

THE SCIO TRIBUNE

ISSUED EVERY THURSDAY BY
T. L. DUGGER, EDITOR AND PROP.

Entered at the postoffice at Scio,
Oregon as second class matter.

SUBSCRIPTION, IN ADVANCE \$1.50
AT END OF YEAR 1.50
SIX MONTHS .75

ADVERTISING RATES:
Local advertising, per line .5c
Display advertising, per inch .10c
Display advertising, long time, see
manager.
Extended marriage or death notices
per line .3c
Special rates on long time display
advertising.

CAUSES AND THE RESULT

Mr. Hughes can probably attribute his defeat to three features of his campaign, all of which were ill-advised so far as they applied to the west and the Pacific coast. While it is true that these same features may have contributed to increased popular majorities in New York, Illinois and Pennsylvania, they did not produce results in other states.

Had Mr. Hughes not indulged in a campaign of faultfinding and scolding, and had Colonel Roosevelt not been utilized as one of the g. o. p. campaigners, and had the notorious "Golden special" never been sent to the suffrage states to tell the women how to vote, The Tribune believes that Mr. Hughes would have been elected.

But these mistakes were made and the results are simply astounding to Chairman Wilcox and his campaign advisers. Money they had aplenty and it was, no doubt, used without stint, in the states above mentioned. They figured that if these heretofore pivotal states were carried for their candidate, all other hitherto republican states would fall in line and that all would be over but the shouting. Mr. Wilcox, doubtless, sees his error, while the other side is doing the shouting. He, also, must realize that a new problem has arisen for future republican campaign managers to solve, viz. "the Winning of the West."

Another matter will influence campaign managers of the future. The American people demand that their candidate for president must be constructive and not destructive statesmen. They demand that their candidates shall look to and discuss better things for the future, rather than to bemoan any possible mistakes the president and party in power may have made in the past. Mistakes of the past cannot be recalled. They are of value only as guide posts to point out danger spots to future managers. Mr. Hughes could talk of nothing but democratic blunders. Manliness and nobility of spirit, to point to and admit that some of the accomplishments of President Wilson and his congress were good and beneficial to the American people, he had not. The American people demand that their president shall be a man of high ideals and that he shall be thinking of the things that will make our government more efficient, more just and equitable to the people and a more pleasant and prosperous country in which to live, rather than to be continually telling of past mistakes or blunders, which are beyond recall.

But Judge Hughes is a very much better man than his campaign advisers indicated that he is. He is a well minded gentleman, capable of serious and valuable thoughts, and his countrymen. We

must simply conclude that his mistaken plans of campaign, were due to his bad advisors. Judge Hughes political career is not a closed book by any means. If he will profit from his mistakes of the year 1916, his sphere of usefulness to his state and nation is yet to be developed. Men of his character and caliber are not allowed to pass into the obscurity of private endeavor.

MERELY AN APPENDAGE

Nevertheless the territory of the forks of the Santiam embraces more than one-half of the area of Linn county, within which approximately one-third of her inhabitants live and which territory pays more than one-third of Linn county's taxes, we are continually refused to have any voice whatever in saying what our taxes shall be. We are simply an appendage to the rest of the county. We are valued as a sort of colonial possession, simply to pay taxes but not to have a voice in the county or state government.

This unfair condition is probably due to our direct primary law. The people, when they go into voting booths, at both the primary and general elections, vote for candidates from their own localities or for those whom they know. This may be done purposely or unthoughtfully, as the case may be, yet the result is just the same whatever the cause. This major portion of the county is denied representation on the board of county commissioners or a seat in our state legislature.

At the late election our three legislators were chosen from one very small locality. Two of them live in or near Brownsville and the other near Halsey or at a distance of six miles or less apart. Now while these gentlemen are honorable and upright citizens, with whom The Tribune has no fault to find, they are not fairly representative of the county. Our primary law should be amended so that such injustice can not occur. Surely all fair minded people will concede the justness of this contention.

Our county court is another example of the inequity of our primary nominating law. Two members reside in Albany and one in Brownsville. All are capable and upright officials, but they are not representative of the county. Last spring a strong effort was made by the Santiam country to nominate the republican candidate for county commissioner. Many democrats registered as republicans for this one purpose. We failed, because we could not get votes enough. This is not intended as reflecting upon Commissioner Butler in any sense who, we believe, lived a short time up near Lyons, but has been a resident of Albany for many years. It simply points out that Linn county west of the Santiam has the votes and can always defeat the candidate from this section for any office if the voters so desire.

Representative government should be representative in its widest sense if good feeling and contentment on the part of the people prevail. A good many years ago, the people along the Atlantic coast thought taxation without representation unjust. They rebelled and the war of the revolution resulted. It is just as unjust and unfair in the matter under consideration.

Our legislature should amend the primary law so that this injustice cannot occur in the future. It can be done by dividing our counties into nominating districts.

Now that the tax limitation law has been enacted by the people, many cities, towns, school districts and road districts will be compelled to revise their budgets.

After all one cannot help but feel a bit sorry for the dejected woe-begone looks of some of our republican friends, since the final election results were known. It was evident boys, that either Hughes or Wilson would be beaten and we, who supported Wilson, are very glad that our man won. But cheer up boys, the country is not lost. In a few months you may feel that Wilson's election was best. At least, it will be determined if the legislation of the past three years, is good for the country or not. If not, you will be sure winners next time. If they are, you will have to reorganize the republican party along new lines and originate a new battle cry.

President Wilson and Vice President Marshall are the first president and vice president to be renominated and reelected, in the history of our government. In every instance where the president has been renominated and elected in the past, a new man has been given the second place. President Wilson is, also, the first democratic president to be renominated and elected to succeed himself since the days of President Jackson. President Cleveland served eight years but the administration of Garfield and Arthur was sandwiched between the two terms.

Defeated But Optimistic

Through the columns of The Tribune, I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the very loyal support accorded me by the people of Scio and vicinity at the election just held.

While my election in the county as a whole was hardly to be expected, it is indeed gratifying, that among the friends who know me best, I polled the highest combined vote on the legislative ticket.

My candidacy as well as that of Mr. Chrisman for commissioner at the recent primary, shows that it is no easy matter for the forks of the Santiam to secure representation in either the county court or the legislature. An aggressive campaign to divide the county into nominating districts for these two offices seems the only solution of this most unfair situation.

But now that the election is over just a word concerning our local affairs. While it is not expected that Scio will ever be much or any larger in population than now, we can by cooperating and putting our shoulders loyally to the wheel, make ours one of the most beautiful little home towns in the state. To this end, our city council, the improvement club, parent-teachers association and federated church organization, can do much.

Every community in the state is boasting for good roads and it is my humble opinion that no other one project will do more to advance the interests of a rural community than the building of better roads. During the past 20 years as a resident of Scio, I have had the pleasure of seeing considerable advancement in our town and community. I trust that the next five years will witness more substantial progress than has been accomplished in the 20 years past. As one who expects to live out his allotted time in Scio, I feel more deeply, perhaps, its welfare. Let us make Scio the center of activity for public betterment. Our efforts will be repaid a hundred fold.

Yours for better things,
E. C. Peery.

Mortgage Loans

In amounts from \$2,500 to \$10,000 on good cultivated farms. No delay if your title is perfect. Call on J. V. Pike, 203 West 2nd St., Albany, Ore.

J. F. WESELY

DEALER IN

Staple and Fancy Groceries
Queensware, Glassware, Etc.
Field and Garden Seeds



Cash Paid for Veal, Hogs, Hides and Cascara Bark
Prices Right

Our Motto: Live and Let Live

J. F. WESELY

SCIO

OREGON

Painting and Paper Hanging



I am prepared to do your painting or paper hanging on short notice, at reasonable rates. Refer you to J. F. Wesely as to the character of my work. Estimates of material made. Give me a trial.

GEORGE GIBBONS, Scio, Ore.

HOW OLD ARE YOU

An old proverb says: "It is never too late to learn." If you have let the years of youth pass without accumulating anything, don't get discouraged. No man is a failure until he becomes a quitter. Men have done great things in their older years. Franklin at 50 studied natural philosophy; Dryden and Scott were not known as authors until each was in his fiftieth year; Handel was 46 before he published any of his great works. And it is never too late for you to begin to accumulate money. We welcome you. If you are an out-of-town reader, you may bank with us by mail. May we tell you how?

ALBANY STATE BANK

ALBANY

4 per cent paid on Savings

OREGON

Only One Night
En Route

A New Train

Portland to San Francisco

Lv. PORTLAND 8:20 A. M.
Ar. SAN FRANCISCO 5:50 P. M.

STANDARD AND TOURIST SLEEPING CARS
STEEL COACHES - DINING CAR

Willamette--Umpqua--Sacramento
VALLEYS
BY
DAYLIGHT

TWO OTHER DAILY TRAINS

Shasta Limited--San Francisco Express

Lv. 3:50 p. m.

Lv. 8:00 p. m.

SHASTA ROUTE CONNECTIONS FOR ALL
EASTERN AND SOUTHERN POINTS

Ask local agent for information

John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent Portland, Oregon

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

ADVERTISE IN

THE SCIO TRIBUNE

AND GET RESULTS