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WILFULL BLINDNESS

None are so blind as those who refuse to see. If we unite with this wilfull blindness the rank partisanship of Mr. Hughes and the spellbinders of his party, then we can account for much of the misrepresentation and vilification that is being dealt out to President Wilson almost daily.

Just why Mr. Hughes has elected to pursue the course his speeches indicate, is difficult to understand. He must think that the American people are blind partisan fools and that they neither read nor think, to be influenced by a tirade of fault-finding, which has constituted his campaign utterance since and including his speech of acceptance. Mr. Hughes, in a late speech, declared it would be his purpose, if elected, to repeal every legislative act which is fathered by the Wilson administration.

Now he will not do this nor even make a determined attempt to do so, for he knows the American people would not stand for it.

Would he attempt to have the amendments to the Federal constitution amended, authorizing the election of U. S. senators by the people and that authorizing and establishing the income tax? These are accomplishments of the Wilson administration and must be included as wrongs (?). Of course invisible government thinks the people should not be allowed to elect the senators, because it interferes with their usurped prerogative. Likewise do Mr. Roosevelt's malifactors of great wealth object to the income tax law, for it forces them to pay the government a part of their ill-gotten gains. Wall street, doubtless, would have the regional bank law repealed for then, when the people became a little too fresh and prosperous, she could breed a panic and force the people to have to get in and dig. Then the people would not have time to search out the cause of the panic.

Farmers are beginning to understand something of the benefits that the rural credits measure will confer upon them. It will be a difficult job to convince them that they should not borrow money as cheaply as the railroads, Wall street stock gamblers and the protected industries.

Humanitarians and people who make a study of the upbuilding of our citizenship and the development of a healthy and sturdy manhood and womanhood, will not agree that the child labor law should be repealed. Nor that the eight-hour labor law should not be thoroughly tried out.

Finally, it will be a hard job to convince the American people that we should now be actively engaged in the European and Mexican wars. Yet if all laws enacted by democrats and President Wilson's diplomacy with European countries are all wrong and should be expunged from

our statute books and the archives of the department of state, as Mr. Hughes says should be done and a different policy pursued from that of Mr. Wilson, our active participation in these wars seems the only alternative.

But Mr. Hughes is beginning to see the light. He is hearing from the people. He now favors the 8-hour law in principle, the child labor law and half-heartedly supports the regional bank act, though all of them should be modified or amended, to suit his particular ideas.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Hughes sees that the progressive laws enacted by the Wilson administration are popular with the people who have the votes. And he is now trying to cast an anchor to the windward, which he should have done when he made his first speech. Now it is too late. He accepted advice from the wrong gang. Had he consulted such men as Cummings, Borah, and La Follette instead of Reed Smoots Penrose and Root, he would not now be eating the unpalatable dish of crow which the people, who do the voting, have placed before him. Mr. Hughes should pray to be delivered from his fool friends, rather than his enemies.

Mark Weatherford in Scio

Last Sunday evening Mark Weatherford, Carl Sox and L. E. Hamilton of Albany, were Scio visitors, to participate in the evening service at the Federated church.

Mr. Sox participated in and delivered an interesting address at the Y. P. E. society early in the evening after which the time for the regular service of the evening had arrived, in which Mark Weatherford, of Albany and democratic candidate for congress, was the speaker.

Mr. Weatherford's subject was the brewers amendment to the state constitution. After stating that he did not condemn a man because he took an occasional drink, he gave his attention to analyzing the language of the proposed amendment. He did not place the stress upon a comma which so many speakers say changes both the meaning and intent of the measure, but gave his attention to its wording. He warned his hearers that it was proposed to amend the organic law, over which the legislature, nor courts, nor municipalities had control. Only the people could repeal or amend the constitution.

He then said the proposed amendment gave the brewers the right to sell four per cent beer to anybody in the state, man, woman or child, in any town, village, road crossing, in front of a school house, church or college and that the people of a town, village, or country place could not help themselves without again amending the constitution.

Mr. Weatherford showed that he is an analytical thinker and is capable of digging down to the root of a subject. As a congressman it will be difficult for a bill to become a law, which has a joker couched in its language. If he is a member it is safe to say he will not take his orders in passing on a measure from Joe Cannon, Smoot, Penrose, Root or any of the old reactionary gang. If elected, Mr. Weatherford will be found among progressive legislators and always looking out for the betterment and protection of the interests of the people. He is sure to be heard from, if we send him to represent us in congress.

Intended to Injure

Last week the Santiam News saw proper to make mention of The Tribune in a not complimentary manner and for the evident purpose of injury. As its item is both false and misleading, it is necessary for

us to reply. The item follows:

"W. E. Brainard, who has had charge of the Canby Herald until recently, paid the News office a fraternal call last Thursday. He is arranging to go into the publishing business at Oregon City and was in Scio looking over the plant of The Tribune with a view to moving the outfit there, but as it did not come up to his requirements, no deal was made."

Mr. Brainard was in town as stated and paid The Tribune a call. He had understood that we wanted a printer and his visit was to secure the situation. He frankly stated that while he would like to purchase he had no money with which to do so. He was not inside of the composing room, consequently he could know nothing about the plant.

Just why Mr. Charles attempted to belittle both The Tribune plant business, is probably best understood by himself. No doubt his wish are father to the thought that The Tribune plant might be moved away from Scio, as expressed in his item. For Mr. Charles' information we will state, The Tribune plant will not be moved away from Scio. No will it be sold until a man capable of printing a creditable newspaper comes along and buys it.

Moreover, The Tribune plant is far more valuable and complete than the Santiam News plant. There are no mortgages or debts of consequence against the plant and it has a larger circulation than the News. While this editor is not rapidly becoming a millionaire, the business is on a paying basis.

While ill health will, probably, cause us to quit the publishing business sometime in the future, this newspaper will only be sold to a competent newspaper man, who will continue its publication in Scio.

T. L. Dugger.

Why Hard Surface Plan Failed

County Judge McKnight and Commissioners Butler and Irvine have all explained why the hard surface road petitions were turned down by the court, last week.

While the court was unanimous in refusing to submit the measure to the voters at the coming election and the majority gave its reasons for its action, the principal of which is, the time is too short for voters to become intelligently informed about the matter. Commissioner Butler was inclined to submit the question to the voters at a later time, and desired the matter continued for that reason.

As a matter of fact, The Tribune believes that the voters would have turned the plan down at the polls, because of its impracticability. The plan would have, if adopted, hard surface the roads leading out from Albany for a few miles, but the project as contemplated would never have been completed, that is to say, in any reasonable number of years.

The court wanted that the people should have time to fully understand the proposition before they voted upon it which was impossible if placed upon the ballot at this time. No blame should attach to Commissioner Butler because he differed with the rest of the court somewhat about the matter, for on the question of submitting the measure to the people on November 7, all agreed.

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Final Account

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administratrix of the estate of Alexander Sumpter, deceased, has filed her final account in said estate with the County Clerk of Linn County, Oregon, and the County Court has set Monday, November 8, 1916, at one o'clock in the afternoon at the County Court House in Albany, Linn County, Oregon, as the time and place for the hearing of objections to such final account, and the settlement thereof.

Dated and published the first time this 28th day of September, 1916.
Ledia F. Sumpter
Administratrix of the estate
of Alexander Sumpter, deceased
Sam'l M. Garland

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