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POWELL THE LEADING CANDIDATE

Until within the past few days it appeared to The Evening Herald that the contest for councilman from the second ward was between Z. J. Powell and A. J. Lyle, both of whom stand for much in common. As the campaign draws to a close, the Smith strength is coming to the surface and today he occupies second place, with Powell in the lead. The statement is based upon a careful canvass made in various sections of the second ward, two hundred voters having been sounded. The result shows that unless the voters concentrate upon one of the Smith opponents, Smith may be elected. Since such a result is not desired by a majority of the voters, it becomes necessary for them to concentrate upon one of the two candidates opposing Smith and since we find from our canvass that Powell is the stronger of the two, we would recommend that those wishing to insure the defeat of Smith should vote for Powell.

The only element of weakness developed in the Powell campaign comes from his resignation as chief of police. The reason for his resignation was this:

When he started in to clean up the city, his first move was to notify a number of the property owners to clean up their premises or he would start abatement proceedings against them. Several of these owners got together and planned upon a campaign against Powell, the purpose being to sue him for damages. This information came to Powell and upon investigation he found that he would be personally liable and that even if he won in the courts, he would be subjected to heavy costs in defending the suit. Realizing that such a campaign could be carried to a point where it would bring ruin to him financially, he decided to resign.

In defending such suits, it would be necessary for Powell to have as witnesses individuals who would swear that they patronized the establishments in question, that they knew of their own knowledge they were operating against the law and tell how they knew it to be true. The difficulty of securing such testimony is readily apparent and since it would be almost impossible to build up a defense on the basis of general reputation, as most of the property involved had not become notorious, the prospects of securing a substantial verdict against Powell were very good. Viewing the situation as it appeared to him, he decided that the cost would be too great for him to bear, and he handed in his resignation.

Since that time there has been carried on a campaign of vilification and during the present contest these stories have taken on ten league boots and on every hand you will hear declarations of "positive knowledge" that things are thus and so. The best answer to these unfounded charges lies in Powell's record as chief of police.

Powell's position on matters in which the people of the city are vitally interested is well known. He is unalterably for the Oregon Trunk; he is against the closing of the streets and alleys in the southern part of the city; he has always supported Mayor Goddard throughout his administration; he is a large property owner and taxpayer and a man who has always had the best interests of the city at heart. If he is elected councilman, the people of the second ward will be sure that nothing in their interest will be overlooked by him and when his term comes to an end, those today opposing him will then be found in the vanguard of his supporters.

Mr. Smith says he is for "the entrance of the Northern lines into this section. At the same time I am not antagonistic to the Southern Pacific, for I realize that in the proposed development program lies one of the greatest boons to the development of Klamath." Now, you can't have the "proposed development program" of the Southern Pacific and the Northern lines, too. The S. P. says that if you have the Northern lines, it will not build. It has never straddled upon that point. Mr. Smith does straddle. Mr. Powell does not. He is for the Northern lines out and out. He says: "I am for the Oregon Trunk, for we must have railroad competition. If the Southern Pacific refuses to go ahead and build, if we must choose between the two, then I stand for the Oregon Trunk under all circumstances." That is just the difference between the two men. He is not for the Northern lines, or the Southern Pacific paper would not be supporting him.

We find Mr. Smith silent on the question of forcing a settlement of the \$300,000 that the city has invested in the Strahorn line. Mayor Goddard has again come to the front with a sensible proposition, which the council has tabled. On this Mr. Powell says: "No stone should be left unturned to compel the repayment of the \$300,000 that the city has put into the Strahorn line. That

money was voted to bring in competition. Instead, it has been turned against us through the sale of the road to the Southern Pacific. I am for getting that money back."

We know that the vast majority of the people of the second ward are back of Mayor Goddard in his stand on the railroad question. They have an opportunity of so expressing themselves tomorrow by electing a man who is known to be in sympathy with every move the mayor has made to protect the interests of the city. If they do not avail themselves of the opportunity by electing Z. J. Powell they will have made a grave mistake and one that will undoubtedly prove costly to the entire city.

FROM ALL OVER OREGON

Bits of News From Towns Throughout the State WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING

HOME TOURNEY PLANNED

The Illheer golf club is planning on holding a Halloween tournament on its home course. Qualifying rounds, covering eighteen holes, will be held Sunday, and the ones who hand in the lowest scores between now and Sunday evening will qualify for the finals to be played the week following.

The Illheer club has been highly successful in its tournaments this year, and there is a great deal of interest among the club members in the coming tournament. — Salem Statesman.

TEACHER HONORED

To honor Miss Peat on her recent engagement, faculty members of Marshfield high school met at 5 o'clock on Thursday night for a party in her home. Miss Peat has resigned her position as a science teacher and will be married in San Francisco, sometime during the next month. The evening was spent in playing cards.

The guests presented Miss Peat with a token of remembrance, together with their best wishes for her future happiness. Those enjoying the evening were: The Misses Blake, Littlejohn, Irvine, Mahan, Neugebauer and Graham; Mr. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Osburn, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer, and Dr. and Mrs. Osburn. — Marshfield News.

NEW LUMBER MILL

George Chaney, well known Coos lumberman, admitted today that he was the purchaser of a 75 acre tract in North Bend from the Simpson Estate company on which a large lumber mill will be constructed early in the spring. In making the purchase Mr. Chaney said he represented outside interests who would be associated with him in the operation of the mill. The names of his associates are still withheld.

The new mill site is a 75 acre tract between the Southern Pacific bridge and the Roosevelt ferry. It lies just east of the bridge.

Structural lumber will be the principal output of the new mill. Mr. Chaney said. The mill will specialize in what is known in lumber parlance as "big stuff" such as ties and other coarse long pieces. — Marshfield News.

LONGFELLOWS TO BANQUET

Approximately a dozen members of Longfellows clubs at Medford, Portland, Marshfield, Corvallis, Eugene and McMinnville are expected to be present at the Salem Longfellows banquet Friday night. It was stated this morning by Dr. A. G. Bates, president of the local organization of tall men. Benjamin Ostlund, president of the national order, and resident of Marshfield, will probably be on hand. — Salem Journal.

GIFT OF GRAPES

A log of grapes of different varieties secured from the Overland orchards which was shipped to Charles E. Branin, district traffic representative of the Associated Press, by E. K. McLendon, local Associated Press operator, was praised very highly by Mr. Branin, who expressed his surprise over the excellent flavor and sweetness of the grapes from the Umpqua valley. His statement continued: "Finest stuff of its kind I ever saw. They made a beautiful picture and arrived here in fine condition. Please convey to the grower my congratulations on being able to produce such a fruit of such high and desirable quality." — Roseburg News-Review.

TRAIN DERAILED

A log train was derailed at 7:10 a. m. today at the Beaver Hill junction when the prongs of the wheel caught in the track and caused the derailment. The mail train was on this side of the derailment and the mail south was delayed.

The track was cleared at 1:30 today. The regular 9:19 train to Portland was made up in the yards here for the northern run but the regular train will come through tonight. — Coos Bay Times.

CASH BOGS CHECK

Hancock's Toggery shop, Lovinger Drug Co., Bowen-Walbrun Clothing company and the Gaiser Grand hotel the victims of a bad check artist who used the name of Jacobs and Hess Lumber company. Elmer Jacobs was the name signed to the checks, which were drawn on a North Powder bank. The lumber company is no longer doing business under that name. — Baker Democrat.

NEW CHURCHILL SCHOOL

The new Churchill building has increased the 1925 school budget \$3290 for district No. 5 over that of last year, according to figures given out by Frank C. McCulloch, district clerk.

W. H. Ellis, chairman; Joseph Stoddard, secretary; H. S. Bowen, John Schmits and Floyd Vaughan are the members of the advisory committee which meets with the board. — Baker Democrat.

TRAPPERS ARE ACTIVE

Quite a few Lane county trappers are out making preparations for setting their lines for the opening of the trap season on fur bearing animals scheduled to start November 1. A number of the upper McKenzie trappers who each year have been in the habit of bringing in a good supply of pelts as a result of their winter's activity are said to be extending their lines this year. No indications are as yet seen as to whether the payment of county bounties on predatory animals will be resumed this year. The bounty payment is an attractive addition to the value of the pelt for the trappers. The trapping season will close February 28. — Eugene Guard.



By CHARLES P. STEWART

NEA Service Writer
WASHINGTON.—Samuel M. Ralston's death strengthens President Coolidge's hand in the upper house of Congress.

The late Indiana Democratic senator's seat is sure to be filled temporarily, through gubernatorial appointment, by a Republican. An election will have to determine the choice of Senator Ralston's permanent successor, and Indiana is doubtful.

Still, the administration's political meteorologists predict "Republican weather" for some time to come and are quite hopeful concerning the next Hoosier senatorial test at the polls.

The upper house is so close that even one vote counts.

The point is raised in the Washington press—not yet in court, but that may come if the case looks good enough—that the District of Columbia is legally wet, despite the Volstead Act, or else that it isn't the District of Columbia, but part of Maryland.

One J. A. L. Solf was first to dig up the facts. If they are facts, leading wets are studying them, to determine what they're worth. The dries, not perturbed, nevertheless are alert.

In 1791 President Washington couldn't persuade residents of the district villages of Hamburg and Carrouburgh to sell their land to the government. The state of Maryland was appealed to and Dec. 19, that same year, it ceded the tract Washington wanted.

It did so, however, upon various conditions applicable, Solf says, to the whole district. Among other things, they included certain regulations of the sale of drink.

This compact, agreed to at the time by the federal government, appears never to have been rescinded or modified, and Solf contends that it takes precedence, perhaps not of the eighteenth amendment, but at

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Overland Enters Retail Salesmen

More than 20,000 members of Willys-Overland's huge national field organization are in the throes of what is probably the greatest sales contest known to the automobile industry in the Willys Derby which was announced on October 1.

Especially significant is the staging of the contest which will bring cash and material prizes worth nearly \$50,000.00 before the field organization. Titled "The Willys Derby" this huge sales contest commemorates the twenty-fifth anniversary of President John N. Willys' entry into the automobile business. Although it's a long haul back to the days when Mr. Willys first entered the automobile industry as a retail salesman for a one-lugger in an eastern state, Willys-Overland's president drew up the plans for this sales contest with the idea in mind of giving greater profits to the retail salesman in the field.

More than 740 individual prizes are offered in the Willys Derby, so distributed among the classifications of the retail organization that no one man can compete for more than one prize.

Apple Crop For Year Is Lighter

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—(AP)—The nation's apple crop this year was forecast by the department of agriculture today at 164,000,000 bushels, compared with 179,000,000 last year. In making public the figures the department observed that the average person consumes half an apple a day and that this year's crop is one of exceptionally good apples.

Where Do We Go From Here?

