

## WAGERS ON HARDING BEGGING FOR TAKERS

Candidate to Carry Four  
States Is Favorite Bet.

\$100 TO \$1500 IS PLACED

Trend of Public Sentiment Re-  
vealed by Straw Ballots Dis-  
courages Backers of Cox.

Practically no wagers are being placed on the outcome of the presi-  
dential election in this vicinity. The  
general result is considered as a fore-  
gone conclusion. Supporters of Hard-  
ing have offered money, but there  
have been no takers.

The favorite bet is that Harding  
will carry Oregon, Washington, Cali-  
fornia and Ohio. This is a combina-  
tion bet, for if Cox should carry any  
one of the four states the man hold-  
ing the Harding and lose his money.  
Bets on this basis have been offered  
at even money as a rule, but occa-  
sionally Harding men offered odd.  
The amounts wagered range from  
\$100 to \$1500.

So far as known, there has not been  
a dollar bet that Cox will carry Ore-  
gon. When democrats do express a  
desire to make a wager they prefer  
to specify a particular state or a  
small group of states.

One reason why betting has been  
discouraged is the way the straw  
vote discloses the trend of public sen-  
timent toward the republican candi-  
date for president.

The third report on the national  
straw vote, being taken by 8000 drug  
stores, was received by the Owl Drug  
company yesterday. It is dated Octo-  
ber 1 and gives Harding 132,491 and  
Cox 91,885. Women cast 47,216 votes  
for Harding and 25,712 for Cox. The  
national swing to Harding appears  
to be, roughly, at the ratio of two to  
one.

The straw vote in Oregon, from the  
drugstore circuit, gives Harding 4143  
and Cox 2071. Of the Harding vote,  
the women cast 773 and of the Cox  
vote the women cast 240.

In the Owl drug store yesterday  
the straw vote stood 1217 for Hard-  
ing and 608 for Cox. The women voted  
Harding 871, Cox 613. The women  
voted: Harding 345, Cox 188.

Thomas A. Hayes, independent candi-  
date for United States senator, will  
discuss his candidacy at the county  
fair at Gresham tomorrow at noon.

Richard W. Montague will discuss  
the league of nations at noon today  
at the county fair at Gresham. Mil-  
ton A. Miller will also speak.

Elton Watkins and J. J. Crossley  
will debate the league of nations at  
the luncheon of the Portland Press  
club today. Mr. Crossley will take  
the republican viewpoint.

### MR. HARDING MEASURES UP

Ohio Does Not Consider Cox Big  
Enough for President.

E. B. Stanley, a business man of  
Cincinnati, O., who is making a tour  
of the west, was a caller yesterday  
at republican state headquarters.  
"I recently visited Marion, O., and  
had the pleasure of meeting Mr. and  
Mrs. Harding. We think a great deal  
of Mr. Harding in Ohio. He is a great  
statesman and a vigorous thinker and  
we know he is up to the presidential  
stature."

"We esteem Mrs. Harding as a wom-  
an of superior intelligence who will  
grace the White House as the 'first  
lady of the land.'"

"There is no question about Harding  
carrying Ohio. Contrary to the im-  
pression prevalent in places where the  
two men are not known, Harding and  
Cox have never been political oppo-  
nents. In 1914 Harding was elected  
United States senator by more than  
100,000 votes. In the same election  
Governor Willis defeated Cox by  
29,000 votes. This present election  
will be the first time Harding and  
Cox have ever run against each other."

"Ohio is a normal republican state  
and this year may be relied upon to  
go republican. Mr. Harding looks like  
a president, acts like a president and  
has the ability and statesmanship to  
be president. We do not consider his  
opponent to be of presidential size."

### INFORMATION BOOTH OPENED

Stanfield Office in Morgan Build-  
ing for Voters' Convenience.

With the presidential, congressional  
and state election less than four weeks  
off, republican state headquarters are  
assuming greater activity and the  
work of conducting the state cam-  
paign has been divided into depart-  
ments.

For the convenience of voters desir-  
ing information in regard to the cam-  
paign of Robert N. Stanfield, republi-  
can nominee for United States sena-  
tor, the committee has opened a Stan-  
field office in the republican head-  
quarters in the Morgan building. Ar-  
thur G. Means of Vale, secretary of  
the Malheur republican central com-  
mittee, will have charge of this office  
and will meet callers and attend to  
the distribution of Stanfield literature,  
cards and buttons.

Secretary Hotchkiss is handling the  
state speakers' bureau.

Mrs. A. E. Richards is in charge of  
the women's "picture" campaign and  
a vigorous drive to place Harding and  
Coolidge pictures in the windows of  
office buildings is in progress.

Mrs. Anna J. Watson is officiating  
as hostess this week at the women's  
reception room and is distributing lit-  
erature among the women callers.

The publicity bureau is in charge of  
O. C. Letter.

### Dr. Lovejoy Speaks at Fair.

Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy, candi-  
date for congress, will be among the  
speakers at the Multnomah county  
fair at Gresham at 1 o'clock today.  
At 2:30 o'clock she will address a  
meeting of women in the East Side  
Baptist church. Tomorrow night at  
8 o'clock she will speak at a meeting  
of unions and the general public in  
the main hall of central library. Dr.  
W. T. McElveen, pastor of the First  
Congregational church, will also  
speak at this meeting, dealing with  
Representative McArthur's record.

### Harney Strongly Republican.

BURNS, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special).—A  
Harding-Coolidge club has just been  
organized in Harney county with an  
initial membership of 163. According  
to Robert D. Dusen, chairman of the  
club, Harding is expected to carry  
the county three to one. The other  
officers are: Secretary, J. J. Done-  
gan; campaign committee, O. O. Jet-  
ley, Capt. A. W. Gowan, Charles W.  
Ellis.

### Baker to Address Club.

The Sellwood-Moreland District Re-  
publican club has invited Mayor

Baker and John M. Mann and A. L.  
Barbur, commissioners, to address the  
club October 11 at the Community  
house, east Fifteenth and Spokane  
avenue. This gathering will be a  
community meeting in order to give  
the people of the district an oppor-  
tunity to meet the city officials per-  
sonally. Speeches will pertain to city  
affairs.

### BEND TO KEEP FILING RULE

Candidates for Office May An-  
nounce Within 15 Days.

BEND, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special).—Al-  
though the state law provides that  
all candidates for city office shall  
have their names filed with the  
county clerk not less than 28 days  
before the election, Bend will adhere  
to its 15-day limit fixed by a recently  
passed ordinance. The action is taken  
on the advice of C. S. Benson, city  
attorney.

"It cannot be presumed that the  
legislature attempted to deprive  
cities and towns of their local auton-  
omy in reference to their officers and  
elections by chapter 283, if the  
legislature should be presumed to  
have such power," the attorney-gen-  
eral has ruled.

### Speakers and Dates Announced.

Secretary Hotchkiss of the republi-  
can state central committee has an-  
nounced speakers' engagements as  
follows: October 5, B. G. Skulason, at  
Tigard; night October 15, Cassius R.  
Peck, at Estacada; night October 15,  
Conrad P. Olson, at Colton.

### Interest Rate Change Opposed.

STANFIELD, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special).  
—The Stanfield Commercial club has  
gone on record as opposed to the pro-  
posed constitutional amendment fix-  
ing the legal rate of interest at 4 and  
5 per cent; and also voted to oppose  
the Roosevelt bird refuge measure.

### INTEREST IN PAPER SOLD

Charles L. Springer Retires From

Corvallis Gazette-Times.

CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special).  
—Charles L. Springer today sold his  
one-third interest in the Corvallis Ga-  
zette-Times to G. Lansing Hurd, well-  
known Oregon newspaper man. Mr.  
Hurd acquires the business manage-  
ment, the other partners being N. R.  
Moore, news editor, and C. E. Ingalls,  
editor, who retain their interests.

Mr. Hurd formerly was connected  
with the job printing business in  
Portland and before coming to Oregon  
owned and conducted a large weekly  
paper in North Dakota.

Mr. Springer has been identified  
with various newspaper interests in  
the east and on the Pacific coast. On  
the Pacific coast he was regarded as  
a pioneer. He was with the Seattle  
Post-Intelligencer in 1888 when it  
was owned by Leigh Hunt. He helped  
found the Spokesman-Review and  
after its consolidation was its busi-  
ness manager till 1905. He came to  
Corvallis in 1905 and bought the Ga-  
zette from M. S. Woodcock, with which  
paper he has been connected ever  
since, starting the daily in 1908, which  
was later consolidated with the Times.

### 89 CHAPLAINS APPOINTED

Report Indicates 25 Per Cent of

U. S. Army Is of Catholic Faith.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Appoint-  
ment of 89 new chaplains for the  
regular army in conformity with the  
new reorganization law providing one  
chaplain for each 1200 officers and  
men, was announced today.

Announcement was made that Sec-  
retary Baker, after a survey of civil  
and religious census reports, had  
fixed tentatively the denominational  
apportionment at 25 per cent from  
the Catholic church, 70 per cent from  
the Protestant churches and 5 per  
cent for adjustments that cannot be  
made on a mathematical basis.

### Miners' Convention to Be Called.

PITTSBURGH, Kan., Oct. 6.—Alex-  
ander Howat, president of the Kansas  
coal miners, today sent a letter to the  
officers of the Oklahoma-Arkansas  
district and the Missouri district, ask-  
ing for an interstate convention of the  
miners' union at the earliest possible  
date to consider action following the  
refusal of the operators to grant de-  
mands of the union for increased pay  
for the tonnage miners.



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