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NOT MEN BUT PARTIES.

A correspondent asks if President Taft is personally responsible for the great prosperity which now blesses the United States.
We answer frankly that he is not. Neither would Woodrow Wilson be personally responsible for the destruction of prosperity which would assuredly follow his election.
Our government is one of parties, not of men. The point at issue in this campaign is not whether Taft or Wilson shall be president—for Roosevelt cannot possibly get 266 electoral votes—but whether the Republican or the Democratic party shall make the laws and control the affairs of government. The Republican party has been in power 16 years and during that time, under beneficent policies enacted into law, the country has enjoyed unexampled prosperity and progress. Only once in the last 50 years has the Democratic party been in full control of the government, and those four years were a period of universal distress, due to destructive laws enacted by the Democratic administration. They were tariff-revenue-only laws, which opened the gates for foreign made goods, diverted American money from American manufacturers and American farmers and American workmen and American banks into the pockets of foreign manufacturers and workmen and financial institutions. That was the reason we had hard times under the Democratic administration.

While President Taft is not individually responsible for prosperity, he has contributed to our happy condition because he has given the country a safe and conservative government. He has administered the laws fearlessly and impartially; he has not rushed us into war with Mexico or any other power; he has been clean, honest and dignified; he has earned for the United States the respect of foreign nations by his wise conduct of affairs; and he has been economical and efficient in his administration. This, and more, is what President Taft has done personally; and when, in addition, he represents the party which has achieved so much for the country ever since it brought liberty to thousands of men in bondage, there is every reason why both he and the Republican party should be victorious on the 5th of next November.

WOMEN CLING TO VOTE.

The great cry of the anti-suffragist is that the women do not want the ballot. "Only a few agitators," they shout "are asking for woman suffrage, and the great mass of women would feel the ballot a burden and an irksome responsibility."
If this is so, why do the states where woman suffrage has been granted, remain woman suffrage states? If women do not want the ballot, why do they not turn around when they have the ballot, and vote woman suffrage out again? With the help of the earnest male anti-suffragists who are now so anxious to prevent this "burden" from being put upon the un-franchised women, the women do not want the ballot could combine and vote the measure out again. In no country or state, where the franchise has been given the women, however, has any attempt ever been made to disenfranchise them, although, when Washington became a state, women who were not voting under the territorial government, were tricked out of the franchise by a piece of political jugglery; they at once began the struggle to regain the ballot, however, and at last succeeded since which event they have been making history in a way that has at-

tracted the attention and won the approval of good government workers all over the country.
Meanwhile, the woman who complained that she did not wish the ballot thrust upon her, is out using it earnestly in both California and Washington. Furthermore, any one who might have the temerity to suggest that the ballot be taken from her would undoubtedly have an unpleasant session.

FRIEND OF WORKINGMAN

"William Howard Taft is the best friend the American workingman ever had in the White House, and it is up to us to keep him there."
This emphatic statement, made at a mass meeting of employees at the main shops of the Chicago & North-western Railroad, at the noon hour by Andrew P. Kelly, a well known labor leader identified with railway men's organizations, brought a ringing cheer of applause from those present and indicated that President Taft is recovering emphatic support in the ranks of organized labor.
The speaker recounted the various labor laws enacted during the present administration and compared the record with the partial accomplishments of previous administrations. He pointed out that in the closing days of Roosevelt's second term the railroad men of the south were threatened with a sweeping ten per cent reduction in wages owing to the industrial stringency that came in the wake of the panic of 1907-1908. This cut in wages, he declared was postponed for ninety days and was finally averted by the election of President Taft, who ushered in an era of unprecedented prosperity.
"President Taft is the nation's business agent," said Mr. Kelly. "He has made good. He has given a square deal. He has brought increased prosperity and increased wages. He has helped the laboring man. He is entitled to our support. Who ever heard of a laboring man turning down a business agent who was on the job? That's President Taft to a T. We are with him and we will keep him on the job four years."
Shop officials declared after the meeting that Mr. Kelly had been better received than any other speaker during the campaign.
Noonday meetings are being held daily in all the railroad shops in Chicago and vicinity and are being largely attended by enthusiastic workmen who do not want a change from present prosperous conditions.

PRESIDENT TAFT GAINING.

Confidential reports from twenty states, sought by Carmel Thomson, secretary to the president with no intention of making them public, show a remarkable change in sentiment, which is now sweeping strongly toward President Taft.
The reports received at the White House are not the kind usually made public by campaign managers. They do not include sweeping statements of victory, but are calm analyses of the situations as they actually exist in many localities, and they show conclusively that President Taft is gaining.
Many of the business men and labor leaders to whom inquiries were addressed, expressed the opinion that thousands of regular Republicans, who intended to vote for Governor Wilson as the best way to beat Colonel Roosevelt, now have caught the general feeling that there is an excellent chance to reelect the President, and they will now cast their votes for him.
There is no doubt that prosperity is helping the President tremendously. One of the reports received from Mr. Thomson comes from Pittsburg, where thousands of workmen are needed, where the mills are working to their capacity with orders booked for 1913, and where so many orders for present business have been filled that there are not enough freight cars to handle the product.

VOTE FOR SELLING.

Just a few reasons why Ben Selling, Republican direct primary nominee for United States Senator, should be elected:
He believes in the direct primary.
Is a staunch supporter of the Oregon System.
Is the Republican direct primary nominee.
Has lived in Oregon for fifty years.

KEEP THE WHISTLE BLOWING



His interests are all in Oregon.
Is intimately acquainted with the needs of the state.

Is pledged to labor for an immediate revision of the tariff downward.
Is absolutely opposed to single tax or any other measure that will increase the tax burden of the farmer and the small home owner.

Stands for the common people as against the Standard Oil Company and other corporate interests.

Is pledged to secure for Oregon several millions of its overdue share of the Reclamation funds.

The Morning Enterprise does not dictate how its readers should vote on all of the various questions that will be found on the ballot on the fifth day of November. But there is one measure, the Malarkey Public Utilities bill, that ought to pass. This bill gives our Railroad Commission full charge of all public utilities such as street railway companies and light and power corporations in our various towns and cities. These concerns ought to be controlled and the Railway Commission is the power that ought to do it.

A prominent Democratic living in Marne, Iowa, having been asked to contribute to the Democratic campaign fund, replied that he would like to do so but if the Democrats came into power he knew that financial gloom would settle over the country and that he must, therefore, protect his credits.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

SUFFRAGE IS DEFENDED.

OREGON CITY, Oct. 24.—(Editor of the Enterprise.)—There is a Latin motto that reads like this: "Abusus non tollit usum." With the aid of a dictionary and a friend with a good memory we are able to tell you that it means "Abuse is no argument against proper use." What goaded me to the task of finding this out was that about a dozen men have been showing me literature sent to them

by the anti-suffragists playing up in large letters every mistake made by women in states where they vote, also some mistakes they are supposed to have made. For instance one piece of their literature has a large heading "Jane Addams of Hull House agrees with the Anti," which you must admit is misleading and quite likely to give a wrong impression to a busy man with no time to read the entire article. What it really attempts to show is that Miss Addams is inconsistent in advocating equal suffrage. Miss Addams' reputation is international and she needs no defense. But it proves that by a liberal enough use of stars—one could make the book of Job read like an interview with Jack Johnson. In the anti-suffrage literature they have been positively reckless with stars, as you will notice, but that is to be expected from people who are, mostly from a mistaken idea of what constitutes womanliness and chivalry enrolled on the side of injustice.

What men have been doing for two hundred years in doing, some people seem to expect women in the suffrage states to undo in a couple of years—handicapped at that.

When you read "Women stuffed the ballot boxes," a woman forged tax receipts and skipped" and so on, hasn't it struck you that although a great many thousand men have done the same, or worse, no one has thought of it as an excuse for disenfranchising the entire sex? And this brings us back to our motto: "Abuse is no argument against proper use."

Giving women the ballot is not going to make angels of them any more than it does men, but neither is it going to make them the brazen outcasts that some people picture, but one must admit that the percentage of good women, honest women, far outnumber the bad—if they do not outnumber them, then what is the odds who wins—the country can't last long anyway.

For sheltered well cared for women who only know about the Wolf and Temptations from reading the Ladies Home Journal to try to say what is best for the sister who is out in the world struggling for her very living, standing shoulder to shoulder with men six days in the week, makes one of those who struggle frankly "tired."
This woman, personally, started to read the "Anti" literature with an unbiased mind, but when she reached the point where the society woman who was writing mentioned the rest-

less spirit among women and deplored the fact that so many were "pushing into business, preferring it to home duties" a great longing came over her to see the author and a brick in juxtaposition, to put it sweetly. Of the eight million women who are working for their living we doubt if there is one who prefers it to the proper kind of home life. We resent the implication that women who work are not just as womanly, and sane as any other women. They have quite as much reverence for the home and love of family ties, or more, because you naturally love most what you cannot have—if you are a real human being. We pull on your old "rubbers" and wade to the office or factory or sweat shop, work with wet skirts about our feet, and a headache that would keep the home woman in bed, but we are not doing it from preference, even though we are doing it cheerfully and trying to pretend that we think a pair of tired feet and a lame back the grandest possessions on earth. What every one of us would like to be doing is sitting at home near a warm fire, cutting out paper dolls for the baby and trying to think up a new dessert for the man of the house who can't eat pie, but even then we doubt our ability to accept the Anti-suffrage motto, which seems to be "What we do not want, no other woman should want, and she can't have it if she does."
ERNESTINE SINGER.

ETHICAL TRAINING

OREGON CITY, Oct. 28.—(Editor Morning Enterprise)—The curriculum of our public school is gradually being corrected. The ornamental gives place to the useful. A knowledge of Greek and rhetoric is a desirable accomplishment for the few who have leisure, but the mass of boys and girls must learn something wherewith to gain a livelihood. Many mothers of the present generation in misapprehended parental affection, neglect to instruct their daughters in domestic work which must ever be the natural occupation of woman. Too many boys grow up without a trade or any fixed purpose of life. "I want my children to have more comfort and pleasure than I had," says many a love blind parent. Legitimate comfort and pleasure come after working for them and are sweet as the evening rest after the day's efforts. Those who do not work live off the work of others unless they have accumulated a competence by previous efforts.

Who has ever heard a parent exclaim: "I want my children to be better than I am." Here we may pause and look over the way on which most of us are evidently striving for progress. The increased number of juvenile offenders and adult criminals bears some relation to this. It has been shown again and again that those who have been kept strictly in moral rectitude at home seldom change from the right way in after life. It is a tendency of this age to spoil children by making them the victims of such ruinous treatment so they are unfit to take up the struggle for existence and what is worse may become moral delinquents.

If parents neglect the ethical training of their children, it is clear that this duty must be shouldered by the teacher entirely. In many respects she is even better able to do so. The parent from his nearness and often from an excess of affection to his offspring may be unable to see their faults, while the teacher from a more favorable distance of observation and with a greater number of children to draw comparisons can exercise an unbiased judgement.

In countries where the church has spiritual authority over the young ethical rules are taught in the public schools. We have divorced ourselves from church interference in our public education but we should realize that it is quite as essential to make good men and women as intelligent men and women of our children to educate the heart as well as the brain. We have still in our public schools courses of studies which are useless to the average person, but not one giving instructions in sound ethical rules which is of incalculable value to every one.

ANDREW FRANZEN.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
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Prof. Prescott, of the University of Michigan, testified before the Pure Food Committee of Congress, that the acid of grapes held highest rank as an article of food and he regarded the results from baking with cream of tartar baking powder as favorable to health.
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MASS' EXPENDITURES SCORED BY HACKETT

OREGON CITY, Oct. 28.—(Editor Morning Enterprise)—I notice an ad in your valuable paper, furnished by Mass, wherein he claims to have issued 1000 more tax receipts in 1911, than Beattie did during 1910; but he does not deny my statement that he cost Clackamas county about \$2,000 to issue these extra receipts and there fore it cost the taxpayers about \$2 for each receipt.
He further claims that he had about 20 more prisoners in jail than Beattie did; but he does not tell the people that he charged the county \$5.00 per week for these same prisoners and that this is charged up to the "jail account" and not to "sheriff's account" as he would have you believe and is not included in the extra \$2,000 increase. He further states that he had more circuit court cases than Beattie had. Well, what of it? Don't most people know that about four-fifths of the cases in Clackamas county are divorce cases brought here from Multnomah County, and in nearly every instance the defendant is waiting near by ready and anxious to be served.

Plaintiff's attorney generally makes the sheriff a present of some small amount and it costs the county nothing, at any rate it should not.
He also mentions the fact that the county is increasing in population and of course it would naturally follow that crime would increase.

Now in all candor, do you think one year would make all this difference? Further, isn't the sheriff under a salary and isn't he supposed to be looking after criminals and protecting the public?

He says, too, that he had two "blind" murder cases, whatever he means by that I'll leave to your readers. Where was Mass and what was he doing when Sheriff Stevens of Multnomah County came up and got his man Roberts? The other murder is still at large and the pretension set forth in Cowing's letter that the state authorities prevented him, (Mass) from bringing the guilty party to justice is all both as any tax payer ought to know.

Again we say the expense of the sheriff's office for 1910 was \$4,375.00 and for 1911, is \$6,314.68. There is no justification for this whatsoever and everybody knows it.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. HACKETT.

OREGON SPENDS NEARLY \$5,000,000 IN 21 MONTHS

SALEM, Or., Oct. 25.—A total of \$4,831,310.63 has been disbursed by the state of Oregon during the first 21 months of the biennial period from January 1, 1911, to September 30, 1912, according to a statement just completed by Secretary Olcott. This is an average monthly expenditure of \$230,924.1.

JUDGE DIMICK TALKS FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE

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whom cannot read or write the English language and never take any interest in our public institutions nor pay a cent of tax. Notwithstanding these facts, they become legal voters, while the women who were born and educated in this country and who model the character and shape the destinies of our young people, are denied the right of franchise.

WIRES DISCUSS BILLS ON BALLOT

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day's labor on public works, and explained that the state, or any county or municipality would have to pay more for building than a private individual would have to pay under different labor conditions.

G. B. Dimick made a plea for the enactment of the Blue Sky law, 334-345. He criticized a portion of the bill, which entails an expense of more than \$35,000 per annum, but said he would vote for the bill to protect the individual against the unscrupulous promoter and swindler.

Dr. Morris favored the bill providing for an income tax, 350-351. Dr. L. L. Pickens opposed the exemption measure, 354-355, and J. W. Loder favored the bill revising the inheritance tax law, taking administrative matters out of the hands of the State Treasurer and putting them in the hands of the State Tax Commission.

William Shoshan made a clear explanation of the Graduated Tax amendment and pointed out that the Hawley Pulp & Paper Co. and the Oregon City Manufacturing Co. could purchase their water power for 35 cents per horsepower per month, which would be less than their taxes on the water power they control under the proposed amendment.

T. Omsund opposed the bill curtailing the use of streets and parks, and A. A. Price urged the defeat of the bill abolishing capital punishment. Mr. Sullivan favored the passage of the bill prohibiting picketing and boycotting.

The new bill providing a method for creating new counties, 348-349, provoked sharp criticism, many of the members of the Live Wires scoring the job in the measure that provides only residents of the territory embraced in any proposed new county may vote on the measure.

Dr. A. L. Beattie and Dr. H. S. Mount favored the appropriations for buildings and equipment at the University of Oregon. These bills are 372-373 and 374-375.
The defeat of the county Single Tax measure, 376-377, was unanimously agreed to and Mr. Gary took advantage of the opportunity to say a few words in favor of the County High School Fund law.

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