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**SELLING TO WORK FOR
RECLAMATION FUND**

Will Labor to Secure Just
Share of Funds Belonging
to Oregon.

The people of Oregon have the un-
qualified promise of Ben Selling, Re-
publican direct primary nominee for
United States Senator, that, if elect-
ed, he will labor to secure for Oregon
its just share of the reclamation fund.
In the thorough tour Mr. Selling has
made of the state in the last six
weeks, he has seen the extent to
which the settlement and develop-
ment of many sections have been ser-
iously retarded as a consequence of
the diversion to other states of funds
properly belonging to Oregon. Dis-
cussing this subject upon his return
from Eastern Oregon, Mr. Selling
said:

"Although the people of Eastern
Oregon have made remarkable strides
in the development of that section in
recent years, both the settlement and
development work have been seriously
retarded through the loss to the
state of its just share of the reclama-
tion service fund. The disbursement
of this fund has not been made in ac-
cordance with the plan contemplated
at the time it was established. Moneys
received from the sales of public lands
in Oregon have been diverted to other
states, thereby depriving this state of
funds badly needed and to which the
state was entitled for irrigation pro-
jects. The result has been that sev-
eral projects have not been completed.
For the same reason, urgent appeals
by Oregon citizens for the initiation
of other projects have been turned
down.

"Aside from the injustice resulting
to the state from the misappropriation
of these funds, the loss to the state
and the serious handicap imposed
against its development are only em-
phasized after visiting that portion of
the state east of the mountains and
observing what has been accomplish-
ed with the limited number of projects
in operation. With the money receiv-
ed from the reclamation fund, arid
land that produced only sage brush,
has been converted into productive
fields and orchards. The worth of ir-
rigation has been demonstrated and
the people of Oregon are justified in
demanding that the handicap under
which they are laboring be removed
and the state given its proper share
of this fund, which was established
by the government primarily to aid
in the settlement of arid lands.

"Blessed with bounteous crops of
all kinds and a remunerative market
for their products, the people of east-
ern Oregon are a prosperous and con-
tented lot. The grain crop in virtu-
ally every section has been a bumper
one, the yield exceeding the record-
making crop of 1907. The farmer,
merchant and laborer are uniformly
optimistic. They have every reason
to be."

PRIMARY LAW REPUDIATED

People Should Insist That Candidates
Abide by Results.

Does the direct primary law mean
anything to Oregon voters? Do the
people desire to preserve this law?
Admittedly the only way to maintain
and strengthen this popular law is
to abide by its results.

Senator Bourne was defeated fairly
and squarely for the Republican nom-
ination for United States Senator by
Ben Selling in the Republican primary
election. Later Bourne was turned
down by the state convention of the
Progressive party when he sought that
party's nomination.

In becoming an independent candi-
date, Bourne repudiates the direct pri-
mary law and asks the voters to in-
dorse that repudiation by electing him.
But we do not think the electors of
this state will be parties to adjusting
the direct primary law to meet the
whims of Senator Bourne or any other
disappointed office-seeker. The pre-
vailing sentiment among voters is that
since Bourne participated in the pri-
mary election, he is inconsistent and
entirely unwarranted in seeking to
defeat the result of the nominating
election.

One Issue in Senatorial Contest.

In this campaign the voter should
not allow himself to be confused by
the literary contributions of Senator
Bourne's publicity department. There
is only one issue involved in the sena-
torial contest. It is plain and unmis-
takable. Senator Bourne, in becoming
an independent candidate, has repudi-
ated the direct primary law and asks
the voters of the state to indorse his
course. Ben Selling, the direct pri-
mary nominee, stands for the strict
observance of that law which he as-
sisted to give to the people.

Shall the direct primary law be sus-
tained in the election next month? A
vote for Bourne, bolting independent
candidate, is a vote to repudiate that
law. A vote for Selling, the direct
primary nominee, is a vote to preserve
that law.

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**Canal Benefits
Roosevelt's Aim**

COLONEL'S ELECTION ASSURES
PROSPERITY IN WEST.

Progressive Party Sentiment on
Pacific Coast Largely Based Upon
Desire of People to See
First Ideals Win.

One of the main reasons why
Roosevelt sentiment is so pronounced
in the Northwest, and particularly in
Oregon, is because the people of this
section realize that Colonel Roosevelt
was the man who made possible the
building of the Panama canal, and
all that this means to the Pacific
Slope states. It was due to the in-
domitible perseverance of Mr. Roose-
velt that the United States acquired
the Canal Zone, and it was likewise
due to his energy and forceful lead-
ership that the early progress upon
the big ditch was of such a nature
that the following administration was
enabled to make extremely rapid
headway.

If this were not alone sufficient
to assure Roosevelt the support of
the Northwest, which will benefit in
many ways by the completion of the
canal, the words of the Progressive
Party platform promise even more
for the West. "We demand that the
canal shall be so operated as to
break the transportation monopoly
now held and misused by the trans-
continental railroads," declares this
document—and the victory of Mr.
Roosevelt at the polls means that
this will be carried out.

He Forced Canal Through.

In forcing the construction by the
United States of the Panama canal,
and in making United States control
possible at the Isthmus, Mr. Roose-
velt built far better than he knew.
He was planning for the future when
he took a hand in this work, plan-
ning for the future of the Pacific
Slope and the Northwest. Now, many
years later, he finds that these plans
of his are in danger of being stultified
by the laxity of the present Taft
regime in Washington, and he also
finds the people looking to him as
their champion to step back into
power and see that original ideas
are carried out.

Just as surely as the Northwestern
states are preparing for the influx
of business and settlers that will fol-
low the opening of the Panama
Canal, it will be found that their
people are also planning to make the
canal of service to them by placing
in office as national executive the
man and the party that will develop
to the fullest the dreams and hopes
of Atlantic-Pacific trade. Oregon
people in particular realize that the
canal will not be of benefit to them
unless canal affairs are administered
as originally planned, and they be-
lieve that the safest way to guarantee
such administration is to elect Theo-
dore Roosevelt as president, and to
place in office as his aides candidates
upon the Progressive Party ticket all
down the line.

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**DIFFERENT TYPES
OF PROGRESSIVES**

The direct primary law means some-
thing to Paul Clagstone, prominent
progressive Republican of Idaho. In
the recent primary election in that
state, Mr. Clagstone was defeated for
the Republican nomination for gov-
ernor by a plurality of less than 100.
Immediately following the primary,
he was urged by Roosevelt, personally
and the Bull Moose leaders of Idaho
to renounce his Republicanism and
become the candidate of the Progres-
sive party for the same office in the
general election. The reply of Mr.
Clagstone to their appeals is respect-
fully commended to the consideration
of Senator Bourne and his friends. It
follows:

"Two conditions seem to form abso-
lutely impassable obstacles to my ac-
cording to Roosevelt's request that I
run for governor and this is not only
my own judgment but that of my most
trusted friends.

"One is the fact that I continued a
candidate in the Republican primaries
to the end and cannot with any degree
of justice again become a candidate
before the people in this campaign.
Not only would I be condemned by the
great majority of right thinking men,
but I should be untrue to myself as
well."

Primary Foundation of Oregon System

In becoming an independent candi-
date to succeed himself, Senator
Bourne has flatly repudiated the direct
primary law. This measure is the
very foundation of the Oregon system
of which Bourne has been an avowed
champion. But this is not the first
time he has repudiated this establish-
ed law of the people. Two years ago
he openly urged Republicans to sup-
port the Democratic nominee for gov-
ernor as against the Republican candi-
date who was regularly nominated
under the direct primary. To Senator
Bourne the direct primary is a sacred
institution so long as it serves his
selfish political ambitions. But when
it fails to render that service, then he
advises its repudiation.

BOURNE FAIRLY DEFEATED

Repudiates Direct Primary Law by
Becoming Independent Candidate.

Ben Selling received the Republican
nomination for United States Senator
in a fair and square contest under
the direct primary law. Senator
Bourne was defeated fairly and
squarely in the same election. Are
the voters going to sustain the direct
primary by supporting Selling, the
direct primary nominee, or will they
give their support to Bourne and re-
pudiate that law? Oregon voters will
not be parties to any such prostitution
of this fundamental law of the Oregon
system. They should accept the result
of the primary nominating election
and vote for Selling, who actively
participated in preparing and enacting
all legislation which has secured to
Oregon its present system of popular
government.

Bourne is Inconsistent.

The inconsistency of Bourne is ex-
emplified in his independent candidacy
for the senatorship. Bourne vigor-
ously champions the direct primary so
long as he and his friends receive fa-
vorable recognition and coveted politi-
cal office. But when the other fellow
wins out under the operation of the
same law, Bourne is the first to re-
pudiate the system and to urge its
repudiation by the electorate. Bourne
cannot justify his independent candi-
dacy. In entering the contest for the
senatorship, he proves himself an en-
emy of the direct primary of which
he is the professed friend and defend-
er.

SELLING IS PROGRESSIVE

People Approved His Record by Plur-
ality of 6500 Over Bourne.

Ben Selling received the Republican
nomination in the direct primary elec-
tion by a plurality of 6500 over Sen-
ator Bourne. Mr. Selling made the
race on his record as a progressive.
He submitted his record as a pioneer
and consistent advocate and support-
er of progressive legislation in this
state. The people approved that record
and nominated him. In the pri-
maries, Mr. Selling carried 27 of the
34 counties, as against four for
Bourne and three for Judge Stephen
A. Lowell, of Pendleton, who is active-
ly supporting the Republican nominee.
Mr. Selling is today standing on the
same record and platform that won
for him the nomination. He is entitled
to the vote of every elector who be-
lieves in popular government as it is
typified in Oregon's progressive laws.

Preservation of Primary Involved.

It is Ben Selling and the preserva-
tion of the direct primary law or Jona-
than Bourne and the repudiation of
the direct primary law. Mr. Voter,
take your choice.

There is no disguising the issue. It
is Selling and the direct primary on
one hand and Jonathan Bourne and
its repudiation on the other. The sit-
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