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I pledge allegiance to my flag and
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justice for all.

"THE EXPLANATION."

Under the above caption Brother
Piper of the Oregonian, answering
our "Wilson Baiting" editorial item
of last week, has this to say:

"What political motive does The
Tribune think the Oregonian had
when it strove zealously and contin-
uously to support the president in
his war measures and in the league
of nations? It was obvious that if
Wilson won the war and if he ac-
complished the magnificent design
of the league of nations, he would
be the greatest figure of the times
and one of the great figures of all
times. No need to wait for election
year to see that; now in that same
year it is plain that Wilson is the
least dangerous of all democratic
possibilities. When his prestige was
high, and likely to go higher, the
Oregonian approved his course; now
when it is low, the Oregonian finds
fault with him. Inexplicable, indeed.
"Or perhaps it is explicable. If
The Tribune will survey candidly the
recent past and the present, it will
discover that the president had great
acclaim from the nation and from all
parties because some of the enter-
prises, national and international, he
devised and promoted were in line
with American thought, conscience
and duty. Then the Oregonian was
for him. When he fell short in
achievement and when by his ob-
structive course he contributed so
greatly to the difficulty of getting
done the things he said he wanted
done, and the nation wanted done, a
great part of his support left him.
The president himself is the expla-
nation of his own failures."

The above explanation needs some
explaining for the true explanation
of "baiting" Wilson is to manufac-
ture campaign propaganda for use
during the political campaign now
just at hand and to furnish republi-
can stump orators with something
really worth while to say.

No real thinker for the welfare of
our country would encourage Mr.
Wilson to become a third time can-
didate even if his health was not
broken, for there is a prejudice in
the hearts of the American people
against third terms which will not
down. They place so much homage
upon Washington's admonition
against the third term that they will
not violate it. General Grant, by
the advice of his fool friends, tried
it at Chicago and which caused the
sober minded republicans to almost
hang their heads in shame. But he
could only obtain the votes of 306
delegates. Theodore Roosevelt, in
the same city in 1912, tried it, but
could not overcome the Taft lead
and an unreconcilable division and
consequent defeat of the party re-
sulted. Both Grant and Roosevelt
had strong following and which
would stay to the end. But the wise

heads had sufficient influence to pre-
vent the violation of Washington's
advice. The precedent established
by the father of our country pre-
vailed. It will prevail at San Fran-
cisco should Mr. Wilson's name be
placed as a candidate before the
convention.

Our accusation against the Ore-
gonian of "Wilson baiting" is not
because he might be a candidate for
re-election, but because that paper
seems prone to strike a man who
has freely given his health to our
country. No word of the good
things Wilson has done, or has been
done during his administration, is
now found on its editorial page
which was frequently so found a
year or so ago.

Now Wilson is to blame for the
defeat of the treaty and league
which has not been in his hands since
he came back from Paris. Every
possible fault however, which by any
strained interpretation of the presi-
dent's acts while in Paris or since
he came home are found there a-
plenty. Why? The campaign year
is on, must be the answer.

Soon after Woodrow Wilson was
inaugurated for his first term he
called a special session of congress.
He also called a special session after
his second inauguration and when
both branches of congress was in
republican hands. We now wonder
if the Oregonian dares to publish in
parallel columns a summary of the
accomplishments of these two special
sessions?

The Tribune freely admits that
President Wilson has made mistakes
or errors in judgment over which
his political enemies rejoice. What
president has not? But we think in
common fairness the president should
be given credit for the good he has
done as well as to amplify his mis-
takes. This the Oregonian seems
now unwilling to do. There is a
reason.

Will the Oregonian tell its readers
why there has not been a financial
panic during the Wilson administra-
tion, and why Wall street no longer
is able to control our financial sys-
tem from ocean to ocean, as it could
and did under former republican
administrations? Oh no, this will
not be done. Only such strings will
be pulled as contribute to the elec-
tion of a republican president next
fall. This extreme partisanship on
the part of adherents of either party
is not for the best interests of our
government. It results in congress
doing things and not doing things
which the great mass of the peo-
ple want. The opposition to the
ratifying of the treaty and league
covenant, now before the United
States senate, supplies an example.
If the senate was controlled by a
democratic majority the confirma-
tion of the treaty would now be
history. This is why the president
wanted a friendly (politically) sen-
ate and unwisely said so during the
congressional campaign of 1918.

The Oregonian has advocated the
ratification of the treaty and cove-
nant just as Wilson brought it home,
or with mild interpretations; that is
to say last year, not this. Now one
will conclude that Wilson alone
stands in the way of confirmation;
that his will alone prevents this step
towards displacing war between
nations by compulsory arbitration.
Why not be brave enough, brother,
to say flatly that the republican
leaders in congress, for partisan po-
litical purposes, are the preventive.
Wilson won the war, or our armies
did it. Now we are likely to be de-
nied the fruits of our success by
partisanship. Is it a wonder the
people are demanding the nomina-
tion of Hoover who seems absolutely
free of partisanship of the Lodge,
Borah, Johnson type? We nearly
placed the Oregonian in the same
class, but will not. Come along,
brother, we are waiting for expla-
nations that do explain.

WHAT IS THE PROGRAM?

The people of Scio and vicinity
are very much interested to know
what is to be the county court pro-
gram relative to the improvement
of the Scio-Greens bridge road dur-
ing the present season.

Now it was well understood when
the \$600,000 county bond measure
received the approval of Linn county
voters that paying out of Browns-
ville, Lebanon and Scio was to be a
part of the plan embraced in the
proposition.

Seeing that something like \$4000
per mile of this fund was appor-
tioned to the Scio-Greens bridge
road, we concluded that paving was
to be done on this road. Now this
sum will not pave the road from
Scio to Greens bridge; to carry on
the project other funds must be
provided.

The court has a plan of levying a
general road tax of five mills addi-
tional to the present general road
levy to apply to all parts of the
county in lieu of the special road
levies. Also, if the court will place
the proposed five mill levy on the
ballot to be voted upon at the May
primary election, or will initiative
petitions be necessary?

The people are willing to vote
money or bonds for improvement of
the so called market roads and they
would be glad to have the court de-
clare or define what its plan of action
is to be.

When the improvement is begun
the court should have money enough
in sight to keep the work moving
without stopping. It costs money
to set up a paving plant and con-
tractors will take this cost into
consideration when bidding on a con-
tract. Therefore the people want
to know what is expected for them
to do.

Portland is very much exorcised
over the proposed 8 cent street car
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cause of the shrinkage of railway
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tors with the clerk of the county court
for Linn County, Oregon, and that the
judge of said court has fixed Monday,
the 8th day of March, 1920, at the hour
of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon as the
time for hearing objections to said final
account and the settlement of the said
estate.

Dated and the first publication hereof
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Mary Edith McKnight, Executrix.
Benjamin Lewis Ray, Executor.
C. C. Bryant, Attorney.

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