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WOMEN AND Previous to the Portland Ballot land election certain raven-voiced people prophesied that the balloting would show that women were unfitted for suffrage. The Portland election has passed, and it is not to be noticed that the women showed any particular unfitness nor weirdness in their choice of candidates. In fact, judging from the returns, the women voted largely according to personal opinion—which is the way all good citizens should vote.

Efforts were made to stampede the "woman vote" to a certain candidate in the mayoralty race, but the latest figures give evidence of no pronounced stampede. Efforts were also made to show up one of the candidates for commissioner as a close ally, if not an actual friend, of the red light element, yet this candidate ranked high in the final count. Efforts were also made to center the vote of the women upon a "pretty" candidate who has dallied nonchalantly with "city beautiful" work, with "the uplift," and with other hobbies much discussed at afternoon teas and "at homes," and it is to be noticed that this candidate is way down at the foot of the list of also-rans.

Portland elections heretofore have usually followed certain reasonable definite lines. That this one did not must be credited to the women, and that the wide variety of men selected won places in the new government must also be charged to the women. These men are not of the same stamp, nor of the same party affiliations, nor of similar records in the past. Their selection must, therefore, have been the result of individual thought and opinion upon the part of the women voters. It is a mystery what the women saw in some of the candidates beyond good intentions, but probably womanly intuition preferred to trust to good intentions rather than to definite vacuity. Womanly intuition is a pretty safe thing to rely upon, and probably Portland, as a result, will have as acceptable a group of commissioners as could be secured for her experiment with the particular form of commission rule that is to go into effect.

For this Portland has her woman folk to thank. Judging from the figures the men did not vote with the same independence of opinion, but were guided by tradition and political gossip. Probably it was the men whose votes were scattered from soup to nuts over the 99 places on the ballot, and probably it was the women who solidified and united upon the winning candidates. If this is so the women have done well, have proved their ability as voters, and have done Portland a considerable service in picking the most hopeful of a very unpromising bunch.

SPENDING Down at Klamath Falls THE CASH This week they had a recall election. It was just about a half-baked affair as may grow out of the disgruntled agitation in this county. It cost the voters, through county outlay, a pretty sum of money, and it resulted in the complete vindication of County Judge Worden, against whom the shafts of personal spleen had been aimed. The voters went to the polls, cast their ballots, and the returns show about three to one for the county judge.

People of Clackamas county will do well to ponder upon this. A recall election here will cost upwards of \$5,000. The county this year will be called upon to spend considerable money on betterments, and to provide widows' pensions, and to otherwise meet current expenses. If \$5,000 is added to this outlay either one of two things will result—there will be

certain improvement work left undone and unprovided for, or there will be a deficit in the county funds. Maybe some people think it worth while to risk such conditions merely to have the mass of voters controvert the "frame-up" of the famous committee of three, that has already justified itself two or three times in its endeavors to "explain" its report.

If a recall election should be held in this county there is no doubt at all but that it would result similarly to the one just held in Klamath. There is no real dissatisfaction with the county court here, it has not been shown that the county court has done any wrong, nor has any proof been submitted that any detail exists with which fault may be found legitimately. All that has been shown is that a small group of disappointed, spiteful individuals, who have in the past not shown any marked fitness for public executive office, are desirous of ousting county officials for personal reasons; and presumably are also desirous of gaining office for themselves. Maybe it would be worth \$5,000 or so to the county to hold a recall election just so that these people could be squelched, once for all—but \$5,000 is a pretty price to pay for even such commendable work.

"LIFE" AND Apropos of Mr. Bry THE WEST an's habit of serving temperance drinks at his state banquets, and also apropos of the California ruction about the Japanese, "Life," a breezy periodical published in New York, and having other claims to greatness as well, remarks editorially that the principle thing the matter with Westerners and the West is that this section of the country is too young and provincial. Coming from New York this is good. Or maybe it is funny. "Life" is usually funny, and maybe its editorial was so meant to be.

The West must plead guilty to being young but as to being provincial, that is another matter. Probably every person in the West knows more about the doings and habits and customs of the rest of the world than does the average New Yorker. The typical Gothamite has his vision limited by the East river on the one hand, Washington on the south the Hudson river on the west and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street on the north. People who live beyond that shopping thoroughfare, whether in Upper Harlem or the Bronx, are not regarded as belonging to "our set" by good New Yorkers.

New York still thrills over "western" moving pictures, many of which are enacted and made in New Jersey. Its knowledge of the real West, and of the West's broadness and independence and development, is limited to what it reads in Mr. Willie Randolph Hearst's "magazine sections," and to the gossip that sifts gradually into the Great White Way about San Francisco and the Alaskan coal fields.

New York all Westerners wear sombreros, pack Colt's 45's, and drink whiskey. Therefore, New York and "Life" are duly shocked that Mr. Bryan should offer his guests grape-juice and lemonade. Maybe New York ought to be shocked. Perhaps the process of receiving the shock will make it more broad-minded and charitable. And if this results, maybe when the editor of "Life" next comes West, and some hospitable soul invites him to have a drink, and offers him only one brand of beverage, with the comment: "you can drink my brand of poison or so without, stranger, for its all I've got"—maybe then "Life" will realize that there is a sort of noble hospitality in it after all. The man who has the consummate nerve to offer to professional diplomats a temperance drink at a state banquet deserves something better than sneers; he deserves a medal for bravery.

SIX CENTS Colonel Roosevelt has AND OTHERS been duly justified, and honor has been satisfied. Editor Newett said the Colonel drank too much, and the Colonel brought suit for libel. A jury heard the evidence, Newett heard it—the world at large read some of it. The jury decided the Colonel had been damaged to the amount of six cents. Editor Newett decided that he might have overstated the matter, and retracted his words—and the world is going on

about the same, save that it has had an insight into the character of the Bull Moose Hope that it did not have before.

For instance, Jacob Riis, the truthful chronicler of the life of Theodore, testified under oath that the Colonel never, to his knowledge, used violent language. Maybe Jacob Riis is right. Jake, as his friends know him, said that the "strongest" term he had heard the Colonel use was "By Godfrey." And mark right there what a fall has come to the doughty Colonel's reputation. Recall for a moment that stirring scene at San Juan hill in which history recounts that Col. Roosevelt dashed madly up the slope at the head of his soldiers, shouting "Come on, boys, let's lick H— out of them."

It is true that certain historians say the Colonel stood at the foot of the hill and pointed up, and said "Go on boys, etc." But regardless of that detail, how the picture fades if, as Jacob Riis would have it believed, the Colonel dashed ahead—or stood behind—and said merely: "Come on boys—go on boys—and lick 'em, by Godfrey." Somehow the whole scene is spoiled; spoiled so that it is not even worth six cents.

PORTLAND'S Final returns having ELECTION come to hand in Portland's first commission election, it seems apparent that after all the American people know what they want, and that in times of emergency they can be relied upon to get it. The citizens of the metropolis have selected five excellent men to manage their affairs under the new form of government, and have picked these five from a mass of candidates, many of whom were as unfit as they were selfish in the motives that prompted them to run. The campaign that preceded the election was remarkable for many things, and particularly for the violence of the attacks upon the candidates in the race. But few of them escaped the general mud-slinging that was indulged in; and the fact that people at large paid so little attention to this reflects considerable credit upon the voting intelligence.

Mr. Albee, the next mayor of Portland, appears at this distance to be a man well suited for the position, a person of unusual character, and a citizen who appreciates the responsibilities of his office. In the past he has served the people in various ways and it is not to be recalled that he was at any time guilty of any breach of trust placed in him. He is facing his new work seriously, realizing that he is practically the dictator of a great city; and is already laying sane and safe plans for consulting with his co-officials in regard to the manner in which Portland's new charter shall be put into practice.

The four commissioners are all men who have at various times served their communities in some way. Mr. Dieck, Mr. Bigelow and Mr. Daly have perhaps had more experience than Mr. Brewster, but there is no reason to believe that any one of the four will do otherwise than his duty towards the voters. Mr. Barbur, the last member of the new government, has served Portland long and faithfully already, and his character is above reproach.

The election of Mr. Albee is a great triumph for the Oregonian, as well as for the forces of city betterment. Portland's leading daily fought a hard battle for its chosen candidate during the latter part of the campaign, and that it fought it well is shown by the final result. The Oregonian is to be congratulated upon its choice of candidates, and upon the dignified manner in which it refrained from some of the gutter methods of its contemporaries.

Incidentally the election of the four commissioners must be quite a sad blow to some of the other aspirants. There is Mr. Clyde, for instance, who was quite noticeably hoist by his own petard. Mr. Clyde attained defeat on second and third choice votes, yet his voice was one of the strongest lifted for this. Had the election been based solely on "single shooting," Clyde might have pinched through. However, as has been before remarked, the voters knew what they wanted, and got it. Mr. Baker also owes his defeat to the second and third choice ballots. Mr. Baker made an excellent race of it, his campaign was well conducted and devoid of grand stand methods, and his failure in the last count cannot but be regretted by those to whom he has been a familiar figure in Portland politics for many years.

RETURN OF A weekly paper, IS-COURTNEY was sued in this city, some time ago was kind enough to explain for the benefit of its readers and those who peruse the columns of this paper, that the term "yankees of the East," which this paper used, referred to Japanese.

AINSBERRY OUT OF CELL AGAIN

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ed to honor the extradition, the sheriff had no further grounds for holding the prisoner on that charge. Judge Beattie acquiesced, and Ainsberry was turned out of jail. Security for his appearance before the grand jury on the assault consists of \$1,000 cash bail put up by the Home Telephone company, of which company he was an employe.

Ainsberry, immediately upon his release, was hurried out of the county jail auto. This was done, friends of his asserted, so that Wyoming officers could not kidnap him and take him back to Wyoming on the charge. The precaution was also taken to prevent his arrest upon complaint from San Quentin penitentiary, from whence the man broke his parole last year.

Ainsberry's recent history has been strikingly exciting. On May 19 he was one of a party of Home Telephone employes at Oswego who were mixed in a mole with striking line men. In the fracas Ainsberry was made the target for a peavie and sundry other missiles, and took a chance shot into the crowd, striking Fred Ream, of Willamette. Deputies of Sheriff Mass located him later the same day at his home in Lents, and brought him to Oregon City. After preliminary hearing he was released on \$1,000 cash bail. At this hearing he was recognized as a former inmate of San Quentin by George Mayer, himself an ex-convict, who informed the local officers. Ainsberry thereupon elected to return to jail voluntarily.

San Quentin was notified and replied that they would send for him. While negotiations were pending, Ainsberry was habes corpus out of jail, and returned to his home under the \$1,000 cash bail. A few days later he was "made" by Archie Leonard, chief assistant special agent of the O. W. R. & N. Co., as a box-car robber who had been sentenced to the penitentiary in Wyoming and who had broken out of his cell 45 days after being incarcerated. Leonard arrested him and lodged him in the county jail at Portland. Ainsberry was then brought here for preliminary hearing, and on the same day was released following habes corpus proceedings in Portland from the Wyoming charge.

Five minutes later Sheriff Mass arrested him on telegraphic request from the governor of Wyoming. Last Saturday an effort was made to gain his liberty on habes corpus proceedings, but as Gov. West had not then ruled on the extradition matter, the application was denied. Interest in the case was never allowed to wane by the California authorities, either, who periodically telegraphed Sheriff Mass that they would send for the man, and seek extradition, if the assault case were dropped.

WEST BELIEVES FELON REFORMED

PORTLAND, Ore., June 3.—(Special)—According to J. B. Middleton, secretary and manager of the Home Telephone company, J. C. Ainsberry, who today was released from the county jail of Clackamas county on habes corpus proceedings, owes his freedom largely to the impression he made upon Governor West.

Mr. Middleton said he took Ainsberry to the governor, and that before the state executive the man told of his past record, but said that since his marriage to a girl from The Dalles he had reformed. Governor West and Middleton both believed this too, and Middleton said the Home Telephone company was "standing behind Ainsberry" because they felt he was trying to do right, and because he had, on one occasion, done the company a material service.

Following his release in Oregon City, Ainsberry was taken to Portland in an automobile by Sheriff Mass and turned over to Home Telephone officials for safe keeping.

AINSBERRY STAYS IN JAIL AWHILE

J. C. Ainsberry, who has been in and out of jail on various charges since May 19, so many times that it is dizzying to keep track of his record, was brought before County Judge Beattie Saturday morning on a writ of habes corpus, and his freedom asked by J. E. Hodges, his attorney. Ainsberry was in custody as a fugitive from Wyoming state penitentiary, from whence he was charged with having broken. He was also under arrest but "released" on \$1,000 bonds for assault with a dangerous weapon in the course of the Oswego telephone strike riot May 19.

1913 ROSE SHOW TO BE BEST EVER

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Best new rose, third prize, brass candle stick, by Rose society. Best new rose, fourth prize, silver deposit cream set, by Rose society. Best new rose, fifth prize, butter spreaders, by Frank Busch. Best new rose, sixth prize, pruners, by C. Fredericks.

Section H—Large Rose 1. Best 4 large roses, silver deposit dish, by Rose society. 2. Second prize, 4 large roses, spoons, by D. C. Ely.

Section I—Ramblers. 1. Best general collection, sherbet glasses, by Rose society. 2. Second prize, sack fertilizer, by Dr. A. L. Beattie.

Section J—Out-of-Town Cash prizes given for best general collection roses from any town, station or locality in Clackamas county, outside of Oregon City. First prize, \$5.00; second prize, \$2.50.

Section K. Special Prizes—Trophy loving cup, best 12 Caroline Testouts; Killarney rose, hand painted powder box, by Rose society; best general collection, 20 roses, each a separate variety, box exhibit, framed picture by Lipman Wolfe & Co.; best 8 Fran Karl Druschki, auto robe, by Studebaker Bros.; best 8 Papa Gontler, umbrella, by Rose society; best 8 pink roses, any one named variety (not Caroline Testouts or LaFrance) tabourette, by Rose society; best individual rose exhibit in any class, hand made handkerchief, by Mrs. W. H. Howell; best bunch Hermosa rose, alcohol lamp, by D. C. Ely.

MOTORBOAT RACE TO SHOW SPEED

OREGON WOLF II. AND VAMOOSE TO TRY CONCLUSIONS HERE DURING ROSE SHOW

EVENT WILL BE FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Fastest Craft on Coast to Spurt Over Course in Full View of City Following Gala Parade of Vessels

Next Saturday Oregon City will see one of the most exciting motorboat races ever run in western waters—a return match between the wonderful "Vamoose" and the former Oregon champion, "Oregon Wolf II." These two boats raced during the recent run of the Portland Motorboat club to Wilsonville, and the Wolf lost the laurels of that test. Her owner, however, believes that since then he has tuned his engines up considerably, and thinks that at the local rose show races the results may be different.

The committee in charge of the water sports for rose show day has been working all this week to bring about a match between these two speed wonders, and Monday night definite word was received that the former champion and the new claimant would be entered in a special race. The Vamoose has already left Rainier, her home port, and is being towed at easy stages to Oregon City. She will arrive about the middle of the week, and several days will be spent in trying her out.

The Vamoose is a hydroplane of the most advanced type, and when running at top speed has little more than her stern and powerful propellers under water. The boat is said to be most spectacular when in action, and it is expected that a huge crowd will be drawn to see the boat skim at railroad train speed over the waters of the upper river. The race will be held over a special course, the start being made from off the city dock at the foot of Eleventh street, running thence upstream and around a buoy located below the lower entrance to the locks, thence back to another buoy below the old sawmill, and back again over the course, the finish being off the judges' boat which will be anchored behind the Bunch building.

The race between the two speed craft will be but a feature of the water sports in connection with the annual rose show. It will be held in connection with a visit of the Portland Motorboat club, and will be one of three races. The other two have not been definitely fixed as yet, but will probably be between boats of the 20-foot and pleasure-craft class.

ROSE SHOW MARCH PRIZES ARE FIXED

The committee in charge of the big Rose Show parade, which will be held June 7, has arranged a list of prizes which will be competed for by the various features in the pageant. First and second awards, of \$10 and \$5 respectively, have been offered for the best decorated Oregon City automobile, for the best decorated automobile from outside of Oregon City but within Clackamas county, for the best decorated vehicle not mechanically propelled, for the best pedestrian display, for the best decorated fire hose company with its crew, and for the most novel "small cowboy" on horseback, or on other animals, or afoot.

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day. On can readily see that this sum is the absolute minimum. The people behind the Chautauqua movement, however, are all big, broad-minded men and women of the community, who are willing to give their time and efforts with absolutely no hope of remuneration. Had the Willamette valley Chautauqua been a commercialized Chautauqua, it never would have reached its healthy time-tried proportions. The history of the movement in this country clearly shows that the Chautauqua graveyard is filled with the tombstones of "commercialized" Chautauques, where directors, in their anxiety to "come out ahead," thereby admitted the fatal blow to the institution they were attempting to build up. For exactly 29 years the Willamette Valley Chautauqua directors have not permitted the commercial side of their assembly to influence their actions. That largely accounts for their success.

BATTLE ROYAL FOR WEST SIDE

brov of the hill; thence westerly to the southwest corner of J. Graw's place; thence north to the northwest corner of J. Graw's place; thence easterly to the river so as to eliminate Masone park, and thence along the meanders of the Willamette river taking in all the power plants and paper mills to the place of beginning.

It was further voted to retain Judge Livy Stipp as attorney for the incorporators of the new corporation, and that the committee of 11 secure the services of a capable surveyor to prepare plats for the attorney's use.

It was also voted that the attorney arrange to present a petition before the county court during the July term, and that an assessment of not less than \$2 be made in the form of a subscription on all residents of the proposed district who favor incorporation.

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