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When Oregon goes dry put a man in for governor who will keep it dry—U'Ren.

Wisconsin sent a timber baron to the U. S. Senate. Don't you make that mistake in Oregon.

That "boycott" stunt is a pippin. Business must be very much on decline at the Enterprise office.

The Enterprise should know that martyrs are out of date and that silence is more potent than the shriek of pain.

It seems to the Courier editor that a dry Oregon with a coward governor would be a lot of hard work largely wasted.

In 1903 Booth had the one vote needed to defeat the direct primary law in Oregon, and he defeated it. That one act should defeat him—bury him. We don't want any more Stephensons in the U. S. senate. There are too many there now.

The Woodburn Independent says all political organizations in Oregon are heading toward oblivion. As a substitute we will have individual platforms, each candidate for prominent office having a separate manager.

If the \$1,500 exemption measure carries November 4, twice more it must be passed on by the people before it becomes a permanent Oregon law. And a measure that will give the voters these safeguards can't be a dangerous one to try for taxation relief. Do you think so?

The Cottage Grove Sentinel says if the \$1,500 exemption measure becomes a law the Oregon City Courier would evade taxation. Guess again. The Courier is a corporation and is not entitled to a dollar of exemption.

The Oregonian takes up the separate measures and advises the people how to vote. But when it comes to prohibition it says "No recommendation." It is the biggest issue in the state and yet the Oregonian dare not take a stand. There's a reason.

The Courier has opinions. They may not be right, but they ARE honest. And we grant any reader the right to differ with us, if he or she is honest. We have fully expressed our opinions of candidates and measures. If you cannot see them in our light, then use your own spectacles—and vote as you feel right.

Now that Chairman Moores has found that Horse Doctor Withycombe will not debate issues with Drug Doctor Smith, he is vociferous in his demands for a debate. Wonder why he doesn't fill in by accepting U'Ren's challenge—an offer that he did not even dare answer?

In the news items of the Portland dailies we note that Lewis & Myers, an employment agency, have been warned that their license would be revoked unless they refund the transportation money taken from 500 laborers who were sent to the Cellulo canal expecting to find jobs, and there were no jobs there. Is not this an awful punishment for defrauding laborers? Warned that unless they returned the boat fare to the Dalles their license would be revoked! The agency should be prosecuted to the limit for this dirty deal.

The Oregon Life Insurance Co., is making a generous offer to its agents. All agents producing a certain amount of business during 1914 are offered as a prize a trip to the Panama Exposition, together with two weeks' hotel bill paid for each agent and his wife.—McMinnville Register.

But who pays for this generosity? It isn't the life insurance companies who pay for the entertainment of the hustling solicitors, but the insured men and women. If the state of Oregon insured the people at cost the profits of the insurance companies and such pleasure trips would go in to reduced premiums.

The \$1500 exemption is gaining fast, and looks like a winner.

It looks as if Hawley had carried his pitcher to the well once to of-ten.

Smith is not a dry candidate. Withycombe is not. We defy either of these nominees to deny this charge.

Four aces—Dimick, Schuebel, Risley and Spence. Send these fellows to Salem and the gang will have a sweet time slipping anything over.

State Grange Master Spence will be a power in the legislature. He is a friend to the worker, and the workers of this county should never think of party when they find his name on the ballot.

What a campaign of cowards. We hope the voters of this county, at least, will vote down every last one of them as a protest against men who leave their backbones in the spring primaries.

If the Republicans had hunted the state over to find a more pat representative of big business, the timber combines and the Southern Pacific, it would have failed. The Oregonian did a splendid job. Now you voters do another.

Senator Dimick and Representative Schuebel gave the best accounts of themselves of any men this county ever sent to the state capitol. If the voters should turn either of them down, they should never again wait over legislative looting.

All indications point to the chasing of John Barleycorn out of Oregon. The great registration of women voters is most significant. And the same vote that makes Oregon dry should make U'Ren governor to keep it dry. A dry state without dry officials to enforce the laws will be the joke that the wets are hoping for.

BEFORE AND AFTER

The Oregonian has been singing Chinese eggs and tariff revision until they are almost as familiar as "A Greater Oregon" and last week the Polk county Itemizer furnished it with some new music, which that paper says were editorials in the Oregonian in March, 1909. Here they are:

The Oregonian is a believer in a tariff for revenue only. Not for protection at all.

To the people who bear the principle burden of the Dingley duties a cent or two added to the cost of a pair of shoes, a butter ladle, a tin cup, is a pretty serious matter. It means the difference between a surplus and a deficit in the family budget. In the last analysis, the protective tariff, as we now have it, makes it harder for the shop girl to live without selling her virtue and for the workman to feed, clothe and school his children. At the other extreme, it adds to the superfluities of the Pittsburg millionaire and swells the revenue of Standard Oil.

HOW TO MEASURE THEM

This is a square with which to measure up any and all initiative measures. Does it create unnecessary burdens or place unnecessary offices on the backs of the people? Does it give any power to the people, or does it take power away? Does it relieve labor and the products of labor from taxation, or does it tend to retain taxes or to impose new ones on evidences of thrift, industry and love of home?

If in doubt, do not vote NO, unless the proposers of the measure are unknown, or known to be enemies of popular government.

The proposition of a friend should be given the benefit of a doubt. Nothing is perfect. Vote YES if you believe that your friend is to be relied upon, even if flaws are picked in his proposition.

There is nothing to prevent the important measures before the people from being sized up in a few minutes by any man of average intelligence. Remember, that a millionaires' League has put in eight arguments on measures before the people. Why are such men butting in? Where do they get their coin? Why are they opposing certain measures? Why are they supporting certain measures? Measure them up by the square of more power for the people; less taxes for the people; fewer offices; no going backward.

WHERE HAWLEY WAS

Recently the Courier copied from the Congressional Record that Congressman W. C. Hawley asked Speaker Clark to excuse him from attending the funeral of President Wilson's wife, as he had to leave for Oregon. The Courier stated that Mr. Hawley did NOT come to Oregon, and asked where he was during the funeral.

A. M. Dalrymple, editor of the Salem Messenger, has found out where Congressman Hawley was. He says he went to Denver on a little vacation trip. There is absolutely no doubt about it, for on page 13 of the September issue of the official organ of the insurance organization of which Mr. Hawley is one of the directors, or managers, we find: "August 19, 1914. At 9 a. m. the board of head managers met pursuant to adjournment. Present: John Pattison, head manager; W. C. Hawley, head manager; John H. Altom, head manager."

So much for that. Then we turn to page 14 and find this in the expense account: "W. C. Hawley, railroad fare Washington, D. C., to Denver and return and sleeper, \$100.42. W. C. Hawley, 9 days, per diem, \$45."

Now does this look as if Mr. Hawley has "no interests to serve but the public interests?" It takes a lot of nerve for even a hardened politician to make such an assertion in the face of such an array of facts. Why did he tell Speaker Clark that he was going to Oregon? Was he

ashamed to have the speaker and his colleagues know he was going off to Denver for nine days to attend a board meeting? What right has Mr. Hawley or any other congressman or senator drawing a monthly salary from insurance or any other organizations? He should be satisfied with the \$7500 a year he draws from the federal government, for it is much more than he would be able to earn in any other capacity. Besides a man cannot serve two masters and do justice to both. Do the people of Oregon hire Mr. Hawley to attend board meetings in Denver? Perhaps. We shall see on the third of November if they approve his course.
A. M. Dalrymple.

PARAGRAPHS FOR THINKERS

(By Alfred D. Cridge)

Some day the people of Oregon will learn what a hired mouthpiece of treachery and graft the Oregonian is. Meanwhile it continues to prevaricate and to deceive, mislead and betray the people.

The only arguments that can be made against the \$1500 exemption measure are the kind that the utterers of them dare not defend in a fair deal. Recently at a grange meeting a brother Granger opposed it on the ground that it would increase the poor man's taxes as much as it decreased them, and that it would be so satisfactory to everybody that it would force us to adopt single tax! No opportunity was given me to reply.

The people may elect Booth to succeed Chamberlain, but if they do it will be one more pebble piled up that shall some day become an avalanche and sweep the imitation house of lords out to the bottom of the sea of oblivion.

The Labor Press of Portland has included Withycombe in its list of three enemies of the working people of Oregon to be defeated November 2. Booth and McArthur are the other two. Of course organized and unorganized labor is divided, as it always is; otherwise such men as the trio above named would never dare present their names for a public office.

Proportional representation is the most important measure on the ballot because of its far-reaching effects. It will put progressive, sane and sensible men in the legislature and keep them there. It will give the predatory rich no more than their just share of representation. It will give us local representation when we want that the most, and it will give us representatives of principles when we think a principle surpasses local interests, and in proportion as we think so.

The assessor of Houston, Texas, refuses to assess improvements at any figure whatever, and tells his deputies to forget about the workingman's team or cow. Next year he will assess land only, and was elected on that platform. The law is the same as it is in Oregon, but it has been discovered that the lawyers have been fooling us all these years. The assessor can do as he sees fit, if the board of equalization does not interfere.

In Oregon the people may be satisfied with their taxes. They may think ALL property is assessed now at a just rate and the rich the same as the poor. They may continue thinking so. If they are satisfied they will vote against the \$1,500 exemption measure. A few days more will show us.

Heard a candidate for the State Senate talk to a lot of Grangers the other night. Said the State Senate was a very valuable part of the glorious American system of government. Expected to be elected on the Republican ticket. Could not be induced to say a word about any vital issue before the people. A perambulating demonstration of the need for the abolition of the thing he wants to be a part of.

The attack on the recall engineered by George C. Mason of the Millionaires' League in Portland may win out. If so we will have a legislature beyond recall, and a governor the same. The emergency clause tacked to every bill by a standpat gang in the legislature will kill the referendum, and emergency measures that the people will have no say or will so "protect" the initiative that it cannot be used. Eh? Impossible. Not such. A very similar program has been worked to a successful finish in Arkansas.

Some people talk of revolution who cannot vote in unity with their own fellow workers. If revolution starts with workmen shooting each other as badly as they nullify each other's votes, where will the revolution lead but to despotism?

AS WE SEE THEM

Chamberlain for U. S. senator. He has made good.

Hollister for congress. Hawley has not made good.

Dimick for state senator. His past record stands dead honest and clear.

Schuebel, Spence and Risley for representatives. Schuebel's record could not have been better, and Spence and Risley will stand with Schuebel and Dimick.

Koehler for sheriff—the Courier knows he will make good.

Judge Anderson and Commissioner Smith for the county court. It would be folly to change them.

W. C. Green for county clerk—square, honest and courteous.

J. O. Staats for county clerk—not a better qualified man in Oregon.

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ANSWERED

(Salem Democrat)

The Democrat has heretofore asked several questions which neither Mr. Booth or any of the newspapers which are supporting his candidacy are willing to answer. The Democrat will therefore serve as a self-appointed proxy for the purpose of turning on the light.

How did R. A. Booth obtain the Republican nomination for United States senator?

Because he was the chosen candidate of the Morning Oregonian and the political ring for which that paper is spokesman.

What has he to recommend him to the people of Oregon?

Several hundred thousand dollars which he accumulated while dealing in Oregon timber lands.

What was his record while serving as a member of the Oregon state legislature?

He was a reactionary in all that the name implies. He voted against the direct primary law; against the bill taxing timber lands; against the people's choice for United States senator and against the bill to limit the hours of service of railway employees to nine hours. A bill which had for its purpose the assessment of the gross earnings of corporations died in a committee of which he was chairman, and he voted in favor of amending the direct primary law so as to eliminate the provision by which the members of the legislature pledged themselves to vote for the people's choice for U. S. senator.

How did he acquire his vast timber holdings?

The circuit court of appeals in the case of the United States vs. the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company has answered that question in detail.

What is his platform?

Calamity and absolute loyalty to the old gang that has been attempting to break into office since its defeat several years ago by Geo. E. Chamberlain.

Will he be elected?

Not unless the people of Oregon are willing to return to the political stone age and turn their backs upon one of the biggest, broadest and most capable public servants who was ever sent to Washington by a Western state.

KEEP THE STANDARD UP

The measure known as the Dentistry bill should be defeated, because the laws regulating the practice of dentistry, as they now stand upon the statute books, are framed for the protection of the public and not for the special privilege of dentists.

We are asked to do away with this protection by lowering the qualifications seeking to practice dentistry in Oregon.

The efforts of 25 years to bring the dentistry laws of Oregon to their present standard will be destroyed.

The "joker" in the Dentistry Bill is this:

Section 1. "The following persons shall be entitled to practice dentistry in the State of Oregon."

"First: A graduate of any reputable dental college in good standing which requires a course of study of at least two school years, having a yearly course of study of not less than six months."

There is no longer a reputable dental college in the United States with a course of only two years of six months each. All standard dental colleges now require at least three years of eight months each.

The standard should be kept high, not lowered to accommodate a few quacks.—Gresham Outlook.

'A Woman Commends Mr. Green

Colton, Ore., Sept. 28, 1914.

To the Voters of Clackamas County—

I have known Mr. W. C. Green for the last twenty-five years and have always found him to be a straight, honest and upright man. He is well qualified for the office of county clerk and I feel that the voters of Clackamas county cannot make a mistake in electing him.

Ellen Stromgreen.

Watch the voters of the Willamette Valley dump Hawley into the hasbeenery November 3.

Governor West came thru when the Oregonian called his hand. Either Booth is unfit for the U. S. senate or West should be arrested for slander. So far we haven't heard of any warrant being sworn out.

C. W. RISLEY



Democratic Nominee for Representative (Paid Adv.)

Stop those Early Bronchial Coughs. They hang on all winter if not checked, and pave the way for serious throat and lung diseases! Get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and take it freely. Stops the cough, loosens the phlegm and is mildly laxative. Best for children and grown persons. No opiates.—Jones Drug Co.

CONSTABLE "JACK" FROST



Our Next Congressman—Fred Hollister of North Bend

Asks Voters to Try Him by His Past Record and Render Their Verdict (Paid Adv.)

Some People Without Bank Accounts

Our business in the past has been very satisfactory, but we realize that there are men, women and children, at our very doors, who could and should have a bank account, who have never deposited one cent in a bank. We are now after this class especially, and will not be satisfied until we have interested them. We want you to call and investigate our methods and be convinced that it is to your advantage to open an account with us.

The Bank of Oregon City

Oldest Bank in Clackamas County