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THE SUPREME JUDGE.

The Journal regards the office of supreme judge as one of very great importance to the people, and we have therefore made careful inquiry concerning the charges made against the republican candidate for that office. We have made such inquiry as a duty we owed the people, who are more interested in having an upright judge than in the personal success of any candidate.

From the findings of the courts, the letter exonorating Judge Moore signed by two active and earnest democrats, and from personal interviews with reliable men who have knowledge of the matters referred to in the accusations published against Mr. Moore, we not only conclude that he has been most unjustly assailed, but that his assailants have been actuated by partisan motives rather than a desire to ascertain facts and arrive at a just conclusion. It appears that the judgments of the courts in those matters have uniformly sustained the contention favorable to Mr. Moore's honorable and upright conduct. Added to that conclusive fact we have the letter already printed, from political opponents who would not consent to defamation to secure partisan advantage.

Thoughtful men will hesitate to vote for the democratic candidate, whose supporters betray such peculiar anxiety for his success as to justify suspicion that partisan advantage is expected from his election. Democrats ask that republicans give them a judge of the supreme court, though they themselves show no such generosity in districts where they have a majority. In the first judicial district the republicans nominated but one candidate, but as the democrats have a majority there, their convention promptly nominated two democratic candidates. There is no reason why republicans should vote against their own candidate because of his fidelity to republican principles.

The legal ability of the republican candidate is attested by persons who know the extent and importance of his law practice. The printed docket of the circuit court of his district for only one county shows that he had sixteen cases for the May term. We are reliably informed that the story that he has no supreme court business is refuted by the best authority. A lawyer who has tried cases in the U. S. district court, a sample of which involved over $100,00 and who has sixteen cases at a single term of circuit court for one county cannot be impeached because he doesn't happen to reside in one of the larger cities of the state. The Journal supports Judge Moore because he is a gentleman of education and culture, a legislator of liberal views of public policy and of fearless independence, and a lawyer of ability and large experience. The people who know him best have implicit faith in his honesty and honor.

THE GAZETTE takes pleasure in saying to the voters of Benton county that the republicans have a better ticket than was ever put forward by any party in this county before, and no one can point to one single dishonorable act of any candidate on the ticket.

FOR SHERIFF.

The democratic press of the county still continues the howl against Jolly, the republican nominee for sheriff, "that the was beaten in the race for the same office two years ago, hence he must necessarily be a weak man for that place." The reason for this is quite evident. It is impossible for them to find anything in Mr. Jolly's past history which is at all discreditable to him, and this is the only means they can find to fight him. For the edification of all we will give a few facts for their consideration. Jolly was defeated two years ago by just 18 votes. Corvallis has long been known as the democratic stronghold of Benton county and in this instance she gave Mackay on the democratic ticket a majority of 135, yet when it came to the final count this majority was reduced to only 18 for the entire county. For the past six or seven years Dave Osburn has been a leech on the public and has been seeking public favors on every possible occassion. Two years ago, seeing Jolly's evident popularity, he became very much alarmed and fearful that he would lose his position as deputy sheriff, and having been so long a time a pensioner on public sufferance he began to fear that he could find no means of livelihood after this failed except as an ordinary day laborer, so, while holding the position of deputy sheriff under Mackay, an idea struck him and he seized the opportunity to come before the people of Corvallis asking to be elected to the position of city marshal, running against Jim Dunn, the republican candidate for the position. Now, dear reader, note well the result. Right here in Corvallis, in this hotbed of democracy, in Osburn's own town, where he was born and raised, he was beaten by a majority of 81 votes. Out of 299 votes cast, Dunn received 190. Does this indicate strength or popularity on the part of the present democratic nominee for the office of sheriff? No, the people said they did not want him, just as they will say at the polls next June. As before stated, Mackay received in Corvallis a majority of 135 the same year, yet in the same place, where Osburn is best known, he was defeated to the tune of 81. Ever since Osburn failed in business several years ago, he has been seeking to make a living at the expense of the public and has fully earned the title given him of leech. The citizens of Benton county have become weary of the method in which the business of the sheriff's office has been conducted in the past. The election of Osburn means the continuation of the same policy, and we are quite sure that at the approaching election the voters will show their disapproval of ring rule by casting their ballots for Jolly. Everybody knows that Mr. Jolly is a man whose character is beyond reproach, who has given proof of his ability as a shrewd and careful farmer and business man, and he is securing the friendship every day of all the unprejudiced and fair-minded people, failing only among those who have an axe to grind or have been promised some favor by Osborn or the political bosses, who want his election for their own personal interests.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Having read an article in the Benton Leader of May 20th, stating that Prof. Gragg is not properly a public school man, and that he has never been identified with the county institute work, I take pleasure in writing a few facts for the benefit of the public. I am well acquainted with Prof. Gragg, I know that he has taught at least five terms in the public schools of Benton county and has taught five years in college.

He was the principal worker in getting up the local institute at Monroe, June 6th, 7th and 8th, 1892, at which institute he read an excellent paper. He also read a paper at the local institute held at Philomath, on "Movement."

Besides this, he attended the state institute held at Newport, July 1st, 2nd and 3d, 1891 and also our last county institute; in all of which I am sure he took a greater interest than E. L. Bryan, for all teachers who have attended institutes where Ed. has been know that his only desire is to make a great show of his little speeches that he has learned and delivered lately. Where do the teachers expect to see Ed. Bryan during the sessions of institute? Taking an interest in educational work and trying to improve the public school system of Benton county? No, Ed. will be seen strolling around over the streets, a pleasure seeker only, while Prof. Gragg's greatest interest is in educational work.

ONE OF THE TEACHERS.

VOTE for honest farmer Jolly for sheriff, he will make a careful and honest administration of the affairs connected with that office.

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The Times thus explains its political position in its last issue:

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Very well, Bob. But how is it that your paper never found a good candidate on either the republican, peoples party or prohibition ticket during its whole existence, and how is it that every candidate on the county democratic ticket this year and all preceding election years has been upheld and vouched for by your paper, and still you claim that you are running an "independent, fearless and free" paper. Now, Bob, all such stuff is bosh, for you are running an out and out democratic paper under a false name of "independent, fearless and free." Why don't you come out and acknowledge the fact that you are running a democratic paper. Your paper never endorse any candidate but a straight out and out democrat, and it is about time the voters of Benton county should know that fact and not be deceived by your democratic hog brush any longer. "You say you have advocated the election of democrats and republicans in the past." Now when and where did you ever advocate the election of one single republican?

A DEMOCRATIC paper of this county says that during Osburn's career as deputy sheriff, "not a single law suit has been caused on account of his work, and that he has done almost all of the office business." Of course not, all such suits would be brought against the sheriff, not the deputy, and we think if the voters will take the trouble to examine the court records they will find that the county has been put to no small expense for the costs of suits wherein the present sheriff was the defendant, and as Osborn "has done nearly all the business of the office," he is responsible for many of the mistakes. That dodge won't work. The people are getting tired of putting up money for the mistakes of their public officers and they will elect a man who will conduct the affairs of the sheriff's office with that careful business attention that has made Wm. Jolly a successful farmer, and we think the majority of the voters who have their own interests at heart as well as that of their neighbors, will see that Osburn's name is crossed off of their ballots next June.

HON. J. C. FULLERTON, of Roseburg, the republican candidate for circuit judge of the second judicial district should receive the vote of every farmer and laboring man in Benton county. He is a man of ability as a lawyer, is honest in his convictions and he will make a fair and impartial judge. He has not only served the public in the legislature, but has held several other positions of trust within the gifts of the people and has proved himself faithful to his constituents. See that Hon. J. C. Fullerton's name is on your ballot when you vote on June 6th.

FOR the benefit of our democratic friends who seem so anxious to misrepresent J. O. Stearns, we will say he came into this county six years ago. He formerly lived in the vicinity of Walla Walla. He is a farmer and has a well cultivated farm on Alsea bay, is a man of sound judgment, universally liked and will be elected and will represent the best interests of Benton county.

HON. E. H. BELKNAP, if elected to the legislature, which we think he will be, will go down to Salem not employed by any corporation or association either religious or political, and will go there for the best interests of the people of Benton county. Notwithstanding what the democratic papers say to the contrary, Mr. Belknap is an able speaker and well qualified to represent Benton county in the legislature. The voters of Benton county should not be deceived and gulled by such bombastic articles as are being published by the democratic press of Corvallis.

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