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For President,
ALTON B. PARKER.
For Vice-President
HENRY G. DAVIS.

A WORD TO OREGON DEMOCRATS.

Under no ordinary circumstances can the electoral vote of Oregon be thrown in favor of Alton B. Parker in the coming contest. Any claim that such a result is possible, could only be looked upon as empty boasting; but it is possible to poll a vote for him that will indicate that Democrats and thoughtful Republicans are unwilling to trust the reins of government longer in the hands of that incarnation of insincerity and sensationalism, known as Theodore Roosevelt.

A candid survey of Roosevelt's administration will show many reasons why he should not be given another term; reasons, too, that are not superficial, but that go to the heart of good government and free institutions.

First. He "played to the galleries" in obtaining a decision against the Northern Securities Company. Proof of this lies in the fact that no proceedings whatever were taken against other and more iniquitous combinations, and in the further fact that the Attorney-General gave assurance that the administration "did not intend to run amuck" in dealing with trusts.

The decision was obtained for partisan purposes only, and did not limit in the least, the illegal and unjust combinations of capital, nor add a iota to the liberty or welfare of the people.

Second. In accepting passes over the railroads, for the greatest continental tour ever made by a president of the United States, Roosevelt has placed himself under obligations to the management of these roads. Any of our citizens, Republicans as well as Democrats, look askance at the policy of county official riding on passes; then what shall be said of a president who accepts such favors? If he intends to hold the railroads in subjection to the federal laws he wronged the railroad corporations in accepting passes; if he does not expect to enforce the Interstate Commerce Act, and the Anti-Trust Laws, then he is wronging the people.

Third. He has shown in important cases, an utter indifference to the welfare of the people. While he used his influence to secure arbitration of the coal strike, he has looked with apparent approval on the substitution of military for civil authority in Colorado. He has seen men against whom no criminal charge has been made, exiled from their homes under the direction of a paid attorney of the corporations, yet he is in such fear of "running amuck" that he lifts not a finger to prevent their overthrow of constitutional rights.

Fourth. He has done all in his power to detract from the fame of those who won the victories of Manila and Santiago, because they do not agree with him politically—thus placing partisanship above patriotism.

Fifth. He has done nothing toward securing peace among the nations, but on the other hand, he and his advocates have glorified war as the only means of extending our influence and bettering our conditions.

Sixth. He has yielded completely to the domination of the politician. The vigor he displayed in attacking machine rule while he was Civil Service Commissioner, has disappeared since his entrance into the White House. Civil Service rules as now applied, are but a cloak slightly concealing the cloven foot of favoritism.

These are a few of the reasons why Roosevelt should not be re-elected. The people of Oregon are not ignorant of the facts; therefore, these are grounds for believing that the vote for Parker will be one of which the friends of liberty and of good government may be proud. The Democrats of Oregon may have no reasonable hope of carrying the state; but there is reasonable hope, yes almost a certainty of carrying the nation for Democracy. Beside, we are engaged in a struggle for the existence of civil and political liberty. It is the duty of every Democrat to do all in his power to aid in that struggle.

ROME AND ROOSEVELT.

Rome enlarged her territories by foreign conquest, Roosevelt advocates foreign conquest. Rome forfeited the good will of the mass of her citizens by granting special privileges to classes. Roosevelt "stands pat" on the granting of special privileges. Rome became a seething mass of corruption by voting supplies to those whom unjust laws had robbed. Roosevelt grants supplies by his interpretation of the Pension Laws. Rome lost her republican government by permitting executive officers to usurp legislative and judicial powers. Roosevelt has usurped judicial power in claiming to interpret the Pension Law; he has usurped legislative power in extending the scope of that law so as to include a class of men to whom no law of congress applies.

There is no need of becoming alarmed for the safety of government on account of the blatant cry of the anarchist; his position is well known, and can easily be met. It is the insidious growth of centralized power, concealing its true features behind a mask of pretended patriotism, that will some day place a dictator in the presidential chair. The form of free government will long remain; but the first step toward the annihilation of the spirit of popular government, has been taken. Other steps will follow. Julius Caesar did not accept the crown; yet he was king in all save the name. Roosevelt has not accepted the crown—will not—dare not. But he has opened the way for another to do so. When in one person are combined the legislative, executive and judicial powers, the result is an absolute monarchy. He who exercises absolute power will not long refrain from accepting the outward tokens of royalty.

WRONG GOES NOT UNPUNISHED.

(From Chicago Inter-Ocean.)

"It's not an event, it's only a piece of news," said Talleyrand, when he was informed of the death of Napoleon. Similarly the death of Paul Kruger at this time is only a piece of news.

The grim old hero long ago finished his battle with the red-necks as he has now finished it with death. The little republic that his indomitable spirit called into being has been obliterated from the map. The millionaire mine-owning "helots" have been freed at a tremendous cost in blood and treasure from the yoke of the hated Dutch oligarchy. They who sorrowed so deeply over the wrongs of the poor Kaffir under Dutch rule have been rewarded for their weeping sympathy by permission to employ Chinese coolie labor in their mines on terms that amount to definite slavery.

And now the foremost figure in this comedy of fraud and tragedy of freedom has followed his great enemy, Cecil Rhodes, into peace.

Few men have been more generously praised or more brutally abused than this taciturn Calvinistic burgher, with the muscles of steel, the heart of oak, the courage of a lion and the faith of a martyr, who threw down the gage of battle to the mightiest empire the sun ever shown upon.

The very key to Kruger's unbending character was revealed in that message to the world in which he declared: "The republics are determined that if they must belong to England a price will be paid that will stagger humanity."

And he kept his word. The price did stagger humanity, and Great Britain has not yet recovered the military prestige that withered under the fire of the Boer rifles. Her army was suddenly stripped of its trappings and exhibited to all her enemies as a lath painted to look like iron, while the war resulted in economic and fiscal disturbances which will remain to harass British statesmanship for many a year. The mischievous Chamberlain propaganda is part of the price that England is still paying for the privilege of stifling the republics. The bills are likely to keep coming in for a generation, while the importation of Chinese coolies into South Africa promises to make a new race problem more potent for mischief than any that has gone before.

The law of compensation is inexorable, and had the broken old exile fully appreciated all the evil, actual and potential, that has come to Great Britain with that war of extermination the scared and stiffening finger in the final monuments of life must have marked the twelfth chapter of Romans in his well-beloved Bible: "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord."

The flow of the Harney River is so small, or the influence of the Pacific Live Stock Association is so great, that the Government has decided not to attempt the irrigation of the Harney Valley.

Ex-Secretary Certelyon, who expected to have an easy time in conducting the Roosevelt campaign to a satisfactory conclusion, will find

enough work to keep him out of mischief since Thomas Taggart has been chosen to lead the Democratic hosts to victory.

THE GOVERNOR IS BUSY.

Is the Whole Thing for Once, As Private Secretary is at the Coast.

Salem Journal.

Governor Chamberlain is engaged for the present warm season acting the part of governor—in fact. He is performing all the numerous duties of the chief executive of the state, from receiving business and social callers up to the performance of important functions. In short his private secretary, W. N. Gatens, is at the coast, and for once the governor is the whole thing. He runs the errands, receives the applications for appointments, files them for official action and assures the urgent applicants that he will do all in his power with His Excellency to have the particular favor granted. He no doubt sometimes feels like saying what President Lincoln did to an importunate office-seeker: "I will do what I can for you, but you know, I haven't very much influence with this administration." But whatever he does the caller goes away happy and contented with having seen the wheels of state go round.

Last Thursday, just for practice, the governor appointed James P. Moffitt special commissioner for the Lewis and Clark fair, and hopes soon to fill out a commission for some delegate to an irrigation congress or interstate commercial convention. The truth is Mr. Chamberlain is having a hard time playing at governor during these dull dog days, but he proposes to hold the job down, regardless of the consequence.

A Correct Classification.

There are three political divisions of men—those above the law, the lawmakers, and those under the law. Those above the law are there because "the creator is greater than the created," and they make and control the output of the lawmakers. Those under the law are there because they haven't "pull" or money enough to place them above it. To maintain inviolate this "safe, sane and conservative" division of men, the "majesty" of the law is upheld by the "strong arm" of the law, flanked with galling guns, bayonets, revolvers and night-sticks. And so, in an unobtrusive way, we go right on justifying the faith of those who believed that this country was selected by Providence for the express purpose of manifesting "the destiny of man." Seaman's Journal.

Special Excursions to St. Louis

August 8, 9 and 10, September 5, 6 and 7 and October 3, 4 and 5 are the remaining dates upon which tickets will be sold at the reduced rates to the St. Louis Fair. These rates apply over the Denver and Rio Grande and Missouri Pacific. For the patrons of these roads special excursion cars will be run through from Portland and St. Louis without change.

See the many points of interest about the Mormon Capital and take a ride through Nature's picture gallery.

During the closing months travel to the Fair will be very heavy. If you contemplate going write W. C. McBride, general agent at Portland for the Denver and Rio Grande, for particulars of these excursions. Oct. 1.

Summer Excursion Rates and Special Train Service Now on Between Portland and Clatsop Beach.

The Summer schedule of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad has been inaugurated between Portland, Astoria, Gearhart and Seaside in connection with special round trip excursion tickets to all Clatsop and North Beach points, and train leaves Union Depot 8:00 A. M. daily and runs through direct, arriving at Astoria 11:30 A. M., Gearhart 12:30 P. M. and Seaside 12:30 P. M.

The Portland-Seaside Flyer leaves Union Depot every Saturday at 2:30 P. M., arriving Astoria 5:50 P. M. and runs through direct, arriving at Gearhart 6:40 P. M. and Seaside 6:50 P. M.

In connection with this improved service, special round trip season excursion tickets are sold from Portland to all Clatsop and North Beach points at rate of \$4.00 for the round trip, good for return passage until Oct. 15th. Special Commutation tickets, good for five round trips, are sold from Portland to same points for \$15.00, good to return until Oct. 15th.

Saturday Special round trip excursion tickets from Portland to all Clatsop and North Beach points on sale every Saturday at rate of \$2.50 for round trip. good to return Sunday.

Tickets sold from Portland to North Beach points are issued in connection with I. R. & N. steamers from Astoria and baggage is transferred to and from depot and steamer dock at Astoria free of charge, and all tickets sold by the O. R. & N. Co. from Portland to Clatsop and North Beach points, are interchangeable and will be honored on trains of this company in either direction between Portland and Astoria.

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