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AN APPEAL TO CITIZENSHIP.

SENATOR BEVERIDGE of Indiana recently said in a speech:

"The coming battle is not so much between political parties, as such, as between the rights of the people and the powers of pillage. In this struggle the republicans of Indiana stand for the people. Our appeal is not to partisans because of partisanship, but to citizens because of citizenship.

"It is another phase of the conflict as old as the republic. It was so when Washington fought to lift from the people's necks the yoke of British oppression; and the people who were patriots supported him and won.

"It was so when Jackson defied secession and broke the power of arrogant and unwise wealth; and while men of his own party left him, other men of all parties in overwhelming majorities held up Andrew Jackson's hands.

"It was so when Abraham Lincoln sought to save the nation and end slavery; and loyal men of all parties forgot ancient party lines and gladly marched to death for the republic and human rights.

"It was so in the last ten years, when another president attacked the country's organized greed, which was fattening on the labor and lives of the masses; and again the masses forgot their partisanship and in overpowering numbers rallied around Theodore Roosevelt.

"The people were for these men because these men were for the people. A political party is not a group of politicians, each with his following, combining to win the spoils of place and power. Such an organization is not a party—it is a band of brigands, and its appeals in the name of party are mere attempts to beguile and defraud the voter for its selfish purposes.

What is true in Indiana is equally true in New York, in California, and in Oregon. It is a nation-wide struggle of the people against mis-government for the benefit of special interests.

In some states, like Indiana, the republicans are the progressives. In other states, like Maine, it is the democrats. In still other states, progressive forces are in both parties.

Oregon is the pioneer in the movement for popular government and must maintain its lead. Party names and factions do not count—it is the principle at stake.

The assembly was an attack upon popular government. The slate was framed in a corporation office. The election of an assembly candidate as governor would be a decided reactionary move.

The election of a faithful servant of the system to congress will be another blow to progressive policies. It should not be permitted to happen.

LEAVE IT ALL TO THE BOSS.

NO ASSEMBLY man has any faith in the people. Mr. Bowerman himself said in a speech in the legislature favoring a bill legalizing the assembly, that the assembly was better able to choose candidates than the people themselves were.

The Oregonian and other assembly organs constantly attack the initiative and referendum as well as the direct primary.

Their columns are filled with feigned pity of the herculean task before voters who are asked to pass on thirty-two initiative measures. The ordinary man is represented as a fool, incapable of grasping simplest details.

A legislator is supposed to pass intelligently upon five hundred measures in forty days, yet with four months' preparation, the ordinary man is held as too simple-minded to vote upon thirty-two.

The voter has to pass upon a hundred or so candidates. If he does this intelligently, has he not brains enough to ascertain the merits or demerits of other measures?

The boss of the convention determines who shall be nominated and usually the same boss says what bills shall be passed by the legislature. If his wisdom is so superior to that of the majority of the people, why not leave it all to him and save the farce of troubling the incompetent people at all?

THREE QUOTATIONS EXPLAIN THE PLOT.

THE Portland Oregonian, paper of the assembly idea, is making strenuous efforts to secure the support of the anti-assembly forces for the assembly candidate for governor. Bowerman's election will then be hailed as an assembly triumph, and to accomplish it Mr. Bowerman is ready to promise almost any old thing.

Yet the true object of Bowerman's candidacy is told in three quotations from the Oregonian, one of them before and the other after the primary.

"Republicans of Oregon intend to repudiate Statement One. They intend to suggest in assembly or convention candidates for the primary, and WILL PUT THE KNIFE INTO EACH AND ALL WHO DECLARE FOR STATEMENT ONE."

"A candid review of the results of the primaries justifies the conclusion that the voters have not accepted nor rejected the principle of the assembly."

"The old guard never surrenders. It does not die, either. It waits until the foe has fallen asleep and GRABS THE FRUITS OF HIS VICTORY."

That is what the old guard of pie-eating assembly politicians are striving to do now—lull the people to sleep with cries of harmony, so they may grab the fruits of the anti-assembly victory at the primaries, through the election of Bowerman.

KENTNER OPENING A GREAT SUCCESS

Thousands Throng Departments of Big Store—For Many Hours Townspeople Wander from One Spririse to Another.

Almost 3000 people from Medford and the surrounding vicinity visited the fall opening of Medford's big department store, when the doors were thrown open at 7:30 o'clock last evening. The lights were not dimmed until after 11 o'clock. The throngs of happy people who visited the store from the time of opening until after 11 p. m. showed most plainly that this store had gained a place in their hearts that would last as long as there should be a store.

No expense has been spared in making this store the finest in the state south of Portland. W. W. Davis, a recent arrival from Chicago, but formerly with an Albany firm, was the man who decorated the store and windows. His work will pass alongside of any that you will see in the largest and most up-to-date stores of any of the largest cities of the land.

The windows are the prettiest ever seen in this part of the west, and as Mr. Davis will be with this store permanently, we will have the pleasure of seeing many more displays equally as beautiful. The imitation car-nations were most artistically arranged and the interior effects were very harmonious and beautiful. It will certainly be a pleasure as well as a treat for the people of Medford to trade in a store that will be so beautifully decorated as this store will be from this time on.

Miss Grace Brown sang "Awake, It Is the Day," and "Roses in June." Needless to say that her singing was appreciated by the many visitors present.

Fletcher Fish sang "If I Had a Thousand Lives to Live" and "The Sweetest Flowers That Bloom." His singing was well received, as it deserved to be.

The Nash orchestra furnished the instrumental music.

The Club quartet was present and furnished some fine music.

The beautiful displays of new goods certainly merited the attention of all southern Oregon. Medium and fine goods were to be seen on every hand, and all were certainly well selected and very pleasingly displayed. The big ready-to-wear department on the second floor was visited by the women and not a few men, and was no doubt a great surprise to many, for few people realize what an immense department this is. The decorations, the music, the happy people, all combined to make one of the most pleasing scenes ever shown in any city the size of Medford. Mr. Kentner can well be proud of the store and can certainly count on a liberal patronage this fall and winter.

It will pay every person when down town to go out of their way to see what is new in the display windows of this big store. No doubt there will be picture after picture that will delight and please you if you will but take the trouble to go and see.

STEVENSON MEANS WHAT HE SAID

Didn't Know a Reporter Was Present When He Made Declaration to Prosecute Mulkey and Johnson, But Says He Meant It

"I was in earnest in my statement concerning the prosecution of District Attorney Mulkey and his deputy at Grants Pass, although when I made the assertion in the office of the master fish warden I did not know that there was a chief among us takin' notes," said R. O. Stevenson this morning. "The matter of the regulation of the fishing on Oregon streams is up to the master fish warden, Mr. Van Dusen, but I intend to see that the game and fish laws in Oregon are enforced, and if conditions are not bettered I will take action. Mr. Mulkey informed me before my arrival Thursday that he would be in his office all day. He was called to Grants Pass on the morning train, and has not yet returned. I am leaving for Klamath Falls this afternoon and on my return I intend to interview the district attorney in reference to these game law violations if it takes all winter."

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