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A TEST OF THE REFERENDUM.

Herbert S. Bigelow in the Cleveland Press has this discussion of direct legislation in Oregon:

Last winter the initiative and referendum was urged before many legislatures. In Ohio the fight was especially bitter.

"Danger, dynamite and disaster," was the answer of politicians to the arguments for the new plan.

Oregon has just held a general election at which the initiative and referendum was given a thorough trial. The people of other states say what men shall make their laws. The people of Oregon say what laws shall or shall not be made.

The politicians urged that the people would vote blindly and without understanding on laws submitted to them, but the Oregon election disproved this and showed that the people of that state have outstripped us all in the actual realization of government of and by and for the people.

At the election Oregon voted upon 19 different measures. The Ohio and other politicians have been busy all winter explaining what a mess the Oregon people would be sure to make of this. Let us see.

Of these 19 measures nine were rejected. So much for their prediction that the people could not discriminate but would vote everything up or everything down at the behest of a political machine or a party press.

"But," said the politicians, "the people are chaff. They will take up with every new craze." And they never failed to remind the Ohio farmer that in Oregon the initiative had been used to bring the single tax to a vote.

But the people voted the single tax down, just as they voted woman suffrage down. WITH THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM YOU CANNOT GET AHEAD OF PUBLIC OPINION.

"But the people of Oregon are already tired of their experiment." Do you believe that? Then how about this? There were four measures submitted which provided for a still further extension of popular control over government, and everyone of these was carried.

The recall was adopted. This is the power of the people to dismiss a public servant in the middle of his term. "Proportional representation" was adopted under which the old rule of everything or nothing will be abandoned and minority parties will be given due representation in the state legislatures. An act was adopted which aims to give the poor man an equal chance with the rich

man at primary elections. And also an act commanding representatives to vote for the candidate for United States senator receiving the highest number of votes at the primary election, even though he should be of one political faith and the legislature of another.

"But look at that university appropriation bill!" cried the politicians, "what if the people of Oregon should vote that down?"

But they didn't. The Oregon legislature had made an increased appropriation for state university and also for the state militia. The people granted the former and denied the latter. "All the money you want for education, but no more for war." That was the answer of the people of Oregon to their legislature.

This legislature, by the way, tried to increase its own salary, but the people vetoed it. Three dollars a day was the stipend. Beggarly, no doubt. But the people are entitled to their own opinion as to what an Oregon lawmaker is worth.

"Well, it's unconstitutional, anyway." No doubt you hope so, Mr. Politician. But until the supreme court decides it we shall take the word of Supreme Justice David Brewer, who says:

"The initiative and referendum make public opinion the controlling factor in the government. The more promptly and fully public affairs carry into effect such public opinion, the more truly is government of and by the people realized.

What the "Fourth" Costs.

The fitting celebration of Independence day is a question in which patriotic Americans are separated into two widely divergent parties, one claiming that it ought to be observed as noisily as possible, the other that our national birthday is too glorious an occasion to be marred by din and disorder. Of course, we know that even among those who favor a boisterous observance there are many who cannot tolerate it themselves, and escape to the country in order to avoid the tortures of the "awful Fourth"; just as we know that a large proportion of the noise-makers, including the small boy and the big one, too, is heedless, if not ignorant, of all that our holiday stands for, and thinks of it only at a time when clamor may reign unrestrained.

The figures which indicate the price that we pay for each of our yearly celebrations are so appalling that one would suppose a knowledge of them would be the most powerful deterrent to our annual massacre. This, unfortunately, is not the case. For the past five years the Journal of the American Medical Association has endeavored to collect statistics setting forth what the celebration of the Fourth costs in life and human usefulness; and although these are admittedly incomplete—compiled as they are, almost entirely from newspaper reports, instead of from records of hospitals, dispensaries and physicians—they form the gravest possible arraignment of the recklessness which is willing to pay such a price for a "jolly day." They show that during the celebration of five national birthdays, from 1903 to 1907, inclusive, 1153 persons were killed and 22,520 were injured. Of the injured 80 suffered total and 389 partial blindness, 350 persons lost arms, legs or hands, and 1670 lost one or more fingers. But these figures, startling as they are, convey only a faint idea of the suffering, both physical and mental, which went to swell the total cost of these five holidays; in this we must also include the weeks and often months of anguish of the injured, the suspense of entire families while

the fate of some loved one hung in the balance, the horror of a future of sightless years, the pinching poverty now the lot of many because of the death or maiming of the breadwinner.—Century.

Shade Trees on French Roads.

It is proposed to plant trees along the roadside of New York state in order to keep the moisture in the road and prevent raveling, and the question has been raised whether or not the roots of such trees may spread out underneath the road surface and eventually create great damage in a severe climate where there are extremes of heat and cold. While French roads are not always bordered with shade trees, they are so very frequently, and my information is that the trees are planted not only for furnishing shade, but in order to protect the roads themselves against the effects of excessive heat and drought. It is believed that the long, dry summer season is much more inimical to roads than severe cold. The chief officer in charge of the public roads in Marselles is of the opinion that on the whole New York roads would be benefited if bordered with trees, suggesting, however, that only such should be planted as have vertically descending roots.

F. Brod, civil engineer and former conductor of the Bureau of Bridges and Highways, expresses himself as follows on the subject:

"In countries where the climate is damp roadside trees are prejudicial to the maintenance of the highways, as they prevent the circulation of the air and the drying of the soil." In most of the southern French regions such plantations are, on the other hand, very useful in dry weather, as they maintain the roadbed in a state of freshness favorable to its conservation. In general trees should be selected with high spreading branches, such as the poplar, the elm, the ash, and they should be laced generally upon the outer edge of the road box and at distances of ten meters (32.80 feet). Each tree should be placed in a hole one meter 3.28 feet) deep and one and one half meters (4.92 feet square, and should be trimmed to a height of two and one-half meters (8.20 feet) above the surface.

"The earth about the newly planted trees should be loosened in March and November—in March only after the third year—and thereafter until their permanent growth appears assured. Small trenches should be directed toward the foot of the tree in order to secure the benefit of the rains. Finally, the tree itself should be trimmed annually during the first ten years."—American Consul at Marselles.

The Atlantic fleet leaves San Francisco on July 7th, but further than it will go to Honolulu, it is not known where it will go after that, owing that the orders to Admiral Sperry are being kept secret. The Pacific fleet has reached Shanghai.

P. A. B. Widener of Philadelphia, has just bought Van Dyck's greatest painting for half a million.

The first campaign bet was made today in Wall street, Oscar Bamberger wagering \$5000 on Taft as against \$3500.

Of course Gov. Chamberlain will support Bryan.

Do You Open Your Mouth

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Two-year-old steer, black, with some white on the belly, split in the right ear, large horns. The owner of said animal can have the same by proving property and paying the legal charges and expenses of taking up and keeping, etc., and in default thereof for five days I will proceed to sell said animal at public auction, as provided in ordinance No. 429 of the aforesaid city.

D. W. GIBSON,
City Marshall Salem, Oregon, June 20, 1908 6-205t

Notice to Property Owners on Broadway Street.

Notice is hereby given that the owners of property to be benefited by the improvement of Broadway street in the city of Salem, Oregon, with creek or river gravel, between the north line of North Mill creek and the north line of Madison street, in said city, who desire to make said improvement in lieu of their assessment and in accordance with the plans and specifications now on file in the office of the city recorder of said city, shall file their written application therefor with said city recorder, on or before June 29, 1908.

By order of the common council,
W. A. MOORES,
City Recorder.

Reforg School Supplies.

Sealed proposals are hereby invited for furnishing the Oregon State Reform school, with supplies for the next six months ending December 31st, 1908. Supplies consisting of flour, groceries, meats, leather. Lists with specifications will be furnished upon application to the superintendent. All bids must be in by June 30, and goods delivered by July 15, 1908. Goods must be in strict accordance with sample in original packages when possible. All contract supplies will be paid for at the first of the month following the delivery of the goods.

N. H. LOONEY,
Superintendent.

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Toward Portland, Passenger.
No. 16.—5:13 a. m.—Oregon Express.
No. 18.—8:40 a. m.—Cottage Grove passenger.
No. 12.—2:45 p. m.—Roseburg passenger.
Toward Portland, Freight.
No. 222.—5:00 p. m.—Portland fast freight.
No. 226.—10:40—11:25 a. m.—way freight.
Toward San Francisco, Passenger.
No. 11.—1:03 a. m.—Roseburg passenger.
No. 17.—6:45 p. m.—Cottage Grove passenger.
No. 15.—9:50 p. m.—California Express.
No. 13.—3:31 a. m.—San Francisco express.
Toward San Francisco, Freight.
No. 221.—2:43 a. m.—Portland fast freight.
No. 225.—11:28 a. m.—way freight.

CORVALLIS & EASTERN RAILROAD TIME TABLE

No. 4—
Leaves Detroit 1:00 p. m.
follows, commencing Jan. 15, 1908.
Trains for Corvallis.

No. 8—
Leaves Albany 7:55 a. m.
Arrives at Corvallis 9:35 a. m.

No. 10—
Leaves Albany 2:55 p. m.
Arrives at Corvallis 4:35 p. m.

No. 6—
Leaves Albany 7:45 p. m.
Arrives at Corvallis 9:25 p. m.
Trains for Albany.

No. 5—
Leaves Corvallis 6:30 a. m.
Arrives at Albany 7:10 a. m.

No. 9—
Leaves Corvallis 2:15 p. m.
Arrives at Albany 2:55 p. m.

No. 7—
Leaves Corvallis 6:00 p. m.
Arrives at Albany 6:40 p. m.

No. 11 (Sunday only)—
Leaves Corvallis 11:15 a. m.
Arrives at Albany 11:55 a. m.

No. 12 (Sunday only)—
Leaves Albany 11:25 p. m.
Arrives at Corvallis 12:05 p. m.

For further information apply to Oregon Electric Time Table.

Time of arrival and departure of cars at Salem is as follows, Portland and intermediate points:

Arrive	Leave
Local 8:40 a. m.	6:00 a. m.
Express 10:50 a. m.	9:05 a. m.
Local 1:25 p. m.	11:05 a. m.
Express 4:20 p. m.	1:45 p. m.
Local 6:45 p. m.	3:25 p. m.
Express 8:20 p. m.	6:00 p. m.

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