

## Gives Views on Assembly

Editor Bandon Recorder: In view of the desperate attempt of the Coos Bay Times and other organizations and individuals, presumably more or less misguided and misinformed, to discredit the Republican Assembly and its candidates and policies, in the eyes of the people generally, I would call attention to some of the cardinal principles of our Constitution and laws for the purpose of guiding those who may read this letter to a better understanding of the issues and of the motives that actuate the parties holding opposite positions in such issues.

To begin with, it is charged that the Assembly plan is a deliberate attempt to re-establish the old "Convention System" and to destroy the efficacy of the Direct Primary; and although I have seen absolutely no argument put forth by any paper or by any speaker or other, to sustain such assertion, beyond the opinions of leading Democratic lawyers to the effect that an Assembly was unlawful under the Direct Primary law, which opinions carefully refrain from mentioning any law of Oregon that will assist their position, I deem it well to cite the Constitution and Laws themselves to show that Assemblies are contemplated and authorized by law, even by the sacred Direct Primary Law itself, and I refer to the Direct Primary Law in no sarcastic or disrespectful sense, believing it to be essentially a beneficial and remedial measure.

The Constitution of the United States, and of the various States, including Oregon, have embodied within them measures prohibiting any laws that might impair the freedom of the people peaceably to assemble or to exercise free speech or make expression of opinion by the press; this was deemed advisable by the framers of those great Organic laws, so loudly called upon by demagogues when necessary to advance their own interests and views, and quietly ignored or condemned as out of date when their identical provisions guarantee rights to the "other fellow" that Mr. Demagogue does not think bodes success to his particular project for the advancement of the interests of himself (described generally in his own vernacular, as "the people").

The Constitution of the United States provides in Article I of the Amendments, as follows:

Article I, Freedom of Religion, etc.

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Under the construction given to this clause by the Courts, it was deemed that the States themselves, as the repository of all sovereign power not delegated to the National Government, had reserved unto themselves the right to pass such laws and so each State embodied a provision in its Constitution forbidding the making of laws preventing the freedom of speech, forbidding the right of the people peaceably to assemble or abridging the freedom of religion and of the press; Oregon provided along this line among the provisions in her Constitution, Art. 1, Sec. 26, as follows:

"No law shall be passed restraining any of the inhabitants of this State from assembling together in a peaceable manner to consult for their common good."

These expressions are the Organic law of the land and cannot be defeated by any power on earth except the power of amendment inherent in the people and it is evident that such great rights as the right of Assembly, the right of Free Speech, the right of Freedom in Religious Belief and the right of a Free Press will never be taken away from the people by their own act; we, (it seems good that a Republican can speak of himself as one of the people even yet) value those rights as sacred things and it is to be hoped that we will

never relinquish them even for the delicious spite of ruining the Republican Party Organization.

We, the Republicans of this community and of this nation, are a part of the people, and I am rather proud to say that I believe we are to-day as in years past, the dominant portion of the people, the hope and bulwark of the Nation. The right to assemble is guaranteed to the Republican Party as well as to the Democrats or the Socialists or the Prohibitionists; recently a Socialist about to enter a Socialistic meeting attended by an out of town orator on Socialistic subjects, asked me "Is not the Assembly a plan to subvert the Direct Primary?" I believe the instance needs no comment; we have all witnessed the sight of a select few meeting for a sordid purpose on the one hand and condemning it in their neighbors on the other; these people have this right guaranteed by law, but why endeavor to brand it as unlawful or at least morally wrong in the Republicans? We are entitled to the same protection and the same rights as the parties who rank among their numbers a much greater proportion of the foreign born citizenry. Since the Direct Primary went into effect, the Democrats, Socialists and Prohibitionists have all held assemblies or conventions in State affairs and also in County affairs in most of the Counties; I will ask any Democrat who was there to deny that a meeting of a select few of their excellent party in Coquille, did select the candidates in the last election, prepare and circulate their petitions, and finally elect Democratic Sheriff, Assessor, County Judge and Representative from Coos County?

In the second place it is generally contended that the Direct Primary Law seeks to abolish party organization and that any action tending to maintain such organization is wrong. Let us see what the wisdom of the people has said in that great law which reads in part as follows: (laws of 1905, Page 7, Passed by Initiative and the Vote of the People. 56,285 votes for it and 16,354 votes against it)

### PREAMBLE

Under our form of government, political parties are useful and necessary at the present time. It is necessary for the public welfare and safety that every practical guaranty shall be provided by law to assure people generally as well as the members of the several parties that political parties shall be fairly, freely and honestly conducted, in appearance as well as in fact. The method of naming candidates for elective public offices by political parties and voluntary political organizations is the best plan yet found for placing before the people the names of qualified and worthy citizens from whom the electors may choose the officers of our government. The government of our State by its electors and the government of a political party by its members are rightfully based on the same general principles. Every political party and every voluntary political organization has the same right to be protected from the interference of persons who are not identified with it as its known and publicly avowed members, that the government of the State has to protect itself from the interference of persons who are not known and registered as its electors. It is as great a wrong to the people, as well as to the members of a political party, for one who is not known to be one of its members to vote or take any part at any election or other proceedings of such political party, as it is for one who is not a qualified and registered elector to vote at any State election or take any part in the business of the State. Every political party and voluntary political organization is rightfully entitled to the sole and exclusive use of every word of its official name. The people of the State and the members of every political party and voluntary political organization are rightfully entitled to know that every person who offers to take any part in the affairs or business of any political party or voluntary political organization in the State is in good faith a member

of such party. The reason for the law which requires a secret ballot when all the electors choose their officers, equally requires a secret ballot when the members of a party choose their candidates for public office. It is as necessary for the preservation of the public welfare and safety that there shall be a free and fair vote and an honest count as well as a secret ballot at primary elections, as it is that there shall be a free and fair vote and an honest count in addition to the secret ballot at all elections of public officers. All qualified electors who wish to serve the people in an elective public office are rightfully entitled to equal opportunities under the law. The purpose of the law is better to secure and to preserve the rights of political parties and voluntary political organizations and of their members and candidates, and especially of the rights above stated.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OREGON:

"The provisions of this law shall at all times be construed in such manner as shall make it operate as nearly as possible in accordance with the foregoing statement of the theory on which it is based, etc. etc."

The foregoing excerpt would not lead one to believe that the people of the State of Oregon had desired to destroy party organization and further, the same primary law provides that County Central Committees shall be elected, thus preserving by its spirit the organization of parties and their rights to organize and maintain organization. The County Central Committee of the Republican party in Coos County and the State Central Committee, each within its sphere calling assemblies of Republicans, were not self appointed committees of citizens usurping to themselves any function of party government, but the official representatives of the party, elected under the provisions of the Direct Primary Law, calling on loyal party men to assemble and confer for the selection of candidates and delegates. "In Organization there is strength"

and in the principles of the Grand Old Party are worth fighting for, then they are worth the effort of organization and do not deserve only the straggling support of the political guerilla who has no man to represent except himself, no principle to support except his own, no end to attain except the downfall of the party whose name he has usurped and who cannot be expected to yield that great degree of responsibility, possessed and borne by the man who represents an organization united for a principle.

Not but that the man who plays the guerilla may have high and lofty principles, but that the principles have more force, effect, weight and efficiency if backed and supported by organization.

I am,  
Yours for clean politics and a square deal,

G. T. TREADGOLD,  
Bandon, Oregon, July 11, 1910.

### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Ore.  
June 24, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Stonewall J. Wilson, of Bandon, Oregon, who, on August 27, 1903, made Homestead Entry No. 13019, Serial No. 03551, for SE 1-4 NE 1-4, NE 1-4 SE 1-4 of Section 7, and SW 1-4 NW 1-4 and NW 1-4 SW 1-4, Township 30 S., Range 14 W., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. D. Morse, U. S. Commissioner at Bandon, Oregon, on the 1st day of September 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
R. F. Cox, of Bandon, Oregon.  
R. P. Hunt, of " "  
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J. A. Cope, of " "  
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A. D. Morse, Referee,  
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