

A. I. MASON WRITES OF REFERENDUM

Editor, the News: It is not necessary, neither do I desire at this time to make a reply to the many unjust criticisms and misleading statements now being made by the public press relative to those who are signing the referendum petition, against the U. of O. building appropriations, which are to be followed with an initiative bill consolidating the U. of O. and O. A. C., but I feel it my duty on behalf of those who are so willingly assisting us in this work, and for the benefit of those who perhaps do not really understand the law relative to the special election, which is supposed to be held this coming November, to offer a few words of explanation.

There is a big howl now being made by many newspapers throughout the state against those who are signing any referendum petitions on account of throwing the state into an expense of \$100,000 for a special election. Let us see who is to blame for this and ascertain if this accusation is true.

The last legislature created several laws. One of them provided for a special election to be held this fall and to this law was attached the emergency clause. But this special election was not to be called unless some one of these bills was referred by the referendum. Why was the emergency clause attached to this special election bill? It was done so that the people could not stop the holding of this special election. And now we are told we are to blame for it.

Notice the injustice of such a law. Its sole object was to thwart and abridge the referendum powers given to us by our state constitution. In other words, if you do not like any or all of the laws created by our last legislature you are to be accused of costing the state \$100,000 for using the constitutional right it's a \$100,000 handicap on our referendum laws. And though this vicious legislation was slipped over the people by our last legislature, yet such acts will have the opposite effect desired by their promoters.

It was my pleasure to attend a meeting of the executive board of the Oregon Higher Educational Betterment League held in Portland a few days ago. At this meeting were three of Portland's best attorneys and all of them were of the opinion that a special election this fall was not necessary, was a needless expense and would be entirely illegal.

Our state constitution gives the power of calling a special election to the legislature only. There is no special election called as yet and no act of the people does not give them (the people) the power to call such special election.

The Higher Educational Betterment League, by a unanimous vote, has instructed its executive board to secure legal assistance and enter suit against the holding of a special state election this fall. The referendum petitions now being circulated on the U. of O. appropriations provide for the referring them at the regular election to be held in November, 1914.

There are now being circulated 5 referendum petitions on at least six different bills passed by our last legislature and if we cannot knock out the special election to be held this fall we shall have an extra expense of \$100,000 forced on us by our last legislature and not by those who are signing any referendum petitions for they are simply using their constitutional rights. If our last legislature violated its duty and tried to abridge the state constitution, should our loyal citizens be blamed for their acts.

At some future time when it becomes necessary I shall write again, justifying the acts of those who are signing the U. of O. referendum petitions with the sole object of consolidating our two state colleges.

In conclusion I desire to say to my fellow citizens that if there is a single act of our last legislature on which a referendum is being invoked and you feel that such meets your approval, you are not doing your duty as a citizen if you do not sign it, for it is just as much your sacred duty to assist in correcting a public wrong by signing a referendum petition as it is to cast your vote at any general election.

Yours sincerely,
A. I. MASON.

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