

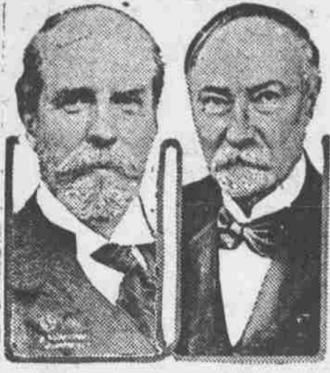
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HUGHES and FAIRBANKS.

The Election Opportunity

Next Tuesday there is a call to the duty of citizenship in Missouri of the very greatest importance. The national government is in the hands of the free-traders, who gave the country its experience of disaster, unemployment and impoverishment, following the adoption of its revenue tariff program in 1913, relieved only later by the conditions of war, which virtually restored protection to our industries. To avoid the return of soup-house and bread-line conditions, after the war, the restoration of the protective tariff policy of the republican party is imperative. The man who believes in American prosperity, and particularly the prosperity of the farmer and the workingman, will vote for Hughes and Fairbanks, for Walter S. Dickey for United States senator and for the republican candidate for congress, as the real and only way by which this result may be assured.

The state government for four years past has been in the hands of a democratic administration, which his mismanged the penal and charitable institutions, wasted the public money, prostituted the agencies of the public business to selfish concerns and otherwise grossly misused their legislative, administrative and executive power. The crowd in power need a good cleaning out. This can't be done by electing their political friends to office, especially when the latter are running on a platform of unqualified approval and endorsement. The only chance for substantial revision and reform in state government conditions is the election of Judge Henry Lamm for governor, the entire republican state ticket and a republican legislature. This will not only mean immediate reform of known and practically admitted wrongs, but will serve to open the books to show up others now concealed. Surely every good citizen should take the opportunity to vote and should vote for Judge Lamm and the rest of the republican ticket. He should do so selfishly in his own interest as a taxpayer if not otherwise.

The danger of defeat comes from the possibility of lethargy and negligence. The careless man, right in his sentiments, who stays at home and doesn't vote at all, thus giving more power to the political gangster who always votes, is the man who imperils the situation. Let's get his vote this time and crush the result.

A full vote by the friends of prosperity and national honor and of clean state government will assure victory. Never since the civil war has the result been more important.

Sixty Years the Standard

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER Made from cream of tartar derived from grapes. NO ALUM

Land Law a Partisan Move

We hear very little about the Gardner Land Law at this time, except that the farmers, having found out something more about the measure and what it proposes, are no longer disposed to take the word of its title on the subject of how it would affect them and their interests. They now believe that it is a step in the direction of single tax, and that it only was enacted as a campaign card for Gardner. It has in view largely a partisan political purpose in the way of an addition to the democratic state machine, they now see. It purposes to add a lot of land appraisers to the game wardens who now occupy their time largely in political work. The people do not care to pay another bill of that kind. The Gardner law stood fairly well until somebody looked into it and told the people about it, when Judge Lamm's searching criticism of the law at the opening of the campaign destroyed the illusion that it was a measure by which the farmer might hope to benefit.

Look Out For The Future

In one of his good citizenship lectures, Theodore Roosevelt used to tell an impressive story of an experience with a forman on his stock ranch in North Dakota. The forman came to Roosevelt one day and told how he had cleverly managed the "roundup" on the range so that calves belonging to other ranches were driven in with the Roosevelt herd. He thought to win the approval of his employer. "You are discharged", shouted Roosevelt, "A man who will steal for me will steal from me. I don't want you on the ranch". Railroad trainmen who expect to be the beneficiaries of the discriminatory wage-increase should bear this story in mind. A man who will unjustly use the powers of government for them will sometime use those same powers unjustly against them.

MISSOURI taxpayers have a right to insist on a competent and business like administration of its affairs, but they cannot expect such an administration if they themselves vote to continue in power the gang that has betrayed them. The whole question is up to the man who votes and he can't solve it without voting.

We are claiming republican victory very strongly in Missouri but we want it distinctly understood that our claim is based on the assurance that republicans will not be negligent of their duty. They must get to the polls and must help to get their thoughtless and negligent republican neighbors to the polls. A full expression of sentiment means unquestioned republican victory.

WHEN you get into the election booth on November 7, to mark your ballot for the men who will

control the policies of this nation for the next four years, remember that it is essential that a republican President shall have the support of a republican house and senate. Electing a republican president will not give us an "American First" administration, unless we have also a congress that will enact the laws necessary to prevent seizures of our markets by foreign producers as soon as the war has ended and our war-order market is no more.

Vote For Amendment No. 3

We note, with much surprise, that many of our exchanges who have heretofore advocated a dry state, are carrying an advertisement for the saloon interests or wet faction, which is headed: "State-Wide Prohibition in Missouri."

To any voter who reads this article and gives it candid consideration, we believe a vote has been made against the licensed saloon in this state.

An appeal is made to the voters to not interfere with the liquor question in the large cities, giving them a right to handle this matter to suit themselves.

Let's see if this is right. The people of the entire state are equally taxed for the care of our penal institutions, which are kept to their full capacity by rum-soaked and liquor-crazed convicts, a very large per cent of whom come from our three principal cities, all having a large number of saloons.

They also say that a wet vote is to leave the country dry as it is now, and the cities wet as they are now. If this is the case, then a dry vote will make the country dryer and the city dryer, also, a result much desired and soon to be accomplished.

A vote for the Third Constitutional Amendment means a vote for a cleaner, better, more prosperous Missouri.—Newtown Chronicle.

Deserts a Sinking Ship

Col. E. L. Price, former chairman of the democratic state committee of New Jersey, announced Monday that he intends to vote and work for the election of Charles E. Hughes to the presidency and will exert all his influence to defeat Mr. Wilson. Col. Price was for fourteen years head of the Essie county democratic committee and is one of the best known democrats of New Jersey. He supported Wilson for governor and for the presidency in 1912, but is against him now because "his foreign policy is a national disgrace."

G. M. Brown, head of the General Roofing company of St. Louis, brought up in the democratic faith, and always a democrat, has deserted Wilson and is working for Hughes. He says he has lots of reason for this, but the biggest reason of all is that "we want to keep our mills going and our employes at the best pay possible in the years to follow the war, which must terminate before a great while."

Judge F. J. Fromme of Jefferson City, a life-long democrat, and one of the leading German-American citizens of central Missouri, has repudiated Wilson and has announced his intention of voting for Hughes. He says he cannot vote for Wilson and advises all German-Americans, whether democrats or republicans, to vote for Hughes. His defection, it is estimated, will cost the democrats several hundred votes in Cole county.

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Reasons Why Hughes Should Be Elected

- BECAUSE he stands for Protection, Prosperity, Preparedness and Patriotism. BECAUSE he will not permit partisanship to triumph over Patriotism. BECAUSE his speech of acceptance expresses his desire to co-operate with labor for its advantage, not to exploit it for his own. BECAUSE he will command the respect of Europe and Asia and win the friendship of Latin-America. BECAUSE he will never by proclamation deny the right of Americans to pursue their business in other lands under the protection of the American flag. BECAUSE he will not repudiate the American flag in any land. BECAUSE he will not put action into words, but words into action. BECAUSE, as Theodore Roosevelt well says, he has high sentiments of justice and dignity, is upright and straightforward, is an incontestable master of judicial matters, and always translates his words into deeds. BECAUSE he is a strong, sure, courageous man, with a clear-cut program before him and with the courage, intelligence and determination to carry it out and bring to our country self-respecting peace and world-wide respect. BECAUSE as Governor of New York he has already proved that he dared to do the right thing, and is prepared to further do and dare when called into a wider field. BECAUSE he is not a dreamer and not a quitter. BECAUSE he is a firm friend of preparedness for the United States and not for preparedness through political expediency. BECAUSE he will not burden us with war taxes in time of peace. BECAUSE we need a tariff not founded upon free trade, nor for "revenue only," but to protect American labor and American industry from the deadly competition of the foreigner. BECAUSE he is a red-blooded American. His policy will be "America first, America efficient." BECAUSE he can be depended upon to keep platform pledges. BECAUSE he will protect this country against being flooded with the cheap manufactures of Europe after the war. BECAUSE he is the chosen head of a party which has long fathered all great constructive legislation which experience has proved to be wise and which has invariably been opposed by the Democratic party. BECAUSE a business man is going to be especially needed in the next few years. In consequence of the European war a tremendous readjustment of the world's business is ahead. The United States must be economically prepared. It must not, as now, be left defenseless. It must not have a President with an untrained business mind, ever changing. Mr. Hughes made a remarkable record as a business Governor of New York. He has extraordinary ability to see all sides of a question. Not from him, as from Wilson, will be heard any declaration that he will hang business men "high as Haman" if they do not agree with him. BECAUSE he is a man of forward vision, of practicability and firmness, not a mere rhetorician and theorist. BECAUSE he stands for the protection of American lives and property abroad as well as at home. BECAUSE through him the whole nation will be in the Government. It will not be ruled by one section, nor by one man. BECAUSE he is for an effective, not an unsound and sham system of rural credits to help the farmer and for a wise conservation of natural resources. BECAUSE he is for a Federal workingmen's compensation law suitable for the employes of the Government, and those employes engaged in interstate commerce and subject to the hazard of injury. BECAUSE he favors investigating before legislating.

Advertisement for Zephyr Flour. Features '38' and '\$3.27' graphics. Text: 'Poor Arithmetic but Good Food Facts'. Eight loaves of Zephyr flour bread (made at home) cost but 38 cents. They contain as much energy-nutrition as \$3.27 worth of meat, or \$2.88 worth of cod-fish, \$1.81 worth of eggs, or \$1.28 worth of milk, or \$1.10 worth of cheese, or 93c worth of potatoes. No other food in the world is as economical as home-made bread baked from Zephyr flour. Its golden brown loaves are the most digestible of all foods, over 95% is easily assimilable into bone and muscle. Within its flaky texture are all the elements of a perfectly balanced food ration. Every family can be strong and hearty and well on ZEPHYR FLOUR bread alone. And as for economy—get a trial sack and see for yourself. Figures based on flour worth \$2.25 a sack. KRAFT & BRENNER, Laclede. J. H. DUNN, Meadville. DUNN & Co., Fountain Grove.

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