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GOD KNOWS, OUR SOLDIER BOYS NEEDED A FRIEND; AND CHAMBERLAIN FAILED THEM.

Chamberlain, being an adroit politician, has set out to pose himself as the great tried and true friend of the soldiers during the war. Under Democratic policies our soldiers and sailors truly needed a friend or two during the war—

And after it for that matter.

They needed help during the war to safeguard them from sporadic epidemics of military ruthlessness in the enforcement of hidebound discipline.

They needed help after the war in assisting their wounded and disabled from the misery and neglect that followed a demobilization for which no preparation had been made.

Outside of personal service in asking discharges for a few dozen men, just what is the record of Senator Chamberlain? It can be admitted that when some service-weary soldier sent in his application for discharge Mr. Chamberlain sent them over to the war department for action. So did our other representatives. No doubt Mr. Chamberlain got better results in this work, for it is not natural, after his advocacy of compulsory universal training and his ardent support of General Staff militarism in every form.

But where was Senator Chamberlain when five thousand Oregon men of the Forty-first division were left in tents in the middle of winter at Camp Mills?

What became of their appeals to him as they shivered through November and December of 1917 while the record of flu and pneumonia and other cold-weather diseases mounted daily?

A few hours' run by train from Washington, but did George E. Chamberlain ever visit these five thousand Oregonians or concern himself with their welfare?

Ask any one of the 5000.

And when the unfortunate men of the Forty-first Division—men from Salem, from Portland, McMinnville, Dallas and other Oregon towns—went overseas did the Senator's interest follow them?

Why, if Senator Chamberlain had the slightest interest in Oregon soldiers, was the Oregon contingent broken into a thousand fragments and scattered all over the map of France as replacements?

When New York's division, and other divisions, arrived for replacements, some one at home interfered.

The orders were changed.

But who was looking after the Oregon boys at that moment?

And when the wounded and disabled were turned adrift after the war—

Literally tens of thousands of them uncared for—

Did anyone hear the voice of George E. Chamberlain cry out in protest?

Is he sponsor for the Sweet bill or any of the bills for the relief of the disabled or is there a record of his having done ANYTHING for the relief of the disabled—

Anything in a big way—anything outside of answering personal letters in individual cases which every Senator does? That is what they have private secretaries for; to relieve them of any personal inconvenience.

George Chamberlain might easily have been the friend of the soldiers.

Heaven knows they needed a friend under Democratic maladministration of the army and of demobilization.

But he failed—

Failed the state and thousands of its men in a tragic hour. The fact should not be forgotten easily.

The Statesman is rather proud of the fact that it took the right side in the matter of the measure for consolidating the port activities of Portland—in favor of better shipping facilities for the products of all Oregon. All the contending factions of Portland are now in harmony, in favor of the measure. So the vote ought to be unanimous; for the people down there pay the bills. While we are at it, let's make it unanimous for all of the other four good measures, and against the five bad amendments and one bad measure.

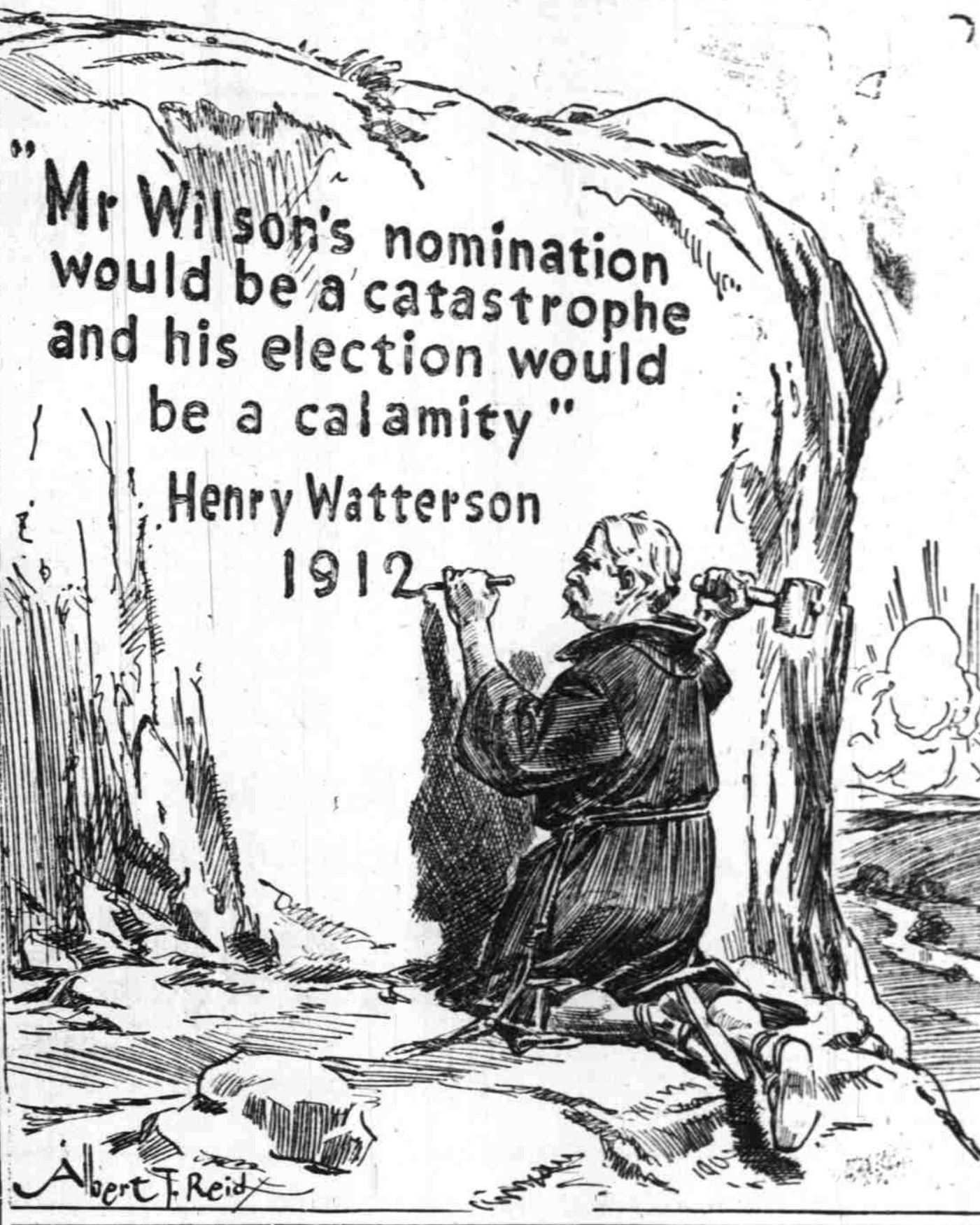
Just what could Senator Chamberlain accomplish for Oregon under a Republican administration? Nothing, absolutely nothing. He might have accomplished something under a Democratic administration, but he did not. He did

WM. FARNUM
 In
 "IF I WERE KING"
 Starts Tues. at The Oregon

The only mandate this country needs right now is one for a complete change at Washington. It will be given at the polls on Tuesday.

Oh, yes; there has been in Oregon a senatorial oligarchy; the oligarchy of a lot of so-called Republican leaders who have been steadily betraying their party and their state to Chamberlain. It

HENRY, THE PROPHET



"Mr Wilson's nomination would be a catastrophe and his election would be a calamity"
 Henry Watterson
 1912

is over now. And that house of cards will not be built up again.

Chamberlain must get more Republican votes than he will receive of Democratic votes in order to be elected. Will he get them? Not in this crucial year. And, by the same sign, not in any other year from this time on.

There can't be much in the Democratic claim that "the tide is turning toward Cox" when it is necessary for the Democratic candidate to campaign in Kentucky, Tennessee and Maryland to keep these states in line. It is something like the tide setting against Harding in Florida and that the tide is turning to Cox in Mississippi.

Talking about war expenses, a Grand Army man was in the office of The Statesman yesterday who said the old boys of that day had about as many men engaged, all told, as were in the big scrap against Kaiser Bill and his baby butchers; and at the close of the bush league rancus of his day the United States was in debt only two billions; while at the close of the major league engagement our country was saddled with a debt of 26 billions. So much for the high cost of living, fighting and dying under Democratic auspices, speaking in comparative figures, according to the ruminations of the old timer who wore the blue in the archaic days.

FROM THE STATE OMAINE

(By Booth Tarkington)
 The old Maine carpenter gladly stopped shingling my chicken house long enough to explain his vote to me.

"The way I look at this here League what-you-may call-it is this," he said. "Gov. Cox, he says, 'Here, let's take and put the affairs of the whole world in the hands of a few men, mostly foreigners, a council, or something, and if there's any fighting, breaks out somewhere, they'll fix up which side the United States is on.'"

FUTURE DATES.

- November 2, Tuesday—Lleurance's Little Symphony Orchestra at armory.
- November 2, Tuesday—Election day.
- November 6, Saturday—Football, Willamette vs. Pacific University at Forest Grove.
- November 6 and 7, Saturday and Sunday—Annual convention of Marion County Christian Endeavor Union, First Congregational church.
- November 11 and 12, Thursday and Friday—State penitentiary musical show.
- November 13 to 23—Red Cross roll call.
- November 11, Thursday—Football, Salem high school vs. McMinnville, at Salem.
- November 15, Monday—W. C. T. U. drive for \$125,000 children's home begins.
- November 16, Tuesday—Football, Salem high school vs. Dallas high school, at Salem.
- November 18, Thursday—Football, Willamette vs. College of Egret Sound, at Tacoma.
- November 20, Saturday—Football, Salem high school vs. Eugene high school, at Eugene.
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- November 25, Thursday—Football, Willamette vs. Whitman college, at Salem.
- November 25, Thursday—Football, Salem high school vs. The Dalles high school, at The Dalles.
- November 27, Thursday—Thanksgiving day.

States has got to fight on in order to stop this here fighting."

"Well, and so the way Harding seems to be talking, what he says is, 'Here!' he says. 'Here, let's have a big world law court,' he says, 'and let's fix up what the laws and rules are, and then when us and all the foreigners agree on the laws and rules, if anybody breaks 'em we'll bring him before the court and we'll stick to what the court says is the law.'"

"So betwixt and between, I kind of like fixin' up before a court of law this way better than leavin' 'em to a few men that might each of 'em be kind of sectional, so to speak."

"But to tell you the truth, there was another thing I was overly thinkin' about. Here durin' the war I worked in the shipyards, and I hate to say it, but I got a lot more pay than I had a right to—and I wasn't the worst; no, sir! Anyways, I saw how Uncle Sam's money was handled pretty free. Well, of course, under the circumstances, there just had to be a lot of waste, but the party that done the spendin' is still in office. They got used to the spendin' of terrible sums of money; and a man that's once that way, he ain't never the same again! I don't say it's his fault, but if he's been throwin' a million dollars around every day he gets out of the habit of worryin' about quarters. It's awful hard for him to quit spendin'."

"So I caltate there'd ought to be a change, and fresh new men go in that haven't got the free and easy habits, so to speak. The way it is now you could probably go to Washington and use the expression, 'a billion dollars' and nobody would hardly notice you. 'I want to see Washington filled with men that if a feller took and says 'a billion dollars' in their hearin' they'd all be so scared they'd faint dead away first, and then come to again, and take and sit up off the floor and kill him!'"

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

The Oleomargarine Bill.

Editor Statesman:
 The importance of the oleomargarine bill coming before the voters at the November election is set forth in a resolution passed at the annual convention of the State Dairymen's association, held in Eugene last January, which reads:

"Whereas, there is an increasing use of oleomargarine and other cheap butter substitutes, under fancy names, but with foreign oils or tallow as their base, raised by expensive and misleading advertising in the daily papers and other periodicals; and

"Whereas, this threatens serious injury to the dairy industry

of the state by demoralizing the butter market; and

"Whereas, the last legislature passed a very conservative and reasonable law licensing butter substitutes—a law that would have assured the purchaser of substitute butter just what he was buying; and

"Whereas, said law has been referred to the people for endorsement or rejection at the coming election; therefore, be it

"Resolved, that we use every honorable endeavor to induce the voters of the state to indorse and secure the enactment of said law; we will give our patronage to those merchants and grocers who sell dairy products rather than to those who sell substitutes of any kind, and we will call on all dairymen to help quell the voters with the true facts concerning this law and the issue between the great dairy industry of Oregon and the manufacturers of cheap substitutes, whether located within or outside the state."

"We call the voters' attention to the fact that our fight is not a selfish one, as the studies and researches of Dr. McCollum for 20 years have proven beyond the possibility of contradiction that lard-fat contains elements absolutely essential to the growth and normal development of growing children and animals, and even the normal health of adults, while the substitutes do not contain these elements and are, therefore, an inferior and deficient food."

The manner in which the great dairy industry is interwoven with the prosperity and development of the state is only hinted at in the above resolution. There are in Oregon 20 co-operatively owned creameries, besides 40 privately owned. Of these factories there are 58 co-operative and 17 privately owned. The creameries employ about 140 people and the cheese factories about 225 people. The purchases of these men and their families, of everything that goes into the household, is a factor in the business of every part of Oregon. There are 22,821 dairy farms in Oregon representing an investment of \$209,000,000 and employing over 62,000 people. Dairying has an additional value as a soil renovator by which it makes possible the maintenance of profitable agriculture. The oleomargarine interests have millions of money, but it is not invested here. Most of the butter substitutes sold here are manufactured outside of the state, and the only factory in the state represents practically nothing as compared with the dairy and creamery investments.

All this from a business standpoint. More important after all, is the matter of health, and Dr. McCollum's investigations referred to in the resolution, leaves no doubt of the fact that vital elements necessary for child development and the health of the mature are lacking in the substitutes or oleomargarine. We urge every voter to vote yes.

It is with confidence, then, that we ask you help in this fight for the children of Oregon, the advancement of the great dairy industry and the general prosperity of the state.

Will you kindly publish the resolution, making such comments as you see fit.

—Legislation Committee,
 Oregon Dairymen's Association.

Stolz Favors Two Platoon Idea.
 Editor Statesman:
 In the election of next Tuesday, we should not overlook local interests, and one of most importance is the relief to our fire de-

partment by adopting the two platoon system.

Salem has developed canneries and manufactories that are of vast importance that we should no longer neglect; and we should place a more efficient fire protection at their call. I don't know whether there is any opposition to the measure. If there is, it should come out, so it can be met.

We need a complete two platoon system of sufficient men so each platoon can handle one of the outfits. We then will have a reserve force. As we are today, we have reserve apparatus, but not enough men will not try to argue the points further; yet much could be said in favor of the two platoon system. I can see that it will and should add some to the expense, as a few men should be added to make each platoon of sufficient man power to be a good reserve and able to answer a second call.

Our homes lying outside need this protection fully as much as our factories.

So I am fully in accord with the move.

—GIDEON STOLZ,
 Salem, Or., Oct. 29, 1920.

Two Platoon Opposed.

Editor Statesman:
 Will you please advise me if there is any substantial reason whatever for loading upon the already burdened taxpayers of Salem the two platoon system in the fire department. It is not needed. It is a useless expense to our city and I hope the project will be overwhelmingly defeated by the voters November 2.

The present force is amply qualified to meet any emergency and why increase the number unless it is to enable the well paid fire boys to enjoy more leisure or earn more money cleaning automobiles at profitable wages.

I understand it was stated at a recent meeting of the Commercial club and not denied that Portland never considered the idea of a two platoon system until that city had well advanced over a population of 150,000, and even then the system was favored by a meager majority only of the people of Portland.

Until Salem approaches the size of our metropolis we have very little call for another crew of firemen.

—Old Volunteer Fireman,
 Salem, October 26, 1920.

Willman Speaks for Moffitt.

Editor Statesman:
 Anxious Voter, writing in your issue of 29th, has sounded the right keynote with respect to election of new city chief of police and the importance of electing Mr. Moffitt should be fully realized.

With nearly 300 majority above the most candidates in the primaries, many supporters of Mr. Moffitt may feel too sure of his success next Tuesday, therefore I urge each one who voted for him to repeat it and bring another vote.

Few people really know the night life of this town, and I can tell you truly much of it needs correction.

All Mr. Moffitt promises is fair, courteous and efficient service, and he is fully equipped to handle this office, not alone through experience, but because he is naturally and in a high degree possessed of that particular personal ability needed in a good efficient officer.

Those who think Mr. Moffitt too young a man for this position should remember that some of the very highest positions are held by men much under 30 years, which is near his age. Then, too, the belief some have that Mr. Moffitt would "swell up" should be disbursed.

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GRAND THEATRE

To the Voters of Oregon!

The taxpayers of Portland and Multnomah County are not only willing but anxious to provide the Port of Portland with needed funds for dredging our River Channel to the sea. The Committee that formulated what is known as the Port of Portland and Dock Commission Consolidation Bill under the numbers 310 and 311 on the ballot insisted, however, upon weighting down the measure with an enormously expensive real estate scheme, and by a formal vote turned down the request of taxpayers that the Swan Island scheme and the River Channel scheme be presented as separate measures. Refusing to be forced to swallow something they cannot approve, Multnomah County is expected to vote adversely to the whole scheme by an overwhelming majority. Having done this, they will then be ready to vote for any needed amount for improving our River Channels. A Committee of the City Club has submitted a detailed analysis of the measure showing that it means an ultimate expenditure of at least \$40,000,000.

Our Chamber of Commerce and other civic bodies with all of our river pilots and steamboat owners and others have protested against it. At least twelve former and present members of the Port of Portland and the Dock Commission have declared against it. A majority, if not all, of our City Commissioners oppose it. The Committee of 15 itself that drafted the measure is divided.

The Taxpayers of Portland Appeal to You

in a spirit of fair play to save this county from the imposition upon us of such an overwhelming and paralyzing debt as this measure contemplates. It would be deemed offensive if we gave expression to what we believe to be the selfish and ambitious political motives that have inspired the measure which is submitted with a distinctively deceptive title.

We simply appeal for fair play and a decent consideration of the hopeless plight in which this community will find itself if the measure carries. As citizens of outlying counties who will not have to pay a dollar of the debt imposed, we appeal to you to consider what would be your feelings if Multnomah County should try to impose a similar burden on you. Our interests in a general way are mutual.

It is our sincere judgment that the success of this measure will seriously retard, instead of promoting, the development of this port and that the state at large will in return suffer severely as a consequence.

Vote Measure Number 311 X No

Taxpayers Vigilance Committee

ROBT. J. LINDEN, Secretary