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THE ELECTION.

Tuesday the people of the United States presented in very pronounced terms their endorsement of the administration of the republican party, and their condemnation of the policies advocated by the democratic party. All the states classed as doubtful by the democratic managers went overwhelmingly republican, and the old line states increased their majorities. Even the solid South gave signs of wavering, and there was a threat of a break in the column by the defection of Tennessee, which was carried for Parker by a greatly reduced majority. The electoral vote of Missouri is claimed for Roosevelt. President Roosevelt is elected to succeed himself by the largest electoral majority given in many years, and likewise by the largest popular majority.

In Arizona the democrats have elected Mark Smith by his old time majority. At this writing the territory is conceded to Smith by 850 majority. Elsewhere will be found the result presented by counties, which is the latest known up to the hour of going to press.

The result in Arizona is an increase in the democratic majority of two years ago, which was then but 477. Four years ago it was more than 1,000. Santa Cruz county has converted a democratic majority of eighteen for the head of the ticket two years ago to a republican majority of seventy-one. The democrats claimed the county by seventy-five.

Upon the county ticket the republicans have been successful in great part. They have elected Fowler, sheriff, Bristol representative, O'Keefe treasurer, Burgoon supervisor, Durfee surveyor, and Noon district attorney. All the democrats have saved out from the wreck are Schuckman supervisor, O'Connor probate judge, and Herold recorder. Having received the highest vote cast for supervisor Burgoon will get the long term and will hold four years.

Upon some of the successful republican candidates the vote is perilously close, as, for instance, Fowler for sheriff who wins by a narrow majority of five and O'Keefe for treasurer, who has but fourteen

majority. With a few soreheaded republicans working against the ticket neither of the gentlemen named could have been elected; and a split in the party such as was threatened for a time would have been fatal to the entire ticket.

During a period of ten years THE OASIS has been counseling and advising harmony among republicans. Where the vote is so close as in Santa Cruz county there is but one way for the party to hope to win, and that is by giving due consideration to all elements having any strength. There can be no crowding out of the band wagon, which has been unfortunately the disposition shown by some republicans in the past. It was manifested early in the work of aligning the party for the campaign just closed. But wiser counsels prevailed, the ticket was framed to give consideration to every element that wanted recognition, and the management of the campaign was put into the hands of one of the most thorough organizers and accomplished political managers in Arizona, Doctor Ray Ferguson, who was aided and supported by an executive committee consisting of republicans of experience and unswerving fealty. And their work was supplemented by work of scores of others. Never was there a more energetic, effective and harmonious organization. Each man was a worker and all contributed to his utmost to the glorious result attained.

Nor should this congratulatory article be closed without recognition of the good work done by many earnest democrats who united to work against gang rule, and assisted in winning the victory for careful and economical government in Santa Cruz county. Many different influences contributed to the gratifying result, without one of which the fight would have been lost. No one can claim all the victory, but many can lay claim to having been pivotal points.

The Fowler Club, Mr. John T. Brickwood president, also accomplished excellent service, and are deserving special mention, while the Fowler Glee Club, with their campaign songs were a host in themselves.

And to Doctor Ferguson, chairman of the republican county committee the greatest credit should be given. He has shown himself a superb organizer and masterly manager. His equal would be hard to find anywhere.

A LAME AND IMPOTENT CONCLUSION.

Last Saturday the *Daily Effort* presented a communication from the secretary of the Nogales Water Company, Mr. R. D. George, setting forth the company's new sources of water supply and its constant effort to meet requirements and demands of the public. Editorially the *Effort* plaintively approved of the communication, and mildly promised to offer a few suggestions in another issue.

And that is the end and conclusion of all the fierce onslaught by the *Effort* upon the Nogales Water Company, and upon the *Vidette* and THE OASIS, with its fierce advocacy of a municipal water works.

What the cause of this sudden change? Why abandonment of the ferocity leveled at the Water Company in the columns of the *Daily Effort*? Why abandonment of the strongly advocated issue of bonds for a municipal water works? Has Buttinski concluded to "stand in with corporations?" Has he found too great the obstacles to be overcome before such a system could be adopted? THE OASIS has not yet begun to enumerate the many obstacles. (Yet in time they might be all overcome). Has he found that when he caught up a poker to belabor THE OASIS that he caught hold of the hot end? Or has the water company "seen him?" All these are pertinent inquiries. And what a lame and impotent conclusion.

THE democratic combine which has mismanaged Santa Cruz county so long was terribly jarred on Tuesday. Two years hence the remaining remnant will be swept off from the face of the earth.

THE people of the United States would not listen to the democratic proposition to scuttle out of the Philippines. No party advocating such a policy can ever succeed in the United States.

ALTHOUGH he went down in defeat himself R. H. Clarke carried the ticket to success. The straight republican votes himself and sons worked all day to get into the ballot box were what did it.

THE question now is: "How many of the alleged "doubtful" states were really doubtful?"

For the first time in ten years republicans in Nogales stopped fighting one another and fought the common enemy. Behold the result.

THE people of the United States have conclusively shown that they will not permit the flag to be hauled down in the Philippines.

ONE of these days the "safe and sane democracy" will come over to republicanism, and then the country will be unanimous.

LIKE Mercutio's wound Fowler's majority for sheriff "is not as deep as a well, nor as wide as a barn door; but it will suffice."

THE blame is all laid to the Fowler Glee Club. They simply sang the voters into voting the straight republican ticket.

TUESDAY wasn't much of a day for republicans in Santa Cruz county, was it?

COME to think it over the way Fred Noon distanced Duffy was a paralyzer.

SAY! But what a splendid job of work Fred Noon did for the straight republican ticket at Tubac!

HAD Con O'Keefe been running for office in an automobile his speed could not have been greater.

AND Delos Durfee got there with both feet.

Oh! My!! Wasn't it a landslide?

WHILE the vote given Nace Burgoon was an astonisher.

BUT how Doctor Bristol did run!

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