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He thought he was fighting the plutocracy: as a matter of fact he was fighting something much deeper than that; he was fighting the larger scale of human life. The Eastern money power controlled the new industrial system, and Bryan fought it. But what he and his people hated from the bottom of their souls were the economic conditions that had upset the old life of the prairies, made new demands on democracy, introduced specialization and science, and had destroyed village loyalties, frustrated private ambitions, and created the impersonal relationships of the modern world.

> William Jennings Bryan portrayed by Walter Lippmann in Drift and Mastery

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