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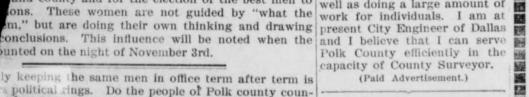
votes are counted on the night of November 3rd.

Constantly keeping the same men in office term after term is what fosters political rings. Do the people of Polk county countenance such a condition of affairs here? Evidently not, else why did they vote two years ago for a change in the county clerk's office? Fair play concedes a competent official a second term as a token of appreciation and an expression of the belief that he has made good, and if he has been an exceptionally good official a third term may be granted, but when he begins to show a porcine popensity and asks for a fifth or sixth term he is generally turned down. This is the history of the county clerk's office in Polk county the past few years. Asa B. Robinson, Jr., the present clerk, has held the office but one term and has made good. He is now asking for an endorsement in the shape of a second term.

The ftemizer has always deplored and abstained from as much as possible the use of personalities in an election contest. It is not the right way to conduct a campaign. We do not comend the recent attack of Governor West upon Bob Caples for his well known personal deficiency, but West had an excuse, for there is probably no other man in the state who has been so bullied and villified by the Republican press as he, and it is his nature to come back at his enemies by saying hard things. We wish he were of a more diplomatic temperament for his own good, but can hardly blame him for being that way. The same might be said of Caples. inasmuch as it was his play to keep his mouth shut. Had it not been for that same unfortunate failing he might today have been a national figure, for he has the brains and the ability. "Let the other fellow do the talking," is a safe axiom in both politics and business.

JUST THE DIFFERENCE.

The voter of discernment has only to note the methods employed by the two old parties in the present campaign to assure himself which party has right on its side, and our own county is targe enough for the exemplification. The Democrats with a leader of worth in the person of Frank Fawk, chairman of their central committee, are working without capital, except a very few dollars voluntarily contributed by county candidates, relying almost entirely upon the justness of their cause and the reputation of the men they have nominated. The standpatters have unlimited capital behind them from the "interests," national and state, and in addition have assessed their county candidates heavily. They have kept one print shop in the county busy during the past month turning out literature to confuse and deceive voters as to the real issues and pursuade them that Democracy has not lived up to the promises of the last election, or that such policies are not making good. With this great difference in the "sinews of war" it will soon be up to the intelligent voters to decide between the two. Will you be deceived by all this display of the money power which so anxiously desires to again use your vote to handle the reigns of government, or will you look on this glittering tinsel in the light it deserves, and again vote to keep up the policies and laws that mean so much for your own On a platform of Efficiency, Economy good. As the only exponent of Democracy in Polk county, and as







JOHN W. ORR REPUBLICAN NOMINEE for

My oath of office is my platform. I respectfully solicit your (Paid Advertisement.)



C. R. CANFIELD **Republican Nominee for** County Surveyor of Polk Co. and Science, I solicit your vote.

SENATOR GEORGE E. CHAMBERLAIN.

President Wilson's administration will be endorsed or rebuked by the voters next month. Maine has already approved him. The nation will accept the result of the November elections as the people's opinion of the President.

European countries will watch the returns to learn whether Mr. Wilson has the support of the American people-whether he speaks with the voice of a united nation when he speaks for peace.

The record of the past two years is one of precision and efficiency. More big things have been done in months than were done in years before. This is the record: War with Mexico averted.

Income tax effective by constitutional amendment and statute.

Annual tax of \$210,000,000 on sugar repealed. Currency law passed, which has universal praise.

Election of United States senators by the people a reality. For the first time in history the vote on senator will not have to be ratified by the legislature. The national constitution was amended to allow this.

Alaska rallway law, of which Senator Chamberlain had charge, is the first s ep toward opening up a vast empire that, without development, in 47 years, has yielded \$500,000,000 to the American people.

Peace treaties with England, France, Spain, China and numerous smaller powers negotiated. A pleasant contrast to w hat is going on in Europe.

Anti-trust bill passed. /Trade Commission bill passed. Rayburn securities bill passed. These three three measures go a long way toward securing exact justice between the public and the great industrial corporations.

Industrial employes arbitration act passed. It gives much better facilities for settling great strikes. Agricultural extension act passed. It is believed that this will result in doubling the production of American farms.

The foregoing is the President's report to the voters. It is for them to say in November whether they approve, or whether they want these things undone

President Wilson has asked for the re-election of Senator Chamberlain. He wrote: "I want to say how sincerely I hope for re-election of Senator Chamberlain."

(Pald advertisement by Lester W. Humphreys, Assistant Treasurer, 611 Journal Big., Portland, Ore.



Democratic candidate for governor, who will speak in Independence in the afternoon and Dallas in the evening of next Wednesday, October 21st.

Rickreall Postoffice Robbed. The safe in the postoffice at Rickreall was cracked last Frilay night, \$150 in cash. The tamps were not molested. It s believed to have been the work of the same gang that has been operating in this section of the state for some time.

Vern Compton, of this city, vas married last Sunday at Newberg to Miss Lucile Kennedv.

Coming Into Her Own.

Woman is certainly coming into her own. Even in tender romance she is verting an influence.

The young man had just been accepted. In his rapture he exclaimed, "But do you think, my love, I am good mough for you?"

His strong minded fiancee looked sternly at him for a moment and replied: "Good enough for me? You've got to be!"-Judge.

Cost of Naturalization At the time of filing the declaration of intention an alien is required to pay the clerk of the court a fee of \$1. At the time of filing a petition for nat uralization the petitioner is required pay to the clerk of the court a fee of \$4 .- New York American.

Too Much Water. Tommy-Say, papa, isn't mamma just

a triffe crazy? Papa-Why do you think so, my son? Tommy-Well, the other day I was playing in the rain, and she made me come in and take a bath -- Chicago News.

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## ASA B. ROBINSON JR. **Democratic Candidate for County Clerk**

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of Polk County Your support for re-election to second term at the general election November 3, 1914, will be appreciated.

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