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*I pledge allegiance to my flag and  
the Republic for which it stands, one  
Nation, indivisible, with liberty and  
justice for all.*

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## LEAGUE OR NO LEAGUE

The question is up to the American people, this Fall, whether they desire to join the rest of the nations of the world in an effort to settle international disputes and misunderstandings by a sort of compulsory arbitration, or whether they will continue the war system.

By voting for Mr. Harding, this first effort to do away with war and the terrific cost in life and treasure is to be scrapped; by voting for Mr. Cox, the United States will join the league, which will endeavor to prevent war between nations by peaceful arbitration.

When we know that the cost of war and the preparation therefor usurp about 80 per cent of the revenue collected to support our government, to say nothing about the killing and maiming of our physically perfect young men, we can, in a measure comprehend the awful cost of war and the drain upon the finances of our country it involves for years to come. The child is yet unborn, which will see our country free from the debt which the war with Germany involved. The entire debt caused by that war, up to the present date is not less than \$25,000,000,000, of this colossal sum, something over \$10,000,000,000 has been loaned to foreign nations, which greatly reduces our net debt.

The civil war cost a little less than \$5,000,000,000. Yet we are today paying interest on the bonds issued to finance that war, besides a great sum for pensions to the veterans and widows of veterans of that war. The civil war ended 55 years ago. By the same criterion, our descendants will be paying for the German war, 100 years hence, with maybe the expense of other wars yet to come, added.

Mr. Cox asks you to stop this awful drain on the productions of our country, while Mr. Harding advocates the continuance of war. He is unwilling to aid the world in this first effort to substitute arbitration for war. He wants our young men to be prepared for war. He wants the heavy cost of building monstrous war vessels to continue. Do you, Mr. Farmer and Mr. Businessman want war conditions to continue in the future, as in the past? Do you mothers and sisters want your sons and brothers taken from the hearthstone and sent to the battle line, as food for cannon and gas barages? This last is the logical conclusion of what Mr. Harding asks you to do.

Republican speakers misrepresent what the league of nations covenant involves. They tell you that Article No. X will take our young men over to Europe to fight their battles and that our national treasury will have to pay the costs of European war.

The league covenant does not say so. Our boys cannot nor will not be taken to Europe to fight battles, unless the U. S. representative in the league votes therefor. It takes an unanimous vote of the league council to bring this result about, and then congress would have to ratify his action and vote money to pay the expenses of such war. By becoming a member of the league, we may not be able to prevent war entirely, but we will make it far more difficult to bring about. Anyway the league provides that a nation may withdraw its membership and also provides that amendments to the constitution may be added.

The reactionary republican leaders are using the anti-league slogan as campaign document with the hatred of Wilson in addition to hold the rank and file of the party in line. They are simply making a catspaw of the ordinary voter. Mr. Republican Voter do you do your own thinking, or do you depend on Mr. Harding, the Lodges and the Penroses to think for you?

The league of nations is now a fact. Some twenty-nine nations are members of it. It is the first united effort the world has made to do away with war. Yet we, the most progressive nation on earth, refuse to join, just to help the Republican party elect a president. The United States, Russia, Germany and Mexico are not members. A fine bunch, surely, our republican senate forces us to be classed with. The great masses of the republican party down deep in their hearts are in favor of the league. They are no more in favor of war than are democrats. But their reactionary leaders so misrepresent the league and construe its provisions so wrongfully and just to secure control of the government that very many thousands of them who think, are in a quandary. They do not know what to think or do.

They know that under a democratic administration, a great burden of debt has been accumulated and much extravagance can justly be charged and their reactionary leaders are working these facts for all they are worth. Democrats regret the great and in many instances unnecessary costs of the war as well. But they know that dishonest men and grafters are to blame, not the government. It would have been the same if republicans had had control of the government during the war when, of course, democrats would have howled. But the one great question of the campaign is "The League". Mr. Cox stands for the league and will do all he can to have the United States join the covenant. Mr. Harding will oppose our joining the league. This is the one great question of the campaign. All others in comparison fade into insignificance. The issue is as distinct as can be made. The republican party in this campaign is reactionary, forced into that position by its leaders. This fact cannot be dodged. The party has been forced into this position just to put these reactionary leaders in control of the government. Are you willing to pay the price Mr. Republican Voter?

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Jeff Isom, Democratic candidate for county commissioner to succeed Commissioner T. J. Butler, will be interviewing the voters of Linn county during the month of October. To the voters of Albany and southern Linn county, Jeff needs no introduction, for he was raised on the old Isom farm at the foot of Ward's butte, near Brownsville, and he has lived in the edge of Albany for a number of years.

Jeff has been intimately associated with road building for many years. The roads about Albany, many of them, have been constructed under

his direction. As a builder of dirt and gravel roads, he may be regarded as an authority. His experience has made him practical and as road building is to be one of the main and important functions of the county court for many years to come, Jeff's practical experience would be of great value to the county just at this time. There is such a diversity in the ideas of men in road building that to place a man in authority, who is in the possession of the "know how" and who has the disposition to require road builders to work up to his requirements, would be wisdom on the part of voters at this time. We want practical men in authority just now.

## THE ALBANY FAIR

By courtesy of Secretary A. C. Schmidt, of the Fair Association, this writer was given a squint at the numerous fair buildings, race track and grounds in general, last Saturday morning.

While workmen were rushing the completion of what seemed to be the last and largest building, between showers, the outlook was not encouraging. In fact the race track looked as if it was being prepared for a boat track.

But with a week of fair weather the "squint" will appear quite different. The rains may have been a help rather than a detriment to the track, for we are told, it would help to pack the track which being new and newly graded, needed packing.

Only a few days more were needed to place everything in condition for the fair. The outlook for exhibits is said to be excellent and if energy and close attention to the details by the officials will produce a good fair and if weather conditions are favorable, the Tribune predicts that Albany's first recovered fair is to be a hummer.

## CHAMBERLAIN vs. STANFIELD

The state of Oregon wants and should have her brightest and most energetic minds represented in the United States congress. Other states send their brightest men to represent them in congress and if we simply send our mediocre minds, our men who are indolent and not always ready, cocked and primed to start something, if we get left in the scramble after the good things, if our members never are advanced in position and become eminent, we ourselves are only to blame. At the present time a great effort is being made to defeat Geo. E. Chamberlain for the U. S. S. nate, with a man who has had no experience, who has but small ability but who has an abundance of money and ambition. He wants to round out his life as a United States Senator. Nobody blames him (Mr. Stanfield) for his ambition; nobody blames him for having by industry and perseverance in having secured a comfortable fortune, but they do blame him, seeing he lacks ability and experience in trying to displace a man who has proven his ability, who has proven his worth to the people and who stands out as a leader among our most highly trained legislators. When Senator Chamberlain arises to address the senate, he is listened to carefully, for he is liable to say something or to start something. Should Mr. Stanfield be elected, when he addresses the senate, most of them would conclude it is a good time to go out for a smoke. Mr. Chamberlain has proven that he is ever ready to stand for what he conceives to be the right, even if he finds the wrong to be in his own party and while many senators have grown rich while in office, Senator Chamberlain is still a poor man. He has not been a servant of rich corporations, who are able to swell the salary to large dimensions.

Mr. Stanfield is a pleasant, affable gentleman and is not to blame because nature made him but just an ordinary man. But the people will be to blame, and it will be to their loss, if they replace Mr. Chamberlain with his acknowledged ability, with Mr. Stanfield with his commonality.

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