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WORDS FROM THE LIPS OF GREAT MEN

"Hold Faithfulness and Sincerity As First Principles; Have No Friends Not Equal to Yourself."—Confucius.

THE MAN OR THE PARTY

Whether they shall vote for Robert N. Stanfield, an able senator who has accomplished more than any other man this state has ever sent to Washington, or for the untried, unknown and inexperienced regular party nominees, Frederick Stewier and Bert Haney, is the question voters of Oregon must decide on election day. There can be no denying that Stanfield has done more and can continue to do more than either of the other two nominees but they have the regular endorsement for the party. It is plainly then a question of "The man or the party."

Admittedly, ours is a government by party, but there could be no democracy for the Standpatter type. There would be no need for an election if there were not the thinking man or woman who switched from one party or the other. The county clerks might as well otherwise apply the registered vote—democratic or republican to the candidate and call that the proper choice—one ticket or the other—according to the one having the largest number of registered voters.

There is little difference any more between the principles of the democratic and republican party—not one man in a hundred can point out clearly what these differences are. The chief reason and justification for the existence of two strong parties, as we see it, is to keep the reigns of government from falling into the hands of a radical minority.

Leaving one's party to vote for a man of outstanding ability and unquestionable worth is justifiable and good democratic practice even if the politicians do decry loud against it and all standpatters and some newspapers frown at it. Standing pat for incompetent and untried regular party nominees—no matter how irregular they secure the nomination—is all right for politicians and others with axes to grind but it does not produce good government. It is more likely to produce extravagance and graft. There has been more crime committed in the name of party than any other.

Stanfield in his first term of office has effected

legislation that has brought \$40,000,000 to Oregon and has a program that is designed to bring as much more to this state. The Oregon-California Land tax refund appropriation for 18 counties of this state brought nearly eight million dollars, over one million to Lane county. Federal aid highway and forest roads returned seven million each, reclamation about ten million dollars besides numerous appropriations for other things.

Coming close to home, every time we drive over the McKenzie pass or down Lake creek to the coast we should realize that these splendid roads were built chiefly from the federal road fund which Stanfield made possible.

As we see it the people of Oregon will be ungrateful if they turn out the man who has done the most for Oregon as United States Senator. Such a precedent would not produce congressmen who would work for Oregon in future years. Rather it would be condoning the "do nothing" practices some of our present delegation has been noted for to our detriment.

Senator Stanfield is a republican who is numbered among the president's closest friends. If he is returned to Washington he will occupy the same position and be a member of the same powerful committees as he is now, regardless of all this propaganda to the contrary. A thinly populated state with millions of acres inside the forest reserves, Oregon needs a continuance of the Stanfield program.

These blind partisan politicians who shouted that Stanfield hasn't a chance of election, that no newspaper of consequence is supporting him should not be allowed to affect sober judgment.

You will be asked on November 2 to make a choice between a forty-million dollar senator and a couple of ordinary lawyers endorsed by the republican and democratic party. It is for you to decide will you voter for "THE MAN OR THE PARTY."

L. E. Bean, well-known attorney, has been nominated to replace Thomas Campbell, resigned, for the office of public service commissioner. No better man for the job could be found in Oregon. His long record in the legislature and in professional practice has been marked with level headedness. The public service commission needs a man who will look after the rights of the people and also that the people in all cases are fair to business and industry. It is a position that requires sane thinking, and good judgment and diplomatic handling. Mr. Bean has the proper qualifications. Look for his name on the ballot sticker.

We have had four years of sentimental emotionalism while the ship of state of Oregon has floundered with an erratic pilot. Walter Pierce is a better farmer than he is a governor. He should be sent back to the farm—replaced by I. L. Patterson, capable and efficient business man.

PENNSYLVANIA AND ILLINOIS PROVE NOTHING

Despite the efficacy of moneyed machinery in Pennsylvania and Illinois politics, which resulted in a mild clamor against the primary election system, direct nomination of public officials will continue. The people will not let rotten political bosses hurl this country back into an abyss of dirty politics, no matter how many millions were spent in two of 48 states.

Apprehension over the nomination of Vare by Pennsylvania and Smith in Illinois is unnecessary. It is doubtful if they will ever be seated in the United States Senate, should they be elected. If it ever comes to a vote in the Senate, most Senators will remember what happened to those Senators who voted to seat Newberry.

Nor should the corruption coming from these states influence the average decent voter's attitude toward the primary system. Good citizens, who vote without charge, now dominate politics. Some may claim that the primaries have not eliminated boodles. Perhaps not, but the primaries certainly have made it harder to buy the majority of voters than to buy one crooked "boss."

The primaries have crippled the arrogant boss who used to dominate conventions, whip office holders into line, and judge governmental affairs to his own satisfaction. That, too, is worth-while.

GUILTY IN THE PUBLIC'S MIND

Why the jury in the Daugherty-Miller case disagreed may never be revealed to the public.

But the public will never be satisfied with the outcome.

The jury sensed that a crime had been committed. This seemed pretty clear. However, the lengthy wranglings in the jury room and the repeated appeals to the court for explanations showed that a minority of the jurors could not tie up in their minds the wrongdoing with the intricacies of the indictment.

Harry M. Daugherty and Thomas W. Miller may consider themselves lucky that the jurors didn't comprehend all the ramifications of the law.

The story uncovered in the trial was distressing. The evidence for the most part was deadly, uncontradicted. District Attorney Buckner presented his case with damning facts. However, the defendants escaped a verdict of guilty chiefly through the fact that they could not be tried directly for bribery but had to be tried under a conspiracy statute which raises much greater difficulties.

Technically, Daugherty and Miller are not guilty. But they stand convicted before the bar of public opinion, no matter what a few jurymen may have decided. Nor will the public ever forget this humiliating chapter in the history of Federal administration, nor should it lose any time in demanding a new and decisive trial.

The Curry county bonding and tax levying amendment found on the ballot deserves support. Curry county with less than 3000 people has gotten badly into debt through misunderstanding in issuing warrants for the Roosevelt highway. Curry county has no railroads nor ports and few roads. It was in trying to help herself and the state that she has been placed in a position where county warrants are discounted 20 per cent. The amendment effects none but Curry county and merely provides a way for the county to issue bonds to refund her warrant indebtedness provided her people vote for a bond issue. Everyone would vote 314 yes if they understood the real purpose of this amendment.

We have never met Senator Robert N. Stanfield. But we have met and know both of his opponents. Therefore on his record alone we endorse the present senator, because we believe he can do most for Oregon.

A FEW WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

OREGON STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Portland, Oregon,
October 25, 1926.

Mr. H. E. Maxey, Editor,
The Springfield News,
Springfield, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Maxey:
I am writing to congratulate you and express our appreciation of your splendid editorial of October 21st., "LET US ENCOURAGE THE INDUSTRIES WE NOW HAVE."

Recently a very prominent financial man from New York City visited Portland and said to one of his friends here, "I wanted to come out to Oregon to find out where all the money was coming from that is now being invested in New York in stocks and bonds and other forms of investment."

This means that there are hundreds of thousands of dollars leaving Oregon for Eastern investments that could find profitable employment at home, providing we would develop the many splendid opportunities we have here. A very careful survey of local conditions should be made by every Chamber of Commerce and presented to our own people who have money for investment. We can hardly expect the outsider to come to Oregon and invest his money in our opportunities unless we are willing to set the pace and show them that we are willing to put our own money on the proposition that we are asking him to invest in.

We thank you for your co-operation and believe the sound advice given in your editorial will mean much to this state.

Yours Truly,
W. G. IDE, Manager.

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NOTICE OF CITY ELECTION

Springfield, Oregon, October 19, 1926.
Notice is hereby given, that the City of Springfield, Oregon, will hold its Regular Election for the purpose of electing two members of the City Council to serve Four Years. One Recorder to serve Two Years. One Treasurer to serve Two Years. Said election will be held in the Several Voting Precincts in the places selected by the Election Boards of the precincts. On the second day of November, 1926. Polls open at eight o'clock A. M. and close at Eight o'clock P. M.
R. W. SMITH, City Recorder.

Goes to San Francisco—Lewis Tuller, of Springfield, who has been suffering from an injury to his arm and shoulder, has left for San Francisco where he will enter the Southern Pacific hospital for further treatment. Tuller is an S. P. employe.

Emmerick Here—Frank Emmerick, of Wailterville, was a Springfield visitor where he will enter the Southern or Monday.

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FREDERICK STEIWER
FOR
U. S. SENATOR

Would you scrap Oregon's direct primary law? Would you surrender the important committee chairmanships now held by Senators McNary, Smoot, Borah, Johnson, Jones, Warren and Oddie, all Western men? Would you repudiate the policies of President Coolidge?

The fight for the U. S. Senatorship is between the democratic nominee and Frederick Steiwer, republican. No Independent has ever been elected to the U. S. Senate.

If you believe in the direct primary—if you want the West to retain its power in national affairs by reason of republican control of the senate—if you believe in the policies of Calvin Coolidge—

VOTE 15 X STEIWER, FREDERICK



I. L. PATTERSON
FOR
GOVERNOR

The republican party of Oregon is fortunate in having Mr. Patterson as its candidate for Governor. Successful business man and farmer he is equipped to meet and solve the problems that will confront him as governor. Economy, he has practiced in private life; economy he will practice as Oregon's chief executive.

The only real pre-election promise Mr. Patterson is making is that he will not follow established precedent and spend the people's time and money traveling about the state making speeches.

If you want a Governor who will be on the job attending to business—

VOTE 18 X PATTERSON, I. L.

Do Your Duty = Vote Next Tuesday

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