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## THE CANDIDATES AND PARTIES

Two points of the presidential campaign are now a certainty—our next president will be an Ohio man and he will be a newspaper man.

Both Mr. Harding and Mr. Cox are successful Ohio statesmen. The former is now an U. S. senator while the latter is the present governor of his native state. Mr. Harding is also one of Ohio's native sons. The two are personal friends and all Ohioans are friends of one or the other, and in many instances the friends of both.

Both are of the forward looking type of statesmen and are progressive in their views; both are Americans in the fullest sense of the term and both may be written down as good men, either of whom, if elected, is likely to make a good president, and let us hope that the better man wins.

Did you ever think that there is but little difference between men who are honest, who are true blue Americans, who place man above the dollar, and who regards his Americanism superior to his partisanship? Well, there isn't. Our country is safe with either class of man in the white house. It is the extreme partisan and tricky politician who we must guard against.

There is small choice as between Mr. Harding and Mr. Cox in the above cited respects. Either may be trusted to do what is right if left uninfluenced.

But here comes the line of cleavage. Here the roads separate. Mr. Harding is a republican and his official action will be largely influenced by the declaration of principles as laid down in his party's platform. He is expected to oppose the league of nations by the Johnsons and Borahs and to favor it in some degree or in some way by others. He is thus expected to ride two horses. He must ride one or the other, or come to grief. He is expected to hate President Wilson and all that he does, and this is contrary to Mr. Harding's nature. He is not a hater. He could not be a Lodge if he would try; nor a Johnson, nor a Borah. And the country is to be congratulated that he can't, for, possibly, he may be elected.

On the other hand, Mr. Cox has rather the advantage. His party platform speaks out squarely on the league of nations and does not put any song of hate in his mouth. On the "dry" and "wet" proposition the extremists will try to make him ride double, but if Mr. Cox makes strict enforcement of law his central purpose, his two horse proposition will fail of effect.

Then the campaign issues will be made up from the declaration of principles found in the platforms rather than from the personal char-

acteristics of the candidates themselves. It will be a campaign fought on the slight difference in the principles of the republican and democratic parties, for in the main they agree.

Only party prejudice and minor personal differences between men defines the boundaries. Never in the history of the two parties has there been so little to disagree upon as at the present time. Heretofore there has generally been some recognized difference between the parties and generally radically so. Is there today? If so, what is it? The politics of today has come to mean the choice of men and the offices rather than a clear demarcation of principles, as in the past.

And the country should be glad of it, for it is an indication that all men, democrats and republicans, are being controlled by one line of thought, good government, destroying corruption and dishonesty, enforcement of law, economy in governmental affairs, etc., etc.

We are always likely to have two or more political parties. Good men will disagree upon which is the better plan to accomplish a desired result. Neither may be absolutely right or absolutely wrong. But there is enough difference to justify the life of two political parties.

Yet both party and individual should place the interests of American citizenship always before the mere success of the political party. And the trend of both political parties is toward this desirable end.

It is now considered possible that one may be a good man and at the same time be a democrat or a republican, as the case may be. He does not commit an unpardonable political sin if he crosses the line and votes for the other fellow, if he considers him the better man and represents the plan or principles which he, the voter, deems for the best.

The personalities of both Mr. Harding and Mr. Cox will be thoroughly discussed, for thus will we be able to make up our minds as to the fitness of the man for the office of president and this involves the discussion and undoubted meaning of the planks in each.

We should endeavor to banish partisan prejudice and let our choice be for the best interests of our common country. In the end we all want the same things, if we are patriotic, and that is good government. Many will think that result will be reached with the election of Mr. Harding. The Tribune thinks Mr. Cox the better man for the place, all things considered, and this difference is the reason for two parties.

## CHAMBERLAIN VS. STANFIELD

It ought to be an easy matter for Oregon voters to make a selection for U. S. senator next fall as between Senator George E. Chamberlain and Robert N. Stanfield. The only question we should consider is which is the better man for the place, when we contemplate the interests of the state of Oregon and the nation at large.

It makes slight difference to the people what political collar a congressman wears so that he has the stuff in him to serve the people's interests. A good illustration is now before us in the services of Senators Chamberlain and McNary, the former a democrat and the latter a republican. In all matters pertaining to the welfare of Oregon or the nation at large, in the main, we find both senators working to accomplish the same end. Only on measures calculated to bring out the party factor do we find their votes recorded in separate columns. Senator Chamberlain is now at home and contemplates visiting all points in the interests of the needs of the people, and of course in those of his

campaign, before his return to Washington.

As a reason why he should be re-elected, his friends urge the experience of 12 years in the senate during which he reached the important position of one of the leading senatorial committees; his great personal popularity among the senators regardless of party; his courage in casting his vote on measures he thinks right, regardless as to how it may affect his standing in his own party; his splendid personal fitness; his unflinching patriotism; his courage to take up and condemn wrongs, even if he finds them in his own party or among his own political friends, and his absolute honesty and integrity of purpose—these qualities his friends think, and the people of Oregon think, entitle him to re-election.

On the other hand, his opponent, Robert N. Stanfield, has had no experience whatever in legislation; is admittedly a good financier; has made himself rich in the sheep industry east of the mountains, and is very willing to spend his money.

These are the qualities of the two candidates. It ought not to take the average voter more than a minute to decide which is the better candidate for the place.

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Any and all persons having objections to said final account are hereby notified to be present at said time in the county court room in the Linn county court house in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, and then and there make such objections.

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