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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET

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The Primary Law.

The question of primary election and direct nomination is one that legislators cannot dodge, for the great mass of voters demand the change as a long step towards cleaner politics.—Oakham (Mass.) Herald.

It is proof of imbecility to think that we can ever have pure government while we submit to the inherited curse of the caucus and convention.—Williamsport (Pa.) Gazette.

The need of a primary election law is looked upon by many as the first step in lifting Michigan from the depths of political degradation incident to her low state of political morality.—Saginaw (Mich.) News.

The objections to this system fall to the ground when it is remembered that the primaries lie at the base of the political institutions of this country. If the foundation becomes rotten, the edifice cannot be secure.—Utica (N. Y.) Journal.

It is the height of folly to claim that country districts may not fare as well in a popular vote as in a delegate convention.—Lafayette (Ind.) Courier.

Fair-minded men will agree that there should be just as many safeguards about the primary meetings as about the polls on election day.—Providence (R. I.) News.

Nobody but men who want to run things object to see the people run things themselves.—Appleton (Wis.) Post.

The success of the trial of this plan in Hennepin county was almost phenomenal, surpassing the expectations of the most ardent advocate of the reform.—Dover (N. H.) Democrat.

Our local contemporary rightly says: "The most important county officer to be voted for at the coming election is that of assessor." For this reason THE LEADER, like the Reporter, is supporting R. H. Howell, the Republican nominee, an able, active, upright and conscientious young man who will give his best efforts to the important duties of his office. The experience of one term will serve to better fit him for the next. He should receive a handsome majority.

The Brewers' and Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association of Oregon, with headquarters at Portland, is making a hard fight against the proposed local option liquor law. THE LEADER is in receipt of a circular letter from the Association, accompanied by what it terms a "Digest of the Local Option Law" and some alleged statistics bearing upon the subject. As the readers of THE LEADER have been supplied with copies of the proposed law, we shall devote neither time nor space to a discussion of it, further than to state that we consider it a just measure, having lived in a state for several years where it was in force. It is up to the voters.

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As will be seen by his announcement in this number of THE LEADER, H. D. Barber of Newport is a candidate for county school superintendent—an "Independent Republican" candidate—as he terms it. The remark is often heard that this office "should be taken out of politics." Mr Barber is taking it out of politics just as Joe Gideon did—by ringing in the magic word "Republican." If ever a man was fairly beaten in a convention that man was Mr. Barber. He went into the Republican convention with a good following, but Mr. Bethers secured the nomination. Angry and disappointed over his defeat in the convention, he now comes before the people as an "Independent Republican" candidate. Why not cut out the word "Republican?" By refusing to abide by the decision of a fair convention he has forfeited the right to use the term in connection with his candidacy. He has no right to expect Republican support. For these reasons THE LEADER hopes Mr. Barber will be defeated by a large majority. Had he secured the nomination he would have received the support of every delegate in the convention who voted for Mr. Bethers—and the latter would not have come out as an "Independent Republican" candidate. We hope and believe the Republicans of Lincoln county, with but few exceptions, will rally to the support of Superintendent Bethers—the regular nominee.

If you don't register before May 16, you can't vote.

The Republicans of Lincoln county should feel that they are in duty bound to give loyal support to Messrs. Wright and Cooper, nominees for joint senator and representative, respectively. These candidates are in every way deserving of the undivided support of their party. In the natural order of things, the Republicans of Lincoln county will some day ask the Republicans of Yamhill, Tillamook and Polk counties to rally to the support of Lincoln county candidates for legislative honors. Stand by the Republican principle, Reciprocity. Stand by Wright and Cooper. Give them a big majority.

At last there is a break in solid Clackamas which Hon. George C. Brownell may well "view with alarm." Hon. L. T. Harris of Lane county has done gone and secured as a bride one of the fairest daughters of Oregon City. Young Mr. Harris is shrewd. He well knows how to combine business with pleasure. Sentiment? Yes! Sentiment is powerful even in politics. Keep your eye on Lawrence Harris and Clackamas county.

Hope is high again in the breast of Willie Hearst. He has been endorsed by the Democrats of Chicago, supposed to be the wickedest city on earth.

Another Candidate.

Having been requested by many friends both inside and outside of the party to become an independent candidate for the office of County School Superintendent, I have decided to run for the above named office as an Independent Republican.

Should the electors of Lincoln county entrust to me the functions of this important office, I pledge myself to devote my entire time and ability to it without favoritism or partiality to anyone.

H. D. BARBER.

Mr. Clark, editor of Vim, a Democratic newspaper published at Elk City, Lincoln county, Oregon, seems to be offended because THE LEADER called him "Dad." "Dad" is a Gypsy word, signifying author, father, sponsor, etc. Mr. Clark is author, father, sponsor, etc., of the gasoline launch "Gypsy." We trust the gentleman will accept this explanation. We would not intentionally treat him with discourtesy. After he has been in harness a little longer he will realize that editors are never discourteous toward one another.

Another of the "How Old is Ann?" problems is sprung by the Portland Journal. It is: If a brick weighs 7 pounds and half a brick, how much does a brick and a half weigh? We believe the weight of a brick depends to some extent upon who throws it. This is the best solution we can give on short notice.

It is reported that Senator Mitchell will at the opening of the next Congress fall heir to the chairmanship of the committee on interoceanic canals, Senator Platt of New York waiving his right thereto. Oregon takes notice.

The long expected land battle on the banks of the Yalu has been fought, and the Japs had the best of it by a wide margin. Reports indicate that the Russians were utterly routed, with a loss of about 5000 men.

The World's Fair at St. Louis opened last Saturday. President Roosevelt pressed the button according to program. He'll do it again next year—at Portland.

Senators Mitchell and Fulton neglected to furnish ex-Governor Geer, editor of the Salem Statesman, any garden seeds.

The Portland Journal may possibly be getting good pay for fighting Binger Hermann, but it isn't injuring him in the least.

The Budge club is the name of a women's organization in Portland. It may mean several things.

The cracker companies of Oregon are at war, but the consumer doesn't know it.

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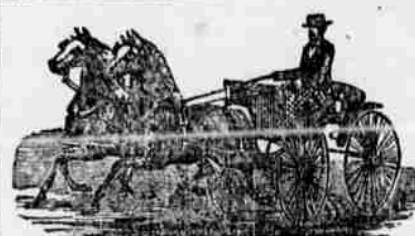
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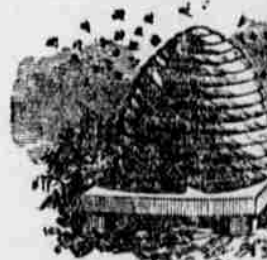
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