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THE COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

## EVERYBODY SATISFIED.

The election last Tuesday resulted in a victory for the Republican party, not only in Oregon but in several other states. It demonstrated that the trend of public opinion is again turning favorably toward the principles of Republicanism and that by the time the next National election comes a Republican victory will be assured. Considerable gains were made in Congress by the Republican party and so small is the majority of the Democrats in the House that it will require a full party vote to carry a partisan measure.

In Oregon every Republican on the state ticket was elected with the exception of United State Senator, to which office Senator Chamberlain, the Democrat, was re-elected. The reasons for his election were not partisan by any means but more largely local. Senator Chamberlain is a very popular man with the people of Oregon. He has been in office in this state for more than twenty years. He has a wide acquaintance over the entire state. He has made a good officer in all the positions he has filled, judging from a non-partisan standpoint. Aside from his Democratic policies Senator Chamberlain is a very satisfactory man. Also, the Republican nominee, Mr. Booth, was not a strong man for the reason that he had been connected with a large timber corporation and his company had been in the Courts with reference to the securing of title to the lands. Many charges were made against him, and whether true or not, they had the effect of turning thousands of voters away from him. As a matter of fact it has been clearly proven during this campaign to people who have studied the question arising, that Mr. Booth is a clean, able and conscientious man and would have been a credit to Oregon in the United States Senate, but the very fact that there was a time when he had an indictment against him by the Federal Court and that some of the land owned by his company was taken away by the government, was sufficient, under the circumstances of having all these things enlarged upon and exaggerated, to cause his defeat. The campaign of abuse directed against Dr. Withycombe, without just cause, did not have the effect it was intended it should. The fact that no word touching upon his integrity or honesty of purpose or suspicious circumstances of his long public life in this state, could be made, caused the people to have renewed confidence in him. His campaign also tended to strengthen him with the people. He visited every section of the state, with the exception of Columbia County, and met the people. He told them about conditions of the state and what he would do, never once maligning or throwing mud at his opponent or the people who were opposing him. This method of campaigning met with favor and his great majority attests the confidence of the people in the man. Dr. Withycombe will make an excellent governor.

In Columbia County the entire Republican ticket was elected with the exception of County treasurer to which office the present treasurer, R. S. Hatten was elected, a Democrat. Mr. Hatten has filled the office during the past two years at a salary entirely inadequate for the work done. He has attended to the business of the county in a very careful and satisfactory manner. He is also a man well known all over the country while his Republican opponent was not known so well. In his election there was something of a personal nature too, like that of Senator Chamberlain. Mr. Hatten is a popular man with the people and nearly always lands what he goes after in the way of politics. He knows everybody and everybody knows him. He has held various offices in the county and has a clean record. His election was a foregone conclusion. The other officers elected were all men of character and standing in the county. The campaign for county officers was a pretty clean one, very little of the usual character assassination and mud slinging being resorted to. The election is over. Good men have been elected. Good results are expected from them. Everybody is satisfied and quiet in a political way will now be the order for some time.

The rebuke given the theorists and re-engeful at last Tuesday's election in the defeat of nearly every initiative measure on the

ballot, should be a lesson to stop tinkering and trying to fool the people. The initiative law has been badly abused ever since it went into effect in Oregon. All kinds of freak bills have been proposed and in most instances have been defeated, although a few of the foolish ones have gone through. Each succeeding election some dangerous and vicious laws are proposed and each time they are it hurts industrial Oregon. There is always danger of some of them passing that would work a hardship on somebody. But a few more lessons like that of last Tuesday will work wonders for the initiative law and will give capital more confidence in the wisdom of the people at large. Ere many years have passed the ballots will begin to assume normal size and the theorists and personal spite law makers will see the uselessness of trying to fool all the people all the time.

When that day comes the initiative will have proved a success.

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The charge was made after the recall election in September that many illegal votes were cast in St. Helens. This charge was made an account of the unusually large vote. The vote last Tuesday, when no effort was made by anybody to get the voters out, exceeded the recall vote more than one hundred and no person can say that any illegal votes were cast then. This fact clearly demonstrates that St. Helens is getting to be quite a respectable city in size and that the charges of illegal voting were not based on fact but on imagination. On September 22 there were 813 votes cast in the three St. Helens precincts. Last Tuesday there were about 920 votes cast and had the full vote been out more than 1000 votes would have been put into the ballot boxes by strictly legal voters. In the county the vote cast was approximately 3,500 so it will readily be seen that St. Helens is no small part of the county when it comes to population. St. Helens is growing and will continue to grow if the business conditions remain normal. We have an ideal location for a city. We have already some of the leading manufacturing industries in the state and if business conditions warrant, there will be many more. Our people all have faith in the future of the city and the prediction of the Mist in 1912 that St. Helens would be a city of 5000 population in 1917 bids fair to become true. Watch St. Helens grow.

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We trample upon the sprouts of today and gaze with admiration upon the giants that were sprouts of a former generation.

And it is much the same in municipal affairs. We think too much of the ending and not enough of the beginning. We overlook the little things of today which have in them the making of the big ones of tomorrow.

This tendency of human nature is strikingly illustrated in the case of a gentleman who had occasion to spend a week in a country town, and was remarkably impressed by the uniform courtesy shown him by the citizens of the place. If he was interested in a public building, or a park, or a manufacturing enterprise, a dozen men were ready with information and explanations, pointing out the various advantages, and with ever a good word for the people. This made him welcome.

A few weeks later while traveling in another state he met a manufacturer who was in search of a change of location for his plant. He mentioned the place he had recently left, and spoke in glowing terms of the people, their characteristics, and especially of their courtesy to the stranger within their gates. The manufacturer was much impressed, and a few days later visited the place. He is now there with his factory and his 150 employes.

Truly, a man's tongue has a wonderful influence upon the future of his own town.

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There was no doubt about the wish of the people on the prohibition question at the election this week. The majority was so decisive that no possible question can arise as to legality, form or result. It is well that it is so. If the state is to be dry it must be dry. The law must be strictly enforced so that the question will be forever settled. If prohibition is a good thing it will be permanent. If it is not a success it will be demonstrated by a fair trial. There will be no excuse for an unfair trial. The people have spoken and the great question that has been agitating Oregon for so long will be settled for all time.

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Again we feel it to be a duty to the public of this city to call the attention of the City Council to the impassable condition of the street crossing in front of the post office. It is a disgrace to the city and a very great inconvenience to the people. It is time for action.

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Men exhibit battle wounds and call it glory. If the cow kicks them they cuss.

## CASH FOR OREGON SCHOOLS.

Total Paid to Teachers in One Year is \$3,631,210.

Some idea of the magnitude of the public schools of Oregon may be had from the statement just prepared and published by the superintendent of public instruction, in which the information is given that in salaries alone the teachers in the public schools, of the state were paid the sum of over three and one-half million dollars during the last school year. These instructors totalled 5751. Below is given some very interesting general information of the schools of the state, including universities, academies and colleges.

Salaries totaling \$3,631,210 were paid the teachers of the state during the year ending June 30, 1914, and there were employed in the schools 1101 male teachers at an average monthly salary of \$84.25, and 4650 women teachers at an average monthly salary of \$61.74.

The estimated value of the schools, houses and grounds in the state is \$14,221,105, and the value of the furniture and apparatus \$1,408,869. The total enrollment was 128,984, and was classed as follows: Between ages of 6 and 9 years, 36,523; from 9 to 12 years, 34,884; from 12 to 14 years, 24,368; from 14 to 20 years 33,204.

The average monthly salary of principals of buildings of more than one room, \$95.16. The private schools of the state employ 382 teachers and have an average attendance of 2821 males and 2125 females.

The number of instructors and the attendance of students in the colleges and academies of the state are as follows:

Agricultural College, Corvallis—organized 1885; 140 instructors; 2435 students 1913-14; 28,309 volumes in library.

Oregon Institute for the Blind, Salem, three teachers 590 volumes in library; 26 students.

Oregon School for Deaf Mutes, Salem, first opened by private parties in 1870; placed under State Board of Education and supported by state in 1874; seven literary and five industrial instructors; 95 students in 1911-12; 1000 volumes in library.

University of Oregon, Eugene—organized 1876; 134 instructors, 1626 students 1912-13; 50,864 volumes in library.

Albany College—organized; 1866 Presbyterian; 16 instructors; 156 students in 1913-14; 4500 volumes in library.

Dallas College and Sacred Academy, Dallas—10 instructors 82 students 1913-14; 1400 volumes in library.

McMinnville College, McMinnville—organized 1857; Baptist, 15 instructors; 268 students 1913-14; 4600 volumes in library.

Pacific College, Portland—organized as an academy in 1885, and as a college in 1891; Friends, 11 instructors; 132 students 1913-14; 3000 volumes in library.

Portland Academy, Portland—organized 1889; 400 students; 20 instructors; 1500 volumes in library.

Reed College, Portland—organized 1911; 185 students 1913-14, 236 students 1914-15; 20 instructors.

Tualatin Academy and Pacific University, Forest Grove—organized as an academy in 1849; university organized in 1854; non sectional; 33 instructors, 192 students 1913-14; 17,500 volumes in library.

Willamette University, Salem—organized 1844; Methodist Episcopal; 30 instructors; 360 students 1913-14; 11,000 volumes in library. Medical school discontinued causing decrease in faculty and students.

Oregon Law School, Salem and Portland, 45 students, 1913-14; eleven instructors; 535 volumes in library.

Hill Military Academy, Portland—organized 1901; 11 instructors; 100 students; small library; number of reference books.

St. Helens Hall, Portland—organized 1869; Episcopal; 145 students 1000 volumes in library.

Eugene Bible University, Eugene—organized 1895; Christian or Disciples of Christ; 8 instructors; 129 students, 1913-14; 4500 volumes in library.

Kimball College of Theology, Salem—organized in 1906; Methodist Episcopal; 3 instructors; 24 students, 1913-14; 3000 volumes in library.

Academy of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Albany—organized November, 1886; Roman Catholic; 7 instructors; 125 students, 1913-14; 470 volumes in library.

Columbia University, Portland—organized 1901; Roman Catholic; 15 instructors; 170 students; 5000 volumes in library.

Mc Loughlin Institute, Oregon City—City—281 pupils; 7 instructors.

Mt. Angel Academy, Mt. Angel—organized September 1, 1888; Catholic; 25 instructors; 425 students,

1913-14; 2902 volumes in library. Mount Angel College—Roman Catholic; 25 instructors; 137 students.

Sacred Heart Academy, La Grande—organized September, 1894; Roman Catholic; 5 instructors; 160 students, 1913-14; 600 volumes in library.

Sacred Heart Academy, Salem—organized 1863; Catholic; 11 instructors; 150 students, 1913-14; 800 volumes in library.

St. Boniface School, Sublimity—145 students, 1913-14; 3 instructors.

St. Francis College and Academy, Baker—organized August 24, 1885; Roman Catholic, 10 instructors; 200 students, 1913-14; 600 volumes in library.

St. Joseph Academy, Pendleton—organized 1887; 10 instructors; 156 students; 950 volumes in library.

St. Mary's Academy, Medford—125 students, 1913-14; 3 instructors.

St. Mary's Academy and College Portland—organized 1859 as an academy, and in 1893 as a college; Catholic; 27 instructors; 374 students, 1913-14; 8000 volumes in library.

St. Mary's Academy, The Dalles—143 students, 1913-14 7 instructors.

St. Mary's Home, Beaverton—145 students, 1913-14; 4 instructors.

St. Paul's Academy, St. Paul—organized in 1861; Catholic; 6 instructors, 105 students, 1913-14.

## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that certificate of completion of contract of E. J. Mills & Co. and C. U. Enstrom for construction of Keystone Road, and of contract of E. J. Mills for construction of Beaver Creek Road, and Rock Creek Road at Kountz Webster Hill, has been filed in my office. Protests against acceptance of said contracts must be filed within two weeks of first date of publication hereof.

H. E. LaBARE,  
County Clerk.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Martin White Wednesday, November 12.

## BANK REPORT.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF No. 18.

The Columbia County Bank at St. Helens in the State of Oregon, at the close of business October 31, 1914.

### RESOURCES

Loans and discounts ..... \$150,704.06  
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured ..... 116.16  
Bonds and warrants ..... 82,646.45  
Stocks and other securities ..... 321.50  
Banking house ..... 17,030.00  
Furniture and Fixtures ..... 2,700.00  
Other real estate owned ..... 4,453.41  
Due from banks (not reserve banks) ..... 100.00  
Due from approved reserve banks ..... 72,434.16  
Cash on hand ..... 13,905.29

Total ..... \$344,411.63

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in ..... \$ 50,000.00  
Surplus fund ..... 10,000.00  
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid ..... 3,236.99  
Postal savings bank deposits ..... 10,586.18  
Individual deposits subject to check ..... 208,727.91  
Demand certificates of deposit ..... 6,306.33  
Certified checks ..... 17.00  
Cashier checks outstanding ..... 204.03  
Time certificates of deposit ..... 3,841.14  
Savings deposits ..... 51,491.45

Total ..... \$344,411.63

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Columbia.

I, A. L. Stone, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. L. STONE,  
Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of November, 1914.

J. W. DAY,  
Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

W. M. ROSS  
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