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OREGON COMING EVENTS.

- Executive committee meeting of American Mining Congress, Portland, December 10.
- Dairyman's association, Corvallis, December 15-16.
- Poultry and pet stock show, Salem, December 17-19.
- Special session of the legislature, Salem, December 21.
- National livestock convention, Portland, January 12-15.
- Angora goat show, Dallas, January 14-15.

The Weather.
Tonight and tomorrow, fair.

POLICY OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

The policy of the Republican city administration will be, to a great extent, molded by circumstances as they arise.

As the Republicans went into power without pledges to any class or element, they are free to do what is right under any conditions.

They are pledged to progress and development of Greater Salem—and that spirit enunciated by the Younger Republicans was what won the fight.

They will probably be justified in immediate repeal of the obnoxious and unenforced bicycle ordinance, and that will restore the old law.

Republicans generally are not disposed to assume any responsibility for the city government, until their

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terms begin in January. One thing they should do, and that is to have the city charter, with all its amendments, and the ordinances as they stand, published.

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DIRECT NOMINATION IN IOWA.

Direct nomination gave the Republicans of Salem a better ticket than they could have put up in any other way.

It gave them a ticket which was stronger at the polls than a ticket put up in any other way could possibly have been.

The Journal believes the direct nomination should be extended to the county offices, properly guarded by law.

In Iowa the Cornell College debating team has just won a great victory for direct nomination, after a long struggle.

The question was: Resolved, that party candidates for elective office within the state should nominate under state regulation by direct vote of the parties.

The nominating of candidates is the source of representative government. The caucus and convention unrestrained by the direct vote of the people leave the boss and the machine unrestrained to run the government.

ABOLISH THE POLL TAX RESTRICTION.

It is the duty of the Republican members of the legislature to secure the repeal of the poll tax restriction at the special session.

The Republican delegation were a unit for striking it out when the charter was passed, and it was agreed that the amendment was to be secured in the senate. But it was neglected.

The educational influence of a provision that sends young men to the polls to vote, and have some one advance the money, is very bad.

The poll tax restriction is placing a premium indirectly on bribery of the voter. If it is not repealed corruption will surely increase.

Leave the voter free to vote without intimidation by tax collectors at the polls, and without incentive for some campaign committee to pay.

The man, not property, and not ability to pay taxes of any kind, is the unit of our government and must so ever remain in a free country.

Tax collection is a function of government between the state and the citizen, and cannot be made the basis of disfranchising any voter.

THREE DOLLAR PUBLIC SPIRIT.

Some anonymous champion of the poll tax restriction, in the morning paper, roasts those who refused to pay \$3.00 to vote. He indicts them as having no public spirit, and because they did not pay \$3.00 to vote, say they do not favor better streets.

That is the contemptible theory that would build permanent streets out of the \$3.00 poll tax, and it has prevailed too long in this town.

The atrophied, frog-dipole disposition is satisfied to wade in the mud, so long as it can make some poor man dig up \$3.00.

The beautiful and magnificent

streets of the Capital City could have never entered the chambers of his cramped and narrow imagination.

The men who are always talking about others being liberal with their money generally see to it that the other fellow has no money of his own.

Get out of that frame of mind, oh, ye generation of mossbacks. Cease to grovel over your sluggish dollars. Ante up and look pleasant.

By a direct vote of the people at the polls they have decided against your \$3.00 policy of street improvements for the future.

PUBLISHED WITHOUT AUTHORITY.

The Journal wishes to disclaim all responsibility for the articles that appeared in this paper Tuesday headed "Only Clients Suffer" and "Lack of Judicial Temperament."

They got into the paper by an error of the make-up man, who found some type on some galleys of the Oregon Law School Journal, which is set up on The Capital Journal linotype machine.

The Journal is not fighting any man on the bench, whether he be a candidate for renomination or not, and if it were doing so would make a square and open fight.

Its well-known policy is always to openly and flatly be for or against any political situation, and not on the line of personality, but of principle.

TRAITS OF THE NEW SPEAKER.

The editor of The Journal read law with a college friend and old chum of the Hon. Jos. Cannon, present speaker of the house of representatives, and has often seen and met the great commoner of Illinois. Following character sketch from the December Monthly Review of Speaker Cannon is very much appreciated:

"The new speaker of the house of representatives is a 'character.' He is as much a 'character' as was Andrew Jackson, the rugged, or John Randolph of Roanoke, the terrible, or Roscoe Conkling, the imperious. The man who now presides over the American house of commons, and who under our traditions and with our practices is without doubt second only to the President of the United States himself in his influence over the affairs of the government, has a personality unique, peculiar, most interesting, and in many ways admirable. 'Uncle Joe' Cannon he is to all who know him; and the sobriquet in a sense bespeaks the character of the man, for we rarely apply the prefix of 'Uncle' to any one who has not a goodly share of the milk of human kindness in his veins. 'Uncle Joe' has a nature that is brimming full of sunshine of kindness, of good feeling of quaint humor, and above all of what we Americans know as plain, common 'horse sense.' He likes to place his arm affectionately upon the shoulder of the men

who are near him. He likes to ask his callers to 'set down and have a good visit,' meanwhile planting his feet upon a near-by table and pulling out of his pocket three or four small and not very good cigars. He likes to 'talk it over,' fully and patiently, and with keen insight on his part and an invitation to frankness on that of his visitor, cigar ashes meanwhile falling copiously and indiscriminately over his waistcoat, trousers, and shirt front. His gray eyes twinkle with merriment. His thin, straight compressed lips part often in smile, but more often merely curl up at the corners with an expression of inimitable humor and appreciation of humor.

"But if anyone imagines that there is anything 'easy' about this good-humored, gossipy, story-telling, quip-loving, homely-spoken man; if anyone supposes that back of all the man-like there it not a man-knowing; if anyone believes that this 'sunny Jim' statesman lacks will of iron and nerve of steel, he need not wait long to be undeceived. If ever there was a man in our public life who knew how to say 'no' and stick everlastingly to it, 'Uncle Joe' is he. The eyes are merry and kindly, but they are sharp, too, and can 'see through' men and things with a searching power that is almost X-ray like. 'You can't fool Uncle Joe,' is a common saying in the halls of Congress. Or, 'he is up to snuff,' 'he has savvy,' 'he is a smart one, well able to take care of himself in any company and in any game, be it legislation, politics, or poker.' These are common expressions in the mouths of his intimates."

JOURNAL X-RAYS

The fact remains, some of the Citizens' League tried to do "business" with their administration. It was not business from a public standpoint.

The "enforcement league" should be happy. The police administration of the city will remain in the hands of the Citizens' party, which they supported.

All the classes of Willamette University should swear off on getting into the newspapers, and study "Lord Chesterfield's Letters to His Son."

The Republican city press committee have a great stack of campaign matter that would be mighty racy reading if published.

The Journal apologizes to its readers for having taken so much space with campaign matters the past week. It seemed unavoidable.

Yes, the President's message was a trifle long for a newspaper that does not wish to put its readers to sleep.

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