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REMOVE THE MOTE FROM THINE OWN EYE.

It is easy to criticize even if we ourselves are open to criticism. This is especially in evidence among our Democratic friends, expression being found through the Courier which is peculiarly finding fault with the manner in which the present Republican officers are making their reports. The Enterprise has repeatedly called attention to the fact that the reports as they have been made during the last two years have been more nearly according to law than has been the case in years. In addition to not complying with the statutes in this respect, immaculate Democrats who were recently in charge of county affairs failed in some instances to even sign their own reports. It might be well to correct short-comings at home first, before attempting to censure others.

The Courier has had considerable to say of late regarding the manner in which the copy of the county court proceedings is prepared for publication. This is not surprising. It is required that the Clackamas county court proceedings be published in both the Enterprise and the Courier. If this copy is prepared as is insisted upon by the Courier, each bill being definitely itemized as to the character of the charge, space required for printing these proceedings will be increased by at least fifty per cent. In view of the extent to which the Courier was alarmed for the economical administration of the affairs of the county as disclosed in the recent county campaign, one can not but notice the consistency with which that paper now advocates an increased cost in publishing the proceedings of the county court, which are paid for by the inch. Excepting the objection that is being raised by the Democratic paper, we have heard of no complaint from the people at large with the manner in which these proceedings have been printed. But consistency was never known as a characteristic of Democracy in municipal, county, state or national affairs, and the attitude of the Courier with reference to printing the county court proceedings should be expected, since that publication will be the principal beneficiary by the change that is insisted upon.

#### NOTES ON OFFICIAL RETURNS.

The vote in the recent election in this state was as large as might have been anticipated from the registration—falling less than 2000 below it. The total vote, however, was but about 2000 greater than the vote in the presidential election of 1896—though the electorate of the state has increased not less than 20,000 since then. The reasons why there has been no corresponding increase in the vote cast since 1896 are not far to seek. The contest on the silver question brought out every possible vote that year, and no doubt men voted who had no right to do so, for there was no registration. Great numbers, especially in the sparsely-settled counties, will not take the trouble to register, for it means to them special effort and inconvenience and loss of much time. It is probable the legislature may consider the propriety of confining registration to incorporated towns and cities. In the country, where everybody knows everybody, there can be little illegal voting.

The main feature of the returns, which the Oregonian published in full, is the continued growth of the strength of the Republican party throughout the state. Judge Moore received 52,946 votes, against 46,662 thrown for all opponents. The Democratic vote actually fell off, from 32,730 for supreme judge in 1902 to 28,729 for supreme judge this year. In 1902 the Prohibition vote for secretary of state was 4935, this year it is 5514, a gain of 579 votes. The Socialist vote increased from 589 in 1902 to 6419 in 1904.

The counties giving majorities for local option were: Baker 7, Benton 380, Clackamas 254, Coos 364, Crook 227, Curry 99, Douglas 717, Gilliam 169, Jackson 349, Lane 615, Lincoln 163, Linn 588, Morrow 176, Polk 505, Sherman 40, Tillamook 236, Umatilla 83, Union 252, Wallowa 377, Wheeler 56, Yamhill 400.

The counties voting against local option were: Clatsop 564, Columbia 16, Grant 68, Harney 7, Klamath 126, Lake 73, Marion 360, Multnomah 1631, Wasco 5, Washington 262. Majority in the state for local option, 3118.

Enough has been said heretofore (for the present, at least) on this measure and the vote upon it. The subject now goes to the counties, where the controversy over the act will make it understood within a few months, as it was not understood before the vote was taken upon it in the recent general election.

Hermann's plurality in the First district was 6813. The vote thrown for him was much larger than ever given a candidate for representative in the district, and the plurality was but 559 below the highest ever thrown for his predecessor, Tongue. There were local conditions in Clackamas that cut Hermann's vote, else his plurality would have been the greatest the district ever gave. It does not appear that the furious and unscrupulous attacks made upon him had any kind of effect upon the result. In the Second district Williamson's plurality was much increased. The Democratic opposition in this district fell down altogether.—Oregonian.

That a murder has been committed and that some person or persons are responsible for the death of George Joyce at the Cliff House in this city last Thursday morning, is reasonably certain. Joyce was a quiet, peaceable, harmless old gentleman, without relatives in this section of the country so far as is known, and it is right that a vigorous effort should be made to apprehend and punish the murderer.

Because a deserting charge of the Multnomah county poor farm refused to work, it was inferred that the man must be mentally ill. He was arrested on a charge of insanity in Oregon City Saturday, but an examination disclosed that the man was still possessed of his mental faculties. If aversion to work constituted infallible signs of insanity, there would be immediate need for enlarging the asylums of the country.

It matters not whom the Democrats may nominate for the presidency, President Roosevelt will be elected president by the largest popular vote that was ever cast for any other man in his candidacy for chief executive of the Republic. The unanimity of feeling that controlled the Republican national convention in naming Roosevelt and Fairbanks by acclamation was decidedly unusual and is a positive assurance of the tremendous vote these candidates will receive at the November election.

Much valuable time is being lost by Oregon City's inactive board of trade. The time was never more opportune for giving Clackamas county and its extensive resources the advertising that is essential to the further settling and developing of this section of the state. Other counties have bestirred themselves and at the outlay of only moderate amounts of money, are experiencing surprising results. If Clackamas county is to keep pace, it is up to the business interests of the county to take the initiative in acquainting homeseekers with the advantages and the possibilities that obtain here.

With the assurance of a public building for Oregon City, the only valid excuse that has been urged in favor of the removal to Portland of the Oregon City land office, is removed. A remonstrance to the proposed change, and addressed to the president and the secretary of the interior, was circulated and unanimously signed by the business men. This is the Oregon City land district. Oregon City is centrally located, is easy of access by boat and rail. The removal is not being asked by the settlers and the people at large who have business dealings with the office. Consequently there is no reason for changing the location of the office. Oregon City people must be vigorous in their opposition to the proposed change, which, if made, will operate as a great business injury to this city. Here would be a splendid chance for some definite official action on a local board of trade or other commercial organization that had at heart the best interests of the community.

Just so long as they are patronized that long will fakirs prosper. Last week Oregon City was visited by two different aggregations, and both were more or less successful in disposing of their worthless goods. It is surprising that the people of any intelligent community will allow themselves to be duped by these grafters. There is positive evidence of a mental weakness when a man will stand on the street corner and be talked into the belief that by investing 25 cents, he is becoming the possessor of five gold collar and cuff buttons, a pair of gold link buttons and last, but not least, a diamond stud. Or that for \$1 he is getting a solid gold watch chain. Still many Oregon City people vied with

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**Lot 4**



**Lot 1**



**Lot 2**



**Lot 3**



**Lot 5**



**Lot 6**





**Lot 1**

**12½c**

**Lot 2**

**19c**

**Lot 3**

**29c**

**Lot 4**

**55c**

**Lot 5**

**79c**

**Lot 6**

**\$1.18**

**Lot 1**



**Lot 2**



**Lot 3**



**Lot 4**



**Lot 5**



**Lot 6**



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#### OREGON AND RHODE ISLAND AS POINTERS.

The congressional and state elections in Oregon and the town elections in Rhode Island, which have just taken place, have a meaning which Democrats as well as Republicans are grasping. In both states the Republicans were overwhelmingly victorious. Says the Democratic Brooklyn Eagle: "In terms not to be disputed, Oregon notified the country that Roosevelt will carry the state next November." Mentioning that the Democrats carried the state for governor two years ago through Republican factional troubles, it says that nobody need be surprised "should Roosevelt carry the state by a majority of 20,000" in November. "Equally gratifying to the administration," the Eagle adds, "were the returns from Rhode Island, where, for the first time in ten years, the Republicans have just made a clean sweep, carrying districts they had little or no hope of winning. It was known that Roosevelt would be nominated and a draft of the platform likely to be adopted at Chicago was published, which, added to the significance of the result of both elections the irresistible inference that the party led by Roosevelt will go into the campaign in first-class fighting trim."

This is a fair statement of the situation as revealed by one state on the Pacific Coast and one on the Atlantic border. Oregon and Rhode Island have Democratic governors. Chamberlain, of Oregon, was elected in 1902. Garvin, of Rhode Island, carried his state for governor in 1902 and 1903. Both Chamberlain and Garvin have been mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for vice president, on the assumption that their states are doubtful, and that the nomination of a Democrat popular in either would give that state to the Democrats this year. The figures from the elections just held will destroy that illusion. No Democratic rainbow chaser will be visionary enough hereafter to put either Oregon or Rhode Island in the list of doubtful states for 1904. As the Brooklyn Eagle says, Roosevelt will probably carry Oregon by 20,000. McKinley's plurality of 13,000 in Oregon in 1900 was far ahead of any margin ever rolled up for any party in that state. It surprised the Republicans almost as much as it did the Democrats. The lead in 1904, it is now believed, will be far in excess of that of four years ago, and may go up to 25,000. Rhode Island's 14,000 plurality for McKinley in the Republican tidal wave year of 1900 is likely to be succeeded by a lead of at least 20,000 for Roosevelt in 1904.

Here are pointers for this year's canvass which the political arithmetic men on both sides will scan with great interest. The result in both states

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has an especial significance from the fact that Roosevelt was the issue in both. He was the issue directly in the congressional canvass in Oregon, in which, of course, national questions were the only ones discussed or thought of. He was indirectly involved in the local elections in Rhode Island, because Democrats as well as Republicans thought of him when they put up their candidates, spoke of him as being interested during the canvass, and had him in mind when they deposited their ballots. A plebiscite on the president was taken in each state, and the result, as Democratic papers are conceding, must be exceedingly gratifying to the president. Nobody now doubts the result of the canvass of 1904. While Democrats may not be prepared to concede that the Republican majority of 137 in the electoral college of 1900 will be beaten in 1904, they are more than ready to acknowledge that there will be a Republican majority of some dimensions or other in that body. In a few states, notably in Wisconsin, the Republicans, are inharmonious on state questions, but a settlement will be reached long before November. On national issues

the Republicans are united and enthusiastic in those as in all other states. The man who is to be nominated in St. Louis in the early days of July stands an excellent chance of being beaten worse than any other candidate has been since Horace Greeley.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Williamette Valley Chautauqua Association.

The Williamette Valley Chautauqua Association will meet at Gladstone park, near Oregon City, July 12 to 24, 1904, inclusive. The Southern Pacific Co. will make reduced rates on the Certificate plan for this occasion. Call on any Southern Pacific agent for advertising matter July 15.

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