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WEATHER.

Western Oregon and Washington—Fair and warmer.

FOR THIRTY-FIVE DAYS.

The state and county campaigns are on; and will be at the forefront of popular consideration for the next thirty-five days. Of course, everyone knows the outcome; the one indeterminate item being the extent of the Republican majorities and pluralities.

The Democratic brethren are banking on the re-election of Governor Chamberlain, and trusting to this one element of success to bring on a train of lesser successes down the line of aspirants on their ticket: And, it would seem, they are cherishing this idea upon the hypothesis of conditions that existed four years ago and the alleged unabated popularity of their chief. This may be comfortable, but it is far from conclusive.

Politicians and Partisan conditions in Oregon are normal again, and while there are few to deny the governor all that is his due, by way of personal vogue, there are lacking those circumstances that accentuated his claims to popularity then, and other favorites in the field now to invvite the expression of exactly the same volume of "choice."

The dominant party is in the arena with a splendid ticket and the direct assurance of owing the votes that are to elect everyone of its nominees; it has but to stand unitedly for the consequent and unescapable victory. It has no appologies to make for anyone, not even for the Democratic excutive; it has clear sailing to the moorings of success and cannot go out of its course, short of the concrete and wide-spread treachery that has, at extraordinary junctures, struck it the vitals of party organization and wrecked it with deliberate purpose no such status is conceiveable in the present case; no extraordinary issues are impending, at least none of a nature to lend impetus to any claims that may be set up by the minority party of the State. Hence there is nothing for the Oregon Republicans to do but use every possible advantage to swell the already enormous normal majority in due and lawful season.

SPRING IS HERE.

This is May-Day; the day toward which all hearts have yearned for the past few dreary months of winter. The Astorian's regular poet is piling brick and piling ashes down in San Francisco just now, and these columns are bereft of his classical contributions on this score, but his abscence and that of his verses, cannot deter us in heralding the arrival of his, and everyone-elses' pet season. For, scoff as we will, there is a warm corner in the hearts of humanity for this initial and beautiful month that means so much for all. From this hour on, until the fore-shades of dull winter appear the world and its people will live the freer and happier life, rich in the light and warmth of sunshine; bright with the bloom, and swest with the fragrance of the flower-world; alert and eager in the quest of outdoor sports and pjrojects and the endless pursuit of pleasure everywhere.

THE PRINCIPLE APPROVED.

While, in the strictly political sense, the working of the Direct Primary law of Oregon has failed to give the abundant satisfaction it promised, and its first application leaves very much to be desired, there is no doubt the principle stands approved by the people at large. This is the one thing to know; the indispensable element to determine. And once assured of this, the work of the legislature is cut out for it. There is the one thing to know; the indispensible element to determine. And once assured of this, the work of the legislature is cut out for it. There will be wisdom enough to frame the amendments necessary to make the law simple and effective, in the new Republican legislature of Oregon, and the second trial may fasten the doctrine and the practice upon us for all time. But it will take broad treatment and careful handling to put it in wholly acceptable shape.

EDITORIAL SALAD.

The man with the muck rake can get a decent jub by changing that implement for a shovel, or any other useful tool, and inquiring at San Francisco.

While the fact is not historically recorded, it seems probable that the first wicked partner was evolved in the high and solemn function of whist.

The death list of San Francisco is smaller than was estimated, and the salvage will be larger than was supposed when the fire was raging.

Give the rural mail man the right of way or there may be trouble. It is a very serious matter to obstruct the rapid transportation of the United States mail.

Remember, sonny, and bear the truth well in mind that no matter how big a man you may be, nothing is ever gained by continually trying to belittle others.

What's this? Congress to pass a bill making it a crime to rob an Indian? Tut, tut. Reform is all right, but isn't this carrying it to an unreasonable extreme?

One of the theologians says 95 per cent of sons of the rich men are worthless. This is hardly fair. Most of them are nobly helping to keep money in circulation.

Illinois is rapidly growing to be an oil producing state. It produces 60,000 barrels a month now and stands ninth in the list of seventeen oil producing states in the union.

Twenty four million dollars, to be expended in the next three years in the construction of public roads, are appropriated in a bill introduced by Representative Shartel of Missouri.

Kansas undertakers have formed a trust. Hereafter funeral expenses must be guaranteed or the deceased will not be buried. Thus do many a man's woes pursue him to the grave.

Immigrants are coming into Texas at the rate of 1,000 a day, and New York and Boston at 16,000 a day. This country will have to continue to do some tall assimilating to digest so much raw food.

We have many friends who are more beautiful and gifted, but there it not one of them whose companionship we enjoy better than the plain-faced man or woman who never makes a witty or profound remark but whose simple quality of human goodness makes up every other deficiency.

Divorce degrees granted in one state do not bind the defendant if he or she resides in another, according to a decision of the United States supreme court, and as a result thousands of men and women, who, after separation in states where laws are lax have married again, face the possibility of having themselves declared bigamists and their children illegitimate.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Astoria National Bank

at Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, April 6, 1906.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$267,366.01
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		7,923.51
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		600.00
Bond Securities, etc		34,540.16
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		4,000.00
Other real estate owned		4,375.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)		9,713.63
Due from State Banks and Bankers		4,168.92
Due from approved reserve agents		241,071.66
Checks and other cash items		1,433.23
Notes of other National Banks		1,685.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles, and cents		290.49
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:		
Specie	$48,102.00	
Legal-tender notes	2,277.00	50,379.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		625.00
Total		$640,671.61

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund		10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		36,009.35
National Bank Notes Outstanding		10,900.00
Individual deposits subject to check	$290,184.95	
Demand certificates of deposit	34,592.34	
Time certificates of deposit	208,948.97	533,762.26
Total		$640,671.61

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss:

I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of y knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS.
Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of April, 1906.

GEORGE C. FULTON,
Notary Public.

Correct--Attest:
GEO. H. GEORGE,
GEO. W. WARREN.
A. SCHERNECKAU.
Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, April 6th, 1906.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$358,101.86
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		4,537.71
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		12,500 00
Bonds, securities, etc		74,580.00
Other real estate owned		3,000.00
Due from National banks (not reserve agents)		16,064.76
Due from State Banks and Bankers		70,832.63
Due from approved reserve agents		170,012.94
Checks and other cash items		740.41
Notes of other National Banks		20.00
Nickles and cents		392.56
Lawful money reserve in bank viz:		
Specie	$111,000.00	
Legal tender notes	20.00	111,020.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation		1,250.00
Total		$823,052.87

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		50,000 00
Surplus fund		60,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		19,300.33
National Bank notes outStanding		12,500 00
Individual deposits subject to check	$542,916.35	
Demand certificates of deposit	138,261.19	
Certified checks	75.00	681,252.54
Total		$823,052.87

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop, ss:

I, S. S. Gordon cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON,
Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of April, 1906.

V. BOELLING,
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
C. FLAVEL,
W. F. McGREGOR,
J. WESLEY LADD,
Directors.