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THE INDEPENDENT.

As a matter of encouragement to those who are inclined to bolt the primary nominees and become independent candidates for office it is to be regretted that all the independent candidates for office in Multnomah county were defeated on Tuesday last.

First and foremost there was A. W. Lafferty who failed to get the nomination as congressman at the primaries and sought to kill off the regular nominee. There were several others: Marshal N. Dana, for county clerk; J. O. Hall for school superintendent; G. W. Jackson, for sheriff, and Theodore Rowland, for assessor. These four men were not bolters but were of the opinion that they could be elected, and made the greatest political mistake of their lives.

They all had the right to come out for office at any time but their ambitions overcame their judgment and they went down before the whirlwind of ballots that most of the republican voters fast was due to be given to those they had, in many cases, helped to nominate.

The Outlook recognized their right to come out for office after the primaries had named the regular nominees, but could give them scant encouragement. Perhaps they were all better qualified for the offices than the men elected, but the voters seemed to think different. Some others who could be named were restrained from offering themselves as sacrifices, by hard arguments from their friends, and they can now see that their friends were right.

WHEN RICH ARE POOR.

There have for some years been two things in common between the states of Oklahoma and New York. They have together enjoyed the lowest interest rates in the entire United States.

According to the statement of the comptroller of the currency issued Tuesday, New York and Oklahoma now have another common tie. Resources of banking institutions in those two states for the three-year period ending with July, 1916, increased in the same ratio.

But there is a notable difference in banking conditions in these two states. A gain of 41 per cent in the resources of New York banks adds a total of \$2,646,000,000 to the available assets. A gain of 41 per cent in the resources of Oklahoma banks adds a total of \$68,000,000.

That is a lesson in finance that should not be overlooked. When people are poor to begin with, their wealth may be doubled and they are yet poor. If they are rich to begin with, any marked increase in their wealth gives them riches beyond human needs.

There is some analogy between Oklahoma and Oregon. Oklahoma will have to save money for many years before an increase of 41 per cent in her bank resources will amount to a billion dollars. The same may be said of Oregon or any other state, yet it may be overflowing in wealth, compared to its resources or needs. Here, with a distinct gain, this state has a long road to travel before it will compare with New York.

Yet Oregon has produced this year as much or more intrinsic wealth than the state of New York in any two years of its history, and Oklahoma has contributed to the actual needs of humanity in 1916 more than the empire state in any five years.

POPULAR VOTE FOR PRESIDENT

The presidential election has brought a reminder of some very feeble efforts made spasmodically to have the president elected by popular vote instead of by the elector system now in use. Nothing has ever come of the plan, yet to many persons the sensible way is to let the people vote directly for their candidates just as they always have done for their representatives, and more recently for senators.

There are doubtless many arguments for retaining the present cumbersome method, but there are

just as many for the other way; yet there is always the stumbling block of fear that the party in power would lose out at the next election. When it is recalled that several presidents have been elected by a minority vote of the people, as expressed through their choice for electors, it is clear that there is much to be said in favor of a full party vote by those who lose, yet the other side when in power will never listen to any suggestions for a change.

As the party of progress the republicans could make no more popular move than to begin a campaign for the election of the chief magistrate by the people themselves, each one voting his choice, but it is a foregone conclusion that such a measure would never receive the sanction of the democratic party. The principal reason is obvious enough.

For fifty years it has never been broken, but with the people voting as they might please there is a good prospect that at some future time a republican candidate might break into the eleven southern states and carry the popular vote by at least a small plurality. And once broken the solid south would never again present such a formidable barrier to the wishes of many thousands, in not only those states, but in all the others.

Yet the time is not ripe for any attempt to make a change. Sometime, perhaps four years from now, or perhaps eight, or maybe longer, there will be another full republican administration including the president, vice president and both houses of congress. When that time comes with it will come the opportunity. But such a move is not to be expected from the democrats.

NEGRO SUFFRAGE.

A peculiar condition exists among the voting population of this state, and probably elsewhere, in the fact that so many persons voted against the repeal of the negro suffrage section of the Oregon constitution. Their votes indicate that they are not intelligent readers of the newspapers.

Negro suffrage was granted the colored population of the United States by the adoption of the fifteenth amendment soon after the rebellion, and they have been voters ever since. No state constitution can change a national law and the purpose of the vote was to get the clause out of the Oregon constitution. This is probably the tenth time the effort has been made.

Gresham has its share of persons who are not informed on this matter, as shown by the vote of 187 against the repeal to 225 in favor of it in the three Gresham precincts.

In this connection it may be said that Oregon was one of the six states in the union to oppose negro suffrage, all the others being in favor of it. Perhaps the present-day voters of Oregon are following the precedent set nearly 50 years ago, but it is more likely that many of them are not well informed.

After reading about the express company dividends and the parcel post profits, one begins to wonder how the express companies would have ever managed to get along if the parcel post hadn't been invented to give them a boost.

The high prices of food are to be further investigated by the federal authorities, with, no doubt, the same result achieved by former investigations, to wit, the discovery that the prices of food are really high.

Be no overconfident that you will get any benefit here. You may not have noticed that drop of 20 cents a barrel in the price of flour at Minneapolis a few days ago.

One of the certainties of the election is the decided rebuke given the single taxers by the voters of Oregon. Perhaps they will be good hereafter.

The worst feature of the election is that the man who had it all figured out will spend the next two weeks telling you where he made his mistake.

The old adage "money makes the mare go," has in these days been converted into "gasoline makes the driver hop." Also, sometimes, the owner.

A Missouri man has invented a boat to run by air power, but he's a little late, for the pioneer of that variety of craft is the ship of state.

If it wasn't too late we would be tempted to say of President Wilson, referring to his course in the European difficulties, that he did write.

The president of Mexico seems to do things differently. Carranza is said to be making plans to run from office.

And just when we get rid of the straw vote along comes the struggle to get a turkey for Thanksgiving.

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THE GOOSE BONE.

That old Warm Springs Indian at Hood River has prognosticated another hard winter ahead of us, but beyond his fearsome words there has been a golden silence that most of us would like to have broken. What about the goose bone, the thickness of the corn husks and the density of the rabbit's fur? We are all waiting to know.

Matters of so far-reaching importance were lost sight of in the excitement of a presidential election. Prognostication was never more needed. The price of wood has gone upward with every indication of attaining a high altitude. Whether to buy fuel by the month or by the season is a question of vital interest. All the light possible should be shed up on it. What the bone, the husk and the fur portend, therefore, is a subject of vast weight.

Significantly enough, though, these wise weather forecasters are wonderfully silent. Optimism will not lift the mercury column or ward off the snow storm. Of course, once November is past, what the winter is to be may be told by an old, familiar sign. There will be as many snow storms during the season as there are days remaining in the month after the first snow. But what if there are no other storms in November? "And if the first snow sticks to the trees it foretells a bountiful harvest," but that rule won't apply where the east wind blows like it frequently does here, so that sign will fail. But in the meantime we await with eagerness and anxiety the verdict of the goose bone.

Then, too, we have still another source of information at hand. There is a verse, thus:

If Christmas day on Monday be,
A great winter that year you'll see,
And full of winds, both loud and shrill.
But in the summer, truth to tell,
Stern winds shall there be, and strong.

Full of tempests lasting long;
While battles they shall multiply,
And great plenty of beasts shall die.
And this year, as a glance at the calendar will confirm, Christmas falls on the fateful Monday. What lies ahead of us after that date is apparent. Perhaps the writer of that verse was prone to predict hard winters, and probably he was often right than wrong. In any event it is just as well to prepare for the worst. If any wood remains after the winter's end it will keep.

Besides, a warm October, says the old almanacs, means a cold February. And if there is any doubt about the validity of this sign, our readers are respectfully referred back to last February—but that is putting the cart before the horse, as February this year came before October. But what about the goose bone?

Thirty-one people were killed by automobiles in Chicago in six weeks. Gee! And some of them were probably republicans, too.

Election Notice.

Notice is Hereby Given: That in pursuance of Ordinance No. 65, A., of the ordinances of the town of Gresham, a public mass meeting will be held at 8 p. m. on Monday, November 13, 1916, at Metzger's hall in the town of Gresham for the purpose of nominating candidates for town officers as follows:

- One mayor, for the term of two years.
- One recorder, for the term of two years.
- One treasurer, for the term of two years.
- One marshal, for the term of two years.
- Three councilmen, for the term of two years.
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