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UP TO VOTERS CALLING THEMSELVES REPUBLICANS.

The coming state election in Oregon will decide whether there is a majority of citizens in this state entitled to call themselves Republicans.

It is up to you, Mr. Republican, to determine this matter.

The vast majority who have registered have registered themselves by the title of Republican, and there is no good reason why they should be ashamed of their political designation.

Are you prepared to make Oregon permanently Democratic?

The Republican party has a continuous record of having given the people of the United States the highest conditions of prosperity known in any country in the world.

Is there a more prosperous country in the world than ours?

For the past thirteen years there have been almost continuous good times, interrupted only by the bankers' panic of 1907.

That panic did not last, and was not in reality a panic, but disappeared as quickly as it came, and the country suffered almost no interruption of business or prostration of industries.

What would have been the dimensions of a Democratic panic?

Not even the revision of the tariff under the Taft administration caused an interruption of the continuous high prices of products and of labor, due to Republican policies.

As the party of prosperity, Republicans can honestly claim that the policies of the party in dealing with American industries have produced the only prosperous times the country has ever enjoyed.

When has a Democratic victory ever produced Good Times?

Hence for Republicans to assist in bringing about a change by electing Democrats to political offices in state or nation is folly and economic and political suicide.

For Oregon to add this state to the Democratic column would be inexcusable because no state in the nation has enjoyed the high tide of prosperity more fully than Oregon.

What Democratic state is as prosperous as Oregon?

Every city in Oregon, and every tiller of the soil and every laborer, has really had the horn of plenty poured out in his lap, and it has been a horn filled to overflowing.

The whole campaign of the Democratic newspapers has been directed to the election of a Democrat to the office of governor, and the defeat of the Republican candidate for that office.

Every effort has been made to trade off all parts of the ticket to ensure the election of the Democratic candidate for governor, because it is believed that he will have other places to fill.

A Republican governor is needed to keep Oregon Republican.

It is generally known that the secretary of state is in poor health, and that the governor-elect will probably have the appointment of a secretary of state.

In that event the election of a Democrat for governor would mean a Democrat for secretary of state, and the control of all the state institutions and a Democratic state government.

Republicans who cast their ballots for a Democrat for governor this year might as well understand that they are voting to turn the whole state over to the Democratic party.

Are your inclinations those of a political scuttler?

You are voting to put the Republican party permanently out of political control of Oregon for a series of years to come, and possibly out for all time to come.

Once turned over to the political opposition under our system of government, the Republican party would be divided and hopeless, and would have no political future.

This is not a personal matter as between West and Bowerman, and this newspaper has published none of the accusations made against the Democratic candidate.

This newspaper takes no stock in personal attacks on men.

It merely throws out this warning to Republicans to keep them from committing political hari-kari at the invitation of organs posing as independent.

There is a big stake up and the Democratic managers are playing for the biggest stakes ever hung up in our political history—all the state institutions and the next two United States senatorships.

Republicans who help defeat any of their state ticket this year must also realize that they are striking a blow to abolish the Direct Primary Law and the Direct election of U. S. senators.

The defeat of the Republican candidate for governor or the defeat of any of the political candidates on the Republican ticket means the doom of the Direct Primary Law.

Are you prepared to help wipe that law off the statute books?

The way to uphold the law and keep it on the statute books is to elect the Republican ticket from top to bottom and endorse the ticket named under the provisions of the law.

If the Republican party loses the political control of the state that loss will be attributed to the Direct Primary law and will ensure its repeal and prevent its adoption by other states.

The way to uphold the principles of Direct Nomination and

Direct Election of U. S. senators and insure further success of that law is to elect the whole Republican ticket.

The sooner Republicans understand that it is their political duty to uphold those reform principles the better it will be for the party.

Help put the party in line with progressive Republicanism.

If you want to stop electing Democratic U. S. senators from Oregon support the nominees made under the Direct Primary law whether they attended an Assembly or not.

These laws are the political property of the Republican party, and Republicans cannot throw them down and trample their nominees under foot without sounding the deathknell of their existence.

At the same time it will be the deathknell of those reform measures, because it will be accepted as a verdict against the Direct Primary law.

Will you help give a verdict against popular government?

It is the duty of Republicans, as it never was before, to see to it that a substantial majority is given to every candidate for a political office whose name appears on the Republican ticket.

Will you vote, Mr. Republican, to turn the entire state over to the Democrats, and will you vote to destroy the Direct Primary Law?

THE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FUND LAW

The American high school is now an established part of our educational system. It has come to stay, and any effort that tends to delay its perfect organization in any community results only in delaying the good work that it might be doing for the present generation.

Oregon is fortunate in two things in the development of her high school system. First, the course of study is planned for the need of the high schools. This work was done by the state superintendent and principals of the high schools, and the question of college entrance requirements did not enter in any way in forming the course of study. For example, in the first year of the high school, a half year of office work in business methods is required. Such work was not at that time thought of as a college entrance requirement, but now it is accepted by the state university and at least one other university of Oregon. In other states the high school course of study is dictated by the colleges and universities.

Second, as many pupils as finish the eighth grade, just that many complete at least two and a half years of high school work. This is proved by the official reports (1909-1910) of the county school superintendent's report now on file in the office of the superintendent of public instruction. It is estimated that for the entire United States 90 per cent of the children who finish the grade work do not enter high schools. Oregon takes no part in making up such a showing.

Now since our boys and girls are attending the high schools and since the course of study is planned so as to give a finished education to those who can go no further, no one county can afford to neglect the work of making more efficient its system of high schools.

In Lane and Linn counties, the county high school fund has been established. In each county the number of high schools and their efficiency has increased rapidly since adopting this plan. A letter addressed to the county school superintendent of either of these counties will procure information as to the practical workings of the law, and as to the general satisfaction of the people.

In as much as the parents are determined to send their children through the high schools, such schools must be maintained, and it is no more expensive to maintain the county high school plan than any other. In fact, it seems to be the most economical plan yet devised.

The plan briefly stated is this: The people at the general election vote yes or no on the establishment of the county high school fund. If the measure carries, the county court after a careful estimate levies a tax for the maintenance of high schools. A county high school board is organized composed of the county court, the county treasurer and the county school superintendent. This board contracts with each district in the county that maintains a high school up to the standards set by the state board of education, as specified in section 7, page 177, General Laws 1909, or section 264, Oregon School Laws. The contract states the basis of the distribution of the county high school fund shall be upon the average daily attendance during the school year. The total amount of money paid to any district during the school year shall not be less than \$40 per pupil for the first 20 of such average daily attendance, and \$20 for the second 20; nor more than \$12.50 per pupil for all the remaining pupils.

The property of the entire county is placed back of the high schools, but if a district wishes to maintain a high school, it must furnish a good school building and keep the school up to the state standard. The distribution of the fund is based upon the average daily attendance to encourage attendance, and that it does so, is proved by the fact that in Linn county, the most conservative estimate of this year's high school enrollment shows an average increase of 50 per cent over last year for the entire county. In some districts the increase is 100 per cent.

The arguments then in favor of the establishment of the county high schools by placing on the county high school fund are (1) it increases the efficiency of the high schools by

placing their administration on a secure basis; (2) it increases the number of high schools, and this makes it possible for the boy and girl to complete a good high school course without having to leave home; (3) it increases the attendance of high schools, and the very large increase tends to show that home seekers are choosing those counties which maintain the best systems of schools.

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- For Secretary of State—**TURNER OLIVER.**
- For Justice Supreme Court, 6 yrs.—**W. R. KING.**
- For Justice Supreme Court, 4 yrs.—**W. T. SLATER.**
- For Attorney-General—**W. M. PATTERSON.**
- For School Superintendent—**J. B. HARNEY.**
- For State Printer—**J. E. GODFREY.**
- For Labor Commissioner—**D. L. HOUSTON.**
- For R. R. Commissioner—**HUGH W. LANE.**
- For State Engineer—**D. V. S. REED.**
- For Water Superintendent—**F. M. SAXTON.**
- For Circuit Judges—**WM. GALLOWAY. JOHN BAYNE.**
- For State Senators—**CHARLES L. DICK. W. S. MOTT.**
- For Representative—**W. H. DOWNING.**
- For County Clerk—**M. P. BALDWIN.**
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