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The way to build up Dallas is to patronize Dallas people.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

- For Representative, 11th District, ELMER E. PADDOCK. For Joint Representative, 12th Dist., WALTER L. TOOZE, JR. For County Judge, JOHN B. TEAL. For County Commissioner, GEORGE A. WELLS. For Sheriff, JOHN W. ORR. For County Clerk, E. M. SMITH. For County Assessor, ARTHUR R. ALLEN. For County School Superintendent, H. C. SEYMOUR. For County Surveyor, BENJ. F. BEEZLEY. For County Coroner, H. L. CHAPMAN.

A DISGUSTING SPECTACLE.

There never has been, in the history of Oregon, a more disgusting spectacle than the present attempt of one Jonathan Bourne to succeed himself as United States senator. The speckled political mountebank of the New England woolen mills whose residence in Oregon consists of a room in the Hotel Portland, and whose headquarters comprise a cobwebbed desk and an office chair in a Portland office building, is trying his old tactics—an election as a minor candidate. Bourne was never the choice of the people of Oregon. He never could have been elected in a straight fight with only one opponent. He was fairly defeated in the April primaries. He accepted that defeat, and telegraphed Ben Selling his successful rival, congratulating him and specifically promising him his support.

Yet, after time passed, and Bourne beholds three other aspirants in the race aside from Selling, the idea occurs to him that he might stand a show for re-election. So he hurries back to Oregon, a state which he visits only when he has an ax to grind, and declares that he "is willing to run independently, if the people want him." Immediately he starts things. He proposes to see that the people "want him," so an army of paid petition hunters is sent out over the state and, in a few days, 14,000 names are secured to his petitions. Using this as a basis for his action, the repudiated senator again rushes into the fight declaring that his defeat at the primaries was "accomplished by fraud."

And this for a man who has used the government's privilege to flood the state with campaign literature! Tons of it have been dumped into Oregon at the expense of the taxpayers and without one cent outlay on the part of the New England millionaire manufacturer who holds the job of senator from Oregon as a side-issue. This claim of fraud on the part of Bourne is about the silliest piece of humbug ever heard.

The direct primary is primarily for the purpose of permitting the people to take an active hand in the process of government. It gives all a chance to say whom they want to represent them. It is a wise measure and is of benefit to the people of every commonwealth where it is in force. It is a progressive movement, given to the country under Republican administration, and the time will come when every state in the union will have it. Bourne, who claims to be the "father" of the primary in Oregon, placed his candidacy before the people and they defeated him. Now he says it was the fault of the newspapers and was accomplished by fraud. So he will attempt to overthrow the decision of the people at the primary and hope to succeed himself by dividing the vote of the people among the other candidates. In other words, supporting for example, that 50,000 votes are cast in Oregon, and that the total vote received by the other four candidates should approximate 34,000, and Bourne should receive 15,000 votes, he would be declared the nominee and entitled

Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Stop a cough before it develops something more serious. It relieves coughing immediately, eases soreness in the lungs, loosens phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Buy the 1.00 size. It contains five times as much as the 25c size, and you get with each bottle a Dr. Herriek's Red Pepper Porous Plaster for the chest. James F. Ballard, Prop. St. Louis, Mo. Stephens Eye, Ear, Nose & Throat. CONRAD STAFRIN

to the support and to election by the legislature, yet there would be a majority against him of 34,000. Does the majority rule in this country? What about "Statement No. 17"? Is a candidate for the legislature, bound by his promise to support it, when the direct primary of which it is the direct outgrowth, has been trumped in the dust? Friends of the Oregon system, and of the direct primary, should remember these things and cast their votes against the foreign usurper who would have it stand for naught, unless he be the successful candidate. What possible service can the primary give us toward permitting the people to voice their ideas and their choice if defeated candidates shall be able still to triumph by repudiating the primary's verdict and running independently on any old platform.

HOME RULE FOR COUNTIES. The Observer believes that the best interests of the counties of Oregon will be served with justice to all, by the passage of the measure on the ballot known as the "Home Rule Bill" which permits counties to bond themselves, if they so desire, for the building of roads. The county bonding act requires that the taxpayers specify the amount of bonds, the roads to be improved, the material to be used, and the term of improvements. Work is to be done under the direction of a county engineer appointed by the county court. Specifications are to be prepared by the engineer and work is to be awarded by contract after advertisement.

The argument advanced in favor of this measure is that it grants the taxpayers full control of the road building situation, both as to the amount of bonds and location of roads to be improved, and the nature of improvement. Home rule in the matter of good roads is what the people of Oregon need. The people of a county ought to be allowed to spend their own money for good roads, and in the manner they see fit. With this idea in mind it would be well for the voter interested in good roads to vote "yes" on No. 324.

WANTS STATE CONTROL. The Dallas Observer is especially strong on one particular subject—republicanism. The Observer is supporting the whole republican bunch and doesn't appear to know that there are any candidates out aside from those on the republican ticket. It believes the state printer ought to have all he can make out of the office, and is positive the whole country will go straight to the d-dogs unless Taft is re-elected. The above is from the Oregon Messenger published at Salem, and the only objection The Observer has to the clipping is the implied declaration regarding the state printer. This newspaper is perfectly willing to leave the present state printer law as it is, rather than to have a new measure for the especial benefit of Jim Godfrey and "Expert" Harris. When it comes to "making" out of the office, The Observer wants the state to have a say, rather than return over the whole shooting match to a bunch of Salem printers.

Polk county is extremely fortunate in having as its future county judge a man so thoroughly qualified for the position. John B. Teal is a pioneer of Polk county and is intimately associated with its development. He knows every section of the county and its needs. He is thoroughly familiar with bridge and road work having for years built many of the bridges of the county. He knows when a bridge is well built, and will see to it that the taxpayers are not grafted a single dollar in bridge construction. From all portions of the county come assurances of Teal's election. The people know him and his worth. The people of Polk City, who know him best, will vote for him regardless of political affiliations, and therein lies one of his strongest endorsements. We may differ in our views on political questions, which is every man's inalienable right, but when it comes to a question of county policy, where we are all united, we all want the best man for the place and the fact that Teal's candidacy has been accepted so enthusiastically in all sections is evidence of the esteem in which he is held everywhere.

"Of course the country is prosperous. Mr. Taft says so, and we know that butter is 45 cents a pound—and going up," observes the Salem Messenger. By which we take it that the Messenger would be better pleased if butter was quoted at 20 cents. This might not please the farmer who has dairy products to sell. If our memory serves there was no "40 cent butter" under a former Democratic administration. And the ordinary individual had to hustle to have 15-cent butter on his bread. How can you buy even 15-cent butter when you haven't the 15 cents?

In the midst of all this turmoil, charges and countercharges, Mr. Chaslin has one advantage over all the other presidential candidates. The question of the legality of his nomination has never been advanced nor has anybody hinted at an investigation of the source of his campaign fund. He occupies a cool position on the water wagon and everything looks serene.

Three courts declared a Boston woman dead and now she's back contesting the decision. In the contemplation of this episode the "votes for weapons" propaganda pales into insignificance. No man could pull off a stunt like that even with all his boasted powers of the ballot. Wilson Approves Roosevelt Party? says a headline in a Bull Moose newspaper. Now, isn't that peculiar? Woodrow probably approves also of any Republican leaving the regular organization and voting for Roosevelt. "Woody" always was a magnanimous individual anyway. Fish licenses promise to become unpopular. Up in Washington a man claims to have been bitten by an angry fish. If it gets so that fish grow mad when hooked and bite the "hooker," the chase of the festive fish will be only for the strong. Voters, remember: If you would vote against single tax and consequent confiscation of land, vote "308 X. Yes" and "345 X. No." The former repeals the single tax jokers passed in 1910 and the latter defeats the scheme promoted by the Fols fund commission.

Public Speaking

Hon. J. H. ("Cyclone") Davis

Ex-Congressman from Texas, Will address the Citizens of Dallas and Vicinity on Political Issues at the

Court House, in Dallas

on Friday Evening, November 1 at Eight o'clock.

Mr. Davis is one of Democracy's ablest Orators and none should fail to hear him.

(Paid Advertisement.)

Did you ever stop to think that the brightest returns are the ones you think of after the opportunity to say them has passed? It's a safe bet that Eugene Chafin doesn't take any stock in straw votes.

To The Voters



As the Republican candidate for the office of County School Superintendent, nominated at the Primary election April last, I wish to further announce my candidacy by saying that when I was a candidate for my first term as School Superintendent, I promised that I would give my best work for the schools of the county. Now as to my having kept that promise, I ask that you look up my past record and the conditions and standings of the schools of the county. I have spent my entire time in work for the betterment of the schools of the county and am asking an election for a second term on the record I have made. If re-elected, I will follow the same policy as in the past and will give my best work for the advancement of the schools of the county. Thanking you for whatever support you may give me, I am Respectfully, H. C. SEYMOUR. (Paid Adv.)

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Polk County Telephone Association will be held at the court house on Saturday, November 2, at 1:30 p. m., for election of officers and transaction of any other business appearing. J. H. BROWN, Sec. A. G. REMPEL, Pres.

ENDORSED AT HOME. Such Proof as This Should Convince Any Dallas Citizen. The public endorsement of a local citizen is the best proof that can be produced. None better, none stronger can be had. When a man comes forward and testifies to his fellow-citizens, addresses his friends and neighbors, you may be sure he is thoroughly convinced or he would not do so. Telling one's experience when it is for the public good is an act of kindness that should be appreciated. The following statement given by a resident of Dallas adds one more to the many cases of Home Endorsement which are being published about Doan's Kidney Pills. Read it: Mrs. E. C. Hatton, Clay and Lisle streets, Dallas, Ore., says: "In 1907 I publicly endorsed Doan's Kidney Pills and I can now confirm that statement. This remedy was used in my family and it brought relief from backache and other symptoms of kidney trouble."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. —Treasurer notices, weather proof, for sale at Observer Job office.

Notice to Creditors. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Oscar Hyster, has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, administrator of the estate of John Taylor, deceased, and has qualified. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the said administrator at his law office in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon. Dated and first published October 15, 1912. OSCAR HYSTER, Administrator of the estate of John Taylor, deceased. 10-15 11-12

BLANKET TIME

Jack Frost has already given us a taste of the kind of weather he is going to give us for the next few months. Get a supply of warm blankets now and defy him to do his worst.

We have gathered here the best stock of blankets we have ever shown. Blankets of every description from the best mills in the country. Great, big full sized blankets—the soft warm kinds that put you to sleep in no time. Every blanket is reliable or it would not be here.

Placing our orders during the mill's dull season enables us to offer unusual values for as little as 85c ---All prices up to \$10.00.

Ask to see our Cotton Comforts and Sheets. They're made to keep you Warm. Home made Wool Comforts at reasonable prices. Cotton filled Comforts at \$1.25 and up. Cotton and Wool Bats for making Comforts. We have just what you want.

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- 110 pound sack of Onions - \$1.35
Three cans Babbitt's Cleaner - 25c
15c package National Oats - 10c
50c one gallon can Pancake Syrup - 40c
25c pkg Lighthouse Washing Powder - 15c
15c can Chloride of Lime - 10c
Two cans Salmon - 25c

TEN CENT BARGAINS IN DISHES

- Just Received a Shipment of 2,000 Pieces That We Can Sell as Follows:
Cup and Saucer - 10c
Eight-inch Plate - 10c
Big Vegetable Dish - 10c
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Creamers - 10c
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All of These a Genuine Bargain.

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