



"It thrives and bears for distinction, and, if possible, it will have it. Is it unreasonable, then, to expect that some men, possessed of the loftiest genius, coupled with ambition sufficient to push it in the utmost stretch, will at sometime spring up among us? And when such a one does, it will require the people to be united with each other, attached to the government and laws, and generally intelligent, to successfully frustrate his design.

"Distinction will be his paramount object, and although he would as willingly acquire it by doing good as harm, yet nothing left in the way of building up he would sit down boldly to the task of pulling down. Here then is a probable case, highly dangerous."

—From the Omaha Daily Bee, March 19, 1912.

## TAFT MAKES GOOD LABOR PLEDGES

Administration's Record Squares With Its Promises.

### MANY NEW LAWS ENACTED.

Postal Savings Banks, Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability Laws Passed—Eight Hour Law Upheld—Labor Recognized on Commissions.

From the day three years ago when it placed its interests in the keeping of William Howard Taft to this hour labor has critically scanned his every act, and with discriminating mind it is judging him as one who, without clamor or demonstration, has kept the faith.

On Sept. 8, 1908, Theodore Roosevelt, then president of the United States, wrote a letter to Conrad Kohls on the issues of the campaign and, addressing himself to the laboring men, said:

"If there is one body of men more than another whose support I feel I have a right to challenge on behalf of Secretary Taft it is the body of wage workers of the country. A stancher friend, a fairer and truer representative they cannot find within the borders of the United States. He will do everything in his power for them except to do that which is wrong. He will do wrong for no man and therefore can be trusted by all men."

#### Mr. Taft Labor's Friend.

The workmen of the country judged Mr. Taft in 1908 by a record of twenty-seven years as a statesman, administrator of national affairs and presidential adviser, and they helped to give him the magnificent majority which put him in the White House. During the three years he has been president his excellent record has been maintained so splendidly that the laboring men have been confirmed in the belief that they never had a better friend in the White House.

The establishment of the postal savings banks, which was recommended by President Taft, was one of the things that organized labor favored. The \$10,000,000 now on deposit in these depositories represents the savings of the wage earners.

#### Taft's Personal Interest.

President Taft approved a law on May 30, 1908, to compensate workmen for injuries received while in the employ of the United States. After the passage of this act a number of workmen in the employ of the federal government were killed, and their families, not being familiar with the provisions of the law, failed to file affidavits within the specified time. The secretary of commerce and labor had no power to set aside the provision of the law and was therefore obliged to disapprove the claims.

The matter was taken up by the president, and he satisfied himself that justice was not being done to the families of the men who had been killed. He sent a special message to congress recommending that a general act be passed allowing all such claimants compensation if their claims were otherwise meritorious. This was an instance that proved the president to be broadminded and anxious to aid the workingmen in any way that he could.

An employers' liability act approved

June 11, 1906, was on January 8, 1908, held to be unconstitutional. Another of this sort was passed on April 22, 1908, which as yet has not been tested in the courts. Through the efforts of the president a commission was appointed to make an investigation of the subject of "employers' liability and workmen's compensation."

#### Labor Men Appointed.

The report of the commission, the evidence taken before it and the draft of the bill prepared as a result of the findings of said commission have been transmitted to congress, accompanied by a special message by President Taft, in which he recommends the passage of the proposed measure. In their deliberations the members of the commission had the benefit of frequent consultations with the president. It is believed the act will stand the test of constitutionality.

In order that the commission might have the benefit of the experience of a practical man President Taft appointed as one of its members Daniel L. Cesse, the editor of the Railroad Trainmen's Journal, the official organ of the railroad trainmen. Mr. Cesse has devoted the best years of his useful life to the cause of labor. The president also appointed experienced labor men as inspectors under the locomotive boiler inspection law. They were John F. Enslin of Colorado and Frank McManamy of Oregon for chief inspector and assistant chief inspector respectively.

The defects in the present eight hour law have not escaped the attention of President Taft. He has recommended to congress amendments which will make it really effective by "providing that public works shall be construed to include not only buildings and works upon public grounds, but also ships' armor and large guns manufactured in private yards or factories."

#### Thirty Years' Service.

With regard to the high cost of living, which increases the burden of the wage earners, President Taft has already taken the initiative that will result in a worldwide inquiry into this problem. He has advocated the assembling of a world's congress to discuss its varied phases and to suggest remedies.

This unparalleled record of thirty years' service to the cause of all the people is deserving of consideration. No charge of broken faith or of broken promises can be made, no hint of departure from the plain path of duty can be laid at the door of William Howard Taft, who without ostentatious display has wisely and fearlessly administered the trust imposed upon him in 1908, when he was elected to his high office by the votes of laboring men.

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DELEGATES PLEDGED FOR TAFT.

On Saturday, March 30, 1912, the delegates to the Republican national convention pledged to President Taft were as follows:

Alaska	2
Alabama	23
Colorado	8
District of Columbia	2
Florida	12
Georgia	24
Indiana	15
Iowa	8
Michigan	6
Mississippi	20
Missouri	8
New Mexico	7
New York	79
Oklahoma	4
Philippines	2
South Carolina	16
Tennessee	16
Virginia	24
Total	278

Necessary for choice, 539.

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**Notice of Contest.**  
Department of the Interior,  
United States Land Office,  
The Dalles, Oregon, March 29, 1912.  
To James H. Olmstead of Prineville, Oregon, Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Martin S. Kamstra who gives Prineville, Oregon, as his postoffice address, did on March 23, 1912, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead, Entry No. Serial No. 01000 made November 12, 1908, for N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, section 25, township 14, S., range 10, E., Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said James H. Olmstead has wholly abandoned said tract for over six months next preceding the 19th day of August 1911; that he has wholly failed to reside upon, improve or cultivate said land for over six months next preceding the 19th day of August, 1911, as by law required or at all during said time. You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below your answer, under oath, specifically negating and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the postoffice to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter. You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

C. W. MOORE, Register.  
Date of first publication April 11, 1912.  
" " " " second " " April 18, " "  
" " " " third " " April 25, " "  
" " " " fourth " " May 2, " "

#### Bids Wanted.

Bids are wanted for cruising, by 40-acre tracts or lots, all of the timber lands in Crook county. Bidder to give a surety bond in the sum of \$20,000 guaranteeing the correctness of his bid to within 15 per cent of conservative cruise, such conservative cruise to be determined by the court or a responsible cruiser selected by said court, the contractor to pay the cost of such cruise in case the variance exceed 15 per cent. Payments for such cruising to be made at regular terms of this court as the work progresses, until 25 per cent of the total cost thereof shall have been paid; the remaining 75 per cent of the cost thereof is to be paid by warrants issued at regular terms of this court as the work progresses, but the same are not to be due or payable until on or before one year from the date of the issuance thereof, such deferred payments to draw interest from date of issuance at the rate of 6 per cent per annum until paid. All bids to be sealed and filed with the county clerk prior to May 1, 1912, and the county court reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and further reserves the right to go into full details, should a contract be entered into with any bidder.

Dated this 11th day of April, 1912.  
By order of the court.

WARREN BROWN,  
County Clerk.

#### Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Crook county.  
D. F. Stewart, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
John T. Moore and Della A. Moore, Defendants.  
To John T. Moore and Della A. Moore, Defendants:  
In the name of the state of Oregon. You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for the publication of this summons, to-wit: on or before the 2nd day of May, 1912, and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in his complaint, to-wit: for judgment against you for \$415, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from May 13th, 1908, for \$50.00 attorney's fees and for the costs and disbursements of this suit. For a decree for the sale of the lands described in that certain mortgage executed by you and in favor of plaintiff, dated May 14, 1908, and for the foreclosure of said mortgage.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable W. L. Bradshaw, Judge of the above entitled court, which order was made and entered on the 11th day of March, 1912, and the day of the first publication of this summons is the 21st day of March, 1912.

M. R. ELLIOTT,  
Attorney for Plaintiff.

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