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## GREAT AUDIENCE CHEERS GOV. EDWIN L. NORRIS

ENTHUSIASM KNEW NO BOUNDS AT DEMOCRATIC  
RALLY MONDAY NIGHT

## BRYAN'S MAGIC NAME IS REPEATEDLY APPLAUDED

In Masterly Address, the Governor Elucidates the Re-  
forms With Which His Name Is Linked--  
Receives Open Pledges of Republican  
Support While in the City.

Speaking before a crowd that taxed the capacity of the opera house and cheered wildly at every mention of Bryan's name, Governor Edwin L. Norris, John H. Tolan, Chas. H. Hall and H. C. Stiff opened the democratic campaign in Hamilton Monday night. The enthusiasm knew no bounds, and it was the ominous enthusiasm that portends a sweeping democratic victory in November. The splendid audience was made up of residents from every corner of Ravalli county; democrats and republicans alike came from Darby and Stevensville; and the aggressive, vigorous way in which the rally was conducted, in contrast with the poorly attended Donlan-Pray meeting, made an impression that will not be forgotten during the campaign.

Wagner as Chairman.  
Attorney C. S. Wagner acted as chairman of the meeting and spoke felicitously in introducing the speakers. "Charley" Hall of Missoula spoke first. He did not know he was billed to talk, but he is a veteran campaigner, and with his usual ginger, delivered a snappy, catchy address. It is an unusual thing, he said, for the republicans to be constantly claiming that "Ohio is safe in the republican column," as they have

been doing since Mr. Bryan's triumphant speaking tour of the east. They are thoroughly alarmed, he said, as they have reason to be.

### Compares Norris and Donlan.

Mr. Hall, after touching briefly on national issues, referred in complimentary terms to each of the state candidates present. Governor Norris he characterized as a "scholar, a polished gentleman and a statesman," and said the state of Montana had reason to feel proud that it was represented by so able a man at the recent conference of governors that convened at the White House by invitation of President Roosevelt. He referred to his townsman, Mr. Donlan, the republican nominee for governor, as a neighbor and a friend. "He can run a sawmill, measure lumber and manage a drive, and Governor Norris cannot do these things," the speaker declared, but Donlan is as unfitted to be governor as Norris is eminently qualified.

### Compliments State Candidates.

Speaking of Miles Romney, democratic nominee for secretary of state, Mr. Hall said: "As many friends as Miles Romney has in Ravalli county, he has an equal number in Missoula county, in Silver Bow county and in

every county in Montana." He referred to Mr. Romney's qualifications, and complimented him in flattering terms, as did Mr. Tolan and Mr. Norris who followed.

Mr. Hall paid a pretty tribute to Mr. Tolan, democratic nominee for attorney general. "He came to Missoula and won one of the prettiest red apple girls we had," declared the speaker amid applause.

A. J. Violette, democratic candidate for railroad commissioner, Mr. Hall said, is a graduate of Ann Arbor, and a young man splendidly qualified for the office he is seeking.

Henry C. Stiff, associate candidate for district judge with Henry L. Myers, was complimented by Mr. Hall as "one of the best lawyers I ever knew."

Mr. Stiff was introduced and in a short talk said he believed the judiciary should be considered apart from party lines and promised if elected judge to devote all his ability and time to the duties of his office.

### Tolan Scores Big Hit.

John H. Tolan, in a short, brilliant talk made a decided hit. A young man, Mr. Tolan has achieved great distinction. His humorous stories kept the audience in an uproar, but he also showed himself able to handle the deeper questions of national politics. His earnest manner was striking, and he convinced his hearers that he is a sincere young man who wants to see justice done and the laws of Montana impartially enforced.

### Governor Norris Refers to Toole.

The crowd grew impatient to hear Governor Norris, and there was prolonged applause when he stepped to the front of the stage. His election as lieutenant governor four years ago resulted in his succession to the governor's office when Gov. Toole resigned last spring. With feeling and great deference Mr. Norris referred to this, and there was applause at the mention of the name of the most popular public man in the history of Montana. The applause broke out anew when the governor mentioned the magic name of William Jennings Bryan and told of the great fight he had made in behalf of the plain people of this country.

### The Governor's Reforms.

The governor took up the policies in the democratic state platform and told what he hoped to accomplish if

elected and supported by a democratic legislature. His name is already linked with three popular reforms, and he elucidated them. He advocates the administration of forest reserves and grazing privileges by the state of Montana and not by the national government, and he wants legislation to this end. In Ravalli county this reform certainly should prove popular.

### Guarantee of Bank Deposits.

He advocates also a law guaranteeing deposits in state banks, similar to the law in operation in Oklahoma. The republican party in Kansas and Nebraska is clamoring for such a law. It is the most popular reform now before the country. Under its operation panics will be prevented, as depositors will have confidence in the banks and no runs will occur. But even if a panic should come, in a general crash, the money belonging to the depositors in a failed bank would be paid in full. A tax is levied on the banks by which a guarantee fund is raised to pay the depositors in failed banks.

The governor is also identified with a policy for the conservation and careful administration of state lands. The coal lands belonging to the state, he said, are of immense value, and the sale of these will ultimately almost wipe out the general school tax.

Governor Norris' address was masterly and persuasive. He is a reformer, and his proposed reforms appealed to the people who heard him. His eloquence and sound arguments won him many votes, and from the number of republicans who openly pledged their support to him during his short stay, it is absolutely certain he will not only be overwhelmingly elected, but that he will carry Ravalli county as well.

### Bryan's Magic Name.

An impressive feature of the rally was the great enthusiasm that Bryan's name evoked. The spell of the magic name is evidently still the same. Scores of republicans in Ravalli county who followed Bryan with devotion in 1896 and 1900 are again openly and actively committed to his cause, and they were present to join in the applause of the democrats, who always idolized Bryan.

Governor Norris and party left yesterday morning for a campaign trip through Granite county.

The Hamilton Cornet band provided music for the rally, playing "Dixie" and other of the democratic selections that never fail to enthrall.

### Real Estate Transfers.

A. C. M. Co. to W. B. Webb 20 acres west of Hamilton; \$1500.

Como Orchard Land Co. to Gertrude W. Nelson lot 25 blk. 8, Lake Como Orchard No. 1; \$1.

Frank D. Dudley and wife to P. H. Edwards, lot 5 blk. 30, Hamilton; \$1.

N. P. Ry. Co. to P. H. Edwards, 120 acres on Skalkaho; \$360.

W. G. Moody and wife to C. M. Platt, 80 acres east of Corvallis; \$1.

A. C. M. Co. to Frank D. Dudley lots 11 & 12 blk. 46, Hamilton; \$1.

Bitter Root Realty Investment Co. to Paul A. Scholz lot 21 blk. 2 W & R addition; \$1.

W. H. Huston and wife to Joe Dagenais and F. W. Wilson, north 3 feet lot 9 blk. 16, south half lot 8 blk. 16, Stevensville; \$1.

Fannie McLaughlin and husband to Warner Laird and Bert Kerlee lots 8, 9 and 10 blk. 7, Darby; \$450.

Anna B. Clark and husband to W. H. Thorp lot 3 blk. 3, Riverview; \$1.

C. A. Svendsen and wife to Auvergn J. Shovel, 40 acres near Stevensville; \$1.

F. H. Drinkenberg and wife to J. W. Rockefeller, lots 7 and 8 in blk. 31, Riverview; \$1.

Mary Schwab to Geo. F. Sears 160 acres east of Corvallis; \$1.

Daisy G. Kingsley to Minnie L. Pigg 80 acres near Florence; \$1.

D. Haacke to Austin H. Benton, 40 acres on Burnt Fork; \$2700.

Allan Burch and wife to Emmett A. Hawker 40 acres on Willow Creek; \$1.

Annie E. Samuels and husband to W. B. Faulds lots 7 and 8 in blk. 2 Pleasantvale; \$1.

J. H. Randolph and wife to Margaret Barch lots 13, 14 and 15, blk. 4 M. F. Johnson addition to Corvallis; \$1200.

James Faust to Anthony Erath south half lot 3 north 10 feet lot 4, blk. 16, Stevensville; \$1.

John M. Keith to W. T. Thornton north half lot 8 and north half lot 13, blk. 16, Stevensville; \$1.

Forbes Buchanan and wife to Thos. Riley and Miles Romney, 60 acres west of Hamilton; \$5300.

M. J. A. Reinkah to W. H. Thorp lot 2 blk. 3 Riverview; \$1.

Joe Dagenais and wife and Fred Wilson and wife to Etta and Virginia Bass south half lot 8, blk. 10 north 3 feet lot 9, south half of lot 3, north 3 feet lot 12 blk. 16; \$1.

James De Long to Louis N. Kincaid lots 17, 18, 19 and 20 blk. 18, Darby; \$1.

## BITTER ROOT STOCK FARM GETS FOUR BLUE RIBBONS

The Bitter Root Stock farm received four first and three second prizes for its stock exhibit at the state fair which closed in Helena Saturday. The following prizes were received: Percheron stallion, first and second; Suffolk stallion, first and second; Jersey bull, first; Hereford bull, second; Hereford cow and calf, second. The sweepstakes prize captured by the Suffolk stallion was won in a contest over seven first prize winners. James and Harry Coker and Tom Wilkerson chaperoned the horses to the fair and Tom McCourt, Al Osborne and James Burns had charge of the cattle. The men have returned from Helena.

## GEORGE D. WAYLETT DEAD.

Geo. D. Waylett, Sr., one of the old timers of the Bitter Root valley, who has resided near Victor for a number of years, died Thursday after an extended illness. The funeral occurred Saturday and was largely attended. The deceased was about 70 years of age and a well known and respected citizen. He is survived by a widow and sons.

### A Card.

Having been nominated by the democrats at their convention for the office of clerk of the court, I wish to publicly state that, without any disrespect whatever to the voters of Ravalli county, I most emphatically decline to make a house to house canvass during the campaign. It costs a good deal of money to the candidate and takes up the time of the voter very unnecessarily; and the money that the candidate spends, say give or six hundred dollars to obtain a small county office, it is the consensus of opinion, he will reimburse himself whenever he can do so, to the detriment of the county.

If elected I will endeavor to make a good and honest county official with credit to myself and respect and satisfaction from those who elected me.

Very respectfully,

LIONEL E. MANNING.

Democratic Nominee for Clerk of Court.

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Basket	50c			1 pound cans	45c	Hams, medium, lb.	
CALIFORNIA GRAPES				2 pound cans	85c	Bacon, wide, lb.	
Tokays	60c			CLOVER		Bacon, strips, lb.	
Peraras	55c			Steel Cut		FANCY HAMS	
PLUMS		GOLD HEART		1 pound cans	40c	Mistletoe, lb.	
5 pound basket	20c	98 pound sack		2 pound cans	75c	FANCY BACON	
PEARS		49 pound sack		EVER FRESH		Mistletoe, lb.	
Flemish Beauty, box	\$1.75	RAVALLI		Ground		PIGS FEET 10 LB. KITS \$1.50	
4 pounds	25c	Hard Wheat		1 pound cans	45c	MINCE MEAT, LB. 15c	
SWEET POTATOES		98 pound sack		2 pound cans	85c	LARD	
Fancy Jersey 3 lbs.	25c	49 pound sack		Our trade is ever increasing on our Bulk Coffees		WHITE STAR BRAND	
CRANBERRIES		1.75		Brazil Blend, per lb.	20c	5 lb. pail 80c   10 lb. pail \$1.50	
Cape Cod, quart	15c	GOLD DROP		Royal Crown, per lb.	25c	20 lb. pail \$2.90   50 lb. can \$6.75	
RIPE TOMATOES		49 pound sack		Private Growth per lb.	30c	MISTLETOE BRAND	
20 pound box	\$1.00	BITTER ROOT BELLE		Velvet per lb.	35c	5 lb. pail 85c	
		98 pound sack		PACKAGE COFFEE		10 lb. pail \$1.60	
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