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JUSTICE OF THE CITIZEN'S MOVEMENT.

The best class of people of this community, Republicans, Democrats, Populists, silver men, sound money men, everybody, believes in the virtue and potency of what has come to be known here as a "citizens' movement." As a political, or rather non-political proposition, for the conduct of public affairs, it has been tried and not found wanting. Our city has by the application of this non-partisan method been taken out of the down-grade ranks, as a live place, and placed on the up grade, where property is protected against the demands of the organized spoils element in politics, where confidence in good financial management is restored and improvements are beginning to be made.

The Citizen's movement stands for the recognition of good service and a good record for the people and good government on the part of any official, no matter what his party. It stands for the application of good business methods in public affairs, such as no running the city or county in debt, reducing the current expenses to the lowest limit consistent with a good service, reducing the interest charge by the use of the cheapest money. These principles have been carried into effect in this city and in the Salem school district, and they must be carried into effect in Marion county if the people are to be relieved from the present excessive taxes and get the county on a good business basis.

As proof of the success of this plan of local government, which has nothing to do with national issues, the Republican county ticket in Marion county is claimed to be a citizen's ticket. Their candidates for the county court will claim on the canvass that they were put up against the wishes of the old Salem push, and will be free from those pernicious influences that have run the county in debt and raised taxes the past eight years. We have no doubt some of their candidates are free from push control, but if they are once in will they be able to withstand party pressure any better than their predecessors? That is a fair question. The only safety for the people is to sustain men who have made a record for the people and none others. When it comes to selecting new county officials the people have a right to look for the best man regardless of party in local affairs. The theory that a man is a competent man and the only man worty of support because he is the regular Republican nominee has not helped the cause of good government in this county. Improvement in our affairs is only possible if this rule is trampled under foot where no political issues are involved.

While the Republican ticket for county officers is more free from push influences than usual, it is not a Citizens' ticket only in so far as it complies with the well-understood Citizens' program laid down at Salem. The ticket made up by the Democratic convention at Salem last Saturday is not a Citizens' ticket as the people understand that term in the city government of Salem. To be a Citizens' ticket on the Salem plan, it should contain the names of County Clerk Hall, Sheriff Durbin, Treasurer Downing, and Recorder Rowland for re-election on their record as competent and deserving officials without regard to their party affiliations. There may be found individuals who will criticise the above named gentlemen, but no one has been found in a convention or will be found in the county can pass who can sustain a charge against one of the above named officials, relating to his duties as an official. These four gentlemen by their experience of one term in office have gained in competency and are better able to serve the public and discharge the duties of their offices with fidelity and economy than any new man who can be put in there from any party. On the other hand, Assessor Hobart has made no such record as entitles him to be placed on a citizens ticket.

All this is said without reflecting on any of the gentlemen named by the conference in the convention Saturday at Salem to run against Hall, Downing and Rowland. It is said regardless of the fact that the editor of this paper was put on the legislative ticket by that convention. Mr. Finzer is a gentleman the people of Marion county would delight to honor. He went and fought for his country in the Philippines. He is thoroughly competent. Two years hence we believe if he runs he can be elected county clerk upon a Citizen's ticket. The editor of THE JOURNAL would cheerfully withdraw from the legislative ticket and give his place to Mr. Finzer; but we owe the cause of good government here at home as much as we do the heroes of the Spanish-American war. The principle of the Citizens' movement as laid down in this city and the need for its application and enforcement in Marion county is greater than any personal honor that can come to any man at this time from being on the ticket. We had better be defeated standing for what we believe is right for the taxpayers of Marion county than win an office or the whole ticket for partisan purposes and continue any of the abuses of the past.

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MR TONGUE.

Of course Mr. Tongue was nominated at McMinnville for congress on the Republican ticket. As stated by the Democrat when the first opposition to him arose it was decreed by the bosses and was bound to follow. It was a part of the work of the machine. Mr. Tongue is peculiarly a ring man, and he is just the kind of a man the politicians who manipulate conventions wanted. It was all arranged for the Linn county delegation to be elected in his interest, but circumstances arose which prevented it, and a delegation in the interest of a great deal better man was elected. It was so elsewhere, and where opposition delegations were sent it was only by a scratch. In every county the men in the ring were for Tongue, and their influence was sufficient to secure the required majority on the first ballot. The people will now decide whether he shall again represent or misrepresent them in congress. The people in the valley will particularly remember the failure to secure the Yaquina appropriation. Mr. Tongue ostensibly made a showing in the effort to secure it, but there is a strong sentiment of relief that really made little effort. From now until election day the party organs will have their hands full explaining this away, and those under the lash will fall in line regardless of their present opposition to him, while those independent enough to do their own voting will at least put in a vote that will not count for him.

Tongue represents that element in politics against which the people of the United States are generally crying and there are strong indications that the people of this district will speak in an emphatic manner on the subject.—Albany Democrat.

[Mr. Tongue is now chairman of the Rivers and Harbors committe and will be able no doubt to restore Yaquina Bay harbor to the people.]—ED. J.

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PORTO RICO DEBATE.

Two Speeches by Democrats and Two by Republicans On the Bill.

(The Porto Rican tariff bill passed the house, April 12, 161 to 153, five paired, one absent.)

Richardson Opposed It.

Richardson (Dem., Tenn.) the minority leader, called attention to the fact that the rule would permit the house to vote only upon a single proposition. If it had been possible for the senate to add to the inquity of the original bill levying 15 per cent of the Dingley duties on goods going into Porto Rico, he said, it had done so in the so-called civil-government amendment. Under the guise of a civil government the senate, he said, had imposed an imperialistic government upon the people of the island. He asserted that it was never the intention of the Republicans of the house, in the first instance, to enact any such measure. He quoted President McKinley, Secretary Root, ex-President Harrison, ex-Speaker Reed and other Republicans of national reputation in favor of free trade with the island, and drew a salvo of applause from his Democratic colleagues by characterizing the President, in the language of ex-Speaker Reed, as "the Emperor of Expediency." Proceeding, he expressed his regret that the secretary of war had not seen fit to furnish the opinion of General Charles A. Magoon, late secretary of the Insular bureau, to the effect that the constitution extended expropio vigore to our new possessions, upon which, he said, the original recommendations of the President and Secretary of War were based. He read some extracts from this alleged suppressed opinion, which had been printed in a New York newspaper. The reading was frequently punctuated with applause.

"Why," Richardson asked, "had the President, the Secretary of War and the Republican party changed front upon this whole question?" For reply he read the statement of Professor Schurman, of the Philippine commission, that "the trusts hadgone down to Washington and had grasped the Republican party by the throat." He also recalled the statement printed a short time ago in a local newspaper that a member of the house had said that, in return for the passage of the bill, a large contribution was to be made to the Republican campaign fund. Richardson created something of a sensation by giving the name of the newspaper man who had written the interview, saying that he was a reputable correspondent, worthy of credence.

De Armond Warned the Majority.

De Armond (Dem. Mo.) said the rule was evidence that those who had decided to suppress intellect, chain the will and stifle the conscience realized that they must do their work quickly. He commended those who had the manhood to stand out for the right, and warned the majority that the Republicans would have the country to reckon with.

Babcock (Rep. Wis.), Chairman of the Republican Congressional campaign committee, to whom Daizell yielded a minute and a half, indignantly resented the charge of Richardson that the Republican campaign committee had received a money consideration for the Puerto Rican tariff bill. As a member of that committee, he desired to denounce it as absolutely without foundation, and he challenged any one to name the Republican who was responsible for such a charge.

Jumping to his feet, Pierce (Dem. Tenn.) tried to interrupt Babcock, but he latter waved him aside.

"He withdraws his challenge," shouted a voice on the Democratic side, amid a howl of derision.

Babcock paid no attention to it. "The shoe is on the other foot," he said. "The tobacco trust and the sugar trust started the free trade agitation." This statement produced more derisive cries from the opposition, which, however, were drowned in Republican cheers.

Dark Days for the Party.

Lorimer (Rep. Ill.) delivered a 10-minute speech in opposition to the bill, which elicited frequent applause from the opposition.

"I have always favored civil government for Puerto Rico," said he, "but I have only thought of giving the people of that island such government as free men should give to those who come under their control by conquest or otherwise. I will only vote for a civil government bill when it will give them such government as we would accept for ourselves. I am sure this measure would not be accepted by any man favoring it on the floor of this House if the conditions were reversed and it were in his power to resist it.

"Mr Speaker," said he in conclusion. "I think we have reached the crisis in our history; I think we need a liberty revival; if we are true to ourselves we must have it. If we are to be untrue then the ultimate penalty will be dissolution of our Republican institutions. A Nation which surrenders its basic principle cannot survive. I am not an alarmist; I do not think the dissolution will come in our days or generation; such changes work slowly, but they are none the less inevitable. I doubt not that as imperialists we will have our day of grandeur and perhaps our imperial splendor will eclipse that of ancient Rome. Columbia, if shamefully bedecked with the precious pearl of the Antilles and the gems of the Pacific and the Orient, may excite for a time such admiration as is won by riches and voluptuousness. But sir, the light of liberty which is to her what virtue is to woman, will have faded from her eye. And all the riches of the world cannot make up for that loss, to those who really love her, to those who look upon her starry emblem as the symbol of God-given rights and not as a commercial asset."

McCall's Speech.

McCall (Rep. Mass.) was the last Republican who antagonized the bill.

"Mr. Speaker" said he, "it may be well to consider for a moment, the course of events since the bill first came into the house. The committee on ways and means, of which I have the honor to be a member, apparently misconstruing the message of the president voted to impose a 'plain duty' of 25 per cent. The situation has materially changed since that time. The duty has been decreased to 15 per cent. Instead of being permanent in form, it is self replacing inside of two years, and may be repealed by the territorial legislature in two months. So much Mr. Speaker, for what has been conceded upon the question of the tariff. When we consider the arguments that were advanced in support of the measure when it was first presented here and compare it with the constitutional situation today, we find an equally great change. The bill was predicated upon the proposition that congress was acting under general powers of sovereignty outside of the constitution, and was subject to no limitations whatever. It may have occurred to you who have been reading speeches recently delivered that it is now sought to bring this duty strictly under the terms of the constitution and it is now maintained that it is constitutional. Some of my colleagues, who do not agree with me, have described the doctrine which I have asserted here, purely for ad captandum purposes as the doctrine of John C. Calhoun. I have disputed the despotic power on the part of congress. The doctrine I favor is the doctrine of every justice who has spoken upon this subject from our supreme court. It is the doctrine of the Republican platforms and I assert it here in the presence of the gentleman from Pennsylvania, who today made a contrary assertion it is the doctrine of the Republican platforms of 1856 and 1860, and it is the doctrine of Abraham Lincoln."

In conclusion he said the proposal to tax the products of Puerto Rico had aroused indignation everywhere. It had transformed the whole country into a Boston tea party. (Democratic applause.)

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