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WHAT IS A PROGRESSIVE?

A few days ago we received a letter from a so-called progressive club asking for opinion on some questions. Another letter from what is normally thought to be a conservative organization made similar inquiry as to our opinions which brings to mind again the problem that has been discussed to some extent for the past two or three years: What is a progressive, a liberal, a conservative, a reactionary?

Simply, a progressive is one who progresses or believes in principles that lead toward progress and it is a satisfying conclusion until some one raises the question, what is a progressive? Then a progressive becomes one who is bound in the same direction as the speaker. If one made progress along the route of return to older forms of belief he would be a progressive-reactionary.

Then there are the terms liberal and conservative. The former term when applied to money means generous, naturally, and from that meaning a liberal government would be one that was a free spender, presumably of taxpayer money. When applied to thought liberal is used to designate one willing to listen to all sides and grant to opponents the privilege of dissent without doubting their motives. A conservative is one who is doubtful of change, who believes things should be kept as they are unless good reason can be shown for amending the present order.

From these four words many different political theories may be given fairly accurate description and with the addition of the term, radical, almost every idea may be given a complete name.

The four words commonly used to designate opinion on any political subject are, in the order of greatest desire for change, radical, progressive, conservative and reactionary. Liberal is truly a modifying word used to show that one is not set in his or her ways beyond conviction by opponents if the weight of argument is impressive. Liberal is the term applied to those who retain an open mind. One might be a liberal radical or a liberal reactionary.

Many political ideas have worked through the entire list of terms. In the first forty years of our history radical was the term applied to those who believed in universal suffering and the ascendancy of the common people; the aristocrats were in control. Jackson was swept into power by the western agrarians with greater decentralization of authority as one of his theories. Now one is called a reactionary who opposes centralization of authority in the executive branch of the government. The terms are not stable and one who is truly radical in youth may be a reactionary in age without changing his ideas one iota.

A true democracy is a form of government where each citizen has a voice in the management of public affairs. That is, of course, impossible in a country as large and as populous as ours so power is delegated to chosen representatives of the people. It seems that any idea that would invest power in the people as fast as they were able to handle it would be truly progressing toward democratic government. For democratic government must be the people's government.

All the terms applied to forms of political thought are meaningless to a degree when considered over a long period of years. The criterion by which ideas and issues should be judged is whether or not they give to the people the power they may expect under a democratic form of government. If we hope to retain the democracy we have worked for we must be jealous of our rights as individual members of the state and our rights to influence all branches of our government. Ideas that restrict the power of the people are not democratic and should be judged accordingly whether branded radical or reactionary or some of the intermediate terms.

The Oregonian announces increased liquor sales on the front page and prints a picture partly turned around on page three. Just as a matter of proof, presumably.

They should save that coach Jones down in Louisiana. Apparently he is the only man in the state.

It's bad enough for Portland police to have to watch the remainder of the population without having to keep an eye on other policemen, special or regular.

According to the weather bureau longer days will begin Saturday afternoon, although it will be several days before the change is noticeable. It may be colder next month but with the sun coming our way it won't be long till the grass is green.

The DeJonge case is on its way up to the supreme court. May it settle once and for all the question whether Communists can talk or not.

Grass Valley

Herman and Henry Peters and Art Bibby drove to Goldendale Sunday to attend the funeral of Jacob Crocker, former grain dealer at Kent.

L. V. Walton and wife were attendants at the funeral of Jacob Crocker Sunday at Goldendale.

Ted von Borstel caught his third finger in the pump jack Sunday and mashed it up pretty badly, but expects it to come out alright.

Mrs. James Dennis who was seriously burned last week is getting along very well considering the extent of the burns.

Mrs. Edna Purcell, teacher of the Rutledge school, will leave the last of the week for Vancouver where she will spend the holidays with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Bibby left for Portland Monday morning by car. Mrs. W. E. Garrett is very ill at her home here.

Charles Olds left for California this week expecting to spend the larger share of the winter in a more sunny climate.

Harold Hughes was in Portland Saturday night to preside as toastmaster at a banquet for members of the Blue Key, a national honorary scholastic society.

A shower was given for Mrs. Alvin Balzer Friday of last week at the Deff Olds home.

Miss Betty Olds was surprised Wednesday night with a birthday party at which her school mates were present.

Topic of conversation the past week has been the purchased by neighbors of the Jack Rucker cattle.

Kent News

Those who were entertained at the A. A. Dunlap home Thursday evening for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Knighten and children from Moro, Vern Mobeley, Carl Plumcke, Clarice Mitchell and Helen Wilson, the occasion being Mr. Dunlap and daughter Margaret's birthday anniversary. The young folks attended the show in Grass Valley later in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kawada of Echo are living here temporarily. Mr. Kawada is section foreman while Mr. Dellinger is in the hospital.

R. Abell received his annual shipment of Christmas trees Tuesday afternoon.

Kent people attending the funeral of Jacob Crocker at Goldendale, Washington, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis and daughter Evelyn and son Warren, and Mrs. Ida Davis.

Kent Grange No. 688 will hold their next regular meeting all day on Saturday December 22. All members urged to be present, for installation of officers.

Arnold Dellinger visited his father over the week end who is ill in The Dalles.

George Witter was a passenger on Saturday night train for Portland to see a niece who is ill there also to visit other relatives during the Christmas holidays.

Ted Kelly and Richard Sather went to Portland Monday and returned Wednesday.

W. B. Wilson and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz received a telegram Wednesday announcing the death

of their father John K. Wilson in Tennessee. Mr. Wilson made a trip to Oregon in 1923 and will be remembered by a number of Kent people. He has a number of nephews and nieces here.

Irene Pottratz went to Condon Saturday to visit relatives returning Sunday.

RUFUS SCHOOL NOTES

By Georgians Blackburn

The boys' basketball team won its second game from Arlington when they played here, December 14. This game was to be played at Arlington but because of boiler trouble it was played here. The line-up was as follows: Lynden Guilford, Shirley Eakin, Joe Morris, Earl Williams, and Thomas Macnab. The final score was 37-17.

The boys' second teams of Rufus and Arlington played here December 14. The score was 40 to 20 in favor of Arlington.

The girls played their first basketball game with Arlington here on December 14. The first half of the game was played by the three court system and the two court system was used in the last half. The starting line-up was: Coats, Thompson, Balkburne, Macnab, Millard and Burnett. However quite a few substitutes were used. The final score was 20 to 17 in favor of Rufus.

Wily Knighten and Perry Johnston were at Rufus on the 14th to see those who were interested in club work. A large number were interested in forestry and have chosen Mr. Wilkerson as their club leader. They expect to organize quite soon. Unlike the other forestry clubs in the county this one seems to be made up entirely of girls.

Almost everyone is now busily working on some part of the Christmas program to be given December 20th.

The high school plans to go caroling December 21. After this a party is to be given at the school house to which the alumni are invited. Both the boys and the girls will contribute something for the evening's entertainment.

The 7th and 8th grades are putting on the play "Pied Piper of Hamelin" at the Christmas program.

All the children are now looking forward to the Christmas vacation and Christmas Eve when they hope Santa Claus will come with his bag of toys.

The English IV class is working hard to get the next issue of the "Arrowhead" published.

Catherine Tom plans to give a New Year's party on December 31, to which the majority of the high school plans to go.

Ina Jones was hostess to a birthday party in honor of Lila Morris, December 15. The evening was spent in dancing and playing games.

The boy's basketball team played Kent here December 18. The line-up was Guilford, Eakin, Simmons, Williams and Macnab. The score was 47 to 26 in Rufus' favor.

The girls basketball team won its first county game when they played Kent December 18. The line-up was: Macnab, Burnett, Mathieson, Coats, Thompson and Blackburne. Quite a few substitutions were made. The final score was 22 to 11.

The band has now received a bass horn and Bobby Macnab has taken over the task of playing it.

The 7th and 8th grade girls sold candy at the ball games, December 18. This money goes into the Girl's League fund for fixing the library.

News from the Wasco Community

Mrs. Phil Yates assisted by Mrs. A. S. Johnson entertained at the home of Mrs. Yates honoring Mrs. Kate Johnson on her 86th birthday last Friday from 2 until 5 o'clock when 54 guests brought greetings, and listened to old songs rendered by Mrs. A. S. Johnson, Mrs. Lloyd Hennagin and Mrs. Maude Akers. Mrs. C. W. Johnson, Mrs. A. T. Stryker, Mrs. Walter Medler, Mrs. E. Dingle and Mrs. Fred Fortner poured while Mrs. J. S. Brock, Mrs. J. T. Johnson assisted in serving.

Mrs. George Wilde was hostess for the P. N. G. club on Tuesday evening of last week. Five hundred was the diversion of the evening. Mrs. Robinson of Portland receiving guest prize, and Mrs. S. J. Brock high score, and Mrs. Roy Belashe the consolation prize for the ladies and Roy Belashe high score for the gentlemen with Dick Yocum receiving low score.

The Klondike Community club met with Mrs. William Walker. A social afternoon was enjoyed.

Mrs. Dick Yocum entertained at a birthday party honoring her daughter Shirley Yocum on Monday of last week. Twelve guests came to spend the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Loomis of Fossil spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Art Barzee.

The Garden Club met for their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Hugh Walker on Tuesday of last week. The topic for discussion was on the care of house plants.

Steve McMillan has a new Oldsmobile.

The Tuesday Study club held their Christmas program and regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Orville Yocum and Mrs. Leo Watkins as joint hostesses. Rev. Cookingham gave a talk the life of Paul the Apostle, Mrs. Leo Watkins, and Mrs. Maude Akers sang solos. Toys were sent to the Doernbecher hospital.

The W. C. T. U. handkerchief shower held at the parsonage on last Wednesday gave a pleasant afternoon to those attending. Mrs. Dillinger of Dufur was an out of town guest and speaker. Rev. Cookingham addressed the meeting after which the Junior girls sang Christmas carols. Miss Beryl Sheets rendered a piano solo while refreshments were being served.

Mrs. G. M. Tuel, mother of Mrs. Dixon of Portland, returned home Tuesday of last week, accompanied by Marian Tuel.

Mrs. Claude Eaton entertained the 600 card club Thursday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Morehouse received club prize and Mrs. Rust guest prize.

The Friday Study Club met at the home of Mrs. Augusta Harkin with Mrs. Louis Scholl assisting. Mrs. H. H. White gave a paper on the comparison between the economic struggle of the present time

and in past years. Mrs. Paul McCulloch gave a review of Homer Davenport's bayhood. Mrs. McKee talked on the donation land claims of early Oregon. Mrs. R. H. McKean. The first circulating library at Willamette Falls. The meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller left for Portland after receiving news of the death of her brother-in-law J. N. Neece of Portland.

Miss LaVerne Robinson left for Portland after spending three weeks visiting with her cousin, Miss Olive Robinson.

Pythian Sisters lodge elected the following officers Thursday night: G. C. Mrs. Marion McKee; G. S. Mrs. Joe Hilderbrand; Junior, Mrs. T. L. Fields; Manager, Mrs. Mary Brackett; Guard, Mrs. Maude Akers; Protector, Mrs. G. C. Andrews; Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Spencer; P. C., Olive Robinson; Press corp., Mrs. Belle Clothier; Capt. of G., Margaret Kaseberg; M. of F., Mrs. B. W. Guy; Musician, Louise Thomas.

A Christmas program will be given at the Christian church, Sunday at 11 a. m. and jolly old Santa will appear on the scene.

Mrs. Ida Helzler left for Portland and Olympia, Wn., to spend the holidays.

Mrs. J. Herchel Brock of Berkeley was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hicks.

Francis Medler was operated on for sinus trouble Monday, returning home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lamborn had as their week end guests Mrs. Melissa Wunderluck and S. Stewart of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. McCulloch and daughter Doris motored to Portland Friday to spend the week end with his parents. Judge and Mrs. McCulloch.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Medler visited at Camp Sherman Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McQuillan were visited for several days of this week by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barzee of Portland.

Mrs. Wm. Nisbit entertained the bridge club Thursday night where the husbands were invited guests. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hines receiving prizes also Mr. and Mrs. Guy Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Smith.

Mrs. S. J. Brock was hostess to a penelope party Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Funk receiving high honors.

Mrs. Maude Akers visited for several days in Moro last week.

A few of the many Christmas shoppers in The Dalles over last week end were Mrs. Leo Watkins, Henry Richelderfer, Mrs. M. L. Halse, Mrs. Sargent, Mrs. Dan Mc-

Dermid, Mrs. W. A. Spencer, Mrs. Anna Lee, Miss Lorraine Darby, Mrs. Roy Belashe, Mrs. Orville Yocum and Miss Patricia, Mrs. Joe Hilderbrand, Mrs. Carl Everett, Mrs. W. R. Harper and daughter Georgia, Gordon Harper and Mrs. W. D. Watkins.

Professor—What college in the United States has produced the most presidents?  
Freshie—The electoral college.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

On the 7th day of January, 1934, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Court House in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

All of the North Half of Section Thirty-two, in Township One, South of Range Eighteen, East of the Willamette Meridian, containing 320 acres, more or less, all situated in Sherman County, State of Oregon.

Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman to me directed in the ease of The Federal Land Bank of Spokane, a corporation, plaintiff, vs Dewey Thompson and Inez Mae Thompson, husband and wife; Herman Pape and Minnie H. Pape, husband and wife; L. J. McDaniel; Corvallis State Bank, a corporation; Moro State Bank, Moro, Oregon, a corporation; A. A. Schramm, as Superintendent of Banks of the State of Oregon, liquidating the Moro State Bank, a corporation; H. M. Stephens, as Deputy Superintendent of Banks of the State of Oregon, liquidating the Moro State Bank, a corporation; Homer D. Belashe and Jane Doe Belashe, wife of Homer T. Belashe, whose true name is Jennie M. Belashe; First National Bank of Corvallis, a corporation; and Sherman County National Farm Loan Association, a corporation, defendants.

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Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon

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