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Direct Nomination Means Something.

The direct nomination system cannot do much worse than the political managers have been doing in the past. The average man who gets a direct nomination must mean something to the people.

The cat-in-the-hat aspirant for office, who wants place and power simply to boost his own business, or get hold of appointments for the rake-off there is in them may still ply his trade. But there will be aspirants for each nomination, who will take the people at least partially into his confidence.

The close-muzzled dummy stool-pigeon candidate will not be so numerous. Direct nomination will bring men to the front who will want to deal directly with the good people, and be responsible to them. In the past candidates had to make good to the boss alone.

State officials nominated under the direct primary will have to answer questions before nomination and afterwards. What do you propose to do after you are in office, gentlemen. Merely getting a nomination and trusting to the party strength to pull you through will not answer, gentlemen. You must have a program to propose, and to follow after you are in office.

The people will not stand for any higher state taxes. They will not stand for as much as they have been standing for. They will not stand to have all tax bills killed by the corporation agents in the legislature.

What Ails the Schools?

Reports show a falling off in the school statistics in some of the counties of the state.

What ails the schools, is the question that ought to be answered by some one in authority.

More laws and more regulations are at once suggested. But do we need them to get better results?

What about the men behind the guns? What about the state and county superintendents of schools?

Is there nothing that can be done to get improvement there or are they perfect and beyond progress?

Of course, The Capital Journal does not wish to ask any embarrassing questions or invade the sacred precincts of any profession.

But we want the people to think about these things, instead of blaming all the defects of the schools on the teachers.

The schools will be about what those high officials in the state and county make of them. Better men, better schools.

Now don't squirm and get mad, but let us all think about these things, and all pull for better public schools.

There is method and activity that wasteth, and there is saving and caution and conservation that is not economy to the state.

Restore Miss Myers.

The Salem board of education owes it to this community to restore Miss Maud Myers to her position in the public schools.

It is now generally admitted, even by those members of the board who were responsible, that removing three teachers from the Lincoln school was a mistake.

Two of those teachers have been restored, and it would be a simple act of justice to do the same for Miss Myers, unless some one will state a good and sufficient reason to the contrary.

The principle is enacted into law that a teacher who is doing good and satisfactory work cannot be thrown out of a school without being given some opportunity to know the cause.

For a number of years very few changes were made in the teaching force of the Salem schools. All who did reasonably well were continued, and that system is most satisfactory to the community.

A city as large as Salem cannot be well served if teachers are to be subject to summary and arbitrary removal. If the city superintendent or principle have no complaint to make.

There is a principal involved in the

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restoration of Miss Myers to her position. It is the principle that should protect anyone doing good expert or professional work for the public.

The interests of parents, children and of the schools themselves are best promoted when good teachers are protected against political manipulation, favoritism and even school directors.

Reciprocity Versus Revision.

If revision of the tariff is going to disturb American industries we want plenty as little of it as possible, and not very soon.

Candidates for congress in Western Oregon have been asked to give their views on revision, but are slow in giving expression.

Oregon has had such prosperity under protection that it is doubtful if any of these candidates can be got to even mention it.

Marion county has several Republican aspirants to become representative in congress, but they are probably not tariff revisionists.

As The Capital Journal has pointed out, the Pacific coast is interested in expansion of commerce along the lines of reciprocal agreements with Asiatic and Oriental countries.

The Atlantic coast enjoys such advantages, and there is not a good reason why our trade cannot be extended on the same lines with the Philippines, with China and with Japan.

The establishment of fairer trade relations with foreign nations is a matter that affects directly the prosperity of every farmer, stock grower and exporter in the United States. One by one the European governments are tightening the coils intended to strangle the American export trade in agricultural products and manufactured goods. We are today face to face with a new and prohibitive German tariff, designed to keep out every pound of American breadstuffs and provisions. Retaliation has been tried at immense cost to our producers and manufacturers, and is a failure.

Standing on the broad platform enunciated by President McKinley in his last speech at Buffalo, we urge the wisdom of substantiating in our foreign relations the principle of reciprocity for that of exclusion and retaliation. We care not whether the future of our foreign trade be safe-guarded by means of direct reciprocity treaties or under the provisions of a fairly drawn maximum and minimum tariff law under the terms of which the government could directly negotiate advantageous international agreements; but the situation demands the establishment at once in some form of the underlying principle of conceding something to such nations as will concede valuable trading rights to ourselves. There is to be a conference in Chicago to properly present views upon this great commercial problem—possibly the most important single issue before the American people at the present time. The time has come when the matter of obtaining broader markets for the surplus products of our farms and factories and of guaranteeing the markets that we already enjoy must receive serious consideration.

Let the Boys Learn to Swim.

There are complaints, and some arrests have been made because of the misconduct of some boys who go swimming at the mill pond on East State street.

Boys who are rude, ungentlemanly and vicious in their conduct are not very numerous, and if there be any such, all the rest should not be deprived of the pleasure of swimming.

The parents, the schools and other causes, but principally the lack of opportunity to learn better manners, are all to blame for the vicious, profane or wayward boy—not the swimming-hole.

The pleasure of swimming in the creek or river is a great one. It is grand exercise, and great sport, and boys love it above all else in summer time, and so do girls if they could be permitted to indulge.

We must confess to sympathy with the boys and girls in their love of sport, and can see nothing wrong in the manifestation of life that seeks innocent pleasure and amusement in bathing.

With our cool summers there are not many months when swimming is really delightful. There is naturally but a short swimming season. This is one reason why so few boys and girls learn to swim.

It is one reason for so many unfortunate deaths by drowning. All should be done to encourage young people in learning to swim and dive. Diving is just as necessary as swimming in case of accident.

We hope that some regulation can be made of the swimming on East

State street, so that this pleasure may not be intercepted. With proper bathing suits girls, as well as boys, could go in.

There should be no more restriction about girls swimming in our fresh water streams than boys, and no more nor less required of them in the way of bathing suits than is required at the beaches.

It is a pity that this delightful exercise should not be extended, rather than restricted. It is to be hoped that our city will have public baths some time, and that all young people will learn to swim and dive.

Morality and good health require that fear of contact with the elements be destroyed. The whole world was made to live in, and if we lived in it, and trusted it more, we would all be better for the experience.

WHAT HEAT DOES

Makes Hay and Pushes the Vegetables and Shuts off Milk Supply

The past week was dry and the hottest of the season. These conditions were very favorable for haying, and this work has been pushed along rapidly. The hay crop promises to be heavier than last year, although in some few localities it is not so good as expected. Pasturage is getting short, and consequently the milk supply in the dairy districts is decreasing.

The harvest of barley and fall rye has begun, and fall wheat cutting will become general next week. Fall wheat is maturing nicely, but it has been a little too warm for spring wheat, especially the late sown. Oats show considerable improvement. Corn and gardens have made good advancement. Hop lice are still plentiful in many yards, and considerable spraying has been done during the week. The grain aphid is disappearing, and reports as to the amount of damage caused by this pest are conflicting.

Apples, pears, peaches and prunes, although below an average in quantity, are doing nicely. The berry season in the western section is drawing to a close, but in the higher elevations in Eastern Oregon it is now at its height.

Willamette Valley.

Meadowbrook, Clackamas county, R. P. Cooper.—Weather warm and dry; hay harvest well under way, and better than expected; oats and wheat greatly improved in the last two weeks; gardens look well; stock in good condition; fruit almost a failure.

Dixie, Washington county, C. Wilson.—Weather fair and warm, good for hay making; spring oats somewhat rusty, otherwise good; gardens doing well; pastures good and stock in fine condition.

Newberg, Yamhill county, J. W. Moore.—Fall sown grain is turning fast; early sown barley is in shock; green aphid very thick on spring sown grain; potatoes and corn doing well, also garden vegetables; pastures are beginning to get short, and also is the milk supply; stock in fine condition.

Liberty, Marion county, T. C. Davidson.—Weather warm; fall grain looking fairly well, badly infested with aphid; oats good; haying general; crop good, except volunteer, which is more or less weedy; gardens growing good; pastures drying up and flow of milk decreasing.

Lacomb, Linn county, A. L. Richardson.—Fine weather for haying, and this work is well along, crop good; fall barley cut; heads of early sown fall wheat and rye nearly full and changing color; some oats lodged; cattle doing well.

Pedee, Polk county, C. W. Pagett.—Weather dry and very warm; hay harvest general, crop very heavy; wheat and oats showing color and give promise of a full yield; potatoes and garden truck making reasonable progress; hops making rapid growth; some lice present, but thorough spraying, with continuous clear weather, will prevent any serious damage; no aphid in the grain fields in this part of the country.

Hoskins, Benton county, Perry Eddy.—Weather hot and dry, and just what is needed to cure the large crop of hay that is being harvested; grain ripening very rapidly, and the aphid are disappearing.

Crowell, Lane county, M. J. Hill-

gas.—Week warm and dry and fine for haying; corn growing nicely; plant rather small for the time of year; gardens good; stock in fine condition; it is thought by many that the grain crop has been cut short from one-fourth to one-third by aphid.

Why He Bucked.

The defendant, who was held on the charge of keeping a dog without a license, repeatedly tried to interrupt the evidence, but was hushed each time by the court. Finally the clerk turned to him.

"Do you wish the court to understand," he asked, "that you refuse to renew your dog license?"

"Yes, but—"

"We want no 'buts.' You must renew your license or be fined. You know it expired on January 1."

"Yes, but so did the dog."—Harper's Weekly.

His Name Was John.

Suitor—Does your doll talk when you squeeze it?

Little Sister—Yes; but it doesn't say "Oh, George, don't!"—Brooklyn Life.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh, or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

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—Philadelphia Ledger.

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