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A Remarkable Man

Every honest man, if he will simply drop his partisanship for a moment, must concede that Woodrow Wilson is one of the most remarkable men of our nation. Taken from a sphere in life which is supposed to be far removed from the turmoil of the political game, he was made governor of New Jersey. He was made governor, because the political bosses supposed that he was so unfamiliar with the political game that he would not interfere with their plans and that they would be unhindered in carrying out their corrupt schemes.

How they were fooled. Their consternation must have been great, when they found out that Governor Wilson seemed familiar with their designs and was able to checkmate all of their moves. He was able to defeat the selection of the main democratic boss of New Jersey for U. S. senator. This with other like accomplishments as governor of the small but densely populated state of New Jersey, all in the interest of the great mass of the common people, gave him a nation-wide reputation. A "Daniel" had been discovered in the president of Princeton university. Not only the democratic party but the people, who had long sought deliverance from the money power and malefactors of great wealth hailed the discovery with joy.

Within two years after Governor Wilson's election, which resulted in the routing of corrupt bossism in New Jersey, the democratic national convention at Baltimore nominated Governor Wilson for the presidency. This nomination was made in spite of the opposition of New York's great Tammany organization and in spite of the opposition of the Ryans and other plutocrats. He was nominated at the demand of the rank and file of the democratic party throughout the nation. His election followed and plutocracy and malefactors of great wealth, almost began to feel his power from the date of his inauguration. They soon found out that the limited power of mind of the New Jersey governor was capable of unlimited expansion and that it was sufficiently deep and comprehensive to reach out and take in the entire nation, and that his purpose to ameliorate the conditions of the great mass of the common people, manifested as governor, was to maintain as president.

The long list of legislative accomplishments, all in the interests of the common people and not one in the interests of those who would exploit the government to their own selfish purposes, exemplifies the fact that the people were not mistaken when they placed the destinies of the nation in his hands. Is it any wonder that President Wilson has won the enmity of plutocracy, of the reactionaries and of the people who assume that they were especially created to govern the United States?

Now we are asked to depose this proven friend of the common people and place in his stead a man who says everything which has been accomplished by President Wilson and his congress is wrong and should be expunged from our statutes. We are asked to displace him with a man who is backed and supported by invisible government, by Wall street and by the Penroses, Smoots, Cannons and all others who oppose placing the government in the hands of the people. To bring about a change of administration and a restoration of the old time order of things and to again place the offices in republican hands, a campaign of abuse, misrepresentation and villification is being carried on by republican leaders. No president since Lincoln's second election is comparable with the present disreputable and discreditable wordy assaults against Mr. Wilson. Being without a single tenable issue to present to the people, faultfinding and abuse is the only republican stock in the campaign, the whole of which can be summed up in four words, they want the offices.

During all of their abuse and misrepresentation, President Wilson remains serene and unruffled. He cannot be betrayed into saying harsh or ugly words about his traducers. His poise is remarkable, for he is a moral upright gentleman and to reply to the billingsgate in like kind, is beneath the dignity and thought of a great man and a president of the United States. Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad. Republican leaders are using their utmost endeavor to make Mr. Wilson mad. Their attempt to destroy him on November 7, will prove equally futile.

The people now realize that they have a strong friend in President Wilson. They feel that their interests are safe in his hands. Farmers know it and laboring men know it. Even three level headed railroad presidents seem to know it as well as that of several of our leading manufacturers. Woodrow Wilson is certainly one of the most remarkable men our nation has produced.

A DUTY TO OREGON

No well informed person supposes for a moment that the full rental value land tax amendment that will be on the Oregon ballot this fall will be approved by the voters. Its chief purpose is to take the land of Oregon away from those who own it now and give it to others, and the people of this state have no desire to Mexicanize themselves in this way. The amendment will be defeated, of course.

But it is not enough merely to defeat it. In order to preserve the good name of Oregon and assure better business conditions and greater development in the future it must be snowed under so deeply as to leave no doubt of the attitude of the people of this state on such freak measures. Prospective investors and homeseekers must be assured that they can come to Oregon without danger of having their investments confiscated.

Those of us who live here know that there is no prospect of confiscatory legislation like this being enacted. There have been radically dangerous measures on the ballot at every election since the Oregon system was adopted and they have been uniformly swamped by the voters, but people living elsewhere—among them prospective investors in Oregon—do not know this. They see grab schemes on the ballot and jump to the conclusion that it is unsafe to invest money in Oregon.

This is unfortunate, but under our system of government there is no way to prevent the appearance of wild schemes on the ballot year after year. All that can be done is

to snow them under so deeply as to convince the rest of the world that sanity and common sense rule in Oregon and that investments here are as safe as anywhere else.

REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS

One of the gravest objections to our primary law is the fact that nominees for office are usually taken from population centers and which results in not a fair representation, say of a county at large, in the political government.

To illustrate: All three of the republican candidates this year are taken from the central part of the county and within a radius of ten miles of each other. All other candidates of both parties, save three are residents of Albany. This is an unfortunate result of our primary nominating system and is a matter which should be remedied if possible.

It can be done, in a measure in the selection of the members of our county court and also the members of the lower house of representatives, by segregating the county into three nominating districts. Such division might be authorized by the legislature, or it might be done by a sort of gentlemen's agreement, as now prevails in the selection of the joint senator for Linn and Lane counties.

Take the South Santiam and Calipoolia rivers as division lines and the country would be divided into three fairly equitable parts. Let the two dominant political parties nominate each a candidate for the legislature at the primary election, but let them be voted for by the voters of the county as a whole at the general election. Other counties could make such divisions as seemed equitable and just.

The same divisions of Linn county could, also, be used in the selection of judge and commissioners. If the judge is taken from the central part, let each of the other parts supply the commissioners. That is to say if but one commissioner is to be elected, let the divisional section from which the member should come, select both the republican and democratic candidates. This would make the county court representative of the county. It would make the court more familiar with the needs of each portion of the county at first hands, with the roads, bridges, etc. The court would be more familiar with the manner in which road supervisors handled their work. In fact, it would keep the court more nearly in touch with the people and, necessarily more responsive to their wishes.

As a matter of fact, each subdivided portion of the county should have a commissioner, who should be held responsible for the condition of the roads and bridges in his section and for the manner in which his supervisors carried out the road work.

Ida Maxwell Cummings

Nominee For

County School Superintendent

She favors personal supervision of schools, thereby saving the taxpayers \$1200 per year, a supervisor's salary; better text books, and more practical work, especially in domestic science, manual training and agriculture, which benefits the home and furnishes material for our industrial fairs.

(Paid Adv.)

Good printing can be obtained only where the proper types, presses, material and expert workmanship is found. The Tribune office possesses all of these requisites and the prices are right.

Political Announcements

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of Albany
Candidate for Congress



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for
Circuit Judge
Two to elect.
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Albany, Oregon



IRVIN R. SCHULTZ
Albany, Ore.
Democratic Candidate for the
Legislature for Linn County

WHAT I STAND FOR

If elected to the legislature, I will not only uphold all laws that have been enacted by the votes of the people, but also all laws that are voted upon favorably at the coming election.

If elected to the legislature, I will endorse a bill to prohibit the sale of alcohol in drug stores.

My slogan is and shall be "do away with graft in the legislature or do away with the legislature."

I favor a business legislature. If you want a political mixup, don't vote for me.



VELMA G. DAVIS
of Albany
Democratic Candidate for
County Recorder

J. F. WESELY

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GEORGE GIBBONS, Scio, Ore.

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