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GOOD TICKET NEVERTHELESS.

The Polk County Observer does not like the republican ticket. It don't like the convention that nominated the ticket. In all the English language it cannot find a word to say in behalf of a single candidate on the ticket.

Claiming to be a republican paper, it has only fault to find with the republican ticket and republican organization. At the same time it has no fault to find with democratic candidates or democratic organization. The inference is, the democratic ticket suits that paper to a "T."

Now the fact is the republicans never put up a cleaner ticket than they present to the voters of Polk county this year. They were nominated as fairly and honestly as candidates usually are. No unfair means were used nor underhanded methods resorted to. In Scott Loughary, D. L. Keyt, and J. S. Cooper the republicans present an exceptionally strong legislative ticket. They are good clean men and will make a strong team in the Oregon legislature. For county Judge, a better selection could not have been made than Ed F. Coad, a plain every day man, who meets his fellowmen on a common plane, and withal is a good lawyer, a qualification without which no one should ask for the county judgeship. Ed Smith for clerk and Carl Graves for assessor, are young men with qualifications peculiar to these positions, and moreover, they are men whose characters are without blemish and records without fault. Mark Scrafford the candidate for sheriff is an old time citizen of Polk county and enjoys the confidence of the people. As sheriff he will discharge the duties of that office conscientiously. No fault can be found with C. L. Starr for county school superintendent. He has filled the office acceptably one term and the work he has done for the schools of this county should insure his re-election by a large majority. Polk county has no better citizen than Wm. Riddell, candidate for commissioner. J. E. Beezley for treasurer, has the training and qualifications any business man would require of a candidate for a similar position. No fault can be found with Johnny Van Orsdell for surveyor nor Linn Chapman for coroner.

The attitude of the Observer toward these men, in face of the fact that a brother of the editor heads the democratic ticket, while republicans all over the state are exerting their utmost to roll up a big republican majority, can but have a re-actionary effect. Republicans will hardly be led off into the wilderness by Observer counsel. Rather, they will stand closer together because of it. The vote June 6 will show it. The republicans of Polk county have awakened and they are going to endorse Roosevelt by a good majority one week from Monday. Mark the prediction that Polk is going to give a bigger republican majority this year than ever before and the majority will include the candidate for congress, supreme judge, dairy and food commissioner, circuit judges, district attorney and the county ticket.

The death of Claude Dee Simpson is a loss to the community and his taking off is felt by all who knew him. He was a young man of culture, honor and more than ordinary ability with a bright future before him. His standing in the lodges, and absence of vices that hold back many young men make of him an example to be followed by his pupils and others.

Polk county republicans could not make a greater mistake than to permit the election of a democratic state senator. The senator holds over two terms and will vote for a successor to United States Senator J. H. Mitchell. No cleaner man than Scott Loughary could be selected to represent Polk county. He is a life long republican. Be sure you mark opposite his name on your ballot.

POLITICAL PUZZLE.

The people of Oregon are overwhelmingly for President Roosevelt, and he is the principal issue at the coming June election. Every vote for the republican candidates in June strengthens the president's chances that much. Every vote cast for a democratic candidate weakens President Roosevelt to that extent.—Editorial page, Itemizer.

The entire republican ticket is made up of men of superior ability and unquestioned integrity. They stand for economy, for efficiency and for courteous and fair treatment to all. The ticket is worthy the support of every citizen, regardless of politics.—Editorial page, Itemizer.

The crooked political record of a few of the men who have recently set themselves up as pure and undefiled leaders of the republican party in Polk county is well known in this office.—Editorial page, Observer.

The men who two years ago had supported Mr. Keyt were treated with kindness and consideration. Some of the leaders who were given this recognition two years ago have lost no opportunity to bully and browbeat the minority this year, and all the time they are asking the minority to endorse their leadership and "stand in." Such an exhibition of gall would be amusing, if it were not disgusting.—Editorial page, Observer.

This is no time to look for excuses for opposing the republican ticket. It's no time to drag petty personalities into the campaign. The efficiency or integrity of candidates are not at stake. The candidates are all clean men. The issue is the republican policies now in force and the republican President now in power. A vote against the republican ticket is a vote against republican policies and against President Roosevelt. One cannot fight the ticket this year and retain party standing. The eyes of every state of the Union are upon us. "How will Oregon go?" is the question of the day. Ours is the first election of all the states in this presidential election year. How Oregon goes means something. It points to the trend of sentiment for or against the Roosevelt administration. The Oregon election, week after next will be national in its effect. There is no mistaking the issue. Those who oppose the administration of President Roosevelt are justified in voting the democratic ticket. Those who favor Roosevelt are not. It is your duty to come to the polls on June 6th and vote your sentiments for or against the President and the policies of the republican party.

F. E. Myer has served two terms as assessor and is asking for a third. A. V. Dalton has served two terms as county treasurer and asks to be elected as county clerk. There is a pronounced sentiment in Polk as well as every other county of the state against third term service. There is a feeling extant, and not without reason, that more than two terms is not in the interest of good government. It builds up an official class against the citizen class. Keeping one so long on the public payroll looking continuously at county government from the standpoint of the tax-eater rather than the tax-payer, he unconsciously grows out of sympathy with the private citizens who contribute the tax upon which the official subsists. Polk county is not ready to build up an official class, to establish an official oligarchy or court-house ring. Let other counties try the third term experiment if they will, but from its results deliver Polk. Messrs. Myer and Dalton are first-class fellows and for their own good as well as the best interests of the county they should retire. They cannot be replaced by better men than Carl Graves and Ed Smith, neither of which are or have been office holders. For assessor mark opposite the name of C. G. Graves, for clerk, opposite the name of E. M. Smith.

The republican candidates have shown the courage to come out and tell the voters where they stand. The democratic candidates have not yet been heard from.

If the editorial page of the Observer will not support the republican ticket I will.—Editorial Page, Itemizer.

STRAIGHT TICKET.

All Well Known and Reputable Citizens and Will Make an Open Campaign.

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- For Representative D. L. KEYT.
- For Joint Representative—Polk and Lincoln Counties J. S. COOPER.
- For County Judge E. J. COAD.
- For County Clerk E. M. SMITH.
- For Sheriff MARK SCRAFFORD.
- For Commissioner, Wm. RIDDELL.
- For Assessor, CARL GRAVES.
- For School Superintendent, C. L. STARR.
- For Treasurer, J. E. BEEZLEY.
- For Surveyor, JOHN VAN ORSDELL.
- For Coroner, LINN CHAPMAN.

Campaign Dates.

Following are the rally and speaking dates arranged for by the republican campaign committee:

Grand Rally at Dallas evening of the 28th inst. If there are no conflicting dates, either Senator Falton or Congressman Hermann is expected to be present on this occasion.

Buell's Chapel, evening of the 31st.

McCoy, evening of June 1st.

Airlie, evening of June 2d.

Falls City, evening of June 3d.

Date for Independence meeting yet to be arranged.

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