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SOCIALISM AND SINGLE TAX.

The very emphatic declaration of Congressman Victor Berger, Socialist member of Congress from Milwaukee, in Finland that Single Tax was an unqualified fake, has been responsible for swinging the entire strength of the Socialist vote of Oregon against Single Tax and Graduated Single Tax.

Victor Berger condemned Single Tax because he knew that it involved the confiscation of the land by the state, while at the same time it enabled bankers, owners of stocks and bonds, department store owners, in fact, everyone but landowners, home-owners, jobbers, to dodge taxation.

No less emphatic than Berger was Carl Marx, perhaps the leading Socialist writer, who in a letter to a New York friend who had sent him a copy of Henry George's Single Tax work, "Progress and Poverty," said:

"The whole thing is simply an attempt to rescue the rule of capitalism—in fact, to rear it anew on a firmer basis than its present one. This cloven hoof, together with the donkey's ears, peeps unmistakably out of the declamation of Henry George."

The foregoing quotation is given by Arthur M. Lewis in his "Ten Blind Leaders of the Blind." Mr. Lewis is a socialist writer of no small repute and his unqualified rejection of Henry George is an indication of the manner in which Oregon Socialists are rejecting W. S. U'Ren, Alfred Orledge, F. E. Coulter, W. D. Eggleston, F. W. Benough and the host of other Fels-paid workers, feeding from the Fels Single Tax war chest.

NO SINGLE TAX THERE.

With an assurance that would have a brass monkey absolutely backed from the boards, Single Tax advocates all over the state of Oregon have been urging Single Tax for the state of Oregon, on the grounds that it has been proven a success in British Columbia.

But they have not got Single Tax in British Columbia, although some improvements are exempt from taxation. They do not intend to have Single Tax.

Why, Henry George would turn over in his grave could he know that Oregon Single Taxers would point with the finger of pride to British Columbia. Henry George would disown Single Tax if the British Columbia scheme had to be Single Tax.

A revenue poll tax of \$3.00 per head is collected from every male inhabitant of the Province.

It may be remembered that under the guise of repealing the poll tax in Oregon Mr. U'Ren imposed county home rule in taxation on this state. Mr. U'Ren declares this was no trick but an honest first step towards Single Tax.

STENCH OF KEROSENE.

Try as hard as he may, Senator Bourne cannot expunge the stench of kerosene from his political garments. He has been designated the intermediary for the Standard Oil Company and the White House authority during the administration of Theodore Roosevelt by no less author-

ity than Roosevelt himself. And Roosevelt ought to know. He was president at the time the Standard Oil Company was seeking to avert prosecution by the government under the Sherman anti-trust law. It was then that Bourne took Archbold, of the oil company, several times to the White House for conferences with Roosevelt. Does anyone think for an instant that Bourne at these conferences was attempting to convince Archbold that the Oregon plan of direct legislation was just about the thing the Standard Oil Company and other large monopolies needed in their business? We think not.

ASSISTANT DEMOCRATS.

Nothing is harder to find in the present campaign than converts to the Democratic party. Practically there are no such persons. That party has long been decadent. It attracts no new blood and is unable to vitalize any principle. Its latest national record is one of business calamity and general incompetency. Young voters can not be headed that way, and the majority of the older voters are warned by experience. The only chance for Democratic success this year, or any future year, is in Republican division or apathy. It was the Republican failure to vote in 1910 that gave the Democratic party a lead in one branch of Congress and several states in which the Democrats have long been a minority. Next month a full vote will come out and the party that reached its highest mark in numbers sixteen years ago will inevitably be beaten unless the Republican party is divided against itself.

It is to Republican boaters that the old relic known as the regular Democratic party looks for success this year. Beaten heavily in the last four presidential campaigns, that party, impotent as well as repudiated, lacks at least two million votes of half the electorate. Its only hope is in insurgent Republicans, and it knows that these will not directly vote the Democratic ticket. But their votes for a third party might serve the purpose. The third party may call itself by another name, but its proper title is Assistant Democrats. It cannot elect its own ticket. It can only help the outworn, decaying, ill-omened regular Democratic party that has had full control of the government but two years in the last fifty, and made that period a horror in business depression and national losses. The Assistant Democrats are also Second-Class Democrats. They would get nothing in case of Wilson's election except the old Bourbon hahn.

BOURNE CARRIED FOUR.

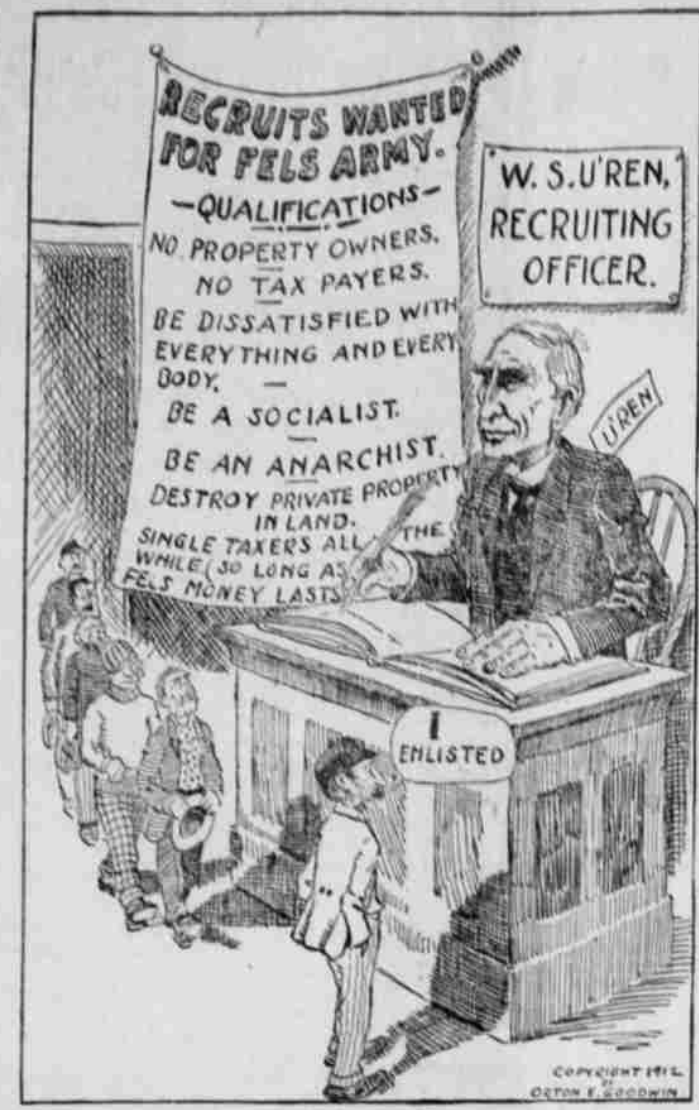
Ben Selling received the Republican nomination in the direct primary election by a plurality of 6500 over Senator Bourne. Mr. Selling made his race on his record as a progressive. He submitted his record as a pioneer and consistent advocate and supporter of progressive legislation in this state. The people approved that record and nominated him. In the primaries, Mr. Selling carried 27 of the 34 counties, as against four for Bourne and three for Judge Stephen A. Lowell, of Pendleton, who is actively supporting the Republican nominee. Mr. Selling is today standing on the same record and platform that won for him the nomination. He is entitled to the vote of every elector who believes in popular government as is typified in Oregon's progressive laws.

CANNOT JUSTIFY CANDIDACY.

The inconsistency of Bourne is exemplified in his independent candidacy for the Senatorship. Bourne vigorously champions the direct primary law so long as he and his friends receive favorable recognition and coveted political office. But when the other fellow wins out under the operation of the same law, Bourne is the first to repudiate the system and urge its repudiation by the electorate. Bourne cannot justify his independent candidacy. In entering the contest for the Governorship, he proves himself an enemy of the direct primary of which he is the professed friend and defender.

The United States as it stands is the evidence of the progressiveness of the Republican party during the last fifty years, for the party has been in power for nearly the entire period.

THE SINGLE TAX ARMY NEEDS RECRUITS.



Democratic managers claim everything, but are careful to say nothing about a cabinet. They are wise not to tackle that mountain of trouble on the strength of wild straws flying in the wind.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

GILL ANSWERS GARY.

ESTACADA, Or., Oct. 11.—(To the Editor)—I think T. J. Gary is unnecessarily alarmed over Tax Amendment 304-305. The constitution now allows (by county option amendment adopted in 1910) the people to adopt any kind of a tax law they wish whether it is the kind Mr. Gary fears they might adopt or not. There has been no effort made in the last two years to adopt or even to suggest such a tax law as he opposes. I am strongly opposed to any law that would cripple our schools as he is. Art. XI, sec. 2 of the constitution now reads in part: "None of the restrictions of the constitution shall apply to measures approved by the people declaring what shall be subject to taxation or exemption and how it shall be taxed or exempted. By this the people may make any tax law they see fit. Tax laws, as well as any other laws come as the result of a popular demand. There is no popular demand for the kind of tax law Mr. Gary fears and there never will be if the people are informed that the legislature was far more criticized because of its flimsiness and liberality toward the schools and colleges perhaps than for any other cause. It provided for school supervisors and three-fourths of the people of Clackamas county wish that law repealed. It gave so liberally to the State University and Monmouth normal that the referendum was called upon the bills. I think the public schools have nothing to fear from the legislature. Amendment 304-305 will repeal the county option amendment if adopted and it may be. I wish the constitution to give us the power to classify properties for tax purposes. Society has universally allowed large holdings of land to become the property of one man or corporation to its detriment. Lands are held out of beneficial use for speculative purposes. Under amendment 304-305 speculative holdings not beneficially used may be levied upon at a higher rating and the speculation in land discouraged. I think such a classification of properties would be a wise one. Those who have had anything to do with the apportioning of state taxes to the counties know that it is difficult to justly distribute it. The law requires assessors to assess property at its cash value. But if the assessor of Clackamas county assessed at cash value and the assessors of other counties assessed at less than cash value Clackamas county would pay more than its just proportion of the state tax. Under this amendment the faults of the present system may be remedied. This amendment is endorsed by Governor West and the students of taxation. It is opposed to single taxers as it provides an alternative remedy for the evils they claim single tax will cure. This is one of the grand amendments defeated two years ago. In my opinion it had better be adopted. If it is not, single tax may be adopted one of these days. F. M. GILL.

PLEA FOR SUFFRAGE.

OREGON CITY, Oct. 16.—(Oregon City Enterprise)—You voters may not know it, but eight million women are earning their own living in the United States today. Going to work for them is quite as hard as your work is for you. A very large percentage of them are supporting families and paying taxes; they are governed by the same laws which govern you and stand shoulder to shoulder with you six days in the week. Do you consider that this makes them any less womanly? Then don't you think we should be able to ward off your influence—we have your word for it that it is not a proper influence—long enough to vote with you once in a year or two? These eight million women are perfectly willing to "remain in the home" where you say they belong but since they are unfortunately compelled to get out into the world every day to earn their own bread and butter, they feel that they should have something to say about their conditions and surroundings while at work. If for no other reason than that they are going to be mothers of a large percentage of the next generation of voters, they should have a chance for health and well-being. The fact that an army of women and children are working in sweat shops and fire traps has not seemed

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

to worry the voter much except when the wholesale cremation of factory girls or some such incident has for the moment aroused his pity. But women, themselves, do not enjoy it, and they feel that they should be given a chance to better their condition. Personally, I should dislike a heap worse to be one who takes the responsibility of refusing such a request than to be one of those who make it; shouldn't you? EARNESTINE SINGER.

SHIELDS-U'REN DEBATES PLANNED

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Shields, "that I shall thoroughly expose his schemes for Oregon which began when he induced the voters of this state to pass a bill which purported to repeal all the tax, but which in reality was a measure to give counties home rule in taxation. Mr. U'Ren has my perfect willingness to take up this time telling our audiences just why single tax will prove a panacea for Oregon. However, when my turn comes, I'll show how in Alberta where there is a partial application of single tax, that public finances are paralyzed, that public servants are unable to raise their salaries, that the taxes on land are eight to ten percent, not mills, but cents. I shall prove that in British Columbia, to which Mr. U'Ren and his friends point with admiring fingers, although they prefer to spend their own time under the tax laws of Oregon, there is no single tax; that instead there is a poll tax of \$3 a head, that there are taxes on banks, salmon canneries, and manufacturing of various descriptions, that personal property is not exempt—in other words, I shall prove to him by his own words which he now would like to deny, that the graduated single tax and the county measures are the most effective single tax measures." The debate will probably be made on a basis that Mr. Shields will open one debate and Mr. U'Ren the next. It is planned to debate for two hours, the time to be divided as follows: opening forty minutes, reply fifty minutes, rebuttal ten minutes, counter rebuttal ten minutes, closing ten minutes.

TAX DEBATE DATES ARE ANNOUNCED

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 16. (Special)—At a conference today between W. S. U'Ren, of Oregon City, and Orton E. Goodwin, press representative of the Oregon Equal Taxation League, the following tentative dates were set for a series of debates between Mr. U'Ren and Charles H. Shields, secretary of the Oregon Equal Taxation League: Portland, West Side, Wednesday, October 23; Hood River, Friday, October 25; Salem, Monday, October 28; Oregon City, Saturday, October 26 and Portland, East Side, Tuesday, October 29. For the Salem meeting effort will be made to have Governor West, Mayor Rodgers, or Attorney General Crawford preside. In Portland one of the meetings is to be presided over by a prominent labor man. Mr. U'Ren will support the Single Tax Measure while Mr. Shields will attack the Fels Tax Commission, contending that the state and county measures contemplate the establishment of the Henry George Single Tax; that the Henry George Single Tax is not a system of taxation at all and was not so intended; that it has for its ultimate end the nationalization of land by absorbing the entire rental value of it. The expenses of the meeting will be paid by Mr. U'Ren and Mr. Shields.

STATE OF OREGON, CITY OF TOLSON, D. C. LEAN COUNTY, V. S. FRANK J. CHENEY, Sheriff, do hereby certify that by my order and in the presence of J. J. CHENEY & Co., Gold Standard Bankers in the City of Tolson, County and State of Oregon, and that said bank will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every one of the Certificates that cannot be cashed by the use of the Gold Standard Bank. FRANK J. CHENEY, Sheriff. Witness my hand and the seal of my office, this 16th day of October, A. D. 1912. J. J. CHENEY & Co., Gold Standard Bankers. HALL'S Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. It is the only remedy for Catarrh of the Bladder, Prostate, Glands, etc. Sold by all Druggists. Price 50c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

WHAT PRESIDENT TAFT HAS DONE

Some of the Legislation Accomplished During His Administration.

There has been a systematic attempt for years on the part of newspaper and magazine writers in the pay of the great magazine trust to belittle and misrepresent President Taft. The result has been that the people have an impression that this has been a "do nothing" administration. The truth of the matter is that more constructive progressive legislation has been accomplished under President Taft than was ever accomplished in any administration before. For the benefit of our readers and in justice to the president, this paper sets out below some of the many things he has accomplished:

- He put the postoffice department on a paying basis for the first time within the memory of the present generation.
He has enforced the Sherman anti-trust law without fear or favor.
He vetoed the Democratic wool, cotton and silk tariff bills as unjust, unscientific and destructive of the Republican principle of protection.
He advocated the discriminating passport treaty with Russia.
He prevented the ratification of putting rate increases into effect without approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission.
He has rushed the Panama Canal to early completion without hint of scandal.
He has practically destroyed white slave traffic.
He has signed the bill for admission of Arizona and New Mexico to statehood.
He has established the Bureau of Mines to safeguard the lives of miners and to extend our foreign markets for the benefit of American capital and labor.
He has abolished the shameful system of postage in this country.
He has submitted the income tax amendment to the States for ratification.
He has effected advanced boiler inspection law, which will save lives.
He has established means for complete irrigation of the West.
He has maintained and extended the open-door policy in China.
He has secured the ratification of the Cuba and Central America friendly warning, without intervention.
He has moderated and reformed government business methods by an economy and efficient committee, saving millions of dollars to the American people annually.
He has secured ratification of treaties with Great Britain and France.
He has secured the ratification of the bill because of the recall of judges provision.
He instituted non-political methods for taking the 13th census.
He has effectively destroyed racket shops and street-club concerns.
He has persistently labored for a parolee post.
He has effected a new treaty with Japan, ending racial controversies on the Pacific Coast.
He has further extended a safety appliance act for the benefit of workmen.
He has successfully fought for the publication of campaign funds and expenditures.
He has heartily endorsed the labor commission's report and proposed bill concerning "yellow dog" contracts.
He has reorganized the customs service, eliminated corruption and exposed and punished customs frauds, thereby saving and recovering millions of dollars to the United States Treasury.
He has established the Court of Commerce to review findings of the Interstate Commerce Commission and to remedy exasperating delays in litigation.
He has established a Court of Customs Appeals, by which the undervaluations have been stopped.
He succeeded in securing a postal savings bank system that is dragging millions out of old socks and putting it to work.
He favored Borah's 3-year home-stead bill.
He has exhibited the highest order of statesmanship in handling the delicate and prevailing Mexican situation, keeping "the United States out of a European war, while at the same time maintaining the dignity of the nation."

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CANDIDATES SPEAK TO

CROWD AT CLARKES

The Republican nominees for county offices spoke to one of the largest crowds of the campaign at Clarkes Monday evening. Much enthusiasm was manifested, and several leaders announced after the meeting that the party would have better support at the coming election than for several years. The candidates will speak at Shubel this evening. Those who spoke Monday night were E. C. Hackett, nominee for sheriff; J. F. Nelson, nominee for assessor; E. P. Dedman, nominee for recorder and Chris Schuebel, nominee for representative in the legislature.

REAL ESTATE

- Maud J. and Jay Upton to Marietta Ostrander, land in Clackamas County; \$10.
Leslie O. and Lois L. Eaton to Ralph J. Hurlbert, lot 5 of block 3 Canemah; \$10.
Ralph J. Hurlbert to Lois L. Eaton, lot 5 of block 3, Canemah; \$10.
G. L. and Mary M. Grimshaw, lots 1, 2, 16, block 16 Windsor; \$10.
Clackamas County to F. F. White, land in Clackamas County; \$1.
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James W. and Mary Pattison to G. P. Henderson, land in section 26, township 3 south, range 4 east; \$10.
Eli Baker and Ida Baker to John T. and Laura Whaley, 170 acres of section 35, township 4 south, range 1 east; \$15,000.
J. D. and Myrtle Hamlin to Charles and Bertha Shutter, lot 7 of Morrow Glen Tract; \$10.
Walter and Matilda Hitchman to Fred Hansen, land in section 28, township 2 south, range 2 east; \$1100.
F. F. and Mary Seely to H. H. Carson, 397 acres of James Officer D. L. C. No. 39, sections 19 and 20, township 4 south, range 2 east; \$10.
Henry Heine to John Sallstrom, 80 acres of section 22, township 4 south, range 4 east; \$4000.
William C. Dodson to Lella Dodson, 80 acres of section 12, township 2 south, range 4 east; \$1.
Henry C. Prudhome Comptoy to Lella K. and Mollie Gibson, 20 acres of section 12, township 2 south, range 4 east; \$1.
Ella G. Rivenburgh to R. W. Henneman, land in section 1, township 2 south, range 2 east; \$10.
John C. and Katharine L. Conrad to R. W. Henneman, 1-2 acres of section 1 township 2 south, range 2 east; \$10.
E. C. and Ella Parrish to R. W. Henneman, land in section 1, township 2 south, range 2 east; \$10.
H. S. and Anne Rowe to Arthur Lewis, land in Clackamas county; \$10.
Ellen M. Rockwood to Minnie M. Crans, lot 20, block 7, Ardenwald; \$500.
R. S. and Daisy E. Coe to Thomas

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