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A FINE INDORSEMENT.

The Oregonian, speaking of H. M. Cake's resignation as President of the Portland Commercial Club, says "H. M. Cake, who was president of the Commercial Club for six consecutive terms of one year each, tendered his resignation to the board of governors February 10. At that time he made known his intention not to be a candidate for re-election. Inasmuch as he had decided to enter the primary contest for the Republican nomination for United States Senator, he thought it advisable to resign. During his six years of service as president, the Commercial Club has greatly increased in membership and the scope of the club's work has also been widened. The promotion department was added during his administration. Mr. Cake retires with the good will of all his fellow workers."

The Oregonian does not indorse any candidate before the primary election; but this simple statement of fact is as good an indorsement as Mr. Cake's friends could possibly desire. Mr. Cake has worked unselfishly for the development of Oregon, and if elected he will keep up the good work.

ATTEMPTING TO DECEIVE.

The Oregonian copies and commends as "common sense" an article from which the following is an extract:

"Republicans of the state are bound to stand pat for the Republican receiving the highest number of votes awarded to any man in that party for the office of United Senator upon the ballot and that the Democrats are similarly bound to support the nominee for their party receiving such warrant from the people at large; but that a Republican or a Democrat is bound to vote in the Legislature for the nominee of the opposition because he happened to have an excess of votes from the primaries, is ridiculous on its face, and will receive scant attention from either political camp."

There is no such proposition in the primary law, and the papers publishing such statements are either ignorant or dishonest. There will be a Republican and a Democrat on the ballot to be voted in June, and the one receiving the largest number votes will be the choice of the people and should be elected by the Legislature.

Mr. Hedges, of Clackamas County, who at first refused to sign statement No. 1, has reconsidered and signed. It is well for Mr. Hedges that he hedged in time.

We notice that Mr. J. L. Whitney, State Printer, made a pleasant call upon the editor of the Register last week.

Portland is the greatest lumber port in the world, and if there was never another bushel of wheat shipped from the city our shipping trade within the next three years would reach a maximum never approached in the palmiest days of the wheat trade. There are now in port loading or under charter to load for China, Japan, Australia, South America and Europe steam and sail vessels with a capacity of 20,000,000 feet and for coast ports there is loading a fleet with a capacity of 5,000,000 feet. Following these vessels, under charter to arrive from foreign ports, is a fleet with a capacity of 10,000,000 feet and a coasting fleet of 6,000,000 capacity. No other port in the known world can make such a showing in the lumber business as this, and with the new mills projected for Portland and our vast forests hardly touched by the loggers, the future of this traffic is bewildering in its immensity.

REGISTRATION.

The following is the registration by precincts up to Wednesday morning.

Apiary	13
Auburn	97
Beaver Falls	35
Clatskanie	266
Deer Island	26
Goble	90
Marshland	25
Nehalem	61
Oak Point	29
Rainier	218
Scappoose	57
Union	137
Warren	16
Total	1327

J. R. Whitney, candidate for reappointment to the office of State Printer, is a man worthy of the office for which he aspires, and inasmuch as his predecessors have been given two terms in the state printing office we can see no reason why Mr. Whitney should not be renominated at the primary election. His work has given universal satisfaction in all cases and the affairs of the office have been conducted as economically during his term of office as they have ever been or probably ever will be under the present system. We believe that the people of this State owe the position to Mr. Whitney, and the Appeal recommends him to the Republican voters of this section for their careful consideration.—Silverton Appeal.

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Attend Farmers' Meeting.

This is the season of farmers' meetings, institutes and conventions of various kinds, as well as the season of State Grange gatherings in nearly all the States. These gatherings are very different affairs from what such gatherings were years ago, and they are more generally attended by progressive farmers than ever in the past. The science of agriculture has become sufficiently developed to enable speakers to discuss principles and urge their application to local practices. Not only are the instructors in agricultural colleges valuable workers in such meetings and institutes, but through experience in the Grange there are many practical farmers who are capable of imparting valuable instructions along special lines of agriculture in which they are engaged. The dairy, poultry and horticultural exhibitions in connection with meetings for discussion of matters pertaining to the respective industries are worth attending, for they afford valuable object lessons. The Grange gatherings are generally held upon a more useful basis than formerly and the educational and social advantages are causing marked results upon the rural people. The farmers' institutes held by boards of departments of agriculture are exerting a great influence for better methods of farming and stock growing. Public sentiment among farmers is developing in a favorable direction toward these various gatherings and exhibitions for the promotion of agriculture, which, of itself, is an encouraging indication of more intelligent husbandry. It would be of great benefit if all farmers would recognize the advantages to be derived from attending these meetings, for they are supported, so far as public support is rendered, for the benefit of agriculture and all the people engaged in it. The announcement that a farmers' meeting, convention, institute or exhibition is to be held in the vicinity should be the signal for every farmer to begin to make plans to attend, for it is for the farmers that they are held. We expect to see great improvement in the attendance at these gatherings in the future, gratifying as it is at present when compared with past years.

AT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Never in Its History Has It Been So Prosperous as Now.

Never in its history has the Agricultural College at Corvallis been doing a work better calculated to fit young men for the work of helping bring out the undeveloped resources of the state. This is the statement made by Dr. James Withycombe, director of the experimental station of the college, to an Oregonian reporter.

"We have at present," said Dr. Withycombe, "an enrollment of 700 students representing practically every county in the state. The work seems to be taking a technical form to a large degree, and at present there are 150 young men taking the mechanical and electrical engineering course. In the agricultural course there are approximately 100 students. The constituency of the school is changing, and last years report shows that Multnomah is sending a larger number of students, having 52 in the engineering course. This argues well for the state as it will help in the development of Oregon's immense resources. The rapid development of the lumber industry and the utilizing of power by electrical plants creates a demand for these young men.

"Great progress in the agricultural features has been made and interest in this work is steadily increasing. In 1899 there were but two graduates from this course, while last year there were seven, which number may be surpassed this year. In fact, there is a larger enrollment of pupils in the four year agricultural course than in any state in the union in proportion to population.

"The standard of work in the entire school is high at this time. Graduates are admitted as seniors in such Eastern institutions as Cornell. The work at Corvallis is fully abreast of that in similar institutions in the East. The agricultural students are 17 per cent of the whole student body, or 23 per cent of the male portion, which I regard as being as good a showing in this department as at any time in its history, considering changed conditions in the state.

A Scientific Wonder.

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THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

The State Grange and Portland Labor Unions have decided to work together for the enforcement of Statement No. 1. One of the most important questions before Oregon's voters is whether the people or the Legislature shall choose United States Senators in Congress. At the last election the direct primary law was enacted by a large majority, providing that candidates for the legislature may include in their petition for nomination Statement No. 1, which reads as follows:

"I further state to the people of Oregon, as well as to the people of my legislative district, that during my term of office I will always vote for that candidate for United States Senator in Congress who has received the highest number of the people's votes for that position at the general election next preceding the election of a Senator in Congress, without regard to my individual preference."

This measure was passed so that the people of the State may say who shall be United States Senator, and not leave it to a corrupt legislator to settle for a price.

The important question now is, Will our people have sense enough to keep the hold they have, by insisting upon all legislative candidates signing this statement? Some candidates are claiming that to do so is to work an injustice against their party. What they really mean to say is that to sign this statement means to relieve them of any opportunity of assisting in holding up the legislature at a cost of thousands of dollars to the people, of thwarting the will of the people, of enriching their own pockets to the tune of hundreds or thousands of dollars, of standing in with the corporation which is always seeking the assistance of the "man with a price;" to aid in passing laws to benefit the rich against the poor. Down with them. Let every voter come to his senses and insist upon Statement No. 1 being signed. Party has been considered too long. Let the will of the people prevail, and the fellow who thinks he knows more than all the people stay at home.—Gresham Record.

Mr. Jonathan Bourne has announced his candidacy for the United States Senate, especially championing Statement No. 1. Mr. Bourne understands that the people are in earnest about that proposition and he purposes to make all the capital possible out of it; but, as Mr. Cake favors the same idea, it looks like "hoss and hoss" between him and Jonathan.

The Oregonian is getting gloriously even, and incidentally accomplishing a great deal for themasses who have been ridden nearly to death by the Portland franchise grabbers.

The Republican party should give the people a candidate for county commissioner in whom they can place the most complete reliance. The office of commissioner is so important to the people of this county that we can not afford to let the matter go by default. We desire to see the entire Republican ticket elected, but we also want good county government, and we know that if a mistake is made in this matter it will result in defeat for a portion of the ticket. Republicans desire to vote a straight party ticket, but it must be "straight" in an individual as well as in a political sense. The time is getting short, and some action should be taken at once to get a candidate who will be elected. If the wrong man is nominated the result will be an independent movement that will have considerable strength. The Mist would be pleased to hear from the people on this subject.

An individual who has held public office and broken his pledges to the people, has forfeited all claim to their confidence.

No friend of organized labor should send a cent to aid in the defense of the members of the Western Federation of Labor charged with the assassination of Governor Steunenberg. It is only too evident that they are guilty. The sooner organized labor cuts loose from and denounces lawlessness the better it will be for the country. Organized labor, as a rule, is a great force for good; but it can accomplish all its legitimate objects by lawful methods, and whenever it adopts any others it is playing into the hands of predatory capitalists.

The primary law undertakes to reform the election of United States Senators in this state by removing it from the Salem bargain counter, confining it strictly within the lines of party and in the hands of the people. The gang of special privileges and graft are determined to restore it to the auction block and the Oregonian is training with the gang for that purpose, and is now insisting upon and applying "party discipline" by appealing to party prejudice. And in doing this it blinks its former utterances and the fact that the choice of Senator in the June election tries out and settles every partisan issue raised in connection with the matter, and completely relieves the Legislature from partisan consideration in the performance of a perfunctory duty. To hoist the red flag of partisanism as an excuse for treachery to the people and the law reveals a nature as base as Benedict Arnold's and prompts a search for the actuating motive.—Labor Press.

The nonpartisanship of the Grange organization has long been recognized, but it has nowhere been more strikingly illustrated than in New Hampshire, says the Manchester Union, where, without deliberate purpose, and only seeking for the best men, the last four State Masters have been chosen alternately from two political parties. The Grange does not ignore politics in the broad and right sense of the term, but partisan politics has no place in its councils.—Grange Bulletin.

"THE MAIL CONTRACT GAME."

Shameless Way by Which One Railroad Defrauded the Government.

Charles Edward Russel relates in "Soldiers of the Common Good," in the March number of Everybody's, the following significant story.

"I had once in my possession the affidavit of a Colorado railroad man explaining part of the mail contract game. Once every four years the Government weighs the mail carried on each railroad. The weighing goes on every day for thirty days, and on the resulting average the price is made for the next four years.

The time of the weighing is well known to all concerned. This witness, a station agent, swore that at weighing time on his road he used to send old city directories, pieces of coupling pins, old bolts, and bits of paving stones, day by day to the division headquarters of his road and get all back. A slice of grindstone he said had made the round trip thirteen times in thirty days. All the stations on his road performed the like tricks, with the result that for the next four years the Government paid for a weight of mail more than ten times as great as was ever carried."

WITHYCOMBE'S PLATFORM.

To F. I. Dunbar, Secretary of State of the State of Oregon, and to the Republican party and the electors of Oregon in the State of Oregon:

I, James Withycombe, reside at Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, and my postoffice address is "Corvallis, Oregon." I am a duly registered member of the Republican party. If I am nominated for the office of Governor, at the primary nominating election to be held in the State of Oregon the twentieth day of April, 1906, I will accept the nomination and will not withdraw, and if I am elected I will qualify as such officer.

If I am nominated and elected I will, during my term of office, advocate and support:

Taxation of franchises and gross earnings tax on telegraph, telephone, express and sleeping car corporations.

Uniform assessment and taxation of railroads.

State regulation and examination of State and private banks, trust companies and savings banks.

Protection of the State in its ownership of public lands.

A Board of Control for State institutions.

One board for management of Normal Schools.

Improvement of the Columbia and Willamette rivers and coast seaports.

National ownership of the Oregon City locks.

Constitutional amendment permitting the Governor or people to veto individual items of appropriations.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

To all persons concerned, and to the legal voters now actually residing in Scappoose Precinct, Columbia County, State of Oregon, in particular:

You and each of you will take notice and you are hereby notified that I, W. J. Cloninger, will on Tuesday, the 10th day of April, 1906, apply to the Honorable County Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Columbia, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and fermented cider in less quantities than one gallon, for a period of six months, at Scappoose, in Scappoose Precinct, Columbia County, State of Oregon; which application will be supported and based upon the following petition, to-wit:

PETITION

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia.

In the matter of the application of W. J. Cloninger for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and fermented cider in less quantities than one gallon, at Scappoose, in Scappoose Precinct, Columbia County, State of Oregon.

To the Honorable County Court of Columbia County, Oregon:

We, the undersigned, comprising an actual majority of the whole number of legal voters of Scappoose Precinct, Columbia County, State of Oregon, and who now reside in and have actually resided in said Scappoose Precinct for more than thirty days immediately preceding the date of signing, filing and presentation of this petition, hereby respectfully petition this Honorable Court to grant to W. J. Cloninger a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and fermented cider in less quantities than one gallon, at Scappoose, in Scappoose Precinct, Columbia County, State of Oregon, for a period of six months.

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