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STRAW VOTE INDICATES WILSON'S ELECTION

The Oregonian has just completed taking a straw vote as to the individual preference for president, and gave out the returns Sunday. It states the votes were taken in office buildings, industrial plants and a hotel lobby or two.

The results are significant, though of course no straw vote is positive evidence because they are taken largely from one or two classes rather than from all. Another weakness of the straw vote in this especial case is that it apparently did not take into consideration the suffrage vote, which generally favors Wilson.

Out of 864 votes collected Wilson was the choice of 346; Hughes, 297; Roosevelt, 155. Besides there were 36 scattering votes for republicans, including 11 for Henry Ford, seven socialist votes and three democratic for others than Wilson. It may be added that there were two votes for Pancho Villa.

It will be seen that Wilson leads Hughes 49 votes and Roosevelt 199. The combined vote of Hughes and Roosevelt is 103 more than the Wilson vote. If it could be conceded that even the great majority of the Roosevelt votes would go to Hughes, it would make the straw vote rather against Wilson; but can this be done?

It is generally conceded that if the Roosevelt following is to go into the republican camp, a man strongly progressive and satisfactory to the progressives must be named. There is but one such, and that is Roosevelt. If he is nominated there will be a considerable fraction of republicans of the old guard who will not support him, preferring Wilson to the man who they think betrayed them. This element will strongly object to rewarding political ingratitude by giving the highest gift at their command as a reward.

The result from whatever angle it is viewed points to Wilson as the next president. In the news columns of the same issue of the Oregonian is an account of a straw vote taken here in Salem which points still more strongly to Wilson. For one hour the pedestrians passing the corner of State and Commercial streets were asked to express their preference for president and 84 did so. Of these 40 were for Wilson, 22 for Hughes and 14 for Roosevelt. Besides these there were four scattering republican votes and four socialist. In this vote Wilson got the same number as Hughes, Roosevelt and all other republicans combined.

The Oregonian's test vote was taken with absolute fairness and its results presented its readers in the same spirit. In these days of political trickery and chicanery our big neighbor is to be commended for "giving it to us straight."

To what lengths a well developed appetite for booze will carry one is shown in the case of an Albany man who a day or two ago drank up the baby's bath, getting away with the alcohol the mother had secured for this purpose. When the wife remonstrated a scrap ensued, the result being that the man with the baby's bath inside of him paid a fine of \$20 and costs making the "bath" cost him \$33.10. This is almost as bad as the historical case where the sailors drank all the rum from the cask in which the admiral's body had been placed to preserve it on the way home from India, and which gave rise to the phrase applied to taking a drink, of "tapping the admiral."

It becomes our somewhat painful duty to kill Villa again. We have no regrets for assassinating him two dozen times in the past twenty months, and no apologies to make for wounding him every few weeks or marrying him off occasionally. The continued slaughtering of a man, even a Mexican bandit, after he has been killed so many times, is what is getting on our nerves, and we sincerely hope this is the last time we will be compelled to give him his "coup de glotte" whatever that is.

So far as registration for the primaries is concerned, tomorrow is the last day in the afternoon. The books will be kept open until 8 o'clock. This is positively the last call.

THE GNAT AND THE CAMEL

This great government can do more in the way of gagging at a gnat and swallowing a camel than any other. This is illustrated in the case of Jue Sung Gwong, a young Chinaman who came to this country when he was seven years old, and who is thoroughly Americanized. It seems some government official desperately seeking something that would justify his job being maintained, discovered, quite by accident no doubt, the fact above stated, and that the youngster had come to the country in violation of the law. He was haled before the United States court and the facts being shown was ordered deported. He is to leave Portland if the arrangement is carried out, tomorrow.

He will step from the twentieth century back into the sixth so far as civilization is concerned, for to him China is an unknown country. It is the same as though an American citizen was ordered deported into that country. There may perhaps be a great opportunity awaiting him, and it may be for his own betterment, in a way, that this happens to him, but that does not change the asininity of the law that jumps onto Jue, while hundreds of Chinese are smuggled into the country yearly and the government sleuths never catch one of them.

The present revolution may give Jue a chance to come to the front in his native country, for his knowledge of modern ways should place him high in the councils of the new government about to be established.

The whole state is back of Portland in its rose show, but there is one feature of its preliminaries that should be cut out forever and that is the contest for maids of honor made in the cities of the state. It would be better to ask the cities to contribute certain amounts than to revert to this almost obsolete plan of raising money, that always stirs up bitterness and ill feeling in the communities where contests are held. The Saturday Evening Post last week had a story concerning "a beauty Contest," conducted by Parson Custard among the colored folks, that is applicable to the contests in question.

It seems from the meager reports received from General Pershing that the fight at Parral was caused by Mexicans attacking unarmed soldiers who had entered the town for the purpose of buying provisions. One soldier was killed by the mob, and when their comrades came to their rescue, and the mob stood its ground and continued its attack, the soldiers cut loose and some 40 Mexicans were killed. It is claimed contrary to first reports that none of the Carranzistas took part in this row, further than to force the Mexicans back which under the circumstances was not a hard job.

Shakespeare will have to get a reputation before Golden Gate park can be used for celebrating his tercentenary. When the committee in charge of the celebration called on Commissioner Lindley of the park with a request for its use he asked "Who was this man Shakespeare anyway? Lots of people never heard of him." And then he refused to allow the park to be used for that purpose. "What's in a name?" "Alas! poor Yorick!"

"The City of Portland" was successfully launched at St. Helens Saturday. She is the largest single decker ever built and will carry 2,000,000 feet of lumber. Two sister ships are under way. This is the kind of news that sounds good to all Oregonians? It is an industry that will make a market for Oregon's fine lumber and at the same time help provide the much needed shipping, lack of which is holding back the development of the state.

What's the matter with Portland? With 846 votes cast for preference for president not one was for Portland's candidate, Mr. Lockhart. "Try Portland first" seems to have about as much real meaning in that city as "try other places first," do in them.

From all sections of the state comes the report that the importation of liquors was about double in March what it was in February. Is it a growing thirst, or that the Oregonians are just getting onto the combination and finding out how easy it is?



UNAPPRECIATIVE MAN

"My husband," sighed the weeping wife, "has made a ruin of my life. He does not seem to yearn or long for Higher Things, like Art and Song. The sordid things to him appeal; he'd rather have a good square meal, than sit with me through dreamful days, reciting Robert Browning's lays. A noble painting on the wall makes no appeal to him at all; with scorn he'll pass the picture by, and say he'd rather have a pie. Because the bread is always hard, because his porterhouse is charred, because the coffee's weak and thin, he'll make a most unseemly din. He can't be made to realize that noble odes beat oyster fries, that Ibsen's pen, surcharged with ink, surpasses sausage in the link, that Handel's grand harmonic burst beats schweitzer cheese or liverwurst. So here I sit upon the floor, and weep and wail forevermore."



WILLAMETTE NOTES

The Y. M. C. A. at the college was addressed by Arnold T. Gralapp and John L. Gary yesterday afternoon at the regular meeting.

Mr. Gralapp spoke on the subject "German Religion and Its Relation to the Great War." In his talk Mr. Gralapp outlined the religious life of the German people and gave an interesting discourse on what influence the present war would have on religion.

Mr. Gralapp spoke on the subject "Is There to Be Any Gain From the War?" He discussed the matter from a triple viewpoint; economic, political and morally.

The regular chapel services were dispensed with this morning and the time turned over to Lieutenant M. Swartzkopfsky, formerly a body guard to the czar of Russia. He told of the conditions in Russia under which the ignorant masses dwell and how progress is impossible under the present conditions; since the government is all powerful and the voice of the common people is suppressed.

The right of freedom of speech, free press and liberty is denied to the Russian people because the Orthodox church and the Russian government are closely linked together.

Another reason that the Russian people cannot stand together and present a united front is that they hate each other. Russian people are made up of many tribes, there are 254 dialects in Russian, and consequently there is continual strife between themselves.

The Russian Donna, that is made up of representatives of the people, has absolutely no power as far as anything of an important legislative matter is concerned. The czar appoints the chairman of the assembly, and he in turn takes care that nothing of an erratic nature is legislated. The Russian leaders, who occasionally rise into prominence, do so because they take chances with their lives to secure freedom for the masses. Tolstol, who depicted conditions as they are now coming to pass in his recent writings, was able to do so because he recanted them as dreams, not as his candid thoughts and hence they were allowed to be published without great dissent; another reason was that Count Leo Tolstol was a relative of Nicholas II and that carried a great deal of influence.

"You Americans," said Lieutenant Swartzkopfsky, "are the strongest nation in the world and it is foolishness to say you are unprepared." When this war is over the nations of Europe will be so exhausted and disgusted with war that they will never attack you—the strongest nation in the world. Those who are advocating preparedness are those who are deeply interested in the manufacture of war materials and naturally they are desirous for preparation."

The lieutenant showed the suit which he wore while a political prisoner in Siberia; they were white and had a yellow insignia with the words "hard labor" printed on the breast. He also showed the heavy iron shackles which he was forced to wear in the prison camp, these are welded to the legs of the prisoners and he must work with them on at all times.

Tonight the lieutenant will speak on "What Militarism Means to Civilization" and "My Life and Escape From a Siberian Dungeon," at the Congregational church. The lecture will begin at 7:30, no admission is charged and everyone is invited to attend.

His address is deeply interesting and depicts conditions as they really exist. He has the power of saying things in a manner that grips the attention of his audience and holds it throughout the address.

Body of Small Boy Found On Sidewalk

San Francisco, April 17—Charles Donaldson, stumbled over the blood covered body of a boy at Fourteenth and Howard streets while returning home to lunch today. The child had evidently been struck by an automobile or wagon. The position in which it lay on the sidewalk indicated that it had been kicked from the street after the accident and placed on the walk.

He was about nine years old. Police are investigating.

FOSTER GETS OFFICE

Washington, April 17—President Wilson today nominated Andre J. Foster, of Lakeview, Oregon, as receiver of public moneys there.

Polk Will Have Still To Extract Peppermint

A peppermint farm will be the realization of the group of financiers known here as the Apple Acres company and the first crop will be harvested next fall. The members of the Apple Acres company met early in the week and heard reports of those members who went to Albany and other places on Sunday to investigate the possibilities of peppermint farming. There are a number of successful peppermint planters in that country and the local men found things here at least equally suited to the culture of this crop. Recently those interested attended a meeting at which an experienced peppermint farmer presided and they are convinced that the crop can be grown successfully here.

As a starter twelve acres of peppermint will be set out at once by the Apple Acres company on its land east of the city on the Salem road. The roots have been ordered and as soon as they arrive F. J. Cond, trustee of the company, will direct their planting. The grounds are already being prepared. The company expects to have between 800 and 1,000 pounds of peppermint oil from the farm the first year. It may be that certain lands planted to the crop will not produce property and this yield may be less, but those figures are a fair average. The company will erect its own still on

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the property and will care for the crop from beginning to end without outside agencies. The chief value of peppermint is in the oil that is produced, although some profit is realized from the sale or use of the foliage, after the extraction of oil, as fodder.—Observer.

May Build to Coast

Valley & Siletz Railroad Said to Be Seeking Salt Water Route.

That the Valley & Siletz railroad will be constructed to the coast; is the statement of one who claims to have inside information regarding the intentions of the builders of that new line into the Siletz basin. This authority states that he has inspected maps of the proposed route, and that its ultimate destination is Siletz bay, where it will have deep water shipping facilities. After the line leaves the Hayden place it will follow practically a water grade through the ba-

sin for several miles, when it will encounter a mountainous country. It is said that the route has been selected through comparatively low passes, where construction work will not be difficult, and where the grades will not be unreasonable to negotiate. There has been no inconsiderable amount of speculation as to whom the new railroad belongs, but if the information given out by this authority is reliable there can be no further room for doubting that Hill is back of the undertaking, and that by this means his lines will find an ocean outlet at Siletz bay. Spaulding has been taking an active part in the building of this road, but it is said that his interests are for the sole purpose of getting into the timber owned by his company, and that he is acting for another. The statements are given by The Observer as presented to it, and without comment, but they have the ring of plausibility.—Dallas Observer.

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Not that it matters much, but still it might be well to know if that bottle of champagne broken on the bow of the City of Portland at the launching Saturday was not in violation of law. It was not used for mechanical purposes, medicinally or any other for which the law provides. Luckily it was used on this side of the river and out side of the jurisdiction of the Hon. Hi Gill.



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