

SAMPLE BALLOT FOR PRECINCT, LANE COUNTY, OREGON, JUNE 1st, 1908

Mark between the Number and Name of Each Candidate or Answer Voted For.

STATE AND DISTRICT

Table of candidates for State and District positions including Justice of the Supreme Court, Oregon Dairy and Food Commissioner, and Prosecuting Attorney for the Fourth District.

COUNTY

Table of candidates for County positions including Representatives, County Treasurer, Assessor, School Superintendent, Sheriff, and Judge.

PRECINCT

Table for Precinct Justice of the Peace and Constable positions.

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Table of referendum questions 304-307 regarding amendments to the Constitution.

REFERENDUM ORDERED BY PETITION OF THE PEOPLE.

Table of referendum questions 312-315 regarding county expenses and railroad regulations.

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TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF OREGON

Daily it is becoming apparent that there is a disposition on the part of certain individuals to overthrow the Primary elections law...

In the palmy days of Oregon's political machine, of which they were integral parts and benefactors, these conspirators were the political usurers in the politics and government of the State...

The names of Oregon's machine politicians, living and dead, rise in the memory of the people as witnesses to this truth. But those now living and who would revitalize in order to ornament and adorn Oregon's political past...

The pretext for justification upon which this anti-Statement No. 1 conspiracy is based is the assertion that the Primary Law destroys party organization and therefore, upon such pretext, is predicated an appeal to party prejudice...

Let us try this issue out again between the would-be party bosses, big and little, and the electorate, to finally determine whether the boss shall furnish us with our party faith...

In response to the frantic appeals to party prejudice invoked against the Primary Law and Statement No. 1, it is well to call attention to the fact that Lincoln said this nation had been brought forth and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal...

President Roosevelt has said: "A party is of worth only in so far as it promotes the National interests, and every officer, high or low, can serve the party best by rendering to the people the best service of which he is capable..."

Washington, in his farewell address said, "Let me warn you in the most solemn manner

against the baneful effects of the spirit of party generally. This spirit, unfortunately, is inseparable from our nature, having its roots in the stronger passions of the human mind...

I have made these quotations for the purpose of holding up the mirror to those "calculating Republicans" who are howling for party organization, by which they mean only party machine...

Neither Statement No. 1 nor the Primary Elections Law is the perfect instrument of government that their advocates and defenders desire; but they have proven as reasonably effective as their hampering environments will permit...

As pointed out many times, heretofore, Statement No. 1 does not pretend to penalize disobedience to its mandates by the infliction of corporate punishment in goods or person...

The men who were instrumental in engraving upon the political system of Oregon this desideratum are in the very highest sense of the term Republicans by nature, the character of whose achievements demonstrates exactly where they belong...

I advise my friends and constituents in Oregon in their own interest, in the interest of cleaner politics, in the interest of true Republicanism, in the interest of completely enfranchised and ideal American citizenship...

Respectfully, JONATHAN BOURNE, Jr. February 15, 1908.



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