

AS A HAYSEED SIZES THINGS UP.

LONG A REPUBLICAN, HE WILL
NOT STAND FOR TAFT.

SIZES UP THE CONVENTIONS

And Shows How the Same Inter-
ests Tried to Control Both.

Oregon City, July 12.

Mr. Editor:—
I have been having a few ideas
of these here late conventions,
and I send 'em to you, for I know
that a newspaper man is al-
ways scarce on good ideas. Then
too, your readers might like to
know how these two rows appear
to the average country fellow.

First the Chicago convention
seems to have been a row be-
tween two self-seeking men in
which all principle was lost sight
of. There was a principle of the
direct expression of the people
vs. the old machine. The old ma-
chine won because of the presi-
dent's patronage stool pigeons.
Even the old machine could not
have carried him through with-
out this aid. Then there was
the corrupt old guard which did
not dare trust the people, headed
by such men as Barnes and Mc-
Kinley, who are simply political
pirates, and who have stood
against every decent move in
their respective states.

Mr. Taft goes before the Amer-
ican people with the greatest
handicap of any man who has
ever run for president. His ad-
ministration is repudiated by the
best men of his party, even by
the man who put him where he
is. The manner of his nomination
is abhorrent and disgusting to
every clean and fair-minded man.

Then the platform is a con-
glomeration of platitudes which
has in it nothing to appeal to or
inspire the man who has a spoon
ful of brains. Any man who
will vote for Mr. Taft will do so
because someone higher up tells
him to do so. Williams and
McCusker no doubt expect to
get something out of it. It is in-
teresting to note how the land
timber "fraud criminals" and
their sympathizers are getting
decidedly interested in Taft's
campaign and also to observe
how the president is pardoning
those convicts and letting them
out. It is worth your notice to
see how wonderfully active Ber-
Hermann is in behalf of the fel-
lows who are being pardoned.

When these men are let out it is
not on account of a question of
their innocence, it is merely a
question of irregularity in the
selection of the jury by the prose-
cution. We wonder where the
council for the defense was when
this was being done? If the
truth was known, there would no
doubt be some matters in con-
nection with these land fraud
trials that would make honest
men sit up and take notice. We
know that Hermann burned up
his private papers to save him-
self, and we know where the Hon.
Charles Fulton's sympathies
were all the while, and they are
now for Taft.

If Taft should be elected one
or both of these political adven-
turers might be put into a fat of-
fice. The same paper (Oregonian)
that tells of the pardoning of
May, tells us that Attorney
McCourt is trying to realize
something on the land that was
stolen.

It is not a question of Taft do-
ing Roosevelt's policies, but of
undoing them. The whole con-
vention was run by a corrupt
machine of big interests who
have no love or confidence in the
common man.

Roosevelt, the man who by
moral right should have been
nominated, has behind him the
direct primary and the recall of
judges and his own unique per-
sonality. He believes in a big
navy, a strong standing army
and a strong centralized govern-
ment. He opposes universal
peace and arbitration and has
behind him such men as Per-
kins and McCormick and other
trusts. He never has explained
about that \$40,000 which Harri-
man said he subscribed toward
the Roosevelt election in 1904.

It seems to me that the real
great presidents of the past have
set examples for the third term
business which even Mr. Roose-
velt might well imitate. It is too
early yet to tell whether Mr.
Roosevelt is a great man or not.
It seems to me that he has all his
life voted the Republican ticket,
that the party has nothing to
recommend itself to the people
but its candidates. One of them
is less than nothing, and the other
is almost nothing.

The whole business at Chicago
was so rotten that even Tim
Woodruff, who has been lieuten-
ant governor of New York, presi-
dent of the Republican state
committee, national committee-
man, etc., could not swallow it,
and it's a bad mouthful that he
cannot swallow.

Now as to the Baltimore con-
vention: The plutocratic crowd
attempted to rush that convention
also, and it looked at first as if
they had succeeded. Alton B.
Parker, who is a corporation law-
yer, pure and simple, was made
temporary chairman, and it
looked as if the program of the
buccaners was going to be pulled
through.

It is well known that Wall
Street wanted both conventions,
and it looked as if the machinery

would not have a hitch. The "har-
mony howl" was worked night and
day, but nobody wanted harmony
so much as Tammany. But there
was one HONEST, CLEAN UN-
SELFISH MAN in the convention.
That man introduced a resolution
condemning Morgan, Ryan, Bel-
mont and Wall Street. This threw
consternation and terror into the
beautiful convention. Men looked
at each other in horror. Too
bad! All the lovely harmony was
now gone. Only two men were
shameless enough to speak
against it. In the New York dele-
gation sat Belmont; in the Virgin-
ia sat Ryan, and each of these
delegates voted for the resolution.
They did not dare to vote
against it.

Mr. Bryan must be, for this
work, classed with Lincoln, as
Lincoln made Douglas, in his sen-
atorial contest with him a presi-
dential impossibility. So Bryan
made Clark, Harmon and all oth-
ers who had united with Tammany
presidential impossibilities. Bryan
had the good sense to see that this
convention should go out calling
itself progressive. Yoked up with
Tammany and Wall Street were
mockery and falsehood. He knew
that Barnes and Murphy had com-
bined to block every statutory law
or move of ex-Governor Hughes.
He knew that the Barnes Demo-
cratic gang and the Murphy Demo-
cratic gang had held up the New
York anti-race track gambling
bill; knew that when he ran for
president in 1896 the very gang
that sat there in the New York dele-
gation had hired Burke Cochran
to take the stump against him. He
was big enough to know that if
this crowd was not repudiated
that the convention and its nomi-
nees would have the same smirch
as the Chicago convention and its
nominees. If Mr. Bryan had any
hopes or aspirations, he strangled
them for the good of his party
and his country.

One of the pitiful things of this
convention was that a nonentity
like John B. Stanchfield should be
permitted to attack a man like Mr.
Bryan. This political prostitute
withstood every move of Hughes.
He was with the race track gam-
blers and the dive keepers. Mr.
Bryan could do no different than
to treat the attack with contemptu-
ous silence. The time for Mur-
phy to have resented Bryan's at-
tack was when he made it and not
to have waited until next day.
Stanchfield stated that New York,
meaning Tammany, was essential
to any candidate's success, but
the voting proved otherwise, and
Mr. Wilson will be elected with
or without New York's vote.

The Barnes-Murphy gang are
the political and moral descend-
ants of those who stayed at home
during the war and created riots
and burned hospitals, too mean
and cowardly to go to the front,
too sneaking and cunning to come
out into the open.

Mr. Clarke showed himself to be
a time server and opportunist. He
wanted to be president, and he
thought to pave his way to it by
uniting and harmonizing along
the old lines, or at least his man-
agers did. When he linked his
fortunes with Tammany he des-
erved to lose. He showed very
clearly that he was on the fence,
a mere shuttlecock in the game of
politics. Any sympathy extended
to him is maudlin waste. At the
very last, when it was seen that
Mr. Wilson, would be nominated,
Murphy rushes his chief adviser
to the platform to move that the
nomination be made by acclama-
tion. This was done to save Tam-
many's and Murphy's faces. But
the Missouri delegation forestalled
that move, and the ballot had to
be called, and New York had to
vote to save itself.

It seems to me, as a Hayseed,
that Mr. Wilson can now go be-
fore the people untrammelled by
any organization or state. He rep-
resents the best element of his
party. Had Clark taken the same
stand previous to the convention
that Wilson took, he would today
have headed the ticket. It is fool-
ish and weak for him to denounce
Bryan. Mr. Bryan's work at the
convention stamps him as a noble
minded patriot. He may never be
our president, but he WILL be
our first citizen of this great na-
tion. He at least has divorced
his party from the special inter-
ests, and forced it to nominate a
man of the people, for the people
and by the people. In contrast
Mr. Taft represents the sorry fig-
ure of being a candidate of no
party, of no principle—not as a
thief who has stolen directly but
as a thief who has received stolen
goods.

This is the way it looks to a
god many of we country fellows.
Reuben Skoggs

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GETTING HARD UP FOR ARGUMENTS.

AMUSING LINE OF TALK FROM
GEORGE HICINBOTHAM.

SOME WORDS AND COMMENTS

Single Tax So Badly Twisted Mr.
U'Ren Would not Know It.

Oregon City, Rl. 2, July 13.

Editor Courier:—
I don't think that my brand new
ideas that I gave to the public
last week, in the Courier, in re-
gard to doing away with the trou-
ble and expense of getting signers
on every initiative measure that
was put before the people, hardly
justified the severe comments you
made on them in the Courier of the
12th inst. The signers on an
initiative petition do not do the
thinking for the voters of Oregon,
but simply express their willing-
ness to have the bill put on the
ballot for the consideration of the
state, and when you consider how
little time each voter has to con-
sider the fitness of a petition be-
fore he signs it, I will ask you in
all fairness if you don't think a
special committee, who were paid
to take the time to examine the
merits and fitness of each bill,
could come nearer knowing what

have it to live, and it will get worse
every year, as our country gets
more thickly settled. But it is
just the reverse with the rich.
They don't need to own one foot
of land unless they want to. Now
look at the condition of this un-
reasonable and unjust single tax
law in effect. The rich man can
turn his whole wealth into notes,
bonds, improvements and cash
and would not have a cent of the
taxes to pay, and the only way you
could get anything out of him at
all would be by the income tax or
specific tax and corporations and
rights of way and water powers,
and the poor who had no other
way of living would be compelled
to secure in some way, as a last
resort, a piece of tax-burdened
land, and although they can't see
how they are ever going to make
a living off it, it is the last resort
and it don't make any difference
whether the land is assessed high
or low it has to pay all the taxes
anyhow.

And when you make the plea
that you want to do away with
land speculation by passing the
single tax, you are arguing just
exactly wrong, because the sin-
gle tax is not the right law to do
away with land speculation. You
can plainly see, by my former
statements that the single tax law
would directly help the rich and
steadily and surely crush the
poor. I am just as strongly op-
posed to land speculation as you
are, but you must pass a law to
stop it that directly effects the
land speculator, instead of a law
that hurts the land user ten times
as bad as it does the land specu-
lator. The specific graduated
land tax is what will do the work
and do it effectually. Think of it,

the taxes anyway, yet the gradu-
ated single tax provides for a
specific income tax on franchises
and all public utilities, very much
along the line of the bill you talk
so much about, but never get it
out of the Talking Committee.
Now this graduated single tax
amendment says there SHALL BE
a specific tax levied on incomes.
Did you know there was such a
provision? If you did, why do you
say that land always will pay the
taxes? Can't a law be passed to
tax incomes. Mr. Hicinbotham,
your twistings make me smile.

You say woe to the poor man,
but you don't show HOW that woe
is coming. You say he would be
"compelled to secure in some way
as a last resort, a piece of tax-
burdened land." Well, this would
certainly be an awful punish-
ment. The most of the boys will
hope that "last resort" will come
early.

That the graduated single tax
is the rich man's game, is a dead
one, Mr. Hicinbotham. The gang
aren't working it any more. It
has petered out like the old joke
that the "consumer paid the tax."
Better have Mr. Shields give you
some new ones.

WANT YOUR IDEAS.

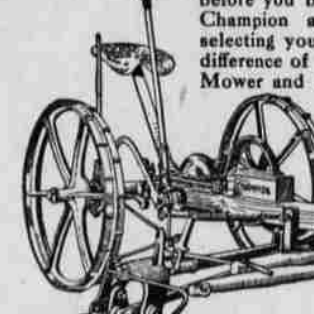
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sion Wants to Hear From You.

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taken a thorough revision of the
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adoption at the next Legislature,
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protection to fish and game, and
and correct numerous errors in

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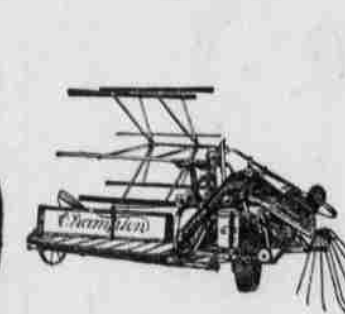
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pick up all over the country who
sign lots of them, without ever
reading or thinking of the bill,
just to get rid of you?

And again, when you take a com-
mittee of five intelligent men, one
from each political party, if there
are that many parties, and let
them all agree that the bill should
not go on the ballot, then you can
safely bet, two to one that there
is something mighty rotten in that
bill, and that the committee has
discovered the little "joker" in it,
that should not be imposed upon
the public.

And now let me say right here
that if you view every subject you
read with about the same degree
of fairness that you did that sub-
ject, I don't wonder at your being
a single taxer or anything else.
Now I don't like to be too pointed
with my remarks, and you must
pardon me for saying that I can't
see how any man with his proper
reasoning faculties and will take
time to use those faculties and has
got the welfare of the country at
heart, as you claim to have, can be
in sympathy with single tax. It is
founded on wrong principles right
to start in with. The poor people
of our country, as you well know,
constitute a very large propor-
tion of the whole, and for the hap-
piness, comfort and independence
of this huge bulk of humanity de-
pends on their ability to secure a
home of some dimensions for
themselves, they simply have to

think of it fairly, and then act ac-
cordingly.

George Hicinbotham.

Mr. Hicinbotham, if your paper
and pencil hold out, you will
certainly win converts for the
income single tax, and lose your
reputation as a prophet. You ar-
gue like a kid.

You say that the single tax law
directly help the rich in one state-
ment, and that it will drive him
out of the state in another.

You say he will sell his land and
invest the money in securities he
will not pay taxes on.

Good for him! Let him! That
is just what we hope the single
tax may accomplish in Oregon.
Might not he far better sell his
land to some one who would raise
something on it? Won't the
land be there just the same, and
won't it be producing land, and
won't it be paying the taxes it
should now pay? Does it make
any difference whether this specu-
lator invests his money in Wall
Street or throws it in the river, so
long as he turns his land over to
someone who will work it, or work
it himself.

In one paragraph you say this
single tax will never do away with
the speculator, and about three
inches further up you had him en-
tirely out of the game and buying
bonds. Do you ever read your
stuff over, or do you write it as
Samantha used to her poetry—by
measure.

You say land will always pay

the present system of laws.

The Commission desires in
making up this new code to get
a thorough expression of public
opinion before the code is pre-
sented to the Legislature. For
this reason the members of the
Commission ask that residents in
different parts of the State,
especially farmers, fruit growers
as well as sportsmen send in any
suggestions so that the Commission
may act upon them. Suggestions
are also sought from the granges,
commercial bodies, rod and gun
clubs and other organizations, in
order to get a game code suitable
for different parts of the State.

All communications and sug-
gestions should be sent to Mr. J. F.
Hughes, Secretary of the Fish and
Game Commission, Salem, Ore-
gon.

At present there are a number
of questions under discussion,
that will be of interest to sports-
men in different parts of the
state, such as the question of
bounties on predatory animals.
The Commission is in favor of a
more rigid effort to exterminate
cougar and wolves. The question
has been agitated in certain parts
of the State to reduce the non-
resident hunting and fishing li-
cense to the same price as the
residence license. Many sports-
men are also in favor of reduc-
ing the limits on deer and other
game.

COUNTY COURT

In the matter of the Trullinger road.
Ordered that said road be accept-
ed as a county road, and ordered
opened, and damages assessed in fa-
vor of Rosa Mulvaney having been
paid by W. I. Clark.

In the matter of the Mary Nichols
road No. 722.

Ordered that the Morton road be
and the same is hereby vacated, and
that this order be entered nunc pro
tunc as of August 11th, 1910.

In the matter of the petition of M.
T. Galarnau and others for a county
road.

Ordered that said petition be refer-
red to the board of county road view-
ers to meet on the — day of July,
1912.

In the matter of the H. F. Gil-
son road No. 778.

Ordered that this matter be and
is referred to the board of county
road viewers for report on a change
of a certain part of said road.

Further ordered that petitioners
pay the costs of a resurvey and the
county to be in no way responsible
for the payment of said resurvey.

In the matter of the Carl Strom-
green road No. 782.

Ordered that the deed from Fred
Vohs and Barbara Vohs be and is ac-
cepted in lieu of the roadway describ-
ed in original location thereof.

In the matter of the petition of
Wm. Douglas and others for a county
road and the report of viewers there-
on.

Ordered that said road be accepted
and declared to be a county road upon
the payment to E. E. Elliott by the
petitioners the sum of \$50.00.

On the matter of the petition of H.
H. Mattoon and others for a county
road and the report of the viewers
thereon.

Ordered that same be and same is
hereby declared to be a county road
and ordered opened.

In the matter of the petition of
Mack Huggins and others for a coun-
ty road.

Ordered that said petition be and
is hereby dismissed.

In the matter of the plat of Lake
View Villas.

Ordered that same be approved.

In the matter of the petition of Fred
H. Ridder and others for a county
road.

Ordered that same be laid over un-
til regular August term.

In the matter of the A. C. Tower
road.

Ordered that said petition and all
proceedings had hereunder be dis-
missed.

In the matter of claim of city of
Oswego for road tax collected for year
1912.

Ordered that the county clerk draw
a warrant in favor of said city of Os-
wego for the sum of \$1089.87.

In the matter of the petition of
George Suam for vacation of a certain
road.

Ordered that petition be referred to
county road viewers who shall meet
on the — day of July, 1912.

In the matter of deed from Fred
Vohs and wife and E. S. Holmes and
wife to Clackamas County.

Ordered that said deed be and is
accepted.

In the matter of deed from Georg-
ia Meldrum and John W. Meldrum for
road purposes.

Ordered that same be and is ac-
cepted.

In the matter of application of city
of Gladstone for road tax for year
1912.

Ordered that said matter be refer-
red to E. B. Tongue, District Attor-
ney for opinion.

In the matter of petition of Shaw-
Fear Company for tax rebate for years
1910 and 1911 on lots in Jennings
Yodge.

In the matter of Cancellation of
taxes for year 1911 on S.E. 1/4 of sec-
tion 14, T. 3 S., R. 5 E.

Ordered that taxes unpaid for year
1911 be cancelled and the Sheriff is
hereby authorized to cancel last half
payment for said year.

In the matter of transfer of \$127.30
from the general fund to road district
No. 40.

Ordered that said sum be transfer-
red from the general fund to road dis-
trict No. 40.

In the matter of town plat of Mt.
View.

Ordered that said plat be and is ap-
proved.

**EXPENDITURE OF CLACKAMAS
COUNTY FOR THE MONTH OF**

JUNE.
General Fund.

Tax Rebate.
W. S. U'Ren \$ 5.15
H. L. Scheer 1.32

County Court.
Edith C. Jackson 20.00
M. Gross 6.00
N. Blair 17.40
W. H. Mattoon 16.00

Circuit Court.
T. M. Miller 15.00
F. C. Mueller 11.40
F. S. Baker 9.20
W. H. Bremer 13.20
John McGetchie 9.20
Jas. Roake 9.20
John Heft 11.00
Chas. A. Bartlemy 15.00
A. J. Monk 10.20
Frank Haberlach 10.40
W. R. Stafford 9.20
A. J. Lewis 9.60
Pearl E. Miller 4.40
E. F. Glnther 4.00
E. D. Olds 3.00

Indigent Soldier.
J. A. Tufts 10.00

Insane.
Dr. Guy Mount 5.00
F. A. Miles 3.00

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Justice Peace Dist.	
Geo. Bigham	4.10
Jas. R. Kahler	6.60
H. E. Werner	1.70
Otto Werner	3.20
Fred Vigels	3.20
Wm. Aekins	3.40
L. A. McArthur	3.20
E. T. Mass	1.70
F. A. Miles	1.70
W. W. H. Samson	41.05
E. L. Shaw	3.10
Geo. A. Brown	21.10
Arthur King	1.70
L. H. Newman	1.70
L. H. Andrews	1.70
Chas. Andrews	1.70
Minnie Clark	1.70
E. T. Mass	1.70
W. J. Wilson	1.70
J. E. Pomeroy	1.20
P. T. Shelley	5.90
A. G. Harberg	8.35
F. M. Morgan	4.60
Mary Strucken	2.30
Wesley Strucken	2.30
Sheriff	
J. F. Hodge	5.90
W. J. Wilson	8.00
E. T. Mass	15.35
F. A. Miles	34.25
A. G. Ames	15.80
Clerk.	
M. C. Smith	14.00
W. L. Mulvey	10.00
H. S. Daulton	30.00
Recorder.	
A. R. Williams	10.00
Mata Graff	65.00
Edith Smith	65.40
Treasurer.	
Alice Dwigins	38.00
Coroner.	
Wm. J. Wilson	30.20
Dr. A. V. Adix	10.00
Mat. Hamilton	2.50
Tom J. Myers	1.20
J. L. Swafford	1.20
F. C. Durr	1.20
Wm. M. Smith	1.20
M. E. Dunn	1.20
H. W. Tremblath	1.20
M. A. Richardson	4.50
F. L. Kenny	4.50
R. A. Hickman	2.10
R. L. Rawlins	2.10
Dr. M. C. Strickland	10.00
Ernest Mass	1.50
Gilbert L. Hedges	8.70
Supt. of Schools.	
J. E. Calavan	113.00
The Western Union Tele- graph Co.	8.00
Brenton Vedder	9.00
H. S. Moody	3.00
Assessor	
Edith C. Jackson	50.00
Clara Mitchell	50.00
J. E. Jack	2.00
B. L. Hageman	45.00
D. Engle	42.00
Louis Funk	54.00
N. R. Graham	57.00
L. H. Kirchem	54.00
M. E. Gaffney	69.00
C. E. Spence	27.00
Surveyor	
D. Thompson Meldrum	13.00
D. Thompson Meldrum	10.00
Fruit Inspector.	
O. E. Freytag	11.00
Board of Health.	
W. J. Wilson	2.00
Current Expense.	
Pacific Telephone & Tel. Co.	6.00
Home Telephone Co.	10.00
Huntley Bros Co.	61.00
R. B. Beatie	6.00
Court House.	
V. Harris	5.00
C. R. Walker & Co.	44.00
Central Door & Lumber Co.	105.00
Oregon City Transfer Co.	15.00
Board of Water Commissioners	27.00
Louis J. Nobel, Jr.	15.00
The Peoples Brush Factory	6.00
E. I. Seeley	2.00
Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.	6.00
Chas. Baxter	71.00
Chas. Criswell	53.00
A. Simmons	50.00
Clarence Osborn	62.00
Guy Dwigins	64.00
F. P. Wilson	17.00
E. LeMay	28.00
J. C. Wright	39.00
Williams Bros.	6.00
Clarence Simmons	25.00
East Side Lumber Co.	5.00
Straight & Salisbury	23.00
Harry Morrell	56.00
Clarence Simmons & Co.	15.00
Huntley Bros. Co.	429.00
Jail.	
E. T. Mass	55.00
L. Adams	5.00
C. R. Thorpe	13.00
The Crown Drug Co.	2.00
Patton Home	8.00
W. S. May	12.00
R. L. Holman	15.00
Louis J. Noble, Jr.	17.00
W. S. Eddy	2.00
Dr. A. V. Adix	2.00
Palace Meat Market	21.00
F. T. Barlow	20.00
Mrs. W. H. Mattoon	5.00
Farr Bros.	11.70
Samuel Smith	10.00
Indigent Soldier.	
J. A. Tuffs	10.00
Insane	
Dr. Guy Mount	5.00
F. A. Miles	3.00
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