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SHALL THE PRIMARY GO?

Marion and Lane county republican county central committees, in suggesting a modification of the primary law, or the complete elimination of the primaries, and a partial or complete return to the convention system, are simply giving voice to a sentiment that is gaining headway over the entire country.

The cry for a reduction in the tax rate gives impetus to the movement to do away with the primary. There are a great many who dislike tampering with the primary who are willing to take a chance on doing without it in order to eliminate the added biennial expense. Frequently the expense runs as high as a dollar for every vote cast. A lot of the votes cast are not worth that much.

Those with aspirations for high office are particularly opposed to the expensive primary system. Those without independent means cannot aspire to any office in a large district.

It is probable that there was spent in the interests of several of the recent candidates for governor sums ranging from \$5,000 to \$5,000. Cottage Grove has a number of men who might fill quite acceptably, we will say, the office of state treasurer. A change in that office is needed, but how many are there in Cottage Grove capable of filling the office who could afford to spend a year's salary trying to get the job?

There are in the Cottage Grove section a number of men capable of filling the office of county commissioner, who would make better commissioners than many who have held the position. How many of these are there who could afford to spend a thousand dollars in time and money in getting the job?

The poor man had some chance to satisfy political ambitions under the old convention system. Under the primary system he has none. Isolated sections of the county, sections with a small part of the population, were cared for under the old convention system. Under the primary system the offices go usually to the centers of the voting population. It can not be otherwise.

The newspapers may be reasonably expected to oppose a return to the convention system, for the primary system is a source of considerable profit to them and gives them power they can not hold under the convention system.

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tem. Under the primaries candidates are absolutely dependent upon the advertising columns and news columns of the papers. A candidate who can not get into the news columns of the state free of charge has little chance of winning high office.

The man who has been able for years to get into the news columns and who is able to do the same thing during a campaign has, under the primary system, what is better than a huge campaign fund. This was demonstrated in the recent gubernatorial race.

To adopt any method of reaching the voters that eliminates the newspapers is too expensive for consideration by any except the wealthy when any great number of voters must be reached.

While it is reasonably certain that something is going to be done to the primary system, no longer held sacred, it is not at all certain that there is to be a return to the old convention system.

The Sentinel does not view with alarm the return to something similar to the system that existed years ago, for conditions now are different and the convention system could not exist with its old faults a portion of the time that the primary system has withstood the assaults of its critics.

THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

The June bride's rosy lips are in bloom.

Shallow-minded people will wade into deep subjects without the least fear.

A Pittsburg hen has laid a five-yolk egg. Someone has to do something to

The vain person merely expresses what every person thinks about himself.

A "sucker" sometimes finds it hard to keep his head above water.

It's not always what others know about us that bothers us so much as having to keep secret so many things that we know about ourselves.

When a bad egg is kept in hot water by the authorities, it is natural that he should become hard-boiled.

A woman to make a hit on the stage has got to wear the clothes of a princess—or none at all worth mentioning.

A step-mother never does make an extraordinary hit with the relatives of her step-children.

There would be more people at the top if it wasn't so easy to slide back again.

A man so onery that he can enjoy his own cooking ought to have to eat it.

The crooks and grafters find some way to circumvent every crook-proof and grafter-proof law put on the statute books.

Whisky probably goes to the head because that is where those who drink much of it have the most room for it.

A woman is likely to think it too sudden when the ballot says "vote 'yes' or 'no.'"

The only reason some women don't wear the trousers is because of their inborn modesty.

The wolf doesn't waste much time around the house of the man who is away from home holding down a job.

One reason so few respectable people get elected to office is because a man can't go through a campaign without losing considerable of his respectability.

Life insurance companies wouldn't

do much business if they rated their risks by the same method as fire insurance companies.

A plumbing firm recently failed in New York. Big business gets bumped once in awhile.

If you have never been struck for a loan you can't realize how pleasant it is sometimes not to have a jitney in your jeans.

The fellow who can get up a face paint that will stand sun and rain may name his own price.

Sometimes a boy is too much of a boy, but even that is better than being too much of a girl.

A mother who has never been a boy can not understand why all the deviltry in the family seems to break out in the only son.

It costs money to get married; it costs money to be married; and it costs more usually to get unmarried.

Keep up the reputation of the old town—but say, if that egg should ever become overripe a graft exposure smell would never be noticed.

A policeman has arrested a woman for flirting with him. What kind of men have we got on the police force these days, anyway?

A Chicago pastor recently discussed "The Boy in Sunday School." Don't worry about that kind of a boy. Take up the other kind.

If only the good were to teach higher morals this old world would be in a bad way.

If old mother Eve could appear in New York society at this day, she would run a chance of being kicked out by the "400" for being overdressed.

If folks only took as much trouble to stand well in the eyes of heaven as they do to stand well in the eyes of the world, preachers would be unnecessary.

If older people were scolded as much as children for doing the very same things, they would get disgusted with life. Youth's buoyant spirit soon rises above the rebuffs.

There's a right way to do every thing, but those who hesitate to do things for fear they are not doing them the right way aren't going to get very far.

While part of the world is longing for luxuries it could enjoy, many of

those who have them would be willing to give them back to be able to enjoy them.

No one ever gets so tired that he can't make the effort required to spend a little money.

A daily dispatch speaks of an Irish man who has made an unusual success of farming in one of the Dakotas. We

presume the importance of this item is that it tends to prove that some Irishmen are not serving on the police force.

In several large cities policemen have instructions to watch for the X-ray gowns and to accompany to the police station all women discovered wearing only a diaphanous, filmy substance to hide their limbs from the gaze of

man. Jobs on the police force will be at a premium.

A St. Louis woman says she shot her husband "just for fun." She made a hit with her humor, all right.

A London medical journal says that it has been proved that those who talk the most live the longest—and yet women seldom get over 25.

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