

What Would Lincoln Do.

Portland, Oct. 27.—The Presidential contest this year is the most important since that of 1860. At that time the issue dealt with the freedom of the colored slave of the South. Today the issue is broader, and the paramount question now is, shall the people break loose from the shackles of the merciless corporations and predatory interests and say by their ballots that they are free and independent citizens of this great country.

In 1860 Abraham Lincoln was elected because he believed in "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." He was the great friend and leader of the common people. He sympathized with the unfortunate and gave courage and hope to the struggling masses everywhere. But if Lincoln were living today would he be a supporter of the republican candidate and the policies for which he stands? Would he oppose the proposition to insure the people's bank deposits? Would he oppose the election of United States Senators by a direct vote of the people? Would he oppose the right of the people of the different states to make their own laws for the government of their local affairs through the initiative and referendum? Would he oppose a proposition granting to the laboring man the right of trial by jury the same as is accorded to any criminal? Would he believe in giving full sway to the trusts and other great combinations of wealth, or would he favor legislation looking to their regulation in the interest of the people? And, finally, if the "Great Emancipator" were alive today, how would he stand on the paramount issue of this campaign, "Shall the people rule?"

These are questions which should be carefully considered by the voter before casting his ballot for the republican candidate. Oregon today is the pride of the Nation on account of its recent legislation in the interest of better government. Since the adoption of those measures of reform the state has received more favorable notice than ever before in all its history. Do you want to take a step backward. Do you want a man for President who is opposed to all your reform legislation? If you do then vote for Taft. He is opposed to this and every other state running its own affairs, being a firm believer in a centralized form of government, and he is strongly and unequivocally against the initiative and referendum. Should he be elected the new members of the Supreme court whom he shall select will share his views on these vital questions, and they would have it in their power and very likely would decide all these measures of reform to be unconstitutional, and such decision would hold for years to come.

Bryan's Way And Taft's Way

One of the planks of the Denver platform favors guaranteed bank deposits. Mr. Bryan, in season and out, has stood for the protection of the depositors. Mr. Taft in his speech of acceptance denounced the plank of the Denver platform, which declares for a national law for national banks, similar to the Oklahoma law for state banks, thereby coinciding in the views of every officer of every defunct bank in the United States.

Here are a couple of illustrations: The Farmers and Traders National Bank of La Grande, with deposits amounting to \$190,000 has been closed, with a shortage of about \$120,000 on the part of the cashier. It is said the bank will not pay 20 cents on the dollar. The cashier is in jail, and it will be a long time before a dividend is paid. Taft stands for this way.

"Colgate, Oklahoma, May 21, 1908.—The International Bank is in the hands of the state bank commissioner. Depositors will be paid in full by the state banking board. Please call and get your money."

When the bank failed at Colgate Oklahoma, the bank commissioner visited the bank in person. He closed the bank at 2:15 Thursday evening, telephoned the state board, received instructions to immediately proceed to pay all approved deposits. In 42 minutes from the closing of the bank, the bank commissioner was ready to pay all approved depositors. One old farmer telephoned, that he was too busy to come in and that he would be there in a day or two. Bryan stands for this way. Which do you prefer?

Republican Frauds.

The republicans are depending on fraud and tricks to carry the election for Mr. Taft. In the first place, the trusts have been requested, as their contribution to republican success, to put all their men to work, so as to look like a return of prosperity, and as soon as the election is over, many of these men are to be put off to loaf again. Fraud the second. Mr. Chas. P. Taft has purchased the Baltimore Sun, an old Democratic paper, and is now, of course, supporting his brother with it as a bolting Democratic paper, when it is simply a change of ownership.

Saturday Night Thoughts.

This is the last week of another presidential campaign. It looks somewhat savage, when the mud throwing resorted to is considered, but it does not differ materially from most presidential campaigns. Much at stake campaigns always have and always will be warm affairs. It might be wished that people would be fair and truthful, but, after all it seems to be a game to win. Voters always do well to investigate and judge for themselves who is telling the truth. One man remarked that he did not go to any of the public speaking and didn't read the editorials. He knew what he wanted and was going to do his own thinking in the matter. There certainly is much to think about.

Mr. Bryan has shown his splendid character from the beginning, always dignified and fair.

Circuit court has been in session this week, with a small docket. There was one civil jury trial and one criminal jury trial. A good many cases were reported settled. A man convicted of violation of the local option law after a live effort to get clear, was somewhat striking in its character. An effort was made to prove that the principal witness was paid \$100 for swearing in the case. Whether or not the great question was: Did he tell the truth.

It is always a wonder why men wish to engage in a business that must always mean trouble and contention. There ought to be enough other ways to make a living than through illicit methods.

Albany in a quiet, gentlemanly way is making them take notice. Without the spread gagle style, four column head style of some cities, it is doing things in a progressive way that is going to count the most in the long run. This week twenty five of its citizens mixed up with Portland business men in a friendly way, and the result will be several hundred business men from that town in Albany on depot day, Nov. 10. A visit will be a splendid advertisement for the city, one that will bring its progress to the front.

This week a majority of the councilmen of Portland voted in favor of allowing women in saloons, a sample of the average Portland councilman, some of them liquor men, men of little conception of right and wrong, caring little for the degradation of womanhood when in the balance with a \$20 piece. Portland puts in some mighty poor sticks for councilmen.

Cities that keep the men out also do well. The saloon is gradually becoming an outlaw, the moral force of the country rising against it, a contest for righteousness that is not going to be stopped by the failure of officials to enforce the law in places.

Frozen Thoughts.

"Aim high" is a noble aspiration, but the trouble is that most of us are so all-fired near-sighted.

Hobson's lecture manager should transfer his activities to the Balkans immediately.

Truth crushed to earth may rise again, but it has a tough time during political campaigns.

Save all your hot stuff to submit to Editor Roosevelt.

The G. O. P. has had to shake down the small office-holders. Of course the contributions are all "voluntary."

Son-in-law Longworth, the administration cut-up, appears to be singing low nowadays.

So "My Dear Will" started on his way to the White House in 1906.

It is generally cheaper to stay married than it is to try alimony.

Fifty men have gone broke building airships. He who builds airships is not necessarily one who is up in the world.

Cornelius N. Bliss, who collected the insurance money of widows and orphans for the Roosevelt campaign of 1904, is still unscrupulous enough to make a public pretense that the election of Bryan would cause a "business crisis"—as if the crisis had not been on for more than a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Spear.

Mr. Eugene A. Spear, the singing evangelist, and Miss Jessie Barron, recently of Canton, Ill., were married at McMinville, on Monday, Oct. 26, at the home of and by Rev. H. Wyse Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Spear came to Albany and are assisting in the evangelistic services at the Baptist church, accomplished musicians, Christian people of plendid character. Warm congratulations are in order.

R. F. Shier, of the Black Eagle Mining Co., after a trip to Portland, returned home with a crowd of prominent men, who have become interested in the mines and proposed smelter. The coming year will see some big development in the Gold Creek district, according to Mr. Shier.

KILLED AT LEBANON.

An Old Soldier Struck by the Lebanon Train.

Charles Topping, an old G. A. R. man, 78 years of age, was killed by the Lebanon train last night in the yard at Lebanon. Mr. Topping went home from an Albany trip. After getting off the cars he started down the road towards his home near the track, and had only a few steps further to go before turning off the track, when hit by the rear car as the train backed up according to custom. The brakeman saw something on the track and yelled, but the old man being nearly deaf didn't hear the warning. He was hit in the forehead and fell between the tracks, but was not hit by the wheels.

He was taken home. Coroner Fortmiller was notified and went out today to hold an inquest.

The manner of the accident indicates no fault on the part of the trainmen.

C. H. NEWS

Hansard Wants a New Trial.

Notice of a motion for a new trial was filed today in the local option case of G. B. Hansard. The principal reason given is that the witness Walton was asked a question, which was not understood, when he was asked to repeat it, and the court told him he need not do it.

Deeds recorded. Inez Smith to J. B. Coughill lots 5 and 6 bl 13 City View ad to Albany..... \$ 635

Mortgage for \$200. Assignment mortgage \$330.

Probate: In estate of Anna Boronika Rudolph Boronika was appointed administrator. Bonds \$1500.

Marriage license: W. A. Foster, 21, of Corvallis, and Bertha Holzman, aged 20, of Albany, both born in Oregon.

Superintendent Jackson returned last night from a visit among the schools in the southern part of the county, including Harrisburg.

Deeds recorded: Clyde L. Hill to E. R. Ridgeway all interest in estate of Abigail Pennington..... \$ 10

Mortgage for \$1700. Satisfaction of mortgage for \$300.

Articles of incorporation for the Albany Preserving Co. Capital stock \$10,000. Incorporators H. S. Gile, H. J. Moore and Homer Moore. Principal office Albany.

1481 hunters licenses.

Marriage license: Roy Banta, aged 21, and Vina Ireland, aged 22, both of Crawfordville.

Lebanon.

E. A.: J. H. Turpin has sold his 95 acres of river bottom land near Waterloo to George Gott, recently from Ohio, for \$3800.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McFarland are up from North Bend visiting relatives in this county. They went over to Tangent Monday to visit his parents, Rev. and Mrs. McFarland.

The City Council last night at an adjourned session passed a new hog ordinance. Under the terms of the new ordinance after Jan. 1, 1909, it will be unlawful for anyone to keep hogs in the city limits for feeding or fattening purposes. Hogs can't be kept in the city longer than 48 hours.

The B. B. A. A's.

The cozy home of Mrs. Walter Worrell was the scene of a merry party yesterday afternoon given for the B. B. A. A's. The house was prettily decorated with potted plants and autumn leaves. The dining room was darkened and jack o' lanterns cast their gruesome lights forth.

A "cat" contest provoked much merriment. Mrs. Junkin and Mrs. J. L. Irvine capturing the prizes.

A luncheon suggestive of Hallowe'en was served, after which all departed visiting Mrs. Worrell a charming hostess. The guests were: Misses Frank Roth, H. M. Palmer, King, Frank Powell, A. H. Hodges, Zurg, J. L. Irvine, Carter, Austin, Dumond, Medin, Hand, Junkin, B. T. Jordan, Worrell and Miss Daisy Savory.

Palestine.

Mrs. M. Bailey and family have returned from the coast, where they had a fine time.

Mr. Alsop and family have returned from a trip to the Bay. Mr. Alsop recently sold his fruit farm of 28 1/2 acres for \$3500.

Grandfather Puther passed away Wednesday at the age of 90 years.

Miss Belle Crabtree has returned from a week's visit with her uncle and other relatives at Lacomb.

Sixteenth Birthday.

The sixteenth birthday of Leland Cowan occurred yesterday, an important event in life. This event was remembered with a party last evening at the home of Mr. J. E. Cowan, a fine time being had. Those present were: Glen and Bessie Barron, Florence and Asa Eastburn, Hazel Cowan, Will Ellis, Rolla Bruce and Grace Crosby.

CHANGED

Date of Dedication of the New Depot.

At the request of the officials of the Southern Pacific Company the date of the formal opening of the new passenger depot at Albany has been changed to Tuesday, November 10th.

Manager Daset of the Albany Commercial Club received a long distance message from General Passenger Agent Wm. McMurray, of the Southern Pacific Co., last evening asking that the dedication date be set for Nov. 10th instead of Nov. 11th, as originally planned.

The reason for the change of date is because Vice President J. P. O'Brien and the other executive officers of the Southern Pacific would not be able to be at Albany on Nov. 11th, because of prior engagements.

With the dedication set for Nov. 10th, however, Mr. O'Brien, General Council W. W. Cotton, General Passenger Agent Wm. McMurray and Assistant General Passenger Agent John H. Scott, will all be at Albany, coming here in the General Manager's special train.

HARRISBURG

Bulletin: The republican rally last Thursday evening failed to materialize, the speaker, Atty Slatery, failing to make connections. He supposed the evening flyer going north stopped here.

Robert Denton received word this week that one of the mines in Colorado in which he is vice president and the principal stock holder is proving to be a hummer. Ore running from \$70 to \$120 per ton has been found in large quantities.

At the district convention of the Degree of Honor at Junction City last week, Harrisburg was chosen as the meeting place for the next convention and Mrs. Louisa Maxon elected president and Mrs. Viola Jones secretary. The meeting will be held in April.

A most distressing and unusual accident happened yesterday at Halsey. The school boys were playing "crack the whip" and Rex Allingham, the boy on the end, was thrown violently to the ground, his arm striking in such a manner as to break both bones which perforated the skin and plowed into the ground.

AT THE HOTELS

18 Portland men registered at the Hotel Revere yesterday.

W. J. Dunlap, Shedd, of O. A. C. foot ball fame.

F. M. Arnold, Scio. G. C. Peck, Astoria. Paul E. Dodele, Benton county.

R. E. Peery, Crabtree. A. T. Peterson, Crabtree.

Judge C. E. Olverson, Portland, who came up to attend the funerals of Strauder Froman today, and Mrs. Price, his mother-in-law tomorrow. Henry G. Walling, A. C. Sorenson, Gates.

At the Hotels.

Mr. and Mrs. McGill, Lebanon. Chas. Diekson, West Fork.

Lawyer G. W. Caldwell, Portland. Merchant L. L. Thomas, Stayton, for whom there is said to be an attraction in Albany.

Morton Doty Portland. Mrs. E. R. Reames, Klamath Falls.

W. O. Bishop, Walla Walla. W. M. Doyle, Fall City.

Emma B. Crosby, Corvallis. Albin Becker, Independence.

Mrs. G. O. Thomas and Mrs. E. C. Biggs, Portland.

C. E. McCant, Medford.

Two Hobo Boys.

Judge Duncan this morning committed William I. Kirk, aged 15 of Pringle, South Dakota, and Elmer Amidon, aged 14, of Tacoma, to the reform school. The boys were travelling past Shedd and threw stones at a window, when a farmer captured the Amidon boy, and the Kirk boy was pulled in at Halsey. Kirk has been on the road three years and Amidon five months. The former a regular hobo, is an expert in trampdom. He said he preferred box cars, the blind baggage and tender next, break beams last.

About Nov. 25.

There is an impression that because the new depot is to be dedicated on Nov. 10 it will be occupied for business then, but, as a matter of fact, it will not be used until the 20th to the 25th of November, when Agent Fronk and his assistants will begin work in it. It is possible Corvallis or Eastern trains may then use it, but this is not certain. The removal of the hotel to the Vandran corner will not take place until then.

A 70th Anniversary.

Yesterday at Walker's Prairie, Stevens County, Washington, a monument was uncovered in memory of the founding of a mission at that place in 1838 by Rev. Cushing Eels and Rev. Elkannah Walker, father of C. H. Walker, of this city. A fine program was arranged for the occasion. The founding of this mission was an important event in the history of the Northwest and deserves commemoration.

A Hallowe'en Party.

Murray Marshall last night entertained a crowd of young people in a Hallowe'en party. Of course it was a live affair, something doing right along. Jokes, pranks, Hallowe'en mysteries and games were the order, and the eating was in keeping with the occasion.

MISFITS.

Monday Bill to pay. Tuesday Bill to elect.

The Democrat's forecasts will be aftercasts.

Foot ball is a tame game compared with politics.

Not long until election, when General Apathy will retire.

You cannot even hand out election cards around the polls.

A great problem: just how much to believe before election.

But we do want an electric line from the St. Charles to the depot.

One has to judge of a person's mind by the way the tongue goes.

Some fine people in the world don't think just as WE do about things.

There is one poll that is going to be protected, the one at the ballot box.

Men are not necessarily according to what they eat. Some splendid men are pork eaters.

M. Paveletz, of Canby, has been granted a patent for an anti-fraud box. Will it be popular.

When making up his 1909 budget Mr. Harriman will please not forget that cement walk promised.

These typewriters are getting so they do nearly everything but talk. One of them writes, adds and subtracts.

The Democrat is obliged to revise a misfit of yesterday. When it comes to shooting Roseburg is the capital.

Boys have no more right to destroy property on Hallowe'en than any other time, that's all. Tame pranks are sufficient.

90,000 additional officers to boost for the administration; but come to think only the president and big bugs can boost.

A straw vote in the lobby of the Imperial, a noted republican headquarters showed 18 for Bryan and 13 for Taft. Quite a straw.

The attempted scares are not working worth a cent this year. Infamous politics the people see through them as if they were glass.

Some one ought to wake Fulton up. He lived in his address twelve years ago, and didn't seem to know there was a republican platform.

Let's see, Mr. Fulton is the man who wants the legislators of Oregon to break their word. Such a man's word is not entitled to consideration.

The Scio News calls a newspaper a degenerate which will deliberately say there was an audience of only 25 when the house was packed, every seat being filled.

Return of prosperity heads are frequent these days just before election. That looks as if we had not been having prosperity. Who was to blame if we haven't.

After all, that supreme court decision wasn't very serious, just affecting Medford, Condon and Estacada. Will it build them up, being whiskey towns. Watch and see.

The failure of the La Grande Bank is the worst yet. Under the bank guaranty system the depositors would lose nothing, now nearly everything, and the government would lose nothing.

John Mitchell says: "In my opinion the election of Bryan would be for the best interests of the whole nation. He stands on a much better platform and will be guided by it in the event of his election. Mr. Taft is handicapped by the zealous advocacy of his cause by predatory rich. Honest wealth and business have nothing to fear in Bryan's election."

A picture shows Bryan wanting to try his new remedies on Uncle Sam. These new remedies are mostly the so-called Roosevelt policies: election of U. S. senators, laws in the interest of the laboring men, protecting the deposits of the people, making the country panic proof, requiring publicity of campaign expenses, etc. Just the remedies Uncle Sam needs. He needs them and needs them bad.

Home from Mon.

Mr. Roy Ellis, representative of the Salem Nurseries, said to do the largest business of any company on the coast, has returned from Montana, where he had great success selling trees in the Bitter Root valley, where Marcus Daly, now deceased was at the head of an immense stock company, now known as the Bitter Root Stock Farm. Mr. Ellis was hardly able to meet the demand for fruit trees, so enthusiastic are the people there over the industry, a pointer for Linn county people. He brought back some of the McIntosh Reds, a fine seller, and the Alexander, of which one of each came into the Democrat office for samples.

Prof. Hargrave returned from a professional trip to Lebanon.

TELEGRAPH.

SALEM, Oct. 29.—David Smith for many years a resident of this city and formerly for the Spaulding Logging Co. for 18 years, was struck and killed by a street car today, while intoxicated.

PENDLETON, Oct. 29.—J. W. Scriber, the La Grande banker who was arrested last night, was brought here on the charge of forging the name of H. C. Rinehart to a note, arraigned this morning before Commissioner Hailey and his bond was fixed at \$25,000. He said there was no use of trying to raise that amount and was turned over to an officer and taken to Portland.

SALEM, Oct. 29.—Benjamin Hayden, one of the oldest lawyers in the state died at his home here this morning, aged 86.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Rockefeller came out for Taft today. Bryan and Mack express live opinions. Mr. Bryan is not surprised as he declares the trusts and republicans are friends. Taft in New York state ends his tour on Saturday and goes to Ohio on Monday. Bryan is speaking in Ohio today.

LAGRANDE, Oct. 30.—James Moore was acquitted of the murder of the negro sheepherder on the ground of self defense.

SALEM, Oct. 30.—Ben Hayden was buried today in the city view cemetery.

PERSONAL.

O. D. Austin returned this noon from a trip to the Bay.

Wallace McCammant, of Portland, went to Eugene this afternoon to orate for Taft tonight.

Tip Humphrey and family, of Jefferson passed through this noon for Roseburg on a visit at Don's.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Carlton, of Salem, arrived this noon on a visit with Albany and Lebanon relatives.

Mrs. H. M. Crooks and children and brother-in-law returned this noon from a trip to the Alsea country, where they were kept in doors most of the time by rain.

Mrs. J. W. Warner Thursday afternoon entertained the H. B. W. C. Club in a delightful manner, a splendid gathering of the live members of that social organization. Some delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. O. P. Coshov, of Roseburg, returned home this afternoon from Portland, where she had been to meet her daughter, Miss Bessie, who has just returned from Alaska, coming out from Nome on the last steamer, arriving this week. Several former Roseburg people were out to see them go by.

THE INDIANS SCALPED.

The Albany college foot ball team defeated the husky Indians of Chemawa, yesterday afternoon before a good sized crowd 7 to 0.

Albany, under the splendid coaching of Prof. Luck played an up-to-date game, with continual surprises for the red men. In the first half three effective forward passes were made by Wilbur, the efficient quarter back, to Schumate, who took two, and Ward one. The ball was worked to within about twenty yards, when Rogaway was given it, and dodging and squirming worked his way completely through the crowd for a touchdown. The try for a goal was a failure.

In the second half Albany kept the ball in the Chemawa end and soon had it almost to the line when Chemawa fell on it behind the goal for a safety, counting two for Albany. It was taken to the 25 yard line, and Chemawa kicked. Albany fumbling. The ball was being worked back when the whistle blew. Flo, Beeson, Ward, Yates, Gibbons and all did well.

Chemawa played an old fashioned game, straight bucking. The team has good material and needs a 1908 coach.

Robin Nelson, U. O. and I. R. Schultz of this city were the officials, good ones.

Chemawa kicked at about everything. Superintendent Charcraft, one of the timekeepers, kept up a continual growl, and there was one fight, a big red man being ordered out of the game.

Altogether it was one of the most interesting contests played this year.

Albany College's next game will be with Willamette at this city on depot day Nov. 10.

C. H. NEWS.

Probate:—In estate of J. F. Surrell, H. F. Merrill, D. D. Hackleman and E. F. Sox were appointed appraisers.

Janitor Bilyeu today carried two tons, about \$1600 worth of books up stairs, the annual library distribution.

October ends with its marriage record beaten by several months.

Deeds Recorded:— John M. Taylor to Geo. L. & Carrie Dick 280.91 a..... \$ 3000

Frank Province to Hawley V. Tracey 322.29 a..... 5000

Catherine Lyons to Lyons Hall Assn. 1 lot Lyons..... 75

W. C. Black et al by Sheriff to Chas. H. Canter 1 lot Harrisburg..... 275

W. A. Forrey, Ella H. Mendenhall, J. R. Cartwright, Levi Douglas to the Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., rights of way.....

Mortgages \$5000 and \$1500. Satisfaction \$2000.

Miss Mabel Schultz of the Halsey school came down for a Sunday visit at home, accompanied by her fellow teacher Miss Ida Maxwell, who will see the Jeffersons tonight.