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The way to build up Dallas is to polk-rize Dallas people.



WILL HAVE TO EXPLAIN

Stirred to wrath by a recent editorial in the OBSERVER, Ex-Governor Geer grasps his ever-ready pen and writes the Oregonian as follows:

"The following editorial paragraph appeared in a recent issue of the Polk County Observer:

"Ex-Governor Geer is quoted as saying that he does not want to be a United States Senator for the reason that there is no money in it. He says the office of Governor is much more profitable. Geer ought to know the possibilities of the Governor's office. He filled that position for four years, and can evidently see more than \$5000 a year in the constitutional salary of \$1500. Else, why the comparison?"

"It is the spirit contained in this squib that makes it necessary at least in the mind of Chairman Baker, to call a conference of Oregon Republicans in order that 'harmony' may again reign in the party ranks."

"The statement attributed to me was contained in the Salem correspondence of The Oregonian and was based upon the fact, known of everybody, that the cost of living in Washington is practically double what it is in Oregon. The purposeful mis-statement by the Dallas paper of what I said is merely one of those contemptible vicious methods too frequently adopted by a few newspapers in Oregon during recent years and to which can be directly traced whatever of Democratic ascendancy is now prevailing in our state and county governments."

"Everybody knows, even the editor who wrote the foregoing, that the law of Oregon provides that the Governor shall receive \$5000 a year, precisely that allowed the Senators of the United States, and the assertion that I evidently see more than \$5000 a year in the constitutional salary of \$1500 was made solely for a vicious purpose, even at the expense of disclosing the editor's own malignant animus, since everybody knows that he knows the constitutional salary of \$1500 has been superseded for 20 years by the state law. The purpose of this quoted paragraph finds lodgment only in the lowest forms of political degeneracy and it might surprise some people to find that it was copied in the Salem Statesman, which is just now delivering sermons every day in favor of the Oregon Republicans 'getting together' in the interest of 'harmony'."

"My name has frequently been mentioned in connection with the next nomination for the Governorship. Up to this time I have never said whether I would enter the contest, but if anything will hasten my decision, and in favor of the spirit animating the paragraph at the head of this communication—in which event we shall see the matter in its entirety carried to the people, both in the primaries and in the state election following."

"In the meantime the brethren who are striving for harmony would do well to invest in a text book on that question and to speedily abandon the tactics adopted by them several years ago and which have made necessary a meeting of the State Central Committee in October preceding a state election for the first time in 30 years, and that in a state which less than a year ago gave a Republican majority of more than 40,000."

"Let us have harmony, to be sure, but how would it do to try the rock of common sense as the principal corner stone of the coveted structure to which we all expect to point with pardonable pride?" T. T. GEER."

Commenting upon the ex-Governor's fiery denunciation of the OBSERVER's editorial the Oregonian says:

"The ex-Governor is surprised and pained that everybody in Oregon doesn't know that the Governor's salary is \$5000, just the same as a Senator. But it is obvious that all, even country editors, do not keep the same close track of such interesting matters as the ex-Governor. Everybody should. Nearly everybody did, when the Governor's salary was only \$1500, but it didn't seem to do any good, for there was somehow a great deal of doubt about just how much the State Executive actually did get. Let us hope that the light now thrown on the subject from an authoritative source will be sufficient for all time."

Since Mr. Geer admits that the Governor's salary is \$5000 a year, it can safely be taken for granted that he got at least that much each year that he filled the office. Now, that the Ex-Governor is loosening up on the salary subject, it is to be hoped that he will go the whole length and tell the people exactly how much he did get. His remarkable statement that the constitution has been "superseded by the state law" has awakened much interest, and the taxpayers would doubtless like to know the exact amount of money this state law, that

is "bigger than the constitution," has allowed him to draw from the treasury.

Mr. Geer's statement that the "vicious methods of a few Oregon newspapers are responsible for whatever of Democratic ascendancy is now prevailing in our state and county governments," is hardly worthy of an answer. The only Democratic state officer in Oregon is Governor George E. Chamberlain, and he was elected by the Geer influence. While the Republican newspapers were working for the success of W. J. Furnish, Geer's personal followers were busy in every county in the state in an effort to defeat the Republican candidate. Here in Polk County, certain influential friends of Mr. Geer worked early and late for Chamberlain, with the result that the Republican majority was overcome and the county was carried by the Democratic candidate. Many of these Geer men openly boasted after election that they voted for Chamberlain. The number of Republican votes cast for Chamberlain in Polk County alone would have been sufficient to have elected Furnish, had they been cast for the Republican nominee.

The same course was pursued in every other county in the state, and, so far as is known, Mr. Geer made no effort to stop the slaughter. It might be unfair to charge that Geer himself fought Furnish, but it is a significant fact that the oratory of the Tall Sycamore was not heard in that campaign. And all Republicans will recall the circumstance of the Governor's sudden departure for Roseburg after he had promised to be present and preside over the Furnish rally in Salem. Business had never been so pressing at the Soldiers' Home before, and probably will never be again.

It now seems certain that Mr. Geer will again be a candidate for the nomination for Governor. Just how he expects to square himself with the friends of Mr. Furnish for his course in the last state campaign is not known, but he is a prolific letter-writer and will probably explain his position later on. Having once had a taste of high life, he will hardly be contented to go back to his farm in the classic Waldo Hills. Your modern Cincinnati is ever ready to leave his plow, but is usually in no hurry to get back to it.

Elated by his success in leading the people of Oregon to adopt the "initiative and referendum" and the "direct primary" nominating system, Populist U'Ren has sprung another new-fangled proposition on the unsuspecting public. His latest proposed constitutional amendment is perhaps the most radical and dangerous measure that has ever been presented for the consideration of the voters of Oregon. It is termed the "imperative mandate," and provides that 25 per cent of the voters shall have the right to discharge any public officer. To make such discharge, 25 per cent of the voters of his election district may file their petition demanding his immediate resignation. If the officer refuses to resign, a special election shall be called forthwith to elect his successor. Under the provisions of the proposed amendment, it will not be necessary to prefer charges of any kind against an officer before demanding his resignation. Of all the un-American measures ever offered for the serious consideration of the people, the "imperative mandate" is the worst. It is to be hoped that the citizens of Oregon will nip the proposed iniquitous amendment in the bud by refusing to sign a petition to submit it to a vote. Oregon has certainly had a sufficient dose of populism and fanaticism.

William J. Clarke, editor of the Gervais Star, makes the following straightforward announcement of his candidacy for the office of State Printer in the last number of his paper.

"The editor of this paper will be a candidate at the coming direct primary convention for the position of State Printer of Oregon. We ask the suffrage of the people of Oregon and will do our best to land the job. In the event of failure to obtain the coveted office, there will be no bruises on Wm. J. Clarke; neither will there be any sores to heal. All we ask is an equal show, fair treatment and a square deal."

Billy Clarke is a hustler from away back, and now, that he has entered the race for State Printer, the people can rest assured that there will be something doing every minute until the polls close at the primary convention.

The exhibitors in the Horticultural Building at the Lewis and Clark Fair will give away five carloads of choicest Oregon fruits next Friday and Saturday. In order that Polk county may contribute her share, the County Court requests the fruit men to make a liberal donation of apples, pears, prunes and peaches. Contributions of green and dried Italian prunes are especially desired, and should be delivered in Dallas by next Tuesday. All fruit should be left at Loughary & Ellis' grocery store, where it will be packed for shipment. A plentiful supply of flowers is also solicited. This will be a rare opportunity for the fruit raisers to advertise the excellence of Polk county's orchard products, and liberal donations are expected.

At the request of Frank C. Baker, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, all Republicans in Polk county are invited to attend the peace conference in Portland on October 12. It is hoped that all who can conveniently leave their business will be present at the meeting.

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If the Republicans should nominate Hon. S. B. Huston for congress and the Democrats should name Robert G. Smith for the same office, there would be the interesting spectacle of an ex-Democrat running on the Republican ticket, and an ex-Republican running on the Democratic ticket, remarks Colonel Hofer, the perspicacious editor of the Salem Journal.

Press should be careful. Newspapers should be careful what they say about politicians and not unduly stir them up. If a man is perfectly peaceable and going along quietly, letting everybody alone, it is not right to exasperate him into becoming a candidate against his will. Such men are often dangerous to the peace and harmony of the party. It is a great deal better to reach out and take them by the hand and say, "My brother, you have been abused. Come along with us and we will see that it does not occur again."

More than one has felt like threatening to become a candidate for this or for that, and marring the plans of some of his best friends, because some thoughtless paragrapher has scraped the hide off in a sore place. One prominent Oregon political possibility actually says if the newspapers rake him over and aft the way they have been doing, he'll be gold-durned if he don't run for office anyway. He does not want office. He is willing to go to work for a living like any other honest farmer. But this thing of rubbing it in with paragraphic salt and pepper must be stopped.

Not every man can take a slap in the face and feel good-natured about it. The Journal editor has several times had things printed about him that made him feel just like getting up and announcing himself as a candidate for Governor, Congressman or Senator, but he thought better of it, and didn't do it, to the great relief of his friends and admirers, who immediately complimented him on his good judgment. Let us all act that way, and the road to peace and harmony is wide open for evermore.—Salem Journal.

Clark-Pointdexter. The marriage of Captain P. F. Clark, whose age is 71, and Mrs. E. E. Pointdexter, aged 65, was solemnized in the parlor of the Hotel Golem, in Eugene, Tuesday forenoon at 10:30 o'clock, in the presence of a few relatives and close friends. Justice of the Peace Wintermeyer, in his impressive manner, officiated.

Prunes Wanted. I will be in the market for prunes again this season, and will receive them at my dryer in Dallas as soon as they are ripe. Will pay the highest market price for all that may be offered. Come and see me. S. P. KIMBALL.

Teams Wanted. Teams wanted for scraper work by the Salem, Falls City & Western Railway Company. Apply at the grade two miles west of Falls City.

Hop Men Arrested.

Handling of booze in the hop yards makes business in the justice court. The latter part of the week complaints were lodged against Tom Fitchard and Daniel Westfall. The charge against Fitchard is selling liquor without license. Westfall is charged with selling to minors. Both were arraigned before Justice Wilson, Friday, and waived examination and were bound over to the grand jury in the sum of \$100.—Independence West Side.

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