

BOOTH'S REASONS FOR WANTING TO BE NEAR WORKING MAN GIVEN

B. F. Jones Tells of Conditions in Booth-Kelly Lumber Camps at Wendling.

THE COOK MUST DIVVY UP

Saving on Cost of Food Declared to Be Divided Between Company and Camp Cook.

B. F. Jones of Roseburg, who charged R. A. Booth, Republican candidate for United States senator, with being against the people's interest when they were in conflict with the interests of the Southern Pacific Railroad company, says he is still waiting for a reply from Mr. Booth.

Since Mr. Booth has failed to answer my charges, the allegations must be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly," says Mr. Jones, in a letter to The Journal. He continues: "Now in his campaign Booth is posing as the working men's friend and says, 'God keep me close to the working men.'"

In May, 1911, I visited the Booth-Kelly company mills at Wendling, Or. I called at the company's store and farmer who was trading at the counter pointed out the foreman to me. I approached him and introduced myself and handed him one of my cards. He took the card and walked away and did not speak to me. However, I met a friend who was not working that day and he showed me through the bunkhouse, eating room and through the mill. I engaged in conversation several men who said they were working under contract with their terms being: common labor was paid \$1.75 per day; that they paid \$2.00 per week for board and 12 cents per night for lodging at the bunkhouse, thus leaving them \$5.10 per week clear. If they worked every day in the week, they would get one painted rough shack, made out of cut lumber and spruce, on the outside side of the canyon or both from the bunkhouse, where they said the working men who had families lived.

Cook and Company Divide

I talked with a man who said he was cooking in one of the Booth-Kelly logging camps above Wendling and he said he received \$30 per month for cooking and got a bonus of half the money he saved the company after paying the cost of the grub and deducting the \$2.00 per week charged the men for board. He said that he always made from \$75 to \$100 per month over the cost of the grub. The week charged the men, and that the company split this with him; thus the quantity and quality of the grub was cut and \$75 to \$100 per month was taken from the pockets of the hardy sons of toil—the tin bucket brigade, the men in overalls. "God keep me close to the working men," says Brother Booth. No wonder he wants to keep close to the working men, and to keep working men means a full dinner pail for him and thousands of dollars besides.

Leaving the Booth-Kelly company mills at Wendling, I took the near-cut trail to the mountains on a foot trail to Mabel, a distance of only three miles, where there are mills not owned by the Booth-Kelly company. Here I met one of the foremen, a very pleasant gentleman, who showed me through the mills, bunkhouse, etc., and introduced me to many of the employees. I am intimate with the men at the bunkhouse, and having formerly worked for five years in the mills and logging camps, I felt very much at home with the boys and enjoyed my visit very much. They ate their meals in very pleasant dining room that was well lighted and situated. The food was well cooked and the supply of fresh meat and vegetables was abundant for every one, with pie and pudding for dessert.

Contrast With Other Mill

In talking with the men, I did not hear any complaint and I was told that for common labor they paid \$2.25 and charged \$2.00 per week for board, and instead of the rough shacks as at the Booth-Kelly Company for the men with families to live in, there was a nice double row of painted cottages for the men with families to live in, and there was a garden spot for those who chose to raise a garden while just across the canyon was a large church and a schoolhouse, where the men and women who chose to do so might worship and where the children of the working men could attend school. The place looked more like a well kept modern village than a logging town.

The two mills are only three miles apart and the contrast is so vastly different that one who has visited both places must comment on it. "God keep me close to the working men," the Booth motto, sounds and reads very nice, but the contrast of the two mills just mentioned and the

Recall Election Week From Today

Commissioner Daly, One of the Officials Not Affected by Movement, Calls Attention to the Fact.

The recall election is just a week from today.

Portland people are likely to overlook the fact, said Will H. Daly, one of the two city commissioners not affected by the recall election.

"So if we are not careful we are more of an influence to divert attention from the recall election—October 27 than the European war," said Commissioner Daly.

"We've gotten accustomed to war reports, but the general election overshadows the recall election.

"If we are not careful we may see an altogether different outcome than some who resent the recall expect."

"Those who favor the recall will find plenty of reason to get out and vote. They won't be allowed to forget that the recall election is called for October 27."

"But those who have only the general interest of citizens in the welfare of municipal administration are likely to forget unless strongly reminded."

Justice Ramsey Too Busy to Campaign

Loyalty to Judicial Duties in Salem Compels Leaving of Re-election in Hands of Friends.

Judge William M. Ramsey, who is a candidate for election to succeed him as a member of the Supreme court, announced in a communication to The Journal that he will be unable to leave the bench to do any campaigning.

He says he will remain at his post of duty and trust the men and women of the state to do him justice at the polls. He says:

Having received inquiries as to whether I contemplate visiting the different sections of the state in the interests of my candidacy for justice of the supreme court, I ask you to permit me to say to the people through The Journal, that the supreme court is in session, with a large docket of cases that litigants desire to have tried and decided as rapidly as properly may be done, and under such circumstances, it is impossible for me to go about the state campaigning, without a gross neglect of the duties I owe to the state and the people.

Justices of the supreme court are paid by the state about \$12 salary for every day in the year, and they are expected to remain at work at their places of duty when there is work pressing to be disposed of. The supreme court has all the work that it can possibly dispose of efficiently, and hence, I shall not be able to go about the state for election purposes.

I shall remain at my place of duty and trust the men and women of the state to do me justice at the polls on November 3. I should like to visit my friends in the different parts of the state; but I cannot do so without neglecting my official duties and affording grounds for just criticism.

Senator Lane Is Expected Saturday

Intention to Enter Week's Campaign in Support of Chamberlain and Other Democratic Candidates.

Senator Harry Lane is expected to arrive in Portland Saturday. A message announcing this was received from him yesterday. He will immediately enter upon a week's campaign in support of his colleague, Senator George T. Chamberlain, who is seeking reelection, and other candidates on the Democratic ticket.

Until further word is received from Senator Lane, which is expected today, it is not known on what train he will arrive, but it is likely to be over the North Bank road Saturday evening.

His itinerary has not yet been arranged, but he will speak every day from the time of his arrival until election. Some time ago he expressed his intention of returning home in order to give support to Senator Chamberlain's campaign for reelection.

WOMEN DISPLAY KEEN INTEREST IN ELECTING DR. SMITH GOVERNOR

Many Visit Woman's Smith-for-Governor Headquarters in Portland Hotel.

FAIR SEX IS INDEPENDENT

Remarkable Good Sense Is Shown in Discussion of Governorial Contest and Other Campaign Issues.

In a day, the Woman's Smith-for-Governor headquarters in the Hotel Portland has established popularity. There were many callers yesterday, following the opening of the headquarters Monday.

They represented outlying communities as well as Portland districts. "I have never known the women to be so keenly interested in a campaign issue," said Mrs. John Nissen, president of the Woman's Smith-for-Governor club, after a day of interviews.

"For instance, a very active church worker of Portland came in. She said to me: 'I have always believed that church people should keep out of politics and other worldly affairs; but with a man of Dr. Smith's character and breadth offering himself a candidate for governor, I think we are doing about as much good as we could do to support him.'"

"Another woman came from Estacada, continued Mrs. Nissen. "She manifested a splendid discrimination in her discussion of campaign issues, and she wanted to know if it would be permitted to organize in Estacada a Woman's Smith-for-Governor club."

"Special Trains to 'Dry' Meeting. Special cars and special trains on the Oregon Electric and the Portland, Eugene & Eastern railroads, will carry residents of Newberg, McMinnville, Sherwood, Hillsboro, Forest Grove and other nearby points to Portland on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, when the orators composing 'The Flying Squadron of America' will be here to speak in favor of nation-wide prohibition.

I told her she would not only be permitted, but encouraged.

Smith's Election Important

"I had two other callers late in the afternoon, women of very considerable refinement. I was surprised to learn that they had been working independently but effectively in behalf of Dr. Smith. One of them said to me: 'I have not taken active part in a campaign before, but it seemed to me so very important to elect a man of Dr. Smith's fitness that I have been doing all I could. So I have taken opportunity to address the ladies at teas and receptions and the expressions of approval I have heard convince me that Dr. Smith is to have the very strong support of the women of Oregon, while on the other hand I cannot remember any of them saying they were going to support Dr. Wittycornis.'"

"They sometimes say," said Mrs. Nissen, after she had finished relating some of the incidents of the day, "that women vote as their husbands vote, and that their husbands are displeased with them if they have their own opinions of political matters."

"Such conclusions are not true in respect to the present political campaign. The women are thinking for themselves and forming their own conclusions. They don't ask their husbands how they should vote, and they frequently give their husbands information that aids them in voting intelligently. And I think the husbands are proud of their wives, because of their political independence. One man said to me: 'I've been a Republican all my life, and what do you do about me? I'm registered as a Democrat.'"

"Very well," said I, "if you weren't proud of it, you wouldn't be telling it." And he admitted it was right.

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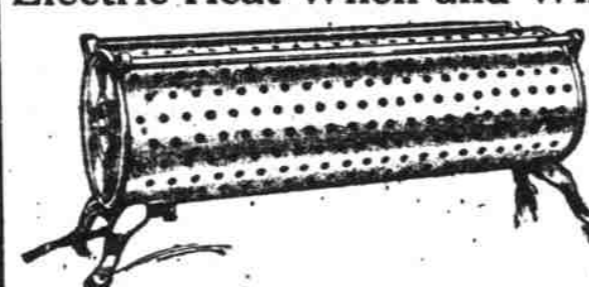
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