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## HOOVER FOR PRESIDENT.

There seems to be a growing sentiment for the nomination of the Hon. Herbert Hoover for president and this sentiment seems likely to grow until the flag falls for the race.

Mr. Hoover is not a politician and for that reason the people like him. No one seems to know to which party he acknowledges allegiance or if he claims affiliation with any party. He is a broad minded man, with astonishing business ability.

When President Wilson appointed him food administrator and sent him to Europe without instructions, he had to work out all his plans and select his subordinates. It was an entire new work for which there was no precedent for guidance, yet he soon manifested a very high degree of administrative ability and accomplished as much and probably more skill in feeding the starving Belgians than could be accomplished by another man. He was master of the situation and acquitted himself with honor to his country and to Mr. Hoover. He showed himself to be a big man in every sense of the term.

Now he is proposed as a possible candidate for president, and why not?

He is not a politician and schemer for personal preferences; he is a business man of rare ability. These are qualities very desirable on the part of a presidential candidate.

With the exception of President Wilson, the president's chair has been occupied by politicians, lawyers, if you please; and some of them have been men of very ordinary ability. They did not add luster to the presidential escutcheon, nor were they business men of any considerable caliber.

The United States needs a superior business man to direct its affairs now as never before. He should be constructive in disposition and of large financial capability.

Mr. Hoover seems to possess these qualities in an eminent degree. His statesmanship qualities are yet to be developed, though his business ability implies that the qualities of the statesman will not be lacking and the people do not care about political qualities if they are of the scheming variety.

As a matter of fact, a non-partisan president would not be distasteful to the masses of the people. All of our heretofore presidents have been partisans or party men; Abraham Lincoln perhaps least of all. The people would like a president who would select the best man for

the job regardless of party. Mr. Hoover promises to be of that type and he seems to be big enough and broad enough for the job.

## THE QUASI PUBLIC ENEMY.

Next week the Oregon legislature will convene at Salem in special session. Just what will be the result of this special session is somewhat problematical, except that it is sure to add to the burden of taxation.

No wonder Governor Olcott hesitated a long time before he called this body of trouble makers and next-door-to-enemies-of-the-people together. No doubt he felt that "we (the people) had better bear the ills we now have than to fly to those we know not of." But the pressure became too strong and he succumbed and issued the proclamation.

There is a growing sentiment throughout the state to abolish the legislature altogether and substitute a sort of board of commissioners to frame laws to be submitted to the people. Should a plan of this character be substituted it is safe to say that some thousands of people now depending upon the state pay roll for a living would be jobless and there would be more dead state commissioners and their employes than there are inmates in our most populous state eleemosynary institution.

Of course our lawmakers do enact an occasional law that is meritorious and in the interests of all the people but for every good law of this character half a dozen or more bad laws—laws in the interests of special classes, institutions and individuals, find places within our session law books. Many of these enactments are half baked and must be re-enacted at subsequent sessions. This last is one of the reasons for the special session.

Indications are that the usual assaults are to be made on the state treasury. Our state colleges want more money and public officials will endeavor to have their salaries increased. Efforts will be made to remove the six per cent bar to increase of expenditures and to raise the limit of state indebtedness from two to four per cent of assessed valuation. So taxpayers may expect to have their tax burden increased in every possible manner.

It is an easy matter for the legislature to increase the tax burden, but seemingly impossible for a law decreasing taxation to be enacted, and the member who dares to introduce a measure looking to this end is denominated a tight wad.

But, gentlemen lawmakers, you had better call a halt to legislative extravagance. The people are now angry at the ever increasing state pay roll and soon will grow desperate and take charge of the reins. They know that state officials drew down handsome salaries a few years ago; that the state colleges had an abundance of money for maintenance; that the injured workman accident fund was sufficient, etc. Now because of the h. c. l. to increase the several appropriations, is of doubtful wisdom; for when once increased it will be next door to impossible to have them reduced when normal times return.

Farmers are now getting good prices for their products, but these prices are of little value if their margin of profit is to be absorbed by taxation.

So Mr. Legislator cut your special session short, the shorter the better, and you will restore in a measure yourselves to the good estimation of taxpayers.

## LIGHT OR DARKNESS, WHICH?

Scio must maintain her light and water service. Any other conclusion

is unthinkable, for without these necessary municipal functions our town would greatly disintegrate and the value of property would depreciate from 25 to 50 per cent. Home seekers will not reside in a dead town and that is what Scio would be without lights and water.

Insurance rates would double and there would be no lack of empty houses, both business and dwelling, for rental purposes.

As everybody knows, our power contract with the Scio Milling Co. will expire next year and will be renewed only at a cost of \$1000 per year. This power charge would necessarily increase light and water rates to consumers. It is therefore up to our city dads to get busy, which they have anticipated by several months.

In The Tribune of last week the city council gave the result of their conclusions after examining all means of supplying power. That conclusion was that the Jordan power project was the only plan tenable.

The outlay or cost of bringing power therefrom will be from \$35,000 to \$40,000, and the people will be asked to vote bonds for this amount in the near future.

The interest on \$40,000 annually will be \$2000. The question is, can we get additional patronage to justify this large expenditure? The answer is decidedly, yes. The power would come to Scio (208 h. p.) with earnings of \$1500 and the additional earnings in Scio would be \$1000 or thereabout, principally for power, which a 24-hour service would give. It can be seen that the interest charge is thus provided for with a margin of \$500 to go into a bond redemption fund.

We are using not more than 40 h. p. to operate the light plant at the present time. With a surplus of 168 h. p. light lines can be extended so that the present earnings of the plant would be doubled without increasing the expense of operation, all of which could be added to the sinking fund and which would pay off the bonds in less than 20 years. And this additional earning could be easily obtained for we are told Jefferson would gladly buy power from us.

Mr. Cunningham, the engineer who made the estimates, stated, we are told, a power station at Jordan with transmission lines to Scio would be worth \$80,000, or double construction cost. Moreover, the service would be continuous and satisfactory.

All that will be required of Scio people is to loan the municipal credit with the assurance that within 20 years she would own a splendid light service without costing the municipality a cent other than half price for street lights.

There are but two propositions for the people to decide. Take up the Jordan project as outlined or close down the plant at the expiration of the present power lease. Think about this matter, friends of Scio, for it will soon be up to you to decide.

South Scio will have no special road tax this year. Possibly some of the liberal ones would be willing to make a donation towards the improvement of Mill street.

## Sheep for Sale

I have 800 head of good young stock ewes. These ewes are all healthy and in good condition. Will sell any number from 10 head up. Now if you haven't got the money that doesn't make any difference, if you have plenty of feed to carry them. I will let you have them at \$15 per head, payable the first of October, 1920. These ewes ought to pay for themselves under ordinary luck, the first year.

V. J. PHILIPPI,  
Scio, Oregon.

## SCHOOL NOTES.

The Halsey high school basket ball team came over to play the Scio high school team Friday evening. The home team was unable to get what players they wanted from the high school and took on an outsider. Under these conditions the game was not allowed to be played in the name of the high school. Scio was the loser even if she did win the game by a score of 23 to 14, as the team has lost the confidence and approval of its friends. Most of the baskets were thrown by this outside player.

### Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been by the county court of Linn County, Oregon, duly appointed administrator of the estate of Minerva E. Gill, deceased.  
All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at Scio, Oregon, with proper vouchers therefor, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 5th day of January, A. D. 1920.  
W. A. EWING,  
Administrator.  
L. M. Carl, Atty. for Admr. 21 6t

## SUNNYBROOK.

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