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A STRAW BALLOT SUGGESTION

The Oregonian has been conducting a straw vote as to the preference of those registering, for president. Beginning Wednesday morning and ending Friday night at the registration office those registering were handed a card with the following questions:

"In 1912 I voted for
"In 1916 I prefer"

These cards were handed those at the registration counter as they received their registration cards from the clerk, and no questions or suggestions were asked or made. Locked ballot boxes in which to drop the cards were provided at the exit from the office.

The total registration in the three days was 3216, and the number of votes cast was 1692, about 80 more than half the number registered. Of these 1692 votes, 813 showed a preference for Wilson, 468 were for Hughes, 329 for Roosevelt and 67 scattering.

During these three days the total registration by parties was 2328 republican, 639 democrat, 120 independent, 17 progressive, 71 prohibition and 41 socialist.

As but a trifle over 50 per cent of those registering voted, if these were equally divided between the parties; then 1200 republicans, 340 democrats, 65 independents, 35 prohibitionists, and 24 socialists, expressed their preference. This gives the total for Hughes and Roosevelt as 797, against 813 for Wilson. There were 67 scattering votes for some republican, and these added to the Hughes-Roosevelt vote gives a total of 864, or a majority of 51 in favor of the republicans. There were five democrats not naming Wilson, which brings the democratic vote up to 818 and the republican majority down to 46. It also shows that Wilson got 478 other than democratic votes, or 10 more of these than Hughes and 149 more than Roosevelt.

It was noted that among the women there was a strong preference shown for Wilson, considerably more than half of those voting, favoring him.

This was probably as fair a straw vote as could be taken, and it is certainly far from encouraging to the republicans. It shows the strong following Wilson has among republicans and also that in order to beat him in this state, if the proportion held good it would require that practically all those who are not for him be united in the election against him.

With the strong sprinkling of prohibitionists, socialists, independents and others, this unity is impossible and the straw vote, if it shows anything, shows that Wilson will carry Oregon.

Of course there is always a chance for something to happen to upset the best laid schemes, or closest calculations, and the apparently most certain things.

The Mexican affairs, the settlement with Germany, the course taken with England over some of the high sea troubles, any or all may combine to change the political skies, either to make them brighter or to overcast them with clouds.

The one humorous feature of the straw ballot was that there was one solitary ballot cast in favor of Bryan.

Elihu Root, who ditched Roosevelt for the republican nomination for president in 1912, and the strenuous one whom he ditched were guests at a luncheon given by Robert Bacon in New York, Friday. The lion and the lamb have laid down together, but it remains to be seen which is the lion and which the lamb. If, as is rumored, it is an attempt to make Roosevelt the republican nominee this year, Teddy is the lion and Elihu the lamb tucked snugly away inside of him.

The United States is surely an awfully weak country. Nearly every morning some tinhorn army officer gets up and licks the whole country to a frazzle before he goes to breakfast. The whole pestiferous bunch of lead pencil fighters are of the opinion the proof this country is "a pudding" awaiting some other country's feast, is in their chewing the rag.

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Sheriff Hodge of Seattle says sixty-five new drug stores have been opened in that city since the state went dry the first of the year. This may or may not be true as the recent blackmailing case of which the sheriff talked so loudly demonstrates the sheriff does much of his talking as the unregenerate would express it—through his hat. One "drug store" pulled in the edgeville city was located in a space between two buildings and had a front of 30 inches. Its counter was a whiskey barrel—but its "stock" far exceeded what one would expect to find in such limited quarters. The drugs were labeled "Sunny Brook", "Guggenheim Rye", "Golden Wedding" and similar names suggestive of cramp, colic, bad colds, wet feet, and the troubles fishermen are exposed to. The stock was confiscated.

A Tacoma court is wrestling with a rather complicated criminal case, one in which Paul R. Hoffer is being prosecuted for slandering George Washington. The prosecuting attorney took the broad ground that Washington being the father of the country all Americans are his children. A lady in the audience objected to this, remarking: "Sure he's no feyther o' mine—me feyther died in Ireland." She was finally assured the court did not believe George was her "feyther" and was pacified. The defense attorney thought if this position was correct anyone could be arrested for criticising the conduct of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden. Or Noah for his management of the ark.

Holland is reported as thoroughly aroused over the sinking of the Tubantia, and the situation as between her and Germany is critical. Of all the nations of Europe, Germany can least afford to antagonize, Holland, for through her she has received and is receiving vast supplies, and through her lies the way for the allies to attack Germany in her weakest spot. Besides Holland cannot be whipped. She is the only real submarine country in the world—and if attacked can open her valves, break her dykes, and get under water.

Francisco Villa, wherever he is holed up, now has time to reflect on the difference between raiding a community and murdering its inhabitants, and being raided and shot down by others. Some how murder seems less attractive when seen from the victims viewpoint. There is a wide difference between shooting others and being shot; between leaving death and suffering in his trail and being left in the trail wounded, helpless and suffering.

How can Portland officials trace the disappearance of a thousand cords of wood that never existed? A wood expert called attention to the fact that the city woodpile was a thousand cords shy last July. As it was never cut how can the sleuths of the rose city find where it has gone?

While the brotherhood of railroad men are demanding an eight hour day, the coal miners of Washington are celebrating the fact that for them the 8 hour day no longer exists, and they can work longer hours. A whiteman is pretty hard to please.

The sinking of a Red Cross ship loaded with wounded, sick, doctors and nurses, is reported in the Black sea. In the interest of humanity and decency it is hoped this story is not true, or that at least it will prove to have been done by mistake.

The records at the clerks office do not show that Ananias and Saphira took out fishing licenses but the stories told today about the catches yesterday and Saturday indicate that said licenses were issued.

That story of the battle at Turner Saturday night sounds like it had come from some place along the Mexican border rather than from a quiet, peaceful, Willamette valley town.



MARCHING ON

I have read a hundred essays on the Causes of the Fight, and every country's in the wrong, and all are in the right; the bones of countless butchered men are bleaching in the light, and Death goes marching on. The war was forced on yonder king, who couldn't dodge the scrap; and it was forced on t'other king, who is a peaceful chap; and meanwhile over every foot of Europe's soggy mah, King Death is marching on. It seems a shame, when all the kings were suffering for peace, that war should spring its wrinkled front, and all its dogs release, that generals should wade around in blood and fur and grease, and Death go marching on. And still the soldiers fight and slay, their little wage to earn; and where the vine and figtree were, the lurid beacons burn; the sleepless children watch and wait for dads who won't return, and Death is marching on. It must have been spontaneous, the great and bloody game; if anyone's responsible, no man will take the blame; old Europe's littered with her dead, her blind and halt and lame, and Death goes marching on.



WILSON LEADS STRONG WITH OREGON VOTERS

Voters Declare for President Regardless of Party Affiliation

Portland, Or., April 3.—The Oregonian's straw vote of the registered voters of Multnomah county resulted as follows, according to that paper:

Of 1692 voters who expressed their preference for President in the straw vote conducted by the Oregonian on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the registration office in the Court-house 813 voted for Woodrow Wilson, 468 for Charles E. Hughes and 329 for Theodore Roosevelt.

There were, besides, 67 scattering votes for other republican possibilities, five votes for Democrats other than Wilson, and 10 Socialist votes.

To sum up, 864 persons expressed preference for Hughes, Roosevelt or some other Republican possibility, as against 813 who voted for Mr. Wilson, or 818 who wanted either Mr. Wilson or some other Democrat. The majority of those favoring a Republican to a Democrat for President next year thus was 46.

Every effort was made in taking the straw vote to obtain the honest preference of voters. No person was urged to vote for a Republican or for a Democrat, or for any particular candidate or possibility.

Registrability by parties in the three days during which the vote was taken was 2328 Republican, 639 Democrat, 120 Independent, 17 Progressive, 71 Prohibition and 41 Socialist.

Ballots had previously been printed with the following questions:

"In 1912 I voted for"

"In 1916 I prefer"

These ballots were handed to persons at the registration counter as they came to receive from the clerks the cards bearing their precinct numbers. Locked ballot boxes in which to drop the votes were at the exit from the registration office.

The total registration for the three days was 3216. As the number of votes cast was 1692, this was well over half the registration. Perhaps 20 to 30 votes but not more, were cast by persons who had registered previously but asked the privilege of voting.

OPEN FORUM

WOULD RAISE COLTS

Editor Journal: While people are giving advice as to what should be done I would like to just call attention to one thing that is sadly and dangerously neglected, and that is the raising of colts. We know that autos are nice to have, but they have to be bought and they do not produce any young autos; if they did every body would be in the business. Now you horse owners don't you know that if you do not raise colts that it will not be long that is to say not many years before if you need a horse there will not be any for sale. Just think of this. We must have horses and where can you buy if none are raised? Every mare that is able should raise a colt, should certainly be bred. Just think how many farmers do you know that are raising colts enough to supply this need. Well, you say, they can buy them. I say you can't if some one doesn't raise some. What does a farmer raise that is more profitable than colts? I know they make some trouble but what do we get without trouble? If I were on a farm I would sure breed every mare that I could. Now, Mr. Farmer just think I over. The farmer is the backbone of this or any other country; you are the ones that must raise the colts if we have any.

Am I right or not? What have you to say Mr. Editor?—A Journal Subscriber.

SHIP HITS ROCK, SINKS

This, April 3.—Striking a sunken ledge of rock near Nagasaki, the small liner Wakatsu Maru bound for Japanese coast ports plunged to the bottom in a few minutes with probable heavy loss of life. It was learned here today, Seventy-six passengers and 20 sailors are missing. The Wakatsu Maru was a coasting steamer.

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