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H. N. YOCK, Notary Public for Oregon.

MEDFORD, OREGON. Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest growing city in Oregon. Population, 1910, 9,000. Bank deposits \$2,750,000. Five hundred thousand dollars Gravity Water System completed in July, 1910, being finest supply pure mountain water.

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A NEEDED REFORM IN INTERSTATE LAW.

A CURIOUS state of things has been revealed in a Chicago dispatch announcing the restoration by western railroads of certain freight rates which the interstate commerce commission ordered to be lowered, says the Sacramento Bee.

The railroads took the matter into the courts, where it remained until a week or two ago, when the United States supreme court gave a final decision in favor of the shippers.

But the interstate commerce law provides that an order of the commission shall remain in effect not more than two years, and that period has expired. So the same old rates have been filed with the commission by the unblushing railroad companies, and shippers are faced by the necessity of making their long fight over again, or yielding to the railroad demands.

The situation would be farcical if it did not involve a monstrous wrong and injustice. But it should help to better law-making, and also to open the eyes of the public to the need of greater control of the railroads.

A radical change in the present law evidently is needed, so that any order of the commission shall remain in force and effect until annulled by that body, or expire according to its own terms.

The creation of the new commerce court is expected to avoid the long delays that up to this time have attended the settlement of appeals from orders by the commission. But to carry out promptly and most effectually the purposes for which the commission was created there should be no appeals from its orders. It should be a court of first and last resort, as is the Canadian railroad commission, which has an excellent record for fairness and justice, and far greater and more peremptory powers than those of our interstate commerce commission.

BRADY'S ELECTION STILL IN DOUBT

Returns From Mormon Counties Change Situation and Give Democrats Hope—Prohibition Hangs in the Balance—Republican House.

BOISE, Idaho, Nov. 9.—Returns early today from the Mormon counties in Southeastern Idaho have cast a doubt as to the victory of James H. Brady, republican gubernatorial aspirant, which late last night seemed so certain that gloom pervaded democratic ranks. The election of Brady means that Idaho goes dry, as the republicans made the campaign on a dry issue.

This portion of the state made great inroads on Brady's majority and the democrats, after practically conceding the defeat of James V. Hawley, their candidate, have taken new heart and now are claiming his victory. Fremont county in the last returns had given Hawley (dem.) a majority of between 400 and 500. In Bannock county, which was considered to be strong for Brady's election, Hawley will probably receive a majority of 500.

It is known that Brady carried Canyon, Elmore and Boise counties. The result, even though Hawley is returned the winner, will not change the complexion of the legislature, which is safely republican.

Burton L. French, progressive republican, has swept the state, according to latest returns, by a much larger majority than he did at the primary election for the seat of Thomas Hamer, present congressman from this state.

STUBBS IS PROBABLY RE-ELECTED IN KANSAS

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 9.—If Governor W. R. Stubbs is re-elected he will go into office with a plurality of less than 10,000, according to late returns today. With several precincts yet to be heard from, it is believed that eight republican congressmen have been elected, but three districts still in doubt, including the seventh, now represented by E. H. Madison (rep.), a member of the Bullinger committee. Indications are that the state legislature will be republican.

DEMOCRATS LEADING COUNT IN NEVADA

CARSON, Nev., Nov. 9.—Incomplete returns from 60 precincts in Nevada give Dickerson (dem.) for governor 101,1, Oldie (rep.) 933.

For congress—Roberts (rep.) 897; Surgeon (dem.) 715. Returns are coming in slowly, but they indicate that the result on governor and congressmen will be so close that it will take the official count to decide.

It is believed that Nixon (rep.) will be re-elected to the United States senate. The returns so far received are from the larger cities and towns, the outlying districts not having reported.

Murdock Successful. WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 9.—Victor Murdock, insurgent congressman, is re-elected.

COOK COUNTY GOES DEMOCRATIC

Complete Landslide Carries Every Democratic Nominee in Chicago Into Office—Three Congressmen Gained—One District in Doubt.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—A complete landslide, carrying into office every democratic candidate for office in Cook county, including the superior court judges, and making a gain of three democratic congressmen in the national house from this city alone, was the result of the elections here yesterday, according to the complete returns today.

As a state, Illinois made a gain of four democratic congressmen, the republican incumbents being defeated in the sixth, seventh and sixteenth districts. In the ninth district Gansbergen, who was nominated at the primaries over Congressman Boutell, was defeated.

One District in Doubt. Early today one district was still in doubt, the tenth, Republican Congressman Madden, Mann, Wilson and Foss had the fights of their lives in the first, second, third and tenth districts.

The defeated republican congressmen are Moxley, Lunnidin and Graff. Every democratic incumbent was re-elected.

Aside from the tenth district, where Foss and Finnegan are fighting it out, with the result still in doubt, the democrats are assured of ten members in the next house against the republicans' 14. The following will comprise the Illinois delegation in the house as a result of the elections:

- New Delegation: Republicans—District one, Martin B. Madden, re-elected; district two, James R. Mann, re-elected; district three, William Wilson, re-elected; district eleven, Ira C. Copley, re-elected; district four, James T. McDermott, re-elected; district five, Adolph Q. Sabth, re-elected; district six, Edmund J. Stack, defeated W. J. Moxley, republican incumbent; district seven, Frank Buchanan, defeated Frederick Lundin, republican incumbent; district eight, Thomas Gallagher, re-elected; district nine, Linden Evans, defeated F. H. Gansbergen, republican; district sixteen, Claude U. Stone, defeated J. H. Graff, republican incumbent; district twenty, H. T. Rainey, re-elected; district twenty-one, James M. Graham, re-elected; district twenty-three, Martin D. Foster, re-elected; district twelve, Chas. E. Fuller, re-elected; district fourteen, John McKenzie, re-elected; district thirteen, James McKinney, re-elected; district fifteen, George W. Prince, re-elected; district seventeen, John A. Sterling, re-elected; district eighteen, J. G. Cannon, re-elected; district nineteen, William B. McKinley, re-elected; district twenty-two, William Rodenburg, re-elected; district twenty-four, P. T. Chapman, re-elected; district twenty-five, N. B. Thistlewood, re-elected. Result in tenth in doubt.

Claim Foss' Defeat.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—Richard Finnegan, democratic congressional candidate in the tenth Illinois district, claims the defeat of Congressman Foss, republican.

REPUBLICANS SWEEP MONTANA; CARTER WINS

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 9.—Returns from all sections of the state today, though still incomplete, apparently remove all doubt that the republicans have made a clean sweep of the state and congressional offices, and also assure the re-election of Thomas Carter to the United States senate.

On the face of the returns at hand today, Congressman Charles N. Pray has been re-elected by at least 1000. Latest returns indicating that the republicans elected eight of the 12 state representatives from Silver Bow county, the democratic stronghold, apparently gave them a working majority on joint ballot sufficient to elect Carter.

JOHNSON ELECTED BY 25,000 MAJORITY

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—Estimates based on the unofficial returns from more than half the precincts in California, scattered throughout the state, indicate that Hiram Johnson has been elected governor by a plurality of over 20,000.

Meyer Lissner, chairman of the republican state central committee, issued a statement this afternoon claiming Johnson's election by 25,000. Assuming that vote will maintain the ratio of the figures already at hand, it is calculated that Johnson will have a total vote of 120,000 and Bell 88,000 in the state complete.

Haskins for health.

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FORTY-FIVE MAJORITY FOR DEMOCRATS IN HOUSE

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 9.—Chairman Lloyd of the democratic congressional committee continued to claim a majority of 45 democrats in the next house of representatives. According to Lloyd's figures, this afternoon the democrats will have 45 more votes than the republicans. Lloyd said his returns showing the republicans had carried the closest districts were offset by reports that the democrats had won unexpected victories in other parts of the country.

SMITH HAS CARRIED JOSEPHINE COUNTY

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 9.—Complete returns from five republican precincts give Hawley 132, Smith 149, Bowerman 135; West 183, Gray 135, West 200.

Partial returns from three republican precincts indicate that West will carry Josephine county by 200 and Smith for congressman by 100. Prohibition vote is close, with indications of a small wet majority.

FORTY-FIVE MEN KILLED IN MINE DISASTER

TRINIDAD, Cuba, Nov. 9.—Forty-five men were killed in the disaster in the Victor American Fuel company's mine near Starkeville. The bodies were found today by rescue parties.

At the same time the last of 25 miners rescued alive were led to the surface. All those found alive will recover.

REPUBLICANS CLAIM IOWA GOVERNORSHIP

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 9.—The Daily Capital (republican) claims that it has returns from 872 precincts which show that Carroll (rep.) will win the race for governor by 5000. Democrats still claim Porter's election by 10,000.

Dr. Stearns has moved from over Allen & Reagan's to new Garnett-Correy building.

ISIS THEATRE THE HOME OF VAUDEVILLE TO-NIGHT "Never a Dull Moment" The Zarados Bros. THE GREAT IRON JAW ATHLETES. 3-REELS-3 LATEST MOTION PICTURES KENTUCKY PIONEERS GOLDEN NECKLACE HOW HUBBY GOT A RAISE ENTOMBED ALIVE. DRIFTS OF SNOW SONG "BY THE OLD OAKEN BUCKET LOUISE" By HARRY BLANCHARD Doors Open at 7 p. m. CHILDREN, 10 CENTS ADULTS 20 CENTS MATINEE SATURDAY and SUNDAY, 2:30 P. M.

DEMOCRATIC SENATOR TO SUCCEED ROCK

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 9.—Julius Harrison was re-elected governor of Ohio, according to today's returns, by a substantial plurality over Warren C. Harding (rep.). The legislature is apparently democratic and a democrat will succeed Charles Dick in the United States senate. At least 12 congressmen are democratic and some districts are still in doubt.

You believed that "stead stock" to be salable when you bought it. Probably it was—and is. Conceal a little advertising on it—and, in a week, forget that it ever worried you.

Killed in a Quarrel. MUSKOGEE, Okla., Nov. 9.—As a result of a quarrel starting at the primaries in August, Judge Beckett today shot and killed J. C. McBrayer, treasurer of Haskell county, at Stigler. Beckett is under arrest.