required. But the republican newspapers do not care and do make the charge against Mr. Larrazolo that he has no interests in New Mexico; that he has not been here a sufficient length of time to become acquainted with the interests of the territory; that he is a bird of passage; that he is not known to the people at large; that he has nothing in the territory to attach him to it; that he is very friendly to the interests of El Paso, and that he cares very little for New Mexico except to gain the votes of the citizens in order to be elected to the fat office of delegate to congress. The republican papers charge that he is not competent for the position; that he has not the necessary education, knowledge nor experience, and is unfitted for it. On the other hand, they claim for Mr. Rodey that he is a man who is well and favorably known throughout the territory; has lived here eighteen years; has all his property and family interests here, and is well qualified for the position, and if elected would fill it with credit to himself and benefit to the territory.

In an article reviewing the progress of the campaign, the Boston Herald, which is an independent paper, notes the fact that there is a formidable movement among the conservative voters of the country in the direction of McKinley. The Herald says: "The trend of the conservative voters of the country, which we noted last week as setting strongly toward the support of McKinley, has been since that time steadily on the increase, until it is now taking on something like the proportions of a tidal wave. If it were a part of the policy of Mr. Hanna to have it appear and gain in volume just at this time as it has, the campaign could not have better managed. The gold democrats who were going back to Bryan went in a body months ago, and their tale has become an old story. As election day approaches, the others are declaring themselves, and there is nothing left to affect the weight and the importance of their numbers. But the cause of this, we think, lies deeper than any political management. It is the spontaneous outcome of reasoning and reflection. Some of us reached this position much earlier, but it was sure to come to the rest before election day. It is coming now with a rush."

The first issue of the new Las Vegas daily, the Record, was received here yesterday. It is a newsy sheet, and is put up in good shape.

We read the other day of a case wherein a boy on trial for killing his father appealed to the court for leniency on the ground that he was an orphan.

The democrats in their national convention declared against the policy of protection for American wool. Wool buyers became alarmed at this and determined to hold off till after election lest the free wool party might possibly be successful. Having frightened dealers and demoralized the trade by their threat to "knock out" wool, the democrats now try to make political capital out of their own menacing attitude by declaring from every stump in the territory that "the policy of protection does not maintain the price of wool."

Isn't that about on a par with the case of that boy?

In the report of the Boston wool market telegraphed yesterday morning you will find the following statement:

"Manufacturers have tired out the market by bidding low prices, but have been unsuccessful, as dealers have determined to hold on to their goods till after the election."

That tells the whole story, so far as wool is concerned. The manufacturers have tried to work the democratic scare too hard. Dealers are satisfied that there is no danger of democratic success, and have determined to hold off till after the election, when wool will immediately come back to republican prices. But in the meantime democratic demagogues are roaming around in New Mexico and elsewhere trying to make political capital out of the fact that the fear of democratic success has disturbed the wool market.

The Santa Fe New Mexican mentions the following good reasons why Mr. Larrazolo should not be elected to represent the people of New Mexico at Washington:

Mr. Larrazolo, if elected, would aid the people of El Paso to pass the infamous Stephens bill, now pending in congress. The passage of this bill would rob the people of the territory of the right, enjoyed for 300 years, of using the waters of the Rio Grande and of its tributaries for agricultural and pastoral purposes. Mr. Larrazolo is a native of Chihuahua, who lived for some years in Texas, and who came to New Mexico only about three years ago. He is not identified with our people or the interests of the territory. He is a bird of passage, who, if defeated, will go back to El Paso, very likely, and perhaps to Chihuahua. Good luck to him there. The New Mexican has nothing against him. The people of El Paso can vote for him for congress until doomsday if they so choose, or the people of Chihuahua for governor or any other office if they wish to. But certainly the people of New Mexico should not vote for him, as he could and would not represent them properly in congress, if elected. He does not know how and would not know how. He knows too little about them, their wants, their wishes, and desires. This may be ringing the changes on Mr. Larrazolo, but these statements are facts and truth, and hence will bear repeating from now until election day.

The republican primaries will be held to-morrow evening in this city, and the county convention at the court house next Monday. See call in another column of this paper.

MORA COUNTY.

Will Give Rodey a Good Majority.

Strongest Man That Could Have Been Selected.

Rio Arriba County Republicans Name Ticket.

T. D. BURNS FOR THE COUNCIL.

A reporter of the Las Vegas Record met Patricio Gonzales at the Wagon Mound depot yesterday and in a ten minute conversation, Mr. Gonzales said among other things: "Yes I have cast my lot in Mora county, right here in Wagon Mound, where I publish a weekly paper, El Sol de Mayo. I am doing well and the people up here like my paper and I am going to stay here."

"How does Rodey suit for candidate for the delegateship?" was asked. "First class," said Mr. Gonzales. "I had advocated the nomination of Ex-Governor Prince, but I am none the less suited for that reason. I even believe Rodey is the strongest man that could have been selected. He has kept himself aloof from petit jealousies, and the people like him for it. They want a man for delegate to congress who will look out for the interests of the whole territory, and not for any particular party faction, and Mr. Rodey seems to be able to fill the bill in that way."

"How will Mora county go," was asked. "Well, I have been over the county some of late and talked with prominent men from all over the country, and I believe that Mr. Rodey will get 150 majority over Larrazolo in this county. You see there is no split in the republican ranks to speak of, and if we make no mistake in the county ticket, the republicans will be united and vote straight. Mr. Larrazolo has friends here, it is true, but his personal friends are mostly among the democrats who would vote for him in any event, so I can't see how people figure that he is going to sweep things in this county. We expect to have Mr. Rodey in the county the last of the week, and when the native people see him and talk to him in their native tongue, I know they will rally around him, because he represents protection on wool, and the Mexican people know what that means now.

"I was a republican many years, and like many others, deluded into a mongrel party down in San Miguel county. But I have returned to my first love, for I see it is right and truly American."

RIO ARRIBA COUNTY.

Republicans Nominate a Strong Ticket.—T. D. Burns for Council.

The republican county convention of Rio Arriba county was held at Tierra Amarilla on Monday, 15th inst. The convention was called to order by L. Bradford Prince, of precinct No. 7 and B. F. Hernandez, of Lumberton, was elected temporary chairman, and Amado Ortiz and B. D. Trujillo, temporary secretaries. The permanent officers were: Vencesiao Jaramillo, chairman, and Amado Ortiz and W. G. Sargent, secretaries. The following nominations were then made: For council, Thomas D. Burns, of Tierra Amerilio; for house of representatives for Rio Arriba county, Benjamin D. Trujillo, of Chamita; for house of representatives, eighth district, Manuel Sanchez, of Trampas; for county commissioners—first district, Francisco A. Serna, of Espanola; second district, Flavio D. Trujillo, of Abiquiu; third district, Francisco D. Martinez, of Tierra Amarilla; for sheriff, Alexander Read, of Park View; for assessor, J. Alcario Velasques, of El Rito; for probate judge, Matias Cordova, of Cordova; for clerk of probate court, B. C. Hernandez, of Lumberton; for collector and treasurer, Tomas Gonzales, of Abiquiu; for superintendent of schools, Antonio D. Vargas, of Ojo Caliente. The nomination of Malaquias Martinez for member of the council, made by Taos county, was approved and confirmed. The name of Granville Pendleton for member of the house of representatives from Taos, Rio Arriba and San Juan counties was recommended, approved and confirmed.

Every precinct in the county was represented and the convention was very harmonious and enthusiastic. The fact that Hon. T. D. Burns heads the ticket and that every man is a first-class and good citizen, in addition to the prevailing sentiment in Rio Arriba county, insures a heavy majority on election day for the republican party. The people of Rio Arriba county have found out by absolute experience that a republican administration and republican policies always serve the best interests of the people, not only of Rio Arriba county, but also of the territory and of the nation. The republican territorial platform was affirmed by the convention.

WILL BE ELECTED.

The Roswell Register says Mr. Rodey will be elected because he deserves to be, and adds:

The nomination of Bernard S. Rodey of Albuquerque by the republican convention at Santa Fe as candidate for New Mexico's delegate to congress, meets with general approval, and is especially pleasing to all republicans who know anything of him. He is a man of marked ability, honest and worthy, popular with the people, and will be elected because he is a clean man, and will receive the hearty support of a majority of the voters of the territory.

HE HAS CAUGHT ON.

A farmer of Belen, who say, he is an "Arkansas Democrat," refuses to support the nominee of his party for delegate, and gives his reasons in the following communication:

About this Stephens bill, that wants to get the United States to make a law to take all the water away from us people in New Mexico and keep it for a lot of fellows down in Texas—isn't this here man that's up for democratic delegate into that scheme? I think he is. I think them El Paso fellows paid him to come up here and run for congress. And couldn't they afford to do it? You bet they could. Why a friend of mine that lives in that town says those land sharks, or water sharks, whichever you please to call 'em, have got more than 35,000 acres of land around that town that they bought for a song, and now if they can steal our water to irrigate it with it will make them millions. That's what they want to do, and they have sent their man up here to help them to work it. If they can get him into congress from New Mexico they could work their scheme through without any trouble, and what a lot fools will we be if we vote for him—and cut off our own water—tell me that. I've let myself get catched for a sucker a good many times, but I never bit at no bare hook like that.

I came here from Arkansas two years ago and bought this farm, and have been working for a year to get some more land ready to irrigate, and now if I help to elect this El Paso man to congress and they get their wire fence around the Rio Grand river and wont let anybody take another spoonful of water out of it, what will my land be worth? I hate to vote against my party, but I ain't a going to vote against my farm. I'm a democrat, but I ain't a durned fool. ARKANSAS.

In its account of a rousing republican meeting at Socorro the Republicano speaks thus of Mr. Rodey and his associates:

Hon. Elfego Baca in a fitting speech introduced Hon. B. S. Rodey as the speaker of the evening, and our next delegate to congress, who was escorted to the rostrum. The speaker entered fully and forcibly into the issues of the campaign, averring that he was fully aware that what the people of New Mexico wanted was not a delegate, but statehood. He dealt with the question of irrigation in a convincing way, showing that irrigation, mining and stock raising were the great industries of New Mexico. He paid a glowing tribute to the worth, energy, loyalty and patriotism of the native people, and challenged any one to deny their capacity for self-government. He demonstrated how well he understands the people, their modes of life and thought, being conversant, as he is, with both languages, and feeling certain that he will be elected, he pledged his best endeavors to secure the admission of New Mexico to the sisterhood of states, and thereby do justice to the people of the territory so long denied their rights.

All the democratic papers of El Paso are very earnest and active in their support of Mr. Larrazolo. The News of that city denies that he is an obscure man, and says he "is far better known" in El Paso than Mr. Rodey. Of course he is. Mr. Rodey is a New Mexican of the New Mexicans, every inch of him, from head to foot, and will champion the interests of New Mexico with force and ability under all circumstances, while Mr. Larrazolo is a Texan, and the El Paso papers have admitted that he merely moved across the line into New Mexico because "he thought he could better realize his political ambitions" in this territory.

We admit that the Texas people know Mr. Larrazolo, and know him well; they know, as we have before said, and as the El Paso papers admit, that his election "would be the same as having another congressman from Texas," and the people of New Mexico do not believe it would be a good thing for their interests to elect a man whose interests are in Texas.

In many things the people of New Mexico and those of El Paso have a common interest, but there are other things in which our interests clash,—like the Stephen's bill, for instance; this is a measure that would be of great value to El Paso, but it would mean ruin to New Mexico, and our people do not propose to take any such chances. They want a man to represent them in Washington who can be trusted to stand true to the interests of New Mexico and her people not only a part of the time but all of the time, and for that reason they will give Mr. Rodey one of the biggest majorities ever received by any delegate from this territory.

A WISE CHOICE.

The Chieftain, in referring to Mr. Rodey's big meeting at Socorro, says:

The Chieftain last week contained the statement that Hon. B. S. Rodey was a man of more than average ability, that he was honest, that he was eloquent, and that he had a wide acquaintance in New Mexico. The statement was made on the strength of reports and the probability that the republican party of the territory would nominate no man without those qualifications for the highest political position in its gift.

Monday night Mr. Rodey delivered before a crowded assembly in the court house of this city an address that must have proved every point in the statement cited to the satisfaction of republicans and democrats alike. The statement that Mr. Rodey is able, honest and eloquent was supported by the strongest possible evidence. That he enjoys a wide acquaintance in New Mexico is extremely probable from the fact that he has been a resident of the territory for twenty years. If a greater degree of probability is desired it will be afforded on the sixth day of November.

The republican party of this territory has no reason to censure its convention for its choice of a candidate for delegate to congress. On the contrary, the wisdom of the choice of its nominee will be amply vindicated three weeks from next Tuesday, when the returns will show the triumphant election of Hon. B. S. Rodey.

A GOOD ONE.

The Carlsbad Argus says, "Mr. Larrazolo is a good campaigner—for the republicans. His visit here will not increase the democratic majority in Eddy county. Quite the contrary."

In speaking of the nomination of Mr. Rodey the Argus says:

The nomination of Hon. Bernard S. Rodey of Albuquerque for delegate to congress by the republican convention held in Santa Fe last week, is meeting with the heartiest approval from all portions of the territory. He is recognized as the strongest candidate with whom the party can go to the people, and his strength is the result of his ability, his integrity and a record in public and private life that is spotless.

Our able Spanish neighbor, El Nuevo Mundo, which the democrats of this county had been counting upon to support their ticket, has given them a very serious disappointment by coming out strongly in support of the republican cause. This means a good many votes for the republican ticket in Bernalillo county.

CATRON'S SPEECH

Delivered at Republican Convention.

What He Said in Nominating Judge Rodey.

Ringing Republican Document From Beginning to End.

READ AND REFLECT.

Mr. Catron's brilliant address before the late territorial convention, in announcing the caucus decision in favor of the nomination of Mr. Rodey, has attracted so much attention in all parts of the territory that the Journal-Democrat presents below a verbatim report of the gentleman's remarks:

Chairman and Gentlemen of the Convention:

It is with great pleasure that I am able to come before you and announce to you that the republican party is in absolute harmony. (Applause.) There are no divisions among us here. The hopes of the democratic party, which will probably meet this afternoon, have been dissipated. (Applause.) We have reached a unanimous conclusion, and it has been assigned to me to lay before you the results of our deliberations, and before the people of this territory what we expect of them. But before I mention the candidate who will be proposed to you to be voted upon, I wish to call your attention to some of the issues between the two political parties which are now contending for supremacy in this country. One of them is the united and grand old republican party (applause); the other is a mongrel—a mixed, composite party, having neither ideas nor sentiment in common.

What is the democratic candidate? He is the populist candidate, the free silver candidate, the socialist candidate, the anarchist candidate gentleman. (Applause.) What does the democratic party advocate that will help our people? They wish to repeal the law establishing the gold standard; to repeal the protective tariff and again establish free trade, to reduce the value of your property. They will reduce the laborer's wages; establish an unfixed standard of currency, and will leave us all at sea with reference to our finances, and bring before you a phantom in the shape of imperialism and trusts. What do they mean by imperialism? We have no such thing in this country. It is a mere play upon words. They mean to tear down the flag and trail it in disgrace and degradation from the Philippines. Can the people give their votes in favor of this? These men who would tear down the flag claim that we are fighting in an unjust cause, and that our soldiers have volunteered to elevate an empire and to destroy our institutions. No, gentlemen, you must not believe that. We want the Philippines, and we want them for one reason if for no other, and that is to preserve the last resting place of the man who would have been our candidate here unanimously. (Applause.) If the gallant Max. Luna was living (applause) it would make no difference whether he was here or where he was, the people of this territory, with their spontaneous voice, would say to him to do—as he did in the battles in Cuba and in the Philippines—to take the flag of the republican party (great applause) of the territory of New Mexico and carry it to victory, and join as our representative those patriots in Washington who will be headed by the noble Roosevelt, who has lately been so grossly insulted by the democrats in Colorado.

What does the democratic party offer you? They talk about trusts. It takes a union of individuals to bring about large results. This they seek to tear down. Our friend Bryan said in St. Louis a few days ago, that if the republican party favored the man-made corporation, the democrats ought to favor the God-made man. That means to say that no corporation should be founded in this country.

Capital should not be brought into action; manufactories should go down; railroads should not be built; mines should close. It means that everything that pertains to the welfare of the people should be abolished and everything relegated to capitalists, who are individuals. We remind them of the Standard Oil people, who own millions upon millions and are mostly democrats. Which is the better, to have a hundred persons put a thousand dollars in a corporation, and by their votes and influence bring about greater results, or to turn this country over to half a dozen multi-millionaires? That is what they seek to have you do. Our party comes before you and stands for sound currency. We believe that the wages and products of every man's labor should be paid for in money that has a uniform value; we tell you that we are in favor of protection to the industries of this country by a tariff which will protect our products and workmen from foreign importations. We believe in a tariff that will raise the wages, and there is not a product in this land except gold and silver, which is not affected by the tariff and gold and silver are affected likewise, because by increase in the value of our wages and products we are bringing over five hundred millions annually from Europe to fill our coffers. The balance of trade is with us now, and as long as we keep the present administration the balance of trade will continue with us. Just think of it, gentlemen! What an increase of wealth will grow up in this country, if we can bring five hundred millions annually as the balance of trade in our favor.

We are in favor of building up a navy, building up what is called the merchant marine, that is, merchant and passenger vessels. It is shown by the most trustworthy statistics that over two hundred millions each year are paid by our people to foreigners to do our freighting for us. Why not place that money, or ten hundred millions in five years, into ships and do our own carrying? We can be independent of the whole world in these things. (Prolonged applause.)

Now, gentlemen, after having made these observations on some of the few issues that are involved in this campaign, I address myself to the subject which I was assigned to place before you. The republican convention in caucus has reached a conclusion unanimously; we have selected a young man of character and ability, against whom the hand of shame cannot be raised. (Applause.) A man of reputation; a man who has come here to cast his fortune with us, and has labored with us consistently; whose character is above reproach, and who will go to the halls of congress representing a united republican party. (Applause.) He represents no faction, no schisms. His friends from Bernalillo county, where he resides, tell us that he will heal up all the possible differences in that county. (Long applause.) He will raise the banner at the head of our columns that will not only carry every republican in his county, but every republican in this territory to the polls on election day, and we will have returns, not of hundreds, but of thousands of majority in his favor. (Applause.) If we send this man to congress, we go there with an absolute certainty of statehood. We know he is honest, and he will go there and work for us for that which we all desire—statehood. He will go there and demand that we be given statehood. He will tell them that New Mexico has not changed its political coat again; that our people are intelligent; that there are enough of us, that we have sufficient wealth to support a state, and I know that when he does that the committee will be unanimous to report in our favor. We will then be on the road to statehood before he will be sworn in. The governor will have called the convention for framing a constitution, and we will have voted before that time for constitutional delegates and before the first Monday in December, 1901, New Mexico will have voted and McKinley will have issued his proclamation declaring New Mexico to be a state in the Union. We wish you to do your duty and elect him. (Prolonged applause.)

The man who you will elect and who will represent you in congress; the man who will work for this territory and produce harmony in our party is the Hon. B. S. Rodey. (Long and continued applause.)

THE COUNTRY PRESS.

People may talk as they please about the influence of the "spell binder" in moulding public sentiment, and national committees may continue to pour out their money by the million to pay for the efforts of the "magnetic orators," but after all it is the quiet and persistent efforts of the country press that move the world, and lead men up to higher planes of thought and action. When Elijah was at Mount Haret he sat unmoved while the thunder roared above him, the earth quaked beneath him and the tempest raved around him, but when he heard "the still small voice" the old prophet covered his head with his mantle, for he knew he stood in the presence of the Lord.

We were reminded of this by the following paragraph from the Kansas City Journal referring to the revolution in public sentiment now going on in Kansas:

"It was remarked by a member of the Kansas republican committee in the presence of the writer the other day that "our spell binders are bringing the enemy over in all parts of the state." Yet we doubt if the spell binders are bringing many of the enemy over in any part of the state. The enemy is coming over, it is true enough, but the credit of it belongs to the newspapers which for four years have been hammering with ceaseless insistency the facts and the arguments into the minds of the people. Political oratory is sporadic and temporary. It serves the admirable purpose of arousing sober conviction into enthusiasm, but sober conviction must be the basis of every begins in politics. And, for the sober conviction which stands behind the great changes in Kansas, the country press is largely responsible."

A FEW GOOD REASONS.

The Santa Fe Capital gives the following among the many good reasons why Mr. Rodey should be elected as delegate from New Mexico:

"Because his election will insure protection to the sheep and wool industries of New Mexico.

Because he is an ardent and zealous advocate of statehood and will give his best energies in congress to obtain this result.

"Because B. S. Rodey is the friend of the workingman and he will labor for the advancement of the industrial and agricultural interests of the territory.

"Because he is a believer in having congress make liberal appropriation for the storage of water in reservoirs for the irrigation of the thousands of acres of waste lands in the territory.

"Because he is in favor of expansion of territory, which will create a market for the surplus product and the manufactures of the country.

"Because he is in favor of having congress make an appropriation for the erection of public buildings such as postoffices and other needed federal buildings in the cities of the territory.

"Because he is pledged to oppose the leasing of the public lands of the territory to private corporations and trusts.

"Because he is opposed to the private usurpation of the water of the territory by corporations which will deprive the people of the full and free enjoyment of their water rights for irrigating their farms and ranches.

"Because he does not believe in disfranchising any citizen of the United States because of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

"Because he is a republican and represents all the principles which the grand old republican party has stood for since its organization, and which it is pledged to accomplish as enunciated in the platform adopted at Philadelphia."

The Albuquerque correspondent of the Las Vegas Optic thinks it was "very funny to see among the delegates to the republican territorial convention a man who was till recently a rock-ribbed democrat." Yes, it is a little funny for the republicans, but the fun of it, so far as the democrats are concerned, is seriously impaired by the fact that there are so many others. It is a very common thing now to see men working in the republican cause who were recently democrats. That sort of thing would strike democratic writers as a good deal funnier if there were not so much of it.

One of the amusing episodes of this campaign is Pedro Perea and M. S. Otero making up a ticket for the democrats to support.

The republicans of McKinley county will hold a convention at Gallup next Monday.