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**SAME CONTEMPTIBLE INSULT.**

The Portland Journal Takes to Task the Portland Oregonian.  
A perennial subject of protest and grumble, is taxation. Nobody, it seems, likes to pay taxes. But, as a rule, they who roar loudest about taxes pay least taxes, or none at all.—Oregonian.

This is the same contemptible insult that is always flung by the Oregonian into the teeth of any man, and a capitalist, who dares to murmur at the burden of taxation.

It, in the first place, is a vile slander upon honest manhood to assert that "nobody, it seems, likes to pay taxes."

Possibly the gentleman who penned the slur, and who attended so carefully to his own assessment, may speak by the card so far as his personal inclinations go, but it is an infamous declaration to accuse the entire community of citizenship.

The poor man of Portland is the most cheerful contributor to the city treasury. It has never yet happened and probably never will, that the man who is called upon for \$10 to \$50 or \$100 in taxes attempts to evade the liquidation of the claim by resort to courts of law. He contributes his stipend like a man, and there his obligation ends.

This class of taxpayers contributes seven-tenths of the expense of conducting the city, county and state administration, and The Journal is here to defend them from the foul aspersions cast upon their manhood by the autocrat who has so repeatedly made use of these and similar expressions.

The Journal published an excerpt from Mr. Chamberlain's speech and requested the Oregonian to explain, if Mr. Chamberlain spoke the truth, why certain officials were receiving, in some instances, nearly 10 times the compensation for their services contemplated by the law. Instead of making polite reply, the editor must resort to coarse infamy, and declarations false as they are cruel.

But it has ever been thus with that publication. It has brutally scourged the man of modest means.

It has assisted in the creation of outrageous taxation, and added to that burden its own monstrous profits in advertising at sheriff's sale the poor man's property, and if he dared to enter protest he has been unmercifully lashed by the tyrant whip of that rich man's mouthpiece.—Portland Journal.

**PAID ANOTHER'S DEBT.**

Sacrificed Everything He Had to Do It—George Chamberlain's Honor.

There is a pretty story in the life of George E. Chamberlain. He became a surety once for another, and in the course of time the other failed, and Mr. Chamberlain parted with everything he had in the world, including his own home, in order to pay the security debt. The incident is well-known to many of Mr. Chamberlain's friends throughout the Willamette Valley. The Portland Journal published it the other day, which is supposed to be the first time the incident has appeared in print. As told by the Journal the facts are as follows:

"The attempts of a local morning paper to cast slurs on George E. Chamberlain, the democratic candidate for governor, because he has not accumulated great wealth and is unable to spend thousands of dollars in his campaign, revives the story that is so well known in Linn county and throughout the Willamette Valley. Because this story is true; because all the people in the valley know it, and because George E. Chamberlain would do the same thing again under the same circumstances, are reasons why Linn county is expected to give him a thousand or

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1200 majority at the June election. The incident occurred nine years ago in the city of Albany.

"When the Linn County National Bank went into liquidation, Mr. Chamberlain had for some time been a resident of that city and had by diligent and wise practice of his profession accumulated some wealth.

"He had a beautiful home and had other assets, which made his total holding, as it is understood there, about \$20,000 in round numbers. Mr. Chamberlain has accommodated a friend by signing some notes, which were held in the Linn County National Bank. The bank failed. To protect his name and credit, he turned over all his property and every dollar he possessed in the world to discharge the obligation, which he had taken for another man, and then applied himself to the payment of the balance, refusing any proposition looking toward a settlement at less than 100 cents on the dollar plus the accrued interest. Although urged so to do, he refused to compromise any obligation under which he rested. The incident is cited by friends as indicative of his high sense of personal honor.—Corvallis Times.

**THE POLICY OF SCUTTLE.**

It is Not What the Portland Oregonian Makes Out It Is.

But does the candidacy of Mr. Chamberlain stand for what the Oregonian chooses to call "scuttle" (a term neither the Oregonian nor any body else has yet defined)? The only reasonable construction that can be put upon the word would seem to be that the United States authorities should pull up bag and baggage in the Philippines and vacate. This definition is not sustained by the democratic state platform or by the declaration of Mr. Chamberlain. In his Baker City speech Mr. Chamberlain said:

"The Philippine Archipelago and Porto Rico have been finally added to our territory by treaty. That they belong to the United States there can be no question, and now that their annexation has become an accomplished fact, we insist that the constitution of the United States ought to follow the flag, and that they should be treated in exactly the same way and manner as inland territory of the United States is treated. There should be absolute freedom of trade between this country and our insular possessions. It is our duty to educate the Filipino up to our standard civilization, and in due course fit him to participate in his own government and affairs.

"There is no reason why the products of our farm and our factory should not be sent to the Philippines, and in return their hemp, tobacco and sugar shipped to us free from any tariff charges. As long however, as the tobacco and sugar trusts dictate legislation in the halls of Congress, it is more than humanity can hope for to expect the tariff wall to be beaten down between this country and our possessions abroad.

"The platform adopted by the convention advocates this policy of treatment toward our insular possessions."

A man who stands on such broad principles as are outlined in the above certainly cannot be accused of advocating a retrograde policy, or of favoring "scuttle," and it is only the demagogue, the individual who has no argument to offer, who would resort to such rot.—The Dalles Times Mountaineer.

**John Lathrop's Figures.**

It has been very carefully figured out by callers at the democratic state headquarters that Chamberlain will win the state in his fight for governor. The interesting figures are those offered for east of the mountains. John E. Lathrop, publicity promoter of the state committee, received a bunch of figures and estimates from Thomas Crawford and others, and now says that Chamberlain will come through Eastern Oregon to Wasco county with a majority of about 1200 or 1500. Union county, heretofore democratic by about 135, is expected to swell this to 400; Baker county, formerly 150 democratic, is expected to go this higher, to even 500; Umatilla, normally 400 republican, is promised a stand-off, or 200 democratic; Walla, which is about 50 republican, is looked to come into the democratic column with 100 majority. Grant, Harney and Malheur will make up a democratic majority of 500 between them, while there will be a stand-off in Morrow, Crook, Sherman, Gilliam and Wheeler, Lake and Klamath are expected to break even.—Portland Telegram.

**That Awful Word of Scuttle.**

Scuttle is a awful handy word for the republicans at present. Wonder if they know what it means if it has any meaning at all.

Even Umatilla county, the home of the "Napoleon of finance," W. J. Furnish, who wants to be governor, is not solid for that gentleman, it is reported that a republican poll of the voters in Umatilla was made a few days ago and it was found that 600 republicans stated emphatically that

they would not vote for Furnish for governor. It would seem that the "prophet is not known in his own country, or if he is known, the knowledge of him is unfavorable.

Because he is an Eastern Oregon man does not assure W. J. Furnish, the republican candidate for governor, the entire support of Eastern Oregon at the polls next June, as some of the republican newspapers would have us believe. Other elements than sectionalism are in the campaign. It is a fight to the finish for the best man—the man of the people and for the people. What has W. J. Furnish ever done in politics but pull the leg of the people to feather his own nest while he was a democratic office-holder? Now as a turncoat he asks the republicans to elect him governor.—Times Mountaineer.

**Won't Be Led Away.**

We are told that the issues of 1902 are solely those of expansion-retention of the Philippines. It will be that the "issues" in Oregon and this city are those of economy of state government; of retrenchment in the matter of conducting the affairs of Portland and Multnomah county, and of landing men in office in no wise allied with a puny clique.

Broadness of purpose and spirit is requisite to good citizenship, and our friends the enemy will discover that plenty of this commodity has been stored away for use at this election.

The little fellows are making strenuous effort to distract the attention of the voters of this county and city from the true issue—to fasten the eyes of the public upon Manila while individual treasuries are despoiled; but the temperament of the people is so opposite to this desire that it will be strange, indeed if the entire outfit is not relegated to oblivion when the ballots have been cast.

The election in Oregon will have no effect in any manner on the situation so far as the retention of the Philippines is concerned. If half a dozen states should repudiate the government in this particular the Philippines would not be discarded.

Least of all would the election in a state of less than half a million population affect the conduct of a government of 80,000,000 people.

Let the voters of Portland and Multnomah county not be hoodwinked or deceived.

Reform in city and county administration is the crying need at this time.

Let the voter vote to vote his taxes down.—Portland Journal.

**Colonel Raley Will Win.**

On the authority of the political prophets, Colonel J. H. Raley, of Pendleton, candidate for attorney general, will pass under the wire a winner. The reason assigned for this is that his opponent, a lawyer in southern Oregon, is in disrepute with his brother attorneys all through the state, who are going to serenade him on election day with an anvil chorus, every reputable lawyer in Oregon wielding a hammer. The allegation against the republican candidate is that several years ago he was guilty of the unpardonable sin of swindling one of the "profess;" is so crooked and hoggish that he is not satisfied with removing the epidermis from the public generally but attempted to extend his operations to an attorney associated with him in a case. A law suit resulted, which is famous in the legal annals of Oregon.—Sumpter Miner.

**Report That It Cost \$2 to Register.**

In order that an elector can go to the polls and vote without question on election day, it is first necessary that he shall register before the 15th of May. In order to keep poor men who are incorruptible away from the polls republicans are industriously circulating the wicked lie, that before a voter can register he is taxed two dollars. This will deter many men whose means are limited. Every voter, no matter how poor, has the right to be registered free. No burden of any kind, increased taxes or otherwise, is created by reason of a man registering. Let every man register now before it is too late.

**A Friend of the Schools.**

Hon. Geo. E. Chamberlain is a friend of the schools of Oregon, and if elected governor, the democrat will vouch for the fact that the school text book will not be made up of politicians, as has been the policy of Governor Gear, but that the school teachers of the state will be properly represented. That is the kind of a man Mr. Chamberlain is. The election of Geo. E. Chamberlain will mean a business administration of the affairs of the state. Mr. Chamberlain's appointments will be of a high order. A keen observer he will appreciate the need of the state institutions being in hands of competent men.—Albany Democrat.

If you fail to register before May 15, you will not have the right to cast a ballot at the June election.

**FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE.**

The Roseburg Review So Considers George Chamberlain, Candidate for Governor.

If, as is now confidently expected, George E. Chamberlain be elected governor upon the second of June, he will need men of ability and integrity to assist him in the conduct of state affairs. He will need men in sympathy with his policy of honest administration of the people's business. He is a lawyer of distinction, but he will be busy with his onerous duties, and he will need a man as attorney-general who will advise him correctly upon legal questions needing careful investigation, who is well versed in the law, who is such a student as will go to the bottom of every subject referred to him for opinions.

When the state convention met, although there were several aspirants for the nomination, there was one who stood forth, even above the other excellent men, and was recognized as thoroughly qualified for the office of attorney-general. That man is Col. James H. Raley, of Pendleton. We quote here some words spoken in nominating Col Raley before the state convention:

"Select him, and he will strengthen the ticket here made up. Select him, and he will honor the commonwealth and you will not be sorry that you elected to the office now under consideration such a man who has a life record abounding in all that makes the character of the American citizen admirable. He has fought the Indians over the plains and hills of Eastern Oregon. He has assisted in the development of that empire that contributes so much to the glory of Oregon. He is pre-eminent among the members of his profession and has had experience as a senator of Oregon during eight years of incumbency. Gentlemen, the heart of Oregon pulsates today in response to the splendid tribute that was paid to Mr. Chamberlain here in this hall last evening. It was no perfunctory nomination, and I am assured by my observations, that it will be no perfunctory act, if you nominate for the office of attorney-general a man from Umatilla county, a brilliant lawyer, a staunch friend of the common people, a loyal democrat, but a man broader than any party, James H. Raley, of Umatilla."

Col. Raley's candidacy has been enthusiastically received by the people of the state. His splendid record as a legislator and his commanding position not only in the section east of the Cascades, but western and southernmost limits of the state, insure for him strong support. That he will receive a tribute of esteem and good will from all parts of the state, is one of the facts that will receive ample demonstration after the ballots have been counted upon the second of June.—Roseburg Review.

**Weatherford Is Sanguine.**

J. K. Weatherford of Albany, democratic nominee for Congress from the First District, was in Portland a few days ago. He has returned from a trip to Burns, Harney county, and also visited other counties en route. Mr. Weatherford brings glowing accounts of the progress of the democratic campaign in Eastern Oregon, where there is a landslide towards the entire ticket, with Chamberlain and Butcher in the lead. Mr. Weatherford will probably accompany Mr. Chamberlain and the other state candidates upon their tour through Lane and Linn counties, and will also canvass his district vigorously. He is in possession of information from many Western Oregon counties, which indicates steady growth of the sentiment in favor of the state democratic ticket, with practical assurances that Chamberlain will be largely in the majority.

**Lincoln and Grant.**

"The difference between the two democrats that are candidates for governor on the so-called republican and the so-called democratic ticket—neither of which names cover enough of the principles claimed and advocated by them respectively a few years ago to be recognized by the ghosts of Buchanan or Lincoln, or Tilden or Grant—is that Furnish, who was a Cleveland democrat, the worst kind of a democrat, bolted the nomination of Bryan and voted for McKinley. While Chamberlain voted for Bryan, the Abraham Lincoln of the present day, who is a far better representative of the principles on which Lincoln and Grant were elected than Cleveland, under whose principles he bolted Bryan, or McKinley for whom he voted."—Oregon State Journal.

**Chamberlain and Butcher.**

Two men on the democratic ticket seem to be causing the republican press a deal of trouble just now. They are Geo. E. Chamberlain and W. F. Butcher. Chamberlain's popularity covers the entire state, and will cause him to draw from the republican forces in every county, while Butcher is "swinging around the circle," getting acquainted and making friends throughout the district at a rate that is alarming. If he gains votes for the next four weeks as he has in the past two he will cut the republican majority of 9000 in the district down to a minority, sure.—Dalles Times Mountaineer.



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