REPUBLICANISM FOR THE PEOPLE VS REPUBLICANISM FOR THE MACHINE

Col. Hofer Replies to the Oregon Machine Politicians Who Are Opposed to the Election of United States Senators By Popular Vote--Shows That Anti-Statement No. 1 Leaders Are All Opposed to the Roosevelt Administration--Defeat of Statement No. 1 Means Repudiation of Roosevelt

Liberty people held a Statement No. 1 rally Saturday night, and a large crowd attended to hear the flaying of the Oregon machine at the hands of the editor of The Capital Journal, who for the past ten days has enjoyed the distinction as a private citizen of having a two-column hired space devoted to his political character.

In none of the articles appearing in the hired space have any of the matters charged by Heney against some of the most prominent politicians in Oregon been charged against the editor of The Capital Journal. He has not been accused of stealing lands or helping shield any corrupt politician, great or small.

The sole accusations against Col. Hofer are that he has been independent in politics, that he once supported Bryan, and that he once supported Chamberlain for governor. To these charges he made reply to the satisfaction of the large audience, mostly Republicans, and then in turn gave the machine politicians of Oregon a review from the records of an entirely impersonal character. He was frequently interrupted with applause and heartily congratulated at the close by many Republicans and others.

Defended Liberty Republicans.

The speaker said it meant the introduction of a new era in Oregon politics when men like the Liberty Republicans printed the words "Anti-Machine" across the heads of their primary ballot and boldly sent a Statement No. 1 delegation to the county convention called to set aside the Direct Primary law and make it impossible for any Statement No. 1 man to go to the legislature. He recited what took place in the convention down to the declaration of Chairman Lou Adams, a local attorney of the Southern Pacific corporation, that no Statement No. 1 man should be sent as a delegate to the state convention. Then the Liberty delegation walked out. Col. Hofer predicted that the issue made in Liberty precinct would extend over the state and the people would show their resentment of the methods of the machine that sought to increase power in the hands of a few bosses and mahagers who did not dare themselves come before the people.

Keeping Near the Barrel.

"What does it all mean, this pitiful plea, that the people cannot be trusted to elect a United States senator? The machine politicians are willing that you, the people, shall nominate all the candidates from justice of the supreme court down to precinct committeemen, but these five offices of representative you are not fit to nominate. The machine must name them for you. Your pencil mark in the sacred ballot booth shall be final at the primary in making up the whole ticket, but we want to name and control the five men who will have a vote on United States senator, the only office that in the past has been filled by corruption, the only place in the political program where the machine can still get next to the barrel. They say to the dear people, you may, indeed, according to law vote on the question of who shall be your United States senator and if you select a man who suits us we will allow the general assembly of your representatives to ratify your choice, but not otherwise. Have the machine politicians of Oregon made such brilliant success of selecting senators in the past that they have the right to assume that power over the people? Let them study the records of the indictments in the federal courts and see who has made the most mistakes, the machine or the people.

Who Is Standing by Republican Principles?

"The only senator from Oregon who has been elected by the people is Hon. Jonathan Bourne, and is he not standing for the rights of the people in an uncompromising manner? Has President Roosevelt a champion in this state who can be mentioned in the same breath with Bourne? In fact most of the machine politicians are either hostile to the national Republican administration, or are silent and oppose even Taft because he is a member of Roosevelt's cabinet. I have not heard one of the machine who are fighting Statement No. 1, the right of the people to elect United States senators, who is not fighting the Roosevelt administration, and the defeat of Statement No. 1 at the coming primary election would be the defeat of Republican administration principles and the triumph of the enemies of Roosevelt in Oregon. The warfare on Statement No. 1 is the same warfare that was made on Senator Bourne two years ago, and yet the machine cannot show where Senator Bourne has failed in the slightest degree to stand by the principles of the nation Republican administration and uphold bedrock Republican policies.

People Versus Machine.

"Because I have referred to the managers of the recent conventions held in several counties as machine managers space has been hired in the morning paper to brand me as being not a good Republican. If loyalty to a bad machine constitutes a good Republican there are not many in Oregon, and there will be less. The best Republican governors in the United States in the estimation of the people are the governors who are fighting the party machines. This has been true in New York, in Iowa and other states. Hughes and Cummins have done nothing to distinguish themselves but trample underfoot the machines of their several states. In Wisconsin the Republicans exalted their principal machine-fighting governor to the United States senate. The machine senators of New York are reduced to cyphers, and the outlook for the slavish adherent of bad machines has no political future. Abraham Lincoln built up a powerful machine but it was done to carry out a program that saved the life of the nation. If alive today he would be with Roosevelt in his fight to break up bad machines. It is a compliment to any man to have earned the hostility of the worst political machines, and the one the people of Oregon have contended with has not been too good. Its methods are repudiated by the better class of all parties.

What Is Meant by Machine.

"There are good machines and bad machines. No one can object to organization and leadership for good purposes in political affairs. It is the only way to secure results, but the right of the people to indict bad political machines will always exist. Warfare is being made on bad political machine work from Maine to California, and the Oregon political machine is not above reproach. Some of the old Republican leaders were good men, and some of them were not. What I contend for is the right to attack and indict the machine at any and all times, and that is the only way to get better results. But in doing so I do not mean to indict every man who has been active in politics. Our city and county and school governments at Salem are probably as good as any in the state. The people have a right to the same order of things in the state and legislative departments. And they are going to get them. The last legislature, beyond ratifying the choice of the people for senator, was badly under machine control. Witness its enactment of an official free pass bill when the people had voted three to one in favor of abolishing all free passes. That was a case of the machine overriding the expressed will of the people.

Why I Supported Bryan.

"It is charged in a standing advertisement that in 1896 I supported Bryan. I do not deny that in common with many Silver Republicans I did support the candidate and platform of the Free Coinage of Silver. I had slowly and reluctantly adopted Free Coinage as taught in the Republican platforms of Oregon and other Western states. Along with me stood the leaders of the Republican party, and these platforms were given later interpretation and support by letters and speeches of such men as Thos. Tongue, Senator Fulton, Governor Lord, and Senator Mitchell, and even the utterances of McKinley himself in behalf of bimetallism. But I will go further and declare that I supported Bryan because I love to fight on the side of the under dog, and at that times the gold monopoly and the Wall street influence was grinding down the masses of the people. Labor was unemployed and farmers were getting small results for labor. Good fortune saved the day for the Republican party as the enormous gold discovery of the Klondike and South Africa, doubling and quadrupling the basis of metallic money relieved the situation and furnished what Bryan and his followers contended for. But on top of this what man of fairness and political decency will decry any man for having supported Bryan when the principal reforms Bryan then advocated, abolition of government by injunction, regulation of corporations, destruction of the trusts, and government control of railroads have become the principal planks of the Republican platform, and crowded the original proprietor of this rank populism, as it is now called, off his own platform. The people today look upon both Bryan and Roosevelt as the champions of the popular cause which they call government for the people.

Machine Elected Chamberlain.

"I am advertised in each issue of the Salem Statesman as having supported a Democrat for governor. I did support Chamberlain the first time he ran for governor. A majority of the Republicans of Marion county supported him, but what made them do it? Because the Matthews-Scott machine in Multnomah county by enforcing the unit rule forced the nomination of an ex-Democrat for governor, and kicked the Geer Republicans out of the state convention. The people of the state showed their contempt for boss rule by snowing under the proposition to foist a machine governor upon them, and at the first opportunity gave Geer a large popular vote for United States senator under the Mays law, which fourteen members of the legislature repudiated and abandoned the people's choice and that awoke the people to the need of a Direct Primary law and Statement No. 1 to prevent the repetition of such disregard of the popular will.

When Governor Chamberlain came up for de-election I supported Dr. James Withycombe in my paper, on the stump and at the election, and my record in state politics is for cleaner and better Republicanism because I would not be a party to machine methods, and I am willing to leave it to any Republican constituency whether I or the methods of the ignorant and corrupted machine were responsible for this state having a Democratic governor.

Samples of Machine Work.

"Now brushing aside the charge that I am not a good Republican, a charge as childish and contemptible as it is possible to frame in a state where not a single leader of the party has not at times fought factional fights at the expense of the regular ticket, the time has come to assert the right of the rank and file to use the party as a means instead of worshipping it slavishly as the end of all political action. The machine has never hesitated to violate party platforms in its own interest and even defeat candidates that it wanted to punish. Take the flat salary law above referred to. F. I. Dunbar was nominated on a flat salary platform, but when it came to accepting the flat salary the machine defeated the reform bill frim going into effect for two years, and when Senator Kay again carried his bill through the legislature and took it to the senate the machine amended it so the law did not become operative until the end of Mr. Dunbar's term, deferring action four years after the party had put it into their platform. Now a judgment has been rendered in a court of justice for $103,000 against Mr. Dunbar and his bondsmen. How much of the above sum went to grease the wheels of the machine no one will ever know, but that a wrong was done the taxpayers, and an outhage committed against the Republican party no one can doubt. Refusing to come into court, Mr. Dunbar was in marked contract to Secretary Benson, who came and told all he knew about fees, and furthermore when a question was raised about money voted him by the legislature in violation of the flat salary law, he promptly converted it into the treasury.

A More Recent Instance.

"That the machine demanded of Mr. Dunbar part of his illegal income no one can doubt. That the machine deliberately advised him to violate the terms of the Republican platform on which he was elected no one can doubt. That the Oregon political machine has never consented to a reform until driven to it by public sentiment is no more true of our politicians than of politicians of other states. A more recent instance of the lawlessness of the machine is found in the demand that was made by some of its representatives that the state engineering department make a false report on the irrigation project of the Des Chutes Land and Power Company. That corporation claimed to have brought nearly 100,000 acres of land under the Carey Arid Land act under irrigation and to have the same ready for settlement, or for sale to settlers. The state engineer was sent to examine the land and made a report that the laws had not been complied with, that not a drop of water was being delivered upon the land, and that there was not a ditch within miles of it, and any settler would have starved to death on the land. He refused to recommend the land for acceptance by the state, and the greatest pressure was brought to bear by some of the machine members of the party to force the acceptance of it by the state. But Governor Chamberlain stood by the engineer and the matter was dropped. The governor did nothing but his plain duty and deserves no special credit, but a machine governor would have done the bidding and the rictates of the machine, and the corporation claims it would have been benefitted by a million and a half dollars, and this is only one instance of the difference between machine rule applied to public affairs. The Republicans of Oregon appreciate just as much having a governor who would stand up against machine dictation whether it comes from capital or corporations, and would appreciate a Republican governor that would do the same thing.

Machining the Land Grant.

"The political machine in Oregon has very strange ideas of how to compel a corporation to surrrender a land grant of several million acres the terms of which it has notoriously and shamefully violated. When the government and the Oregon delegation are making a hand to hand fight to force relinquishment of the Oregon and California land grant, which was acquired from the general government upon a specific condition that it be sold to actual settlers in amounts not to exceed 160 acres and at a price not to exceed $2.50 per acre, the machine politicians united to capture the court and the district attorney, the very officers who are in positions of power to make the restoration of the land grant possible.

Republicanism for the People.

"The machine does not sense such a thing as Republicanism for the mass of the people. It senses Republicanism for the corporations and privileged classes instead of for the rank and file of the party and of all parties. Would Roosevelt cap the climax of a long fight to abolish an abuse by naming men to carry his reform into effect who had been for life the beneficiaries of the system sought to be abolished? Such men would be incapable of gratitude is they did not favor their former employers in a close case, if they did not give the benefit of the doubt on the side of their life-long training and associations. Would a man like Hughes, in New York, after making a fight for years to establish some great reform in life insurance appoint the very man agaist whose operations the reform was directed to carry it into effect? Yet we are expected by the Oregon machine to believe that corporation lawyers are the only men to be trusted with appointments to the legal department of the government. Because I, as a Republican, object to such abuse of political power by the Oregon political machine I am branded as not being a good Republican. Are not the men who do such things the Republicans of doubtful tendency — whose recommendations lead to the disruption of the party and the destruction of the best government the world has ever seen? Republicanism for the people is what is needed, not Republicanism for the machine."

THESE ARE THE CANDIDATES

For Nomination by the

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Who Are Pledged to Statement No. 1

PRINCIPLE--Not a Scramble for Office--Anti-Machine Politics.

Marion County is entitled to five Representatives. The five named below will always vote for the People's choice for United States Senator. They have signed Statememt Number One

For Representative--VOTE FOR FIVE

24 X O. L. HATTEBERG, Silverton
26 X A. C. LIBBY, Jefferson
27 X H. J. MILLER, Aurora
28 X HAL D. PATTON, Salem
31 X W. C. WINSLOW, Salem

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Might just as well be earning interest.

We pay three per cent interest and you can draw all of it or part of it at any time.

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FOR COUNTY JUDGE OF MARION COUNTY, M. L. JONES.

Republican, farmer business man and taxpayer. Graduate of Willamette University, studied law and admitted to the bar. Where he is best known are found his strongest supporters. Among business men everywhere his word is as good as his bond. He stands for a strictly business and economical administration of county affairs.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination at the Republican primaries for county superintendent of schools.

WALTER M. SMITH.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination at the Republican primaries for commissioner.

B. E. ROBERTSON,
Turner, Oregon.

I desire to place my name before the Republican primaries for a renomination for County recorder.

D. G. DRAGER.

I wish to announce to my friends that I am a candidate for county treasurer, subject to the Republican primaries. JOSEPH G. MOORE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner on the Republican ticket.

G. B. HOYT.
Jefferson, Ore.

I am a candidates for office of county judge, subject to the Republican primaries, on the platform of a square deal to all.

W. W. HALL.

At the request of many Republicans I have decided to become a candidate for the nomination for county judge, subject to the Republican primary election.

WILLIAM BUSHEY.

For Assessor.

I hereby announce my candidacy in the Republican primaries for assessor of Marion county; pledging just and equal taxation.

F. J. RICE.

For County Superintendent.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Superintendent of Schools for Marion county, at the Republican primaries, April 17.

A. C. BAKER,
Turner, Or.

For Treasurer.

I hereby announce to the voters of Marion county that I am a candidate for county treasurer at the Republican primaries; pledging honest, faithful and impartial handling of the county funds.

WM. STAIGER

For County Commissioner.

J. T. Beckwith of Sidney precinct. Platform: Economical business administration and an aggressive policy of constructing permanent highways by the co-operation of state, county and local communities. Good roads are the best investment for the people.

For Representative.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the legislature at the primaries, April 17. If nominated and elected I will vote for the Republican United States senator who shall have been elected by the people.

FRANK A. TURNER.

For Representative.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for state representative at the primaries April 17.

S. D. ADKINS.
Scotts Mills, Or.

For Representative.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for the nomination of representative at the Republican primaries, April 17. If nominated elected, I will vote for the Republican choice for United States senator.

LLOYD T. REYNOLDS

For County Commissioner.

The undersigned is a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket. Strict economy in county fairs is my platform.

JOHN E. LEWIS,
Aumsville, Or.

For Sheriff.

I am a candidate for the nomination for sheriff of Marion county at the Republican primaries.

H. P. MINTO

For Representative.

(Signed Statement No. 1.)

Please announce that I am a candidate for representative from Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held April 17. If nominated and elected, shall support the people's choice for U. S. senator. Shall oppose all grafts and all unnecessary and luxurious appropriations.

O. L. HATTEBERG,
Silverton, Ore.

For Representative.

(Signed Statement No. 1.)

The undersigned is a candidate for representative at the Direct Primaries, April 17. If elected will favor business administration and will always vote for the people's choice for United States senator.

HENRY J. MILLER,
Aurora, Or.

For Representative.

(Signed Statement No. 1.)

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for representative at the primaries, April 17.

IF NOMINATED AND ELECTED I SHALL ALWAYS VOTE FOR THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

HAL D. PATTON.

For Representative.

(Signed Statement No. 1.)

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for representative at the primaries, April 17.

IF NOMINATED AND ELECTED I SHALL ALWAYS VOTE FOR THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

A. C. LIBBY,
Jefferson.

For Representative.

W. C. Winslow, candidate for representative, signs Statement No. 1. A "government of the people, by the people and for the people," carried into effect by the Republican party is my motto. At Republican primaries April 17.

W. C. WINSLOW.

For County Judge.

I hereby announce my candidacy for county judge, before the Republican primaries of Marion county, April 17. Having been county commissioner two terms and county judge one term, I believe I am qualified for the office for which I am a candidate.

G. P. TERRELL.

For Railroad Commissioner.

I herewith announce myself for the Republican nomination for Railroad Commissioner, from this congressional district

W. A. CARTER.

For Constable.

I am a candidate for the nomination for constable of Salem district at the Republican primaries.

IRA HAMILTON.

For Constable.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination for constable of the Salem district at the Republican primaries.

J. C. JOHNSON.

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A Busy Medicine for Busy People
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