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FIGHT FOR GOVERNOR.

Some Democrats are much exercised over the outlook. They have figured it out that Dr. Smith, the Governor's personal candidate, will come to Multnomah County with a majority of the Democratic votes, says the Portland Telegram. This will mean that the fight for the Democratic nomination will be settled by the vote of this city. Figures were scarcely needed to make a demonstration of this sort. It is very likely on the face of it.

Who then will win? If it is true that Smith will come here with a majority the question that will settle it will be what will be size of the majority? If it is big enough doubtless he could overcome Manning's probable majority here. But in the natural order of things he must have a very good lead when he comes here. Dr. Smith is a comparatively new man here. He is well known in Eastern Oregon but he has had few opportunities to make himself conspicuous since he came to Portland. He still occupies a comparatively modest position in our municipal life and can scarcely be regarded as much more than a nominal choice of the Democrats of Portland. In several sections of the state he will run well on his own merits. Here, outside of immediate friends or medical associates, his chief asset, or liability as one may look at it, is that he is the choice of Governor West as his successor.

There is here involved the delicate question of whether Governor West has the right to name a residuary legatee or having assumed that right whether the Democratic voters are ready to confirm it? His only claim for consideration on this head is that he wants his policies maintained. But

his policies have largely been a matter of fits and starts, of great blaring of trumpets introducing his latest fad and a diminuendo dying out in the distance as they pass into the limbo of forgetfulness. There have been shrieks, hysterics, fits and misfits, high commissioners, male and female; there has been militia in full panoply marching up the hill and down again, there have been visions of the Governor with a big revolver strapped to his person as backed by a bodyguard of militia, he has closed down dead-end canals, proclaimed himself, like a modern Bombastes Furioso, ready to drink hot blood to show that he was in deadly earnest. But of complete sanity, of cool and calm reasoned out policy persisted in, there has been little or nothing. There has been much getting even with people, many threats of personal reprisals, much use of the machinery of his office to gratify petty revenge, but of anything in the line of doing of which the thinking people could be proud there has been nothing. It seems unreasonable to ask that Dr. Smith be put into office to continue the species of hysteria which, in recent years, has passed for the state government in Oregon and if in the event of his election he is to continue that sort of administration the public will be getting more than it bargained for. Dr. Smith, who is a man of ability, is belittling himself by appearing before the public simply and solely as the political residuary legatee of any man.

FIR STREET SAYS, "NO."

Residents of that Business Section Raise Their Voices.

"You call us Chinatown and we resent it. Fir street is the fast growing section of La Grande's business district and we have no more Chinamen than other parts of the city." So spoke Chris Wright to the editor of the Observer.

The sound of Mr. Wright's remarks had not died away when Julius Fisher said: "What's the matter with you people? You called us Dutchtown and we did not like that very well. But there were so many Dutch among us we stood for that. Now, you mention this as Chinatown and the stuff is off. The first reporter who shows up on Fir street will have to show some speed in getting away."

And then the telephone rang. Mrs. Ferguson of the Ronde Valley House was on the wire and the way she did read the titles of the reporter who spoke of the Celestials and Fir street was worth hearing. Others have voiced their disapproval and it is with the most profound respect that the Observer hereby rescinds its title of Chinatown, agrees to thus eradicate

any wrongful impressions regarding the Celestials flocking to the growing business center of Fir street and proclaims its desire to once and for all time join with Fir street people in boosting hard for the advancement of that growing portion of the city.

K. P.'s Visit Elgin.

A delegation of some 20 Knights of Pythias went to Elgin last night to witness the conferring of four third degrees and to participate in the banquet and festivities that followed the ritualistic work.

The following men participated: J. K. Wright, August Hug, Dave Proctor, Mr. Reese, Pohl, Wm Miller, C. M. Humphreys, Dr. Riley, Ernest Riesland, Chas. Dunn, Joe Keeney, De Lisle Greene, H. Dixon and Perry Oliver. The trip was made by auto.

Construction Plant Gone.

Warren Construction Co's. plant used here last summer for the purpose of mixing bithulitic paving material, was this morning billed out to Missula, Montana, where the company has a large paving contract for the summer.

Farmers or Threshing Machine Men Take Notice.

That we have a bargain in 1 only No. 22361 size 25 H. P.-J. I. Case simple traction engine, together with a 62" J. I. Case Steel Separator 40x 32" cylinder, with Garden City Feeder and Wind Stacker attached, and 1 Extension Feeder on carrier.

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For information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the party who destroyed the plants at my residence Monday night. Ten dollars reward for information that will lead to arrest and conviction of any parties who may hereafter steal or destroy any of my plants or shrubbery. A. B. CHERRY. 5-5-3t.

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Lost in La Grande.

Silver pendant set with several fine stones one ruby, one emerald and one pearl and one amethyst bangle at points. Leave at Observer office and receive reward.—Adv. 5-5-tf.

Just Arrived TWENTY NEWEST MODELS IN SPRING and SUMMER COATS Just Arrived Direct from New York by express. ENTIRE LINE INCLUDED AT CLEARANCE PRICES This lot of new coats were ordered just before the opening of our unexpected Clearance Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Coats and Suits. In accordance with our policy of making good, these new garments have been marked at regular rate of profit and reduction made the same as on all other garments. See Them in Window and Ready-to-Wear Department. First Showing of NEW SUMMER DRESSES now on display in our windows and Ready-to-Wear Department. Many new fabrics, including the popular crepes ratinets, linens, flaxons, etc. Prices range from \$3.50 to \$20.00. N.W. West & Co. THE QUALITY STORE. NEMO WEEK. Be sure to visit our Corset Department this week and see the New Nature modes in the famous Nemo Corsets.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination on the Republican Ticket, for the office of Circuit Judge of the Tenth Judicial District. In the event of my nomination and election, I will endeavor to discharge the duties of the office with equal justice to all, and as economically as possible, and will stand for the strict enforcement of all laws. J. W. KNOWLES. Adv.

Announcement of Candidacy I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket to the office of joint representative to the legislature from Union and Wallawa counties. H. B. DAVIDHIZAR, Joseph, Ore. Adv.

To the Voters. I respectfully announce my candidacy for representative subject to decision of the republicans at the primary election. I will give vigilant and active service to reduce the burden of taxation and procure legislation to meet the wants and necessities of the people.—Adv. L. DENHAM, Announcement.

To the Republican voters of Union county: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for renomination for joint senator for the 19th senatorial district, comprising Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties. In submitting my candidacy to the voters of the district I will stand on my past record, and favor retrenchment; less appropriations, fewer officers, easy terms and time of tax payments. C. A. BARRETT. 3-25-tf. Adv.

ANNOUNCEMENT. Repeal of present tax law; collection of taxes quarterly; combining of useful commission, abolitions of useless commissions and offices; general reduction in cost of running the public business. These are the things I stand for, and ask your support in the primary, May 15th for the Republican nomination of joint representative from Wallawa and Union Counties. AL. JONES. a-w-to-5-16 Adv.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate on the Progressive Ticket for the office of County Judge of Union County, and should I be nominated and elected, will give the office my careful attention and will reduce the expense of the county where ever possible to do so. LORANZO STILWELL. wed-sat-wk Adv.

To the Voters. To Union County Voters: I desire to represent you as representative from Union county in the next legislature. If elected my policy will be retrenchment of public expense and abolition of commissions. I ask for the republican nomination. W. B. SARGENT. Adv.

For County Judge. I hereby announce myself for the office of county judge subject to the Republican primary. I shall in the event of my election, strive to give the citizens of the county the same economical administration as I have

in the past, and shall make all matters conform to a policy of economy

as much as the situation will permit.—Adv. J. C. HENRY, Present Incumbent.

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