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A LETTER TO OREGONIANS.

While the Leader does not take up the cause of Republicanism by publishing the following letter from the Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee of Oregon, it does earnestly recommend to the thoughtful consideration of all the people of this state the analysis of Oregon's backwardness therein contained. In this letter it is shown many of the reasons why the State of Washington has outstripped Oregon in voicing strength and has gained in population more rapidly:

Portland, Oct. 24, 1904.

Ed, Leader—My dear Sir. For commercial reasons if nothing else, I hope that every citizen of Oregon will exhibit sufficient interest in the forthcoming election to not only go to the polls himself but to exert his best efforts to get all his neighbors out to vote regardless of party affiliations. Let our love for our highly-favored State inspire us to show the business world that we are up and doing, and that our population is increasing year by year, and that we do not purpose sitting idly by and allowing our neighbor States after this Presidential election to advertise to the world that they are growing in population and Oregon standing still. It should be a matter of State pride for every voter to avail himself of his franchise and vote. As a means of showing a growth of population, it is absolutely essential that a full vote be registered. No question but the growth of our State at the present time is the most rapid in its history; but there is a means of showing it to the world, and the opportunity ought not to be neglected. Let us have all the voters out—Republicans, Democrats, Socialists, Prohibitionists. Stand up and be counted for the State!

Shall we fold our hands and not avail ourselves of this important and unusual opportunity to announce to the world that we are growing in population? Over in Washington enterprising citizens regardless of party are exerting every effort to get the vote out in order to advertise that their State is advancing, and consequently is the State for people to move to.

Four years ago Washington cast 107,000 odd votes, and the State of Oregon cast 84,000-odd votes. This year they are working for 140,000; and if they succeed it will mean an increase of over 32 per cent. If Oregon's ratio of increase is to be the same as Washington's we should return over 110,000 votes next month.

Here we have but four Presidential Electors to vote for; hence the only factor available to create sufficient interest in the election is a spirit of State pride, a due regard for our State's future welfare, and availing ourselves of an opportunity of attracting capital and emigration to our State. With Washington it is different. Over there they have their State, district, county and precinct officers to elect; and this, as you know, will assist in getting out the vote. Moreover, they will have a contest for Governor, and that of itself will manufacture interest.

The citizens of our State are everywhere organizing and spending money to advertise and encourage immigration. The Oregon Development League is soliciting capital to profitable employment here; is inviting the manufacturer, the farmer, the miner, the stockman—in fact, all classes of citizens are urged to come and assist in developing the resources of our State. The Boards of Trade throughout the State, the Chambers of Commerce, the Commercial Clubs,

the Development and Improvement Leagues, and the various other organizations whose purpose is to induce immigration here, are doing most excellent and commendable work, and are entitled to the lasting gratitude of our people in every county and precinct, and should be supported liberally in the meritorious work they are doing for Oregon; and the citizens of the State have an opportunity to encourage these bodies in their work by availing themselves of their franchise and getting others to do the same.

Don't worry your head about how your neighbor is going to vote; simply emphasize the importance of a commercial standpoint of his doing so. And, moreover, every man should avail himself of that sacred right.

After this Presidential election the newspapers of the country will teem with comparative data touching the growth of Oregon, of Washington, of Idaho; in fact, the growth of every Pacific State since the last Presidential election will be given fullest publicity. And papers of Washington, Seattle in particular, will publish in bold-faced type the growth of that State; and should her ratio of increase exceed Oregon's, there will be no end to newspaper comment nor to the distribution of literature showing the disparity between the ratio of these two States. Will it not cause inquiry and subsequently emigration if newspapers, almanacs and government and other statistics all over the Nation advertise that Oregon since the last Presidential election has grown equally in population with other States of the Pacific? The fact is, we have grown in population and are growing in population, and it but remains for voters of this State to demonstrate that fact to people who are looking to the Pacific for future investments and homes.

And there is another side to this question. Senator John P. Dolliver of Iowa remarked at these headquarters recently that the best place to get legislation in Washington is at the White House; and he emphasized the importance of Oregon giving Roosevelt and Fairbanks a larger majority in November than the State went in June. Listen to substantially his own words: "You will have a call on the President and his immediate political family then. They will be constrained to not deny Oregon's delegation in Congress any reasonable request. Your rivers and harbors, your irrigation schemes, the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia, the canal at The Dalles, your arid lands, your forest timber lands, your transport service, your World's Fair, and your federal buildings—these and whatever else require help will stand a far greater chance of satisfactory attention from Congress than if the people of your State wrap the drapery of their couches about them and lie down to pleasant dreams. Why, Iowa will give Roosevelt and Fairbanks at the very least 100,000. This is conceded. Still the red-fire of enthusiasm is illuminating every precinct in the Hawkeye State. What for? Simply because it will redound to our State's credit at Washington!"

I beg pardon for submitting to you this long letter; but having some property interests in the State, and being a comparatively zealous native son of Oregon, my humble efforts have been and will continue to be along the line of commercial speculation rather than political speculation. I have in the discharge of my duties as Chairman of the Republican State Committee striven to conduce to my party's best interests, and have striven also to promote the best interests of the State; and so long as I continue in this capacity my chiefest aim shall be to contribute not alone to the best interests of the Republican party, but to the best interests of the State; and in this latter regard I believe that if this letter to you will cause any apathetic citizen to vote, my humble efforts will not have been in vain.

Your obedient servant,
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Portland, October 21.—(Special.)

—For a technical error in making out two pension papers for himself, the federal grand jury brought in a true bill against Attorney Lee M. Travis on Friday. It was an act of thoughtlessness on the part of Travis with no intention whatever to defraud the government. His pension papers were all correct regarding his service with the Oregon boys, and his sickness, for he was taken down and had a long siege of typhoid fever, but in two instances he had written the name of his witnesses instead of getting them to do so, after they had promised to sign the papers for him. When Travis did this he did not realize that he was committing an offense, nor did he have any intention to defraud the government. The technical error was soon discovered at Washington, when it was seen that Travis and his witnesses' names were all written in Travis' well-known writing, without any attempt to imitate the handwriting of the witnesses. This in the sight of the United States law is a most serious offense. Pension agents were soon put on Travis' track and worked up a case against him without as much as taking into consideration the extenuating circumstances. Travis never denied signing the names, but they held him down to the strict letter of the law. On Travis' arrival in Portland he went to United States District Attorney Hall and informed him of the whole truth of the trivial mistake, a mistake so often made by attorneys in signing persons' names when they should not without having the proper power of attorney before them. Mr. Hall was reluctant to bring so serious a charge against Travis when he heard his story, but on looking the matter up his hands were tied and had to follow the letter of the law. He admitted that everything was truthful in the body of the affidavit and that Travis was entitled to a pension, but the technical mistakes in the signatures was a matter under the law which he had to file a complaint against him where the last fine was \$500. Travis also told a truthful story before the grand jury, and as soon as that body brought in a true bill he pleaded guilty before Judge Bellinger, who inflicted the least fine that was in his power, which was the above amount. Both the district attorney and the judge spoke in high praise of Travis, who had done the correct thing in admitting his technical error, and if it had been in their power the sentence would have only been a reprimand or a small fine. The fine was too heavy for so trivial a mistake, especially as Travis was one of the first to answer his country's call for volunteers when the war broke out. He came near losing his life in Manila, yet for the year of his young manhood he gave to his country in service and time lost in sickness when it came to making a slight mistake, the government is cold blooded and will not overlook a technical error when there was no intention whatever to defraud the government. That is not the right spirit in which to treat one of the Second Oregon Regiment and one of the members of the Eugene company and a Lane county boy who has the respect and confidence of the people in this section of the country. But when a pack of pension agents or land agents find the least mistake they magnify it into a most serious crime, as they have in Travis' case. Travis' reputation in Lane county is well known. No one will believe that he intended to commit a wrong, nor does District Attorney Hall, but he is the victim of circumstances. Where the pension agents should have taken into consideration that Travis had no intention to defraud the government. They were after blood and they obtained it unjustly, for it was an unjust case and one of persecution instead of justice.

Diploma Found.

The lost diploma of Miss Shiveley has been found and was received by that lady on Sunday last. It is regularly signed by the faculty of 1898 of the Monmouth Normal School and countersigned by Governor Geer and other officials thus settling at rest the question of a diploma having been issued to her, if there had been any doubt before. It is to be regretted, on account of all concerned, that this document was not in evidence at an earlier date as it would doubtless have saved the serious complications which have arisen.

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The school board are equally positive of their position and state the quota of teachers is filled and they cannot receive a point from their present position.

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Silk Creek Items

County Supt. Dillard of Eugene paid our school a visit one day last week. He expressed himself as very much pleased with the school.

E. A. Wheeler arrived home from Eugene Friday bringing with him stock which he bought while absent. J. R. Elliott returned home from Seaburg the last of the week.

The Misses, Winnie and Varian Dresser of Lynx Hollow, visited Ailce Wheeler Sunday.

Mrs. B. H. Lee and daughters, Miss Florence and Floy, of Divide attended church service here Saturday.

A. D. Owens made a business trip to Lynx Hollow, Friday.

Mr. Daniel Miller and mother arrived here Thursday from Coos Co., to visit the family of Geo. Miller.

Several of the Silk Creek people went to Cottage Grove Friday. Among them were, Eugene Miller and wife, M. T. Babcock, H. W. Babcock, W. N. Wheeler and wife and Mrs. Owens and son, Almon.

"Uncle" Ves Veatch arrived home Friday from a visit to his grand daughter Mrs. John Good of Seattle, Wash.

In climbing a fence on her way to school Monday morning, little Hazel Ashby fell and hurt herself quite badly.

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Immediately following the winter holidays, the Oregon Agricultural College, at Corvallis, will give free of charge two popular short courses of instruction—one in agriculture, the other in dairying. These courses consist chiefly of lectures by specialists from the faculty and from abroad, combined with work in the laboratories, where students have access to the apparatus of the College and Experiment Station. The lectures are designed for busy men and women who desire to advance with this progressive age, but cannot avail themselves of the full four-year course of instruction; hence the courses of lectures will come at the most convenient season of the year for combining pleasure and recreation with profitable study. Those familiar with the short course system of lectures, speak of it as a rare opportunity for practical men and women to familiarize themselves with the more salient points touching their business, and to gather such general information as will enable them to live that higher industrial life possible to every farmer and housekeeper.

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The course in agriculture will begin January 9th, and continue ten days. Some of the subjects to be discussed are Horticulture, Plant Breeding, Bacteriology, Chemical Elements, How Plants Work, Budding of Plants based upon Plant Culture, Hints on Farming, How to Conserve the Fertility of the Soil, Drainage, Soil Moisture, Rose Culture, Veterinary Surgery, Rotation of Crops, Roadmaking, Fertilization and How to Make the Old Farm Pay.

The course in dairying will commence January 21, and continue six weeks. Students will meet for work six days of the week. The mornings will be devoted to practical work in dairy rooms, two days will be devoted to butter making, two days to cheese making, and two days will be spent in the dairy laboratories. In the afternoon of the days except those devoted to cheese making, lectures and recitations will occupy two or three hours. The lectures will treat of Soil Chemistry and Physics, Feed and Feeding, Dairying, Bacteriology, Breeds and Breeding and Chemistry of Dairy Products.

There will be no fees except the breakage deposit of three dollars. This deposit is intended to cover breakage of glass-ware in the laboratory, and the actual cost of material used; hence a part of this fee will be returned in case of no breakage. Books will cost about three dollars. Rooms with board and lodging will cost from \$3.00 to \$3.50 per week.

For further information address the Register.

At Portland.

Mrs. Frank D. Wheeler, Mrs. W. C. Connor, the Misses Lizzie Orpurd, Gertrude Burdick and Lillian Hart, Messrs. Charles Cochran and Tom Medley attended the meeting in Portland last week of the W. C. F. U. The Cottage Grove representatives by request entertained one evening at one of the churches. Miss Burdick delivered a very interesting address. Mr. Cochran rendered several solos on his cornet, while Mr. Medley gave several recitations, all of which were received by the audience.

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