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WAR IS ONE OF THE GREATEST PLAGUES THAT CAN AFFLICT HUMANITY; IT DESTROYS RELIGION; IT DESTROYS STATES; IT DESTROYS FAMILIES.—Luther.

THE FIGHT ON

THE fight to pass the bill for reviving the assembly has begun. Campaign literature advocating it has appeared on the streets and is going out in the mails to voters.

An organization calling itself the Citizens' League is making the fight. It has offices in the Fen-ton building. This bill is the most vicious measure on the ballot. Its provisions can be found in the state pamphlet, beginning on page 88.

Nothing would better satisfy the politicians and the water power and timber barons than the passage of this bill. Nothing would better satisfy those who seek profit and self and privileges of government than would the restoration of the assembly as proposed in this measure.

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Why? Who knows why? Judge McGinn gave his view as to why they oppose the measure at a meeting Monday night in Portland, and he applauded several minutes for his utterance. He said the reason for their opposition is that they are a corporation lawyers, and that they do not want any kind of a non-partisan judiciary.

Seattle and Portland. Seattle's program for harbor improvements is given wide publicity in Daily Consular and Trade Reports. This publication, issued by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce of the national capital, announces that Seattle's great harbor improvement project is about 80 per cent completed and will represent an outlay of some \$12,000,000.

Seattle's harbor is that city's greatest commercial asset. Upon the completion of Lake Washington canal the harbor will be one of the world's best harbors, where ships may lie in either salt or fresh water, with no extreme of heat or cold, no ice, and no winds exceeding 35 miles an hour.

left after the private interests are satisfied, is used for the construction of docks and other aids to navigation. Seattle is forging ahead of Portland as a shipping center because Seattle has not been handicapped in a like degree by private control of tidelands.

If Portland hopes to compete with Seattle as a shipping center, it is imperative that Portland be given control of unused water frontage. That is the purpose of measures 328 Yes and 330 Yes.

Pacific coast cities are in fierce competition for commerce. Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, are providing ample dock facilities free from railroad control as a chief inducement. That is why the people should again take possession of their unused water frontage.

But there is a change. No more do they play the lute and beat upon the harp of a thousand strings in the hope of being heard at Armageddon. They don't like the Colonel any more. They have thrown off the mask and are giving the Colonel the icy eye.

This is the position to which the Colonel's blind adherence to the lost cause of the Progressive party has reduced him. When called on to choose whom he will help against the progressivism, which he talks so fervently, he chooses Tammany, simply because Mr. Barnes, along with all other Republicans, support Mr. Whithycombe. His campaign has degenerated into a political vendetta.

The Colonel has insulted the reactionary leadership in Oregon. Mark it—Booth, Withycombe and McArthur. He described it so well even at long range, that the sob squad is angered and ready to throw Chinese eggs at him.

NOT EXPLAINED

There has been no explanation of why the water power plank was omitted from the declaration of principles on which Mr. Booth, Dr. Withycombe and Mr. McArthur stand as candidates.

There will be no explanation of that most significant transaction. There is no way to explain it. It means reaction. It means standpatism. It is an insult to every Lincoln Republican and every La Follette Republican in the state.

Why has there been explanation of nor at five times the regular advertising rate, the Fleischacker-Pittcock-Booth-Kelly and other big corporation and timber barons inserted full-page advertisements in the Portland News which, until its notorious bargain with the Oregonian, claimed to stand against corporations. Nor will there be explanation by the newspapers concerned in this deal. Nor will either of them deny the facts because they cannot deny them.

the price for these costly advertisements which were part of the bargain in fixing up the slate of candidates which the power and timber interests are trying to put over on the people.

OF GRAVE CONCERN

ONCE more, as a public duty, The Journal submits a very plain matter of business to the consideration of the thoughtful people of this state.

A campaign is on for the selection of men for public office. Among those to be chosen is one to take his place at the head of the government of this state, and to administer public affairs as governor.

Dr. Withycombe, a candidate for that office, began this campaign as a pronounced opponent of the single-item veto. June 20, he declared in a public address that it "is a two-edged sword" and "dangerous."

After remaining an opponent of it for nearly four months, October 13, Dr. Withycombe declared at Ashland, "I am in favor of the single-item veto."

This record of instability, indecision and lack of purpose seriously concerns every man and woman who has the slightest interest in taxation, in law enforcement, in legislative appropriations or in any other of the affairs of government.

Dr. Withycombe has already changed his mind three times on the single-item veto. If he has already changed his mind three times on that issue, what assurance have his friends or have the people as to when he will again change his mind on that issue for the fourth, or the fifth or the tenth time?

The governorship is the one strategic position of power that stands between the people and the legislature, the one position that can exercise or fail to exercise great guardianship over expenditures of public money, the one position that is forever beset and devilled by forces seeking evil legislation or benefits from the public treasury, and the position of all positions requiring a clear head, a firm hand and unbending stability of purpose.

Mindful of what the governorship means to them, and bearing in mind that Dr. Withycombe has been of three different views on the single-item veto within a few months, the men and women of this state must gravely ask themselves, how many times will Dr. Withycombe change his mind on any other public question or on all other public questions?

Company stores are abolished. All debts contracted by laborers to employers expire by limitation in one year. Employers are prohibited from placing any obstacle in the way of laborers who wish to change their place of employment.

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 100 words, and should be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. Letters not selected for publication will be returned, but should be so stated.)

"Discussion is the greatest of all reforms. It rationalizes everything it touches. It throws the truth back on the consciences, if they have no consciences, it ruthlessly forces the writer to defend his own conclusions in their stead."—Woodrow Wilson.

Public Market and Grocer. Portland, Oct. 20.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The Journal of October 17, D. Hill in weekly column, the public market on Yamhill street, reminds us that the farmers do not use the market absolutely free, but pay 10 cents a day for booths.

Mr. Bachrach is a most considerate husband, but, of course, there is a limit. Upon leaving home he left his wife requesting reimbursement of the city for constructing these booths, and if they are used long enough they will eventually pay the city all it has expended.

City market, onions, \$1.35 per cwt.; Hessian's grocery, \$1.10 per doz.; City market, grapes, 20 cents per box; Hessian's grocery, 15 cents box. City market, apples, \$1 to \$1.45 per box; Hessian's grocery, any apple 90 cents per box.

Mr. Linscott Opposes Prohibition. Silverton, Oct. 18.—To the Editor of The Journal.—As the campaign is drawing to an end I wish to make a few remarks. From a theological point of view we must realize that we are all the children of God, and we should not be divided by the color of our skin.

Opposes \$1500 Exemption. Grants Pass, Oct. 19.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The object of the proposed \$1500 exemption on assessed value of the home is the protection of the poor man, but by my calculations it protects the medium class and levies a tax on the poorest.

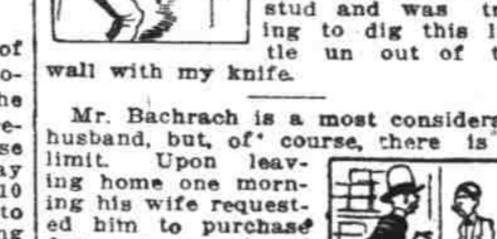
Lincoln Citation Asked for. Portland, Oct. 19.—To the Editor of The Journal.—I wish to call attention to the course of lectures now being delivered by Dr. Jerome Hall Raymond at the Lincoln high school under the auspices of the Portland



SMALL CHANGE

Is love an asset or a liability? Dympessa and pessimism have a lot in common.

There is one respect in which a woman has the advantage of a man. She doesn't have to mobilize with a safety razor three times a week.



From the Christian Science Monitor. One of the most remarkable of all the predictions which have been made by philosophers in the peace movement and one which seems about to be realized is that one made by Immanuel Kant of Konigsberg in 1786, during the height of the Napoleonic wars.

Investment Chances in Canada. In an investment sense, the United States and Canada may be considered as a single unit. The European war began, the movement to liquidate Canadian securities in this country was well under way.

Rival Cultures. Behold, the nations go to war. In pride of power and of race. They say that what they're fighting for is a better world.

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Grants Pass Courier: Send a few boxes of those delicious Flame Tokays to my friends in the favored region. It will be like a taste of southern Oregon climate to them, and will cost you but a few cents.

The Condon Globe, analyzing a recent government report so far as it relates to the situation among other things that of the 154 town dwellings occupied by their owners, only four assessed and taxed for 143 farm homes occupied by their owners, all are clear.

A recent storm of unusual character is described by the Medford Mail Tribune. The Old Oregon Tribune reports that lightning flashed over the Rogue river valley Wednesday night, a rare phenomenon in this section.

Dr. Withycombe's first treasurer was W. H. Gray whose daughter, Mrs. Jacob Kamm, is still a resident of Portland. He was appointed at the famous dinner given by the Board of Education and the secretary, as well as rent for the house in which the legislature held its sessions, the cost of stationery, the total income of the office was \$115.38, and they were left a balance of \$242.93 in the treasury.

Nearly 12 years before the publication of "Eternal Peace" Kant predicted confidently the end of wars and the reign of international law in an essay entitled "The Natural Principle of the Right of Peace." He said, "There is no possible remedy against the evils of the present state of the world but a universal republic in which the citizens are united upon public law."

At the first general election held under the provisional government, on May 14, 1842, which was the first general election in Oregon, six candidates ran for treasurer. They were Philip Foster, Ninewald, Long and H. H. Hech, A. E. Wilson, John E. Peter and W. H. Gray. Wilson received 68 votes cast for treasurer, of which Philip Foster received 46, Ninewald 10, Peter Hatch, A. E. Wilson, and the other candidates, one vote each.

At the meeting of the provisional legislature in 1842 Philip Foster came off second best. He was defeated by general vote of the people at the first general election but the form of election was changed so that the voters should vote for a provision of \$1 legislature. Foster had a rival candidate in the person of Frank Ermatinger, an employe of the Hudson's Bay Company and a friend of John McLoughlin. Mr. Ermatinger won out and Foster contested the election on the ground that Mr. Ermatinger was ineligible for the office because of his sympathies were with the Hudson's Bay company as against the American settlers. Foster's plea was disregarded.

Honesty Best. From Washington Star. Senator Frank B. Chandler of Connecticut smiled when the topic turned to honesty and said he was reminded of a party who once stole a dog. He met a congenial friend of the street, and the conversation immediately reverted to the aforesaid incident. "Well, you know," said Jim, "I'm impressed by the fact that, 'but I want you right here, honesty is the best policy, after all.'"

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