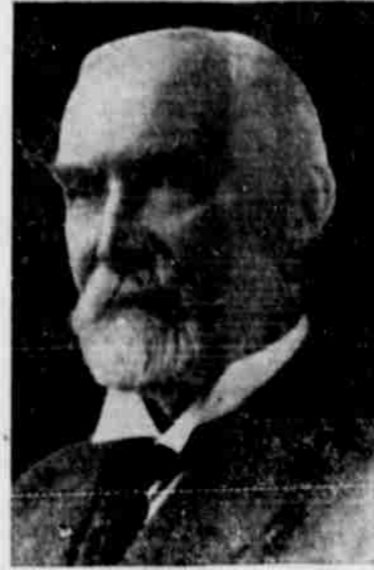


Republicans, Wake Up!



R. A. BOOTH



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Twenty Years After

Twenty years ago today the democratic party was in complete control of our government. Conditions were deplorable. Each month the governmental revenues showed a deficit. Credits were at a low ebb. Factories and foundries were shut down. Labor was out of employment. Coxey's and Kellys, ragged and starving hordes, were marching on Washington. Strikes and lockouts were of daily occurrence. The administration in a time of profound peace was borrowing money at a high rate of interest for daily running expenses. The people individually were in no better condition. Depression and demoralization existed from one end of the country to the other. What an indictment, but every word of it is true, and this condition continued without a ray of light or hope until the American people, chastened in spirit and light in pocketbook, marched to the polls on the 8th day of November, 1896, and triumphantly restored the Republican party to power.

Today, twenty years after, we again find the democratic party in full control, and it is the same old foolish, extravagant and inefficient democratic party that brought us to the verge of ruin twenty years ago. Credits are again shot to pieces. The buying power of the people is again at a low ebb. Labor is again everywhere out of employment. Depression and demoralization exist again from one end of the country to the other and, strange fact and deadly parallel, the administration is again in a time of profound national peace, levying one hundred million dollars of direct tax on the people to meet the daily running expenses of the government.

It is a long time to wait, and many of us will be hungry and ragged and broke, but, thank God! in two years from now another glorious November day will come, as it came twenty years ago, when the American people will go to the polls and put them out for another twenty years, or until the people again forget.

WAKE UP!

The democratic machine of this state is waging a campaign which, if successful, will do more to bring the direct primary into disrepute than anything the rankest assembly advocate in Oregon could possibly do.

Last May the republican party nominated its candidates in the biggest primary ever held in the state. In this primary the republicans cast almost twice as many votes as all the other parties combined.

Booth for Senator and Withycombe for governor received by direct vote the endorsement and approval of a substantial majority of the republican voters. Booth for senator receiving the largest vote ever cast for a candidate in a primary in the state of Oregon. The republicans selected R. A. Booth because he was an able man and a good man, because he stood for and represented the best in American citizenship. Now, what happened? The democratic machine, knowing that Booth was a big man who had received a big endorsement in the primary, and knowing that sufficient republican votes were registered to elect him, deliberately planned and set about to break down his character and reputation in the minds of republican voters. Governor West, "the Mad Mullah" of Oregon politics, was turned loose on him. Irresponsible and conscienceless, he has been running "amuck," up and down the state, in a campaign of character assassination that is a disgrace to the commonwealth, and disgusting to the reputable members of his own party.

The democratic newspapers of the state, little and big, directed all their mud batteries at Booth, operating on the theory that if you lie about a candidate or an issue early in the campaign, and keep it up persistently, day and night until election, you will be rewarded by fooling a snag of voters.

The democratic politicians, pursuing the same general plan, are going about the state, some whining and some bellowing, but all lying, misrepresenting and defaming, and they are aided and abetted in every town in the state by a little bunch of shady citizens who always form the dirty and bedraggled political fringe of every community, and whose only visible means of livelihood is the drippings from the wheels of the machine, and who, at the bidding of their masters, go about whispering foul suspicion and innuendo into the ears of unsuspecting and credulous republicans.

The time will come, and come quickly, if this sort of thing is permitted to go unpunished and unrebuked, when the good, able representative men who hold in esteem their good name and fame will not allow their names to go before the people for these positions of public trust, and the field will be left to the trimmers, grafters and the professional politicians.

How long are the Republicans of Oregon and of Jackson county going to allow this organized gang of office-hungry conspirators to fool them. Every day all over the state this outfit is writing and talking in defense of the direct primary. Who is attacking it? Certainly not the Republicans, who went out and nominated their candidates by a direct and uncoerced vote in a big, harmonious and lawfully held primary. It is simply a proposition of fighting windmills to fool Republican voters.

Why should any Republican vote for Chamberlain for senator? He is now making his campaign on the grounds that he should be sent back for six more years to support democratic measures and policies and conversely to vote against every principle and policy that you believe in.

Wake up! Come to the defense of your candidates, whom you nominated and selected, and on the third of November take this aggregation of character pirates to such a training that they won't dare to try it again in another half century.

Republican Ticket

- For United States Senator:
R. A. BOOTH
- For Congressman:
W. C. HAWLEY
- For Governor:
JAMES WITHYCOMBE
- For Treasurer:
THOS. B. KAY
- For Justices Supreme Court:
HENRY J. BEAN
HENRY L. BENSON
LAWRENCE T. HARRIS
THOMAS A. M'BRIDE
- For Attorney General:
GEORGE M. BROWN
- For Superintendent of Public Instruction:
J. A. CHURCHILL
- For State Engineer:
JOHN H. LEWIS
- For Commissioner of Labor:
O. P. HOFF
- For Railroad Commissioner:
FRANK J. MILLER
- For Water Superintendent:
J. T. CHINNOCK
- For State Senator:
H. VON DER HELLEN
- For Representatives, Eighth District:
W. P. MEALEY
FRED D. WAGNER
- For Joint Representative, Ninth District:
WM. I. VAWTER
- For County Commissioner:
FRANK H. MADDEN
- For County Clerk:
G. A. GARDNER
- For Sheriff:
W. H. SINGLER
- For Recorder:
CHAUNCEY FLOREY
- For Treasurer:
FRED L. COLVIG
- For Surveyor:
ALFRED S. TEE
- For Coroner:
W. W. USSHER

Here in Jackson County, coming down to the purely local situation, this committee, composed of 47 representative Republicans, is willing to go on record as being proud of our candidates. They are all well-known and respected citizens of Jackson county. Able, honest and trustworthy, and they should have the unanimous and loyal support of the party that nominated them.

JACKSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE