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UP TO THE VOTERS.

Today practically ends the campaign in Jackson county, as well as the rest of the state. It is up to the people to say whether they want a continuance of ring rule in county affairs or whether they want a new deal.

Present officials seeking election stand pat on their records. They justify the increase in assessment of 66.23 per cent and the high taxes following. They justify the poor roads, the lack of repairs on bridges, and all the omissions and commissions of the courthouse ring and brazenly promise a continuance.

They have practically conceded from the public the conditions of their various offices. They have refused to export the books, so that the people might know in what condition the county's finances were. They have covered up shortages and have stood together in the defense of each other and in carrying out the policy of secrecy that has prevailed for several years.

Tax collections have been hopelessly muddled, hundreds of names left off of the assessment rolls, county finances managed for the benefit of certain institutions, property on which taxes have been paid has found its way into the delinquent list, while double and triple assessments are by no means rare.

If the people wish a continuance of these conditions they will undoubtedly re-elect both Judge Dunn and Sheriff Jackson. If they wish efficiency to replace inefficiency, they will defeat them. Any change would be for the better.

ON PROHIBITION.

A strenuous campaign has been waged for the past six months by prohibitionists in an effort to make Jackson county dry. During this fight The Tribune has editorially remained neutral. At the beginning of the campaign The Tribune stated that all prohibition or anti-prohibition matter would be considered as political matter and that regular political rates would be charged for all matter printed. This policy has been adhered to.

As far as Medford is concerned, the city is not affected by the prohibition election. In fact, it is likely to be benefited. Its charter, granted by the legislature of 1905, expressly provides that the city has the sole power to regulate the liquor business within its limits without regard to general or state laws. This charter is in effect and it is under it that all saloons, except of Seventh street, are being operated. If the charter were nullified these prohibitionists would surely close these saloons, as the present is dry. Medford, as the only wet town in the county, will be in a commercial way, and will enjoy great advantages over other places. This is not a question of sentiment, but of sound logic.

Any lawyer who has investigated the matter, even those in the employ of the saloon league, will be forced to admit that the local option law cannot affect Medford.

JUDGE DUNN'S ADMISSION.

In one of his numerous open letters County Judge Dunn admits that he reduced the assessed valuation on the pole lines of the Condon Water & Power company before slapping the 66.23 per cent increase because "They should not be raised beyond the sum for which they were assessed," which was approximately the cost.

The board of equalization did not show corresponding solicitude for other taxpayers. If the corporation's pole lines should not be assessed above their cost, why should other property? Why should money on deposit in banks be assessed at 66.23 per cent more than the actual amount of cash represented?

THE REAL ISSUE.

Do not fail to remember that Statement No. 1 is the real issue in the state campaign, whether or not legislators elected by the people shall be servants of the people and carry out their instructions or whether the legislators shall run things. The issue is clear cut between the people and the bosses. The triumph of Statement No. 1 at the polls means the triumph of popular government. The defeat of Statement No. 1 means the restoration of machine rule, of the days of bribery and corruption.

"HUMANE" TREATMENT.

The Medford Mail states: "The treatment of prisoners under the rule of Sheriff Jackson has been as humane as possible under prison rule. Remember that the county jail is not a Sunday school. There has been no harsh treatment or torture, and it can be proved."

How about the stringing up of a prisoner on March 10, 1907, until his cries of agony caused outsiders to break in and cut him down? Was this humane?

On to Portland.

WOODLAND, Cal., May 30.—Assistant Secretary Spess of the Sacramento Valley Development association was in Woodland yesterday for the purpose of inducing a good representation to go on the Portland and Seattle excursion. H. Woolley and Dr. C. R. Wilcoxson have made reservations and will go on the trip. T. B. Gibson and wife and F. G. Webb have the matter under consideration and will decide today.

RAILROADS PUT ADDITIONAL BURDENS ON SHIPPERS

CHICAGO, May 28.—Besides determining to increase freight rates 10 per cent, the railroads in the "official classification" territory have agreed to add considerably to the burdens of the shippers of package freight. At the same meeting at which the rate increases were decided upon, the representatives of more than 400 railroads agreed that after July 1 they will not receive for shipment any packages in less than carload lots which are not unmarked plainly with the name of the consignee, the station and state of consignee, the station, city and state of destination.

It is estimated that this action will save the railroads in the territory east of the Mississippi river and north of the Ohio river to the seaboard, at least \$2,000,000 annually in loss and damage claims. On the other hand, it will cost the shippers of package freight probably as much, or even more, to perform the actual work required in marking the shipments as prescribed by the railroads. It is also stated by the shippers that it will make impossible any secrecy regarding the identity of the customers of any business house. On the contrary, the new rules go into effect, station men at railroad warehouses and learn in detail all about the shipments of competitors, to whom shipped and in what amounts. That this will have a tremendous effect upon this class of business is confidently asserted.

NATIONAL FORESTS NOT SUBJECT TO STATE LAWS

The United States circuit court of appeals for the ninth judicial district has rendered a decision of far-reaching importance to the national forests and to the stockmen of the west.

In December, 1904, one Thomas Shannon allowed his cattle to drift upon the Little Belt national forest in Montana. To put a stop to this, a suit was brought by the United States and on March 18, 1907, Judge Hunt in the United States circuit court in favor of the state rendered a decision in favor of the government and issued an injunction perpetually restraining Shannon from allowing his cattle to drift upon the forest. Montana has since that time been endeavoring to have the law changed so that landowners must remove their stock from before they can obtain redress from the stockmen whose cattle range upon and injure the public domain.

Shannon's counsel argued that this state law should apply as against the state law, but Judge Hunt held that the United States congress over the public lands, including the national forests, is empowered that congress has lawfully delegated to the secretary of agriculture the authority to make regulations to protect the forests; that the secretary had properly made a regulation that cattle must not range upon the forests without permit, and that consequently Shannon was a trespasser when he allowed his cattle to drift upon the Little Belt forest, although it was unenclosed.

OREGON APPLES RETAIL FOR 30 CENTS EACH IN NEW YORK

"Oregon apples will in time be as famous as California oranges." "The commercial value of good apples is greater than that of oranges and Oregon should profit thereby." That is the summary of W. H. Selleck's opinion, and he says there are many in New York who agree with him. Mr. Selleck is connected with the Securities corporation of 40 Wall street, and travels most of his time between New York and London, and London and Paris.

He goes on to say that he himself when in New York buys them every day at the fruit stands and pays 15 to 20 cents apiece for them, and does not consider it money ill spent. Certain kinds of apples are sold there under the general name of Oregon apples, and this is advertisement enough. They are Spitzenberf, Newtown Pippins and the Banana apple. The Banana apple, which has never been grown elsewhere, Mr. Selleck pays 30 cents for at the fruit stands. Mr. Selleck is eager that the commercial bodies here take up the matter of systematically advertising Oregon apples so as to give them the prestige that the California orange enjoys, and he says it will be an easy matter and a remunerative one, for the commercial value of the apple is greater than that of the orange.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE REDUCED; MONEY EASIER

LONDON, May 29.—As anticipated, the rate of discount of the Bank of England was reduced today from 3 to 2 1/2 per cent. The authorities have been retaining the rate at 3 per cent owing to the absorption of gold by France and Germany, but the fiscal monetary position had become so easy, with funds at 1 1/2 per cent, and discounts at 1 1/4 per cent below the bank rate, that the authorities had little choice but to give the trade of the country the benefit of the lower rate, as well as bringing the minimum rate nearer the market discount level.

The reduction in the discount rate was largely discounted on the stock exchange yesterday, when consols rose 5/8, but they advanced another 1/4 this morning and the markets generally were busier with a cheerful tendency.

Road From Eagle Valley.

BAKER CITY, Or., May 30.—That money for construction of the Eagle Valley railroad has been secured and that work will begin July 1 is the announcement made today on the arrival here of A. B. Jacobs of Cincinnati. Jacobs represents the promoters of the enterprise and he announced today that he is here to file deeds and mortgages, so that bonds may be issued for immediate construction of the road.

Fast Time for Oregon Horses.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., May 30.—Kous Ask made the fast time of 1:01 in the five-eighths of a mile dash on the local track in the race meet here today. Maid Marian, October 9, 1904, at Morris Park, New York, went the same distance in 0:59 3/4.

Democratic Ticket

PLEGDED TO STATEMENT NO. 1.

Election June 1, 1908. For U. S. Senator—Geo. E. Chamberlain. For Congressman—J. J. Whitney. For Supreme Judge—R. S. Bean. For Joint Representative—Jackson and Douglas Counties—F. E. Cavender. For Representatives—M. Purdin, D. H. Miller. For County Judge—J. R. Neil. For County Commissioner—M. Marshall. For County Sheriff—Wilbur A. Jones. For County Clerk—A. S. Barnes. For County Recorder—J. C. Master son. For County Treasurer—M. M. Taylor. For County Assessor—R. B. Dow. For County Surveyor—E. B. Sawyer. For County Coroner—Dr. A. C. Stanley.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Election June 1, 1908. For United States Senator—H. M. Cake. For Representative in Congress—W. H. C. Hawley. For Food and Dairy Commissioner—J. W. Bailey. For Supreme Judge—Robert S. Bean. For Railroad Commissioner—T. K. Campbell. For Prosecuting Attorney, Jackson and Josephine Counties—B. F. Mulkey. For Joint Representative, Jackson and Douglas Counties—J. A. Buchanan. For Representatives—J. L. Hammersley, H. D. Kubie. For County Judge—G. W. Dunn. For County Commissioner—James Owens. For County Sheriff—D. H. Jackson. For County Clerk—W. R. Coleman. For County Recorder—R. T. Burnett. For County Assessor—W. T. Grievie. For County Treasurer—J. M. Cronmiller. For County School Superintendent—J. Percy Wells. For County Coroner—A. E. Kellogg. For County Surveyor—F. A. Griex.

Buy Tickets by Wire.

"Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known, is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be furnished at the same time."

NOTICE

Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the city council of Medford, Or., at its next meeting, to be held June 2, 1908, for a license to sell malt, vinous and spirituous liquors in less quantities than a gallon for a period of six months, at our place of business at lot 9, block 20, Medford, Or. O. M. SELSBY. Dated May 22, 1908.

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Rose Festival.

A 12 section drawing room Pullman car has been provided for the Medford people who wish to leave Monday night to attend the rose carnival. A large portion of this space is engaged. Those going on that night should call at the depot at once and secure sleeping accommodations.

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26. 320 acres, fine stock and fruit ranch, well improved, 100 acres under plow, 6 acres orchard. Price \$5500. This place with 50 head of hogs and 35 head of cattle, all farm implements, blacksmith tools, hay, fruit and vegetables for \$7000.

47. 440 acres, a fine stock proposition, 40 acres in alfalfa, irrigation, good buildings, in a splendid section for hunting and fishing. Price only \$14 an acre; terms.

63. 193 acres, 2 miles from Eagle Point on Rogue river, 50 acres cleared, considerable fruit and alfalfa, private irrigation ditch. This is a splendid proposition to develop, about half good bottom land, nearly all can be under plow when cleared, schoolhouse handy, fair improvements go with the place. Price \$6000. This ranch will bear close inspection, as it will make a lot of money for someone.

67. A fine alfalfa ranch of 80 acres near Butte Falls, fine stream and springs, nearly all level land, splendid fishing and hunting, buildings. Price only \$1200.

86. 80 acres, 4 miles northeast of Eagle Point, will be lost to the new railroad, 50 acres under cultivation, fine black land, mostly in wheat, crop goes with this place. Price \$4200, \$2200 cash, balance 2 years, 7 per cent.

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H. M. Cake of Portland, Republican Nominee.

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