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A GOVERNOR FROM THE SOUTH

IT HAS been pertinently suggested that southern Oregon cease to pull political chestnuts from the fire for the remainder of the state, and justly present her own claims for recognition at the forthcoming elections. The curious fact that opportunity is open to all, and that the North has no patent upon the process of creating state officials, finally presents itself.

Southern Oregon has done much for the development and prosperity of the state. Through the efforts of its citizens the district has won its spurs in the field of commerce, and is wearing them bravely. The entire state has participated in the increased immigration and trade that have traced back the course of southern Oregon products. It has been a lone-handed fight, with opposition encountered at every turn, and with scant encouragement from other parts of the state. In commerce the district had to fight to gain recognition in its own commonwealth—but in politics the barons of the North wooed its favor. They proffered nothing, gave nothing, in return save petty appointments.

Southern Oregon wants something worth while politically. It is a reasonable request, long deferred. In the coming campaign, if the signs read right, it will ask for the governorship. The district has earned its right to pretention—if there is anything pretentious about this. Given a field sprinkled with candidates and a many-sided fight for the nomination in either party, it is argued that it might not be difficult for a Jackson county aspirant to edge in. If we are as loyal to an acceptable home candidate as we have been to the progress of the district, he should receive not less than nine-tenths of the combined vote of the county and the adjacent territory. That will make some noise Romé. It should secure his election.

Jackson county is not lacking in men whose candidacy would be acceptable, not only locally, but widely throughout the state, if they could be induced to make the campaign—clean, able, and courageous men of affairs. Such names are suggested readily.

The Medford Mail-Tribune, in an article published elsewhere in this issue, moves that party lines be forgotten, as they deserve to be, and that the citizens of Jackson county concentrate "upon the most available candidate". This is level-headed talk of the right sort. Editor Putnam names a half-dozen citizens who would be standard bearers of the proper mettle. From among the number The News ventures to make an early choice.

County Judge F. L. Tou Velle demonstrated his ability to win a hard fought campaign in the election which placed him in office. He is widely known throughout the state, is of engaging personality and unquestioned ability, a tireless advocate of good roads—his winning fight for the paved Pacific highway turned the eyes of the state and the entire west upon this county—young, able, energetic, and progressive. When the public business is his business officially, it is certain of transaction at the earliest possible moment and in the best possible manner. If nominated he would make a strong campaign for the election—and he should be elected.

Whichever candidate may be selected by the voters of Jackson county to wage the fight for southern Oregon's political recognition, should be left free from local opposition and given the united and determined support of our combined strength.

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By the high hills of Morning that look toward the East, the Craftsman sculpted at his models—the greater among the least. One was chiseled of granite, lofty and strong and proud; one was cut from sapphire stone, like the blue, devoid of cloud; one was whittled in malachite; one was postured in bronze; and one was aglow, like a gem in snow, with the red of a thousand dawns. He looked at the work completed, then stooped to the trampled clay, and wrought in ruder fashion the Jest—that should last a day. Life leaped in the stone at morning; each from the hills came down, to circle the seas for commerce or get him a job in town—and whether of good or evil, striving little or long, each stamped on his work the imprint, and the written word was—"Strong!" But neither in peace and plenty, nor war and the crimson shade, did they find a place which fitted the Jest that the Craftsman made.

He looked to the hills for succor, and the hills gave never a sign; he turned to the level prairie, and it whispered him back his whine; he climbed to the crags of the headland, where the surf breaks white as death—he plead with the winds to aid him, and they gave him back his breath. Near, clear, on the sharp-cut skyline a boat came breezing home—the mirth of her sailors stung him like a whip lash over the foam. Pity the cur who feels it—the scourge of his disrepute; pity the man who turns to Fate the snarl of an outlawed brute. The cur may clinch to the bullet that severs the gyves of pain—but the Jest must shrink from the open brink, and suffer his life again. Light on thy ways, O Craftsman!—who fashioned him after the worst—for the cur may flinch to the bullet, but the Jest limps on, accursed!

SCHOOL NOTES

Professor M. S. Pittman, of the Oregon Normal School, at Monmouth, gave a short lecture at the High school Wednesday forenoon on "Dreams." Mr. Pittman divided dreams into three classes: first, the kind all animals have after over eating before retiring; next, the common day dream, or the building of air castles; and last, the "crazy dreams" which result in the discovery of nations and all the great inventions of man, such dreams as Columbus, Franklin, Fulton, and Edison had.

ROLL OF HONOR FOR FIRST SEMESTER

Those Excused from All Examination
Viola Myers, Richard Morelock, Vera Davidson, Elsie Miller, Mary Truax, Ida Starns, Agnes Dietrich, Ray Van Slyke.

Those Excused from Part of Examination
Clinton Walker, Warren Coppack, Alton Dungey, Don Avery, Earl Cook, Agnes Flippen, Mary Griffith, Letay Hodges, Gladys Haymond, Loleta Hougham, Audrey Britt, Etha Lawrence, Pearl Nowels, Mildred Myers, Frank Riedel.

Those Neither Absent nor Tardy
Pearl Collins, Elsie Miller, Alton Dungey, Mary Truax, Agnes Flippen, Loleta Hougham, Mary Griffith, Mildred Myers, Pearl Nowels, Frank Fink, Audrey Britt, Edna Sutton, Lola Coy, Gladys Darling, Lottie Fleming, Ruby Oden, Alan Cameron, Howard Kell, Eleanor Hunt, Joe Lewis, Cecil Johnson, James Chisholm, Vineta Fleming, Leda Harvey, Ella Jamison, Nestor Anderson, Vernon Fleming, Gerald Owen, John McClelland, Katherine Cook, Alice Johnson, Clarence Cook, Ida Johnson.

—D. S. A.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Portland has a population of about 243,327, according to figures presented by Commissioner Dieck.

The Oregon State Hardware Men's association met in Portland for a four days' session beginning Tuesday.

Dust Manos, a Greek, who killed Bill Karahallos, a fellow countryman, at Philomath, was arrested near Corvallis.

The milk and cream tests being conducted in various rural schools of Polk county have proven to be helpful to the dairy industry of the county.

Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, has announced his candidacy for re-election, subject to the action of the republic party.

Five cars of Rogue River Valley potatoes were shipped to the United States army on the Mexican-Texas border. The price received was 75 cents a sack f. o. b. Medford.

Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill in congress authorizing Multnomah county and Clarke county, Wash., to construct an interstate bridge across the Columbia river at Vancouver.

Senator Chamberlain has referred to the house committee various protests by salmon packers against Representative Lafferty's bill, requiring the date of the pack to be placed on the cans.

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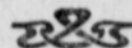
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