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GREAT BATTLE AT POLLS TOMORROW

REGULARS BUT FEW FIGHTING COUNTY FOR LIFE BATTLES

Oregon Voters Will Place Their Stamp of Approval or Disapproval on Attempt to Return to Old Convention System of Nominating Candidates.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 23.—Under the guise of "assembly" and "anti-assembly" candidates, the old guard of the republican party of Oregon and the insurgents will clash tomorrow when the statewide primaries are held. With the nominating election but a few hours removed, the contestants for congressional, state and county offices are on the home stretch of their campaigns today. Under the law all campaigns must close at midnight. As the republican party has a 30,000 majority in the state, chief interest centers in the republican primaries. The political aspect is complicated.

Assembly in July.
In July, the old-line republicans held an "assembly" and nominated its ticket. It was immediately charged that the assembly was not legal and was an attempt to restore machine rule and nullify the effect of Oregon's direct primary law and Statement No. 1. Statement No. 1 is a pledge voluntarily taken by state

SOFT PEDAL IS ON IN ILLINOIS

Republican Convention Will Be Conducted in Such a Way as to Offend No One—Lorimer Episode Is Ignored.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Sept. 23.—In a "soft-pedal" convention the Illinois republicans met today to adopt a platform that should be inoffensive to any one. Governor Charles Deneen was temporary chairman and in his keynote speech praised the administration without referring to Senator Lorimer. The platform endorses the administration for some of its accomplishments, mentions the tariff and is silent with regard to Lorimer. Legislation corruption is denounced and a thorough investigation demanded, though no names are mentioned.

CALLS BURGLAR "MEAN" HE GIVES UP LOOT

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 23.—One hour after Miss Amy Roberts, a telephone operator, had been held up, robbed of 75 cents which the highwayman returned after she lectured him and called him "mean," John Murphy, 27, who claims to be the son of a nursery man in Los Angeles, was arrested for the alleged crime early today. The robber wore a blue polka dot handkerchief over his face and carried a large revolver when Miss Roberts was held up.

State Senator, Legislature and County Commissioner Are Only Offices on Which Local Battle Is Being Waged—Other Republicans Are Unopposed.

There are but three fights in the county campaign to be completed tomorrow at the primaries. These are for state senator, for the legislature and for county commissioner. Other candidates are meeting no opposition.

The state senatorial fight is attracting much interest, chiefly owing to the fact that William M. Colvig went into it late on an anti-Statement platform, and by whirlwind tactics and contended for the nomination. He is opposed by two

Mr. Von der Hellen is the favorite for the office. He has served in the legislature with honor to himself and his constituents. Mr. Cambers is not as well known in the county. Mr. Colvig, while progressive in all affairs regarding the city, is a reactionary in politics and is slated for defeat.

There are three candidates in the field for the legislature, with two to be elected. First place is easily Captain F. M. Eggleston of Ashland, while the fight between J. A. Westerland and F. W. Mears will be close. All three are progressive republicans.

The county commissioner fight is between George L. Davis of Medford and Joshua Patterson of Ashland. Mr. Patterson is the present incumbent, and it is believed that his record will defeat him, as the voters of Jackson county are demanding a reform in the administration of county finances, and a more judicious expenditure of funds. Mr. Davis is a man of great business experience and a firm believer in good roads. Other county candidates are unopposed.

FALLS 8000 FEET; ESCAPES DEATH

Aviator Who Essayed Flight Across Alps Overcome by Cold—Machine Plunges Downward, But Rights Itself.

MILAN, Sept. 23.—George Chaviz lost control of his monoplane near Domodossola, was dashed 8000 feet to the earth, his machine was demolished and he was dangerously hurt. By a miracle Chaviz gained temporary control of his machine when 200 feet above the earth. He was able to check materially its wild plunge. Chaviz' left leg and right thigh were broken. He was battered and bruised all over and may have been internally injured. He was unconscious when taken from the wreckage of his machine and taken to a hospital. Later he regained consciousness long enough to briefly tell the cause of the accident.

Robert M. La Follette Urges Election of Benjamin F. Mulkey to Congress.

ROBERT M. La FOLLETTE, United States senator from Wisconsin, who for years has waged an unceasing battle for the common good, has come strongly to the aid of Benjamin F. Mulkey, progressive candidate for Congress. Mr. Mulkey is in receipt of the following telegram from the "little giant":

Madison, Wisconsin, Sept. 19, 1910

B. F. Mulkey:
Salem, Oregon:

Your candidacy on a progressive platform is a guarantee of faithful service in the public interest. Oregon voters will surely support you and repudiate all attempts to break down the primary law by a resort to any scheme for convention or assembly.

(Signed) ROBERT M. La FOLLETTE.

OSWALD WEST IS CHOICE

Democrats Will Get Busy With Pencils and Write in Names of Their Candidates—Robert G. Smith for Congress—J. W. Myers of Central Point for Commissioner.

Democrats of Jackson county are unitedly and enthusiastically in favor of Oswald West for governor, and he will poll the solid party vote in the primaries. His course as railroad commissioner, and the fact that he has "made good" all along the line, makes him the logical party candidate and the only man strong enough to successfully contest with the republican nominee. The republican strength is split, the old line machine forces "averring Bowerman, the statement forces divided, with E. Hofer in the lead. Dimmick is unknown here. Abraham is looked upon as a joke. Chances favor Hofer. Democrats will keep busy with their pencils Saturday. No local nominations have been made, but a number of democrats have bowed to the wishes of their friends and consented to become candidates, if their names are written on the ballot. Robert G. Smith of Grants Pass will have his name written in as candidate for congress. Robert F. Neil of Ashland will be written in as state senator. R. R. Turner of Grants Pass will have his name written in as candidate for state superintendent of schools. Henry D. Reed of Gold Hill will have his name written in as candidate for John representative from Jackson and Douglas counties. J. W. Myers of Central Point, chief fruit inspector, will be named as candidate for county commissioner.

MULKEY SPEAKS TONIGHT

Absolutely Refutes Statement That He Is in Favor of Parcels Post—Expects Victory by Good Majority—Come to the Medford Opera House Tonight and Hear Him.

Benjamin F. Mulkey, progressive candidate for congress, will address the voters of Medford tonight at the Medford opera house on the live political issues of the day. Mr. Mulkey has just completed a whirlwind campaign of the district and is confident of victory. During the past week an attempt has been made locally to discredit Mr. Mulkey by spreading a report that he favors a parcels post. Mr. Mulkey absolutely refutes this today in a telegram to the Mail Tribune. All should hear Mr. Mulkey this evening. He had received a splendid reception in all parts of the district and he should be given his greatest welcome in his home town.

HERE ARE THE TICKETS FOR PRIMARIES TOMORROW

REPUBLICAN	POLLING PLACES	DEMOCRATIC
The republican ticket to be voted upon tomorrow is as follows: State. For representative in congress, first district (vote for one): W. C. Hawley of Marion county (assembly). B. F. Mulkey of Jackson county (anti-assembly). For governor (vote for one): Albert Abraham of Douglas. Jay Bowerman of Gilliam (assembly). Grant B. Dimick of Clackamas. E. Hofer of Marion (anti-assembly). For secretary of state (vote for one): F. W. Benson of Douglas (assembly). G. Wingate of Clatsop (anti-assembly). For state treasurer (vote for one): Ralph W. Hoyt of Multnomah (assembly). Thomas B. Kay of Marion (anti-assembly). For justice of the supreme court (four-year term, vote for two): Henry J. Bean of Umatilla. Thomas A. McBride of Clackamas. (Continued on Page 8.)	If you are a resident of any one of the Medford voting precincts here is where you vote tomorrow: The polls will open at 12 noon, and close at 7 p. m. Central Medford. Polling place, city hall—Judges: D. T. Lawton, H. E. Boyden, J. E. Watt. Clerks: Clarence Moecker, E. C. Gaddis, A. C. Hubbard. Southwest Medford. Polling place, West Side school—Judges: William Ulrich, W. H. Barr, Frank K. Deuel. Clerks: Walter Kentner, John Butler, Volney Dixon. Northwest Medford. Polling place, Smith's hall, North Grape street—Judges: J. A. Perry, A. S. Bilton, J. D. Otwell. Clerks: Gus Samuels, Bert Anderson, J. D. Demmer. Northeast Medford. Polling place, North side Main street, near bridge—Judges: H. F. Platt, W. Woods, E. E. Kelly. Clerks: G. R. Lindley, Ed Trowbridge, T. E. Daniels. Southeast Medford. Polling place, south side Main street near bridge—Judges: T. J. Williamson, Frank Jordan, I. P. Kahler. Clerks: W. B. Johnson, Robert Taylor and J. N. Willike. (Continued on Page 8.)	The democratic ticket to be voted upon tomorrow is as follows: State. For representative in congress, first district (vote for one): Robert G. Smith (to be written in). For governor (vote for one): Jefferson Myers. Oswald West of Clatsop county. For secretary of state (vote for one): Turner Oliver of Union county. For justice of the supreme court (four-year-term, vote for two): Woodson T. Slater of Marion county. For justice of the supreme court (six-year-term, vote for two): Will R. King of Malheur county. For superintendent of public instruction (vote for one): R. R. Turner (to be written in). For state printer (vote for one): James E. Godfrey of Marion county. J. Scott Taylor of Klamath county. For commissioner of railroad commission or Oregon (vote for one): Hugh McLain of Coos county. Charles P. Strain of Umatilla county. (Continued on Page 8.)

NARROW ESCAPE ON BATTLESHIP

ABOARD BATTLESHIP GEORGIA, via wireless to Portsmouth, Va., Sept. 23.—Fourteen men in the forward starboard turret of the battleship Georgia today narrowly escaped death when the muzzles of the 12-inch rifles, being fired in battle practice, burst. The men were stunned and hurled to the floor of the turret by the concussion, but were saved from the flying metal of the barrels by the shield of the turret itself. Though they lay stunned on the floor, they were rescued from the fumes from the exploded powder by their comrades before any were overcome by gas. Enthusiastic advertising of a store that compels enthusiasm is "winning" advertising.

NO GASOLINE; AUTOS STALLED

What promised to be a bad gasoline famine was averted today by the timely arrival of a carload of John D. Rockefeller's best this morning from the Standard Oil tanks in Portland. There was not a pint of gasoline to be had for love or money at any of the garages this morning, and many machines stood idle from lack of fuel. During the three days required to bring a car from Portland to Medford the town's 400 machines had lapped up the supply kept by the garages. DENVER, Colo., Sept. 23.—Eight persons are dead as the result of a wreck of the Rock Island passenger train today near Clayton, Kan. Four are known to be passengers, the others were members of the train crew.

NO TRACE OF MURDERER YET

There have been no developments in the man-hunt that is being carried on by Sheriff Jones and his posse in the mountains between Jacksonville and Ashland. It is believed that the fugitive is keeping away from all settlements, as no one has reported his appearance. As he is an old woodsman, it may be several days or even weeks before they get track of him. Word has been received from the sister of Jesse C. Smith, the murdered man, in Rhode Island. She simply states that in her message the Smith is a member of the Foresters and that a letter has been mailed with full explanations. The police intend, if possible, to preserve the body until the receipt of the letter.

PIONEERS HOLD ANNUAL REUNION

Jacksonville Entertains Those Who First Trekged Across the Plains to Find Homes in the Rogue River Valley.

The annual celebration of the Southern Oregon pioneers, held at Jacksonville on Thursday, was pronounced a great success by the 300 gray-haired pioneers and their children who were in attendance. The whole day's program of speech-making, singing and feasting was carried through without a flaw. None of the old people suffered from the exposure of attending the celebration as the weather was that of a perfect autumn day. C. C. Beckman, the pioneer banker of Southern Oregon, and former regent of the University of Oregon, gave the address of welcome. The grand old man was so moved by the sight of the faces of his old associates that tears rolled down his cheeks. W. H. Johnson, a native son, gave the oration of the day. A feature of the program was the singing by the chorus, composed of ten voices under the direction of Miss Cary Beckman.

PAYNE TO DEFENSE OF HIS CHILD

Pays Tribute to the Measure That Bears His Name in Accepting His Fourteenth Nomination to Congress From New York State.

LYONS, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Declaring the tariff an excellent law that fulfilled the pledges of the republican party, Seneca Payne, chairman of the committee on ways and means, paid a tribute to the measure that bears his name. Payne delivered an address here, accepting his 14th nomination to congress from the Thirty-first New York district. "With different wage scales for foreign countries and different wages paid in all parts of this country, honest men disagree on the tariff question, where the wage scale is one of the factors that must be considered. To reconcile the differences among the 12 men selected for the task was part of the work of preparing the tariff schedules. In the last analysis a majority vote settled the controversies. The result was satisfactory. "The tariff law enacted caused a general revision of the tariff downward and no amount of special pleading, no misstatement, no suppression of the facts can make it otherwise. "The law has turned a deficit of \$58,000,000 into a surplus of \$22,000,000 in its first year. It is easy to say the law increased the cost of living, but it is impossible to prove it."