

COL. E. HOFER, OF SALEM

Anti-Assembly Candidate for Governor

In Favor of
Direct Primary
Statement No. 1
A Representative
of the People, controlled by no
Clique, Class or
Political Combine.

Good Administration

Good Laws
Good Roads

Good Will To All!

A Republican who
Stands for Progressive
Policies, and
the Development
.. Of All Oregon ..



Do You Want
A Live Man
For
Governor
One Who
Does Things

CURB EXTRAVAGANCE

Check Crafts.
Defeat Jobs.

For Business Methods

A Governor for all
the People Who
Will Tolerate No
Boss or Machine
and who will use
the veto

Mr. Hofer is a man who stands for the rights of labor, a man who stands for Nomination and Election of all Candidates for Public Office according to the letter and the spirit of the Direct Primary Law--for Statement No. 1. He believes in responsibility to the citizens of the entire state instead of any machine, faction, party or political combine. He is a man who has a definite program for the building and maintenance of state highways. A Republican who will curb the extravagance of a legislature, even if composed of a majority of his own party, by use of the veto power, and who will not ratify the jobs of a logrolling majority--a governor of the people, by the people, and for the people.

NONPOLITICAL PLATFORM OF PROGRESSIVE IDEAS

OPPOSED TO ASSEMBLY PLAN AND MACHINE AND RING RULE AND FOR A NEW DEAL AND A CLEAN DEAL IN OUR STATE AFFAIRS.

I am opposed to the Assembly plan of giving candidates of the Machine a preference, as a restoration of the delegate convention system which should be destroyed.

I am in favor of the Direct Primary law, which the Assembly system is secretly pledged to overthrow. Assembly politicians who say they are for the Direct Primary either lie or stultify themselves.

I favor all public officials being nominated and elected by the people, making their pledges to the people and then keeping those pledges, without intervention of a boss or Machine.

The people can be trusted to select their servants.

GIVE THE ASSEMBLY MACHINE A KNOCKOUT BLOW

The people should give the Machine a knockout blow and prevent building up the Assembly plan, for it is only a cunning device for restoring the Convention system. Do it on September 24--on Direct Primary day--by nominating a Governor who is anti-Assembly.

I believe in Progressive Republicanism that takes its inspiration from the higher consciousness of an aroused public sentiment, instead of accepting dictation from superannuated senility or degenerating intellect to imbecility of premature kid politics.

STATE HIGHWAYS BUILT WITH CONVICT LABOR.

Convict labor should be employed on the public highways as is being done in other states.

On the parole system even prisoners for life can be worked in the open air and made to serve the state whose laws they have violated.

That is the only way to get good state highways.

Let the city, county and state prisoners be employed in building streets and highways and preparing material for such highways.

I believe in putting to work the army of tramps who travel back and forth through Oregon. Able bodied men who make a business of tramping from town to town, of begging meals and frightening and intimidating women and children and robbing and stealing, should be made to go to work under state control.

The moment they enter Oregon or go to tramping they should be enrolled for labor on the highways and for their labor are entitled to a decent living without being compelled to commit crimes.

NEW DEAL, CLEAN DEAL, AND CLEAN SWEEP OF ABUSES

I stand for a new deal--a clean deal--a clean sweep from cellar to garret of the abuses in every department of our state government. Let the people order a clean-up and the house cleaning will take place in 1911.

In 1895 I made a record in the legislature against clerkship grafts, salary grafts, self-expanding commissions, boards, sinecures, predatory officialism--government by the people's hired servants who assume to become their masters.

I am opposed to the proposed Constitutional convention forced upon the people by the Legislature.

It was never called by the people and is a scheme to overthrow the People's Measure and restore power to the dictatorial interests.

FOR FREE LABOR AND THE GRANGE BILLS

I stand for the rights of common labor to have wages that will ensure a competence above the cost of living.

The Republican party has always stood for the rights of labor against unfair conditions or competition from abroad or at home.

Farmers in Oregon need more laborers from the better class of European immigration to clear lands and save crops. The state should encourage honest labor coming to Oregon.

A fight must be made to extend the indirect taxes that were at least partially repealed by the last legislature.

The bills initiated by the Grange and enacted by the people, who showed more wisdom than the whole assembled legislature, were placed in question by the creation of a State Tax Commission that has now sought to restore the taxation of mortgage notes, clearly a tax on the debtor class.

FOR FREE LOCKS AND PORT COMMISSION BILL.

I fought for three years to secure Free Locks and Canal at Oregon City and as Governor would keep up that fight until results could carry the commerce of Western Oregon from the head of navigation to the ocean untaxed and unobstructed. Waterways and fishing rights of the people must be preserved.

I helped enact the General Port Commission Bill by which all the harbors and waterways of Western Oregon can be improved, and I will sustain that law.

I have never been guilty of striking down state institutions in any part of the state or bringing injunction suits against any section of the state to restrain its proper development.

RECORD FOR BOOSTING ALL OF OREGON

Under the heading of "Colonel Hofer Does Things," a paper called the Coos Bay Truth, once printed

the following article:

"Within the brief space of one year the Oregon-Idaho Development Congress has become a recognized and potent factor in the progressive industrial life of two states. For its achievements, credit must be given largely to Colonel E. Hofer, its president. Regardless of any criticism that may be directed at him, it must be admitted Colonel Hofer is a live wire. He is the kind that can't let things drag. He does things. He's a developer. Tom Richardson has done a great work for Oregon. John Hartog has brought Eugene prominently before the public. They have been criticized, but their work stands. The state owes them much. In his vigorous campaign, Colonel Hofer may have stepped on some toes; but he has done an enduring work for two states, and he has done it at the sacrifice of time and expense to himself. Oregon and Idaho cannot do a better thing than to employ Colonel Hofer, if his services are to be had, though the cost be \$10,000 a year, and keep him in the field to steer the Oregon-Idaho Congress."

A Record for Development.

Here is the record of a private citizen who has done his work for the past 20 years for the advancement of the state and the city he calls his home:

Three years as president of the Salem Commercial club, during which time a constant fight was made for the interests of the city and the state.

Three years as president of the Willamette Valley Open River Association, during which time hard work was done to get a state appropriation for the Free Locks and Canal at Oregon City, and the appropriation was put through congress, under which the river will be freed of corporation control and that waterway of western Oregon will be opened to commerce and forever be a regulator of freight rates.

Two years service as president of the Oregon-Idaho Development congress, which held 10 conventions across the state and called attention of the Hill and Harriman interests to the undeveloped condition of the great central region of Oregon, and as a result two trunk lines are building across the state.

This work has been carried on without a dollar of salary having ever been paid to the man who did it, and it was carried on by putting his newspaper back of his work and giving hundreds of pages to the cause of upbuilding a greater Oregon.

It is not pretended that the people of Oregon owe Col. Hofer an office for what he has done, but he has a right to be considered a live man among men, and a man who by his works has shown that he loves the state which he has made his home, and that in his hands the honor and reputation of the state and the pride of its people in their magnificent commonwealth would not be allowed to suffer at the hands of any interest or influence.