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STANDS AT THE TOP.

The Journal goes to the People. On Saturday the circulation of The Journal was 10,025 copies. If anything were needed to show the popularity of The Journal more than another this record will certainly be convincing.

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH.

I, Macdonald Potts, cashier of The Journal Printing Company, a corporation, being duly sworn on oath depose and say: that to my own personal knowledge the circulation of The Portland Evening Journal of Saturday, May 24, 1902, was Ten Thousand and Twenty-five (10,025) copies.

JUDGE WILLIAMS AS A BOLTER.
We have been trying in these columns to pointedly express the real issue in this campaign.

Read the following gems:
FREEDOM FROM RING RULE.
Thomas Jefferson, in his first inaugural address, to introduce the era of good feeling after his election, said, as you will remember, that "We are all Republicans, and we are all Federalists."

A HIGHER OBLIGATION.
"I expect you all know that I am a Republican. I respect the principles and policies of my party, but my OBLIGATIONS TO HONESTY, DECENCY AND TRUTH ARE HIGHER THAN MY OBLIGATIONS TO PARTY."

SCOUNDRELS HIS CONSTITUENTS.
It is said that I was elected in that (the third) ward and that is true: I was elected upon both tickets; but I was elected by a gang of HIRED SCOUNDRELS (laughter) who, if they had their true deserts, would be in the penitentiary today. These were my constituents.

A GOOD YEAR FOR BOLTING.
"I am not finding any fault with those gentlemen who have bolted that nomination; this is a good year for bolting, and we are ALL BOLTERS TOGETHER, and we are all, or most of us who are not blinded and bound by our party obligations, are TRYING to do the very best thing we can for our country, and we are trying TO RISE ABOVE THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH THE PARTY BOSSES IMPOSE UPON US, AND DO THAT WHICH IS GOOD FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTRY."

MR. SCOTT CANNOT TELL A LIE.
"I do not know what the facts are. I take what is said in the Oregonian as true upon that subject, for you all know that the man who writes for the Oregonian is a little George Washington. (Laughter and Applause.) He may do some little mischief with his hatchet but he cannot tell a lie. (Laughter.)

HEARD ON THE MATTHEWS TICKET.
"I will ask you this question: If a man will write around in three or four years

from one party to another for the sake of office, is that the high-minded, honorable, conscientious man, that you ought to have for Mayor of this city?

SELECT THE BEST MEN.
"I submit that the best thing we can all do this year when we are all bolters is to select out of these candidates the very best men we can find, no matter to what party they belong or by whom they may have been nominated, and elect them of office (Applause), and see if we cannot get into office men upon whom we can rely and who will legislate and act not for any selfish interest or purpose, not to promote the interests of any party or clique, but who will undertake to discharge their duties in the interest of all the people of this city."

FAVORED INMAN THEN.
"Now, I oppose the election of Governor Penney because he is not a Democrat, IF THE DEMOCRATS HAD NOMINATED MR. INMAN or some such man, I doubt very much whether you would have heard my voice in this section."

THROW OFF PARTY TIES.
"WHY DON'T WE THROW OFF THESE PARTY TIES AND OBLIGATIONS; THEY AMOUNT TO NOTHING THIS YEAR. Nobody is paying any attention to them. Who cares for the man simply because HE IS CALLED THE REGULAR NOMINEE. Who cares for the candidate because he is said to be a Republican or a Democrat, so far as the city offices are concerned. There is nothing involved in the city government but an honest administration, and honest disbursement of public money, the administration of a man WHO IS FREE FROM THE CONDEMNATION OF ANY PARTY, RING, CLIQUE OR FACTION. THAT IS THE SORT OF MAN WE WANT FOR MAYOR."

AS FREE CITIZENS.
"I ask you then to take these matters into consideration; look at them as free and independent citizens. I have no interest in this matter except as a citizen, and I am trying to do what I can for the best interests of this city, and I know that I am right in this business (Applause.) I leave it with you to say when you go to the polls whether or not you will stand by the reputation and best interests, the prosperity and good name of the city."

THE MATTHEWS PLEDGE.
The Journal asserts that Mr. Matthews offered to nominate on his ticket for Councilman a gentleman of this city on the following conditions:

First-In the event of the death of Judge Williams, if the latter should be elected Mayor, the candidate for Councilman was to pledge himself to vote for the man for Mayor whom Jack Matthews might dictate.

Second-He was to vote against a franchise for the City & Suburban Railway.
It is not delicate to speculate about a man's death. We sincerely hope that Judge Williams will live many, many years. It is reserved for Jack Matthews to make a cold-blooded proposition like that.

The condition about the City and Suburban Railway is nothing but a hold-up. The terms were not proposed to one man alone. They were presumably proposed, or others like them, to all the candidates of Mr. Matthews. The gentleman referred to rejected the proposition and he was left off the ticket. The inference is strong that Mr. Matthews now has his whole ticket bound to him by pledges of a similar character.
This is a plain statement. Will Mr. Matthews deny its truth?

THE CITIZENS' JUSTIFICATION.
The Oregonian yesterday again misrepresents the Citizens' movement. It professes to believe that its only incentive is a "desire for office," or for revenge. Neither of these motives is the true motive. Neither of them could be the source of a movement of such vital strength. No considerable body of the people could be invited in such a petty enterprise. The name, the sentiment, the momentum of a party already organized might do something like that. But no effective party of the people was ever yet based in the beginning upon such narrow principles. The very fact that the Citizens' movement has attained its present resistless progress is the best answer to the charge. More than half the people of Multnomah County do not create a party solely out of a desire for office or revenge.

There is a real grievance. The Oregonian, however, turns its face the other way, and exercises the utmost care to exclude from its columns the slightest reference to the real cause of the Citizens' movement. It is the skeleton in the closet of the House of Matthews, which is not willingly the subject of polite conversation. That cause is the Matthews Ring Convention.

We are told that the primaries were fair (which they were not) but we can get the Oregonian past the primaries. Judge Williams, too, halts at that point. They do not tell us that the convention was fair. In fact, both of them have admitted, in effect, that it was not. Now the convention nullified the primaries. If the primaries expressed the will of the majority, the convention set

MR. FULTON'S ACROBATIC TRICK.



H. W. S.—"What is the matter with Willie, Jack?"
JACK.—"Oh, OUR Charles is trying to use Willie as a step ladder and Willie is objecting. OUR Charlie is clever, 'aint he, Harvey?"

that will aside. If the primaries decided that ring methods should be obliterated from Multnomah County politics, the convention decided that everything should be eliminated except ring methods.

And these methods are so far in advance of anything before known that they are fairly entitled to a patent as a new invention. The representatives of nearly half of the Republican party in this County were as absolutely excluded from voice or vote from consideration, from deliberation, from influence in that convention, as the Greeks from Troy. Every candidate was nominated, every function of the convention was performed outside of the convention itself, and by a little ring of little politicians.

Mr. Matthews expunged half the Republican party and then expunged the other half. His caucus represented nobody but himself. The delegates who supported his scheme were his subordi-

nates. The majority who voted for them at the primaries were not represented by them. They were only the delegates of Mr. Matthews.

Within party lines, the disfranchised Republicans were remediless. Democrats, who certainly have as much interest in good local government, as others, saw the county about to be delivered into the hands of an irresponsible ring, without all hope of success. The spirit of citizenship arose above the spirit of party, and the Citizens' movement began its march.

The Oregonian may fight the movement, and berate it, but the time has gone by to belittle it. And it will learn, if it seeks to know, that the true cause of the Citizens' movement is the Matthews Ring Convention.

VICTORY ASSURED.
Our friends, the enemy, are on the run. Victory for George E. Chamberlain and the Democratic State ticket is practically assured. The tide of public sentiment is rising with resistless force in favor of the man from Multnomah. The best judges of politics have conceded this assertion to be the truth. Now, at the beginning of the last week of the campaign, the Democratic State ticket renews the battle with material accession of power and momentary additions to the ranks of their supporters.

The last week witnessed a remarkable change of sentiment on the part of thousands of people throughout the State. There were few who believed that Mr. Chamberlain could be defeated at the time the campaign opened. It is known positively that the theory of the Republican campaign managers was that they started under the necessity of overcoming the preponderance of sentiment in favor of George E. Chamberlain, but that they counted on overcoming Mr. Chamberlain's advantage by attempting to shove State issues and engross attention

upon the questions relating to national politics. By this course they expected to march to victory. They have ignominiously failed. They are ingloriously defeated. Their campaign has ended in disgraceful disaster.

In the first place, upon the national arguments, they have fallen down in attempting to show that the Oregon Democracy stood for a scuttie policy in the Philippines, that George E. Chamberlain stood upon such a platform. It has been demonstrated that the Democratic party of Oregon stands not for scuttie, but occupies an intelligent position upon that subject fully in keeping with the best thought and sentiment of the majority of the people of the nation. That it favors more ideal trade relations with the islands. It is apparent to the most casual observer that the advantage has been with the Democratic ticket. The candidates have offered a rational program

and endeavored to state the fact. We will presume, for the sake of argument, that he was excited for the moment and overestimated the number who gathered at the train, and we will, therefore, again for the sake of argument, cut down the number who were at the train to 1,600. Pendleton is a town of 6,000 people. Twenty-five per cent of its total population met George Chamberlain at the train. According to what system of logic can it be argued that that constitutes a "frost"? Suppose that 25,000 people, one-fourth of Portland's population, met anybody at the Union station, would that constitute a "frost"? And if that would not be a "frost," is it not equally true that the Pendleton reception was not a "frost"? As a matter of fact, the Journal would be under obligations to some bright young man if he would reason out in some way that the Pendleton correspondent of the esteemed contemporary is not himself a certain kind of newspaper "frost" and to put the statement, rather mildly, at least in need of instruction in the art of political reporting.

JACK MATTHEWS' HORNET'S NEST
The publication in the Journal last week of an interview with Chairman Jack Matthews, of the Republican State Central Committee, and Walter Lyon, Private Secretary of Governor Geer, stirred up a hornet's nest among the brethren of the Matthews stripe of politics. It had no sooner appeared in print and The Journal gone into the hands of the readers, than Governor Geer's friends began to inquire what sort of political insanity had taken possession of the erstwhile astute Mr. Matthews. The friends of Mr. Fulton wanted to take Mr. Matthews by the ears, and the supporters of Mr. Furnish and Williamson and their combine went about with political murder in their hearts.

In the first place, Governor Geer's friends saw in the attitude of Mr. Matthews an explicit promise of opposition to their candidate for United States Senator. The friends of Mr. Fulton saw that he was being used as a catspaw to pull political chestnuts from the fire for some unknown candidate for the Senate, and Messrs. Furnish and Williamson and their friends were made a target of rapid fire guns loaded with embarrassing interrogatories.

As a matter of fact, the interview published in The Journal caused no end of trouble to the accomplished Mr. Matthews, and those who inhabit the Republican State Central Committee's headquarters. The Journal desires to express its sympathy with those gentlemen, but feels compelled to add that it must publish the news.

If Mr. Matthews shall succeed in electing Mr. Charles W. Fulton to the United States Senate, Mr. Matthews and the Columbia River will be alike in one particular. They will both be damned.

RUNNING A WINNING PACE.
Colonel W. F. Butcher has made a splendid campaign and comes down to Multnomah County assured of a majority in Eastern Oregon. His meeting here on Saturday night and the work that has been done subsequent to his recent arrival have strengthened his position materially, and he goes into the last week of the campaign with bright hopes of success.

The Oregonian devotes considerable space to parallel columns to indicate its own notion of who will be pleased by the success of the Matthews republican ticket, and those who will be pleased by the success of the citizen's movement. It takes up unnecessary space. We can put our notion in a nutshell.
Success of the Matthews ticket will please JACK MATTHEWS, HARVEY SCOTT, HENRY MCGINN, And the other Matthews candidates.
Success of the Citizens ticket will please THE PEOPLE

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County Judge.....H. B. Adams
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Constable, East Portland Dist.....A. M. Cox
Justices of the Peace, Mount Tabor.....F. C. Brook
Constable, Multnomah Dist.....Clay Harris
Road Supervisors—Road District No. 1, W. J. Miller; 2, J. E. Sharp; 3, J. Kelly; 4, John Cronquist; 5, B. I. Ordgen; 6, W. H. Dougherty; 7, J. B. Blackburn; 8, Cummings Merrill; 9, D. M. Roberts; 10, S. P. Osburn; 11, James Hilliard; 12, Thomas Evans; 13, Joseph Ellis; 14 (city), F. J. Kelly.
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City Engineer.....Douglas W. Taylor
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City Treasurer.....J. E. Wertsin
Municipal Judge.....R. W. Thompson
Councilmen—First Ward, T. J. Concanon; Second Ward, W. F. Foster; Third Ward, Fred T. Merrill; Fourth Ward, W. R. Mackenzie; Fifth Ward, Don G. Woodward; Sixth Ward, W. Y. Masters; Seventh Ward, L. Zimmerman; Eighth Ward, D. T. Sherrett; Ninth Ward, L. P. Hogford; Tenth Ward, George Lewis; Eleventh Ward, A. F. Fliegel.

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