

OREGON EDITORS WANT THIRD TERM

Roosevelt's Refusal Is No Bar, They Say.

NO DAMAGE FROM HARRIMAN

Railroad King's Fight, They Think, Helps President.

PRAISE CORPORATION CURB

Out of Thirty-two Newspaper Chiefs, Only Four Speak Against Re-election, and Two of the Four are Democrats.

Sentiment of Oregon newspapers strongly supports the new-term idea for Roosevelt, but is evenly divided on the question whether he should name the Republican nominee, should he himself not be the candidate of the party.

Harriman Strengthens Roosevelt.

Most of the replies mention the controversy with Harriman as having strengthened Roosevelt; in fact, such is the expression of those favoring his re-nomination. Their universal opinion is that no other man is so well suited to the people's demands or to execution of the policies inaugurated by him.

Roosevelt's Refusal in 1904.

In this connection it may be in place to quote the "refusal" of Roosevelt's made in a personal statement to newspaper correspondents at the White House on the night of election day, November 3, 1904.

Roosevelt Stronger Than Ever.

J. C. Hayter, editor Dallas, Polk County, Observer—While the writer has always admired President Roosevelt more as a "starrer" than as a politician, it must be acknowledged that he has done more than any other living American to arouse the people to the need of effective reform in social, industrial and political conditions.

NO OTHER MAN SO SUITABLE.

George A. Seibird, editor Union Republican, in his editorial, public sentiment in this city and county supports President Roosevelt and his policies as strongly as ever. He appears to have friends and admirers among all classes of people, regardless of politics.

Conditions Having Arisen Which Could Not Be Foreseen at the Time of President Roosevelt's Announcement That He Would Not Again Be a Candidate for the Presidential Chair, Public Sentiment Would Probably Justify His Acceptance of the Nomination for Another Term.

Next to the Nomination of President Roosevelt, the Importance of Which no Convention of Delegates Could Afford Lightly to Consider.

C. G. Huntley, of Clackamas County, Who Originated Roosevelt's Idea of Taxing Government for Campaign Expenses of Candidates.

Roosevelt, the people would probably gladly welcome a suggestion from him as to who, in his opinion, could best carry out the work and execute the plans he has outlined, and with which the public seems well satisfied.

Roosevelt Needs Longer Time.

T. L. DUGGER, editor Sci Santiam News: Without doubt President Roosevelt holds a more exalted place in the confidence of the people of Lane County today than ever before. They believe in him since the Harriman incident as never before.

Refusal Should Not Be Accepted.

Edward Curran, editor Condon Times—President Roosevelt is a strong faith in Gilliam County, in fact stronger today than ever before, this because no breath of suspicion has ever attached to his life, motives, aims or honesty.

Roosevelt Policies Need Roosevelt.

Herbert L. Gill, editor Woodburn Independent—The sentiment of an overwhelming majority in this section is for Mr. Roosevelt as his own successor. The Harriman controversy has had a tendency to accentuate the feeling of the people here of implicit confidence in the honesty of the President in his battle in behalf of the common people.

Democrats Also Want Roosevelt.

William J. Clarke, editor Gervais Star—President Roosevelt is the undoubted choice of the people and immediate selection for President for another term. This sentiment is not confined to Republican ranks alone, but finds awakening support among Democrats. His controversy with Mr. Harriman name in no wise lessened him in public support.

SAYS PROSPERITY WILL GO ON APACE

Head of Rock Island System Optimistic.

ALL INDUSTRIES HEALTHY

B. F. Yoakum Thinks Hostile Agitation Will Soon Cease.

COUNTRY BOUND TO GROW

Declares Pendulum of Business Is Swinging to an Era of Greater Progress Than Ever, Despite Anti-Railroad Feeling.

CHICAGO, April 21.—(Special).—"Industrial conditions in all the territory traversed by our lines indicate a continuance of the remarkably prosperous era," said B. F. Yoakum, head of the Rock Island-Frisco Railway system, on his arrival here from New York for a conference with leading officials of the system.

"The various matters which have caused much concern to the transportation interests of this country undoubtedly are nearer adjustment, and with the cessation of unfriendly agitation will come a better relation between the carriers and their patrons," continued Mr. Yoakum.

"There seems no good reason why there should be any diminution of the prosperity of this country. Not only is the volume of traffic on our lines today as heavy as it ever was, but the contracts in hand of manufacturing and industrial concerns make certain a continuation of the volume of traffic for a long time to come—a year, at least."

"It is unfortunate that events have occurred which have hampered the railroads in their plans to extend their lines and to increase their facilities for handling traffic, but I am confident of a complete return to normal conditions. This country is bound to grow bigger and better in every way, and not go backward. Development of the railroads is the greatest aid in the development of the country. The closer the relations between the railroads the better for all interests."

"Unquestionably, the reaction of public sentiment regarding the railroads has set in and is steadily growing. Some legislation has been enacted that was not well considered, but, apparently, anti-railroad bills are no longer advocated by the business interests of this country, or by the general public. The pendulum is swinging the other way."

Denver Denies Stories.

DENVER, Colo., April 21.—Meyer Friedman, president of the Denver Chamber of Commerce, after a conference with the officers of the National Jewish Hospital for Consumptives today, with their approval issued a protest against the irre-

EVENTS OF COMING WEEK

The Jamestown Exposition, commemorating the 300th anniversary of the first English settlement in America, will open at Norfolk, Va., on Friday with President Roosevelt as the guest of honor. The exposition will continue until November 30.

A commission appointed under the immigration act passed by Congress last Winter, which will make a thorough investigation of the whole question of immigration so far as it affects the United States, will hold its first meeting in Washington on Monday. It is likely that before the commission completes its work it will have visited many of the countries of Europe for the study of the immigration of aliens at close range, and inquire thoroughly into the restrictions placed upon Chinese and Japanese immigration. The findings and recommendations of the committee will be submitted to Congress and used as a basis of immigration legislation.

The Interstate Commerce Commission will give hearings at Columbus, O., Memphis, Tenn., and Louisville, Ky., this week. The economic committee, which acts in an advisory capacity to the German government in tariff matters, has been called to meet April 22 to discuss German-American tariff relations. The temporary arrangements recently negotiated at Washington by Secretary Root and Baron von Sternberg, the German Ambassador, for an extension of the most favored nation treatment will be laid before the committee.

Responsible utterances of agents concerning health conditions in Denver. He said the efforts of agents to collect funds by arousing sympathy through statements that consupicuous by the hundreds were homeless in Denver and dying in the streets were cruelly false and utterly unwarranted. These conditions do not prevail in Denver.

BLOWS STRUCK IN CHURCH

ROW BETWEEN FACTIONS ENDS IN OPEN BATTLE.

Police Refuse to Interfere and Order Only Restored When One Side Withdraws.

PORTSMOUTH, O., April 21.—Rivalry between factions of the Free Will Baptist Church broke out here in open battle during this morning's service. A faction opposing the pastor, Rev. Freeman Chase, attempted to hold service with another minister in charge. This was resisted by the Chase faction and soon things were being freely exchanged. During the melee, many women fainted and others ran screaming into the street. The police were appealed to, but refused to interfere. Finally the new minister withdrew, leaving Mr. Chase and his supporters in charge, and order was restored.

BENEDICT GIMBEL IS DEAD

Succumbs to Self-Inflicted Wounds Made After His Arrest.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Benedict Gimbel, the wealthy Philadelphia merchant, who cut his throat and writes with broken glass in a hotel in Hoboken, soon after he had been arrested on serious charges in this city, died in St. Mary's Hospital at Hoboken, shortly before 3 o'clock this morning.

STRUGGLE NOW ON TO WIN NEW YORK

Roosevelt Forces Must Fight Machine.

LEADERS LINE UP FOR FRAY

"Big Sack" Will Contest "Big Stick" in Empire State.

INTERESTS FOR FAIRBANKS

Administration to Use Every Effort to Unite Recalcitrant Forces so That Hughes May Have Support of Organization.

NEW YORK, April 21.—(Special).—That the fight in Ohio will not take up all of President Roosevelt's spare time is clearly indicated by the attitude of Henry W. Taft, brother of the Secretary of War. Mr. Taft went to Washington this week and had a long conference with the President, presumably on the subject of the next tenant of the White House. Immediately after leaving Roosevelt Mr. Taft gave out the following statement regarding conditions in New York:

Must Line Up With Hughes.

Public opinion approves the main features of Governor Hughes' policies. The Republican party in the state stands for the policies of President Roosevelt and the latter supports Governor Hughes because they work on similar lines and have the same purposes.

Some of the leaders of the Republican organization seem to be put in the attitude of opposition to Hughes. This cannot continue if the state is to be kept in the Republican ranks, and I believe that what must be found is some way by which the Governor may be given the sympathetic support of the organization.

I feel sure that the President believes that Governor Hughes' policies are good and should, with such changes as a friendly consideration may suggest, be put into effect. The Republican organization should have the advantage of the support of the public opinion which Hughes is leading, and he should have the support of a political organization which will aid him to carry his views into practical effect.

Mr. Taft's remarks, which are believed to have been inspired, have created great excitement among the politicians. They regard it as a practical notice that opposition to Hughes means not only the loss of state patronage, but of National pay as well. Some of them are seeking peace, while others are preparing for war, and both factions are mighty busy.

President's Opponents Active.

A conference of anti-Roosevelt Republicans was held in this city the other day, and among those who attended were an ex-Governor of the state, an ex-president of the New York County committee, and three State Senators. It was the unanimous opinion, as voiced by one of

SEATTLE'S PLAINT IS OF NO AVAIL

Census Bureau Refuses to Accept Figures.

ITS POPULATION IS PADDED

Estimates for Portland Are Admitted to Be Low.

GUESSES ARE UNRELIABLE

Sound City Would Have to Be Healthiest Place in the World to Make Good Its Claims. The System Is Faulty.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 21.—The Census Bureau is very much inclined to recent criticisms that have been made by Western cities on its recent estimate of population in the larger cities of the United States. Seattle has been more vigorous in its protest than any other city, though considerable criticism has been received from Portland, Tacoma and Spokane, all insisting that the census estimate is far from correct, and, therefore, unfair.

Open New Deal With a Sack.

There is a rumor afloat that E. H. Harriman will fight actively, although perhaps inconspicuously, in the effort to turn Roosevelt's own state against him. Mr. Harriman has not liked the President for some time, and since their recent quarrel his feelings are said to be indescribable.

Although it is generally admitted that the majority of the Republican rank and file are with Roosevelt and Hughes, yet it cannot be denied that the machinery of the party in the different counties of the state is in the hands of men who are opposed, either openly or secretly, to the President and the Governor. Outside of New York County, where Congressman Herbert Parsons controls the organization, the practical politicians are all anxious for a new deal.

The list of those who are expected to line up for Fairbanks is a long and imposing one, although at the present time nearly all of them are under cover.

Woodruff for Fairbanks.

State Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff is put at the head of the list, although at present he has not announced where he stands. Woodruff is the undisputed ruler of the 23 Assembly Districts in King's County, and although numerous efforts have been made to oust him they have all failed.

Mr. Woodruff has received absolutely no recognition from the present Governor. So far as the "Big Stick" is concerned, the State Chairman is indifferent, for all the important appointments under the National Government in his district are filled by men of his selection, and the terms of office of the incumbents all run until after March 4, 1909. Woodruff has every-

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