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POEMS OF SENTIMENT

Launched my boat in the morning, in the gold of the summer day
And watched with pride and a boundless joy her white sails fade away;
And I straightway fell to dreaming of the lands across the sea
Where she would gather treasurers, and bring them back to me.

My boat returned in the twilight of a cheerless winter's day;
She dropped her soiled and tattered sails—then still at anchor lay,
And I called out to her captain, "Where are my treasurers rare—
The gold and pearls and perfume, my good ship was to bear?"

He looked at me, and in his eyes lay pity kind and deep:
"We bring no gold nor jewels rare that tropic islands keep.
I have not touched upon those shores where priceless treasures be—
I but bring home a living thing—a soul that was lost at sea."

—Gertrude V. Gabbs, in Sunset Magazine.

Love is the cost of living—pay it and go your way;
Love is the cost of the bloomy place of rest at the end of day;
Love is the cost of living—beggar and thief and king
Pay it for life that is all of life, the true and the only thing!

Love is the cost of living—the green-girt hills are thine,
The low, sweet vale with the bird and bloom, the bough and the tangled vine;
The murmur of many waters, the cool of the calm, grave wood,
The wide domain of the simple fields with their noble and quiet good!

Love is the cost of living—and only love's service can buy
The day-by-day of the tender way that leads to a starry sky;
That leads to the tall of morning, and home to the sweet night,
With dream and rest on a faithful breast till the rose-dawn blooms in light.

—Baltimore Sun.

REASONS WHY THE OREGON DELEGATION SHOULD BE FOR TAFT FOR PRESIDENT

Quite a number of Republicans in Oregon are trying to whip this state into line for the Hughes candidacy.

Others are fighting for an uninstructed delegation to go to the Chicago convention and then fall in with a stampede for Roosevelt, **OR BE VOTED FOR SOME DARK HORSE.**

That a stampede for Roosevelt will be undertaken no one can doubt, and it will take all the ability and nerve of the President himself to prevent his friends starting the avalanche.

But all this is conjecture in the face of the repeated declaration of Roosevelt that he **WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE OR TAKE A NOMINATION.**

So far as the masses of the people are concerned, if left to their direct choice at the primaries, they would renominate Roosevelt.

As Senator Bourne says, they have **A RIGHT TO COMMAND HIS SERVICES,** and the sentiment may be so strong that they will do so.

But under all circumstances, standing as we do for the principles of the Roosevelt administration, we cannot see our way clear to urge an instructed delegation **FOR ANYONE BUT WILLIAM TAFT FOR PRESIDENT.**

An uninstructed delegation simply means for some politician to have a lot of trading stock with which to enrich himself with political plunder.

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Why should not the coming state convention endorse the Roosevelt administration and then **INSTRUCT THE DELEGATION FOR TAFT?**

Why not **PUT IT OUT OF THE POWER OF ANY MAN OR SET OF MEN** to make political capital and secure federal appointments out of the chance of trading his vote as a delegate to the national convention **FOR SAME DARK HORSE OR CHAMPION OF THE INTERESTS?**

Only an uninstructed delegation will accomplish that result.

Endorsement of the Roosevelt administration will be the one inevitable event in the Oregon state Republican convention.

The rank and file of the party will not stand **FOR ANYTHING SHORT OF THAT,** however much it may displease those who do not stand pat for the policies of progressive Republicanism.

Republicanism for the people means practically the same thing as the more sane feature of Populism or Democracy for the people.

It is something radically different from Republicanism for any special interests, **FOR CORPORATIONS OR FACTIONS OR FOR PARTY.**

Republicanism for the people is what Roosevelt stands for, and Taft stands for the same thing.

Our own personal judgment is that Roosevelt or Taft at the head of the ticket **WILL MAKE THE PARTY IN VINCIBLE.**

If we are going to stand for reforms, if we are going to be **REPUBLICANS FOR THE PEOPLE,** instead of mere patronage chasers for revenue, why should we not give the people candidates that they demand, and quit going to the legislature and the national conventions **FOR WHAT THERE IS IN IT?**

The people are sick and tired of **the REPUBLICANISM FOR POLICY, UNTIL-I-GET-A-FAT-OFFICE,** dominating every action of the so-called leaders.

Let the party reflect the will of the people, and if its leaders put it in the attitude of opposing the popular will, **THE PEOPLE OWE NO ALLEGIANCE TO ITS PRINCIPLES OR CANDIDATES.**

When the will of the people demands Roosevelt or Taft, why should the trickery of uninstructed delegations intervene?

If the sentiment of that national convention is so strong that it is going to Roosevelt anyhow, a delegation instructed for Taft will not prevent. **IT WILL NATURALLY FOLLOW.**

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Four our part we like Taft because he is a **GREAT BIG SOLID AMERICAN,** who has had a big round of experience in practical politics and public affairs.

For 20 years Judge Taft has been on the bench, in the cabinet, governor of the Philippines, war secretary, ambassador to Rome, friend, guide and counsellor of the administration.

IN IT ALL HE HAS MADE FEW IF ANY MISTAKES. In all the years of life in the lime-light of publicity, no stain attaches to his garments. Why not rally for a man tried and true?

His recent report on the Philippines accentuates the vital principle of progressive Republicanism that officials hold their positions **AS A TRUST FOR THE PEOPLE NOT AS A GRAFT FOR THEMSELVES.**

That principle alone works for the salvation of the republic. If that principle were lived up to **THERE WOULD BE NO HENEY PROSECUTIONS NECESSARY AND THERE WOULD BE NO GRAFT SCANDALS.**

That principle carried into every department of our government would restore justice to every citizen of this republic, **WHETHER PAUPER OR MILLIONAIRE.**

The grafting corporations who get favors from state and national governments at the hands of politicans, would get justice and no more.

The upbuilding of a grafting official aristocracy would be at an end if that principle, **THAT THE OFFICIAL IS NOT TO SERVE HIMSELF BUT THE PEOPLE** regardless of persons or rank in social scale, is fairly executed.

Taft stands for that principle. Hughes, Roosevelt does. The most popular Republican governors in the United States stand for it. **THE PEOPLE DEMAND IT.**

Reform Republicanism with a big "R" has come to stay, and those who believe it to be a mere sporadic outbrust of moral indignation are mistaken. **THE PEOPLE ARE BACK OF IT AS A PROPOSITION OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

To our minds Taft presents ideal qualities of manhood to the Presidential office.

He has experience coupled with ability.

HE HAS POLITICAL SAGACITY AND A CLEAN RECORD.

He has all the dimensions mentally for the office.

His professional equipment is right and adequate.

HE HAS A RECORD THAT IS MORALLY AND POLITICALLY FLAWLESS.

There is nothing sensational, erratic, pyrotechnical or visionary about Taft.

As near as human judgment can foresee, **HE COULD BE RELIED ON TO DO ABSOLUTELY THE RIGHT THING.**

Under the circumstances there is no excuse for foolish experimenting with new or untried men, with limited experience.

Before the convention assembles it will appear that Taft is overwhelmingly the choice of the people that his nomination **WILL BE MADE UNANIMOUS BY ACCLAMATION.**

It is simply a question of finding a running mate for him on the ticket who stands for the regenerated United States senate that the people of the whole nation are demanding and will have.

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The people want William Howard Taft for President because **HE IS AN AMERICAN THROUGH AND THROUGH.**

The people want Taft because, when he is called upon to face a public question or a public duty, he does not ask, "Will it pay me politically to do this, or not do that?" but, on the contrary, his guiding question is **"WHAT SHALL I DO WITH THIS QUESTION, OR THIS DUTY, IN THE BEST INTEREST OF MY COUNTRY?"**

Finding for himself the answer to that self-sacrificing, patriotic question, he acts accordingly.

The people want Taft because **HE HAS SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED EVERY PUBLIC DUTY** which has been intrusted to him since that day in January, 1881, when he received his first public appointment, as assistant prosecuting attorney for Cincinnati, O.

The people want Taft because of his successful organization of the Philippine civil commission; his administration of the islands; his adaption thereto **OF AMERICAN FORMS OR GOVERNMENT;** his divisions in those islands to various divisions of natives and their education; his vigorous upholding of the flag and the submission of the insurrectos; his support of American education for the people of all ranks, classes, conditions and creeds; his fearless advocacy then and since and now of the rights of the Filipinos **TO EQUAL TREATMENT UNDER OUR LAWS.**

The people want Taft because they realize that the success of his mission to the vatican regarding our purchase of the friars' lands in the Philippines, is all the evidence required to prove that **HE POSSESSES DIPLOMATIC ABILITY OF THE HIGHEST ORDER**—such diplomatic ability, strengthened by experience, as will be needed by whoever may be President of this great nation of ours, in the years of international anxiety and American responsibility which are before us.

The people want Taft because when but recently, revolution threatened our great trade and investment interests in Cuba, he hurried there, and **BY DIPLOMACY AND CANDOR AVERTED THE CATASTROPHE, INDUCING THE MALECONTENTS ON BOTH SIDES TO ACCEPT PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AT AMERICAN HANDS** which government the island is peaceful and prosperous.

The people want Taft because, though vigorously urged by President Roosevelt to accept a seat for life on the bench of the supreme court of the United States—**THE MOST HIGHLY RESPECTED JUDICIAL BODY IN THE WORLD**—he remained true to his promise to the people of the Philippines that he would not leave them until civil government was firmly established.

The people want Taft because when the need arose, mainly in the interest of speedy construction of the American Panama canal, he accepted the great office of secretary of war, and by personal visits to Panama, by the cutting of "red tape," by care in letting contracts for building supplies, **HE IS PUSHING THE WORK TO EXPECTED COMPLETION** at a considerably earlier date than appeared possible when the work came under his charge.

The people want Taft because he is a man in every sense of the word; **A MAN WHOSE WORD IS HIS BOND;** a man who imparts virile manhood upon other men; a man whose work is never done while there is any of his country's work to do; a man whose watchword is duty; a man whose simple creed is "My Good, my country, and my neighbor"; **A MAN WHO IS A TRUE HUSBAND, A TRUE FATHER, AND A PATRIOTIC CITIZEN;** a man who is loved by those who know him, feared by all who oppose his righteous acts, and honored by all who have watched and studied his work.

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PREPARING FOR THE FLEET

San Francisco, Mar. 4.—The coming of the big fleet to San Francisco is already having an effect on local conditions. A number of auxiliary vessels will be required to attend to the daily needs of the fleet, and these vessels are now being selected by representatives of the navy department. Nearly all the available craft in San Francisco harbor will be called into this service, and for the purpose of selecting what is best fitted for the work, inspections are in daily progress.

As to where the fleet will go after its visit in the bay of San Francisco there can be only conjecture, since even Secretary of the Navy Metcalf declares that no definite plan has been formulated, but the fact remains that if orders to go around the world should be received by Rear Admiral Evans, he will be ready to proceed at a moment's notice. He will have at his command all the auxiliary support requisite for immediate action.

These auxiliary vessels will add to the sepetacular naval display in San Francisco harbor. They will be in service day and night, and with the coming and going of dispatch boats, launches and other minor craft will supply a scene of continuous activity. Patrol boats darting to and fro and the usual flotilla of the fleet will supplement the life of the occasion, affording an attractive outlook for the people of San Francisco, and the visitors within the gates.

While San Francisco is assiduously engaged in preparing to welcome the fleet and to honor the officers and men who are to be the guests of the city, it is noted that communities about the bay and in the interior are also engaged in getting ready to receive the visitors. Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda have appointed committees and are taking steps to show the attractions of their respective localities. San Jose, Sausalito, San Rafael, Vallejo, Richmond, Marysville, Ukiah, Santa Rosa and other interior points will vie with one another in extending a welcome to the men who will come with the fleet.

One feature of the receptions that will be provided is the welcoming of fraternity members by local lodges. It is estimated that there will be at least a thousand Odd Fellows, nearly as many Knights of Pythias, hundreds of Masons, and that almost all the other secret societies will be presented among the crews of the fleet. These members of fraternal societies will be accorded special honors at the lodges that they visit, and will be made to feel that they are among brethren, thus adding to the homelike feeling and dispelling the idea that they are strangers in a strange land.

Not the least attractive feature of San Francisco to come under the observation of the visitors will be the

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vast progress made in the reconstruction of the city.

Taken as a whole the crops last years were not up to normal in quantity, and, basing predicitions on the experence of past years, the prospects this season are for heavy crops. The rains during the past few weeks have confirmed these prospects, coming at a time when moisture was much needed and failing generally throughout the state. The rainfall for the season is up to normal. Snow is plentiful on the mountains, insuring sufficient water for irrigation during the summer.

As an instance of the predicted bountiful crops, the citrus reports may be taken. The growers' agency estimates a full crop of naval oranges and a large crop of late oranges, with a bumper crop of lemons.

For all these reasons California stands with open arms to surplus population of the east, offering the additional inducements of a worthily famed salubrity and a very low cost of living. Wages for ordinary unskilled labor range from $1 per day and board upward, and for piece work, particularly in the canneries and packing houses the daily earnings range from $2.50 to $4.00 per day.

Realizing that the prospect of steady employment is a weighty argument in inducing the influx of labor, many localities are offering inducements to capital to locate factories and industrial enterprises in the interior, thus giving opportunity for continuous employment to those working, in season, in the orchards.

The committee will gladly enter into correspondence with anyone evincing a desire to go to California.

Supreme Court Decisions.

The judgment rendered by the circuit court in favor of the city of Salem against S. T. Richardson, who brought suit for $50 for experting the treasurer's books for the period from January, 1889, to January, 1904, was affirmed by the supreme court yesterday morning.

The supreme court affirmed the sentence passed by the circuit court on James P. Seeley, who was implicated in the riot at St. Paul on September 11, 1906, at which time Marshal Kretchter was killed and two others were shot. Seeley will now have to serve an indeterminable term in the pentitentiary for riot.

James Doris who was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced by the circuit court of Wallowa county to 10 years for killing Charles G. Sim is an altercation on October 1, 1906, was granted a new trial by the supreme court.

Other decisions rendered were:

Oregon Auto-Dispatch Company company vs. Portland Cordage company; decision by lower court reversed and new trial granted.

Maud Morbach vs. Young & Morbach, from Washington county; reversed and remanded.

Watts, et al vs. Spencer, et al., from Josephine county; affirmed.

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