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THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC DUTY.

The man who thinks he can go to the legislature and by some political device trade his vote on electing a United States senator for a public office, an appropriation, OR SOME OTHER KIND OF QUID PRO QUO, does not understand the situation. Any political manager or boss or newspaper that is advising men to break their pledges under Statement No. 1, or Statement No. 2, in the expectation that they will get a pecuniary reward, OR ANY OTHER REWARD POLITICAL OR OTHERWISE, for their vote for senator, is committing a crime against the people of this state and the nation. The man who does such a thing of his own accord is a political outcast from the moment he does the act, and like the Disciple who sold his Savior for thirty pieces of silver has NOTHING BEFORE HIM BUT POLITICAL SUICIDE. That there are any such men even in the debased atmosphere of Oregon machine politics is unthinkable. Such an individual would have no future but to leave the state he had cheated and betrayed.

The member of the general assembly who voted according to the terms of the first statement contained in the primary law, whether he is pledged or not, is carrying out his HIGHEST DUTY TO THE STATE, TO HIS OWN PARTY. Whether he be a Democrat or a Republican, he should know that the people of Oregon, from the time of the passage of the first resolution through a convention or the legislature, down to the last vote taken by the people of Oregon when by 46,000 plurality they instructed every member of the general assembly to vote for the choice of the people for United States senator, there has been a constant determination on the part of the people to choose their own senators AND MAKE THEM AMENABLE TO THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE. The people have not overthrown the constitution of the United States as some of the anti-statement organs profess. The legislature is still required to elect the senators but the people are to instruct their representatives WHOM THEY ARE TO VOTE FOR—the sovereign right of the people by all doctrine and theory of having representatives to do their bidding.

So it is no longer a question of whether an assemblyman has taken Statement No. 1 or any other statement or no statement, he is no longer free to vote for anyone BUT THE CHOICE OF THE PEOPLE if the instructions of the people are to count for anything or if the representative principle is to be maintained, or if the people are the masters and the office holders their servants. When the Mays law was enacted in Oregon by the Republicans and Democrats in the legislature, when the resolutions were adopted in favor of the direct election of senators by popular vote, when the Direct Primary Law was enacted, when the laws were enacted for printing the names of candidates for senator on the Australian ballot, when the people of Oregon were given the right to vote for and elect senators by their direct vote, just as they elect state officials, and congressmen, THE RIGHT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE TO HAVE ANY CHOICE CEASED THEN AND THERE. The people had taken over one of the political rights which they had established and ordained under their own constitution which says in so many words that the people may instruct their representatives on any matter whatsoever.

After the instruction given the members of the legislature under the initiative measure by 46,000 majority, there is nothing for any man to do who has respect for himself or for the popular will BUT TO VOTE FOR THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR. He is under further obligation to adopt a resolution in the legislature directing the senator chosen by the people to go into the United States senate and labor and vote to amend the constitution on this same matter so that the people may elect their United States senators without any intervention of the legislature. If the people are capable of nominating and

choosing their U. S. senators, WHY ARE THEY NOT CAPABLE OF ELECTING THEM as much so as they are of electing a governor or a presidential elector? Not only the members of the legislature are bound to respect the will of the people but the senator chosen by them must respect that same will. In course of time a majority of the state will have acted and and not until then will the federal constitution be amended. All talk of electing senators by the people being unconstitutional is rot.

The public duty owed to the people by the members of the general assembly is to establish the principle WHICH THE PEOPLE OF ALL PARTIES HAVE LABORED FOR TWENTY YEARS TO ESTABLISH not alone in this state but in nearly every state in the Union. That principle in its operation involves the right of the people to elect all officials from the highest to the lowest, and which will be established with the growth of intelligence and the spread of democratic ideas. That principle cannot be overthrown by any political faction or by any party WITHOUT DANGER TO THOSE WHO SEEK ITS OVERTHROW. The principle is now firmly grounded in the hearts of the people of all parties and can never be eradicated unless it proves to be vicious in practice, and unless it brings about a worse condition of things than prevailed formerly when the legislature nominated and chose the candidates for the United States senate. Those who talk of returning to that system are asking the people to take a step backwards and to retreat to a position which they themselves have condemned time and again. It is a public duty to establish the newer and better way, and the sooner the better.

After the many expressions of the people on this subject it is the first duty of the representatives of the people TO ESTABLISH FIRMLY AND FOREVER the system of electing senators by the direct vote of the people. It is easier, cheaper, quicker, IT IS THE POOR MAN'S FIGHT. If a legislature of one political party can be made to do its public duty in this respect and elect a senator of the opposite political party, then any man of small means can go before the people under the corrupt practices act AND BECOME A CANDIDATE FOR THE UNITED STATES SENATE. It is the battle to establish human rights against wealth and aristocracy. It is the battle of the people against the interests that have dominated the United States senate. It is the battle of the common people against those who have REAPED THE RICH HARVEST OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGES IN NATIONAL LEGISLATION. No wonder men like Channey Depew and others who have represented the great predatory powers of the trusts cry out against direct election of senators. IT MEANS THEIR RETIREMENT FROM POLITICS at just as early a day as the people can get this power fully into their hands. In Oregon they have the power and it is treason for any man who holds an office at the hands of the people to seek to set it aside or do anything but execute the will of the people.

A DEVELOPMENT CONVENTION IN EASTERN OREGON.

Under the leadership of G. A. Hurley, of the Vale Commercial Club, a session of the Oregon and Idaho Development Congress will be held at that live little city December 17, 18 and 19.

Vale was selected as the point in Oregon MOST NATURALLY AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE for the commercial clubs of Idaho and Eastern Oregon to come together at a point in the great Inland Empire.

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When the first development congress was held at Coos Bay two years ago last May, four-fifths of the commerce of that section WAS WITH CALIFORNIA. Today four-fifths of that commerce is with Portland. These large development conventions are all productive of good results for Oregon.

Delegates from Coos Bay, delegates from Portland, delegates from the Willamette valley, will attend the Malheur county congress. They will all boost for their respective sections AND ALL BOOST FOR GREATER OREGON.

The time has come for a close alliance between the great Inland Empire and Western Oregon. THE TIME HAS COME TO PIERCE THE GREAT BARRIERS that lie between these regions, and with the backing of the whole state secure a railroad across the great undeveloped interior.

A railroad from Boise, Idaho, direct to Coos Bay, or direct to the Stuslaw, or Yaquina, or Tillamook, would do more to open up and develop Oregon than any one enterprise THAT CAN BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE PRESENT GENERATION.

The Oregon-Idaho Development Congress held at Marshfield and at Roseburg demanded state aid for such an enterprise. THE STATE CAN DO A GREAT DEAL as the laws are but a great deal more with an amended constitution.

State aid in securing rights of way state aid in remission of taxes, state aid in guaranteeing interest on bonds have all been advocated, and all would help. But above all, THESE CONGRESSES AROUSE THE PEOPLE TO HELP THEMSELVES.

DON'T BLAME HER



For she cannot help it. Women are often cross, irritable, hysteric, and declare they are driven to distraction at the slightest provocation. Men cannot understand why this should be so. To them it is a mystery because in nine times out of ten this condition is caused by a serious feminine derangement. A remedy is necessary which acts directly upon the organs afflicted, restoring a healthy normal condition to the feminine system, which will quickly dispel all hysterical, nervous and irritable conditions. Such is

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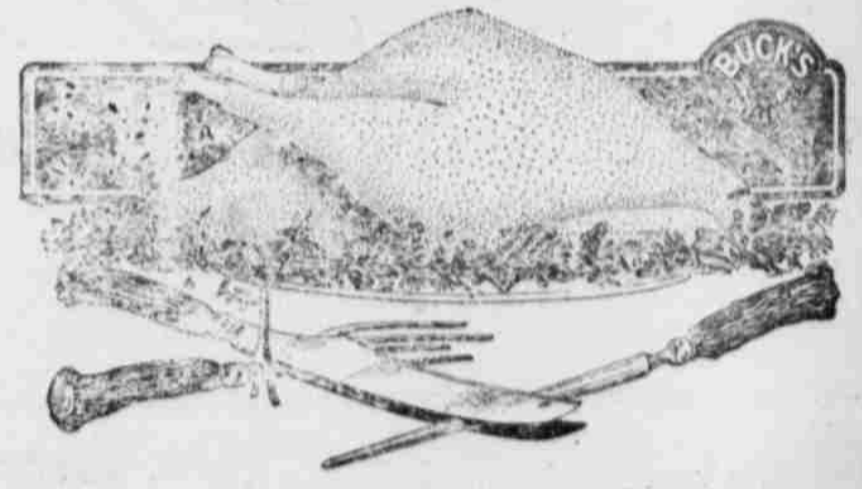
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