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CAMOUFLAGE

Camouflage is Mayor Lamkin's long suit. He is strong on cut and covering and putting out the poison gas screen. In fact, we think he is one of the champion political double-crossers on the Pacific coast. He is the one man in Ashland who seems able to round up both the W.C.T.U. and the pool hall element at the polls to vote the same ticket. That is some politics. Of course, he does not line them up solidly, but he gets a lot of them. Some of the W. C. T. U. ladies are onto his political curves and do not fall for it. Likewise, some of the pool hall gentry are wise and do not see how he can be both for and against them. He throws the bootleggers into jail one day and then solicits them for affidavits the next day against somebody he thinks he might, some day, need to politically damn. He is just naturally too smooth and oily for us. We don't see how he gets away with it.

Now he comes out with another camouflage, his "citizens' ticket," and "citizens' mass meeting." What citizens, pray? About a hundred whose names it took him three days, with several solicitors out, to get signed to his call for a "citizens' mass meeting." These solicitors went from house to house asking those who favored the Blake ticket to sign a petition asking him to "call a mass meeting of citizens." With so much thorough canvassing, we are at a loss to understand why this petition was signed by only one hundred "citizens." Surely that does not represent Blake's support in the town. We thought that bunch had at least a following of 250, and we think Blake would have a strong following did he not have to carry such a lot of camouflagers and smoke screen artists through the campaign. Blake, himself, is a fine fellow, but he is being swamped by the company he keeps.

This whole thing is so Lamkinish. We have been surfeited on it for the past ten years. Camouflage, playing to the galleries, devising it so as to look like one thing when it is another, having the people vote dry when they think they are voting for more water, fondling a pettifogger one day and firing him the next to make political capital, having himself appointed chairman of a republican congressional committee, and then supporting the democratic candidate for president, going into understandings with friends on political policies and then swapping them off at the crucial moment for a mess of political pottage. We can't understand how he gets away with it. To us it looks like rotten politics.

And now he comes forward with his "citizens' ticket." Why didn't he call a Blake-for-Mayor mass meeting? and have the "sinister influences" out in the open, sitting on the platform where folks could see them? No, sirree! That would not be Lamkinish. That would be playing the game too open and straightforward. It would not be "politics." That is not the Lamkin way. Well he knew that it would take some "politics" to get the W. C. T. U. and Briggs to sit on the same platform, in the same cause, at the same time, especially since the last recall election. Briggs was a sure thing for his ticket; in fact, he is quietly steering the Blake campaign, but the W. C. T. U. ladies were not so sure and certain; it must take a little smoke screening to tie them in, so he cunningly puts them on the platform and hides Briggs behind the scenes. Why didn't he put the fellows who write the Blake music, who pull the Blake string and who turn the Blake organ, up into the foreground in his "citizens' meeting"? Ah! there's the rub. He felt sure he could put the kibosh on the W. C. T. U. ladies, with a mere bodkin, and no doubt, so did Briggs, but they must have all agreed that it would not help their cause to stage the triplets where they could be seen and known and let them grind the music in the open while their candidate danced. That would not be Lamkinish, enough. That would not do.

So the campaign goes merrily on the Lamkin way. We think the trio triplets are too big and fat to be hidden behind such a gauzy smoke screen, even behind the ample skirts of the ladies of the W. C. T. U. That organization has been in the fight a long time. It has learned a few things about being double-rossed. To be perfectly frank, we don't think that kind of bunk will wash with Ashland women. They have too much good sense to be caught on such a flimsy hook. We think better headway can be made by appealing to their intelligence, not their prejudice.

Mr. Lamkin, if you have some real arguments why Briggs' candidate should be elected instead of Charlie Loomis, go in a straightforward way to the ladies and tell them. They have discriminating minds and sound judgment and will analyze it. Don't try to treat them like babies by holding up a tin rattle before

them and trying to hand them a pacifier on which to cut their teeth. Mr. Lamkin, their teeth have been cut long ago. You will discover that next Tuesday.

WHAT ABOUT SURPLUS FUNDS?

Readers may wonder why, in the city budget printed yesterday, no reference was made to the electric light and water departments. We are told that these departments are self supporting and therefore need not be considered in the budget. That is true. The water and light systems are fine paying departments. Not only do they pay their upkeep and interest and sinking funds on the water and light bonds, but return a fine profit over that. Just how much we don't know. Nobody, aside from the treasurer and city council, and likely the city recorder, for all reports are filed in her office, knows just how much they do earn or what is done with the surplus, if any, or how this surplus is invested, or whether it is just lying in the banks drawing a pittance of income, as a special favor to the banks. No statement is ever published. For all the people know, there may be more than a hundred thousand of dollars of such surplus on hands drawing 2 per cent of interest on daily balances instead of four, or more, or a great quantity of these surplus funds may have been diverted to other uses, for all we know. Maybe the \$18,000 bond issue asked by the council some time ago was for the purpose of replacing these diverted funds back where they belong and where the law says they should be left. Who knows? We don't. Maybe that is why the people voted down the bond issue. At least, we do know that is the reason many people now are dissatisfied with the apparent secrecy surrounding the city funds and want to be informed of the subject. That is why hundreds will vote for Sylvester Patterson for treasurer, who would otherwise vote for Eubanks. They want to know and they should know. If Sylvester Patterson is elected treasurer, he says he intends to let the people know. That suits us.

In a letter mailed to citizens by his managers, Briggs, Lamkin & Company, Dr. Blake is made to say, "The matter of first importance is the water question. The water should be so protected that it will not need chlorination." Well, Messrs. Briggs, Lamkin & Company, your candidate has been a member of the council the past two years. Why didn't he keep the water that way then? What wonderful hokus pokus have you now applied that you couldn't last year and the year before? Surely, you would not be a party to having your candidate make future promises which he either could not, or would not, carry out when he had the power, the past two years. Now, Messrs. Briggs, Lamkin & Company, the Tidings is very much in favor of just what you are now causing Dr. Blake to promise, the protection of Ashland's water supply, but we cannot understand what virtue it is that has so suddenly struck Blake amidsthip with such force, since he became your candidate for mayor, that he did not possess while a member of the council the past two years. We are in favor of the move, but we believe it will take Charlie Loomis and his council to make it.

Messrs. Briggs, Lamkin & Company, if your candidate was not able to get more water and fix it so it would not need chlorine as councilman the past two years, how do you figure he can do it as mayor? The

LOOMIS TICKET

- For Mayor
CHARLES L. LOOMIS
- For City Council
S. A. PETERS, SR.
M. C. LININGER
DR. R. L. BURDIC
H. G. WOLCOTT
MRS. W. M. BARBER
MRS. W. J. WALLACE
- For City Recorder (Indorsed)
GERTRUDE BIEDE
- For City Treasurer
SYLVESTER PATTERSON
- For Members Park Board (Indorsed)
HAL McNAIR
MRS. F. D. WAGNER
A. C. NININGER

CITIZENS' TICKET

- For Mayor
DR. W. E. BLAKE
- For City Council
G. M. FROST
C. H. PIERCE
A. C. JOY
IRVING E. FINLEY
L. A. MOSS
A. M. BEAVER
- For City Treasurer
G. G. EUBANKS
- For City Recorder
GERTRUDE BIEDE

council has more power in such matters than the mayor. You fellows have "joked" us and barked us so much in the past that we are now like the man from Missouri. We have to be shown.

It is rumored on the streets that there will be some very plain talk at the Loomis-for-Mayor meeting tonight at the Armory, on "Why Jesse Winburn did not build the hotel." Looks like it would be a warm meeting.

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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Editor of the Tidings:
We, the railroad people of Ashland, wish to thank Mr. Loomis in appreciation of the kindly things he said of us in his speech at the Civic club building last Monday. We are glad to know that some one feels that we are not altogether a saloon element, or an inferior class of people. Mr. Loomis has a big heart and a soul, if he is a "legless thing" as some of the Ashland "500" have so unkindly called him.

We also want to thank Mr. Gates

of Medford for his few remarks in our behalf. A gentleman of high standing in Medford made the remark that if Ashland did not want the railroad people, they would be glad to have them all move up there, that they would consider them a big asset to the community, as well as a benefit socially. He also said they would gladly have Jesse Winburn if Ashland did not want him. So I say, railroad people, let us boost for Mr. Loomis and if some one will show us how to make an X, I think we know where we want to put it on the ballot.
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C. M. THOMAS

C. M. Thomas, our candidate for Circuit Judge, has made a record during his residence in Jackson County, Oregon, which commends him to every law-abiding citizen as the proper person to be elected Circuit Judge. His record in the Legislature and in the State Senate and as School Director has always been right. He has always stood for law enforcement, for the enforcement of all the laws for all the people, not some of the laws against some of the people and for a violation of some of the laws by other people.

E. E. KELLY

E. E. Kelly's record in Jackson County is such that no person who stood for the enforcement of the Prohibition Law could possibly support him for the office of Circuit Judge. His entire record and especially his record as District Attorney has been and was such as to ally him definitely and absolutely as a sympathizer of the liquor traffic and most of the men who are going about the district campaigning for him are known sympathizers of said illegal liquor traffic. We have a wet Sheriff and a wet District Attorney campaigning for E. E. Kelly. His campaign managers have always been wet and are so now.

OUR APPEAL

We appeal to every law-abiding citizen of both Jackson and Josephine Counties to work for and support C. M. Thomas for the office of Circuit Judge. A man in whose integrity, honesty and good character we have the utmost confidence. A man in whom our confidence is increasing every day because of the campaign he is making, demonstrating that he is a man of clean character, judicial temperament and in every way qualified to fill the office of Circuit Judge.

The campaign of E. E. Kelly and his followers has been the most malicious and vindictive campaign we have ever known to be carried on in the State of Oregon. In contrast is the campaign of C. M. Thomas, one of the cleanest campaigns we have ever seen carried on in this state. Unlimited sums of money are being expended in Kelly's behalf.

We say to all the Christian people that it is their duty to lay aside at this time all other occupations and devote their time to securing the election of Mr. Thomas as Circuit Judge.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION OF MEDFORD, OREGON

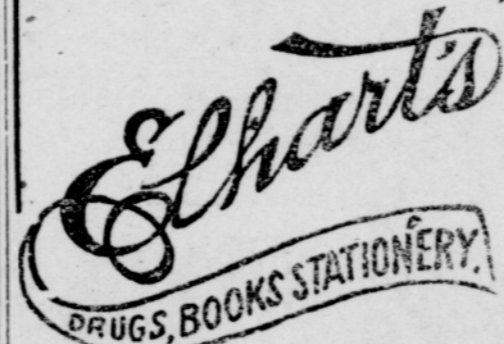
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Who Offers Best Chance for Tax Relief

There are two candidates for Governor, both claiming that the vital problem before the people of the State of Oregon is the problem of tax reduction and equalization.

The Republican candidate, Mr. Olcott, made this discovery two years ago and, at that time, in a special message to the legislature, asked permission to appoint a committee for the purpose of making a complete investigation of the situation and devising ways and means for remedying whatever unnecessary tax burdens or tax inequalities that might exist.

The Democratic candidate, Mr. Pierce, was appointed on this committee by Governor Olcott, and it was not until that committee had been at work for over a year, and he had become a candidate for Governor, that Mr. Pierce made the discovery that the tax question was a good campaign issue. Mr. Olcott discovered it two years before without any intention of making it a campaign issue.

Which man then is apt to be most sincere in his conviction, especially in view of the fact that Mr. Pierce as a legislator is responsible, by his own bills, and votes of approval, for 95 per cent of the state tax burden?

REPUBLICANS ON RECORD

Moreover, the entire Republican party in Oregon is on record through its delegates to a state convention, as being with Governor Olcott in his plan to effect reductions and equalizations in the tax burden. The State platform, adopted at that convention, says:

"We believe that the vital issue in this campaign, is the question of decreasing and equalizing the tax burden. The Republican party in this state recognized this necessity at the last regular session of the legislature two years ago and, at the request of the Governor, Ben W. Olcott, authorized the appointment of a committee to investigate the matter and make recommendations, in order that the next legislature might have something definite and concrete to enable it intelligently to pass genuinely constructive laws upon this subject.

(1) "We pledge ourselves to legislation which will bring to the assessment rolls vast amounts of property, real and personal, now omitted therefrom, thereby relieving the burden of those who are now paying all the taxes.

(2) "We pledge ourselves to legislation vesting in the state tax commission plenary power to effect equal primary assessments, thus equalizing property assessments between individual tax payers, and thus further decreasing the burden of the man who now pays all the taxes.

(3) "We favor the abolition of useless boards and commissions and the consolidation of departments to prevent duplication and we pledge ourselves to a definite and equitable plan for the retirement of the State's outstanding bonded indebtedness where no definite provision for its retirement has already been made and we refuse to submit proposals for further bond issues at special elections."

CANDIDATES ALSO PLEDGED

Governor Olcott and all the Republican legislative candidates are pledged definitely to the tax reduction program. Who, then, is likely to give to the people of Oregon needed relief in this matter—Ben W. Olcott, who originated the tax reduction idea, two years ago, and a solid Republican legislature backing a Republican Governor in his plans, or Walter Pierce, with an official record as a salary booster and a tax booster, that has no equal in the legislative annals of Oregon? During his campaign, Mr. Pierce has advanced first one idea and then another, all of which have been proven absolutely fallacious, impractical and apparently propounded without any consideration except that as a bait for catching votes.

Mr. Olcott, on the other hand, is standing four-square on the Republican State Platform and will be backed by a Republican State Legislature, working in harmony with him on the statement of facts that will be set forth in the report of the tax investigation commission, which Governor Olcott appointed and which commission, at the time of its appointment, was referred to by the Oregon Journal as "appointments that are most excellent."

We believe the sane, conservative, thoughtful voters of the State of Oregon will take no chances on any wild ideas advocated during the heat of an election campaign, but will trust their problem to the man who first discovered it and who started the machinery in motion to remedy it, two years before there was any campaign in operation, and at a time when he was not thinking of being a candidate for re-election.

The hope of the tax payer in getting some relief, not only from state taxes, but from local taxes, through changes in assessment laws, lies in the election of Ben W. Olcott, backed as he will be by a Republican legislature and a Republican state organization, pledged by a platform to accomplish this end.

REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Walter L. Tooze, Jr., Chairman
Adv.

C. E. Ingalls, Secretary

A word to all women who bake—

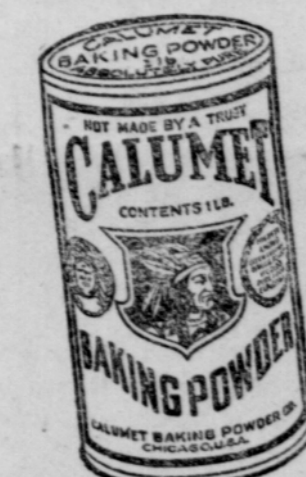


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