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THROUGH!

MISS ALICE ROBERTSON, feminine member of congress, from Muskogee, Okla., is through.

"I have been insulted by the citizenship of the city for which I have long fought and made sacrifices," she says. "I owe Muskogee nothing."

So Miss Robertson will return to her district after her departure from congress long enough to get her summer clothes, will sell her farm, and remove to other parts. She is through.

Miss Robertson has made a discovery that most politicians made long ago, and that is that voters don't always vote the same way. They felt differently in 1922 from what they did in 1920.

Of course, it is Miss Robertson's privilege to leave Muskogee. If she is through, she is through. But if she has any thoughts of re-entering politics, those longer in political life than Miss Robertson will advise her to remain in Muskogee, because voters in other states change their minds just as she do in Oklahoma, whether candidates like it or not.

Cancer took the lives of 1,200,000 people in the United States between 1920 and 1922. Had the victims attacked the terrible disease with scientific aid during incipient stages most of them would be alive today, freed from fear of the menace.

NEED FOR SANITY

AN INQUIRY is under way into hazing and hazing methods at Annapolis. It is in the form of a court-martial, a form that is likely to prove a failure from the standpoint of results.

Scarcely a year passes without a hazing scandal at Annapolis. There are always criticisms and threats of a change. But the hazing and scandals go on.

Many a young man has been seriously injured there. Many a young man has left the school as a result of the practices. Many an indignity has been perpetrated that is wholly out of accord with American thought and American custom.

the public that is paying for the navy, the school and the education of the young men who are enrolled there.

School is school. Forms of harmless play and pranks are expected at all educational institutions. But it is easy for young men to go too far, and the repeated scandals, injuries and indignities are evidence of such a trend at Annapolis.

The naval training school can be purged of them. Sanity can be established there, and action should be undertaken to insure its early installation.

LOST?

THERE is a break in the influence of the Pacific Northwest at Washington through the retirement of Senator Poindexter and Representative McArthur. It will in due time be realized, we are told.

"Break in the influence" for what? Neither represented the convictions of the majority of his party. Both belong to that school of political and economic thought against which the country has just voted.

Harding administration as the leadership in congress of men of the hard-boiled political theories of the Poindexters and McArthurs. If that brand of Republican continues to dominate the Harding administration, the present revolt against that administration will be a summer breeze in comparison with the political hurricane that will roar through the country in 1924.

Poindexter in particular has been everything in congress that the people of the state of Washington were not. He was for everything that the great body of his constituents were against.

There was every opportunity for Poindexter to win in the late election. The opposition was divided and demoralized. He gained his nomination because so many candidates were contenders. He had the benefit of an opposition split between two candidates in the final election.

He gained his political ascendancy as a progressive. In this he was unlike Mr. McArthur. Mr. McArthur never made any false pretensions. He has been and is a reactionary, and is proud of it.

What's a committee place if the holder is out of harmony with his constituents? If his acts misrepresent his constituents, his high committee assignments enable him to do more harm.

It is better to have no committee place than a bad vote. There may be an "Open River" yet. Wait for the results of the conference at Pendleton next Friday.

PORTLAND REBUKED

BUT one interpretation can be placed upon the outstate's negative treatment of the reboik amendment. It was a rebuke to Portland.

Though the amendment proposed permission to levy a tax for expansion purposes on Portland property only, people outside Portland did not believe they would be exempt from future tax, camouflaged perhaps in the form of a legislative appropriation for a costly state building.

Regrettable as the fact may be, there was in the outstate vote on the exposition amendment an expressed lack of cooperative feeling between outstate communities and Portland.

Portland is challenged by this balloted declaration. It is for Portland to make it clear to all communities within her state that she has no wish except for their material progress. The time has come not only to allay the suspicion that Portland is willing to "steal industries" from towns in her tributary territory, but to remove any basis for such suspicion.

The time has come to demonstrate that Portland more willingly fights for measures that concern the outstate than for schemes to increase the population of Portland, particularly in any degree of competition with the outstate is involved.

There are sections in Oregon that have made no growth in population during the past 10 years. Oregon agriculture increased only about 7 per cent during the past census period. Farmers in some districts warn they are going to lay away until a marketing system is established which will permit them to dispose of their own products to advantage.

There are thousands of citizens in the rural communities of Oregon who fear any hint of increased taxation, because taxes have already become confiscatory. They are afraid of debt, because they are already submerged in debt. They are afraid of increased production, because it might further force down the inadequate prices paid them for farm crops.

Portland's prosperity and progress are absolutely dependent on the welfare of the outstate, to win larger markets, to cooperate definitely in marketing, to set on foot activities that will promise success to new settlers, and to make Oregon a genuinely attractive place for settlers and tourists.

It is up to Portland to win the confidence of Oregon.

IN A COURT ROOM

A FEW nights ago New York's police found a gray-haired woman sitting on the curb in front of a prosperous drug store. Her face was in her hands, her clothes were shabby and her pockets empty. She was arrested for vagrancy.

Next morning she appeared before the court. Standing alongside was a middle-aged man, well-dressed and prosperous. He was there to tell what he had to do with the case and why the woman was found in front of his drug store, friendless and penniless. He was her son.

Next day, three women were to come before the court to tell their story. They, too, were prosperous, and one is reputed to be worth \$100,000. They, too, call the aged woman "mother."

They all live in good homes. They all have means. They all looked the part. But the aged mother had only a small room in a dingy apartment. She had no money for food, no money for clothing and nobody to comfort and care for her as she passed down the road toward the valley of the shadow.

The children had once agreed to help her. The son was to give her \$15 a month. The daughters were each to provide \$5. The mother was to have \$30 a month for her care—but even payments on that score were in arrears.

A reporter asked a few questions, and this is her response: "I love them all. William is a good son, and the girls have always been good daughters. It isn't their fault that they are poor. They have homes of their own, and I would only be in their way. I am going to a home for old people soon; then I will be alone. That will be much better, and my children can be happy."

Some day, some place, there will be repayment in kind to her who gave so much and to those who refused to give back.

THE CHEST OPENS

IN the name of those who sorrow and of those who, handicapped, long for better things, the Community Chest again offers the people of Portland an opportunity to interpret the heart of charity. The campaign begins November 20.

As testimony to economical operation and a new businesslike regime in both collection and distribution of funds, the amount asked for next year, about \$650,000, is \$200,000 less than was sought in the campaign of March, 1921. Where collection cost of charity funds once averaged \$20 out of each \$100 given, the Community Chest turns over to beneficiaries \$92.50 of every \$100 given.

The chest's costs include not only campaign expense but year-round operation in supervision of beneficiaries. By this year-round work it has been able to locate business needs of accounting. This is important service to those dependent on charity. It is important service to give.

It is important service to the community. It was such service that caused a committee of the City club, part of its members skeptical at the beginning, to report, "We approve the Community Chest. Its ideas are sound and we believe that the Portland Community Chest is organized generally on right principles and is functioning properly."

Give to the Chest. Give by the month, and with one pledge make your contribution stand through the year. Give with full confidence that your gift will be faithfully administered with the least cost consistent with largest results. Give without fear of prejudice or partiality in treatment of beneficiaries. Give at the Christmas season in the spirit of the divine utterance, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto me."

WESTERN SHIPPERS' ALLY

THE intercoastal trade of America through the Panama canal has become an outstanding factor in American business.

The increase of intercoastal traffic in a year only, is surprising. During September, 1921, 25 ships passed through the canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific. They carried 72,600 tons of cargo. Last September 34 vessels passed from the Atlantic to the Pacific through the canal, carrying 182,955 tons of cargo.

September a year ago 15 vessels passed through the canal from the Pacific to the Atlantic, carrying 104,642 tons. By last September the number had increased to 29 and the cargo tonnage to 192,300. This gives a total of 63 vessels last September as compared with 40 in September, 1921, and 355,245 tons as compared with 177,262 a year ago. This was all intercoastal.

ALL TOGETHER FOR OREGON!

Voices of Friends and Former Governor Blend in Greeting to Governor-elect Pierce as He Enters Oregon.

La Grande Observer: It's a fine day, Walter, it's a fine day, and all Oregon joins you, Walter M. Pierce of Union county, an governor of Oregon. The night is over, the hatchet is buried, and buried deeply. You have made a good fight, you have won it fairly, at once single-handed, and you have won it squarely. You have demonstrated that one Eastern Oregon man can get through Trousdale in state politics, and the rest is over, the hatchet is buried, and buried deeply.

They are with you in all earnestness to save Oregon from bankruptcy; they are with you on every idea you have advanced for the betterment of the normal condition and put a brake on the ruthless extravagance which has marked the past few years; they are with you in every measure of friendship, constructive legislation, and will aid you in putting an end to any sectional or religious feeling.

The Evening Observer today greets you as our governor. We may have differed with you in times gone by, but "those days are gone forever," and now we stand shoulder to shoulder with you, not as representatives of the political parties in this state, but as citizens, as sons of Old Mother Oregon, and as grateful citizens who are in achieving results; we will assist you in every possible manner that we can to make good your pre-election promises, and we will assist you in every way that we can to bring reforms in state affairs that will cease to be theory and redound to the benefit of the people of Oregon who pray the Bible.

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Corvallis Gazette-Times: There will always be a difference of opinion as to the relative placing of the factors entering into the election of a governor. However, the Gazette-Times dares to venture certain conclusions in reference to the result of yesterday.

First in our opinion was the good sense and splendid campaigning ability. Without a man of his type and fighting ability, it is hard to see how it is possible for the result to have been accomplished.

Second, the issue on which Mr. Pierce chose to make his campaign was the lessening of taxation. Taxes touch everybody, and all the natives sit up and take notice when there is possibility of their being lessened.

Third, the defections from Republican ranks due to the compulsory school law and the proposed amendment to the constitution, which would have been a Republican organization man of sufficient caliber to be in the running, and the support of the leading workers in the Republican organization.

Fourth, the resignation of Mr. Pierce which was the impetus attached.

Sixth, the general discontent throughout the country born of a combination of circumstances, and in many instances without reason, except that periodically there is a disposition to get a new fellow.

Seventh, a feeling on the part of many that Mr. Oloott had been in state office quite a while.

But whatever the causes leading to the defeat yesterday, most of them are things which you cannot control. The Statesman, which says this morning: "The Republican party in Oregon is not dead, it is only in a state of hibernation. The Statesman is concerned, there will be no campaign of recrimination or of revenge in any sense carried on from this time forth in Oregon. It belongs to all of us. It is deserving of a better fate than that of being divided into warring factions, tearing at each other's throats, and holding the state up to ridicule."

Let us face forward, all together. Salem Capital Journal: Governor Oloott has set a good example by wiring his congratulations to Walter M. Pierce, his successful opponent, as follows: "Please accept my congratulations upon your very decisive victory. If there is any way I may assist you in your new duties, please do not hesitate to let me know. The personal fortunes of any man or set of men and it is my hope that under your administration the people of Oregon will be better off than ever."

Marshall News: Walter Pierce, of Eastern Oregon, will move into the state house at Salem next January first, as he has defeated Governor Eben Oloott by a majority of 2,000. Mr. Pierce is a state Democrat, and the surprise of the state election of yesterday was that he was not only elected, but that he was elected by a large majority.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

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CONGRATULATES OREGON: Also Hopes Pierce, When Governor, Will Move to Abolish Capital Punishment. Fairhills, Wash., Nov. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal:—I am rejoicing over the election of Pierce for governor. Dear old Oregon was gradually giving up her capital punishment. Working honest people were being choked out of existence by taxes. But now we are saved.

One thing I hope is that Mr. Pierce will move to abolish capital punishment in Oregon. The man who commits a murder is no more a murderer in law than he is in fact. He takes his life in any way. It only doubles the crime. There is no law in the Bible that permits us to use capital punishment. "Thou shalt not kill." I believe in punishment, but what greater punishment could we give one than life imprisonment? It costs less, and it is more than they do now. Hundreds of innocent people have been put to death by capital punishment, because they were dragged in and shut up and had no chance to defend themselves.

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PARTISAN NEWSPAPERS

A Critic Wonders If They Will Properly Interpret Last Tuesday's Verdict. Portland, Nov. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal:—In the regular evening edition of the Morning Oregonian, last night I saw a sensational expression of opinion regarding the election of Walter M. Pierce for governor.

And may I ask if those blindly partisan papers, the Oregonian and the Evening Telegram and the News, are going to take the result of the election as a rebuke to the ultra-partisan press of the country—which it undoubtedly was—and will continue to carry on their present course by trying to make the voter believe he does not know how to vote intelligently and should not, therefore, vote at all?

MORE CONCERNING CREEDS: Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal:—Concerning "Creeds." Under this caption a correspondent, today writes in quotation marks, "The following are some of the more than a dozen bridges do to cross a stream; they are just a way of getting across, that's all."

That's not all. I remember "Horatius pontem defendit." They are indeed a way of getting across, but "that's not all." They are, as the correspondent says, "just a way of getting across." They are, as the correspondent says, "just a way of getting across."

Legatist founded Manila in 1571 on the island of Luzon. Today a modern city of approximately 200,000 population spreads on both sides of the Pasig as does Portland. The census showed Manila had a population of 283,817, about the size of Portland at the same period. Manila, by the way, is the largest city in the Philippines, and is a city of the future.

All Over

"It's All Over Now." It is a song we have heard. At the time it was written it seemed quite a new song. But now it is a song that is being sung in many a home. It is a song that is being sung in many a home.

LONG SKIRTS AND HIGH STEPS

From the Chicago Daily News: Among the first echoes of fashion's decrees for longer skirts is the cry from the women who are wearing them. They are wearing them for longer steps on street cars.

For a time the fashion in skirts proved to be a source of trouble. The skirts were long and the steps were high. The women who were wearing them were having a hard time of it.

Streetcar steps may be too high, but it is fairly certain that they will not be changed. The streets are being paved with concrete, and the steps are being made higher. The women who are wearing them are having a hard time of it.

COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

SMALL CHANGE: A working majority that will not be working the people is about the crying need of the times. In this getting back to the land, it makes no lot of difference whether the farmer is getting back with a hoe or a bunch of golf tees.

MINNESOTA youth sentenced to stay in his home town five years. Judge didn't see fit to send the youth to the state prison. News that moonshine is being made on a small scale in the state. The great oak forests destroyed in the setting up of the older states of the Union.

There never has been in any campaign so little said about the office seeking the man as in the one just past. It is a sign that the office has done an uncommonly good job of manufacturing. At old time revivals the phrase "fired of sin" was much in use. It was a sign of the times. It was a sign of the times.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

Random Observations About Town

H. C. Waddell and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Spencer are in business among Douglas county visitors. Among recent arrivals in the city are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walker of Independence.

C. M. Nyland of Astoria is among the guests at the Imperial. R. T. Ford of Tillamook is visiting in the metropolis. A. B. Cunningham of Medford is a business visitor to the metropolis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Apperson of Minnville visited Portland Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Tatom of Prineville are among out of town guests. J. J. Pierson of Medford is registered at the Multnomah.

L. L. Graham of Corvallis is among recent arrivals in the city. Among out of town visitors are Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen of Salem. H. L. Vissart of Vernonia is a business visitor to Portland.

C. H. Woodcock of Corvallis is among out of town guests. C. H. Schultz of Tillamook is among out of town visitors. W. C. Pease of The Dalles is in the city.

IMPRESSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS OF THE JOURNAL MAN

By Fred Lockley: Some of the beneficial net results of American possession of the Philippine Islands are being felt here. The Philippines are giving out much valuable wood and the tree that yields it.

The Spanish War Veterans were given places of honor at the unveiling of Proctor's statue of Roosevelt. They were given places of honor at the unveiling of Proctor's statue of Roosevelt.

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The wood that takes a long time to season properly, which must be very thoroughly done, air seasoning being preferred. The wood that takes a long time to season properly, which must be very thoroughly done, air seasoning being preferred.

You who are fond of mahogany furniture are probably not aware that when Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and his Rough Riders were in the Philippines, they discovered a great deal of mahogany.

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The Oregon Country

Northwest Republicans in Brief Turn for the Hour Oregon: Albany college students are preparing for a big athletic benefit carnival and dance, which will be held there in the city of Albany.

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