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TAKES ISSUE.

The WEST SIDE ENTERPRISE is forced to take issue with its contemporary, the Polk County Observer in the matter of what composes the issue in this campaign and its attitude toward the republican candidates generally.

In seeking an issue the Observer compares the republican convention of this year with the one of two years ago, saying George Hawkins' friends two years ago made it a point to see that the minority was given liberal recognition. The circumstances were not at all alike. The contest two years ago was between Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Keyt for representative. The recognition in the make-up of committees and in state delegates referred to by the Observer was the result of a compromise. That recognition was granted to the minority upon condition that Mr. Keyt's name should not go before the convention, and Mr. Hawkins be permitted to receive the nomination by acclamation. The course of the majority cannot be ascribed to compassion, charity or courtesy but merely carrying out its part of the agreement just as the minority delegates carried out their part of it.

This year the contest was between Messrs Kirkpatrick and Loughary for the state senate. There was no offer nor thought of compromise on either side. After the primaries, however, and at the convention, two of the minority candidates' most prominent supporters were offered places on the state delegation which were declined. As to the ticket, at least three of the nominees belonged to the minority side and worked with them, while three others were friendly but took no active part.

But the Observer's review of the convention does not touch the issue before the voters. Mr. Hawkins is not the issue. He is supporting the republican ticket or if not should be. He has twice been nominated and elected to the legislature by the republicans of Polk county. He would be elected this year had he received the nomination. So would Mr. Kirkpatrick or Mr. Hayter (Carey). But the convention of this year and of two years ago are of the past. The attitude of the majority toward the minority or minority toward majority are not issues for voters at this time.

Any error or oversight, if such there were on the part of any delegate this year or two years ago are not issues to be paraded before an intelligent public. There is an issue and an important one. It is the endorsement or rejection of the Roosevelt administration. Oregon is to fire the opening gun in the coming national campaign. The result of the June election in Oregon is awaited with anxiety in every state of the Union. With a clean ticket, such as put out by the Polk county republican convention this year, there can be no mistake as to the issue of the campaign. It rises supreme. It is the test of republican and democratic strength in Polk county and every voter understands that as between two sets of clean candidates the influence of his vote next month will be recorded for or against the national administration.

SUIT has been commenced by the Oregon Dental Association to enjoin Dr. R. L. Lincoln from acting as a member of the state dental board. The dental law provides that members of the board shall be appointed from a list of six names submitted to the governor by the association. The list was submitted to Governor Chamberlain, but he elected to ignore it and appointed Dr. Lincoln.

CONGRESS having adjourned, Senators Mitchell and Fulton should hurry up on their way to Polk county to see how their garden is growing. They distributed in this county 928 seed packages each containing 1,432,274 seed making a total far beyond the enumerative powers of the average gardener.

MISS GRACE PARSHALL, a Victoria, B. C., woman and an heiress, has retired from society because of the death of her poodle dog. Fortunate she never thought of suicide.

ACCORDING to John Manning, district attorney at Portland, voters have until 5 o'clock Monday afternoon to register. May 15 is the limit prescribed by statute, but since that day falls on Sunday, Mr. Manning holds that the books can legally be kept open on Monday following. To make sure, register not later than Saturday.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS predict a heavy run of visitors and immigrants to Oregon again this year. The prospects are Independence will be better prepared to accommodate her share of new comers this year than she was last. The start has been made in the matter of new buildings for business as well as residence purposes and building promises soon to be the order of the day. The demand for more buildings is here and they can be leased in advance. Should a time come when the supply equals or exceeds the demand it would be the owner of the old and not of the new buildings that would be loser since new buildings can always be rented in preference to old ones. Independence offers a very inviting field to capital that would invest in buildings.

DETECTIVE HAWLEY, who works in connection with the Boy's and Girl's Aid Society at Portland, sees the need of a house of detention and correction for girls, to correspond with the State reform school maintained for boys. As viewed by Detective Hawley its an easy matter to provide just what he thinks the state needs in that line. What the state legislature appropriates biennially for a state fair, the Portland detective thinks would maintain the state's bad girls. The volunteered advice of Mr. Hawley may have some significance. He lives in Portland. There are numerous other appropriations that might be diverted to the carrying out of his ideas, but he can see none but the appropriation for the state fair. The state fair appropriation is just the amount he wants. It never occurred to him that one-fiftieth of the appropriation for the Lewis and Clark fair would answer the same purpose. He cannot see that one-tenth of the appropriation for a portage road at The Dalles would give him as much money as the state fair appropriation. It does not occur to Mr. Hawley that less than one-third of the appropriation for the State University, one-fourth for the state militia, one-fifth for members of the legislature and their clerks would go as far as the total appropriation for the state fair. There are numerous items among the appropriations of the \$2,000,000 legislature that might be singled out by Mr. Hawley but they do not bother him. It may occur to some country folks that the state can appropriate money to better advantage than for a Boys' and Girls' Aid Society maintained in the heart of a wicked city where detectives wax fat and dispense gratis advice to the tax-payers through the daily press.

WE'LL make Judge Burnett be good to us until after election.—The Lawyers.

POSTMASTER BANCROFT of Portland severely cut his foot with an axe. It is feared he will get it in the neck next.

THAT a law may be theoretically good and practically useless is pretty well illustrated in the registration law.

JUDGE HOGUE of Portland has sentenced a man to 60 days in jail for lying. Peddlers of campaign prevarications, take note.

ONE member voluntarily resigns from the state senate while others are breaking their necks trying to get elected to the same place.

OVER in Marion county where a big majority is sure, the candidates are busy as bird dogs. Polk county committee take warning.

Jno. W. Kelly, the Tracy editor of the Portland Telegram, has widened his "Splashes" column to 26 cms and seems to be equal to the occasion

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A case of assault with deadly weapon came up before Justice Wilson today and was continued to next week. The case grew out of a fracas that occurred in the Smith saloon Sunday. Oliver Smith struck one Nickel over the head with a revolver and the dropping on the floor discharged it. Nickel, it is claimed, was going into Smith's pocket. Pending trial or settlement Smith is under \$500 bond.

Rev. Arthur Allen had a smash-up in an attempt to pass the motor at Monmouth Tuesday evening. He was in his buggy alone and in endeavoring to pass the moving motor the horse ran on to a bank upsetting the buggy and throwing Mr. Allen on the track. The shock was so severe as to leave him unconscious for a time. The frightened horse dragged the buggy bottom side up over the track, almost demolishing the vehicle. In its mad flight the horse's feet slipped and as it fell caught under a picket fence. The animal was extricated without serious injury and Rev. Allen is able to be on foot again.

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The Rev. E. L. Tiffany will hold a union meeting in the Baptist Church in the evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Tiffany is an excellent speaker and will deal with the subject of local option.

Died—At his home, Buena Vista this morning, of dropsy, J. A. McClaine, aged 65 years.

Landlord Stark is in receipt of a letter from Dr. Withycombe of the State Agricultural College saying that on the morning of May 31 a class of 38 students in animal husbandry will want lunch in Independence. The class will be taken here on its way. The students were taken to the Stump place last spring and given an object lesson. After visiting Mr. Stump's place, the class will go to Broadmead and visit the Ladd farm.

Further developments in the development of the oil and salt prospects on the B. F. Whiteaker place may be expected soon. The principal place of business of the new corporation will be at Independence. The incorporators are Chas. E. Ladd, and A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank of Portland, and H. Hirschberg and D. W. Sears of Independence and Judge J. E. Sibley of Dallas. Mr. Ladd has oil properties in

California and an experienced oil man and modern machinery will be brought from where oil properties are successfully developed. The opening of a gusher or establishing of a salt manufactory at this place would mean a great deal to Polk county.

Railroad building will soon be in progress in Independence. It will be the extension of the Independence and Monmouth motor line from its present terminus to the river. A surveyor is expected next week to lay out the course and establish the grades. It is the purpose of the company to extend the line to connect with the river at the gravel bar opposite Independence so that gravel may be loaded on the cars direct from the river. Besides gravel for its own line, the I. & M. Co. has taken the contract to furnish gravel for the Falls City road, which, including preparations, will require a great deal of work. There is said to be a good gravel bar in the river opposite here and steam shovels will be used to scoop the gravel from the bed of the river. Other improvements contemplated by the I. & M. Co. are cut offs at the junction of the line with the Southern Pacific at Monmouth and Independence so as to avoid the present system of switching.

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