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The Primary Election

Now that the smoke of battle has cleared away and time is given to reflect on the results of the primary election, it does not appear that the issue of assembly or anti-assembly cut much figure. The election of Mr. Bowerman must be taken as proof of this, as it must be admitted that, as a candidate, he represented the head and front of the assembly ticket and was charged with all the shortcomings which the assembly was supposed to represent. Notwithstanding this, he was nominated by a big majority, while assembly candidates for offices of far less significance on the state ticket were defeated.

Also we find that now that the primary election is over, anti-assembly partisans, particularly those who have been nominated, are crying for peace and harmony, and stating in no uncertain terms that "we must get together." In fact, these nominees are rather of the opinion that the assembly is not such a bad thing after all, which, of course, read between the lines means, "now that we have been nominated we want your support, regardless of the principles we have been so loudly decrying." In other words, anti-assembly candidates don't want organization before the primary, but are very anxious "for peace and harmony" afterward—if they get the nominations.

This is one of the insincerities of the primary, in addition to many others, that make of it a farce, at least as it has been and is being conducted in Oregon.

No one will deny that many of the anti-assembly candidates nominated, if elected, will unquestionably make competent public officers, but the fact still remains that in many instances both they and their friends have stultified themselves and acted a lie in securing their nominations. And that, furthermore, instead of two large, powerful and healthy organizations representing each party, the primary brings into being and fosters dozens of little cliques and machines that meet in secret, put forth an aspirant for office through the aspirant himself, and then play up the time-honored swindle, so potent to the unthinking voter, of "Let the people rule," when, in truth, their slogan should be, "Let the people think they rule."

In the wake of all this is the disintegration of a fixed popular form of government as embodied in the constitution of the greatest country that lies out of doors, and a mixture of elements and half-baked ideas that it is not possible to contemplate with complacency.

What we need, if better government is the necessity, as we are informed by the new political propagandists, is not farce, turmoil and complicated political conditions, but something sound, honest and more solid than we now have. A continuance of the campaign, which has now extended over three months and must continue for another, will bring with it continued strife and duplicity; in the end the same conflicting opinions, and leaves with us the same abortive election law experiment.

NORTHWEST NOTES

A remarkable telescope that enables men stationed at Fort Stevens to detect the approach of an enemy while they are still more than 22 miles offshore, has just been installed there. By its aid the range of the approaching fleet can be obtained, and the mechanism is so adjusted that it overcomes the effects of the curvature of the earth on an ordinary telescope.

Tillamook and Bay City have taken effective steps to secure the improvement of their harbors. The port commissions of these two cities will co-operate with the national government in the work and will add to the fund provided for the purpose in the rivers and harbors appropriation. It is estimated that the work of improvement will cost about \$2,000,000. Tillamook and Bay City have pledged \$650,000 of this amount. The preliminary examination of the Tillamook waterways has just been made by Major Jay J. Morrow, the government en-

gineer in charge of this district, and work on the improvement will be begun as soon as feasible.

The Forest Service plans the seeding of between 5,000 and 6,000 acres of burned-over lands at a cost of approximately \$20,000. About 700 acres situated at the Bull Run watershed, the source of Portland's water supply, will be reforested in this way. The largest amount of planting will be done in the Mt. Hebo district south of Tillamook, which was burned over in 1847 and never reforested. On most of this area Eastern hardwoods will be planted.

Under the auspices of the Harriman lines, W. E. Benton is interesting Oregon communities in making exhibits at the United States Land and Irrigation Exposition, to be held in Chicago November 19 to December 4. Mr. Benton was engaged by Mr. McMurray, general passenger agent for the Harriman lines, who is familiar with the work of the former in handling the state exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair and also the Oregon exhibit at the A.-Y.-P. exposition. Features of the showing at Chicago will be fruit, grain, dairying and hogs. Each section of the state should take the fullest possible advantage of this opportunity to exploit its resources. It is intended to make the showing strongly representative, and the individuality of the various communities will be preserved. Each section will receive valuable advertising in proportion to the interest shown. This is certainly a chance to get valuable publicity in the East without expense other than the cost of collecting an exhibit, and all Oregon communities will, no doubt, fully co-operate with Mr. Benton in this work.

Shaw-Priest Lyceum Course

The Houstons who will be the second attraction in the Shaw-Priest Lyceum Course which will be given here this winter under the auspices of the Commercial Club, consist of Mrs. Houston who is a reader of exceptional ability and Mr. Houston, an imitator of musical instruments.

Of Mrs. Houston, she is said by critics to be one of the best enter-



tainers in her line of work in the Lyceum field today. Her readings for the most part are her own cuttings from stories by well known authors, while she has many humorous monologues and stories, most of them also her own arrangement. For this reason she does not tire the audience by giving them things that they have heard many times before and her many encores are strong evidence of this fact. Mrs. Houston plays the piano accompaniments for Mr. Houston and also ably assists him in his magic.

As an imitator of musical instruments Mr. Houston is said to be without an equal. In his many imitations of musical instruments he uses compositions written for the instruments imitated and played by the noted musicians of the world. For his imitations of the "cello" "the instrument of the soul," he uses the "Star Song" from Tannhauser, etc. For his imitation of a cornet solo (with triple tonguing) such compositions as "The Signal" by Brooks, the "Levy-Anthem Polka" by Levy, etc., are used and so on through the various instrumental imitations. And then his marvelous imitation of a complete "Little German Band" giving the "clash and bang" of the drums and cymbals, the shrill notes of the cornet, the "screech" of the "yellow clarinets" and the low "grunts" of the bass horns so clearly that one can almost see the actual band passing before them.

Oregon Apple Yield Best

According to statistics compiled by the Department of Agriculture and condensed in the Oregonian, Oregon leads the United States this year in apple production. The report shows that in September Oregon had 93 per cent of a full crop, while Washington, the nearest competitor, had 90 per cent of a full crop.

Furthermore the report shows that in the whole country there is less than half a crop this season, the percentage being 46.8. The crop condition in the West is the best in any section.

The South Atlantic Coast states show the next best per cent of a full crop, while the South Central group of states rank third. The report says that the apple industry in Oregon and the Northwest is capable of almost unlimited growth. It states that Oregon obtains the best price of any state for its yield of apples.

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HEALTHY ADVANCE IN FRUIT LAND

The sale of a twenty-acre orchard at Hood River for \$24,000 and a 30-acre orchard in Southern Oregon for \$29,000 this week would indicate, says the Oregonian, that one prominent branch of the real estate business in this state was making a good start on the fall movement. Perhaps the best feature of these prices lies in the fact that the orchards will return handsome dividends on the prices paid. So long as buyers from all parts of the world come to Oregon for fruit and continue to pay record prices for it in carload and trainload lots, there will be no decline from present prices. Meanwhile there has been a healthy advance in all other lands in this favored region. There is room for other advances before the figures will be as high proportionate to the returns as they are in less favored sections of the country.

FAILING ORCHARD SELLS FOR \$24,000

One of the largest recent sales of Hood River orchard land was reported last week in the Portland Telegram by Devlin & Firebaugh, who sold the 20-acre place of Miss Henrietta H. Failing of Portland to R. P. Finney, a banker of Puyallup, for \$24,000. The failing place is less than three miles from town and nearly all of it is in orchard just coming into bearing. Mr. Finney expects to retire from his bank next spring and come to Hood River to operate his orchard.

J. U. G. Girls Entertained

The J. U. G. girls were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. E. O. Hall Friday evening. The entertainment took the form of a Japanese tea party, the decorations being in keeping with the land of the cherry blossom. During the evening Miss Nettie Allen entertained the company by reciting an abbreviated version of "Madame Butterfly." Music was a feature of the occasion, as were also dainty refreshments.

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