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THE PRIMARY LAW

There is just one thing to do with the primary law, and that is to observe it and enforce it, as it stands. Adherence to it, in substance and in spirit, is a present duty of citizenship. No matter what objections may be brought against it, there is this to be said in its favor, that the object of its enactment was to make it impossible for political bosses to continue their control over the action of parties, and consequently over official life. There are objections, it is true; but they are mostly theoretical. After complete trial we shall all see how well-founded they are.

For the present we shall have to do without the services of the class of men whose sensitiveness to the proprieties of politics, and to their conceptions of their own personal dignity, will not permit them to announce their intention to be candidates. Also, we shall have to take the risk of having party candidates beaten in the election, who shall have received but a small vote in the primaries. The people, who have had little or nothing to do with politics heretofore, want to try this law. It certainly will be a change from old conditions.

It is the law, in any event, maugre all objections; and our political work during the coming year is to be carried on under it. The Oregonian, as heretofore announced, will have no candidates for the primaries, but will give such support as it can, in the general election to the Republican candidates who may have received majorities or pluralities of the Republican vote. This will include the United States Senator, too; for whatever objection may be urged to the method, it will, if adhered to and enforced, have the advantage of putting a stop to the election of Senators by corrupt traffic in and with the Legislature.

After we have had proper experience with the primary law we shall all know more about it. It seems quite useless to debate it further on speculative or theoretical grounds.—Oregonian.

It was stated yesterday at the Fruit Growers Convention that the horticulturist was the only legitimate grafter.

The discussion of the Ben Davis apple at the Fruit Growers Association, was anything but complimentary, however that apple has placed millions of dollars in the pockets of the grower.

United States Senator Joseph Clay Stiles Blackburn's retirement from the senate, as a result of being defeated as the caucus nominee by Judge Paynter, will remove one of the national figures from the capitol. Senator Blackburn served ten years in congress followed by eighteen years of service in the upper house, representing the state of Kentucky.

It is announced from New York that District Attorney Jerome has determined to proceed against the insurance grafters. That has no doubt been the most unpleasant bit of news that has come to the guilty men for a long time. To them the new year must appear as a year of fate. They closed the last amid the clouds of the investigation and now the pit of the criminal law is looming up before them. It is to be hoped Jerome will send a number of them up the river to the great state institution.

ISLAND CITY ITEMS

Mrs. Russell returned to her home in Walls Walls on No. 5 Wednesday.  
Donald Meyers played foot ball at Pendleton New Years with the Commercial Club team.  
Hugh McCall was a luncheon guest of Merton W. Kiddle and wife on Tuesday, prior to his return the Corvallis.  
Miss Atherton and Netta Kiddle were dinner guests of Mrs. James Russell Sunday.  
William Allison, wife and daughter, Bessie, ate New Year's dinner at F. H. Kiddle's. The Senator had a thrilling experience riding down on horseback but managed not to miss his dinner.  
Our young people had a very enjoyable time Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grandy in May Park. Mr. Grandy called for and took them home in a hay rack. They were royally entertained.  
Mrs. E. G. Kiddle entertained the senior girls at an informal luncheon on Wednesday evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Netta. The affair was a surprise and was on her birthday. The seniors were, the Misses Minna and Lilly Holman, Nust Smith, Stella Hunter and Nalle Grimmett. Besides there were the Misses Addie Hunter and Blanch Kesler.

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