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THE INCOMPARABLE BENCO GAME
The Oregonian supported the primary law and urged its adoption...

But though The Oregonian was an advocate of the primary law, it never was an advocate of the "statement" feature that has been foisted into it...

It has sanctioned and approved the idea of population vote on Senator, prior to the election, because this might be a means of obtaining the judgment of the different parties as to candidates...

But a method that could only be petitionary, or at most advisory, and as such strictly within constitutional limits, is now exalted above usage and law, and above the Constitution itself...

Passing the legality and validity by, are we to get stronger men for the Senate by this method? It has given us Bourne, Calkins and next in the succession...

The vote for Chamberlain in June was \$2,000, for Bryan in November, \$5,000. It means that 16,000 voters who didn't want Chamberlain voted for him, nevertheless...

Nobody believes that Chamberlain is stronger in Oregon for the Senate than Bryan for the Presidency. But people hate fraud and juggle in politics...

The people of Oregon will not be led by the Bourne and the U'Rens and the Calkins, to be delivered to the Chamberlains and to the Bryan minority...

There isn't a soul in Oregon who doesn't know that the people of Oregon never have declared Chamberlain their choice for Senator...

what they call "a cinch"—just the same as any other bunco game. Certainly, if the "pledge" taken before the election is binding, the command of the law to those who didn't take the pledge is equally coercive...

Yet there is a simple, lawful and constitutional way by which both consequences might be avoided. Some of them are of course, not to be thought of just as well for the Legislature to brush all this rubbish aside and proceed to the election of a Senator in the manner directed by the Constitution and laws of the United States...

HENEY AND HIS WORK
That Heney has done, on the whole, a good and great work. The Oregonian fully believes that in some of his methods he was not judicious and wise, it concedes. Yet it remains that Heney has done a great work...

Therefore it is argued that, since all can't be punished, none should be. The Oregonian does not object to Heney's testimony with its conclusion. Heney, we have thought, has not always done his work judiciously, but society has a right to use all possible means for conviction and punishment...

It is interesting to speculate what the result would be if Heney were frequently confronted with impeachment proceedings than they now are. Would reverence for the courts be increased or diminished? At first thought one answers "diminished," but it is not certain that such would be the case...

THE HYSTERICAL PROHIBITIONIST
The American Anti-Saloon League, which has been the most effective agency yet organized for combating the evils of the liquor traffic, has decided in the past to have no public exhibitions. Trickery on the part of their large allies is charged for the defeat in many places where victory should have been won...

SOME OF ALL WEALTH
Dollar wheat, 60-cent corn and 50-cent oats, together with all other agricultural products selling at correspondingly high figures, have placed this country in an enviable and prosperous condition. This situation is in a general way apparent to all, but it is the stranger who is most forcibly impressed by it...

It is in his interview Major Webb touched on the recent panic in this country and the recovery now under way, expressing the opinion that "the trade of the country must follow on the great prosperity of the West." It is difficult for the human mind to grasp the huge proportions of the slide collaters, which the West is now turning into money that in a golden stream is rushing into all avenues of trade and industry...

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now coming back to them in payment for the crops. This money will not be stored on the shelves, but it will find its way into circulation. It will be used for purchasing new barns, residences, fences, automobiles, pianos and other luxuries and necessities, the manufacture and sale of which will bring prosperity to a long train of other industries...

THE PEOPLE RULE
The country at large answered Mr. Bryan's queries as to the rule of the people in no uncertain terms last week. And the rule of the people will not be disturbed for another four years.

But shall those, who lack 40,000 of being the People of Oregon, rule? The Dallas Optimist. The country at large answered Mr. Bryan's queries as to the rule of the people in no uncertain terms last week...

TEN DAYS HAVE PASSED SINCE the news of Taft's election sent stock prices up like a flash and while there have been occasional declines, due to profiting, the inherent strength of the market was such that yesterday new records were scored in some of the industrials, and the entire list displayed a most satisfactory feature...

THE INTERNATIONAL SAILING-SHIP OWNERS' Union held a meeting in London a few days ago to discuss the reduction of grain freights out of Pacific Coast ports. It was decided to retain the old rate of 27s 6d, and as a result the tramp steamers will continue to handle a large amount of the grain surplus that is to go foreign...

SOME OF THE MEMBERS of the Union Republican Club, of Portland, are said to be for Chamberlain for Senator. Very well; let us have no Republican party in Oregon. We shall have none, on their principles, anyway.

It is being made to get the dredge Chinook for work on the Columbia River. The contract for the building of the craft was that her boilers were unfit for service. As the craft was doing excellent work in deepening the channel when she was retired, it might be a good plan again to place her in service.

"If you don't like the Statement-One law," says the politician, "let it not repeat itself." It should be the duty of the citizen to repeat it, that they should obey the Constitution of the United States until they repeat that.

The Mayor of Vancouver, B. C., who ejected a warlike Councilman from the city hall, showed 'em his muscle, too. This fine weather is not uncommon there; it is no more work now to be done than usual; if only seems so.

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ELECTION COMMENT IN THE SOUTH
General Disposition to Accept the Choice of Taft on Reconsidering. The Oregonian (S. C.) Evening Post. William H. Taft is, perhaps, a McKinley-Roosevelt or Roosevelt-McKinley, as you may choose. He has the enterprise of Roosevelt and the moderation of McKinley. Possibly the compromise may be an ideal President...

A Conscienceless Nation. Florida Times-Union. The Democrats made an appeal to the conscience of the American people. They found it unanswerable because it was not their own conscience that they appealed to, but the conscience of a nation...

Business Prejudice for Taft. Knoxville Sentinel. The election's result we attribute to the prejudice of the business men and capitalists of the country, especially of the East, have against Mr. Bryan.

Bryan Republic's Ornament. Memphis (Tenn.) News-Sentinel. The result may mean that Mr. Bryan shall never adorn official station. It cannot, however, prevent him from being remembered as a private citizen the Republic's greatest ornament.

"A Man of Stability." Wilmington (Del.) News. The people can be depended upon to stand for their own interests. They have made it manifest that they realized that more was to be secured through the election of a man of stability, and possessed of a fair and judicious mind...

Where? In Columbia (S. C.) State. In view of the scattering returns that show Republican strength in almost every quarter, we must ask where the Democratic vote is. Where is the revolt by the labor vote? Where were the unemployed hosts? Where the myriad victims of panic?

Proposed Taft's Election. Chattanooga News. It has been our belief for a month that Mr. Taft would be elected. At no time since the campaign opened with Bryan's nomination did we believe that it was possible for Mr. Bryan to win.

No Vindication of Roosevelt. Lexington (Ky.) Herald. The unprejudiced observer who is not concerned for Mr. Roosevelt's reputation, will regard the results as a little in the present situation that can be regarded as an approval of the Roosevelt ideas.

Will Not Rock the Boat. Louisville (Ky.) Times. By virtue to the practice of rocking the boat. He is not by nature or by practice an agitator. The people evidently were in a mood to say, "Let us have a rest." They thought the country would be little disturbed by drastic policies or important legislation.

Democracy's Four Issues. Dallas (Tex.) News. On four issues the Democrats stood for policies that should have appealed strongly to the good sense of the people. They stood for economy as against extravagance in public expenditures; for tariff reform as against a stand-pat policy that meant Republican candidate to content himself with declaring for "a higher duty on potatoes, for a lower duty on wool, and for a higher duty on sugar."