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Political Pot Simmering in State; Need for More Office Room Seen

Salmon--The political pot is beginning to boil. Two candidates have come out into the open with definite announcements of their intentions and further developments are expected to follow soon.

Turner, Dallas school superintendent, is out for the democratic nomination for congress from the first Oregon district, and Sam Brown, Gervais farmer, has thrown his hat into the republican arena as a candidate for governor.

Turner, who has had many years experience as a school man in Oregon and who served for a time as state superintendent of public instruction, is expected to find opposition in the primary race in the person of John H. Goss, Coos county senator, who has it known that he also has his eye on the Washington job now filled by Jim Mott of Salem.

Offers himself as a candidate of the "common people" and plans a hitch hiking campaign of the state without cost to the taxpayers. The Marlon county senator, who two years ago was one of the administration's most staunch supporters, is now an out-and-out anti-Meterite and insists that the present executive has shown a complete disregard for his pre-campaign promises to the people of the state.

Joe E. Dunne, retired senator from Multnomah and Columbia counties, while in Salem on business this week let it be known that he was seriously considering the gubernatorial plunge, and it was very apparent that all Joe needs is a little more encouragement. Reports also persist that Senator W. E. Burke of Yamhill county, and Senator Charles Spaulding of Marion county still desire to come in, while Governor Meier continues to play a waiting game with nothing to indicate his intentions except, perhaps, an increased interest in state affairs during the past few weeks.

In the democratic camp Bert E. Haney remains in a receptive mood while efforts are being made also to persuade either Congressman Martin or H. B. Vanduzer to now accept the scalps in favor of the party standard in the approaching campaign. Martin is understood to personally prefer political life at Washington to that at the state capital, but other considerations may eventually tip the scales in favor of the gubernatorial race, according to the political wisecracks.

Eighth Grade Class Passed

Mid-year class of 23 members from the local junior high school entered the Hillsboro union high school Monday morning, according to C. H. Nosler, superintendent. Annual banquet for the graduating class was held at the school Friday evening.

Members of the mid-year class are Raymond Traugler, Dorothy Barr, Marcella Allen, Alma Edinger, Ethel Harty, Evelyn Cruzen, Elvick Dickson, Arthur Iwasaki, Doris Weber, Violet Loomer, Dolores McPherson, Bernice Logan, Henry Beglinger, Harold Davis, Grace Bowman, Inez Crocker, Earl Webb, Robert Sutherland, Carl Christensen, Evan West, Dorothy Fox, Clinton W. P. and Carl Reany.

Decorations for the banquet were of a mardi gras nature. Clinton Mercer was toastmaster. Elvick Dickson, student body president for the first half of the year, spoke in behalf of the graduating class and Superintendent Nosler responded. Class will be read by Marcella Allen and class prophecy by Alma Edinger. A short skit was given by Elvick Dickson, Dorothy Barr, Carl Reany, Evan West and Arthur Iwasaki.

Verina Dillon, Tosh T. Sawa, Alia McGowan and Beulah Shattuck from the class below acted as waitresses at the banquet attended by the faculty and members of the graduating class.

Information on Sales Tax Bill Prepared for Voters by Kraus

Benefits to be derived by taxpayers in the various county school districts through the proposed sales tax for school relief and information concerning the measure have been tabulated by O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent, and reprinted here for the study of voters. Information for the following explanation and facts were obtained from records of the county school superintendent.

"Three-fourths of the net revenue, estimated at three million dollars for the entire state and about \$101,000 for Washington county, will be apportioned to the various districts on the estimated basis of \$400 per class-room unit; that is, in most districts it will be \$400 per teacher actually employed," stated Kraus. "This income to the districts would be a direct off-set on the special district school tax. Since the estimated revenue is given as \$101,000 for the county, and since the assessed valuation is about \$24,000,000, the average reduction per district would be about 4.3 mills. Naturally, the millage reduction will vary from district to district, depending entirely upon the assessed valuation of the district. This ranges from a fraction of a mill to as much as seven or eight mills in others."

"On this basis, union high schools in the county will receive about \$10,500 and the non-high school district about \$8500. The remainder, or about \$82,000, would go to the elementary schools."

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Grange Backs State Attack On Sales Tax

County Pomona to Support Action State Officers Opposing Measure

Interest Cut Asked

Solons Address Session at Scholls Hall Wednesday

Resolution supporting state grange officers in their opposition to the sales tax passed by the recent state legislature for the relief of schools was adopted Wednesday by the Washington County Pomona Grange. Approximately 200 persons attended the all-day session at the Scholls Grange hall.

Action giving support to opposition of state officers to the sales tax was presented by the Kinton Grange and adopted by the Pomona Grange. A request that congress reduce the interest on farm loans was included in another resolution ratified by the group.

Slash in Legislature Asked

Other resolutions passed included a proposal that a reduction be made in the number of members in the state legislature, recommending that the state grange enter into a contract, as has the Washington state grange, with the oil companies to allow gas to be sold at a rate to obtain gasoline at the same rate as Washington members, and asking for co-operation in the elimination of crop pests and for adjustments between producers and consumers.

Senators Arthur Ireland of Washington county and Peter Zimmerman of Yamhill county, and Henry O'Leary of Columbia county spoke during the afternoon session. William F. Cyrus, county agent, discussed weed eradication and the growing of grasses and seeds in the county.

Her Claude Sabn of Forest Grove spoke on "Travel and Present Times," and was followed by W. W. Jaquith of the Scholls Grange, who outlined the history of that organization. He stated that the Scholls group had been organized in 1903 with 38 members. A. B. Flint was the first master. A vocal solo was presented by Bert Rowell between the talks.

A class of seven members was admitted to the fifth degree of the order.

Wrestlers to Be in Action

Series of Smokers Planned by Newly Formed Club

First of a series of wrestling matches will be held here tonight (Thursday) by the Hillsboro Athletic club in the garage building next door to the Hillsboro Motor company. Harry Kent, former Hillsboro high school and Oregon State college football star, is the club organizer and has moved here from Portland with his family.

Tonight's smoker will include three main events. Harry Demetrius of Chicago will meet Jack Kogut of Montreal, Rocky Brooks of Victoria, B. C., battles Bob Stone of Chicago, and Howard Cantonwine of Iowa will show his prowess against Harry Kent, Cantonwine, who has wrestled main events in all sections of the country, is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Meek of near North Plains.

V. F. W. Holds Rally Here Tuesday Night

Veterans of Foreign Wars held a rally at the Odd Fellows' hall Tuesday evening. Speakers were Mrs. Marty Conley of Salem, senior vice-president, and state chairman of the membership committee of the auxiliary, Harry Reed of Portland, department commander of the U. S. W. V. of Oregon, J. C. Cain of Portland, past commander and present service officer of U. S. W. V. John Vogel of Portland, service officer of the Y. P. W., and Byron Garrett of Portland, past department commander and present editor of the V. F. W. Kevelie.

Entertainment for the evening included a parade led by the Coote drum corps of Portland, and musical numbers by Miss Lavelle Jackson, Miss Kitty Caldwell, Miss Mary Caldwell, Miss Nellie Shrank of Portland, Morris Dean, and Verner J. Libell, V. F. W. state adjutant. After a reception dancing was enjoyed.

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Washington county, will be deducted from the county school fund levy. This means about one mill less in the county school fund levy. In other words, the county school levy will be reduced from four mills to three mills. This also will be an off-set on property tax.

"In addition to the above reductions, there will be a reduction of an average of slightly over one mill in the tax levy of the union high schools of the county, due to the \$400 per teacher received by the union high schools."

"In the non-high school district there will be a reduction of 9 mill, due to an off-set of about \$8500 on the levy of said district."

"To determine the total tax levy reduction on any given piece of property, add the local district reduction in mills to the one-mill reduction in the county school fund levy. That add the reduction of one mill if the property is in a union high school district or 9 mill if the property is in the non-high school district. For example, a piece of property in the Oregon district No. 38. Local district reduction is 3.2 mills. Add to that one mill for county school fund reduction and 1.1 mills for union high school reduction (total high school No. 3). Total tax reduction is 5.3 mills. Another example: North Plains district No. 70 has a reduction of 6.7 mills in local school levy plus one mill for county school levy plus 9 mill for non-high school levy, a total reduction of 8.6 mills, all as

Hillhoppers To Meet Tigard Here on Friday

Breaking even in basketball games with Beaverton and Tillamook on the home court last week, Hillhoppers, defending county champions, are laying plans to turn back the invasion of Tigard Friday night. Hillsboro trounced Beaverton 26 to 11 last Friday night and then held the interest on farm loans at four attempts.

Making a fast start, Hillhoppers led 14 to 6 lead over the Beaverton quintet at half time. Continuing the hot pace in the second period, the locals scored 12 points and held the visitors to two baskets and a foul shot.

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R. F. Peters Enters Race Local Bench

Hillsboro Attorney Aspires to Place Now Occupied by Judge Bagley

Native of County

Candidate Active in Local Affairs Many Years

Announcement was made this week by R. Frank Peters, Hillsboro attorney, that he would be a candidate for circuit judge to succeed Judge George R. Bagley, who is in the running for the state supreme court. Judicial positions are now on a non-partisan basis and the vote is held in connection with the regular primaries in May.

In Judicial Race

Mr. Peters is a native of this county, having been born on a farm west of Hillsboro August 6, 1893, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Peters. His parents came here in 1881 to run the Conell farm adjoining Hillsboro on the west and which now comprises a part of the residential section of the city. Frank worked on the farm while attending Hillsboro schools and Tualatin academy and on his father's death in 1905 operated the place for three years.

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Arthur Japel was acquitted on a charge of driving while intoxicated by a jury verdict returned last Thursday. Jurors serving in the trial were William J. McCready, P. W. Shearer, Oscar Pfahl, Graham Young, Harry J. Maller, Charles H. VanKlee, Earl E. Fisher, Henry T. Hesse, Glenn Ritchey, John Sheelar, C. D. Minton and Newton C. Shipley. The case opened in the circuit court Thursday.

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Unpaid Tax Total High

Uncollected taxes in Washington county as of last November aggregated \$960,896.56, according to figures compiled by the state tax commission. This is within \$6000 of the total levy for all purposes last year. Of the delinquency tax total, \$463,859.84 remains unpaid on the 1931 roll, \$208,522.43 on the 1931 roll, \$151,775.61 on the 1930 roll and \$136,698.68 on 1929 and prior rolls. The delinquency on the 1932 roll alone at that time amounted to \$18,379,999 or 43.77 per cent of the total. Unpaid taxes on the 1931 roll amounted to \$12,908,903 on the 1930 roll, \$7,724,599 and on the 1929 and prior rolls, \$7,792,562.

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