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Portland, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1910.

Parties vs. the Country

Proportional representation and majority rule are in irreconcilable conflict. If we have one in Oregon, we must abandon the other. We cannot have both.

Not a Representative Apple

The biggest Jonathan apple ever grown in Walla Walla Valley, or elsewhere so far as our information extends, was produced by a three-year-old tree near Walla Walla. It weighs one pound seven ounces, stands four inches high and is fourteen and one-half inches in girth.

Robbing the Thrift

The mismanaged savings bank which collapses under bad management and thievery usually spreads distress through the community in which it has drawn money from people of slender resources.

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jected, no help will be forthcoming from the Government. The enterprising citizens of Coos Bay who have honestly endeavored to remove some of the physical disabilities of their port undoubtedly understand this situation, and for the good of the port as well as of the surrounding country it is to be hoped that the present legal obstacle just placed in their way will soon be removed.

This is the Issue, No Other Is

Let us not be driven away from steady contemplation of the only real issue of this campaign. It is not Statement One, Two, or Three. It is not the direct primary. The primary cannot be disturbed, or even attacked, and no one contemplates it. The issue is the unnatural, improper and indefensible alliance and partnership between Bourne and Chamberlain. They are together to get a bill which will divide the district between them. They are willing to wreck the Democratic party, as they have sought to wreck the Republican party, to accomplish their own selfish ends.

The Loss Magnified

That the timber loss through fire during the dry season of 1910 in the Pacific Northwest was much lighter than reported has been known for some time. Much of the destruction indulged in at the time of the fires was traceable to the Government Forestry Service.

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loquently advocated by men who know what they were talking about. Its methods are simple, but they must be applied with understanding, persistence and energy. They are not for the faint-hearted plowman, the man whose woeled path after the water brooks and will not be satisfied without them; the man whom the experience of the first year discourages. But for him who plows deeply and plows yet again and again before the dry soil shows signs of response, who so maps out his general plan, portion that the amended homestead act allows him that he always has some portions to the good, while other parts of his holdings are being coached for their turn at the harvest yield; who learns something from each year's experience in the process of coaxing reluctant Nature into a yielding mood and industriously applies his knowledge to the matter in hand, dry farming has already brought satisfactory returns.

High School and College

It is difficult to escape the conviction that the Superintendent Turner, of the Grants High School, has solid grounds for his complaint against the college. In his letter to the Oregonian on Tuesday he summed up the matter by saying that the high schools, as far as their course of study goes, are "in servitude to the university."

When the New Baseball Grounds in South Portland go into commission it will be convenient to duck unsatisfactory umpires in the Willamette instead of mobbing them.

Manager Chance has a right to be proud of the Cubs. A team that leads last year's champions by twenty-four games has accomplished something.

The West Point cadets, being gentlemen as well as embryo officers, met reconciliation half way, and all is quiet on the Hudson.

With Marconi's wireless transmitting a message 5600 miles, all other long-distance records this year can go "way back and sit down."

While the cause of dry farming is daily becoming more popular, it will not be practiced in all the dry counties of Oregon.

Governor Bowerman is handy with the typewriter and cold facts.

Law Approves Conventions

Corrupt Practice Act is Sufficient Answer to Bourne. MEDFORD, Oct. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Jonathan Bourne, formerly one of the most corrupt and unscrupulous politicians in the State of Oregon, but who seems recently to have been converted into a pure and spotless statesman, writes an open letter to the people of Oregon, which is given conspicuous place in the columns of the "non-partisan" press.

Tale of 1882 Over Again

If the Democratic party in New York is as wise now as it was in 1882 and in 1884, there is no reason why the result of the Republican divisions now should not be similar to the result of the war between the States and the Half-Breed party of 1884.

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Statement No. 1 as a Principle

Its Adoption Would Cement Republicans, Says C. W. Hodson. PORTLAND, Oct. 3.—(To the Editor.)—I assume Mr. Ellsworth is a Republican who desires party supremacy; at least that is a fair inference from the concern he exhibits as to the success of the Democrats. Perhaps he, along with many others with whom I have talked, is of the opinion that something should be done to prevent the disruption of the Republican party.

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Life's Sunny Side

Once upon a time Joseph Fels, the English multi-millionaire, had been stating his proposition at length to a listener, who was impressed by the genial humor, the profound kindness and the serene wisdom of the man. The Jew, turned to him quietly and said: "Fels, the Jews call themselves the chosen people; the world has acknowledged the title and a wish. For the sake of the chosen people, in your presence, to admit that they are indeed the chosen. But what are they chosen for?"

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Nothing Impossible Now

New York Telegram. A contractor says he cannot only raise the Maine, but bring her up under her own steam. This sounds almost incredulous, but then somebody has done it up David B. Hill and made him talk.