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A CAMPAIGN OF MISREPRESENTATION.

PERHAPS MR. CAKE'S campaign managers can pursuade the people that Governor Chamberlain is responsible for the corruption originating in the state school land department, under the Geer-O'Dell regime and that he is depopulating the state penitentiary to an alarming extent, and is turning the vilest of criminals loose upon society. We say perhaps the people can be made to believe these unbelievable campaign lies; but the NEWS does not believe they can be caught by such slop. Governor Chamberlain has been too long under the public eye; he has been tried in too many public positions, in all of which he has made good; for the people, in the heat of a political campaign, to forget.

These appeals of the Cake crown, these accusations and inuendoes, are for the purpose of influencing men who have recently become citizens of Oregon. They know that such balderdash will have no influence whatever, upon the citizens of our state who have known and are familiar with Governor Chamberlain's entire political career. They know that it is simply nonsense to endeavor to convince the people that the Governor has all at once become corrupt; when a single well established corrupt act would spell political ruin; when the Governor has held numerous public positions in the past wherein corruption and grafting would have been infinitely easier than in his present position. We say the Cake managers know that such rot will have no influence upon old Oregonians; but may have an influence on the newcomers.

Governor Chamberlain is responsible for two public acts which, if he had been guilty of them, would atone for a multitune of sins. We allude to his bringing the Oregon City locks company to time, and the compelling of State Treasurer Steel to double the amount of his bonds. These two acts, alone, have and will result in saving to the state more than $1,000,000.

It will be remembered that the Oregon City locks were built just about the time Governor Chamberlain came to the state. Any of the several governors we have had since that date (1875) could have required the locks company to live up to its agreement with the state. They neglected to do so. They had allowed the rights of the state to sleep so long, that when Governor Chamberlain caused suit to be brought in order to establish the state's rights, the company brazenly set up the claim, that the state had lost all rights in the premises by the neglect of Governor Chamberlain's predecessors. The Governor is too good a lawyer to be side tracked in that manner and, in the end, the decission of the supreme court has justified his wisdom.

Then Governor Chamberlain, when he caused State Treasurer Steel to double the amount of his official bonds, was the cause of uncovering about as complete conspiracy to loot the state treasury as could have been devised by men. This conspiracy was concocted before Steel's election and possibly, before his nomination. As soon as Steel was elected, he commenced delivering the goods. That is to say, he commenced depositing the state's money in a Portland bank which was organized for the purpose of robbery. Fortunately for the state and the people, the financial crisis of last fall, forced this misnamed "Title Guarantee and Trust company to show its hand. Again was the watchfulness of the people's interests by Governor Chamberlain made manifest. Steel's increased official bonds more than covered the amount of money he had placed in this rotten bank. The bonding company thought it best to come forward and pay the state and, by that means, acquire all the rights the state had to recover from the bank, or more correctly speaking, from Steel.

When Governor Chamberlain succeeded Governor Geer, he fell heir to about as bad a mixup in school land matters as it is possible to conceive. Sections 16 and 36 which had been granted by the general government to the state for school purposes, often covered mineral lands. In such cases, upon proof of the same, the state was granted scrip in lieu of these mineral lands. This scrip could be located on any unoccupied government lands. The Geer administration sold much of this lieu land scrip, that is to say, the base upon which the government issued the scrip. Often times the same base was sold over and over again by the Geer-O'Dell crowd, and money received upon the sale of which, Mr. O'Dell never failed to deduct a good fee for having pointed out to the buyer wherein the base for script could be found. After Governor Chamberlain's election came the expose. It was found that the state had taken money from many people and had given absolutely nothing in exchange for it, except a piece of worthless paper. Governor Chamberlain has been rectifying these frauds for which he was in no manner responsible. The Cake people, through the Portland Telegram, are endeavoring to make it appear that the Governor is solely responsible. But they will fail and the rebound is sure to result in injury to their candidate, as it ought.

As the NEWS has often stated, Governor Chamberlain has made good in every public position he has held. If he has been derelict as a public servant in any manner whatever; if he has been guilty of grafting or has been unfaithful in any particular; if he has violated his pledged word in any way, the public has yet to learn of it. And the attempt to spring a lot of halftold misconstrued bosh, just at the close of a political campaign, deserves the contempt of every decent citizen. If Mr. Cake does not find himself a bunch of very badly spoiled dough on the 2nd day of June, it will not be because he does not deserve it.

Governor Chamberlain's campaign has been conducted in a truthful straight forward manner. He has criticized Mr. Cake's wavering position upon Statement No. 1, somewhat, in which he is amply justified by Mr. Cake's fast and loose tactics.

But the people cannot be fooled all the time. They have reason to believe that when a man has been true to the trusts imposed upon him for more than a quarter century of official life in various positions, he will be true to their interests for six years longer, should he be elected United States senator in congress. Mr. Cake has held no official position heretofore. He has done nothing to show to the people that he would be true to their interests. His vacillation relative to Statement No. 1, does not inspire confidence. Under these conditions, for him to come forward and ask to be elected to the highest office within the gift of the people of Oregon, is asking more than he deserves and more than the people will give.

STATEMENT NO. 1

BY ALL ODDS THE maintainance of Statement No. 1, is the most important feature of the election next Monday. It is of far greater importance than the election of either Governor Chamberlain or Mr. Cake. The failure to elect a legislature pledged to the Statement, means a most severe set back to the principle of the selection of United States senators by the people. Not only will such a result be a serious matter to the people of Oregon, but to the people of the entire country as well. All of the states are watching the "Oregon Experiment" closely. Should our Primary law, including the Statement be vindicated next Monday, as it was two years ago, and the senator then elected, be ratified promptly when the legislature meets next winter, our "Experiment" will become so firmly established that other states will follow. The fact that the Oregon plan has removed the corrupting influence from the legislative halls, which usually attends the selection of senator by the legislature would be and is the very best method of advertising our state, which could be selected.

By so doing we will establish the fact in the eyes of the nation, that the people of Oregon are not fadists; but are a right thinking and far seeing people—a people brave enough, if public welfare demands, to cut loose from tradition and the customs of the past, and step boldly forward into untried fields. Should we succeed, as we will if the voters of Oregon make good at the polls next Monday, we will be regarded as leaders in political thought. If we fail, we will simply be called "fools." Nor will this appellation be undeserved. We have sent Senators Bourne and Mulkey to congress, elected by the votes of the people and afterward ratified, in a few minutes by the legislature. If we now, by negligence and in obedience to the mandate of the political bosses, elect a legislature hostile to the principle of the people's selection of senator, we will, in effect, say to other states that the election of senators by the people is not desirable. We, the people of Oregon, have tried it, and now repudiate the system; acknowledging that, while we are capable of selecting all other officials, we prefer not to include members of the U. S. senate in the list.

"Eternal vigilence is the price of liberty" never was more true nor necessary than it is to-day. If the people, by leathergy, permit an anti-Statement No. 1 legislature to be elected next Monday, another link will be forged for the chain that is binding us down to political servitude. If we elect a Statement legislature we will have broken the strongest fetter of political serfdom, completely away.

AN OPEN LETTER.

State of Oregon Executive Department, Salem,

May 20th, 1908.

Mr. T. L. Dugger,
Scio, Ore.

My Dear Sir:—When a candidate for Governor in 1902 I advocated openly the Injative and Referendum Amendment to the Constitution, and later favored the enactment of a law which would put its provisions in force.

In 1904 I openly advocated the adoption of the direct primary nominating law, with Statement No. 1 included, believing then as I believe now, that the people should have the right to nominate their own senators in the Congress of the United States. I believe thoroughly in that doctrine now, and earnestly appeal to the people of the state to vote only for those men for the legislature who have signed Statement No. 1, agreeing to vote for the senator who receives the highest number of votes at the election in June.

My opponent, who made the campaign on Statement No. 1, now declines to insist upon the election of only those candidates who have signed such Statement No. 1, and says that he will not interfere in those counties which have candidates nominated in opposition thereto. Can he do this and be consistent as favoring the election of senators by a direct vote of the people? My position on this subject is and always has been unequivocal, and if you believe in that doctrine and that principle should be placed above party and country above every other consideration, I appeal to you for support in the election soon to be held.

I have the honor to remain,
Yours very sincerely,
GEO. E. CHAMBERLAIN.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereb given that the undersigned Administrator of the estate of George Christie Johnston, deceased, will, in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly made and entered of record in the office of the clerk of the County Court for said county, on the 6th. day of July, 1908, at the hour of 1 P. M., sell at public auction at the front door of the Planing Mill in the City of Scio, Oregon, all of the following described real estate to wit:

Lots Nos. 2 and 3 in Block No. 3 and fractional Lots 1 and 2 in Block No. 5 in Wheeler's Addition to the town of Scio, Linn County, Oregon.

Terms of sale, cash in hand on day of sale.

Dated this 6th. day of July, 1908.

RILEY SHELTON,
Administrator for the Estate of George Christie Johnston, deceased.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the undersigned has been duly appointed executrix of the last will and testament of B. F. McDonald, deceased, by the county court of Linn county, Oregon; therefore, all persons having claims against the estate of said decedent are hereby notified and required to present the same under oath with the proper vouchers to the undersigned at her place of residence near Jordan, in said county, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 29th. day of May, 1908.

ALICE MCDONALD,
Executrix of said estate.
W. R. BILYEU, attorney for executrix.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINN

Koia Neiz, Plaintiff,
vs.
W. S. Paul, and Lillie D. Paul, his wife, G. M. Paul, S. J. Paul, Celia Elliot, Katie Paul, Howard W. Moore, William Nelson, Dolph Nelson, Hanna Nelson and Bess Nelson, Defts. } SUMMONS.

TO S. J. PAUL, ONE OF THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled Court now on file with the Clerk of said Court on or before the 20th day of June 1908, and you are hereby notified that if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint as by law required, the plaintiff will take a decree against you as prayed for in this complaint, filed in the above entitled cause and Court, which is to foreclose the mortgage dated the 1st day of February, 1906, executed in due form of law by W. S. Paul and Lillie D. Paul, his wife, on the following described lands to-wit:

Beginning at the N. W. corner of the S. W. ¼ of the N. W. ¼ of Sec. 1, said point being a N. W. corner of the D. L. C. of William A. Paul and wife, Not No. 1163, and claim No. 76 in Tp. 11 S. R. 2 West of the Will. Merd., Oregon, thence S. 80 chains to the S. boundary line of said claim No. 76, thence E. 20 chains, thence N. 80 chains to the N. boundary line of said claim No. 76, thence W. 20 chains to the place of beginning containing 160 acres.

Also beginning at a point on the N. boundary line of the D. L. C. of William A. Paul and wife, Not. No. 1163 and claim No. 76 in Tp. 11 S. R. 2 West of the Will. Merd. Oregon, which is 14.15 chains W. of the N. E. corner of said claim No. 76 thence S. 80 chains, to the South boundary line of said claim, thence W. 36.11 chains, thence N. 80 chains to the N. boundary line of said claim and thence E. 36.11 chains to the place of beginning containing 288.88 acres, more or less, and containing in all 448.88 acres all situated in Linn County and State of Oregon.

And directing the said lands to be sold on execution for the purpose of paying the amount of the note for which said mortgage was given to secure, to-wit: the sum of $4400.00 with interest thereon from the 1st day of February, 1905 at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum and the further sum of $500.00 as attorney's fees for instituting and prosecuting said suit and to foreclose said mortgage, and that the defendants and each and all of them be barred of all right title and interest therein or any part thereof, and that the proceeds arising from said sale be applied first, to the payment of the principal and interest due upon said note, and second to paying attorneys fees and the costs and disbursements of this suit, and the overplus, if any there be, be paid to the defendants as their interest may appear.

This Summons is served by publication by an order duly made by William Galloway, Judge of the above entitled Court at Chambers on the 2nd. day of May, 1908, authorizing and directing the same to be served for six consecutive weeks in the SANTIAM NEWS, a newspaper published in the City of Scio, Linn County, Oregon; and that the first publication be made on the 8th. day of May, 1908, and the last publication thereof be made on the 19th day of June, 1908, and that you be required to appear and answer by the 20th day of June, 1908.

WEATHERFORD & WYATT.
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

If you want notarial work done, a deed, mortgage or lease written, or a pension voucher filled out, you can get it done at THE NEWS office upon short notice.

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