

ROOSEVELT CARRIES THE COUNTY

Colonel Wins from Taft by Narrow Margin of 19 Votes ---Progressives Prove Their Strength and Give Big Surprise to Those Who Had Predicted Easy Victory for the President in Hood River---Selling Favorite over Bourne---Putnam Nominated Commissioner---C. H. Stranahan Carries District, but E. C. Smith Loses by Small Number---Democrats Express Preference for Wilson---Results Are Tabulated.

Taft and Roosevelt ran a close race in Hood River county, the latter winning out by the close margin of 19 votes. When the returns were in from all the precincts except Baldwin, comprising the Upper Valley vote, Taft was still in the lead by 10 votes, having received 255 as against 245 for Roosevelt.

In the race for United States Senator Selling proved the popular candidate in Hood River county, winning 426 votes, as compared to 200 for Bourne, 139 for Lowell and 77 for Morton.

Sninott showed great strength in this county as compared to Ellis and the three other candidates for the nomination as congressman. Sninott secured 365 votes, Ellis 192, Cochran 127, Rusk 103 and Roosevelt 36.

Frank S. Fields of Multnomah county and Ben Oleott were close together here as candidates for the nomination as secretary of state. Oleott won out here by a vote 391 to 377.

For state dairy commissioner Cottel and Mickle ran close together. The results were as follows: Cottel 253, Mickle 246, Lea 127 and Edwards 72.

For state railroad commissioner Clyde B. Atchison, who is well known here, had a long lead. The vote was as follows: Atchison 460, Stayton 146 and Schulderman 88.

In the contest between the candidates for the nomination as district attorney Ernest C. Smith proved his popularity in this county by securing 492 votes as against 160 for W. A. Bell and 90 for Carlton Pepper.

J. M. Schmeltzer and C. H. Stranahan, candidates for the nomination as representative from this district, ran strong in this county. Mr. Schmeltzer polling 498 votes and Mr. Stranahan 473. However, Mr. Stranahan, on account of his long residence in this and Wasco counties, proved the stronger candidate of the two in the district and the final reports received were to the effect that Mr. Stranahan had received enough support in Wasco county to give him the nomination, while J. E. Anderson's strength in his home county---Wasco---secured for him the majority over Mr. Schmeltzer.

Dr. Anderson showed some strength in this county, securing 135 votes. Brodie received 73 and Moores 58.

The race for county commissioner proved closely contested. F. P. Friday secured the majority of votes in the lower valley over John R. Putnam of the Upper Valley, but Mr. Putnam's support in his home district gave him the nomination by the safe majority of 55 votes. The eight precincts comprising the lower valley were the first to send in their returns. These showed that Mr. Friday had received 275 votes and Mr. Putnam, 255, giving the former a majority of 20. In the Upper Valley, however, Mr. Friday received only one vote, while Mr. Putnam was given 76. The total vote was as follows: Putnam 331, Friday 276 and Wishart 191.

A feature of the contest for the nomination as county commissioner was the injection of M. M. Hill's name through his nomination on the Democratic ticket. In almost every precinct a few voters wrote in Mr. Hill's name on the ballot for commissioner, no name having been regularly printed on the Democratic ballot

for this office. Mr. Hill previously served as commissioner. For sheriff, Thomas F. Johnson, the present incumbent, defeated Frank Chandler for the nomination by securing 618 votes to 196 for Mr. Chandler.

Louis A. Henderson and Murray Kay were in the field for the nomination as county surveyor and the latter proved successful, receiving 469 as against 376 for Mr. Henderson.

Judge R. R. Butler and D. J. Cooper, both of The Dalles, were candidates for the nomination as state senator and Judge Butler won, but not by so large a majority as some of his friends had predicted, Mr. Cooper receiving 296 votes as compared to 374 for Judge Butler in Hood River county.

With returns in from seven out of the nine precincts, it was plain that Wilson carried the county. Excepting South Hood River and Dee returns, the Democratic results in the county gave Wilson 69, Clark 45 and Harmon 5. Harry Lane of Portland was the popular Democratic candidate for the nomination as U. S. Senator. He received 73 votes, O. P. Coshow 19, W. M. Pierce 16 and M. A. Miller 4. Claude C. Covey received 67 votes as candidate for the nomination as Congressman. J. H. Graham 40, J. B. Ryan, the only candidate for secretary of state, received 89 votes. Lew Anderson, who wants to be railroad commissioner, received 78 votes, while L. D. Driver of Wasco county, candidate for the nomination as representative, was given 73.

M. M. Hill, whose name was written in as nominee for county commissioner, received a total of 24 votes.

WASCO COUNTY RETURNS W. A. Bell, one of Wasco county's two candidates for district attorney, secured in that county 852 votes, as compared to 532 for Pepper and 144 for Smith. Mr. Smith's majority over Bell in Hood River county was 330. Returns from Crook county gave Smith a substantial lead over Bell in that county, but it was not sufficient to change the final results, which give Bell a lead over Smith of 136.

Wasco county returns also decided the race for two representatives. The vote polled there was as follows: Anderson 588, Brodie 361, Moores 354, Schmeltzer 316, Stranahan 488. The total vote in the two counties gave the following results: Anderson 966, Stranahan 963 and Schmeltzer 814. The two former were therefore nominated. R. R. Butler was nominated for state senator over Cooper, receiving 1454, Cooper 685.

Among the other more important returns in Wasco county were the following: Roosevelt 619, Taft 516, LaFollette 451; Selling 994, Bourne 334, Lowell 120, Cochran 126, Morton 67; Sninott 131, Rusk 126, Ellis 133, Cochran 126, Roosevelt 47, Fields 713, Oleott 672. Democrats---Clark 119, Harmon 17, Wilson 137; Coshow 42, Lane 185, Miller 12; Pierce 34, Covey 179, Graham 74.

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PROGRAM FOR MUSICAL CONCERT TOMORROW

A musical concert is to be given at the Baptist church Thursday night, April 25th. Following is the program: Piano solo.....Mr. Boerlinne Vocal duet.....Mrs. Keir and Mrs. Schmeltzer Reading.....Miss Taylor Vocal solo.....Mrs. Chas. Henney Selection.....Schubert Trio Vocal solo.....Mrs. Sletton Reading.....Gretchen Calkins Duett.....Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Henney Violin solo.....Mr. Chandler Solo.....J. Adrian Epping

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