

A GOOD ROADS OPPORTUNITY.

WHAT do you think of our county roads? Don't you cuss every time you travel one of them? Don't most of them resemble the business side of a wash board? Are there not miles of them that everyone avoids by driving on trails alongside? Are they not allowed to run down for years without repair work? Are there not entire strips of newly made roads actually impassable? Is not sand and gravel dumped in piles along the center and left for travel to distribute? It not wet weather depended upon to force traffic to level off these sand and gravel piles? Is a road once left ever dressed or leveled after initial construction? Are not most of them so narrow you go into the ditch if you meet a team coming the opposite direction? Are not the county bridges neglected until all the planks are loose and some of them worn through? And when a bridge is removed to prevent its falling to pieces, as in the case of the Central Point bridge over Bear creek, is not such a small force employed to rebuild that for many months it cannot be used? And when the rains come orchardists will be unable to get their products to market? The Jacksonville-Medford road, constructed this year, is a good highway during the initial year as long as kept sprinkled. It was built at a big cost to taxpayers, yet we have the word of Engineer Eldridge of the good roads department of the United States government that the money spent in its construction was largely thrown away, and that road building in the county is done upon the wrong basis.

Who that has driven about the county has not encountered the county road building force, idle for minutes at a time? And yet every minute of idleness costs dollars to the taxpayers. Who that has built anything does not understand that the man who attempts to hire his construction done by the day, under hired supervision, like the lawyer who takes his own case, has a fool for a client? That the contractor's profit lies in his ability to get full work out of his employes? That even the big contractor sublets his work, because it is profitable to do so, yet we have the county doing all its road work by day labor, instead of by competitive contract. It is to place road building upon a modern and scientific basis, to put Jackson county in the van of progress, to introduce a system of real good road building, that prominent citizens have induced George A. Davis to become a candidate for county commissioner. A vote for Davis will mean a vote for needed change, for up-to-date methods and twentieth century progress. Every good roads advocate should make it a personal matter to get out and work for Mr. Davis.

SHALL THE PEOPLE RULE?

THE attention of the people is called to the following section of the laws of Oregon: "That we, the people of the state of Oregon, hereby instruct our representatives and senators in our legislative assembly, as such officers, to vote for and elect the candidates for United States senator from this state who receive the highest number of votes at our general elections." The law was adopted by a vote of 69,668 against 21,162. There can be no misconstruction of its intent—to force the election of the popular choice as senator—no matter what his politics. If the people ignore party lines in electing a senator, they have a right to expect their representatives to, also. When a legislator refuses to accept the verdict of the people, he places himself on a pedestal above them, says his judgment is better than that of the people he represents. It has been the object of all progressive legislation in Oregon to break down the political machine, and to substitute the rule of the people for the rule of the politicians. To this end they have abolished the political convention. They have enabled the people to name candidates instead of the political boss. They have made it possible, through Statement No. 1, for the people to elect a United States senator, and in so doing they have put an end to legislative corruption, to the buying and selling of legislators like cattle, to disgraceful legislative deadlocks and scandals. Do the people of Jackson county want to restore the conditions they have abolished? If they do, a vote for W. M. Colvig will help do it, for he is the open and avowed champion of the assembly, is against Statement No. 1, does not believe in the direct primary or in popular legislation.

IS OREGON TO REMAIN PROGRESSIVE?

WISCONSIN, Michigan and even New Hampshire, this week joined the ranks of the insurgents. Wherever the people have had opportunity, they have overthrown the machine, and the rule of machine politicians. The entire nation is in revolt against Cannonism, Aldrichism and stand-patism. Roosevelt has jumped upon the insurgent band wagon, and Taft is climbing up. So are politicians elsewhere—except in Oregon, where politicians never learn anything by experience or observation. Nebraska and other states are adopting the Oregon plan—that is the Statement No. 1 provision of the direct primary law, for the popular election of senators. It promises to be adopted universally in a few years. It is everywhere being fought by the politicians, but the new order is demanded by the people. Party name, so long an effective means for politicians



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To the People of Jackson County:

I am a candidate for state senator. I am a Republican. If nominated at the primary and elected at the general election I will give my best efforts to serve the interests of the people of Jackson county. I will not vote to elect a democrat to the United States senate, but I will vote to elect to that office the Republican candidate who shall have received the highest number of votes therefor at the general election next proceeding. I want this statement to be plainly understood so that no person who desires the election of a Democrat to that important office will be misled into voting for me by thinking that possibly I might, under certain circumstances, aid in bringing about such a result, for I will not. I believe that as a representative of those who elect me, I should carry out their political views. I favor the permanent maintenance of a state normal school at Ashland, Or., and if I am elected I will use every effort to secure such institution. I am in favor of good roads and have given much study to the subject, and as to the manner of procuring them. Important legislation is needed before much can be done in this matter. In order that the fish that run in the streams of the state may be enjoyed by all our people, the greed of the cannerymen at the mouth of the rivers must be checked in some legitimate way so as to allow a free run of fish to the interior localities. I feel that I am thoroughly acquainted with the condition of such affairs and will, if elected, be able to render efficient service therein. I came to Oregon in October, 1851, when I was six years old. I have worked in her forests, her fields and her mines, and I believe that I know her needs. I am known as a "progressive"—in fact, I am called a "booster," and if elected I shall esteem it a great honor to boost for the whole state, but particularly for Jackson county. If I am not nominated at the primary convention, it will give me great pleasure to assist the victorious Republican candidate who defeats me, to an election in November, and to urge my party friends to give him a cordial support. I will not, during the campaign, personally make a request of any voter to support me. I will be pleased to meet my fellow-citizens and publicly address them on political matters. Respectfully,
WM. M. COLVIG.
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to fool the people, is a discarded fetish. Half the members of each party are in revolt against the actions of the other half. But the cause of all the turmoil is the prostitution of government by politicians for the benefit of special interests and the desire of the people to rule. In Oregon the assembly represents the stand-pat element, the reactionaries of the party. In congress, Mr. Hawley followed the lead of Cannon and voted in favor of every measure demanded by the predatory trusts. He fought the insurgents at every turn, and represents those things that insurgency seeks to overthrow. In Jackson county, stand-patters, admittedly in the minority, have had the courage to name but one candidate, and behind him have centered their entire strength in the hope of having a state senator to stay with them in selecting the next United States senator.

MANY AFTER OFFICES IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY

GRANTS PASS, Or., Sept. 10.—The time for candidates to file their petitions expired yesterday. A good many waited until the last hour. Three are out for sheriff.—Will Smith, the present deputy under a democratic sheriff, is running on the republican ticket. Harry Cogle heads the democratic ticket. O. M. Knox was nominated by the republican assembly. For treasurer, J. E. Peterson is the assembly and H. C. Perkins the democratic candidate. For county judge, J. E. Jewell, the present incumbent, is running on the democratic ticket. The republican candidates are M. A. Wurtz, M. J. Anderson and J. T. Logan. Logan is the assembly candidate. R. A. Dean is the only candidate for surveyor. Dean is the appointee of the county court to succeed Mensch, who resigned several weeks ago. Dr. Fred Stricker has filed his petition for renomination for coroner. For county clerk, Fred Cheshire has filed his petition for re-election. Opposing him is Eugene Coburn. The big fight in this county will be over the office of county judge.

Grand Total 47 Carloads

Pear shipments from the BURRELL ORCHARD so far this season total 47 cars. Analyzing this roughly it means that over TWO MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND PEARS have been picked and packed, one by one, and shipped to the markets of the east.

Extra Fancy Pears

From the Rogue River Valley have almost all been harvested and shipped East. A peculiar feature of the Orchard business lies in the fact that little if any of the extra fancy fruit of any variety is kept for home consumption. THE TREES that produce the goods, however, are always with us, and if you are looking for orchard lands, we have them to show and sell.

Big Red Johnathans

Are coming into their glory just now. We have ten acres just turning blood-red adjoining and a part of twenty acres of Yellow Newtown Pippins that will be a money maker for someone. The sale price of this property is just about the gross amount that the property will turn off in one of the next five years. It is a beauty and no mistake. Come and see it or write to us about this block.

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Henry D. Kubli Funeral.
The funeral of Henry D. Kubli took place at Jacksonville Saturday afternoon and one of the largest crowds that ever attended a funeral in the county seat of Jackson county was present to show respect to the prominent native son. The Elks were in charge of the services at the grave.

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