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MORROW COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

Thursday, October 29, 1914.



THE END NEARS.

The end of the present political campaign in the state of Oregon draweth nigh, and it has been one worthy of comment.

There has been little public discussion of measures outside of the prohibition amendment. True other referendum and initiative measures have been brought to the attention of the people, and many of them have received their due share of consideration in the public press and on the platform, but in most instances this consideration has been mild as compared to the "dry" amendment, and in so far as organized effort is concerned, this latter has far out-clasped all the others.

The discussion of candidates, especially those aspiring to the offices of United States Senator and Governor, is now at its highest. This part of the campaign is waxing exceedingly warm, and so far as the partisans of Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Smith are concerned, it has reached a stage of mud slinging and vituperation that it, to say the least, very unbecoming, and extremely disgusting.

The attacks on Mr. Booth and Dr. Withycombe are of such a nature that they cannot but cause the thinking people of the state to revolt against such methods.

Throughout their entire campaign the speeches of these gentlemen have been entirely free from personalities; even the leading newspapers of the state which have most earnestly supported them have been free of mud slinging. True they have been compelled to ask some leading questions of the prominent gentlemen heading the Democratic ticket, and some of the records have been brought to light, but it has not been done in the spirit of vituperation, and with the idea of defeating these men regardless of truth.

As the campaign closes, Mr. Booth seems to be stronger than ever with the people, and they have come to fully realize the splendid character of the man and his fitness to represent this state at the national capital. He has met the attacks against him in a fearless but gentlemanly and kindly manner. His campaign has been clean.

"If it was to be repeated," he is quoted as saying on leaving for his canvas of Southern Oregon. "I would conduct a clean campaign just as I have done. Wilful falsifiers and mudslingers are going to be put to rout by the vote of November 3. I am sure. If so, the same tactics will not soon be pursued again in Oregon. I had rather use clean methods and be defeated than to win by foul ones."

So far as Morrow county goes, Mr. Booth will get the entire republican strength here. He should get it the state over. There is no excuse for any Republican turning him down. Mr. Chamberlain is a Democrat, and as such is entitled to the support of his party, but he has done nothing to entitle him to more than this.

There is little doubt expressed in any quarter as to the result between Drs. Smith and Withycombe. Mr. Withycombe is far in the lead and will be our next governor, without doubt. Gov. West has pretty well settled this in his "rampage" over the state, if there had been nothing else to down his man. Dr. Withycombe can be depended upon as a man of sound sense and good business judgment, and the people of Oregon have had enough of the horseplay. Should Dr. Smith be elected, we could look for nothing better, in a large degree, than West has been giving us.

McCRAW FOR CONSTABLE.

It will be noted from the official ballot, that there is but one candidate for constable of the 6th justice of the peace district. This district comprises the precincts of Mt. Vernon, Mateson, Heppner and Gentry. By the earnest solicitations of his many friends, Marshal McCraw has consented to be a candidate for this office, and asks that his name be written in on the ballot when you vote on Tuesday. Mr. McCraw can be highly recommended for this position and should be elected, he promises faithful performance of duty. Give him your support.

"IN TIME OF PEACE, PREPARE FOR WAR."

Another report from high military authority comes that our country is absolutely unprepared for anything like a great war.

If the report is true, and it doubtless is, then there has been criminal neglect on the part of the general and state governments. The war in Europe has already given us many useful object lessons and is adding to them daily. The first one made clear how easy it is, in time of profound peace for a nation to be plunged into a devastating war. The second one was that a month of real war costs more than years of careful preparation.

The third was that with all foreign countries, pledges of peace, or covenants entered into to secure peace, count for nothing when a time comes that an advantage is believed to be possible by breaking them.

Whichever side wins in the present war will be arrogant and domineering for a long time to come, and the lesson is an old one that the most certain way to avoid war is to be ready for it at all times.

The United States does not need nor want a large standing army as is the custom across the sea, but certainly our nation should be as well policed as our cities are. Then the youth of the land should be trained in the elementary school of war. One year of their schooling, say between eighteen and nineteen, should be in a military camp with military teachers. It would be good for them physically and mentally, it would improve their bearing and manners, it would prepare them for military duty should they ever be called upon to go to the defense of their country. From them the appointees to West Point and Annapolis should be selected on merit. The expense of that year's training should be borne half by the state, half by the general government.

This would put off wars. It would in case of war, save the wholesale slaughter of men which always comes when a war is sprung upon us through the ignorance of the men and incompetency of officers who have had no experience in preparing camps or the proper disposition of men in front of an enemy.

This plan, or a better one, carried out for ten years would not cost as much as one month of war. The difference would be at the end of ten years there would be 5,000,000 of men with the preliminary training of soldiers. With that force and with the government keeping up with fighting ships, the strongest combination of powers would think twice before kindling any war with the great republic. Added to this special premiums should be offered for improvements in both guns and explosives, because when it comes "War is Hell"—Goodwins Weekly.

The recall aspirants in Portland were badly defeated on Tuesday. Mayor Albee was upheld by a two to one vote. The vote was a decisive one and a stinging rebuke to those promoters of the recall and dispensers of discord in the metropolis.

Stamp your disapproval upon the Universal Eight Hour Law Amendment. It means the ruination of the farming and dairying of the state.

From this distance, Oregon is beginning to look mighty dry.

THE \$1500 TAX EXEMPTION.

(Baker Herald)

It takes just so much money to conduct the affairs of the state. Most of this is raised by taxation and that amount must be raised to conduct the state's business. If the \$1500 exemption is put into effect it will simply mean that the taxes on the land must be made greater. That will put an additional burden on the person who owns a small piece of land just as it does on the owner of larger holdings. Household goods are now exempt and will remain so if the \$1500 tax exemption amendment does not go into effect. The \$1500 tax exemption amendment is one of the single tax ideas that W. S. U'Ren has been striving for and it should be voted down just as single tax has been heretofore.

HE STANDS SQUARETOED.

This much can be said for Mr. Bill Hanley. He has frankly met the "wet" and "dry" issue. When asked by letter what his attitude would be he responded by letter to this effect. "I do not intend to support the prohibition amendment either by vote, voice or influence." "If elected to the United States Senate I do not intend to support a resolution to amend the Constitution of the United States to prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of alcoholic liquors, either by vote, voice or influence."

In this latter respect he goes even beyond the point where some strong supporters of the "wet" movement say they do not favor singling out a single state, but they believe in a National movement that would bar out everything but the light beers. But Mr. Hanley stands in the advanced position that everything should stay quite as wet as it is and perhaps a little wetter and he would be perfectly suited.

His position has the merit of frankness, for the "wets" know precisely where he stands, and the "drys" can have no doubt about it. —Telegram.

LEXINGTON.

Frank Moyer of Black Horse was in the city last Saturday.

Several parties attended the social dance at Heppner last Saturday night.

A traveling picture show gave an entertainment at the hall Monday night.

Harve Coxen of Butter creek was visiting his brother, the barber last week.

Guy Nerdyke and John Cochran returned from their annual hunt in the mountains. They had the hunter's usual luck.

Howard Lane is running a wood saw for a few days, using his auto for motor power.

Prof. Doak and wife and Miss Ina Gilbert and Miss Mae Severance were lone visitors last week.

W. T. Campbell and wife returned Monday after an extended visit to Portland and Seaside.

W. G. Scott departed for The Dalles in his Ford car last Monday. He will be gone several days.

M. C. Millet of Salem, a former resident of Morrow county was a visitor in town for several days.

Willis Ward has taken charge of the Shutt ranch upon the departure of F. M. Fiddler for The Dalles.

Two car loads of hogs left the local yards for Portland. They belonged to several farmers in this vicinity.

Tom McDonald, of the Sand Hollow country was transacting business in town Monday. Tom reports the fall crop nearly all put in down his way.

Extensive preparations are being made by the Home Mission Society of the M. E. church for the annual bazaar to be held in the church Hall on Tuesday night.

The new building erected between the livery stable and the restaurant will be occupied by the postoffice. The officers will take charge after the first of the month.

Another bunch of hunters returned from the mountains with the hunter's usual luck. Otto Robinette succeeded in bringing down the biggest one yet. There will not be any lack of venison for a few days.

Gus McMillan returned last week from Palouse City. His wife was visiting relatives at that place when their youngest child became seriously ill. The child was brought home and at the present time is improving slowly.

Lee and Claud White, with their families are visiting at the home of the former's father, Rev. Jesse White at Drain, Oregon. They will be away a few weeks. Ralph Leach is overseer of the ranch during their absence.

While coming down from Heppner last Thursday night, Bill McMillan met with an accident to his car. A rough place in the road caused a wheel to give way and the car turned over. Bill's shoulder was badly bruised. The other passengers escaped with slight injuries.

Christian Church.

Subject at the Christian church next Sunday morning, "Consecration." Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Union Pre-election rally at 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Handsaker and others will discuss the prohibition question at the Rhea creek school house Friday evening.

Free Lecture and Entertainment.

A treat is in store at the Christian church tonight, (Thursday) for all music lovers.

Miss Cover, a violinist of Chautauqua fame will appear in recital with Mrs. Hannan, an able lecturer. There will be no admission charge.

AN UNWELCOME JOURNEY.

By SPENCER AKERS.

The dear saloon; the dear saloon, is going to leave us very soon. At least that's what I heard Miss Rumor say.

With tearful eye and quivering lip, She's packing up her grip, And soon will be departed far away. They say she's going straight to—well,

I believe I promised not to tell The place Miss Rumor said she's bound to go; But 'tis the place she always sends Men dearly loved and bosom friends, And now we wonder why it grieves her so.

When one donates his wealth and life And also starves his kids and wife, To keep the gay saloon within our land, She should not hesitate to come And bring along the dear old rum, And meet him with as yore the same glad hand.

Good-bye saloon, I say good-bye; Although we're strangers, you and I, When shortly you have met your fatal doom, Regardless of your life of shame, I'll promise this, I'll carve your name And write this epitaph upon your tomb:

Beneath this sod and tomb so cold, Is placed old mother rum to mold. The mother of ten thousand crimes a day, She courted theft, deceit and lust, Now "Earth to earth and dust to dust,"

We love her now that she has turned to clay.



GEORGE H. BISHOP

FREEWATER-MILTON, OREGON.

Democratic Candidate for

Joint Representative

Twenty-second District, Umatilla and Morrow Counties.

Lower taxes, fewer laws, economy in transacting public business especially in weeding out useless commissions which are swallowing the taxpayers' money.

Paid Advertisement.

Vote to Save Industrial Oregon

VOTE "NO" 329 AND "NO" 331

The very life of the future manufacturing and industrial progress of Oregon hinges upon the defeat of the so-called "Water Front" bills, to be voted on Tuesday, November 3rd.

So cunningly and adroitly are these bills worded there is grave danger that many people will be deceived.

If these measures become laws the result will be that the State will take title to the tidelands and submerged lands and will be prohibited from selling any of these lands. They can only be leased for docks. No more ship-yards, saw-mills, canneries or other plants requiring access to deep water—nothing but docks, docks, docks.

Every citizen of Oregon—wage earner, farmer, business man or woman, wants to prosper. These measures if enacted will throttle progress at the gate. Investors will shun Oregon. This means no work for the wage-earner, nothing to pay the store-keeper with and therefore nothing to pass on to the farmer or producer. Let no one think these bills do not concern him.

Before you go to the booth to vote, read 329 and 331 carefully. Talk to your neighbors about them.

Oregon is rich in natural resources, but poor in development. What the state needs above everything else is outside money to come in and develop its resources. That means GOOD WAGES, PLENTY OF WORK, GOOD PRICES and GOOD TIMES.

This is not a political question; it concerns only the prosperity of Oregon and of you.

Give Progress and Good Times a helping hand by voting "NO" 329 and "NO" 331.

OREGON COMMERCIAL PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

Paid Advertisement. 1208 Yeon Building, Portland, Ore.

H. V. Gates, president of the Heppner Light & Water Company, went down to Portland Wednesday, after remaining in this city several weeks, superintending much improvement work, which the company has been making.

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Vote "NO" 329 and "NO" 331. Oregon Commercial Protective Association, Yeon Bldg., Portland, Ore.

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For County Commissioner

VOTE FOR JEFF JONES, NO. 76 ON OFFICIAL BALLOT

I promise you economy and a business administration of County affairs.

(Paid Advertisement.)

Good Restaurant Business FOR SALE.

Old Established—Good Trade Excellent Location on Main St.

I have a desire to move to another locality. Reasonable terms can be made. Call and see me.

GONG LANE, Elkhorn Restaurant.

I wish to close up my business accounts. Bills against the business will be paid when presented. Those owing me will please settle.