

## Presidential Possibilities

## WILLIAM J. BRYAN

One of a Series of Sketches of Men Prominently Mentioned for Chief Executive.

"Bill" Bryan is the way his admirers—numbering in millions—like to speak of him. At home in Lincoln his old neighbors have seen little of him in the last 10 years. A birthday banquet each year generally caused him to return. Always friendly and genial, his intimates there who call him "William" are few. He is "Mr. Bryan." When in town he retires with high hat and dignity of office, and even his closest friends presumed nothing more familiar than "Mr. Secretary." His brother Charles, who runs Bryan's business in Lincoln, calls the "perpetual candidate" "W. J."

The former secretary of state under Woodrow Wilson is no longer the boyish orator who often comes and fervid espousal of new ideas put him at the head of his party. Yet, although his hair is thinned and his age advanced by 24 years since he appeared before the democratic national convention in his "Cross of Gold" speech—which electrified the nation and gained for him the nomination for president, his fervency is unquenched and his power over the masses remains.

Physically he is still a powerful man in spite of his 60 years. Although the jet black locks he carries are white matted impasse, and appear to have been reaped by time, and lines have been carved in his square and rock-like countenance, he still has his health and his vocal qualities, such as few men of his age who have been so active on the platform and stump can expect.

The world has been good to Bryan in a material way. Though his party could not give him the presidency, it has made him rich in money. Practically all of the commoner's last few years have been spent on the lecture platform, in the pulpit or at an editor's desk. His paper, the "Commoner," which he established in Lincoln in 1900, following his second defeat by McKinley, has earned him as much as \$100,000 a year, it has been estimated. The chautauqua platform, too, has yielded him a modest fortune. He recently placed his real estate holdings at \$300,000.

At Lincoln Bryan has a home with a farm nearby, amply stocked and well-tended. In winter he flees from the cold prairie "northers" to the breezes of Palm Beach or Ashville or White Sulphur Springs. Col. and Mrs. Bryan are alone in their home now. Their three children, now other citizens, have moved to other cities.

William Jennings Bryan was born at Salem, Ill., March 19, 1856. His father's parents were of Irish stock that had lived in Virginia for three generations before they went west to the Illinois prairies. His mother was born in Illinois. His early education was secured in the public schools of Marion county. Later he attended an academy at Jacksonville, and took his college course at Illinois college, Jacksonville, from which he was graduated in 1881 with a bachelor of arts degree. Two years later he was given an LL.B. degree from the college of law, Chicago, now a part of northwestern university.

Young Bryan's first law practice was at Jacksonville, where he and his bride, who was Miss Mary Elizabeth Bair of Perry, Ill., lived for four years before moving to Lincoln, Neb., to make their new home. Bryan had been in Lincoln, then an ambitious prairie town, but a few months before he became interested in local, county and state politics. In 1890 he was elected to congress from the third Nebraska district. He was re-elected in 1892, serving his four years in congress and his race for the senate, in which he was defeated in the legislature by John M. Thurston, republican, he advocated no fewer than 12 radical departures in government and politics. He was an early exponent of a

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Between 1894 and 1896 Bryan was editor of the Omaha World-Herald. Elected as a delegate to the democratic national convention at Chicago in 1896, he astounded the world by his notable "Cross of Gold" and "Crown of Thorns" speech, espousing the cause of free silver. The young orator of the West chose such sensationalism that he was chosen as the democratic nominee for president to run against William McKinley, republican.

The campaign that followed was one of the most remarkable in American history. Traveling more than 12,000 miles, Bryan entered almost every state and made speeches in practically every town that had passed through. Hundreds of thousands of persons heard him and clamored to shake his hand. Yet he lost the race. McKinley received 271 electoral votes to 176 for Bryan.

After his defeat, Bryan took the lecture platform and contributed articles to newspapers still espousing free silver. In 1898 he organized an infantry regiment for service in the Spanish-American war, and was made colonel in command.

In 1899 Bryan was again the dominant figure in the democratic convention. He was nominated and took the field a second time for campaign against McKinley, renominated by the republicans. He made his campaign issue this time on "imperialism," attacking the action of the republican administration in accepting Hawaii, the Philippines and other colonies. Bryan's popular vote in 1896 was slightly lower than in 1892, and he was again defeated by a vote of 232 to 155 electoral votes.

At the 1900 convention in St. Louis, Bryan headed the Nebraska delegation. In the three-cornered race for nomination between Bryan, Judge Alton B. Parker and William R. Hearst, the Nebraska finally threw its influence to the Parker forces when it was seen otherwise a harmonious candidate should not be selected. He was active in the campaign that followed in which Theodore Roosevelt defeated Parker for the presidency.

In 1905 and 1906 Col. and Mrs. Bryan toured the world, contributing articles to magazines and newspapers and collecting data for books. While in London, Bryan took a prominent part in the meeting of the Interparliamentary Union.

Bryan received his third nomination for president at the democratic national convention at Denver in 1908. His chief campaign issue that year was his advocacy for annullment of the trusts, but for the

third time he met defeat, this time at the hands of William Howard Taft. The 1908 electoral vote was 221 for Taft and 162 for Bryan.

Between 1908 and 1912 Bryan spent most of his time on the lecture platform and in writing. In the democratic convention of 1912, Bryan became identified with efforts to nominate Woodrow Wilson. When it appeared to be a deadlock between the Wilson and Champ Clark forces, Bryan threw his support to Wilson. Bryan was given the position of secretary of state in the Wilson administration.

Bryan resigned the cabinet post in 1913, giving as his reason that he could not live on the salary the office paid without encroaching on his personal funds. It was freely stated, however, that Bryan and the president disagreed as to the course to be pursued at a time when it became more and more apparent that the United States must ultimately take a hand in the world war.

Bryan's appearance at the Jackson day banquet in Washington in January, 1920, was taken as a sign of Bryan's return to battle.

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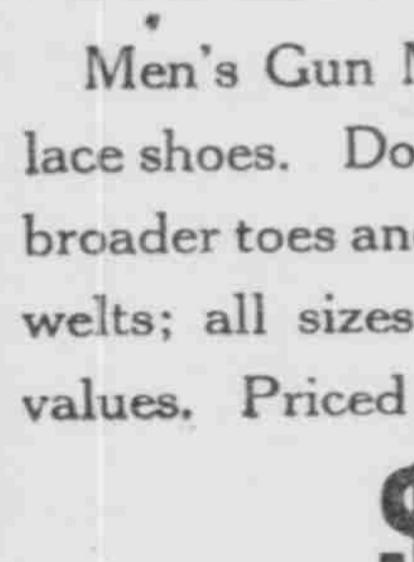


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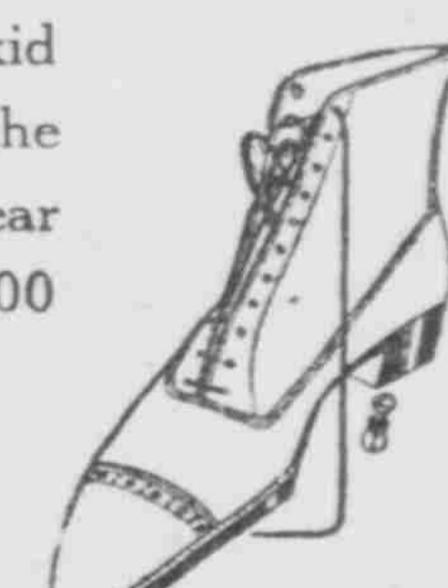
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