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LOOK THESE OVER.

If we had more farmers in the state legislature we would have less commissions, less political-made jobs, less expenses, less jokers and grafting and less taxes.

Peter Noyer of Molalla, is the Democratic nominee this year. He is a farmer. He has been to Salem before and he has made good. He won't have a suite of rooms at the political hotel, nor he won't give any champagne suppers, but he WILL vote right.

Noyer has the reputation of being an honest man, and the people of this county believe in him. He's a fighter when it's time to fight, but not a fighter just to have people look at him. He's a level headed, common sense, practical man. He's the kind of men we need at the capital to hold things level. He won't introduce a string of new laws or try to turn Oregon over but he'll be there when others are trying it. He will watch legislation and he will vote right, don't you have any doubt about that.

And if you are dissatisfied with the last legislature that burned up the taxpayers' money and made a record for extravagance, try Peter Noyer for a change.

It is a political precedent in Clackamas County to give the official who makes good the second term. The county would be far better off if it kept the man who makes good as long as he makes good—but this isn't the issue.

Sheriff E. T. Mass is the Democratic nominee for a second term, and the Republicans are going to help the Democrats to return him.

The only arguments this paper has heard against Sheriff Mass (arguments put forth by his political opponents) is that his administration has been expensive, but in the judgement of the Courier the less his opponents say about this matter the more votes they will get, for the people of County can yet see the horrible picture of four dead bodies in a little home at Ardenwald—father, mother and two children, brutally, awfully murdered.

And here is where Sheriff Mass spent some county money, and he would have been a worthless sheriff if he hadn't. If he had the whole horrible affair to go over again he would no doubt do as he has done, again.

The best detectives west of Denver have worked on the case for many months, attracted by the big rewards, and no one of them or all of them together accomplished a fractional part of what Mass did.

We all know this murder story, and a lot of us have our opinions, and it is an insult to white men to drag in expenses in connection with it for political issues. Mass was dead right, and the hope of this paper is that he is not yet through with spending money on the case—that he may yet find the murderer and that the state may hang him.

Sheriff Mass WILL be returned. They say a good assessor is known by the enemies he makes. No man can do his honest duty in assessing property without having a lot of people damning him a little on the side.

It's a ticklish job to play if one hopes to play politics. There is only one way to play it, just go ahead and do the right thing, as the assessor sees it.

get an assessor who knows values and who is honest. Mr. Jack is both. And he is a worker. He doesn't hire a bunch of clerks to do the work he is hired to do. He is on the job, every day.

There is no office in Clackamas county where it is so important to get a good man and keep him. It is an office that should be taken out of politics. At the end of one term an honest assessor is double the value to the taxpayers than when he was elected. At the end of the second term his value has doubled again.

Get a good man and keep him. Every year he is a bigger investment. Don't make political changes in a position of this kind. Mr. Jack has more than done what he promised you. Show your appreciation by a bigger majority this year.

There is a big sentiment in this county for a change in the office of district attorney, and they say the sentiment isn't confined to this county either.

Gilbert L. Hedges is the Democratic nominee Young, well qualified, well educated, a fighter, an aggressive character—he is making a decidedly favorable campaign—and he's going to be elected.

The biggest mistake a county can make is to elect a sheriff from one party and a prosecuting attorney from another. There you have the situation of a president with one house with him and one against. A sheriff and a district attorney should pull together.

Their work is in common. As a working team they are a power, pulling singly—well you know how it has worked in Clackamas county.

G. L. Hedges will make good as prosecuting attorney. He won't use the office to play politics or further personal ends. You know we need a change. You know this is an office of utmost importance in Oregon. There is one way to make the change. November 5 is NOT a primary election. It's where your vote counts as much as Rockefeller's. And if you don't like the way the district attorney's office has been conducted for the past years; if you want a man who will work to indict criminals and work to convict them; if you want to see men convicted in this district and the lid put on crime, vote for a man who will stand up.

And Hedges will. There is one of the brightest young men in Clackamas county who is a candidate for recorder—and the fellows who feel the pulse of the county say there isn't any doubt of his election.

Mr. Gaffney is a candidate for the place made vacant by the disappearance of Lloyd Williams. He is young, brainy and fully qualified. He is a graduate from the Portland business college, has served four years as deputy and he is unquestionably the man for the place. You can't go wrong on Mr. Gaffney. He knows the work he will work. He is brainy, a courteous, pleasing, obliging man. A better selection could not be made. Keep this nomination in mind, and help to put in a set of officials next month that you will be proud of.

And let us make a clean sweep next month. Do you know George M. Hively, of Milwaukee? The most of you do, and those of you who do not, ought to, for you would vote for him for county commissioner, if you did.

Mr. Hively is a man who you KNOW will do right, if you know him at all. He is a man whose face is his guarantee, and every man who knows him speaks well of him. He is the kind of man we need more of as county commissioners. He will stand up, and stand up right. He has had experience in county work and road building. He is a Virginian, one of those men you can't buy or bribe—the kind of men Clackamas county needs.

The Courier knows you can't go wrong on this man. Elect him.

C. Schubel, the regular Republican nominee, was endorsed by the Democrats and is half their nominee.

Mr. Schubel doesn't need much further endorsement. Through the columns of this paper he has openly stated what he stands for and what he will back for if elected, and you can't get away from it that he stands right, that his proposed legislation is for the best interests of the greatest number in Clackamas county and the state of Oregon; that the bills he will propose are justice, they are right and are for a fair and square deal for all.

Schubel is an aggressive character, a fighter and a worker, and such a man has his political enemies. They will work hard and turn every trick to down him. But he's dead right, and you know it. What he stands for is the majority, for an even break for the worker, the farmer, the taxpayer—for justice. And the voters are going to elect him.

What might have been. You remember that old saying of the saddest of all words, don't you? Oh, but it hits a sore spot when you tell one of the loyal old Republicans that the Republican party could just as well have nominated and elected its president this year as not.

Don't you KNOW it? If the Chicago convention had nominated LaFollette, or any other live progressive, it would have been the means of blocking Wilson's nomination and the success of the Republican party.

And why didn't the Republicans nominate a progressive? Roosevelt wouldn't permit it. He had the power, but he hadn't Bryan's loyalty, principle and selfishness.

He wouldn't let the convention nominate any progressive unless that progressive was he.

And here goes the old Republican party. If Wilson makes anywhere good as president (and don't you doubt it) the Republican party is gone, not for this campaign, but everlastingly dead—sand bagged.

And it MIGHT have elected its president and continued its rule for years to come—as a new Republican party.

But Roosevelt stuck his knife in. He's like the fellow who was searched for concealed weapons and they overlooked a knife up his sleeve.

And when you see him stick that knife in to the handle and then turn it around, doesn't it make you Republicans feel good? Doesn't it make you feel as if you would like to kiss Roosevelt?

Every talk that Woodrow Wilson makes, makes Democrats. Every talk that Theodore Roosevelt makes, loses Republicans.

Wilson carries conviction. He is a far greater man than the people thought him when he was nominated.

Like Hughes of New York, he grows on you and gets you. No one but Roosevelt doubts his dead honesty and sincerity; no one but Roosevelt would dare assert he was true obligated.

Wilson is a big man, a brainy man, a thinker. His heart is with the country and the people. Given congress and the senate behind him, and you will see needed changes in this trust-run country.

There is nothing to hope for in Taft or Roosevelt. The money bunch has split up and is backing both. The play for a change in our present conditions is Wilson—and the voters are going to play it.

The governor's crusade continues in deadly earnest. One bartender has been convicted already.—Oregonian.

That's great stuff, isn't it? That is full credit and splendid help to a man who is trying to close some of the dives and stop some of the graft in Oregon.

But Governor West is a Democrat, and the Oregonian is color blind.

That great sheet with a little editorial page, didn't note that the mayor and marshal of Redmond resigned when the governor accused them of permitting unlawful conditions to exist in that city.

The great Oregonian skipped what the governor did in Huntington when he forced those officials to get out and give decent people a chance to clean up.

The Oregonian also failed to note how the governor went after the road house joints outside of Portland and cleaned up for them.

And one more skip was his action against the express companies and the railroads in shipping liquor into dry territory.

Yes, one bartender has been convicted. That was as far as the Oregonian would see.

Who is the Enterprise supporting for U. S. senator? Wilson, with the help of the voters cleaned up in New Jersey Tuesday, when Smith, the Democratic boss, who was a candidate for U. S. senator, was defeated by Hughes, the progressive. There was a bitter fight in the primaries over this nomination, for the old Democratic gang proposed to tell Wilson where to get off at.

Heard anything of Ben Selling? The Courier and twice-a-week Portland Journal, three papers a week, all for one year, \$2.

President Taft says he believes he will be elected. I am glad someone does.

Our notion of absolute restlessness is to remind the Colonel that he is the original Taft man.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

We need no revolution; we need no excited change; we only need a new point of view and a new method and spirit of counsel.—Woodrow Wilson.

A fellow defined Roosevelt pretty well the other day when he said he was going so fast he makes a Jack rabbit look like a stand pater.

The only chance for a new party is that both the old parties should be discredited. One of the old parties is discredited. Ours shall not be.—Woodrow Wilson.

Theodore Roosevelt is said to have done to himself politically at Portland what General Nogi did for himself physically at the Mikado's funeral.—Woodburn Independent.

It is said that a graduated land value tax measure would put one-half of the taxes of Harney county on the shoulders of eight men and corporations. One owner has 200,000 acres of land.

You may expect to hear something against the graduated single tax pretty soon. It is reported to this office that Oregon City and Portland men have planted a bomb and the fuse will be lighted in a few days.

No person should be permitted to hold land out of use that some other person desires to cultivate. No person should be allowed to have more than he may be able to cultivate and use. You know it.

From now on you may expect any kind of stuff. They will tell you how Oregon will go plumb to the bow-wows if the voters of this state vote to make the millionaires pay their share of Oregon's taxation.

Here are a couple of in curves for a pair of presidential candidates: Boss Barnes says Harry Thaw is no more insane than Theodore Roosevelt, and Senator Crane says Taft's chances are as good as they have ever been.

There are a lot of sandy Wilson men in the country, but ex-governor Folk of Missouri will stay at the head for a while. Folk says Wilson will probably carry every state in the Union. Folk is a hog. He doesn't leave a thing for the other Democrats to go him one better.

For more than a generation live stock has not been assessed or taxed in the Province of Ontario, Canada. The state has the finest cattle in all North America, and its stock dealers secure the highest prices for blooded animals. It does not seem to hurt a farmer there to pay no taxes on his cows, why should it in Oregon?



MEN AND THINGS How a Coulton Man Looks at Present Conditions Coulton, Ore., Sept. 22. The Courier:— That man Heinbotham is certainly a stayer. I can understand Shields, he is working for so much per, and like Judas, he would betray Christ for a few pieces of silver, but like Mr. Eggleston, I cannot understand the make-up of a farmer who will line up with the Shields-Oregonian bunch.

Now he answers my question as to which county he would buy land in, in a single tax or a present system county, by referring to the state board of equalization. That puts me in mind of some of the arguments some of our fore fathers had to go up against when they were trying to form a government. It was something like this: We cannot get along without a king. There must always be a head.

Mr. Heinbotham would trust two or three men rather than the whole people. Then he says that the people have picked out all of the best land and cleared it up. Now he had better take that back or the real estate men will jump on him. I will bet he did not get that from Charlie.

Now I don't like to repeat myself, but perhaps Mr. Heinbotham did not see the article. Say nothing about the water powers and franchises, the higher prices of land near the towns, and if every acre in Clackamas county paid an equal amount it would be but 34 cents and 2 mills in order to collect \$427,239, which was collected in 1909.

Now that is not going to hurt anyone very much is it? And so to Charley waiting until just a few days before election and then say "shoo," and throw a fit or two of scare the people into voting against the single tax amendment—that is an old game that has worked fine in the past, but it won't work now.

Now, Bro. Brown, I will have to get after you. I see that you are whooping it up for Wilson. Now I think that he is a silk sock gaul and that the common people can expect little from him. But this is not the worst. The Big Business bunch will unload something on him as it did on poor old Cleveland. The time is getting about ripe for just such a move. You know, and we all know, that T. R. is one of the biggest grand stand players in the world, and God knows Bill is his man Friday and they are both onto the scheme.

They know that neither can be elected and they don't want to be. They are simply fooling the "dear people." Now if I had lived a couple of thousand years ago I would say that an angel visited me in a dream and told me. But not now. You know a few years ago when that man Leiter was bulling the wheat market. As long as he had money to buy he could play on top. But there is a limit to everything—human endurance, iron, steel, etc. Push anything past that limit and down she goes. Look at the high cost of living; look at the railroads struggling to pay interest on ten-elevens water; the electric lines crowding them for all they are worth; the fine banking system we have in this country, wherein if all the depositors should all demand their money tomorrow they would only get ten per cent of it; look at the thousands of unemployed, the trouble they have with their employers, and see if you don't think the limit is very nearly reached.

And there is another thing, it is to the interest of some of them to bring on a panic, and it is very easily done. There are many people that think that the masses could save money if they would. Saving is a good thing for an individual provided others do not save. There are about 30 million laborers in the United States. Suppose each of them would save one dollar a week. That would draw thirty million dollars a week out of circulation. A howl of despair would go up from the retailers; many of them would go to the wall and others would have to discharge clerks and declining men and quit buying. Take 30 million dollars a week of goods from the jobbers and some of them would go to the wall, and others would discharge clerks and book-keepers; and the jobbers would have to quit buying from the manufacturers; the manufacturers would have to close down because they could not sell their product; the closing down of industries would reduce the demand for coal and there would be more men out and the consequence would be one of those things they spell with a big P.

And if so small a matter as that could bring a panic, what could the big financial bunch do to us any time they wish. So it looks to me poor Woodrow is going to have a lead he can't carry.

G. E. Rogers. Ich! Ich! Ich!—Scratch! Scratch! Scratch! The more you scratch the worse the itch. Try Doan's Ointment. It cures piles, eczema, any skin itching. All druggists sell it.

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