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### CAN WE TRUST THEM?

ONE OF THE LEADING features of the political campaign of four years ago was the demand for tariff revision. Then as now, were the tariff beneficiaries whose political slogan was "Let well enough alone," and the great masses of the people who demand that the tariff schedules be reduced or revised. Republican campaign orators and candidates for congress promised revision. President Roosevelt in his public utterances gave the people to understand that his influence would be exerted towards rearranging the tariff schedules, as well.

Four sessions of congress have transpired since the close of that campaign and without the slightest effort, by that body, to make good to the people the promises of tariff revision made in the campaign. We were told four years ago that the tariff should be revised but that its friends should do the revising. In the opening of another presidential campaign we are confronted with the same argument—the same promises of revision by the friends of the protective system. Can we trust those who have deceived us with false promises again, with the expectation of fulfillment? Can we expect these friends of the protective system to be more trustworthy in the future than they have been in the past?

Let us see! Who are the friends of the protective system? Directly, those who are beneficiaries of the system. Indirectly, those congressmen and other public officials whose official preferment is largely due to the influence of the direct friends of the system. These are the "friends" who are to do the revising. Is it reasonable to suppose that these "friends" of the system will revise dollars out of their own pockets? That is just what a reduction of the tariff schedules would do. It is rank folly to suppose that these friends—the beneficiaries of protection will ever revise the schedules in a way which will decrease their profits. Hence, a revision which amounts to anything—which will relieve the great body of American consumers from extortion, must come from the enemies of the system—the people whom it injures. We must elect a congress which is not under the domination of the beneficiaries of the iniquitous system, if we expect any satisfactory to the consumers revision to be effected.

In addition to the election of a revision congress which would revise, it is most important that a chief executive be selected who is in hearty accord with revision sentiment. Assuming that William J. Bryan will be the Denver nominee, we know that he is in full and complete sympathy with genuine tariff reform. He has preached against the tariff trusts both in and out of season so continuously and for so many years that both his friends and enemies know that his position on all questions pertaining to trusts, the tariff and the interests in general, is unequivocal. The people are absolutely sure of the policy he would pursue on these questions, should he be elected. But what shall we expect if Mr. Taft shall be the winner? At the present time Mr. Taft favors tariff revision by its friends. He could not hope for election should he assume a position favorable to maintaining the present tariff schedules. Hence, his present position on this subject may be considered as highly satisfactory to the tariff beneficiaries. But let us go back something more than a year ago and see what his tariff ideas were then. This was before he was at all certain that he would be selected as the Republican standard bearer.

In his Memphis, Tenn., speech, just before he started on his round-the-world tour, he stated in substance that he was a "stand pater;" that some time in the distant future the tariff would require revision, but the revision should be made by its friends. His speech at that time was, probably, his true position; being uninfluenced, to any considerable degree by his aspirations to the presidency. Can we have reason to believe that he and many of his party congressmen are any more favorable to revision than were President Roosevelt and the Republican congressmen of four years

ago? We have seen the promises made at that time, unkept. Can we place any more confidence in Mr. Taft and his party, than we placed in Mr. Roosevelt and his party.

As a matter of fact we can expect but slight if any modification of our present tariff laws by the present party in power. Its policy of "Let well enough alone" is apt to continue its policy to the end. Our only hope to have the era of special privilege and special favoritism abolished is a change of political managers. With the election of Mr. Bryan and a Democratic majority of the National House of Representatives, we know that an effort at tariff revision will be made by the first session of the newly elected congress. With the election of Mr. Taft and a Republican congress, we are apt to have a repetition of the tariff legislation of the past four years. Voters the matter is up to you. If you want revision, vote for the candidates who are sure to make an effort towards revision. If the present party is continued in power, revision may occur; but tariff beneficiaries are not apt to lose more than a part of the tribute they demand from the American consumer.

### OVERWHELMINGLY AGAINST IT.

THERE IS NOT A DOUBT but what a vast majority of the American people favor the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people. State after state through legislative joint resolutions has implored congress to submit an amendment to the Federal constitution to the states for their adoption, so that the people could elect the senators. The National house of Representatives has acceded to the expressed wishes of the people four of five times and, when under control of either political party; yet the measure has always been turned down by the senate—our American House of Lords.

The people have often been humiliated through having their legislatures debauched and tied up; have seen their legislatures bought up like beehives for the shambles; have seen laws enacted injurious to the state, and men appointed to office who were wholly unfit—all due to the election of senators by Legislatures. It is no wonder, then, that states have resorted to divers and sundry makeshifts, in their endeavors to cure this evil. They know that if the people should elect such creatures as the Platts, the DePews, or the Gugenheims, would never disgrace the chamber in which the voices of Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Sumner, Blaine, Douglas and other eminent orators and statesmen have been heard, and whose councils have controlled the destiny of the Nation. On no! The people would never send such misfit members to the highest legislative body of the Nation, as legislatures have sent.

The people of so many different states have so often expressed themselves in favor of this national reform, that for a political party in national convention to refuse to endorse the measure so overwhelmingly as was done at Chicago recently, seems suicidal. The Republican party leaders are, certainly, not in touch with the sentiment of the people on this subject. In Oregon, our late election has demonstrated that a majority of the Republican party and all of the Democrats are in favor of this reform and, doubtless, a majority of the voters of most of the states would express themselves in like manner, should opportunity serve.

The Republican leaders, evidently, think that it is not necessary to consult the wishes of the rank and file of their party in the erection of a platform of principles. A majority of nearly nine to one, pronounced against the election of U. S. senators by the people at the Chicago convention. Will this action suit the Republican voters generally? Will it suit the Statement No. 1 Republicans of Oregon? The NEWS is well aware that there are men, so blindly partisan that they will vote their party ticket right or wrong. They seem to care very little for what a candidate stands for, or what he advocates, so that he wears their political party badge, he is good enough for them and gets their votes. Thank Goodness, there are but few such men in Oregon and their number is rapidly diminishing. This one act of the Chicago convention, ought to defeat the Republican party, next fall.

Modern political platforms, as a rule, do not amount to a great deal. They do not seem to have much influence over a party's acts after election. They seem to be made to get in on, and not a rule of action after the party is in. This latest Republican effort, however, does not seem to be exactly of the "get in" class. It ought to be a case of "get out."

Mr. Taft had load enough to carry without having this act of idioy thrust upon him. He will act wisely if, in his letter of acceptance he repudiates at least this feature of his party action.

Could the question of the election of U. S. senators by the people be left to the voice of the people to-day, there is not the least doubt but what it would win out by a large majority. "Whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad." This negative action of the convention at Chicago, will make thousands of independent thinking Republicans mad. They may not, as individuals, be destroyed; but they are very apt to become destroyers and administer a very much deserved discipline to their party.

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We the undersigned wood sawyers of Scio, have mutually agreed upon the following schedule of prices for sawing wood for the season of 1908. Compare our prices with those at Eugene, Corvallis or Albany and you will find that our charges are the same, substantially as in those cities.

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### SHERIFF'S SALE.

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

Frank Kierman, Plaintiff,

vs.

James B. Stearns, Defendant.

By virtue of an Execution and Order of Sale to me directed, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Linn, in the case of Frank Kierman, plaintiff vs. James B. Stearns, defendant, I will on Saturday, the 20th day of July, 1908, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., at the front door of the Court House in Albany, Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the real property described in said Execution and Order of Sale, as follows, to-wit:

The South west Quarter of Section 23 in Township 19 South of Range 6 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Linn County, Oregon.

Said sale will be made to satisfy a judgment in said case, to-wit: A judgment for Plaintiff for the sum of \$200.00, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from the 4th day of August, 1896, amounting in all to the sum of \$1452.00—and the further sum of \$100.00 attorney's fees and accruing costs, the said real property being subject to redemption according to law.

Dated this 15th day of June, A. D. 1908.

D. S. Smith,

Sheriff of Linn County, Oregon.

### Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby 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 Planning 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 fraction 1 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 29th day of May, 1908.

RILEY SHELTON,

Administrator for the Estate of George Christie Johnston, deceased.

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### Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of June, A. D. 1908, the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, duly appointed the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Wilda Goodfellow, deceased, and having qualified as required by law, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them, with proper vouchers attached as by law required, to the undersigned at his residence near Scio, Linn county, Oregon, R. F. D. No. 1, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit, June 20th, 1908.

Fred Goodfellow, Administrator.

Frank A. Turner, Attorney.

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