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VOTE FOR EFFICIENT MEN
FOR LOCAL OFFICES

THE county candidates have filed for the primaries. It is now up to the people to select those candidates that are best qualified for the various offices.

Crying against higher taxes and waste and then blindly voting for men regardless of their abilities and qualifications, is akin to walling poverty and then refusing to work.

The work from now on has to be done by the people, says an exchange. The candidates will make their claims and ask their favors, and it remains for the people to penetrate their pretensions and size up the men.

Above all it is important to get rid of our prejudices. Political or personal prejudices have no place in the selection of local officials.

Some candidates will ask for votes because they need the money, and others will ask for votes because they are "good fellows", still others will ask for votes because they have held the office, are in with the gang, and want to stay in. Still others because they belong to this party or that.

If we are to have lower taxes, if we are to have better local government, the same acid test must be applied to each and every candidate, namely the test of efficiency.

Is this man the most competent one for the place, if not which candidate is?

If the men and women of the county refuse to apply this test, and vote for inefficient or ineffective candidates they need not swear and curse at higher taxes after election for they will have only themselves to blame.

CANDIDATES AND TAXES

LOWER TAXES and fewer state boards and commissions—that is the bait which almost every candidate is extending to the voter in an effort to land his vote; that is the trick by which the candidate confides in his own wiles, believes that he can be elected to the desired position.

No candidate so far discovered has hid this feature of his platform behind complicated expressions or at the end of his statement. It stands at the head of the list, tempting and enticing, printed in the boldest type in the shop and expressed with all the clearness that short terse English words will permit. There is no doubt as to the meaning; it is forceful and to the point.

But the question is, why is this issue so popular with the office seeker? It is popular with the office seeker because he believes that by its use he can get the greatest number of votes and because the question is an important one before the people of the state. The politician takes this stand because he believes that it will entice votes to him and the statesman because he believes that he can remedy the conditions.

High taxes are a sure sign of an unbusinesslike or inefficient government. Where there are high taxes there is waste or corruption. It is the prevailing belief that high taxes in Oregon are due to the great number of paid boards and commissions which encumber the state government.

There is no doubt that the taxes can and should be reduced and there is no trouble in finding a candidate who is pledged to do it. The problem for the voter is picking a candidate who will carry out his promise. Platforms are of no avail when they are not backed up by earnest intentions. It is an easy thing for a candidate to promise to reduce taxes but it will take a firm official with a wide strip of first class quality of backbone to get out and cut them down.

BARGE CANAL STATISTICS.

NEW YORK, APRIL 26.—The State Barge Canal is nearing completion. Very few people have anything but the most vague information about this canal notwithstanding that the benefits to the State in general and to the port of New York in particular will be many times greater than that of the Panama Canal. A comparison of the main features shows that the Barge Canal is 540 miles long, the Panama Canal is 50; it has 57 locks and 19 dams; the cost of the Barge Canal including terminals and real estate will be approximately \$120,000,000 as compared with \$375,000,000 for the Panama Canal. Probably the most striking comparison is by the fact that whereas the total lift of the Panama Canal is only 85 feet, the lift of the Barge Canal is 525 feet. It will revolutionize the freight rates through the section which it enters, rates being \$3.11 and Barge Canal rates being \$4.1 per ton. Iron ore will be delivered at the Port of New York cheaper than at Pittsburgh. A population numbering nearly 20,000,000 will be reached by this new waterway system. When completed the work will stand a permanent and useful monument to the highest engineering skill, and the progressive nature of Americans of today.

WITH THE TEA and TOAST

ALWAYS IN STYLE

THE fashions forever and always are changing; society yields to the modes of the day. No one is exempt from outlandish contraptions; oblivion waits for all those who won't pay. Men's raglans and ties and fedoras in colors would bring grins of glee 'e'en from unlicensed dogs. The women present a most slack front projection and wear skimpy skirts until they must alt their togs. These changes accommodate all kinds of people; the tall are made short and the short are made tall; but here's one thing to wear that is always the fashion, in summer, in winter, in spring and in fall: A smile is becoming to all human beings, to young and to old, to both cultured and wild; a smile without art or design is a treasure, a smile like the one on the face of a child.

GOOD EVENING

To save time, take time in large pieces. Do not cut time up into bits. Adopt the principal of continuous work.—Charles F. Thwing.

AUTOMOBILITAS.

Oh, touring car, to you I sing,
You surely are a wondrous thing.
Before you start I grasp your crank
And give it such a vicious yank
That it flies back and deftly wrecks
The region of my solar plex.
Then I get mad and yank some more,
And all I get is just a snore.
A sort of rumbling, puffing sound
That seems to come out of the ground.

Then you give one discordant snort,
One single snort and then stop short,
And then I have to crank again
Till every muscle is in pain.
And in an hour, or thereabout,
I find the batteries are out.
I find some new ones, put 'em in
And with a glad, contented grin
I hear your engine start to throb
And off we go, yes, sirree, Bob.

I brag about you to my friends,
But long before our journey ends
They're next to both of us, all right.
The way you act is sure a fright,
When I'm alone you burn the road,
But not when I have got a load.
Your tires give out, you pant and wheeze
And run so slow you make no breeze
You amble on by fits and starts,
It seems as though each of your parts
Has got an ailment of its own.
My friends converse in whispered tone,
Ten miles from home as quick as seat.
Your engine gasps and then runs down.
My friends and I hike back to town.

Oh, touring car, to you I sing,
You vicious and ungrateful thing.
—Exchange.

The man who really knows a woman
Doesn't pretend to understand her.

RAIMENT REVERIES

HOW DEAR to my heart is that vanished apparel the women, when I was a kid, used to wear; those skirts that flared out like a tulip in a barrel, permitting a free circulation of air. How well I remember that slant at the bottom—they stood like a collar that's thoroughly starched; the women went crazy until they all got 'em, and think of the stride they took when they marched. That dignified gallop, that unrestrained gallop, that seven foot gallop that they took when they marched. How well I recall them so beaming and happy, when women assembled, in days long gone by; at picnics and parties they all looked so snappy, and cut a w'do swat on the Fourth of July. How vividly yet do I see the young fellows, each marching with some gentle damsel around, the base of whose making up, like spreading umbrellas, obscured quite a patch of the picnicking ground. Those wide spreading garments, those dear ancient garments aren't now to be found! But now far removed is that lo'd recollection, how changed the apparel of women I meet; the skirts now slant in another direction—they're tied like a lariat close to the feet. The danger is great of their tripping a hobble, no woman can work at a very fast rate a free, easy movement might fracture her hobble, and so she creeps on at a snail of a gait. Oh! would for a day they would come forth arrayed in the styles that were common when I was a kid; 't would be good for the eyesight to look on a maiden, bedecked in the clothes that our mothers once did.

The morning after is an occasion many a Coos Bay man would be glad to disremember.

Believe in a brighter tomorrow and it will seem brighter even if it isn't.

Silence is golden yet some Coos Bay people won't shut up.

A homely girl can say that pretty things are useless, and mean it.

What does the spinster do for somebody to button up her back?

The gay deceiver never deceives any one so much as he does himself.

Experience isn't much of a teacher when it comes to investing in gold bricks.

The chap who insists on getting what is coming to him never stops at that.

How many men do you know who let their religion interfere with their business?

STOP! Look! Investigate HAINES' prices on FLOUR and FEED of all kinds.

Game Warden Thomas is some hunter. The other man hunts the deer and Thomas hunts the hunter and then he hunts a justice court while the poor hunter hunts for enough coin to pay his fine.

—and also—
The Game Warden Thomas is some catcher. The fishermen catch the fish and the warden catches the fishermen.

-H-H-

Nearly all the fun a man gets out of life comes from doing the things he cannot afford to do.

-H-H-

One might keep a secret by putting it in cold storage and losing the key.

-H-H-

If you don't want to go down hill be on the level.

-H-H-

It may be finicky, but I never could see where a big stick pin ever improved the looks of a dirty necktie.

-H-H-

WITH THE TEA AND TOAST

A PIPE

A plumber's life is filled with saive. His days are gay and bright, For he can go to bed and have A pipe dream every night.

—J. W. Hildenbrand.

The trouble with trying to kill two birds with one stone is that both birds usually get away.

Some Coos Bay men seem to devote all their time to giving the Devil his dues.

LET'S GO FISHING

I hear the restless dogfish bark,
And the catfish meowing in the dark;
The German carp sings sweetly, too,
"Hi le hi lo; hi le hi lo."

-H-H-

As long as there is a pretty monogram engraved on the back of her watch a Coos Bay woman never cares whether it keeps time or not.

CARRIED OUT

"Our good intentions never die,"
Said cheerful Mr. Stout;
Said I: "Then that's the reason why
They're seldom carried out."

-H-H-

The more the big fellows want the less we little chaps seem to get.

-H-H-

A man doesn't seem to worry because he isn't clever, provided he knows that he's good looking.

-H-H-

Now a scientist comes forward with the theory that red hair keeps a woman's temper hot. Old stuff!

-H-H-

A woman's new hat brings more satisfaction to her milliner than to her own husband.

-H-H-

You can't always tell. Occasionally the toughest boy in the neighborhood grows up and becomes a minister.

-H-H-

It would surprise the late lamented if he could hear his widow telling her second husband what a noble, kind and generous man the first was. —Exchange.

-H-H-

WHETHER ARE WE DRIFTING

And now the papers spell "dance" "dance."
So florists ought to spell "plants" "plants."

And Dave Jones soon
Along in June
Will advertise his summer panse.

-H-H-

On Coos Bay a man is always considered good until he is found out.

-H-H-

Some Coos Bay chaps idea of being funny is breaking a few bones when they shake hands.

-H-H-

Some misfortunes make t's whole world kin. But after a man has sprained his back working hard all day you can't expect him to shed tears because some other man broke his arm while cranking his automobile.

-H-H-

A bachelor seeks a wife to avoid solitude; a married man seeks society to avoid the tete-a-tete.

MODERN NURSERY RHYMES

I had a little husband
No bigger than my thumb;
But he'd shout: "Votes For Women"
And play his little drum.

IMPEACHED

For years you strive to gain a name,
You reach the pinnacle of fame;
A careless hour—a breach of trust—
And lo! your name is in the dust.

REDONDO will sail from Marshfield for San Francisco and San Pedro, Tuesday, April 28, at 12 o'clock noon.

Have your job printing done at The Times office.

TAX CASE IS
ENDED TODAYSheriff Gage Loses Suit Over
Merchant Property—Other
Cases in Court.

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Or., April 27.—Judge Coke convened the April term of Circuit Court here this morning. There is an unusually heavy calendar. This morning he announced a decision in the case of Mrs. Mary L. Merchant vs. Sheriff Gage, in which he held for her. She was granted a permanent injunction prohibiting Sheriff Gage from selling the W. T. Merchant residence property on North Broadway in Marshfield for a tax claim of about \$1800 which W. T. Merchant owed on his bankrupt stock of goods.

In the case of Johnson vs. Grohs, from North Bend, a demurrer against the complaint was overruled.

In the case of Mrs. Wulff, of Marshfield, vs. the Southern Pacific for damages for the death of her husband from being struck by the motor car, a motion to strike out that part of the allegations was allowed.

A motion in the case of Grohs vs. James was denied.

A demurrer in the case of James vs. the Millicoma Mine at Marshfield was sustained.

In the case of Manley vs. the City of Marshfield, involving a paving assessment on South Fourth street, H. G. Hoy's motion to direct judgment on the pleadings was denied.

The injunction in the Grand Restaurant case at North Bend was continued until the case is adjudicated. Among the cases set for trial in the following order were:

Smith vs. Bushnell; C. A. Smith Timber Co. vs. S. P. Railway; Stevens vs. Cameron; Geo. Watkins vs. Nelson; Mrs. Clara Welch, Wm. Nelson, Major and Mrs. Morton Tower, F. M. Oastes, H. Newman and seven steerage.

NOTICE L. O. O. M.

There will be a regular meeting of Marshfield lodge No. 678, L. O. O. M., tomorrow night. All members and visiting brothers are requested to attend. By order of GEO. E. COOK, Sec.

I. X. L. MAN TO
BE LOOKED UPCreditors Will Investigate What
He Took from Here—
Local stock to Hub.

Following the sale of the bankrupt stock of the I. X. L. Clothing and Shoe Company here today to the Hub Clothing and Shoe Company for \$2153.15, J. W. Bennett announced that the San Francisco Board of Trade would start an investigation of the report that S. T. Levine took considerable baggage from here. There were few bids on the local stock, a few bidding on certain parts of the stock. A San Francisco concern bid \$2250 for it providing they could get a lease on the present quarters at a reasonable rate, but this could not be considered.

Mr. Bennett said that he thought that the I. X. L. debts amounted to about \$3000. He said that the San Francisco creditors were going to follow up Levine and see what he took away from here and investigate the baggage, etc. Levine went to San Francisco a day after he assigned the stock.

LEAVE ON ALLIANCE.

Steamer Arrives from Eureka and Sails for Portland.

The Alliance sailed last night for Portland after a short stay here. Among those sailing on her were: A. R. Roam, Joe Bean, Mrs. Alan Randleman, M. Nelson, J. E. Myers, Monroe Goodpasture, J. E. McNell and wife, J. M. Gordon and wife, L. L. Schill and wife, Miss Ostella Schill and Geo. Davis.

Among those arriving on her were W. F. Allen, Aldred Rose, H. A. Eastman, C. N. Grundstein, Fred Bettercourt, J. A. Downey, Miss May Nelson, Mrs. Clara Welch, Wm. Nelson, Major and Mrs. Morton Tower, F. M. Oastes, H. Newman and seven steerage.

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Sec. Times Want ads bring results.

NEW CASES IN
CIRCUIT COURTMany Actions Filed During
Past Week—Several Cases
Decided Lately.

The following cases have been filed in the circuit court for Coos county:

Fred Benchman vs. Loretta Wilde.

Fernard Statmuller vs. Frank Alley and wife.

Lester R. Harrison and G. B. Harrison vs. A. T. Park and Pearl S. Park.

R. H. Rosa, executor of estate of John W. Hammerburg, vs. John W. Hammerburg, vs. John W. Hammerburg, vs. John W. Hammerburg.

Cody Lumber company vs. Coos Lumber company.

John P. Hall, Trustee, vs. John P. Hall, Trustee, vs. John P. Hall, Trustee, vs. John P. Hall, Trustee.

Ellis, Nellie Ellis and others, vs. foreclose mortgage.

St. Clair County Savings Bank vs. Cody Lumber company.

In the matter of the guardianship of Chas. Shaddon; appeal from county court of Coos county.

Simpson Lumber company vs. Clarence Gould.

Cases Disposed Of.

The following cases have been disposed of in the circuit court:

Sadie Albertha Mandery vs. Albert J. Mandery. Decree of divorce granted and custody of child awarded to defendant. Parties live in North Bend.

Thomas Howe vs. Edna Howe. Decree of divorce granted and custody of child awarded to mother. Parties used to live at Bridge.

Paul R. Dinamere vs. Cody Lumber company. Judgment for plaintiff for \$8441.10 by default.

Adrian Clark vs. Claude E. Co. Suit for divorce dismissed, parties having determined to try to live together. They reside in Myrtle Point neighborhood.

Seldom Warner vs. Henry H. Plaintiff on South Park road.

foreclosure of mortgage given defendant, who lives at North Bend and gets judgment by default \$1342 and costs.

G. Gilbertson of Woodburn, is held with other debtors of J. Magee for a proportionate part \$2150, with \$150 attorney's fee.

Geo. Goodrum secures a default judgment against Jerry Kinney \$940.25.—Coquille Sentinel.

PROOF OF
ADVERTISING
IS IN THE TESTING

A large general advertiser wanted to thoroughly test for itself the value of newspaper advertising. This is what the company says:

"We selected eighteen towns at random. Picked one dealer who advertised in each town—then selected three or four in each town who did not. When all the names were written down, eighteen advertisers were shown and fifty-six non-advertisers. Then the amount of business was compared.

"THE EIGHTEEN DEALERS DID NEARLY TWICE AS MUCH BUSINESS AS DID THE FIFTY-SIX.

"Get That?"

"NEARLY TWICE AS MUCH BUSINESS AMONG ONE-THIRD AS MANY DEALERS IN THE SAME LENGTH OF TIME."

"Moral: Advertise

"DO IT CONSISTENTLY—NOT SPASMODICALLY. IT PAYS."

The above is only the testimony of one of thousands who have tested newspaper advertising and find it pays. Not merely putting an ad in a paper today and then staying out for weeks or months and saying it does not pay. Of course, such advertising does not pay, and you have no reason to pass judgment on such a trial.

SYSTEMATIC, CONSISTENT, LIVE-WIRE ADVERTISING WILL HELP ANY BUSINESS AND ANY PROFESSION.