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THE ELECTION

The election is over and almost any politician is ready to admit that he really knew all the time that the results would be thus and so.

The facts are that the people are the only ones who really know what they are going to do before they vote and the power of the political boss and machine rule, from national politics down to local affairs, is felt less each succeeding election.

The real foundation of our government is based upon the power that is felt in the vote of the individual. Once again we have the demonstration that the majority rules and there can be none so great as to condemn the will of the majority.

Some excellent men were defeated but the disposition seems to be to take the defeat like men, and absolutely no complaint is heard from them.

As we suggested a short time ago in these columns, the world moves in the same old way and by another week, almost everyone will be reconciled to the new order of things and that there was a warm election will be all but forgotten.

THE BOND ELECTION.

Before we are through with the returns in the county and National election, the vote on a bond issue to finance construction on the Ochocho Irrigation District is upon us. This election comes Saturday of this week and is more important by far than the other issues have been.

The voting of these bonds will mean the transformation of a large amount of non-productive or low producing lands surrounding this city into land of the highest value in the entire central part of the state.

The voting of the bonds does not mean their immediate issuance, but it is another step in the right direction and everyone who has a vote should cast it in favor of the issue.

THE BULLETIN IN LINE.

Editor Sawyer of the Bend Bulletin, spoiled a half column of otherwise perfectly good space in his last issue, in which he lauds himself for the reason that the Bulletin shop is going, or has just gone, onto the list of eight-hour day shops.

He states, among other things, that the town and the demands of the shop are such that the Bulletin is passing into a class that is somewhat above the "country" shop, and thus the change.

In the interests of the eight hour day in a print shop or "country" office, much is to be said, and it is all good. The amusing thing about this affair is that the Journal has been an eight-hour shop for many years and it is gratifying to see the Bulletin attempting to get up to our level.

Irrigation Pays

The Tieton Irrigation Project situated near North Yakima, Washington, comprises about the same number of acres as the Ochocho Project although the lands are considerably cut-up by rocky non-irrigable ridges. The climatic conditions as well as the elevation above the sea level are about similar to the conditions in the Prineville Valley. The cost per acre which the land owners under the Tieton Project have had to assume was about \$92.00 per acre. The crops raised are principally hay, grain, fruits and potatoes.

The preliminary estimates of the totals for the 1916 crop in the Tieton Project given out by Mr. R. H. Hayden, Secretary of the Tieton Water Users' Association, show that the increase above the figure of last year will be over \$500,000.00. The total will approximate \$1,250,000. The farmers are estimating an average return of \$50.00 per acre from their land which is \$13.00 per acre greater than the average yield of last year. From this it may be seen that the entire cost of the Ochocho Project when the lands are all in cultivation could easily be returned in one year's crops.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

There are six cases of infantile paralysis in Salem.

Thursday, November 9, will be Community Day in Klamath Falls.

Logdell is the name of a new post-office just established in Grant county.

McMinnville college has succeeded in raising its \$300,000 endowment fund.

Homegrown strawberries of splendid quality are in the markets at Lebanon.

Gardiner's \$13,000 school building will be ready for occupancy by the first or second week in December.

The Oregon Agricultural college football team defeated the Whitman college, Pullman, Wash., eleven at Corvallis by a score of 23 to 0.

During the week ending November 3 a total of 300 accidents were reported to the state industrial accident commission, three of which were fatal.

Oregon Agricultural college, with a total of 2122 eggs, won third place in the international egg-laying contest which closed November 1 at Storrs, Conn.

Seld Back, foremost Chinese of Portland and a wealthy merchant and philanthropist, died at his ranch near Independence from gangrenous pneumonia.

Saturday, November 11, will be sugar day in Grants Pass. A celebration will be held in recognition of the successful operation of the new beet sugar factory.

To the star graduate of the university of Oregon medical school at Portland, the Oregon state hospital will offer a position as interne at a salary of \$100 a month.

The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, an order of Catholic sisters, will establish a hospital, convent and nurses' home at Bend. Construction will begin in the spring.

As a result of the completion of a new 1000-barrel-a-day unit, the Portland Flouring mills on January 1 will become the second largest flour mill on the Pacific coast.

With its size and excellence far surpassing anything held in previous years, the third annual horticultural show of the Oregon Agricultural college opened at Corvallis Friday.

The bakers of the Coos bay cities have been forced to raise the price of bread and other products on account of the rapidly increasing price of flour and other materials used.

Three men were killed and two were injured when gas, gathering 300 feet below the level of the Beaver Hill mine at Marshfield, exploded, burying the miners beneath a mass of earth.

To test the quality of sugar beets grown in Klamath county this year, the Klamath Falls commercial club has shipped a consignment of the beets to the beet sugar factory at Grants Pass.

Postmaster C. H. Stewart of Albany has received instructions from the postoffice department to call for bids on trees, shrubs and flowers with which to beautify the grounds of the local postoffice.

Shipbuilding is now one of the big industries of Coos bay. Two hundred men are employed at the Kruse & Banks yards in North Bend and there are prospects of other ship yards opening in the county.

The J. M. Dougan company of Portland has received the contract for the construction of Josephine county's new courthouse. The contract price for the building complete, except heating and plumbing, is \$75,443.

A deficit of \$1,998,667 was sustained by the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway during the year ended June 30, 1916, according to a report made public at Salem. The interest on the funded debt created the deficit.

Old graduates, former students and friends of the Oregon Agricultural college throughout the state, are planning to return to the college for home coming day on the date of the college-university football game November 25.

There are 1628 teachers who hold life certificates or life state diplomas, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill finds in compiling his biennial report. The number of teachers holding life papers is 112 greater than in 1915.

Fire starting from an unknown cause completely destroyed the sawmill of the American Export Lumber company at Rainier. The loss on the plant was estimated at \$30,000 to \$40,000, and about \$10,000 worth of lumber was destroyed.

Consolidation of the eastern Oregon and the western Oregon teachers' associations into a single state association will be urged by the eastern Oregon association according to a decision it reached in convention at La Grande. The plan proposed is for a statewide convention of teachers, to be held annually in Portland during Christmas week.

Baker is facing a coal famine, according to local dealers, and if a cold snap should appear there might be much suffering. The car shortage is blamed.

The following postmasters have been appointed in Oregon: Maud A. Hosley, at Chiloquin, vice Eugene A. Wilson, resigned; Robert E. Manning, at Lehman, vice F. P. O'Hara, resigned; A. S. Kerry, at Neverstill, new office.

"Europe will need a billion dollars' worth of lumber the first year after the war," asserted Dr. Edward Ewing Pratt, chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, department of commerce, in an address before the Forest industry conference in Portland.

The Brownsville cannery, which is owned by the Linn-Benton Fruit Growers' association, packed about 12,000 cases of fruit and vegetables this year and the entire product has been sold for higher prices than has ever before been received since its establishment in 1905.

Because of the tremendous advance in the price of the necessities of life, the state board of control has increased the maintenance budget for the deaf and mute school by \$1000, and it is likely that the budgets for the remainder of the institutions will also be increased.

The North Pacific Fair association will meet in Portland December 6-7. The membership comprises the boards and secretaries of the fairs and exhibitions of Washington, Oregon, Utah, Montana and British Columbia. At this time dates are made for the different fairs so as not to conflict.

Registration of the 1917 series for motor vehicle licenses will open in the secretary of state's office November 15. For the convenience of motor vehicle owners, chauffeurs and automobile dealers, blank applications numbering approximately 42,000, will be mailed by the secretary of state about the middle of this week.

A well attended meeting was held in Albany for the purpose of taking preliminary steps to organize a food roads association for Linn county. On November 18 meetings will be held in the various precincts in the county to choose two delegates to a general meeting at Albany on November 25, when a permanent association will be formed.

A new feature has been added to the forensic activities of the Oregon Agricultural college, in the form of extension debates. Agricultural and other questions that are of interest to the people of the state will be selected and discussed by affirmative and negative teams from the college in towns chosen by the extension service.

In conjunction with the townspeople of Corvallis the Oregon Agricultural college is making plans for the entertainment of the delegates to the older boys' conference, which will be held in Corvallis December 1, 2 and 3. Fully 300 boys, representing various religious and social organizations throughout the Willamette valley, Columbia river and coast regions, will be in attendance.

The population in all the state institutions now aggregates 3385, according to reports submitted to the state board by the superintendents. By institutions the population was given as follows: State hospital, 1591; penitentiary, 455; feeble-minded institute, 318; boys' school, 117; tubercular institute, 77; blind school, 39; deaf school, 96; girls' school, 52; eastern Oregon hospital, 488, and soldiers' home, 162.

Express companies are to take no chances with the initiative absolute prohibition bill. When the votes cast at Tuesday's election shall have been canvassed—within 30 days after election day—and if it is found that the prohibition bill has carried, the carriers will send back whatever consignments of liquor may be in their hands awaiting delivery even if they had been ordered and dispatched before the bill should become a law.

In his annual report to Governor Withycombe for the year ending June 30, 1916, Henry J. Schuldsman, corporation commissioner, sets forth that his department has made a net gain to the state over the year preceding of \$14,092. The receipts of the department for the year amounted to \$199,356.70, an increase of \$10,251.09 over the year before, while the expenses of operation totaled \$16,120.86, or \$3840.91 less than for the period ending June 30, 1915.

Some confusion seems to have arisen over the waterfowl shooting season, statements having been made that the season in certain counties in Oregon will extend until February 15 and in Clatsop county an additional open season extends from March 1 to April 30, and in Coos county from December 31 to January 1. This is entirely erroneous, according to the migratory bird law officials. The federal migratory bird law does not permit shooting of geese, brant, wild ducks, coots, gallinules and jacknape after sunset January 15 throughout Oregon and Washington. The black-breasted and golden plover and greater and lesser yellow-legs open season closes after sunset December 15 throughout Oregon and Washington.

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CROOK COUNTY HIGH PLAY COMING SOON

'The Servant in the House' which is to be presented by the Senior Class, November 24th, relates the happenings in an English Country Vicarage on an early morning in spring. The Vicar "Oh, wretched man that I am," through the influence of his wife (Auntie in the play) has been led to make "some compromise on the difficult question of his entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven." His church being in a deplorable state of decay, and his brother, Manson, in India having heard of the same, writes he will come and help in its restoration. When Manson arrives he employs himself as a butler, studies the situation in the household with a view to "Cleanse it of its abominations." This feat he accomplishes, partly in the fourth act when he demands that the obnoxious, scheming and vicious Bishop of Lanchashire leave the room, and finishes the feat in the fifth act, whereby his presence and manner, Auntie and the Vicar are forced to recognize Robert, the outcast brother, as a real brother and as the father of their niece, Mary, whom they have kept in ignorance of this fact. The play closes by all deciding in the words of Robert, "Some one 'as to clear up the muck of the world! I'm the one!" Rogers, the page boy, "is jiggered at the goin's on's in this 'ouse!"

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King Refuses Use of Fleet to Allies. London.—King Constantine has refused a demand by Admiral Du Fournet, commander of the allied fleet, for the use of Greek warships to protect Greek shipping against submarine attacks. The king's refusal has precipitated a new crisis at Athens, the telegram said.

Obituary Hanna J. Lord was born July 1st, 1850, in Lee County, Ill., leaving this life for her heavenly home October 31, 1916. She was married to Sidney Lee Morgan, December 24, 1866. To them was born one daughter who was permitted to gladden their home nearly two years. Their adopted daughter, Francis, was laid to rest on the 26th of November, 1915. Leaving to the loving care of the grandparents her son, Lee Hudson. Grandma Morgan was a lovely Christian character and loved by everyone.—Contributed.

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