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THE HUMOR OF POLITICS.

The unusual presidential election of last week, ranking with the closest in the history of the country, has its humorous side.

The American people have turned over their government to a coalition of the most heterogeneous elements that ever combined to punish a president.

American politics never before knew such a coalition; at the success of a Hughes administration depends upon the harmonious cooperation of elements that have nothing in common.

Col. Roosevelt accepted the patriotic issue as set off by an overwhelming Hughes triumph and gave out the following statement:

I am doubly thankful as an American for the election of Mr. Hughes. It is a vindication of our national honor.

More than a year ago, standing in the presence of a hideous massacre, knowing that Americans, men, women and children had been ruthlessly slaughtered by a German act.

In a moment of a great national election Mr. Wilson went before the people of the United States and asked them to endorse that sentiment.

Mr. Wilson believed the American people were cowardly, selfish, careless only of their safety and unconcerned as to their honor.

The lesson of this election is only too pointed for Mr. Hughes than for Mr. Wilson.

Be a Leader Be a Builder Be a man with an account in this bank, even if you have build it up a dollar at a time.

It's the man with the bank account who can do things.

The Bank of Oregon City OLDEST BANK IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY

the Staats-Zeitung, comments as follows: A great victory has been won, a victory of character and dignity.

He repudiated no American citizen, neither did he bargain or intrigue with any of them.

Verily, a sense of humor is a life saver.

FOUR YEARS MORE.

Woodrow Wilson has been re-elected president of the United States after one of the closest presidential elections in the history of the nation.

The Enterprise recognizes Woodrow Wilson as the president—its president.

It hopes that the next four years will be prosperous ones, that our mills will run steadily, that everybody will have three good meals a day.

The defeat of Charles Evans Hughes is to an extent blamable on Republican party leaders.

The "he kept us out of war" bunk, although thoroughly exposed by Republican papers, probably brought the Democrats thousands of votes from women who did not stop to study the issue.

The election of Wilson was a queer combination of circumstances. Take any one of half a dozen groups away from him and he was defeated.

California, for instance, without the votes of the Jews won through the appointment of Brandies to the supreme bench, would have probably approved Hughes, and Hughes would have been elected.

We are to have a Democratic president for another four years. If Wilson and his clique live up to the reputation of their party—established during a long period when at various times it supported slavery, free silver and other issues, the fallacy of which has been proved beyond a

doublet, a Republican will be elected four years from now, and by the largest majority since the election of Roosevelt in 1908.

The Enterprise supported Hughes in the campaign because The Enterprise believes in the principles of his party and because it believes that Hughes is the better man, and this paper hopes that it will be able to support Hughes in 1920 in a campaign which will lead to his victory.

SENTIMENTALITY WINS The voters of the nation do strange, inconsistent things. Last Tuesday they evidently re-elected President Wilson to a second term, yet they tied his hands with a house of representatives that probably is not Democratic.

During the last four years President Wilson has had a Democratic congress and with its aid he has put through a Democratic, near-free-trade law and other typical party legislation.

THE PROBABLE REASON FOR THIS ACTION OF THE VOTERS IS THAT THEY ELECTED WILSON BECAUSE OF THE SENTIMENTAL PLEA MADE BY HIS MANAGERS, AND DEFEATED DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES FOR CONGRESS BECAUSE THEY WERE DEMOCRATS.

ings and will hold a meeting in Portland Thursday, November 23, to consider means of eliminating them.

Statistics produced by the commission show that accidents are increasing yearly at grade crossings.

Oregon City and Clackamas county have their share of these snares of death, and unless some plan of protecting the traffic or eliminating the crossings is carried out, we are going to have a tragedy in Clackamas county which will shock the state.

The Southern Pacific crossing on the new county hard surface between Oregon City and Parkplace probably ranks first of all the dangerous crossings in the county.

It would make a long list to compile the dangerous grade crossings in Clackamas county. Carelessness is probably responsible for a majority of these accidents, but carelessness will never be eliminated.

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MR. BROWNELL'S OPPORTUNITY. George C. Brownell has been elected as one of the representatives from this county, with a majority of something over 1,000 votes.

WE SHALL KNOW THE REASON WHY. During the eight months ended August, 1916, we imported 837,000,000 pounds of printing paper, valued at \$12,248,000.

GRADE CROSSINGS. The public service commission of Oregon has taken into consideration the danger of unprotected grade crossings.

Official County Count ON MEASURES COMPLIED CLACKAMAS VOTERS APPROVE 6 BILLS AND TURN DOWN 5— SOME MAJORITIES BIG.

Table with 2 columns: Measure and Votes. Includes Ship Tax Exemption (4111 Yes, 2692 No), Ship Tax Exemption (5238 Yes, 3410 No), Negro and Mulatto Suffrage (4435 Yes, 4824 No), Land and Loan Bill (1754 Yes, 7645 No), Pendleton Normal School (3774 Yes, 2627 No), Anti-Compulsory Vaccination (4836 Yes, 4542 No), Sunday Closing Law Repeal (5258 Yes, 1955 No), Brewers' Amendment (1060 Yes, 6542 No), Absolute Prohibition (5018 Yes, 5054 No), Rural Credits (5061 Yes, 3973 No), Tax Limitation (4473 Yes, 4116 No).

ELECTORAL VOTE

Table showing electoral votes for various states. For Wilson: Alabama 7, Arizona 3, Arkansas 7, Colorado 6, California 13, Florida 6, Georgia 14, Idaho 4, Kansas 4, Kentucky 12, Louisiana 8, Maryland 10, Mississippi 7, Missouri 18, Montana 4, Nebraska 5, Nevada 3, New Mexico 3, North Carolina 12, North Dakota 3, Ohio 21, Oklahoma 5, South Carolina 8, South Dakota 6, Tennessee 12, Texas 20, Utah 4, Wyoming 4, Virginia 12, Washington 7. Total 272.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Table listing real estate transfers with columns for Name, Address, and Amount. Includes G. A. Cobb to Frank Abe, D. B. Fleck and Martha S. Fleck to A. Moser, etc.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure No Alum—No Phosphate

The official census of the vote on initiative measures was completed Saturday. The count on candidates will be completed Monday or Tuesday.

Two contests were organized early this year, one for spelling and the other for arithmetic. In the arithmetic contests, the County Superintendent's office prepares each month tests of 19 problems for each grade from the fourth to the eighth inclusive.

Each grade that makes an average of 80 per cent or better in the five tests will be eligible to send a representative to take part in the final zone contests which will be conducted by representatives from the superintendent's office in centrally located places.

The spelling contests is organized along somewhat similar lines. The arithmetic contests began early this month, but the first of the spelling tests will be conducted early next month.

All pupils making an average grade of 98 in these four contests will be given a diploma. Final zone contests will be held from April 16 to 20 in centrally located places.

These contests in a somewhat modified form were carried out last year with success. Superintendent Calavan believes that he now has the plan near perfection.

How Clackamas County Voted In The Principal Contests

Large table showing voting results for various candidates and measures across different precincts. Columns include Candidate/Measure, Wilson, Hughes, etc.

View Villas; 210, Elias Ahberg to Hilberna Savings Bank, land in First addition to Outlook; \$1.

to Blanche Lockyer, block 26, Lake View Villas; 10. M. J. Deoney and E. H. Deoney to J. H. Barnard, 9.9 acres of Sec. 27, township 1 south, range 2 east; 14009.

SPELLING AND ARITHMETIC CONTESTS ARE ORGANIZED

Seven Thousand Pupils in 135 Schools of Clackamas County Are Taking Part in Tests Conducted Under Direction of County School Superintendent Calavan.

Superintendent Calavan discovered three years ago that a touch of competition was the needed sauce to the dry meat of school work.

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