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PHASES OF OREGON'S ELECTION.

The New York Sun says Chamberlain was re-elected in Oregon because of his "complete acceptance of every doctrine labeled Roosevelt." The Sun also notes that "all the candidates for the office of Governor on the Republican ticket were elected"; also that "Jonathan Bourne, the Republican candidate for United States Senator, will succeed John M. Gearin, Democrat." The Sun adds: "Probably Mr. Chamberlain's success would have been less certain had he not received his hearty sympathy with President Roosevelt. The President's popularity in Oregon is a fact which no one can deny. It is the fact which looks for a great change in public opinion toward Mr. Roosevelt after the election of 1904 has seen his policies described as 'the greatest since the time he held the mass of the people is not as firm as ever. This may be an invaluable help to the Republicans in the November election.' The Sun notes further that the Republican candidates for Congress were elected; but adds that "the revelations concerning Mitchell, Hermann and others high in the Republican state machine were bad enough to have caused the defeat of every Republican candidate for office."

INSURANCE THAT DOES NOT INSURE.

The murmurings over the dilatory action of the insurance companies in San Francisco are increasing, and promise to develop into a roar which may be heard beyond the territory directly affected by the great disaster. Less than a week remains of the allotted sixty days which the insurance companies have to make an equitable settlement of fire losses, and as yet very little has been accomplished. Not only are there numerous complaints over the seemingly unnecessary delay in settling claims, but there are ugly stories of most reprehensible treatment where settlements have been effected. The starving man who has money actually due him, when confronted with the alternative of accepting one-half or one-third of the amount now, or possibly the full amount at some indefinite time in the future, will, of course, satisfy the pangs of hunger by taking what is offered now, although it is not right that such an advantage should be taken of his unfortunate predicament. Something similar to this method is being followed by some of the underwriters who carried risks on San Francisco property. The practice would be abominable under any circumstances, but it is particularly outrageous in the present instance, where the insurance money due them is in hundreds of cases the sole remaining asset of the stricken people. In attempting to extort from a population of just obligations some of these insurance magnates sneak behind the limited liability barrier for protection. Notable among this class is the Traders, of Chicago, with a capital and surplus of \$1,376,000 and liabilities nearly \$3,000,000. The net worth of the stockholders of this company is estimated at \$500,000, and it can easily be understood that the underwriting agent could use this fact as a powerful argument in securing business for the company. There are individuals who have been in this company who could pay the entire losses for which the company was responsible at San Francisco and still be left with larger fortunes than the unfortunate victims of the disaster. Whenever an insurance company writes a policy for a given amount, the natural assumption is that the company, in case of total loss, expects to pay the full amount of the policy. The insured pays his premium in this belief, for the agent in quest of business will not fail to call his attention to the financial responsibility of the man who acts as the head of the company. The basic principle of the business is thus shown to be, to a large extent, confidence. The policy-holders of the Traders, of Chicago, knowing that the profits of life insurance and other ventures had enabled the directors of the company to pile up fortunes to the amount of \$500,000, had perfect confidence in their ability and willingness to pay any loss sustained, even though it be in excess of the comparatively limited amount involved in the insurance business. This confidence has now been destroyed, not only in this disreputable company, but in a number of other "fair-weather" companies which made no attempt to ride out their first storm of adversity. The lesson will prove an

expensive one for the policy-holders, but if the proper publicity is given of the methods of this class of underwriters, they will soon find their occupation gone.

AGAINST SMOOT.

"Assume a man if you have it not." It seems to be the motto of a group of Senators who have pronounced against Senator Smoot, of Utah, and want to unseat him. Against Smoot, as man, citizen or Senator, not a word is to be said. He is a man of exemplary personal and private character; but he is a member of the Mormon Church, some Mormons practice polygamy, or have practiced it; but Smoot is not one of these. A man must be turned out of the Senate, if any of the members of the church to which he adheres do wrong. This is the substance of the dictum of the majority of the Senate's committee on elections. Everything that could stir prejudice against the Mormons is urged in to support this view. It matters not that Smoot himself is a man of irreproachable character. All who are connected with the subject admit that he has led an upright life, free from immoral practices of every kind. It is shown that he never has countenanced or encouraged polygamy, but has done as much as any man in opposing the prohibition of the practice.

REFORM A TWO-PARTY WORK.

How to curb greed in beef, coal, oil, insurance, railroads and other life necessities, is an uppermost problem in America, but it is so unanimous an effort that it cannot be an issue between the two great political parties. The party which is in power, whether it be the Democrats or the Republicans, always has an underfed race. Never at any time did the Japanese have abundance of food. Only unceasing toil and rigid frugality among the people at large kept them from starvation. The party which is in power, whether it be the Democrats or the Republicans, always has an underfed race. Never at any time did the Japanese have abundance of food. Only unceasing toil and rigid frugality among the people at large kept them from starvation.

DR. DAY AND THE PACKERS.

In Chancellor Day's baculaureate sermon a sentence may be found here and there which is neither false nor foolish. His remark that large corporations are the result of strides the world is making cannot be controverted, but it is still open to question which way the strides are taking us. Do they lead forward to a state of greater happiness for the great mass of the people, or to a state of extravagant luxury for the few, with deprivation and oppression for the many? Surely it is quite as interesting to know where we are going as to know that we are going fast. The enlightened and disinterested workers of this country are entitled to believe that the tendencies of the large corporations as exhibited during the last thirty years are toward the concentration of the Nation's wealth in a few hands. This is a fine thing for those colleges and universities where the corporate magnates may take a fancy to endow, but it is bad for the country as a whole. Upon this all are agreed except those who benefit either as principals or parasites by the evil.

INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

Indian War Veterans, from near and as far as they are able, will flock to this city this week—the date and of their annual reunion falling this year upon June 12. Forgetful for a time of the years that have passed, these one-time defenders of the homes of the nation are in the Pacific Northwest will renew their youth in reminiscence, song and story, break bread together amiably, listen to words of admiration for past achievement and of gratitude, and depart to their homes full of the cheer of the great occasion. Not all of the men, perhaps, who will wear the badge of the Indian War Veteran on that day engaged in actual conflict with the bloodthirsty foes of civilization in the border wars that beset the settlements half a hundred years ago, and more, but all were united in the same duty, fell to them in going out against the savages. All shared the blanket bivouac on the snow or the ground and took turns at watching while their comrades slept, and all shared the tolls of marches and the fatigues of the campaign. And finally, all waited for more than half a lifetime the tardy recognition of their services by the Government in granting the modest pension claim made in their behalf.

PERSONAL VS. PARTY POLITICS.

From present indications Oregon seems to have elected a Democrat to the office of Governor once more. But all the rest of the state ticket was carried by the Republicans. It is unfortunate that contrary to what many persons would be allowed to interfere in the progress of the party in that state, and lose the opportunity to reclaim Oregon's gubernatorial office to a young woman of the north which have Democratic governors today, and there is no reason why it should not have taken its proper place in the general line of the party. Governor Chamberlain, however, that his administration has been in the main creditable. And in any event, his people have elected him a second time.

ROOSEVELT THE NOVEMBER ISSUE.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican. It is not surprising that the President should be almost the sole asset of the Republican party in this campaign. Mark it well. He promises to be the chief Republican issue in the rest of the country when the Autumn elections approach, for there would be little to write about in the history of the party the past year with Mr. Roosevelt left out.

BUT OREGON DIDN'T.

Kansas City Star. Oregon is reported to have gone Democratic yesterday. With every member of its Congressional delegation excepting one under indictment, goodness knows Oregon had sufficient provocation.

UPSET.

Anaconda Standard. While not quite so ferocious in its development, the woman's suffrage movement in Oregon seems to have been crowned with all the success of a South American revolution.

massacres but shuddering fables. Let us greet the Indian War Veterans cordially, listen patiently to their thrice-told tales of adventure and hardship, see that they are entertained fittingly and fed abundantly, and with true cordiality invite them to "come again."

Antone Woods, who gained notoriety some years ago as the "boy murderer of Colorado," who was paroled from the penitentiary of that state last Fall after having served fourteen years of a term of twenty-five years for murder, was married a few days ago in Newburgh, New York, to a daughter of Judge Terry, of that city. It is inconceivable that any young woman would perpetuate the crime of the criminal instead of the crook that formerly represented the state. The Republican political leaders are praising the President for his courageous course in insisting that the Roosevelt policy toward illegal monopolies and abuses of corporate power, and the Republican orators told the voters that a heavy majority for the Roosevelt ticket would be regarded as an endorsement of the President's work for rate legislation, enforcement of the commerce and anti-trust laws, and so on. But the Democratic Governor, Mr. Chamberlain, who is re-elected by a small majority, ran as a "Roosevelt Democrat." He had declared his full sympathy with the President's position, and therefore a Republican vote for him was not in any sense "a vote against Roosevelt." He had elected in 1902 to Republican division and defection, but he had made a good record and is unquestionably popular, thousands of Republicans voted for him a second time. Otherwise he would not have been a Republican candidate. In the interest of his pet measure, the Philippine tariff bill, which received a speedy death blow in the Senate. Secretary Taft's insistence that justice be accorded the Philippines aroused considerable sympathy with the President's position, and contributed to his unpopularity as a Presidential candidate. Inasmuch as the Government must eventually choose between abandoning the Philippines, or the alternative of a fair treatment that is shown to other-lands over which the American flag flies, this campaign of education, about to be inaugurated by Secretary Taft, will be a valuable one.

The wreck of homes and business and labor opportunity by earthquake and fire in San Francisco was at first appalling; nearly two months have passed and the stupendousness of the calamity is shown in the daily appeal for rattons to prevent a host 35,000 strong from leaving the city for starvation. The number of those who propose to live upon the donations of charity will be relatively small, but this will prove, as the months go on, the most perplexing factor in the problem, and the most difficult to eliminate.

Who shall say that there is nothing new under the sun? In Kansas they have a man who, being offered a seat in the United States Senate to fill the unexpired term of Senator Burton, refused the proffer for the reason that his inclination did not lead him that way, and he would rather stay in his own State to the political requirements of the position. His fellow-citizens of the Sunflower State looked on in amazement and the Nation with undisguised astonishment while F. D. Coburn, agriculturist and author, with this explanation declined the proffered seat, bowing himself out of the Governor's presence and drove back to his farm.

Sheriff Stevens still insists that he will not stand for an open town, but will enforce all laws with strict impartiality. It is a pity that the state has had to point to a large number of religiously inclined Republicans who assisted the Democrats in their endeavors to defeat him, and will now be deprived of the pleasure of saying, "I told you so." If the voters had placed the same degree of confidence in the promises of the Democrats that they placed in the misrepresented and maligned him, the election would not have been close enough for a recount.

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THE DEMOCRATIC VIEW.

New Orleans Times-Democrat. When it came to the Congressional election from Oregon there was even more reason for "turning the rascals out," for three out of four of the Oregon members have been convicted of corruption and crime. The fact, however, that the exposure of the crimes was ordered by the President and that he persisted in the prosecution of the criminals in spite of their high position in the ranks of the party and the great pressure brought to bear on him to stop prosecution, has apparently convinced a majority of the Oregonians that they ought to stand by the President by sending to Washington Republican Congressmen, but honest men instead of the crooks that formerly represented the state. The Republican political leaders are praising the President for his courageous course in insisting that the Roosevelt policy toward illegal monopolies and abuses of corporate power, and the Republican orators told the voters that a heavy majority for the Roosevelt ticket would be regarded as an endorsement of the President's work for rate legislation, enforcement of the commerce and anti-trust laws, and so on. But the Democratic Governor, Mr. Chamberlain, who is re-elected by a small majority, ran as a "Roosevelt Democrat." He had declared his full sympathy with the President's position, and therefore a Republican vote for him was not in any sense "a vote against Roosevelt." He had elected in 1902 to Republican division and defection, but he had made a good record and is unquestionably popular, thousands of Republicans voted for him a second time. Otherwise he would not have been a Republican candidate. In the interest of his pet measure, the Philippine tariff bill, which received a speedy death blow in the Senate. Secretary Taft's insistence that justice be accorded the Philippines aroused considerable sympathy with the President's position, and contributed to his unpopularity as a Presidential candidate. Inasmuch as the Government must eventually choose between abandoning the Philippines, or the alternative of a fair treatment that is shown to other-lands over which the American flag flies, this campaign of education, about to be inaugurated by Secretary Taft, will be a valuable one.

WHAT IS A "ROOSEVELT DEMOCRAT"?

Chicago Record-Herald. While it may be impossible to draw any general political moral from the results of the Oregon state and Congressional elections, which took place on Monday last, certain features of that election possess considerable interest. Certain politicians had predicted "a reaction" against the national Republican party, but there is no sign of any reaction in the returns. The one topic discussed during the contest appears to have been the Roosevelt policy toward illegal monopolies and abuses of corporate power, and the Republican orators told the voters that a heavy majority for the Roosevelt ticket would be regarded as an endorsement of the President's work for rate legislation, enforcement of the commerce and anti-trust laws, and so on. But the Democratic Governor, Mr. Chamberlain, who is re-elected by a small majority, ran as a "Roosevelt Democrat." He had declared his full sympathy with the President's position, and therefore a Republican vote for him was not in any sense "a vote against Roosevelt." He had elected in 1902 to Republican division and defection, but he had made a good record and is unquestionably popular, thousands of Republicans voted for him a second time. Otherwise he would not have been a Republican candidate. In the interest of his pet measure, the Philippine tariff bill, which received a speedy death blow in the Senate. Secretary Taft's insistence that justice be accorded the Philippines aroused considerable sympathy with the President's position, and contributed to his unpopularity as a Presidential candidate. Inasmuch as the Government must eventually choose between abandoning the Philippines, or the alternative of a fair treatment that is shown to other-lands over which the American flag flies, this campaign of education, about to be inaugurated by Secretary Taft, will be a valuable one.

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Omaha Bee. This election is only one among a multitude of signs that the coming campaign will be a full sympathy with the President's position, and therefore a Republican vote for him was not in any sense "a vote against Roosevelt." He had elected in 1902 to Republican division and defection, but he had made a good record and is unquestionably popular, thousands of Republicans voted for him a second time. Otherwise he would not have been a Republican candidate. In the interest of his pet measure, the Philippine tariff bill, which received a speedy death blow in the Senate. Secretary Taft's insistence that justice be accorded the Philippines aroused considerable sympathy with the President's position, and contributed to his unpopularity as a Presidential candidate. Inasmuch as the Government must eventually choose between abandoning the Philippines, or the alternative of a fair treatment that is shown to other-lands over which the American flag flies, this campaign of education, about to be inaugurated by Secretary Taft, will be a valuable one.

CHIEFLY LOCAL ISSUES.

New York Tribune. Oregon's record in gubernatorial contests is peculiar, for though the state has been safely Republican for many years, it has had latterly more opposition than Republican Governors. Penney was elected in 1884 and re-elected in 1888. Lord and Gear, Republicans, followed, each for a single term. Chamberlain was elected in 1902, and is now re-elected. During all this period the Republican controlled the Legislature and held the state in national elections, except that in 1892 the electoral vote was divided between Weaver and Harrison. It is a pity that the state has had to point to a large number of religiously inclined Republicans who assisted the Democrats in their endeavors to defeat him, and will now be deprived of the pleasure of saying, "I told you so." If the voters had placed the same degree of confidence in the promises of the Democrats that they placed in the misrepresented and maligned him, the election would not have been close enough for a recount.

WAVERING POLITICAL SENTIMENT.

Boston Transcript. Even under ordinary conditions, Oregon's political sentiment lacks stability. It can never be told one year what will happen the next. In 1892 the electoral vote was divided between Harrison and Weaver. In 1902 the Democrats elected a Governor by a small plurality, but in 1904, as between Parker and Roosevelt, the vote was not that close for the latter. It is a pity that the state has had to point to a large number of religiously inclined Republicans who assisted the Democrats in their endeavors to defeat him, and will now be deprived of the pleasure of saying, "I told you so." If the voters had placed the same degree of confidence in the promises of the Democrats that they placed in the misrepresented and maligned him, the election would not have been close enough for a recount.

PERSONAL VS. PARTY POLITICS.

From present indications Oregon seems to have elected a Democrat to the office of Governor once more. But all the rest of the state ticket was carried by the Republicans. It is unfortunate that contrary to what many persons would be allowed to interfere in the progress of the party in that state, and lose the opportunity to reclaim Oregon's gubernatorial office to a young woman of the north which have Democratic governors today, and there is no reason why it should not have taken its proper place in the general line of the party. Governor Chamberlain, however, that his administration has been in the main creditable. And in any event, his people have elected him a second time.

ROOSEVELT THE NOVEMBER ISSUE.

Springfield (Mass.) Republican. It is not surprising that the President should be almost the sole asset of the Republican party in this campaign. Mark it well. He promises to be the chief Republican issue in the rest of the country when the Autumn elections approach, for there would be little to write about in the history of the party the past year with Mr. Roosevelt left out.

BUT OREGON DIDN'T.

Kansas City Star. Oregon is reported to have gone Democratic yesterday. With every member of its Congressional delegation excepting one under indictment, goodness knows Oregon had sufficient provocation.

HAS FOUGHT ALL HIS LIFE.

Storony Career of Colonel William C. Greene, Mining Expert. New York Times. So many stories have been told about Colonel William C. Greene, one of the principal men in the recent American-Mexican shooting affray at Cananea, Mexico, that it is difficult to believe that any man could have survived all the adventures that are accredited to him. He has been in every kind of a scrape, from an Indian ambush in Mexico to a hold-up on Broadway. He has engaged in countless fights, in the courts and on the plains, but he has nearly always come out ahead of his enemies. In any event, he never failed to bob up, smiling and happy, ready to start another encounter. He is not a Westerner by birth, having been born in Westchester County, N. Y. in 1851. One of his grandfathers was a Long Island clergyman and the other was a blacksmith, who helped forge the famous iron chain that was stretched across the Hudson to prevent the British ascending that river.

After a brief experience in the tea business near the city, Greene went West, and before many years had passed he was exploring the Southwest in search of a mine that would pay. For 15 years, from 1866 to 1881, he was engaged in prospecting 3300 mines, none of which panned out for much. During this time he had 18 different partners in his ventures, and Greene jumped from his horse and walked or shooting affrays of one sort or another. Greene escaped serious injury, though one finger of his left hand is missing and his body still bears two or three scars.

USE YOUR GARDEN AS A CLOCK.

Philadelphia Bulletin. The professor of botany paused under an oak and the young girls in white gowns, themselves purged of the day and night, it would be possible, with a little labor, to construct a garden whose flowers, folding and unfolding, would make a first-rate clock. "It is 5 A. M. when the row thistle opens. It is 5:30 when the dandelion opens. It is 7 when the white lily opens. At 8 the lily of the valley opens. At 11:30 A. M. the row thistle closes. At noon precisely the yellow gossamer's head closes. At 3 P. M. the hawkweed closes. At 5 the lily of the valley closes. The dandelion closes at 8 sharp. "Since Pliny's time, 40 flowers have been known to open and close with great exactness over a town of 200 inhabitants. The task of correcting the town clock, to tell time by the flowers," he said, "you should be able to do that. Think how convenient it would be at this season."

WHY SWEAR IN LUMBER CAMPS?