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**THURSDAY, MARCH 10, '04**

The discussion over the county rela-  
tive to better roads is a step in the  
right direction. The interest aroused  
over the subject appears not only in  
these pages, but also in meetings held  
at various points to discuss this very  
question. A thorough exchange of  
ideas based upon thought and ex-  
perience is the only way that the  
truth can be sifted out and results ob-  
tained in road building. We may dif-  
fer somewhat on methods, but we all  
agree that we want better roads.

**THE TRUE ISSUE**

**To the Republican Voters of Multnom-  
ah County.**

The following article copied from the  
Morning Oregon, of March 9th,  
contains more truth than fiction.

"I began yesterday a novel plan of  
conducting the political campaign in  
this county. Heretofore it has been a  
maxim of political managers that poli-  
tical plans must be secret, and that  
the way to win votes is to fool the  
people. What I want, on the contrary  
is to take the voters into my confidence  
and present to them a frank and cand-  
id statement of plans and purposes of  
the Republican committee. I want to  
appeal to the good judgement and  
common sense of the voters, and to  
show them that the aims and purposes  
of the Republican managers are to  
secure the best possible administration  
of public affairs.

I want to make it clear that the  
Simon factional movement is a selfish  
scramble for office. It is based upon  
no consideration of public welfare. It  
represents no principle. It stands for  
absolutely nothing except the desire to  
break into office. There is no excuse

at the present time for a factional fight  
in the Republican party.

The leader of the Simon movement  
is actuated by no high motives, and  
pretends to none. His term of office  
as United States Senator expired and  
he was superceded. Not even his  
warmest friend and most ardent sup-  
porter would claim that he made a  
success of his senatorship. No one  
can be found to say that he added to  
his reputation by his career at Wash-  
ington. Two years ago the election  
turned upon the question whether he  
was to be given another term, and if  
he had carried the election he would  
no doubt have expected re-election.  
He was ingloriously defeated, and his  
successor was elected by the Legisla-  
ture. He now says he is not a candi-  
date to succeed Senator Mitchell. But  
if he is not why does he not unite with  
the friends of Senator Mitchell to 're-  
elect him? He surely cannot claim  
that Senator Mitchell is not competent  
and well qualified. He cannot claim  
that a more efficient public servant can  
be found. He would not say, after his  
own experience at Washington, that  
Senator Mitchell's long service in the  
Senate, and his familiarity with the  
methods and means of doing business  
at Washington in behalf of the state is  
not an advantage that a new Senator,  
no matter what his ability, would not  
possess.

Why is it, then, that Senator Simon  
is found leading a band of ex-office-  
holders and political sore-heads against  
the Republican organization, which  
stands committed to the re-election of  
Senator Mitchell? Can it be doubted  
that if he should succeed he would,  
with his abilities in intrigue and  
political manipulation, worm himself  
into the Senatorial chair again? If any  
one would question it let him remem-  
ber that Senator Simon was ostensibly  
for Corbett when the latter was a candi-  
date for election, but when the vote was  
counted it was Simon who was elected.  
Anyone who knows the history of  
Oregon politics knows that if Simon  
prevails in this election he is more than  
likely to be the next United States  
Senator elected from Oregon.

There lies the issue and the only  
issue in this campaign. It is Mitchell  
or Simon, and if the Republicans are  
ready to dispense with the services of  
Senator Mitchell and re-elect Senator  
Simon they have but to support the  
latter in his attempt to defeat the  
regular Republican ticket at the prim-  
aries." CHAS. H. CAREY,  
Chairman of the Republican City and  
County Committee.

**The Primaries at Hand.**

In almost every political camp  
throughout the country there has been  
charges and counter charges of unfair  
dealings on the part of local organiza-  
tions. We are glad to vote that a  
strong sentiment is growing every-  
where which is demanding that politi-

cal factions and leaders use no means  
to carry out their plans which could  
not bear public investigation. The  
one thing which makes Pres. Roosevelt  
so popular is his insistence upon  
straight-forward and open dealings not  
only in civil life but also in public  
offices and in political campaigns.

The county central committee has  
issued the call for the primaries and  
another campaign is on in earnest to  
fill the various offices made necessary  
by our June election.

It is the duty of every voter in the  
county to interest himself to the extent  
that he shall endeavor to place a good  
man in nomination for each office to  
be filled. No man who has not inter-  
ested himself in the primaries should  
be heard to kick about the way the  
primaries have gone, and no man who  
has entered the primaries or convention  
and has done his best to see that a  
good choice is made need feel that  
any blame will attach to him. He  
has submitted to majority rule and  
majority rule, where fair means have  
been employed, is considered right  
rule in a republican form of govern-  
ment. Therefore we urge every  
republican voter of the county to attend  
the primaries and elect men of their  
choice if possible. Let these dele-  
gates nominate good men in the con-  
vention and when the delegates are  
selected in the primaries and the nomi-  
nations are made in the convention let  
every republican bury the hatchet,  
and work for the success of the party at  
the polls. The place to "scrap" and  
"scrap" hard is in the primaries and  
the convention. To carry the "scrap"  
to the polls is un-republican and makes  
a county lose its influence in district  
and state politics. If every republi-  
can comes out to the primaries, major-  
ity will have their choice of delegates,  
and if they do not, let them not wait at  
the results.

**Council Meeting—An Interesting  
Session.**

The council met in regular session  
last Thursday evening, every city official  
being present. Minutes of the pre-  
vious meeting were read and approved.  
Upon recommendation of the finance  
committee the following bills were al-  
lowed:

L. G. Morley, labor.....	\$ 1 00
Wells Fargo Express Co.....	1 40
R. N. Taylor, labor.....	50
E-Haverstraw, labor.....	1 00
Crane & Co, supplies.....	5 76
W. S. Hudson, treasurer.....	18 00
Washington County News, p'r.	15 00
L. C. Walker, recorder.....	6 20
Sam Todd, labor.....	16 80
S. G. Hughes, supplies.....	13 12
Pete Peterson, labor.....	3 00
Portland General Electric S'ply	49 10
H. Shannon, labor.....	16 00
Stribbich & Purdin, supplies...	1 00
Cornelius & Hancock, services.	8 50
Bazaar, supplies.....	2 20
Chester Johnson, labor.....	13 05

P. W. Cronin, marshal..... 12 00

Total \$183 63

P. W. Cronin then asked allowance  
for arrests and expenses to the extent  
of \$7.50 in the case of Watson vs City  
of Forest Grove, which was allowed.

Water credits were granted to  
Harvey Baldwin.....\$29 95  
M. S. Brown..... 6 03

Application by Prof. Garrison for  
water was granted and application of  
Mr. Ruckles for water was denied as  
being outside of the city and for the  
further reason that the main to be  
tapped was more than taxed to supply  
houses now upon the main.

The accepted report of Treasurer  
Hudson for February showed:

Receipts..... \$593 07  
Disbursements..... 334 48

Balance \$259 59

The street committee reported much  
good work done upon the streets  
considering the limited means, and  
recommended the repair of certain  
crossings and a ditch constructed.

Health committee reported a healthy  
condition of the city at present and  
asked to be placed upon the smelling  
committee when warm weather comes,  
if present local conditions continue to  
exist.

Treasurer Hudson was authorized to  
buy a new ledger and otherwise replen-  
ish his stationery and needed receipt  
books. Also instructed to buy neces-  
sary electric supplies for city use.

Thomas Philips asked the council  
that he be allowed to set four poles  
so that he might run the Pacific States  
Telephone to his house and connect  
with his farm. The matter was left in  
the hands of the street committee to  
adjust conditions so that the city may  
use the poles.

An ordinance was introduced which  
had for its purpose the granting of a  
franchise to the Pacific States Tele-  
phone and Telegraph Company to ex-  
tend their system in Forest Grove.

During its first and second readings  
objections were raised to the Ordinance  
offered upon these grounds, that it did  
not limit the maximum rate to be charg-  
ed for phones except for party lines of six  
users, that the city was not allowed to  
use the poles of the Telegraph Com-  
pany for all city uses, and that it al-  
lowed the city but two free phones for  
city purposes. It was also stated that  
the franchise just granted to Hughes  
contained these provisions as the city  
desired, and the council decided that  
if the Pacific States Telephone and  
Telegraph Company wished a franchise  
in this city that they could have  
one containing the same provisions as  
is now contained in the franchise of  
Mr. Hughes. John Wirtz, for the  
Telephone Company stated that his  
company could not accept a franchise  
in which the rates were fixed, and that  
as to city use of poles, the company  
did-not use the city poles and that  
where cities used poles belonging to