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ROBABLY THE CHIEF CRITICISM that has been made against the direct primary is that prominent men are adverse to being candidates.

When men like R. A. Booth, Republican candidate for United States senator, submit themselves to the consideration of the voters, they are so mauled and maligned that there is little desire on the part of others to go through the same ordeal. In Portland, particularly, there has long been a demand for responsible and representative citizens to become candidates. In Portland in every election there are scores of place-reckers who push themselves forward demanding nominations. It has reached the point that the newspapers have to go to trouble and expense to find out who the aspirants are so that the public will have some knowledge of them. There have been men of such reputation that some of the papers have felt it their duty to warn the public against them. These papers have repeatedly cried aloud for men of standing and responsibility to become candidates.

After earnest solicitations, Booth consented to be a candidate of the Republican party. This immediately became the signal for the Democratic press to assail him, misrepresent and hold him up as an undesirable citizen. Booth has not received as much consideration at the hands of the Chamberlain press as the most irresponsible self-seeking office-hunter. And this is why men of integrity,-men who have helped develop the state are adverse to become candidates.

THE STATE AND NATIONAL LEGISLATURES, Senator Root told the American Bar association the past week, passed 62,014 laws during the past five years. Mr. Root made a plea for more careful work drafting laws, and for less of what he called "sloppy legislation."

The writer had occasion some time ago to consult the statute book of one of the states, which required 1800 pages to record its new laws for the year 1913. The state book of the same state for the year 1880 included only 340 pages. So grows the crop of laws. While many foolish acts are passed, still new interests have forced new enactments. The legislatures of 1880 didn't have to spend any time regulating the speed of outomobiles, nor charges of telephone companies.

A few years ago, a certain United States senator was overheard talking with great vehemence. "When the people rise in their might and demand a law of this kind," he remarked, concerning the agitation for a certain statute, "it is useless to oppose them."

"But what will such a law amount to?" inquired a by-stander. "Nothing whatever," replied the senator. "The people will then turn

their attention to something else, and forget all about it."

Many laws are so carelessly drawn that there is a lawsuit in every sentence, due to indefiniteness. The man who wrote them could not get a job as a newspaper reporter, until he had learned to write with more precision. If the people who draft laws could realize it, any kind of writing seems far more lucid if the sentences are made short. Lawyers' minds may not work that way. But the average business man becomes hopelessly tangled by long succession of phases, commas, semi-colons, and conditional clauses. Every law ought to be so clearly written that any intelligent man could understand it, without having to fee a lawyer to interpret it.

HERE ARE NOT A FEW CASES in Clackamas county where adjoining farmers have fought vigorously in the courts, and somenot take the trouble to go to the voting places near by, once in a year, and ple to offset this in Multnomah. This hope has gone a glimmering owing to grass, -a sneak and a deception. Parkvote in defense of their right to their lands or to vote on the question when a combination of circumstances.

In the last campaign against the single tax, there was a very earnest exortation to the people to vote. Abundant literature was sent to every voter, yet out of 7166 registered voters in Clackamas county there were 1552 who failed to vote on the question.

There were, fortunately, enough votes against the single tax proposition to defeat it, but, for all these non-voters knew, their silence would have enabled the Hessians to carry their exceedingly injurious measures. The consideration of this utter indifference has induced these single taxers to try it again with a little different presentation, but with the same effect,

A slogan of the advocates of the "Oregon system" is "Let the people rule," but here are about one-fourth of the registered voters (to say nothing of the unregistered ones) of Clackamas county who do not rule. 'They can vote if they want to, but they can't want to.

The "majority rule," having failed to carry, they count in the affirmative of any scheme, no matter how bad, for "silence gives consent." It they only were to suffer by their neglect it would be better, but those who are alert in defense have to suffer with them.

No one who fails to vote should ever be heard to complain for he fully consents to any measure, no matter how bad. Under the initiative, the voter must depend on himself, only; there is no agent or power to defend him, very little discussion and no amendment possible.

The most disastrous laws can be forced upon him. His only defense is his vote. When the legislature passes a bill, the legislators are responsible to their constituents and to the whole state; but, under the initiative, no one is responsible to anybody.

The time will soon come, if it is not already here, when a man who fails to vote on the questions forced upon him by the initiative, will be looked up-

HE DEMOCRATS have the most inimitable capacity for getting tangled up in side issues. In 1892 Grover Cleveland carried the Democratic party to victory largely on the tariff. There have always been a good many Republicans who thought the old party wall was a little too high. They imagined that they could put the Democrats in power, pare down the schedules a little, and get away without having caused any

But the Democratic chieftains had no such course in mind. When it came to the tariff, they created a hodge podge that was called by their chosen leader a work of "perfidy and dishonor."

But they were not content with an attempt to overhaul the tariff. They also must go crazy on finance, and attempt to stand the world's monetary system on its head. The result was the panic of 1893, and a depression that lasted at least five years.

The history of Democratic control today has been similar in many respects. Then as now, they were not willing to try out their tariff experiment and have a fair test of how it would work. President Wilson must also pursue a course of interference and dictation in Mexico, keeping business men on the anxious seat for a year.

Even more destructive of confidence has been the general spirit of antagonism to business. The Democratic congress has waged warfare on success. Wherever it saw the head of an ambitious business man rising above his fellows, it has hit at it, forgetting that the blow also hit the people whom the business man employed.

The Democratic party never seems able to learn to do one thing at a time. Economic changes should be undertaken gradually. No sooner had

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31 YEARS IN BUSINESS

Uncle Sam come out of the ether of his tariff operation than he was again put to sleep for other surgery. Give the old gentleman a chance to get on his feet, before cutting out any more of his anatomy!

HINGS WORK OUT VERY DIFFERENTLY in practice from the way they look on paper. Theoretically the new tariff was to the way they look on paper. Theoretically the new tariff was to make a big cut in the cost of living. The tariff orators always said \$1500 EXEMPTION that protection increased prices by the amount of-duty. If the duty was 40 per cent, the protective tariff lifted the price 40 per cent,

How perfectly ridiculous this claim looks in the light of recent history! By this time, it is apparent to every one that the tariff was one of the most ninor issues in the matter of prices. High prices are caused by high cost of land and by the high wages paid to labor, more than by any other causes, death penalty for first degree murder Legislation can not afford such conditions.

It is true that some of the most disastrous results predicted by enthusias- the abolishment of the death penalty tic protectionists have not yet been realized. The reason appears to be this. European manufacturers have not looked at our tariff changes as permanent. They know how quickly the Wilson-Gorman tariff of 1894 was undone. To capture the trade of a foreign country is a work of time. It takes study of the market and the creation of a selling organization,

No doubt it has seemed very foolish to European manufacturers, to make a bid for American trade, until they could see if this tariff showed any signs the county officers term amendment of permanence. Many of their correspondents have no doubt predicted that it was a mere temporary arrangement, due to a split in the party of protection, No doubt they have been expecting to see the rates raised again soon. They have been slow to invest thousands of dollars in cultivating a new market vored by Mr. Spence and a lively disthat may soon be withdrawn. Before they could lay any plans for such trade, along came the war, making new projects impossible for now.

Under these circumstances, the fact that more industries have not been Under these circumstances, the fact that more industries have not been Senator J. E. Hedges. The latter said undermined by foreign competition is no sign that the protection is adequate. the house of representative at the 1909 The election of a Democrate congress this fall would be an encouragement to European manufacturers that have been contemplating an attempt to capture 1913 to be a joke. Mr. Hazell favored American trade, and who will bid for it whenever the war closes.

T HOEVER MAY HAVE HAD DOUBTS about the success of the Republican ticket a month ago has them no longer. The wave of sentiment for Booth is growing mountain high. From every times physically, over the question whether a narrow strip of land be-county have come glowing reports of Republican success. In Portland, longed to one or the other; going to town frequently and expending much where the bulk of the vote will be cast, the chances now are that Booth will money, and sometimes carrying the case to the supreme court, and yet, when lead Chamberlain by a good margin. Outside of Multnomah Booth will there is imminent danger of losing the whole farm by confiscation, they will have a lead of many thousands and it was the hope of the Chamberlain peoof the Enterprise)—Painless (?) Parkthere is imminent danger of losing the whole farm by confiscation, they will have a lead of many thousands and it was the hope of the Chamberlain peoor and sometimes carrying the case to the superior of the Enterprise)—Painless (?) Parkthere is imminent danger of losing the whole farm by confiscation, they will have a lead of many thousands and it was the hope of the Chamberlain peoor and sometimes carrying the case to the superior of the Enterprise).

> The utterly unfair treatment accorded Booth when he exploded the accusations of West and completely bottled the governor, has caused resentment among fair minded people. It has aroused the Republicans to greater effort. Hanley is taking so much of the "wet" vote from Chamberlain that that he has very much at heart. the latter is growing weaker daily in this direction. The people are disgusted with the mud-slinging tactics of the Democrats, and, above all, the rich from off the labors of others mass of the people are tired of dull times, little work and small pay and they are anxious to help make times better by voting for Booth. These are some of the main factors in the increasing sentiment for Booth and the strengthening of the entire Republican ticket.

> Despite efforts of paid agitators to discredit Booth in labor circles, the working men of Portland are thinking of their dinner bucket and they know thing the rest of the United States that with Republicans in control they always have enough to eat and to take care of the children. Booth is making a fight for the American working rolling back down grade for forty man as well as for the business man and this is a fact which is being understood as the campaign draws to a close.

### WHAT'S THE MATTER

Few persons realize the won-

derful record that Kansas shows at the end of her thirty years' prohibition of the sale of alcoholic liquors. A careful investigat- @ or, writing in "The Outlook" re- ecently, showed that-

In 87 of her 105 counties Kansas has now no insane In 54 of these countles there

are no feeble-minded; 96 of her counties have no inebriates;

28 of her county poorhouses are 53 of her jails were recently @ empty, and 65 counties had no @ prisoners in the state penitenti- @

The entire number of paupers in the state falls short of 600; Some counties have not called a grand jury to try a criminal case in 10 years;

Not long ago Kansas had 200 millions of dollars in her banks: her farmers owned livestock val-⊕ ued at 225 millions of dollars, and in one year the people have added 45 millions of dollars to their &

taxable property; Only two per cent of the entire population is illiterate; The mortality rate has dropped from 17 per 1000 to 7 per 1000.

Does prohibition pay the people of a state? Kansas certainly derful figures!-Ladies Home

Keep Your Stomach and Liver Healthy A vigorous Stomach, perfect working and regular acting Bowels is gestion, correct Constipation and have

# U'REN WOULD STIR UP RACE PREJUDICE

A surreptitions attempt of W. S. Ren to force members of the Confederation of German Speaking societies to repudiate their recent indorse lames Withycombe for governor a abstitute an indorsehimself was unearthed ment of U'Re hen C. T. Hess, one of rtners at Oregon City. Il'Ren's law tried to secu Germans to tter that evidently had n U'Ren's office, says been prepared

This despereffort by U'Ren and his followers to gather strength for his candidacy, which long has been a is bitterly resented by hopeless caus

The letter attempts to make an issue out of the fact that Dr. Withycombe's ancestors were of British exbold bid for the German indorsement for U'Ren by making the pretense that

U'Ren himself is of German ancestry. It is apparent that the U'Ren supporters had hoped to secure a large number of German signatures, but be-yond the lone signature of C. T. Hess ranged. their efforts were fruitless. While the nimble hand of U'Ren

himself does not appear in all this activity on his behalf, it is evident, from the fact that the movement originated in his law office, that he had a large part in it.

Captain Charles Barclay, who has spent the past four months in this city the guest of his sisters, Mrs. W. E. guaranteed if you will use Dr. King's Pratt and Miss Kate Barciay, e New Life Pills. They insure good Di-barked Wednesday afternoon at o'clock for the orient where he will of all body poisons through the Bowles. Only 25c, at your Druggist.

January and Sulp. He is captain of the Transport. Captain Barclay was a former resident of this place where he is well known and where he (Adv.) a much feted guest.

### "Vote Oregon Dry"

Samantha of Clackamas County," Writes Teiling Verse on Vital Issue

(Tune: John Brown) John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the grave— Same old John who died to liberate

But we'll give our votes, humanity to Vote, vote, vote, Oregon dry!

CHORUS Glory, glory, haltelulah, Glory, glory, hallelulah, Glory, glory, hallelulah, Vote, vote, vote Oregon dry-

losn says he'd die before he'd vote for

All our folks are joining hands and keeping up the tune: Whisky will be voted out forever Vote, vote, vote Oregon dry!

Keep from the prison stripes the boy so dear to you, Shield from white slavery the daugh-

ter pure and true, Snatch from a drunkard's grave that neighbor close to you Vote, vote, vote Oregon dry?

God save our country from the curse, Kink Alcohol.— Robber, degrader, and plunderer of

Lo, men and women are responding to VOTE, VOTE, VOTE OREGON -Samantha of Clackaman County

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was opposed by F. A. Olmsted, who said the time is not ripe in Oregon for for deliberate murder, T. W. Sullivan agreed with him, but C. S. Noble was strongly opposed to what he considered legalized murder and favored the

J. E. Hedges decried the tendency to tinker with the constitution in a dis cussion on the graduated extra-tax amendment. C. E. Spence talked for and Mr. Sullivan opposed the act abolishing the desert land board and the office of the state engineer. He said the bill has no enacting clause.

Proportional representation was facussion ensued, and on the amendment to abolish the state senate a warm con troversy was waged between Rrepre sentative Schuebel and former State session was a disgraceful exhibition and Schuebel declared the senate of and Mr. Sullivan opposed the amend-

Dr. Morris opposed the primary dele-gate election bill, said to be a revival

### FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

MOLALLA, Ore., Oct. 26 .- (Editor er has a personal grievance against the Oregon state dental board, and in his hypnotic vitriolic scapbox oratory, and n his "paid advertisements" misap plies the word "trust" to scare and better work the "dear common per

Parker's methods are simply thos where is their literature or scientific research?

The present Oregon dental law b equate for all present needs to pro tect people from fakers. This personal P. P. has the brazen egotism and gall to ask the voters to enact a law to fit his old two-year diploma, some would not recognize.

Thus throwing down the bars and rears from the tide of advancementmerely to admit certain dentists, would e a direct slap in the face to all the learned profession and educational in stitutions of the state of Oregon.

Accordingly to Painless (?) Parker's arguments all the school boards and teachers' organizations for advance ment in the state are "trusts." Any old certificate holder, of any character, that fails to pass examination, may get up a measure and become a noted trust buster.'

This victous measure is as a serpent that has tackled more than it can quite swallow. Its fangs are set, the cess of digestion now indicated in its diamond eyes. Let every intelligent voter be at the clinical operation early on Nov. 3rd and assist in extracting the "dentistry bill." fangs and rattlers with a club, size number X 341 No. this will put the serpent harmless and as catable as an cel,

J. W. THOMAS.

SEEKS DEBATE WITH U'REN J. D. Stevens, himself somewhat of a oneer in direct legislation, journeyed those Germans who are acquainted to the mill city Tuesday, and en-with the methods that U'Ren has puring Oregon City debater. Mr. Stevens approached newspaper men, attorneys and other citizens, urging their efforts traction and is grossly offensive in in arranging a joint meeting with the many other particulars. It makes a Oregon City independent candidate for governor, offered to talk over any of the pet measures of Mr. U'Ren, and guaranteed to satisfactorily explain the jokers therein.

At a late hour Tuesday, it was rumored that no debate had been ar-

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local trentment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh-to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Choney & Co., Toledo, C. v. is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 16 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it talls to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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### A Few Facts For The Voter

Since the present Democratic tariff law went into effect, our purchases from foreign nations have increased \$102,000,000 while our sales abroad have decreased in the same time \$108. 000,000. We have bought more and sold less, and the most of which we have bought from abroad should have been produced at home. We have lost in foreign commerce since this hill want into effect not less than \$150,000,000. We have donated to Canadian lumbermen in the same period \$2,000,000, which is the amount they contributed to the expenses of our government during the last year of a Republican tariff. Had they paid the old rate on what they shipped into this country during the first eight months of the Underwood law, they would have contributed twice \$4,000,000 to this government.

With all this sacrifice, the consumer has not paid one crost less for his lumber. In the same time, \$10,000,000 has been given to the sugar trust, and the consumer pays more for his sugar. To the foreign wool grower, a donation of \$20,000,000 in duties has been made, and woolen clothes cost no less than before. The importers of beef and cattle have been relieved of paying \$5,000,000 toward the support of this government, and the overburdened taxpayer pays more for his meat. Now, to make up the deficit thus produced, and from which the comuner has received no benefit, the people of the country are wked in a so-called "war revenue" bill to pay a direct tax of \$105. 000,000, in addition to the tax burden they are already bearing. at a time when our nation is at peace with all the world. Are you going to vote to continue this kind of Democratic inefficiency?

### WORTHY OF CONFIDENCE

Re elect Judge Anderson. He stepped into office under most adverse conditions, with little preparation, and no experience-all because the voters called him. He abandoned a successful business to heed the demands of Clackamas county. He has been in the office for more than a year now, and with his honesty, impartiality, and strict attention to the business of the office, has inspired the confidence of Clackamas county people,

Nor has Judge Anderson confined himself to the routine duties of the office. He has inaugurated a campaign toward a realization of permanent roads for the county and the summer's work just concluded, shows that 4 1-2 miles of hard surface roads have been constructed, in addition to the regular road work and improvements in the various portions of the county. This road campaign which the court has undertaken is but the fore-runner of an era of better edads for this long suffering community. To make the burden of this road campaign lighter on the taxpayers, the court judiciously purchased the New Era and Barton gravel pits for the county, These things are but a few of the steps taken by the court which show the constructive administration of Judge Anderson,

The judge is perhaps too modest to be a real politician, and has been too busy attending to business, to take much part in rig campaign even if he desired to do so. In his campaign announcement he says: "In becoming a candidate for re-election I do so with a better knowledge of the duties and difficulties which the position imposes than I had when first called unexpectedly to the position. I deem it a great honor and a grave responsibility also, to have a guiding hand upon the affairs of our great and growing county, and I have no other ambition than to prove myself worthy of the trust."

There is none of the braggadocio in the judge's letter. He does not flaunt his virtues before the voters, nor does he try to win their support by vague promises of big things for the future. His main ambition is to prove himself worthy of the confidence of the

This Judge Anderson has already done, and he should be returned to his post, with the largest majority that has ever rewarded faithful service in Clackamas county.

## Safety First---Elect Wilson Sheriff

No man stands higher in this community than does William Wilson, Republican candidate for county sheriff. Nor is any man in Clackamas county better fitted for the office he seeks than is Mr. Wilson. Nor is there a public office in Clackamas county which demands a more efficient and all around capable man to successfully conduct the affairs of its department than does the office of county sheriff.

If the voters of Clackamas county have the best welfare of the community at heart, they will elect Mr. Wilson by a handsome majority. He possesses an abundance of personal attributes which peculiarly fit him for this important task. In the first place Mr. Wilson is always "on the job." He has been a successful business man of Oregon City for many years, and during the last two years has served Clackamas county as coroner,-and in a most able manner. Again he possesses an intricate knowledge of the county and its people, -a knowledge which has resulted from business associations and his wide acquaintanceship in every section. Thirdly, Mr. Wilson belongs to that fearless type of men who place duty above all else, and if he is chosen at the coming election -and by the way every indication points to his success-the voters of Clackamas county may rest assured that they will get real service from the office.

This old county has its troubles and the sheriff must be a man who can deliver the goods. Society demands protection, pays for protection, and for that reason a man of Wilson's calibre should be at the head of the sheriff's department of county affairs. Wilson is the man for the job.

Although of the same name as the president of the country, Mr. Wm. Wilson is a dyed-in-the-wool Republican, and has some very different ideas regarding the best way to fill the dinner pail, and keep it filled. In other words the "Billy" Wilson of this county is a genuine Republican and a firm believer in Republican principles.

Elect "Billy" Wilson and feel that the important affairs of the county sheriff's office are in safe hands,

ILLITERACY IN OREGON

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 23,-The need of more and better rural schools in Oregon is made manifest by conlitions revealed in a recent census report showing the per centage of ililterates among the native white farming class of this state. The figures that the percentage of illiteracy is the rural districts of Oregon is and supplies. three times as large as that in the . Machine Rented, and Repaired for cities and villages of the state. gon has 10,564 illiterates and 7,133 of

them live on the farms. There are 5 RURAL POPULATION 042 boys and men and 2,091 girls and women on the farms of this state that can neither read nor write.

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