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CANDIDATES ARE BEGINNING TO BUZZ

Candidates before the primaries are beginning to loom up on the horizon. Nevertheless we are meeting war crisis, one after another, and our thoughts are centered on how soon our American boys will be in the trenches and how soon another call for troops will be made, we must stop long enough to discuss who will be the proper men to fill our offices from January 1 next.

Just the kind of men whom we select to represent the leading state in the Union, is very important. We say "leading state" advisedly, for Oregon has been first in so many different things pertaining to the war that we have a just right to claim a little glory.

Our congressional delegation, now serving us, all seem anxious to further our interests in the war game and stand behind the president in all necessary measures. While it is true that one or two of our own representatives have not been very enthusiastic in support of the president, their votes have generally been right. We might do better to replace some of them with new men and we might do worse. We demand that each of them, whether our present members of congress are retained in whole or in part, or shall be replaced by new men, shall drop partisanship for the time being and become AMERICANS at least until we have won the war. The winning of the war is our one central purpose and no man should be selected for either house of congress who, will not submit every other interest to this one great purpose.

Tentative candidates at the present time for the U. S. senate are R. N. Stanfield, of Stanfield and Senator McNary, present incumbent of Salem, republicans and Will R. King, democrat. We shall have more to say concerning these candidates later on.

For governor, the present incumbent, James Withycombe asks to be reelected, Gus Moser, of multnomah county and a prominent member of the last state senate, and present secretary of state, Ben Olcott, all republicans, are likely to contest for the nomination. On the democratic side, Milton A. Miller, present collector of internal revenue is mentioned. There is a general desire throughout the state that Judge Bennett, of The Dalles, shall stand for the nomination. The judge does not indicate whether he will be a candidate or not. If nominated, The Tribune believes he would be a most formidable opponent to any republican candidate who may be nominated.

For secretary of state, candidates have not, as yet, come out into the open, though there are several names mentioned, who may become candidates later on.

For state treasurer there are several who would like the job,

though E. D. Cusick, of Albany, is the first to announce his candidacy. We have not heard of a democrat who aspires to step into Tom Kay's shoes, who must now retire because of constitutional limitation.

Other state offices are to be filled and, doubtless, there will not be a dearth of candidates for the various places.

While state officials, aside from governor, will have but little influence in war matters, the same rule should apply to all candidates, from the highest to the lowest, which applies to congressmen. Not even a constable should be elected who is not sound in support of the war. We do not want slackers nor German sympathizers in office.

In county matters the selection of legislators, the county judge and two commissioners, are the most important. These are the men who have control of taxation and the spending of the people's money. It rests with these men whether the state extravagance, as in the past, shall maintain, or if a system of rigid economy and the cutting out worse than useless state commissions shall be introduced.

For the state senate, we are told that Hon. S. M. Garland will stand for reelection. Senator Garland has made a splendid record during his four years in office, with the exception of one vote. He voted for the submission of the road bonding bill, which he now, probably, regrets, as does Hon. Gus Moser, of Multnomah county, who wants to be governor. We all want good roads, and probably paving is the cheapest in the end. These two senators were justified by the people, in their desire for hard surfaced roads. But Governor Withycombe's Good Roads commission has given paved roads a black eye, of which it is not proper to discuss in this article.

For the house of representatives, everybody desires that Hon. W. P. Elmore shall stand for reelection. If he will consent to serve, the people will do the rest. Of course there will be other nominees, besides Senator Garland and Representative Elmore, for six more candidates will be needed to fill out both tickets. We have heard that Hon. D. C. Thoms, our Scio fellow citizen, might be persuaded to allow his name used. He served two terms while a citizen of Marion county and, we understand, his record is good.

In county affairs, several candidacies have been mentioned. Judge McKnight and Commissioner Irvine will probably be candidates to succeed themselves. Both gentlemen will be opposed by a certain element in the county, because they have been too economical. Yet the economy they have enforced has been very satisfactory to the people. They have given Linn county the lowest tax levy in the state. 11.2 mills, with the county out of debt, is not a matter to be ashamed of and is most satisfactory to the people in these Liberty Bond and Red Cross days.

For county clerk, R. M. Russell, present incumbent, is the only name we have heard mentioned. As his service during the past four years has been absolutely satisfactory, his opposing candidate will have a hard row to hoe.

For sheriff, with D. H. Bodine's retirement, the field is open. Three gentlemen will seek the nomination on the republican ticket. They are J. R. Frum, present chief deputy, R. E. Warner, of Crawfordville and C. M. Kendall are announced candidates. While Mr. Frum is a young man, he is very efficient and his battle with the escaped bad man from the penitentiary at Shedd, places him in a very favorable light before the people. Who the democratic candidates may be, have not yet been announced, though we have

heard the names of Del Smith and James Green, of Lebanon, mentioned.

For recorder we have heard no other name than Miss Velma Davis mentioned. She has given first class service and has saved the county about \$100 per month since she went into office, as she said she would. Her reelection should be unanimous.

Candidates for other county offices have not yet come out into the open but, of course, will make their announcements in due time. The fact that the county's business has been well handled in all departments, with no suspicion of wrong or graft whatever, places our officials, one and all, in a favorable light before the public. As The Tribune has often stated, the political preference of any official is of small moment, if he or she is efficient and honest and treats the general public in a pleasing and accommodating spirit the public, aside from those who would like to be holding down a county job, is satisfied.

SHOULD BE DEPORTED

Associate press dispatches state that many Germans and Austrians, who have filed their intentions to become citizens, who have voted in all elections as now in N. Dakota and recently in Oregon, are now claiming exemption from military service on the grounds of being alien enemies. Many of these men have secured homes from the national domain and all have been protected by our laws. Now when the first test of loyalty occurs, they are slackers. The United States has fulfilled all of its contract in the privileges of citizenship, but these men sneak out of their part of the contract.

Of course these slacker Germans and Austrians who dodge this part of the contract imposed by citizenship, should never be allowed to become citizens. They should never be allowed to obtain their final citizenship papers. They are now being tried in the balance of citizenship and are found wanting. They are willing to enjoy the benefit of citizenship but refuse to perform its duties. Justice to the American people should require these men and women to be deported and their lands or other real property be confiscated.

The oath of citizenship is very binding. The would-be citizen swears that he renounces all kings and potentates and especially those of the country from whence he comes and that he will obey the laws and be truly loyal to the government of the United States, and will defend the government of his adoption against all other governments whatsoever. There is no exception. His oath does not say that he shall defend the government of the United States against all others except Germany or Austria, as the case may be. Oh no! These countries are especially named as states that he renounces and which he will defend the United States against.

What manner of people are these slackers, who regard their oaths as "mere scraps of paper?" Nor is it fair to native born Americans that these men shall be allowed the rights and privileges of citizenship. The American boy is required to list his name for service whenever his country calls. His neighbor, born in Germany or Austria, who enjoys every privilege which he enjoys, refuses to be listed and claims his allegiance is due to Germany or Austria as a cause of exemption, thus placing himself in a dual position, willing to accept the benefits of the government under whose flag he lives, but claims his service is due to the land from whence he comes. Very well, let us not place a straw in his way from serving the

emperor of his native land, but aid him in his going after the war is over. At the same time let him know that all property he has secured under our beneficent laws, becomes forfeit to the government he would deceive. Every alien enemy should be interned and, as these slackers have declared themselves alien enemies, the road to the detention camp should be open to them at once.

The Tribune is glad to say that the vast majority of Germans and Austrians, now residing under the protection of the Stars and Stripes, are not slackers, nor do they forget the requirements of their oaths of citizenship. They came to our land to escape the oppression and semi-slavery of the land of their birth and are willing to defend the land of their adoption against any or all other governments. They are not slackers nor perjurers. They are patriots in every sense the term implies and very many of them are now to be found in active service in our army or navy.

The time has come when Uncle Sam should not be mealy mouthed. Every man who lives under the folds of the American flag, is either for or against it. If they are against our government as these slackers say they are, they are undesirable and should be kicked out as soon as our government's interests permit. But, in the mean time, imprison every mother son of them, at hard labor until the war is over and then act! Such people can never become good citizens of any country. They are willing to accept benefits, but are unwilling to give anything in return.

Local Market Report

Wheat per bushel	\$ 1.88
Oats " "	.80
Bran per ton	44.00
Wheat chop per ton	65.00
Oat chop " "	60.00
Barley Chop " "	50.00
Flour per sack	2.65
Eggs per dozen, cash	.46
Butter fat per lb	.61
Chickens, hens per lb	.15
" spring " "	.15
" roosters " "	.10
Turkeys " "	
Geese " "	.10
Ducks " "	.15
Beef " "	.08
Veal " "	.13 1/2
Hogs, live per hundred lb	14.75
Hogs, dressed " "	17 1/2
Mutton " "	11.90

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SCIO, OREGON

Sunday School 10 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor 6:30 to 7:30 p. m.
Song Service 7:30 to 8:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting, Thursday 7:30 p. m.
Brother Meikeljohn, Leader.
H. B. Iler, Pastor

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