

DEMOCRATS FLOCK TO DR. WITHERS

Republican Draws Hundreds of Votes From West's Pro- tege on Ticket.

OFFERS OF AID FREQUENT

Multnomah Now Seems Likely to Give Overwhelming Majorities and Laborers Promise Support at Various Meetings.

Democrats by the hundreds are flocking to the standard of Dr. James Withercombe. The Republican primary nominee for Governor. On every hand yesterday Dr. Withercombe was met by Multnomah County Democrats who assured him that they would cast their vote for him a week from next Tuesday in preference to the West candidate, Dr. C. J. Smith.

"It has amazed me the number of Democrats who are pledging me their support voluntarily," said Dr. Withercombe last night. "This condition is confined not only to Multnomah County but to every section of the state where I have been. Men whom I have known as strong party men for years have assured me of their support. One informant told me that he would cast his first vote for a Republican November 3, after having been a Democratic voter all his life.

Multnomah Laborers Favorable. "The public attitude towards me in Multnomah County is most encouraging," continued Dr. Withercombe. "Today I met hundreds of persons, mainly mechanics and working people, and the greeting I received from them is always warm. Assurances of support were given me by all. At a meeting in Dr. Withercombe returned to Portland early yesterday afternoon, after a strenuous canvass in Marion County, where his growing fame is spreading and where he found thousands of warm supporters. Before leaving Salem he was invited to speak before a meeting of the Multnomah County laborers at an informal address with applause. He also visited the woolen and lumber mills and met the workers in those places.

All Sections Enthusiastic. "I do not enjoy talking about myself and my campaign," said Dr. Withercombe, "but I suppose it is necessary to let the public know through the press the results of my campaign tours. My reception in every section has exceeded every hope and expectation. The sympathy that is being shown for the cause of the unemployed is an especially encouraging sign and leads me to feel convinced that, if elected, I will have the support of every citizen in putting into effect those reforms in taxation and those constructive measures for upbuilding the state which are my fondest ambition. "Although early in the campaign there was an attempt being made to mislead the people on my attitude as to their laws, but as Governor I will regard it as my highest duty to protect and safeguard them from any attacks that might be made. "On the question of the single item veto my record is clear. I reiterated that I was the first man in Oregon publicly to advocate the single item veto. It is an invaluable instrument in the hands of a Governor whose honest purpose is to use it in protecting the people from extravagant or unwise legislation rather than as an instrument of intrigue and for furthering selfish ends. I never for an instant have wavered in my support of the single item veto, but I am fully conscious of the danger of putting this instrument in the hands of a narrow, vindictive and vengeful executive.

People Want Development. "The amount of interest I find in state development is encouraging. People everywhere realize the necessity of developing our latent resources. I have barely touched the wealth about us in Oregon and on every hand I find support for my plan to lend aid to the farmers and producers of the state. I have engaged in a work which I have been engaged in already for many years, but which, as Governor, I will be able to carry on in a much larger way. "This morning Dr. Withercombe will go to Mount Angel and tonight he will speak at Hillsboro, formerly his home town and near which point his farm is located. He then will return to Portland to resume his canvass of Multnomah County. Friends and supporters in Multnomah County particularly are pleased with the progress of his campaign. His strong popularity in every section of the state is pointed to with particular satisfaction by his intimate friends because of the fact that Dr. Withercombe is spending nothing in the campaign except for actual traveling expenses and a meager supply of cards.

REALTY MEN CHEER CANDIDATE Ovation Given Dr. Withercombe, Who Is Guest at Board Luncheon. Dr. James Withercombe, Republican nominee for Governor, was given an ovation at the weekly luncheon of the Portland Realty Board at the Portland Commercial Club yesterday. He attended the luncheon as the personal guest of one of the members and made no speech, but when he arose to answer a question he was greeted with applause, which lasted several minutes. Following the recommendation of the executive committee the board yesterday went on record as opposed to the \$1500 tax exemption law. The water-front measure, the water ordinance, will be submitted at the city recall election next week and to the measure proposing the taxation of estates to provide relief for the unemployed. By endorsing the committee report unanimously the realty men pledged themselves to vote against the measure. The board has appointed a special committee to fight the \$1500 exemption measure.

Franklin T. Griffith was the speaker of the day. Fred A. Jacobs acted as chairman of the meeting and a quartet from the Pantages Theater. Next Friday the Realty Board will meet at usual for luncheon, but will adjourn immediately thereafter in a body to the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show. The parade will be led by

WIFE SUES BAKER PLAYER

Brandon Evans Surprised When He Gets Divorce Summons.

Coming as a total surprise to Brandon Evans, one of the Baker Players, was the serving of papers, on Tuesday, pending a divorce action brought by his wife, Mrs. Evans. Mrs. Evans is known professionally as Josephine Rosa, and was married to Mr. Evans ten years ago in San Diego, where Mr. Evans was manager of a stock company for several years. They have one daughter, Virginia, aged 4, who is now with her mother. It is for the custody of the child that Mr. Evans will contest the suit, and for that purpose has retained as counsel John P. Logan. Mr. Evans and his wife spent the summer months in New York, and their first separation in four years occurred when Mr. Evans came to Portland to join the Baker Players.

"I left Mrs. Evans and our little girl in August," said the actor. "She was well and presumably happy. I am at a loss to understand the motive back of the divorce action, but I certainly shall resent any attempt to take my child from my protection and guidance." Mr. Evans is a graduate in law, a University of Ohio man, and his theatrical history is a successful one. Last season he was with the Eastern "Fine Feathers" company. Miss Rosa created the role of Rosie, with Eleanor Robson, in "Merely Mary Ann."

Y. M. C. A. BOYS ARE ACTIVE

Work of Department Carried On by Own Form of Government.

The operation of the boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. under the direction of the boy members has been successful in the province of unassisted success, in the opinion of J. W. Palmer, boys' work director of the association. Four boys have been chosen as directors of the department, composed of the following boys: Stewart Weiss, Bible clubs; Wayne Loder, social department; Kenneth Johnson, drama department; Morten Christenson, athletic department. The business of the department is conducted by the cabinet, composed of the four directors, and the council composed of the cabinet and the president of the Y. M. C. A. club. "This system is proving a great success," said Mr. Palmer yesterday. "It gives the boys the feeling that the association is run for them and by them, not by a crowd of paid officials. They have their own court, where offenders are tried. They mete out their own punishment to the delinquents. A cabinet meeting has been announced for next Wednesday night.

CHURCH FOLK HIT RECALL

Men's Club of Presbyterian Body Attacks Move Against Officials.

Recall of Mayor Albee and the two City Commissioners was condemned as wrong and without cause at this time at the banquet held by the Men's Club of the Third Presbyterian Church, East Pine and East Thirteenth streets, Tuesday night. The club reaffirmed its confidence in the Mayor and the two City Commissioners. A resolution adopted last Winter, and it was declared that the heavy expense of the special election is a great waste of money. Several who spoke on the recall declared that every one favorable to good government should sustain the Mayor and the two Commissioners and vote against the recall at the special election. The club adopted a resolution in opposition to Commissioner Daly's water measure, changing from the present method of collecting water tax on the ground that it would throw the burden of collecting the water tax on the property owner and make him responsible for all losses.

CONSCIENCE RETURNS NOTE

Sheriff Word Receives Peculiarly Addressed Envelope by Mail.

That the still small voice of conscience is effective was proved yesterday to Sheriff Word's satisfaction when he received through the mail two anonymous notes, one amounting to \$200 and some other effects, the property of Mrs. M. C. Howard, which had been confided to the Women's Relief Corps at the Courthouse several weeks ago. The papers were mailed in such a way that the sender, Brown's wrapping paper was pinned together in the form of an envelope and the address was written on the inside of the paper. The things recovered were in a purse belonging to Mrs. Howard, which was missed during a recent conference of women in the Relief Corps rooms.

THIEF WRITES TO VICTIM

Confession Made in Letter Leads to 90-Day Term Being Imposed.

Scarcely did F. A. Siders, of Portland, realize that he had been robbed by a supposed friend before he received a note telling him that a warrant was sworn out for H. B. Smith's arrest. Smith wrote the card himself, admitted taking \$17.50 and a check for \$30 and gave himself up to the Seattle police. Being an alleged parole violator, Smith was sentenced to serve 90 days in the city jail. Municipal Judge Stevenson yesterday afternoon on a charge of larceny. Siders and Smith had worked in the harvest fields together and roomed at Scadding House before Smith left for Seattle with his friend's money. He spent the cash, but returned the \$30 check. Smith's arrest was the result of a similar charge in the East, but had been paroled, the police say.

FIXTURES TO BE CHECKED

Mr. Daly Would See That None Escapes Paying in Full for Water.

Believing that there are hundreds of water-users in the city who have fixtures for which they are not paying the prescribed rates, City Commissioner Daly announced yesterday that he proposed as soon as possible to commence a survey of all services. Under the rate schedule for water there is a minimum rate of 50 cents a month for water for such a purpose as only. An additional charge is made for toilets, bathtubs, water heaters and other fixtures. It is said that there are hundreds of water-users who have fixtures for which they are not paying up to the full requirement. There has not been a survey of the water service system for 30 years, Mr. Daly says. Mrs. Louise J. Beggs, 51, Dies. Miss Louise J. Beggs, aged 51 years, died Thursday night at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. Field, 407 East Fifty-fourth street. The body will be shipped to Waukesha, Wis., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Field.

WHEAT IS HIGHER; DEMAND KEEPS UP

Bluestem Sells at \$1.15 and Club at \$1.09. With Offerings Less Free.

OATS AND FLOUR TAKEN

First Shipment of Milled Product to Great Britain Arranged and Foreign Orders in Northwest Are Put at 250,000 Barrels.

Grain men are of the opinion that prices will continue to advance as long as the war lasts. At any rate, the demand now is so strong that wheat and oats prices are being moved up each day. Wheat cargoes are selling in Europe close to the highest prices recorded in the history of the trade, and so urgent appears to be the need for foodstuffs on the other side that prices seem to be a secondary consideration now. The local grain market recorded sharp advances yesterday. A large lot of bluestem wheat was sold at \$1.15, a price of 3 cents, as compared with the previous day's business. Millers at coast points and in the interior are active buyers of milling wheat, and exporters are plucking up export grades wherever they are offered. Club wheat sold in the country during the day at prices equal to \$1.09 here.

Oats Up to \$20. The oats market was lifted to \$22 by the trading at the Merchants Exchange, but the business done was light as sellers demanded more money. Throughout the country it is less easy to buy oats and wheat than it was at the beginning of the week, as farmers are now convinced that higher prices will prevail. The local market for oats that have been sold to the British government and will be dispatched on the Aristano, other orders have been placed here and on Puget Sound. It is believed that the oats exportations from the Northwest will be very heavy, as supplies in the East have been much reduced by the heavy shipments made from those sections to Europe. Flour trade for European account is assuming heavy proportions. Many mills in Oregon and Washington have booked orders and there is enough business in sight to keep them running for months. It is reported that about 250,000 barrels of flour are being sold by Portland and Puget Sound shippers to go forward to the warring nations.

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BELGIANS TO BE ASKED

STATE WOULD OFFER ITS ACRES TO REFUGEE HUSBANDMEN.

Commercial Club Committee and Oregon Immigration Commission Discuss Feasibility of Plan.

Edward Ehrman, John Hartog and C. Chapman, Oregon Immigration agents, were appointed yesterday on a joint committee to prepare a report on the advisability of taking steps through the Oregon Immigration Commission to bring Belgian refugees, who have been made destitute by the war, to the agricultural lands of Oregon for settlement. The foreign immigration commission of the Commercial Club, consisting of Mr. Ehrman and J. D. Farrell, and a committee from the Realty Board, consisting of H. G. Beckwith and Mr. Hartog, met with the State Immigration Commission yesterday at the meeting at which the above committee was appointed. Members of the Immigration Commission present were T. C. Burke, O. E. Longren, M. N. Dana, W. E. Goman and C. C. Chapman. The idea advanced was that Oregon might be able to help the destitute Belgians and at the same time procure a class of most desirable settlers. "There is grave doubt, however, whether the refugees will offer to Oregon a class of immigrants which will be desirable in the state," says Mr. Chapman. "While they may be of most excellent character, it is likely that the majority of them will come from the manufacturing classes and not the agricultural class and they will flock to the cities instead of the land, and at this time, in Oregon, such a flocking would be deplorable. It is farmers that the state needs to attract and not the trades classes. "No plans which appear feasible have been suggested for dealing with the matter as yet and the committee will welcome any suggestions which seem to indicate a practical method by which Oregon can procure the class of people which will be of advantage to the state and will be able to make a good living here."

BONDS OVER - SUBSCRIBED

Issue of \$142,918 Drawing 6 Per Cent Brings Premium.

Improvement in the market for Portland bonds was noted yesterday in bids which were opened for an issue of \$142,918 of 10-year 6 per cent improvement bonds. The entire issue was sold for premiums ranging from 1.50 per cent to 2.01 per cent. Bids were received for several times the amount of bonds offered for \$500; L. H. Wang, 2 per cent for \$1500; The Hop Growers Fire Relief Association, 2 per cent for \$500; Fred Schrick, 2 per cent for \$1000; Mr. Apin, 2 per cent for \$500; Scandinavian-American Bank, 1.50 per cent for \$500; 1.55 per cent for \$500; 1.90 per cent for \$500; 2 per cent for \$500; W. F. White, 2.01 per cent for \$10,000; 1.91 1/2 per cent for \$200; Oregon Life Insurance Company, 1.75 per cent for \$10,000; United States National Bank, 1.55 per cent for \$500; Michael McNamara, 2 per cent for \$100; John Murphy, 2.01 per cent for \$100; Laura A. Flinders, 1.75 per cent for \$700; William Adams, City Treasurer, \$23,475.95 at par for municipal sinking funds. The unsuccessful bidders numbered about 50 and submitted bids for several hundred thousand dollars more of bonds than were offered for sale.

WOOD CUTTING TO BE TRIED

Conversion of Timber to Cordwood Proposed for Unemployed.

As a part of the general plan to give work to the unemployed in Oregon during the winter months, the City Commission yesterday started an investigation of the possibilities of establishing municipal woodyards. Municipal Purchasing Agent Wood was instructed to advertise for bids for furnishing standing timber to be cut and converted into cordwood. It is said it will take from \$20,000 to \$40,000 to handle the scheme, but that all the money would come back from the sale of the wood. It is believed that an appropriation of \$40,000 would establish a rotary fund, which would perpetuate the work for the seasonal unemployed. The transaction would be the most inexpensive method of handling the unemployed situation, it is thought.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ravellin, of Hood River, are at the Seaward. J. L. McIntire, an insurance broker of Seattle, is at the Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. H. Tankins, of Calgary, Alberta, are at the Oregon. J. H. Price, a merchant from St. Helena, is at the Multnomah. Mr. and Mrs. John Coffey, of Vancouver, B. C., are at the Perkins. M. D. Augh, W. B. Luntz, of Medford, Or., are at the Nortonia. J. H. Albert, a banker at Salem, is at the Imperial, with Mrs. Albert. C. N. Plamondon, a bank cashier at Western Weppah at the Oregon. A. K. Richardson, Sheriff of Harney County, is registered at the Imperial. J. M. Weatherbee, of Condon, is at the Nortonia, with Mrs. Weatherbee. W. Johnson, a dairyman from Burlington, Vt., is registered at the Seaward. E. L. Shepherd, manager of a hotel at Shipherd Springs, Or., is at the Seaward. The Misses Irene and E. Humphrey, of Castle Rock, Wash., are at the Perkins. W. A. Williams, of Westminster, B. C., is at the Perkins, with Mrs. Williams. J. C. Moreland, clerk of the State Supreme Court at Salem, is at the Cornelia. Captain S. F. Kildall, of the wrecked steam schooner Rochelle, is at the Oregon. Edward S. Todwin, an ex-hotel proprietor in New York City, is at the Multnomah. F. M. Burnside, an insurance dealer and broker from Seattle, Wash., is at the Multnomah. F. E. (Duke) Manchester, the owner of "Tree Pines" orchards, at Lyle, Or., is at the Imperial. Captain F. E. Rose, master of the lumber liner Santa Catalina, is at the Oregon, with Mrs. Rose. Elvin Waldal, manager of the Pacific Tribune Publishing Company at Seattle, Wash., is at the Carlton. Mr. and Mrs. George E. Waters and Mrs. Waters, of Salem, were in Portland yesterday to attend the Booth-West debate last night. They are registered at the Seaward.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—(Special).—Registered from Portland in the Great Northern today was W. N. Jones.

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Dr. C. J. Smith, Democratic candidate for Governor, arrived here this evening by auto from McMinnville, and spoke one hour to an audience of 400 people, many of whom were women. He touched on various problems, endorsing President Wilson and his policies, pleading for lower taxation, the enforcement of laws and indorsed the movement for the vocational training of school children between the ages of 14 and 20. F. W. Hollister Visits Independence. INDEPENDENCE, Or., Oct. 23.—(Special).—Frederick W. Hollister, Democratic nominee for Congressman in the First Congressional District, was in the city today in the interest of his campaign. NEWBERG Hears Dr. C. J. Smith. NEWBERG, Or., Oct. 23.—(Special).—

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