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HOOPER FOR PRESIDENT

The fact that Herbert Hoover has announced that he is not a candidate for president will probably have not the slightest effect on his friends and admirers at Boardman who took advantage of the recent cold snap by gathering around a friendly store and talking politics. The talk, it seems, finally crystallized into a unanimous endorsement of Mr. Hoover for president and we understand that a serious effort will be made to give the movement national significance through the American Society of Engineers.

The idea of the Boardman men seems to be that the country needs to get away from the old idea of allowing politicians to run the country and that during this period of reconstruction truly patriotic business men, men well grounded in economics are needed to direct the destinies of the ship of state.

And it would be a pretty hard task for any of us to undertake to prove that the Boardman people are not on the right track. Patriots are needed in these troublous times more than are politicians and so far as we are able to learn nobody has yet accused Mr. Hoover of being a politician. He is an engineer of ability, a man of vision, a practical man who does things that he sees need doing just as he would build a railroad or an irrigation system.

Mr. Hoover may not be a candidate for president but if enough committees in these United States should take similar action to that of Boardman he might be persuaded to become such.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT

Editor Heppner Herald,
Heppner, Oregon.
Dear Sir:
The recent cold snap has been productive of political gossip. One of our local prune dealers was fortunate enough to have fuel that our bodies might be warm, although our hands may seem politically frozen. We gathered about his hospitality (stove) and every one proceeded to let go all bolts. Here is the remarkable outcome of the "sitting." The general sense of the collected individuals was one and the same. That the time had come for plain horse sense. That the blatant politician pussy footing about the land, a diffident nostrum to fit each line of votes he meets, (and seeks) should be obliterated. This is no time for squibs. The country is sick. It needs a dose to God to man. And I can say I call your attention to a remarkable incident. The "sitting" was unanimous in selecting that hero, "Who? Herbert H. Hoover. At the point of my chin you right down in the bottom of your heart if the same question is not upon your lips. What is his politics? I don't care, and why should you? If you have an over-worked liver and you call in the doctor to look it over, you don't give

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I down what his politics are. It is so with the nation. What we need is one who never knew what politics was. A strong constructive hand. A man with a clear mind, a clear eye, a strong will. That's H. C. Hoover. Do you know any one man the war produced the equal of H. C. Hoover? Let us say that we go to the polls tomorrow to vote for president. No candidates have been named. No would-be candidates have been allowed to wind-jam the people. H. C. Hoover would be our next president. Play this across the board (Europe) and he would be president of the world. You and I sit around. The two leading political parties "doll up" a couple of candidates. We look them over, pick out the least offensive one, gulp it down, and have political indigestion the following four years. When the old ship is sailing along serenely we do not give these things much thought, but the individual that can sit placidly by these times and not squeak a yip out of his system is a decayed matter. The country is now overrun with anticipated presidents. Some are senators and representatives. Where do they belong now. Down in Washington passing laws the country needs. The likes of them would have difficulty in securing my vote for dog eat her. We all have a part to play. Will you sit in?
Yours truly,
SAML. H. BOARDMAN,
Boardman, Oregon, Dec. 21, 1919.

HELIVES HOOPER BEST MAN FOR PRESIDENT

Editor Heppner Herald,
Heppner, Oregon.
Dear Sir:
I presume that in common with most periodicals you are glad to receive communications from your readers relative to the live topics of the day.
One thing that seems to be of general interest and discussion wherever men meet today is the possible candidates who will lead the great political parties in the next few months. Many conjectures are offered but few are willing to predict who, but it is generally conceded that dark horses are apt to play an important part in both national conventions. Altho I can hardly be classed as a republican, as I have been a good deal of an independent in times past, there is one man whose name is and ever shall be written large in the annals of the terrible and historic years just past, a man who has served in an executive capacity and has proven himself to be a master, a man who has not at any time shown any inclination to play politics for his personal advancement, a man who has proven that he is bigger than any party, and a man of greatest business ability, a man that Europe loves and admires and even his enemies respect for his straightforwardness and fearlessness, and as your own—the most that he has done for the common people of America, who are interested in the welfare of the Greatest Country on Earth, I want to see Herbert Hoover—the standard bearer of the republican party next campaign.
If the people do select a candidate the selection will take place but if we are to think we will still probably see nothing but we will deserve nothing.
What do others think about it?
Sincerely yours,
ARTHUR L. LAENSEN,
Boardman, Oregon, Dec. 26, 1919.

A MAN'S PRAYER

Teach me that 60 minutes make an hour, 16 ounces one pound and 100 cents \$1. Help me to live so that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience, without a pin under my pillow and untroubled by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain. Grant, I beseech Thee, that I may earn my meal ticket on the square, and in doing so may not stick the wall where it does not belong.
Dwell on the jingle of related money and the rattle of unholy skirts. Blind me to the faults of the other fellow, but reveal to me my own. Guide me so that each night when I look across the dinner table at my wife, who has been a blessing to me, I will have nothing to conceal.
Keep me young enough to laugh with my children and to lose myself in their play. And then, when comes the smell of flowers and the tread of soft steps and the crunching of the nurse's wheels in the gravel out in front of my place, make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple: "Here Lies a Man." —Ex.

SAYS MIDDLE CLASSES SHOULD SUPPORT HOOVER

Editor Heppner Herald,
Heppner, Oregon.
Dear Sir:
Having served with Uncle Sam's forces during the world war, I now consider it just as much my duty and the duty of every American to help solve the present industrial condition of this country as it was to protect it from its enemies at war. To do this we must put our shoulders to the wheel and express our selves and not be content to let a few political demagogues lead us as tho we were sheep. We of the middle classes have our ideas. Why not express them? The settlement of our present industrial unrest must come from the sober-thinking middle class. Either to allow capital or the radical element of labor to settle our industrial questions would result in a chaotic condition. They are both extremist. We of the middle class must get into action in order to stabilize conditions. Due to this call to duty it were, I take this privilege to make a brief discussion on the prospective candidates for president of the United States.
At present the illuminating stars for the candidacy are Major General Wood for the republicans and William McAdoo for the democrats. Does it appear to you that either of these men are presidential calibre? Have we not a far greater man in the person of Herbert Hoover than either of the above. They why not him for president?
Let us first consider Major General Wood. He is a military man having made that his life study. Does a military career tend to make a broad minded man? He always works to one end, that is to build up a strong machine of war. Do we want a military expert or a man versed in economic conditions at the helm of Our Ship of State? Will it not be economic questions that will confront him? When we entered the world war Major General Wood was at the head of our military department. Why was he not allowed to retain this position? Does it not seem that he was not considered big enough for the place in time of need? Surely our political system was not so rotten as to replace a man from such a high position without just cause. Does it not seem reasonable that he was replaced to give a man who was big enough for the position a chance.
Now let us consider Mr. McAdoo. Is he not a politician from every point of the game? He acted in the capacity of railroad administrator until big questions began to confront him, then he took the route of least resistance, that of resigning his position in the cabinet. Why did he resign? His plea was that private business called him and that the remuneration of his office was too small. Does it not sound more plausible that he did not wish to make decisions that would cause him political enemies. He would rather resign and prepare his campaign for president than perform the duties that confronted him. Is not that the maneuver of a politician pure and simple? Would he not have shown more interest for his country had he remained in office instead of resigning for personal interests? Enough said concerning these two prospects.

The question arises if not McAdoo or Wood, who? I say Herbert Hoover. Has he not shown his ability? He was chosen to handle the relief of the relief and in that capacity, earned the confidence and praise of the world. From that he came home to act as Food Administrator and as we all know handled it in a systematic business-like manner with prejudice to none. Was that not first class in itself of his ability?
Is that not the kind of a man we want at the head of our nation? One who has been tried and not found wanting.
Yours truly,
W. H. STEWART,
Boardman, Oregon, Dec. 22, 1919.

GIVE THE OLD MEN A CHANCE
Having reached that age where men are not wanted in either commercial or industrial life being turned down in favor of younger men, but feeling that I am not yet ready to be laid on the shelf, I am now going to specialize in insurance and ask your patronage. Have two of the best fire insurance companies in the United States, both purely American, and have just taken the agency for The Idaho State Life Insurance Company, a purely western company with the most popular policies written. If you are in the market for Life, Fire or Automobile Insurance, give me a call. Let the young men do the work and give the old man a chance to make a living for himself and family. Your business will be appreciated.
LEON W. BRIGGS,
Heppner, Oregon.
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Read The Herald for all the news

BOARDMAN ITEMS

C. C. Paine, secretary of the Paine Board, will attend Farmers Week at Curvallis, December 29 to January 2.

School will begin January 5th. Anna Hanson, of the Minnesota State Normal has been offered a place in the third and fourth grades. Practically all the teachers of the Boardman schools will attend the O. S. T. A. at Portland December 29, 30, and 31. Principal M. B. Signs will also represent the Commercial Club at the annual state Chamber of Commerce meeting December 29th. Mrs. Signs will attend as a delegate from the Parent Teachers association.

The community Christmas exercises at the church were very well received the building being taxed to the limit. An enjoyable program was presented by the children and all treated to popcorn, apples, oranges, and candy. Santa Claus was in evidence in the event and had as good a time as the rest of the crowd.

Rabbit drives are following the poisoning campaign with good results. Plans are also on foot to have a supply of poison on hand for another campaign later. According to the government another storm or two will be due before the winter is over and if the results are as good as in the previous drive there will be few rabbits left in this section.

MORGAN ITEMS

Cecil Thorne is spending the holidays with his parents at Newberg.

W. F. Palmateer butchered some fine porkers the fore part of the week and disposed of some in Morgan.

Morgan was without mail for three days because the train was not running.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Morgan and family spent Christmas day at the Witzel home.

The high water caused Noah Petryjohn to move out of his house for a brief time.

Fred J. Ely our smiling merchant is having a few loads of straw hauled this week.

All the farmers are anticipating large crops for 1920 owing to the recent snowfall.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay McNab left on Christmas day to visit their parents at Lyle, Washington.

Miss Martha Metcalf our Morgan school teacher is spending her Christmas vacation at the county seat.

Willow creek was higher than it has been for a number of years, but no real serious damage was done.

The brief spell of zero weather has changed to almost spring like weather which every one is enjoying. The snow has about all disappeared.

L. V. Gentry of Heppner has a large band of sheep west of Morgan a few miles which he is feeding baled hay, hauled from Morgan.

Several large bands of sheep owned by C. A. Minor and Jack Hynd have passed through Morgan to their feeding grounds farther down the creek.

Fred Willis drove to Heppner Junction a week ago Monday after his mother and brother, Kenneth, who were on their way home from the Valley.

CONCERNING BOLSHEVISM

Senator Kenyon, in addressing a gathering of lawyers in New York City the other evening in touching on Bolshivism said: "You can deport an individual, but you cannot deport an idea." The cure for Bolshivism, according to the senator, is Americanization. Commenting on Senator Kenyon's address the Pittsburgh Dispatch says:

"What is perhaps in Senator Kenyon's mind and that of many other sincere men is that every suggestion for reform, every criticism that carries incisive language, and much that was plain American privilege to express opinion on vital questions, has been hastily, unthinkingly, and too often arbitrarily set down as Bolshivism. This mentality has deceived itself and others into believing that Bolshivism actually exists all around us when the most ordinary observation should convince that it does not, and, for good American reasons, cannot. Americans do not need any special education to make them safe from European Bolshivism. Their native, inherent Americanism is an automatic guardian. What is needed more than anything else is less talk about a phantom, Bolshivism, less fear of something that does not exist, and the doing of things that are those whose nerves have been harried by a multiplicity of war duties will disappear. It is a product of fear and imagination. The Bolshevistic idea cannot be imported any more than a good idea can be deported."

Mrs. Mary Bartholomew arrived in Estacada Friday from Heppner, Oregon, to visit her son, Fred Bartholomew, and daughters, Mesdames E. E. and C. C. Saffig. Eastern Clackamas News.

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