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RESTORE POWER TO THE PEOPLE

In his speech at Albuquerque Governor Landon, speaking of the manner in which he proposes to restore the Government of the United States to the people, stated:

"I have declared that, being elected, I shall immediately recommend to Congress the repeal of all laws giving autocratic power to the President."

This statement places Landon squarely against the new deal idea that the President should be granted powers over the rights and liberties of the people which are not provided in the constitution.

Recently the press reported that James Roosevelt in a speech said that his father, the President, intends to restore the NRA, the "National Recovery Administra-

tion". It can scarcely be doubted that President Roosevelt is determined to retain the extraordinary powers which Congress has wrongfully bestowed upon him and that he will seek to circumvent, in some way, the decisions of the Supreme Court which have taken from him some of the arbitrary authority which he has been exercising and which he desires should be restored to him if elected. Who can doubt that his ambition is to again wield the dictatorial powers over labor, agriculture and industry which he wielded before the Supreme Court declared that his exercise of those powers was illegal.

The above quotation from Governor Landon's speech is a pledge that he will not countenance a law which will give him autocratic powers to dominate labor, agriculture and industry.

The voters must choose between Landon, who if elected, will be a constitutional president and return to the popular government under which this nation has prospered for more than a century and a half and which caused it to be looked upon by the oppressed of the world as a haven from oppression under dictators who exercise arbitrary powers unrestrained by a constitution.

The election of Governor Landon will restore popular government to this country.

NEW DEAL TAX ON PAYROLLS

Governor Landon has said: It is the farmers and laboring men of this country who eventually will play the role of Santa Claus in the Administration's program."

The new deal payroll tax which goes into effect in January will surely drive home the truth of the statement quoted above. The government will get one percent of the laboring man's pay envelope commencing with that month and in a few years it will collect three percent.

If the laborer lives for twenty years he may have a share in the so-called "fifty cents a day security", provided for in the so-called Social Security Act passed by the last congress and approved by President Roosevelt.

If the new deal administration had made the law effective before the election, thousands, who now believe that Uncle Sam is their Santa Claus, would have realized that Landon's idea of who will play that role is correct.

Roosevelt and his subservient congress knew that it would have been disastrous to them if such a law had gone into effect before the election.

Under this act, beginning January 1, 1937, employers are required to pay to the federal government one per cent of their payroll for employees receiving \$3,000 a year or less, and to extract an equal amount from the pay envelopes of these employees and send it to Washington. These taxes will rise to 1 1/2 per cent for both employers and employees on January 1, 1940, to 2 per cent in 1943, 2 1/2 per cent in 1946 and 3 per cent in 1949.

Farm laborers, domestic servants, casual laborers, members of the crews of ships, government workers and employees of educational, religious and eleemosynary institutions are exempted from this tax.

The old-age benefits provided by the law, however, will not be paid to anyone before 1942, and then only to persons who reach the age of 65 and who retire from their jobs.

It will be of interest to the large number of saw mill and other timberworkers in the vicinity of Cottage Grove to learn exactly how their pay envelopes will be affected beginning January 1, 1937.

A man drawing a salary of \$20 a week will be taxed as follows:

20 cents a week or \$10.40 a year in 1937-39.

30 cents a week or \$15.60 a year in 1940-42.

40 cents a week or \$20.80 a year in 1943-45.

50 cents a week or \$26 a year in 1946-48.

60 cents a week or \$31.20 a year after 1948.

For a man drawing \$57.69 a week, the maximum salary embraced by the law, the initial tax will be 57 cents a week, rising to \$1.72 a week in 1949.

ELECTION RESULT FORECAST

After a study of several national and local polls as they stand as The Sentinel goes to press it appears that Landon will be elected president by 273 electoral votes against Roosevelt's 258. Of course this appearance may be changed within the next five days.

Present indications are that of the unconquered states Landon will carry Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Wyoming and possibly West Virginia.

Present indications are that Roosevelt will carry Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma, Washington, Wisconsin and possibly Colorado.

The Literary Digest poll indicates that the vote in Oregon will be close. At the last report Landon was leading with 11,296 against 10,570 for Roosevelt.

GIVE PORTLANDERS A CHANCE

O. W. Hayes, former principal of the Cottage Grove High School, A. A. Campbell and Charles Lewis, who are all connected with the Portland schools, were in this city yesterday. They are especially interested in the adoption of the "Tax limitation constitutional amendment for school districts having 100,000 population."

This amendment, if adopted, will only affect the City of Portland and therefore it seems right and proper that the voters of that city should have the right to settle this matter without interference from the voters of the other school districts throughout the state.

The amendment, if adopted, will permit the residents of Portland to vote upon the question as to whether or not they desire to increase the tax levy for their schools beyond the present constitutional 6 per cent limitation to any amount not exceeding that provided in the proposed amendment. This being the case there does not appear to be any reason why voters outside of Portland should vote no on this amendment.

Common courtesy should prompt outsiders to either refrain from voting, or vote yes and give the people of Portland a chance to do as they please in this matter.

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

"Our American Schools at Work" will be the theme this year for the nation wide observance of American Education Week, November 9-13. Armistice Day falls within the week and it may be expected that topics dealing with the signing of the Armistice will play an important part in the celebration this year.

Another matter that deserves special attention during the week is that of increasing the salaries of our public school teachers. Teachers are underpaid. Generally speaking, as a class, they are among the most faithful and earnest workers in this country. Their work does not cease when school closes in the afternoon. They must then begin planning the work for their classes the next day and then correct and mark the papers handed in by the students.

Our public schools are the crowning glory of American civilization and the teachers have made them so.

May The Sentinel venture to suggest that the Chamber of Commerce, the various lodges, societies and clubs of Cottage Grove join in making American Education Week one long to be remembered in this city?

The last graduating class of our high school was an eloquent testimonial to the efficiency and earnest devotion to duty of this city's corps of teachers from and including all grades from the primary department to the high school.

HIGHWAY MEETING AT SAN FRANCISCO

The twenty-second convention of the American Association of State Highway Officials will be held in San Francisco for four days beginning December 7. Governor Frank F. Merriam of California, Mayor Angelo J. Rossi and Earl Lee Kelly, Director of Public Works, have been named official hosts of the convention.

The writer, who has just returned from an automobile trip of over seven thousand miles to New York City and return realizes more than ever before the necessity and value of good highways. There are some of the best roads in the world in this country and there are some that might almost be called the worst.

This San Francisco meeting sponsored by both State and Federal highway officials should result in great benefit as experts in road building will undoubtedly be in attendance.

O. H. Purcell, Chief Engineer of the San Francisco-Oakland bridge, who will be the general chairman for the convention, has stated that San Francisco will be used as a laboratory for tests on civic transportation.

It is to be hoped that Oregon will be represented at this important convention by competent road builders who will be able to use the knowledge they may gain for the betterment of our many excellent highways.

Governor Landon's demand that the Roosevelt administration tell the American people whether it would attempt to circumvent the unanimous NRA decision of the Supreme Court by subterfuge or tricky legislation has gone unheeded. The people are entitled to an answer.

Two former official democratic candidates for president have come out in favor of Landon. Davis and Smith.

STATE CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

SALEM, OR.—With a record registration of 546,034 voters eligible to participate in next Tuesday's election, a record vote is expected

as thousands of men and women went their way to the polls in 1625 precincts in every nook and corner of the state to express their preference for candidates and measures on state, county and city ballots.

At the last presidential election in 1932 a total of 377,932 Oregon voters exercised their franchise. If the increase in voting this year keeps pace with the increase in registration the total vote at Tuesday's battle of the ballots should exceed 425,000.

Interest in the presidential, congressional and state contests in Oregon at this stage of the campaign is confined pretty much to speculation on the majorities which the successful candidates will poll, the result so far as the victor in these major offices is concerned being pretty much "in the bag" barring unforeseen upsets which are apt to creep into even the best regulated of contests—athletic or political—to discredit the prognostications of the best informed dolester.

In the legislative contests, however, there prevails a spirit of uncertainty that bids fair to make many of the contests anybody's race until the final reports are in. While the political forecasters earlier in the campaign were freely predicting the restoration of republican domination in both House and Senate at the next legislative session the surprising gains made by the democrats in the registrations with nine counties now showing democratic majorities and several others remaining Republican by the barest of majorities the outcome of the legislative races in many districts is shrouded in doubt.

The republicans have a decided advantage in the fight to control the senate. Of the 14 hold-over members nine are republicans and only five are democrats. If the democrats are to dominate this branch of the law-making body they must elect 11 of the 16 members to be chosen next Tuesday. While this is not an impossible feat, it is a highly improbable one and it is a pretty safe guess at this time that the republicans will organize the next senate just as they have every senate in this state for more than 50 years. In this connection it is interesting to note that of the 16 members of the senate whose terms are expiring, eight are candidates for reelection. These include Walter S. Fisher of Douglas county; Allan A. Byron, Harry L. Corbett, and Dorothy McCullough Lee of Multnomah county; N. G. Wallace of Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath and Lake; W. H. Steiner of Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler; Robert M. Duncan of Grant, Harney and Malheur, and Isaac E. Staples, formerly of Multnomah, but now a candidate from the new twenty-fourth district comprising Lincoln and Tillamook counties. Five former members of the House are also seeking promotion to the senate, including W. A. Johnson of Josephine county; E. L. Ross and John A. Thornburg of Washington, and Homer D. Angell and William L. Dickson of Multnomah.

It is around the political complexion of the next House that the greatest uncertainty exists. Here with all 60 members to be elected anew both parties start from scratch and with democratic registration closely crowding that of the republicans, partisans of Jackson and Jefferson are out to retain control over this branch of the law-making body which they wrested from the republicans in 1935 for the first time since 1878. This is entirely within the realm of probabilities. Much depends upon the outcome in Multnomah county where many of the democratic nominees are said to have the endorsement of the Townsendsites. If the democrats can elect all or even

a majority of the 13 representatives allotted to Multnomah county it is entirely probable that they return enough out-state members to organize the next house. If, on the other hand, the republicans elect their legislative candidates in Multnomah county, most of whom have the advantage of greater experience and wider acquaintance, then in all probability domination of the house organization will again return to that party.

Forty-eight tons of paper, nearly three car loads, were required for the official voters' pamphlet, copies of which went out to each of the 546,034 registered voters in Oregon during the past week. Printing of the pamphlets which were nearly 50 percent larger this year than ever before, required 3,500,000 impressions and the postage bill for mailing alone amounted to nearly \$7,000. Arguments for and against the eight measures on the November ballot required 48 pages.

Salem landlords who were threatening to raise their rents on offices occupied by state departments have agreed to postpone the increases until after the first of the year. Department heads affected by the proposed increases pleaded that they had no funds with which to meet the additional cost. Most of the state departments which were forced to move into downtown office buildings when the old capitol burned are renting on a month to month basis with no lease to protect them against higher rentals.

Secretary of State Snell proposes to make motoring tourists feel that they are really welcome when they come to Oregon in the future. The new non-resident permits for 1937 will bear the label "Guest of Oregon."

Death continues to ride the Oregon highways with more reckless abandon than ever. The year 1936 bids fair to make a new all-time high record for traffic fatalities. Already in the first nine months of the year 215 persons have lost their lives as a result of traffic accidents on the highways of this state, compared to 185 for the same period last year. Traffic accidents, totalling 22,302 for the year to date, are nearly 50 percent ahead of the 1934 record as also are the number of injuries resulting from traffic accidents.

Evidence that the state flax industry is at last on a paying basis is to be found in the fact that it turned \$50,000 into the state's general fund this week to apply on a loan made several years ago when the then infant industry was in the experimental stage.

A scroll containing the signatures of Governor Martin, State Treasurer Holman, Secretary of State Snell, the seven members of the capitol reconstruction commission

and the 90 legislators who served in the 1935 session, is to be placed in the corner stone of the new state house. Copies of all resolutions, bills and other proceedings relating to the new capitol will also be deposited in the corner stone. Fred Drager, veteran chief clerk of the House, is now gathering the material. Construction of the new building is expected to start about December 1.

A drive for a new tuberculosis hospital to be located in Multnomah county has already been launched. The Oregon Tuberculosis association has announced its intention of asking the next legislature for an appropriation of \$200,000 to finance the new institution, authority for which was given by the voters at a special election in May, 1934.

Eighty-three Oregon motorists had their drivers' licenses revoked during September, 80 for driving while intoxicated. Thirty-six other motorists had their licenses suspended, 18 of these for reckless driving. While one-third of the state's motorists reside in Multnomah county only seven of the 80 drunken driving cases were reported from that county.

Superintendent Pray of the state police was this week authorized by the board of control to install a crime detection laboratory in the pathology department of the University medical school at Portland. The legislative session of 1935 appropriated \$500 for the laboratory.

It is now five years since a prisoner was hanged at the Oregon penitentiary. James E. Kingsley, the last man to pay the supreme penalty for murder in this state, was hanged on October 30, 1931, for killing Sam E. Prescott, Ashland police officer.

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