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The Situation.

Under the primary law now existing in Oregon the minority party will always be united, and its members will all support the candidates. But under this same primary law the majority party—its votes divided among innumerable candidates for the nominations—will not support those who have merely pluralities—the pluralities often small.

This is the situation in which the Republican party of Oregon now finds itself. The first fruits were seen in the election in the city of Portland last June. Judge Williams—clarum et venerabile nomen—could not be elected Mayor of Portland last June. Only those voted for him in the election who had voted for him at the primaries.

No Republican who gets a plurality nomination in this state, or in any county of it, can have good reason to suppose he will be elected. The reason is that the primary will not be understood or interpreted as expressing the voice of the party, as the convention did. Party authority will be wanting.

The theory of the direct primary was excellent. The result changes the theory to fact. The minority party accepts the law and its consequences—realizing that it must hang together or pull together. The majority party, whose candidates will be numerous, and whose nominees will have only small pluralities, will not hold for these candidates the party vote.

Say there are 50,000 Republican votes in Oregon. There may, doubtless will be, many candidates. Some one will get more votes than any of the others. But he who concludes from this that the man who may get that plurality will find all members of the Legislature disposed to vote for him is likely to get a rude jolt and rough awakening. [This last sentence touches the United States Senatorship.]

Again, as to Senator, members of the Legislature will point to the Constitution of the United States. It provides for the election of the Senator by the Legislature. It is the paramount law. They will tell you, as they told you before, the Constitution of the United States is not to be set aside by the cranky statute of a state. Nor will the fact that there has been general demand for election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people make any difference. It cannot be done till there be amendment of the Constitution of the United States. Till then the Legislature will decide, and each member will act for himself and each will decide for himself—or will act and decide in combination with others, on a plan agreed upon among them. He who doesn't know this doesn't know an Oregon Legislature.—Oregonian.

There is considerable truth and correct reasoning in the above—regardless of the source. However, it is not all truth. In the first place, conventions do not always do the will of the party—or, rather, the representatives of the party in convention do not always represent or carry out the wishes of a majority of the majority party. The argument that the direct primary law will fail to bring about this much-desired result is no argument at all. No law that could be concocted would cause a large per cent of the Republicans of Oregon to quit kicking over the traces and raising hell in camp in every political campaign. The direct primary law is all right; it's a lot of sore-headed, disappointed, disgruntled alleged Republicans who are at fault. Let these so-called alleged Republicans who have caused all the trouble in Oregon drop politics and go 'way back and sit down and the direct primary law will work all right. The Republicans of Oregon will be found ready to accept plurality nominees with old-time enthusiasm, and there will be no more factional classifications. The primary law is all right if Republicans who are all wrong will step aside and give it a chance. The good work should begin in Portland and Salem.

Deputy Coroner Arthur L. Finley of Multnomah county is reported by the Portland Journal to have shot at a pheasant and killed his deer hunting dog, which was on a point thirty feet at one side of the bird. The wonderful shot was made near Cervallis, that famous dry town, you know.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That bids will be received for the sale of the following described inherited Indian lands, situated and being in Lincoln County, Oregon, as per schedule herein set forth, to-wit:

HEIRS	SUB-DIVISIONS	Sec.	Tp.	R.	Acres	Date Listed	Date Bid Opened
Isaac Washington.....	Lots 5, 6, 11, 12	12	10	10	80	Oct. 30	Jan. 29
Lilly Ponce & Nettie West.....	Lots 1 and 16	19	9	9	80	"	"
Wig of wig of nw 1/4	20	9	9	80	"	"	"
Oscar Brown & Rachel Carson.....	Lots 21, 22, 23, 24	11	7	11	80	"	"
John Hill.....	Lots 22, 23, 24, sec 26, and lot 27	27	6	11	73.14	"	"
Stewart Rooney.....	Nel 1/4 nw 1/4, nw 1/4	1	7	11	80	"	"
Stewart Rooney.....	Lots 27, 28, sec 1, nel 1/4 nw 1/4	12	10	9	80	"	"
Stewart Rooney.....	W 1/2 sel 1/4 nel 1/4, lot 11	1	7	11	80.03	"	"
Martha Johnson.....	Nel 1/4 nel 1/4	26	9	9	40	"	"
Martha Johnson.....	Sel 1/2 nel 1/4	26	9	9	80	"	"
Martha Johnson.....	Lots 29, 30, 31, 32	28	9	9	80	"	"
Archie Johnson.....	Lots 21, 22, 27, 28	31	9	9	80	"	"
Edward Bussell.....	Sel 1/4 sel 1/4, el 1/2 sel 1/4	23	8	11	77.50	"	"
William Klamath.....	Lots 3, 4, sw 1/4	7	10	9	82.10	"	"
William Klamath.....	Nel 1/4 sel 1/4, sel 1/4	7	10	9	80	"	"
Major Ludson.....	Sel 1/2 sel 1/4	28	8	11	"	Sept. 4	Dec. 4
Major Johnson et al.....	Lots 3, 4, 5, sw 1/4	35	7	11	70.68	"	"
Annie Arden.....	Sel 1/2 sel 1/4, nel 1/4, lot 3 sw	19	8	10	80.30	"	"
Annie Arden.....	Sel 1/2 lot 10, lots 9 and 4	19	8	10	74.22	"	"
Abbie John et al.....	W 1/2 nel 1/4, nel 1/4	17	9	11	36.10	"	"
lot 1 nel 1/4	18	9	11	36.10	"	"	"
Minnie Lane et al.....	Lots 23, 24, 25, 26	17	10	10	80	"	"
Minnie Lane et al.....	Nel 1/4 sel 1/4, sel 1/4	18	10	10	80	"	"
Ella Ben & Andrew Smith.....	Lots 9, 10, 11 and 23	8	10	10	80	Nov. 20	Feb. 19 '06
Robert Felix.....	W 1/2 of nw 1/4	13	9	10	80	"	"
Robert Felix.....	Nel 1/4 of sel 1/4	8	10	10	80	"	"
John Spencer and Catherine Fairchild.....	Sel 1/4 sel 1/4 and lot 4	29	9	11	"	"	"
Catherine Fairchild.....	Sel 1/4 nel 1/4	32	9	11	110.03	"	"
Catherine Fairchild.....	Nel 1/4 sel 1/4 and lot 3	32	9	11	80.67	"	"
Charles Johnson.....	Sel 1/2 lot 29	33	9	9	85.22	"	"
Lots 3 and 4 & nw 1/4 nw 1/4 sel 1/4 & w 1/2 sel 1/4	4	10	9	85.22	"	"	"
Charles Johnson.....	Sel 1/2 nel 1/4 and el 1/2 sel 1/4	3	10	9	80	"	"
George Barney.....	El 1/2 nw 1/4 & w 1/2 nel 1/4	4	17	9	80	"	"
Henry Johnson.....	Nw 1/4 sel 1/4 & S 1/2 sel 1/4	28	17	9	160	"	"
and lots 5, 6, 7 and 8	8	9	10	80.26	"	"	"

Said bids will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, of the various days upon which they are listed to be opened in above schedule, and must be enclosed in sealed envelopes directed to Knott C. Egbert, Superintendent, Siletz, Oregon. Envelopes containing such bids should not have noted thereon the description of the lands to which the bids relate, but there shall be noted on such envelopes the date upon which the bid is to be opened. Bidders should submit a draft on some Portland bank; otherwise remit enough to cover exchange on outside banks.

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