

LIGHT VOTE FOR STATE ELECTION

Indications Favor Chamberlain and Inman—Reports From Interior Counties—Claims of State Chairmen.

The Journal's advices, up to the latest moment, indicate the election of Geo. E. Chamberlain as Governor of Oregon, R. D. Inman as Mayor of Portland, and the major portion of the Citizens' ticket in Multnomah County.

Throughout the state the indications are that the local elections will be of all sorts of political complexions, with the offices divided equally between Democrats and Republicans. The Democrats will gain, however, the same being true of the Legislative tickets.

The Journal's advices are of a nature to warrant the expectation of heavy gains for the entire state Democratic ticket, with fighting chances for James E. Godfrey, nominee for state printer, J. H. Raley for Attorney General and an immense gain for W. F. Butcher for Congress in the Second District.

VOTING IN THE CITY

Situation in Various Wards—Few Disturbances—Light Vote.

Here in Multnomah County, the forces that are fighting for Chamberlain and the Citizens' ticket were apparently more active and in better shape to make a vigorous contest than were those of the Matthews ticket.

A report was circulated that Mr. Clark, brother of Senator Clark, last night offered \$50,000 on Chamberlain, with no takers. However, a number of bets were made at even money, the aggregate being approximately \$50,000.

Plenty of money was offered on Inman, and the total of bets on the mayoralty was about the same as that on the governorship.

The voting began early in most precincts, although in some there were large numbers of men who stood around and did not hesitate to ask openly why the men with "dough" had not put in an appearance.

These men, so it is understood, were either directed to go to room 7 in the building on Third street opposite the Chamber of Commerce, or were taken care of by precinct strikers who were stationed at every precinct in the county by the handlers of furnish money. It is learned that the distribution of this money was not entrusted to Jack Matthews, but some of it was in the hands of Matt Mosgrove, a furnish man from Matilla County.

First Ward.

Out of a registration of 356, in the first precinct of Ward No. 1, 102 votes were

cast by 11:30. It is expected the precinct will poll them all. In the same precinct over 100 votes were cast by noon. There are 401 registered in this precinct. Thirty of those voted were for the Citizens' ticket, and were handed in in a bunch.

Second Ward.

The hottest political fight in the city is raging in precinct No. 4, Second Ward. In this district the majority of the colored population of the North End vote, besides a large number of hangers-on about the saloons.

Larry Sullivan was out with his henchmen working for the Scott-Matthews ticket, and Pete Grant was taking an active part about the polling place. Billy Smith is lined up against Larry on the opposite side of the political fence. Detectives Snow and Kerrigan, Jack Hill and others were working all day. The rain did not dampen their spirits in the least. From what could be learned the Citizens' ticket is going to win, although the contest may be very close, as it was in the primaries, when the Independent Republicans won out by a majority of only nine votes, estimated on their high man. The Citizens supporters are putting forth every effort to overcome this small majority and turn the tide in their favor, and it is believed by many conservative ones, such as Detective Kerrigan, that their labors have been successful.

The forenoon vote was light, owing to the fact the majority of the working class will not get off to vote until this afternoon. By 11 o'clock a. m., the total vote polled in precinct 4 was 112. The total registration this year for the precinct is 490.

In precinct No. 5, Second Ward, 110

votes were polled by 11 o'clock. This showing is considered slow compared to the registration, 364. The millmen and laborers of the precinct did not get off generally this morning. They will cast their vote late in the afternoon.

Third Ward.

Everything was very quiet at the polls of the Third Ward precincts. There were 193 votes cast in precinct 9 till 1 o'clock today.

In precinct 10, 175 votes were cast till 1 o'clock. In this precinct D. H. Thomas and Mr. McDonnell acted as judge and clerk, respectively, instead of W. H. Manning and Mr. Thomas.

In precinct 11, there were 140 votes cast till noon. John P. Druss and H. A. Metch acted as judge and clerk, instead of Walter Norton and John L. Hoye, the latter not appearing at the polls.

There were 81 votes cast till noon in precinct 12. G. J. Hartman acted as judge, instead of C. S. Mortimer, and Frank Grant and L. Baum acted as clerks, instead of A. W. Bryan and Edw. Van Voorhis.

In precinct 13, 96 votes were cast till 1:30 o'clock, including two affidavits. F. Dunn acted for C. R. Templeton as judge, Mr. Templeton being excused.

Fourth Ward.

There were 105 votes cast in precinct No. 14 at noon today. M. D. Marcus and F. D. Niklin acted as judge and clerk respectively instead of George Wemple and others were working all day. The rain did not dampen their spirits in the least. In precinct 15, 175 votes were cast at 1:30 o'clock. T. Fogel and L. A. Shambrew acted as judge and clerk instead of O. F. Paxton and George I. Smith.

There were 55 votes cast in precinct 20 at noon. J. O. Watson and Sam Falloy acted as judge and clerk instead of W. B. Hollingworth and M. Falloy.

In precinct 16 there was a little mix-up between a challenger for the Scott-Matthews combination and a man on the other side. The "push" did not result in the exposure in this morning's special edition of The Journal and the challenger for the "combine" attempted to tear down a copy which was pinned up next door to the polling place. He was promptly "called" by a worker for honest and above board politics, and it was necessary for outside interference before either man received any punishment. It is hard to say just how the vote is going, but the Citizens' ticket is running very strong.

Fifth Ward.

The indications up to 12 o'clock were that a light vote will be cast in the Fifth Ward. In all previous elections, it has gone Republican by substantial majorities, but the leaders of that party around the various polling places of the ward this morning are not very sanguine of a great victory today. They say that a light vote is being cast, and if the ticket is not successful will attribute it to the feeling of general apathy prevailing in the Republican ranks.

At 10:30 a. m. the vote in precinct 26 amounted to but 60. Dwen Jones is captain of the Citizens' party at this place, and is strenuously employ all the time. The Republican party has several wide-awake politicians looking after the interests of the ticket.

It was unusually quiet at precinct No. 25 this morning at 10:30. All the judges were on hand, but had not work enough to do to keep them employed one-third of the time. At that hour but 89 votes had been polled. Edwin Mays was captain of the Republican forces at this place, while Lansing Stout was the Citizens' representative. Seventy-seven votes had been cast this morning at 10:45 out of a total registration of 340. Figuring on this basis, votes had been coming in at the rate of about 20 an hour. It was unusually quiet in that vicinity. Samuel McKee is captain of the Citizens' ticket, having filled this position for three years, and describes himself as a pioneer at the business. J. W. Mathews is the Republican representative.

At precinct 21, 56 votes had been cast at 11 o'clock, out of a total registration of 264. There was a little excitement at this place this morning when Harrison Hayes appeared before the judges and requested them to prepare his ballot. They complied, marking the ballot as Hayes indicated them to do. When it had been prepared as he requested, he seized the ballot and tore it up with all the indignation that he could exhibit. He then took a ballot and marked a cross before Inman's name, stating that there was no other decent man on either of the tickets to be voted for. A war of words ensued, but he was allowed to deposit his ballot. He also threatened to smash

DEMOCRATIC ESTIMATE.

Chairman White Says Chamberlain's Majority May Be 5,000.

BAKER CITY, June 2.—I am in receipt of messages from all parts of the state and from the state headquarters in Portland that indicate an assured victory for Chamberlain, an immense gain for the remainder of the state ticket, and the same for Butcher in the Second District and Weatherford in the First. I predict Chamberlain's election, and would not be surprised if the majority reached 5000.

As to the local Democratic tickets in the various counties, the prospects are exceedingly bright. A large number of Legislative candidates on the Democratic tickets will be elected, giving us a heavy gain in representation in the coming Legislature.

The county elections also will witness tremendous gains throughout the state. I am confident that the result will show that the major portion of the county's officers in Oregon will be filled with Democrats.

SAM WHITE,
Chairman Democratic State Central Committee.

REPUBLICAN CLAIMS.

Chairman Matthews Says It's Furnish by Safe Majority.

I feel morally certain that the Republican ticket will make a clean sweep of the field today. I do not believe that the majorities will be as great as those given two years ago. These will be somewhat reduced; the vote for Governor will probably be much cut down.

In many of the counties polls have been made by the county committeemen. Upon their showing I base my estimates. In other counties where the polls have not been made I have based my estimates upon those given me by the managers there. In order to be radically conservative, I have, in every instance, discounted these latter estimates fully 50 per cent. Yet, in face of even this, I am still confident of a Republican victory. As to giving figures, I do not care to do that now.

Multnomah County is bound to go Republican. My estimates for this county are based upon carefully-made estimates founded upon actual polls.

W. F. MATTHEWS,
Chairman Republican State Committee.

the ballot box, and finally made his exit with the remark that he intended to contest the election.

"He was more capable of contesting the contents of a bottle," remarked one of the judges.

There are 398 registered voters in precinct 22, but up to 11:15 this morning only 75 ballots had been deposited. Pat Murray, the Republican captain at this place, attempted to carry on an aggressive campaign in front of the polling place, and James Steet, the Citizens' captain, objected. A war of words followed, but Murray was commanded to keep silent and do no electioneering within a specified distance of the place. He then saw late copies of The Journal, and endeavored, unsuccessfully, to have them suppressed. He was told, however, that the Journal had a right to circulate any and everywhere, and that right must be respected. He concluded: "The Journal goes everywhere, and there is no power to stop it."

At precinct 23 only 23 votes had been polled at 11:30, although the registration there amounts to 250. David Mosseson is the Citizens' captain, and E. J. Walling the Republican representative. In this ward there were two votes cast this morning which might be termed peculiar in one respect. One voter only

voted for Inman, and another man supported no one but Kennedy, the Citizens' candidate for County Clerk.

Sixth and Seventh Wards.

Things look more favorable for the Citizens in the Sixth and Seventh Wards as the vote proceeds. The whole South End of the city is being worked hard and faithfully by the Citizens sympathizers, who are reporting good results. In precinct 27, Sixth Ward, 140 votes were cast up to noon, and J. E. Werlein and others are of the opinion that the majority of them were for the Citizens' ticket. "You can say," observed Mr. Werlein, candidate for City Treasurer, "that all of our people are standing heroically by us. Our workers are all out and if I am not badly mistaken, we are going to carry the ticket except in a few instances."

Clerk Stimpson, of the County Clerk's office, was seen at precinct No. 28 this afternoon, and gave it his opinion that the Citizens will win out. He laid special stress upon the fact that the Citizens were working hard to get votes.

In precinct 29, for instance, only one man was seen in behalf of the Scott-Matthews ticket, and he was working for his own candidacy. On the other hand the Citizens were represented by seven or eight others.

READ ELECTION RETURNS AT JOURNAL OFFICE TONIGHT

The Journal will give election returns to the public tonight by means of a stereopticon. It will throw the returns upon a large canvass in front of the Journal office, 289 Yamhill, near Fifth. There will be room for everybody, and the returns will be accurate. The Journal will receive news from all parts of the state, as well as from every precinct in the city, as fast as the votes are counted.

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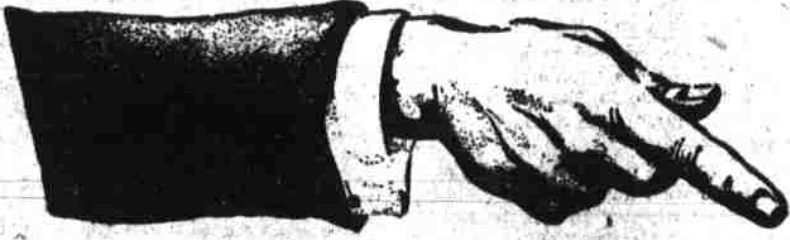
In precinct 30 of the Tenth Ward 169 votes had been cast at 1 o'clock, out of a registration of 360.

In precinct 31, 141 votes were cast at 1:30.

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