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LET'S BE CONSISTENT

It is practically certain that Oregon will give Harding an overwhelming majority and that Columbia county will do its part in contributing to such majority. By so doing, our people express themselves as favoring a change in the national administration, that they believe a republican administration is necessary. This being the case, the voter who favors Harding should also favor senators and congressmen who will not hinder the constructive work of a republican president and congress. It would be very inconsistent to vote for Harding and then tie his hands by the election of a senator not in accord with republican principles. The republican majority in the senate will be a small one at best. Republicans cannot afford to take a chance by voting for a non-partisan democrat. Chamberlain is such. He might be non-partisan at home, but in the halls of congress he must line up with the democrats.

MIST ADVICE ON MEASURES

The Mist presents to its readers a resume of the amendments to be voted on at the coming election, and at the same time offers its advice on what it believes will be to the best interests of the people of the state on how votes should be cast on these measures. It urges that the voters study these measures carefully by reading the official pamphlet and we believe that our readers will agree that this paper has taken the proper view upon how votes should be cast.

308-309—Amendment Fixing Term of Certain County Officers.—Proposed by initiative petition.—Would fix the terms of office of county clerk, sheriff, treasurer, coroner and surveyor at four years. There is much argument advanced in favor of this amendment. In nearly all cases the officer elected is retained for a second term of two years, hence the advisability of giving him a term of four years without having to make a second campaign for it.

300-301—Compulsory Voting and Registration Amendment.—Referred by legislature.—Does not prescribe methods, but makes it possible for laws to be enacted by people or legislature permitting voting by persons absent from their precincts on election day, or unable to go to polls on account of illness. Also enables people or legislature to make voting compulsory. The latter provision is the result of the continued decline in the percentage of voters going to the polls. As an enabling act only it is not dangerous but The Mist thinks considerable care should be taken in the prescribing of any methods to make voting compulsory, or partially so. It does not believe the legislature or the people would follow this act with any legislation that would put compulsory voting into effect. For that reason this would be an unnecessary law. The first provisions of the amendment may be desirable but would add greatly to the expense of elections.

302-303—Constitutional Amendment Regulating Legislative Sessions and the Payment of Legislators.—Referred by legislature.—This amendment would lengthen the legislative session from 40 days to 60 days, would prohibit the introduction of bills (except appropriation bills and bills having to do with the national defense) after the fortieth day, and would raise the pay of legislators from \$3 the day to \$5 the day. The salient feature of this amendment is that it gives for the introduction and enactment of bills the same number of days that are contained in the entire present legislative session and then gives 20 additional days for careful and deliberate consideration of the legislation which has been introduced but not acted upon. This is an amendment made necessary by the growth of the state. The business can not be handled in the same length of time it could 50 years ago. The provision of 20 days for consideration of legislation is a wise and progressive one and will do away with the last minute rush which often accounts for unwise legislation. The provision for raise of pay of legislators needs no comment. No one any longer works for \$3 a day, and few for \$5, the wage proposed in this amendment. Most of the legislative clerks and stenographers now get more pay than the legislators. Be particular not to confuse this amendment with the divided session amendment, which will appear further down on the ballot.

304-305—Oleomargarine Bill.—Enacted by the legislature.—Referred to the people upon petition circulated by associated industries.—Bill was only enacted after amendments had taken the teeth out of it. Originally designed as a protection to the dairy industry, it means nothing to that industry in its present form, nor does it greatly hamper the oleo industry, at which it was aimed.

306-307—Single Tax Amendment.—Proposed by petition by Single Tax league.—At last the single taxers have brought out a measure devoid of deception. No need to discuss the possible baleful effects of socialist single tax. This measure should be

snowed under even deeper than those of similar import which have appeared in years past in sheep's clothing. **Vote 307 X No.**
310-311—Port of Portland Dock Commission Consolidation Bill.—Proposed by initiative petition by leading business men of Portland.—This is a local measure, in that the port of Portland pays the taxes, but the courts have held that all measures affecting the port are of concern to the entire state, so that the port has not option but to present the subject to the entire state. This measure gives the port of Portland the power to provide port facilities and an adequate channel to the sea. In case the people within the port do not favor this bill the port commission, so it is announced, will not issue the bonds authorized by the measure. On the other hand, should the people of the state as a whole defeat the measure, the bonds could not be issued, even though those who would pay the taxes voted unanimously for the measure. To vote for the measure is, therefore, equivalent to giving the people of the port the privilege of doing as they please with their own money. **Vote 310 X Yes.**

312-313—Anti-Compulsory Vaccination Amendment.—Proposed by initiative petition.—This measure is a vicious one and its title misleading. It not only would do away with compulsory vaccination but would take from health authorities the power to enforce any health regulations. There would be no power to control epidemics. The leper and the smallpox sufferer would be allowed to go wherever they pleased, whenever they pleased. A more vicious measure never proposed. **Vote 312 X No.**

314-315—Constitutional Amendment Fixing Legal Rate of Interest in Oregon.—Proposed by initiative petition.—Commonly believed that this measure was proposed for the purpose of getting "hush" money from those it directly affects. No affirmative argument appears in pamphlet. Note particularly that this measure proposes only to fix legal rates in Oregon. Of course, Oregon voters could go no further, but these two words point out the danger of the bill. Money would be driven from Oregon and invested in states where it could earn higher returns. Loans now made would not be renewed. No new capital would come here for investment. That already here would leave. Bankruptcy of farmers, business and industries would follow. The most vicious attack upon agriculture, business and industry ever made in Oregon. Read negative arguments in the pamphlet and swear it good. **Vote 314 X No.**

316-317—Roosevelt Bird Refuge Measure.—Proposed by initiative petition by some of the state's best citizens.—Would cede Malheur lake in eastern Oregon to the federal government for a permanent bird refuge, forever taking the lands from control of the state and from the tax rolls of the state. There may be some question as to whether or not this should be made a permanent bird refuge, but there is no question as to the issue of whether or not we want more of our lands taken off the tax rolls and taken from our control. Leave the disposition of this lake to the legislature, which has ample power to act. **Vote 316 X No.**
318-319—Divided Legislative Sessions Constitutional Amendment.—Proposed by initiative petition by State Taxpayers' league.—This measure would divide the legislative session. In forty days legislation would be introduced and acted upon as at present. After an intermission of 60 days the legislature would again assemble at which time legislation which received affirmative action at the previous session would again come up for action and at that time could only be amended upon a four-fifths vote. **Vote 318 X Yes.**

320-321—State Market Commission Act.—Proposed by initiative petition by State Taxpayers' league.—The title tells the story. The object is to reduce the cost of getting produce from the producer to the consumer. Undoubtedly this will increase the amount the producer will receive and decrease the amount the consumer will pay. While two new offices with salaries attached, are created, the fact that the State Taxpayers' league is behind the act would indicate that the additional expense put on the state is much more than offset by the benefits to accrue to the individuals of the state. Patterned after the California law which is said to be getting beneficial results. **Vote 320 X Yes.**

322-323—It's a brave man who will drink his own moonshine.
It didn't take William McKinley two years to make peace with Spain.

Looks as though it might require a stomach pump to produce some evidence.

A vote for Bob Stanfield is a vote for the protective tariff and prosperity for our Oregon farmers and producers.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. It might be well for us to think of this while the smallpox epidemic is with us.

Warren G. Harding will be the next president. He asks Oregon to elect a republican senator. Will Oregon turn Harding down?

Bob Stanfield stands for the bonus bill for the soldiers. He has come out fairly and squarely for liberal treatment for the soldiers, sailors and marines who won the war.

Stanfield will vote for Harding. Chamberlain will vote for Cox. Stanfield will support Harding if elected. Chamberlain will support Cox. There is the issue. Why should a Harding voter vote for Chamberlain?

Three offshore steamers loaded at St. Helens this week. Three cargoes of Columbia county products were marketed and several hundred men were employed in loading the cargoes and at good wages. Does it pay to have a good port?

Intellect Disdained
"I have become convinced," remarked young Mrs. Torkins, "that there is no chance for brains these days."
"What has convinced you?"
"Charley knows more about horses than anybody I ever heard talk. But the horrid race track people won't let him make a bit of money."—Washington Star.

Profit Two Ways.
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