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THROBING OF THE POLITICAL HEARTS.

This is the day for hearts of politicians to throb. The fight is over and votes at this late hour cannot be changed. Every candidate, while doubtless having done his best, will think of many things today that he could do "if he only had the time."

But it is a question whether any of them could have helped themselves more than they have. Most candidates would act with great wisdom if they talked less, in fact too much talk is a defect in human nature, and especially of the candidate. There has been enough promises made in this campaign to pave every mile of highway in Oregon; enough promises to cut out all salaries at the state house except the official board and the janitor.

And when you stop to contemplate a primary election campaign did you ever figure the enormous amount of money expended? Not for corrupt methods, not for any other purpose than to let the sovereign know that Bill Jones is a better man than Sam Brown, but the expenditure is heavy just the same.

If we are to carry the present day idea of direct politics to a final climax why not do away with primaries and vote once in the fall. Let that vote be my mail. Then all the tumult of campaigns will be gone. People at their firesides can figure out who to vote for as their best judgment tells them and no excitement will follow.

While the hearts are throbbing today; while the great state of Oregon stands in the balance awaiting a decision of the people as to who will be the standard bearers of the different alleged parties the stump land remains uncleared; the great domain of unsettled Harney county remains unsettled; the band of non-producers

is increasing and the band of producers diminishing.

Half of the energy spent by these men with throbbing hearts would have cleared up many acres of land, made grass grow where sage brush now abounds; would till thousands of acres of wheat land and lay the foundation for wealth producing sections which today are still in a primitive condition and of no value to any human being.

But the trend of the times is politics and throbbing hearts. We must undergo all this for the present, at least.

The governor of Kansas paroled a convict to help in the harvest fields, says a press dispatch. Isn't this a little early for harvest? Still, why spoil George Hodges good story?

The mediators are still planning to eliminate Huerta. But Huerta may have something to say about elimination as soon as he gets through taking a few high balls.

Coxey is said to only have eleven men in his army that is marching on to Washington. Coxey should furnish automobiles. Who wants to wait in 1914.

It is not much fun to be a commissioner for the city of La Grande. Hardly had the city funds been replenished when the entire police force resigned.

Once upon a time a cow kicked over Chicago, and now in this present day we have an example of a cow wrecking the police department. Beef is liable to go higher, eh?

Portland has the branch bank, so let's settle down to business now and help fill it up with wheat, fruit and livestock money.

Retire to a deep sleep, oh ye candidate, and be ready for the tomorrow.

You know you cannot work for your favorite candidate on election day.

GOT RICH QUICK.

There are more ways of getting money than one or two, and when the money is wanted for liquid refreshments, the ways seem to be innumerable. The following happened this morning at the railroad station: A certain logger approached a local business man who has a thriving business at the logging camp and asked for the price of a ticket to Vincent. The business man would not give him the money, nor would he guarantee his paying for it, but

he did agree to buy him the ticket and did make the purchase.

When the train was about ready to start, the logger rushed into the ticket office and asked to have the price of the ticket, claiming that he did not wish to go today. The money was given him. When he came out of the office he saw his business man, and not wanting to spoil the scheme, got on the branch train, rode down to the Y and got off.

The business man found out that the logger had cashed in the ticket and made a search for his party. When he found him, the ticket money had crossed over the bar, and the logger had a full sized "stew" on. Not being able to produce the cash he was turned over to the police where he will have an opportunity to get over the effects and arrange for a settlement.

ELEVENTH HOUR POLITICAL NEWS.

Not a Candidate.

La Grande, May 14.—(To the Editor Observer):—I was surprised at your article yesterday which might lead the public to believe that I am at least a passive candidate for Congress. I told you over the telephone the same as I have told every person who has written me or spoken to me about running for Congress that it is impossible. I am positively not a candidate and could not accept the nomination if it were offered. I am not in politics except for my friends. I have already made more sacrifices than I can afford, and I must now look after my own affairs. Don't get the notion that I can be persuaded to run for any office.

Respectfully yours, TURNER OLIVER.

Wm. B. Sargent candidate for county representative of the 25th district left this morning for Elgin, in the interest of his candidacy.

Dr. Chas. A. Maher of Wallowa who has been in the city several days making votes for his candidacy, left this morning for his home. He is a Republican aspirant for joint representative.

W. W. Randall of this city left this morning for Elgin in the interest of his candidacy for the office of county judge.

J. M. Hilts who is running for county coroner went to Elgin today to remind his friends that he is on the ticket for an office, and that he is hopeful of election.

Judge Henry L. Benson, of Klamath Falls, who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Justice of the Supreme court and a relative of Mrs. George Carpy of this city is now holding court at Lakeview. Judge Benson is serving his 14th year on the Circuit bench in the Thirteenth Judicial district, and is the first candidate for the Supreme bench from Southern Oregon in more than 30 years. The constitutionality of the 10 hour law was originally tried out before him in Lake County and his decision upholding the law was recently sustained by the Supreme court. Judge Benson's boyhood days were passed in Portland. He received his early education at the old Portland Academy. He is a brother of the late Governor Frank W. Benson.—Paid adv.

Childers for Constable.

I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for constable, and respectfully ask the Democratic voters to write in my name at the primaries tomorrow.

FRANK CHILDERS. Pd. adv. 5-14-14.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists. Price 75c per bottle. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. Adv.

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Weisenberger-Eldredge Wedding

Geo. T. Weisenberger and Miss Mamie Eldredge sister to Mrs. Jno Dordon will be married tonight, at 7 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jno Dordon on Cedar street. The marriage ceremony will be performed by a local minister. Only immediate relatives of the contracting parties, together with a few out of town relatives who are visiting in the city, will be in attendance. It will be a quiet wedding owing to the recent death of Rowland Eldredge brother of the bride.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The Presbyterian rummage sale will be held Friday and Saturday, in the Sunday school rooms at Washington and Sixth.

Quick Shoe Repair. R. L. Duigan. Phone Black 81—1115 Adams Ave.—Adv. 4-2-14.

Root for ballplayer' dance at Rex hall Saturday night, admission 75c.—Adv. 5-14-14.

Warning to Automobilists and Motorcycle.

The State law and City Ordinances on all machines and vehicles, regarding lights and speed limit, and also the turning on street intersections will be rigidly enforced. All machines and motorcycles must comply with the law requiring them to have their machines lighted up at night.

Any one using their cut out either on automobile or motorcycles within the city limits after 8 o'clock in the evening, will be prosecuted, according to the ordinances of the city.

CHAS. B. ORAI, Chief of Police. 5-14-14.

Clean-up inside, purify your blood, clear the complexion, redden the lips, brighten the eyes.—take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea—you need it now to drive Winter's impurities and germs from your system, a thoro blood purifier and Spring tonic. 35c Tea or Tablets. Red Cross Drug Store.—Adv. 5-11-14

FOR SALE—\$1,800 in first mortgage on real estate worth over \$5,000. Holmes 1411 Madison Ave., La Grande, Ore. 5-14-14tp.

the Sunday school rooms at Washington and Sixth.

WANTED—Position by man and wife man as cook, wife helper. Sober and industrious. Inquire at this office. 5-14-6tp.



JOHNS IS COMING MAN

CHARLES A. JOHNS, candidate for Governor in the Republican primaries of May 15, has gained ground so rapidly in the last few days of the campaign that his nomination is now conceded. It is predicted by political wiseacres that he will carry Portland and Multnomah County by a large majority.

Mr. Johns is the originator of a platform promising sharp reduction in taxes, a big cut in the expenses of state government, and the abolishing of all useless state boards and commissions, and this slogan has become the campaign cry of several other candidates. His straightforward talks to thousand of voters, his promises of economy and a business administration have won friends and votes for Mr. Johns at every stage of the campaign.

Knowing his untarnished reputation for keeping his promises, clerks and employees of useless state boards and commissions are opposed to his nomination, because his platform means what it says and he stands on his platform.

Mr. Johns has made a clean campaign, free from mudslinging and incriminations. His forceful, convincing addresses at Republican rallies throughout Multnomah county have been the chief drawing card of these meetings.

Republicans throughout Oregon concede that his nomination in May means a Republican victory in November.—Paid Adv.

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