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MORE PATRIOTS NEEDED

EITHER PATRIOTISM has degenerated greatly, since the Revolutionary and Civil wars placed the meaning of the word upon a high base of interpretation, else patriotism, placehunting and grafting have supplanted that love of country which has made American soldiers and sailors the admiration of the world. In the days of '76 and '61—days which tried men's souls, "Patriotism" meant a willingness on the part of the citizen to place his all, including his life, upon the altar of his country. And because of the bravery and fortitude of the patriots of those days, we established and preserved a government based upon the principle that all men should be equal before the law. But this was not wholly true until the boys of '61 knocked the shackles of bondage from more than 4,000,000 of black men, held as human slaves.

Most of our congressmen and legislators seem to think and act as if they had been elected to serve special, rather than the interests of all the people. And the ability which a congressman or legislator manifests to secure large appropriations from the nation or state for projects in his own particular locality, is, too often, regarded as the measure of his success. When such men make

our country's laws and spend her revenues, the neglect of the people's interests can, in part at least, be accounted for.

But, thanks to the agitation of the real patriotic statesmen of both parties, the number of congressmen and legislators, who dare to stand for the interests of all the people, are rapidly growing in number. The day will soon be at hand when the laws which tend to make, at the same time, millionaires and paupers, will be repealed. Even President Taft is beginning to read "the handwriting on the wall," and is pressing, with all the vigor he possesses, the adoption of the treaty of reciprocity with Canada. If the present congress does not ratify the treaty, the next is sure to do so.

And our state legislators seem to be imbued with the same spirit of serving special interests. Nearly every member, when he takes his seat in that body, has a bill in his pocket, asking for a large appropriation for some pet project or institution in his particular locality. He cares not whether the project is of or will be beneficial to the people in general. His county wants the money and he is willing to resort to logrolling or any other old scheme in order to accomplish his purpose. Nor is it strange that we find legislators from the four or five counties, which draw more money from the state treasury than they pay to it, standing solidly for appropriations for which each of them was elected to secure.

The only safe plan for the people to pursue, that this matter may be remedied is, to refuse to vote for these grafters for any office whatever, no matter what his politics may be. We have no use for the Aldriches, Baileys and Cannons in congress, nor the Bowermans and men of his ilk in the state legislature. The people must not expect their interests to be taken care of in either congress or legislature, unless they elect men as members thereof, whom they know to be true and wholly uninfluenced by corporation or institution. We want patriots not partisans or servants of public service corporations to sit as our law makers. Nor do we want men who are known to be pledged to the service of our state colleges.

Whenever it is known that a candidate for office, especially the legislature or congress, is closely allied to either a state college or a public service corporation, he is a good man for the people not to vote for.

The present legislature is likely to appropriate \$6,000,000 or over. Whose fault is it? Who is to blame for electing legislators who think they are greater than the people who elected them and who dare to attempt to repeal a law enacted by the people? The answer is easy: The men who voted for these legislative misfits.

The people should know, by this time, that corporations and our big state colleges, have no politics. A legislative favor, either appropriation or other favor, is just as valuable no matter which political party grants it.

We want congressmen and legislators who will stand for the interests of all the people, first, last and all the time. Nor does it make any great difference what political color candidates for these offices wear, other than that they must be men of integrity and who are patriots.

IS OREGON A \$6,000,000 STATE?

The Oregon Legislature shows no purpose to hold its appropriations down to reasonable limits. In 1909 the record aggregate of \$4,000,000 for the biennial period staggered the burdened taxpayer; but now we hear that the \$4,000,000 maximum is to be so far exceeded that the total for 1911-12 will reach \$6,000,000.

Is Oregon a \$6,000,000 state? Are its productive resources so varied and so readily available that so vast a sum can be turned into the state treasury without sacrifice or in some cases actual bankruptcy? How can the Legislature possibly justify itself for piling so great a load on the shoulders of the poor taxpayer, already perplexed and embarrassed by the insistent demands for taxes from county, city, school district and the like? How much of this great sum is being wrung from the taxpayer's pockets to meet the genuine needs of the state, and how much to support ornamental boards and commissions, pay for useless public printing, extend an already heavily padded payroll, provide for "higher education" free for people well able to pay and furnish the luxurious establishments of state functionaries with automobiles, Wilton carpets, mahogany sideboards and cut glass wine sets? How much goes into the daily fare of the unhappy inmates of the state institutions at Salem, and how much into the living of a long list of superfluous public employees? What percentage of this vast

expenditure of \$6,000,000 will represent to the state value received and how much sheer waste and wicked extravagance?

The Oregonian is the last to protest against the investment by the state of moneys into necessary public institutions, such as the insane asylum, the home for the feeble-minded, the reform schools and the orphans' schools, all of which represent the generous spirit of an enlightened humanity; or such as the penitentiary, which society must maintain for its own protection. Nor would it deny to superintendents and officers of these institutions the means of comfortable living. But it is profoundly concerned in the wise and judicious expenditure of the state's funds in channels not absolutely necessary to a reasonable development of the state's interests and not strictly a part of the public activities. It would remind the Legislature that the State of Oregon has only 700,000 people, and that it is folly for us to endeavor to compete in public expenditures with the State of Washington, with 1,200,000, or the State of California, with 2,400,000.

It is with some reluctance, and at the risk of being misunderstood that The Oregonian mentions the appropriation for the State University, which exceeds \$500,000—this to be added to the \$250,000 biennial sum heretofore voted by the Legislature and approved through the referendum by the taxpayers. The university is a growing and beneficent institution, and if it is to be maintained it must have adequate funds. But we submit that \$800,000 for a single biennium is more than the state should be called on to provide,

and we suggest to the active promoters of this great appropriation that they are taking serious chances of another referendum, with less prospect of enthusiastic support by many who have heretofore insisted that the university should have sufficient funds for maintenance, equipment and buildings. There is too much of the old flavor of the reprehensible logroll about this appropriation, and Representative Thompson was correct when, in the House last Saturday, he insisted that the items ought to be separated and consideration of the whole appropriation proceed on its merits, disassociated with any other legislative interest or influence.

It is the practice at Eugene to compare the merits and needs of the State University with the institutions at Seattle, Moscow (Idaho) and Berkeley (California), and to show that the Oregon school is asking for less. The State University at Seattle is the only important educational institution west of the Cascade Mountains in a state with nearly twice Oregon's population; at Moscow, Idaho supports a combined State University and Agricultural College, and at Berkeley, California has similarly united the two institutions. If the appropriation for the Oregon university this year shall be \$753,000 (including the \$250,000 fixed appropriation), and for the Oregon Agricultural College \$570,000, the total for these two will reach the immense sum of \$1,323,000. That is certainly going some!

It is invidious, no doubt, to mention items in the stupendous \$6,000,000 total;

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