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The first month of the existence of the Herald has passed and it is still here, notwithstanding the fact that some said it would not last thirty days. During the month we canvassed a part of one afternoon and aside from not to exceed twenty people, we have not done any soliciting to gain subscribers. Over thirty new names have been added to the list the past two weeks which shows that the paper is satisfactory to the people. For all of which we are very thankful and will try to merit a continuance of the confidence given us so far. If the present rate of increase in our subscription list and advertising keeps up another month we will be forced to add another page to the paper in order to furnish the usual quota of reading matter. We are not giving 24 columns of reading matter each issue but what we do give is not paid locals and patent medicine puffs. Compare the Herald with other country papers, no matter where published, we do not fear such comparisons. We ask our friends to give us all the little news items that they know of and by helping us to make a good paper you are helping the town and incidentally yourself.

It has been repeatedly stated that the republican party is not the party of panics; that panics can only come through a fear of the election of a democratic president. Now let's not lie about a matter that even the youngest child in school knows something of. What can we call the great stringency of last November but a panic? Was there a fear of a democratic president being elected at that time? If so why didn't that fear keep right on until now? The fact of the matter is that a republican president don't help matters a little bit in such cases and another fact is that during the panic of 1896, brought on the machine politicians said by the fear that Bryan would be elected, any one having money in a solvent bank could check it out at any time, but last fall there were few banks where one could get his money, except in little dribbles.

Some people object to Statement No. 1 for the reason they say that a man must declare who he will vote for before he is nominated. Well, didn't he do so under machine rule? Just ask some honest ex-member of the legislature if he didn't see the "Boss" before he was nominated. Inquiries were made as to how he would vote before he was nominated and if he was found to be the right kind of man for the machine he went in with a whoop, if not he was relegated to the scrap heap.

Machine rule is dying hard in Oregon, but it is dying and once dead it will be buried so deep that the stench from its rotten carcass will never pollute the air of our fair state again.

Is the Oregonian working to make this state a democrat state and then be the leading democratic paper? It is some time since it discarded the republican party, putting up the plea that it had worked hard for the party and that the party was drifting away from party lines. The real reason seems to be that the head of the paper is a disappointed man and is now trying to kill the party because he has not been made a U. S. Senator. There are potent reasons why Mr. Scott has not been sent to the Senate and he knows what they are, but he still tries to think that the people can be fooled. Not all the time.

There is no need to fear any disastrous results from the Socialist party for the reason that before another campaign rolls around the republican or democratic party will have incorporated the best part of its platform in theirs and therefore it will have nothing to stand on. Whichever party acts first will be the winner.

ELECTION CAMPAIGNS.

Modern Methods Started With the Dodgers of 1828.

Jackson left his mark on all that he touched. With his advent a new regime was inaugurated. Its coming was accompanied by new methods. The presidents who preceded him were educated, polished statesmen. They were of the strictest. When their aspirations for the presidency were voiced in stately fashion by friends a measure of dignified decorum was observed in the spoken or printed expression of hopes and claims.

Campaigning in the modern sense was unknown. Conventions had no existence. Platforms declaring the principles and policies to which the candidate pledged himself had not yet been formulated. Political cartoons, caricatures, great mass meetings, flamboyant flaunting of flags, taunting transparencies, parades, campaign songs, brass bands and buttons—these played no part in the election of Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe.

They were lacking in even the campaign of 1824, when Jackson was first a candidate, though the house of representatives defeated the popular will, which had named him as its choice, by selecting John Quincy Adams to fill the presidential office.

But in the campaign of 1828 the general who had done things differently at the battle of New Orleans, seems to have stimulated in men who advocated or opposed him a desire to follow new methods.

Jackson's first successful campaign in 1828 was opened by a celebration of his famous battle in the city of New Orleans. Hero of the battle and presidential candidate, he attended as the guest of the state. On his way from his home he was entertained at Natchez. A procession, a banquet and a ball kept him busy. A fleet of steamers was sent from New Orleans to meet him. A throng greeted him when he landed. Four days of festivity, news of which stirred the people throughout the land, followed.

This was the beginning. With his campaign for re-election modern methods were fairly established.—St. Louis Republic.

An Accident.

"What have you to say?" asked the magistrate of a woman who was charged with breaking an umbrella over the complainant's head. "It was an accident, your worship." "Did you not mean to hit her, then?" "Oh, yes, I meant to hit her, but I didn't mean to break my umbrella!"

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