

WEATHER FORECAST

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The Evening News

ROSEBURG, DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1911.

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NEUMER OUT FOR SENATOR

Will be Candidate at Primary Election.

GEO. BROWN FOR DISTRICT ATTY.

Representative J. A. Buchanan Also a Probable Candidate For Senator—Abraham Refuses To Talk.

With the primary election scheduled to occur in April, the several candidates seeking senatorial honors are already commencing to lay their fences preparatory to engaging in what will probably terminate one of the most spirited political contests ever to attract the attention of the voters of Douglas county.

When interviewed this morning relative to his future political aspirations, Representative George Neumer said: "I will be a candidate for the republican nomination for state senator from Douglas county at the coming primary election. I have as yet not given consideration as to what my platform and policies will be other than I believe in and will accept Statement No. 1, as it is written on our statute books, without qualifications."

"With regard to the initiative, referendum, recall, etc., I can only say that these measures were overwhelmingly adopted by the people of the state of Oregon and are now laws of this state, and until they have been given a fair and impartial trial, no individual should condemn them."

Mr. Neumer is well known throughout Douglas county, and until recently served in the capacity of city attorney of Roseburg. Believing in the consistent enforcement of all laws, he made the city a most efficient officer.

Representative J. A. Buchanan had little to say when interviewed this morning rather than admitting that he would probably be a candidate for state senator from Douglas county. "I do not care to advertise at the present time," said Mr. Buchanan, "but nevertheless, I will probably authorize my announcement in a few days."

Mr. Buchanan is at present joint representative from Douglas and Josephine counties. During the last session of the legislature he was considered a leader in the house, and was instrumental in passing numerous laws of vital importance to the people of the counties he represents.

When interviewed this morning, Senator Albert Abraham appeared skeptical and refused to discuss the political situation. "At present I am engaged in my profession as an attorney," said Mr. Abraham, "and consequently have given the senatorial fight little attention."

Should Senator Abraham concede to be a candidate for re-election, the contest will resolve itself into a three cornered fight, and thus render the outcome a problem difficult to solve. All three of the gentlemen have a host of friends, and are fully capable of waging a most interesting campaign.

For District Attorney. Another indication of the boiling of the political pot in this judicial district is the public interest regarding the office of prosecuting at-

MARRIED IN CHICAGO.

A wedding in which one of Roseburg's most accomplished young ladies was a principal, occurred at the home of Miss Agnes Brown, a sister of District Attorney George M. Brown, in Chicago, Ill., last evening, when Mrs. Violet Haynes Curry, daughter of Mrs. Caroline Haynes, was united in marriage to Percy Alexander Kerr, an expert accountant with headquarters in Detroit, Mich. The wedding was a quiet affair and was attended by a few intimate friends of the contracting parties. The bride is a native Douglas county girl, and is a daughter of the late George Haynes, a pioneer merchant of Roseburg. She is also a grand-daughter of the late General Joseph Lane, the first territorial governor of Oregon, and a niece of Dr. Harry Lane, of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr will make their home in Detroit, where the groom has been engaged in business for several years. The news of the wedding was received by the bride's mother this morning.

torney, being held by George M. Brown, who had concluded to retire from his exacting labors. As this became known it brought forth numerous protests from all over the district, and last night it was practically conceded that Mr. Brown had consented to become a candidate for reelection.

As yet no other person has ventured out in opposition to the present district attorney, whose strength throughout the district is considered unyielding.

Primaries in April.

Under the present laws, the primary election will be held next April, followed by the general election in November.

A NIGHT IN ELKDOM.

Roaring Meeting of the Local Order Was Held Last Evening.

Those Elks who were so unfortunate to have a previous engagement, making it impossible for them to be present at the "stag social" last evening, missed one of the most enjoyable events in the history of Elkdom. The gathering was a veritable jollification meeting, all the good humor and get-together spirit so conspicuous with the members on occasions of this nature flowed as freely as the waters of the North Unqupa and were just as sparkling. Among the amusing features of the evening was a "Kangaroo court," presided over by a "relax" of judges—a solitary legal light being unable to cope with the large number of "suspects" who were "rounded up" by the "court" officer. Many and varied were the charges preferred against the brothers and in each instance they were "called on the carpet," given a fine equal to the crime committed—with no chances at their command for an appeal.

The "inner man" was cared for in a very becoming manner by a delicious lunch—with other "delicacies" to make the heart light and the mind clear and bright. It was a continuous "performance" without an unpleasant interruption to mar the festivities of the evening and enjoyed by the large number of Elks present.

The little five-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Weinstein underwent an operation at Mercy hospital this morning. Dr. Seely was the attending physician.

ROSEBURG-COOS BAY PUBLICITY WORK

Railroad To Be Constructed At Once-- Contracts For Grade Let.

PACIFIC COAST CONSTRUCTION CO.

Behind The Move—Route Outlined Is From Myrtle Point To Roseburg By Way Of Camas Valley—One Per Cent Grade Has Been Secured.

That the Roseburg-Coos Bay Railroad will be built at once is the statement made to The Evening News late today by a gentleman who just arrived in the city from Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., where he was employed by a construction company to operate a steam shovel. We are not at liberty to divulge the name of the gentleman, but The News assures its readers that the information is correct. The firm is the Pacific Coast Construction Company, having headquarters in Seattle. They have at present a large amount of construction equipment at Ellensburg, Wash. A division point on the Northern Pacific, and among the machines that will be shipped at once to Coquille is an immense 50-ton steam shovel, which will be landed at Myrtle Point and placed in operation on the grade. Our informant states that repairs for the shovel have been undertaken, and as soon as the machine is in shape for active work, which will be only a few days, it will be started for the new field. Operators for the shovel have secured their contracts from the construction firm, and besides this expense money has been placed in hands of engineers for inspecting a landing place for the shovel at Myrtle Point, who have instructions to find an available place for taking the monster machine from the barge at or near that city.

Speaking of the grade, the gentleman said it was much better than was at first anticipated, being only slightly over one per cent. The Pacific Coast Construction Company have contracts for the grade eastward from Myrtle Point and profiles of the work, showing earth to be moved and fills to be made were exhibited to the engineer giving out this information, who states that the work in hand as demonstrated by the profile and estimates extends eastward from Myrtle Point to Canas Mountain, a distance of 20 miles from Roseburg. The contracts with which he is identified take in that part of the grade from the Coos-Douglas county line to the Coquille river. The gentleman interviewed said that there was no possible doubt of the work being undertaken at once and prosecuted to completion, and that the Pacific Coast Construction Company has a splendid equipment for the business in hand. While not in a position to say who was backing the deal, he is satisfied that the finances are well in hand, because such companies as the one engaged in the making of the grade do not undertake such gigantic enterprises unless everything is on a sound business basis, and that doubtless the press would be apprised of all details in connection with the proposed road within a few days at most.

Eastern People Steadily Enquiring About Roseburg.

LETTERS FROM FOREIGN LANDS

If This Important Work Is Continued Arrangements Must Be Made At Once To Provide for Expense.

During the month of November, 1911, the publicity department of the commercial club mailed out 756 pieces of mail, which is about half the number of pieces sent out during the lightest month previously; less than one-seventh of what has been sent out during certain months.

This literature was sent to 35 states, Canada, the Canal Zone and the Philippine Islands. As has been the case for some time, the three states, California, Oregon and Washington, sent in the greatest number of inquiries, the largest number coming from any one state being Washington. A larger number of inquiries than usual were received from Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas, with a much smaller number than usual from the Northern Mississippi Valley states. Not one single inquiry was received from the state of Indiana the past month, although Indiana is generally well represented in the list.

There were 15 callers, from eight different states, making inquiries during the last month.

An analysis of the inquiries shows that 22 per cent of them were interested in general farming lands, 29 per cent made general inquiries, 14 per cent were interested in fruit, 9 per cent in homesteads, 6 per cent in poultry, 4 per cent in dairying, 4 per cent in stock and 1 per cent in truck and timber. The inquiries made inquiry as to the status of the government suit against the Oregon-California Railroad Company, 7 asked for maps and 8 for copies of the local papers. Two wished to rent farms for a year, desiring to become acquainted with the country before they made a permanent investment. Seven people asked for clerical positions, 9 will accept work of any kind, and 21 asked what opportunities there were for business openings. Practically all who inquired relative to business openings are men of ordinary capital, or are seeking locations for business that are fairly well represented in the city.

We are frequently asked for copies of the homestead laws, and one inquirer wished a copy of the game laws of Oregon.

Mention has been made of the request sent by the gentleman from Illinois who has \$20,000 to invest in this country, and wants an Oregon girl to share it with him.

The majority of questions asked, however, indicate that they are asked by people of excellent judgment, who are making careful investigation of various localities before determining on a permanent location. A question frequently asked is relative to the tax levy. Frequent inquiries are made relative to the roads in the county. The most prominent feature of the inquiries, however, is relative to the climate. When the actual climatic conditions of the Unqupa Valley are generally known, without question it will be one of the most densely settled valleys of the West.

It may be proper at this time to call attention to the fact that the publicity list which heretofore has carried on the work expiring with this month's payment. If the work is to be continued during the coming year a larger subscription than is now made will be necessary. The Oregon Development League, through its main office in Portland, inquires as to the amount of money contributed by each community for the year's work, and it is very doubtful if the people of Roseburg would be much flattered if it were generally known throughout the state that the subscription list was as small as it is at this writing. Quite a number of Roseburg citizens have promised assistance who have not yet gone on record, but there are a good many more who should voluntarily offer to contribute to the publicity fund during the coming year without waiting to be solicited by the club committee. There is not one successful and growing community in the West that does not have an established publicity fund, and community advertising is conceded to be just as necessary as

commercial advertising is for success along business lines.

ANOTHER ROAD TO THE COAST.

Gerat Western Lets Contracts To Build From Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 7.—Coincident with the filing of a suit for condemnation of more right of way for tunnel purposes at the summit of the Coast Range, it was declared here tonight from the offices of the Pacific-Great Western Railway Company that contracts for the construction of their road from Eugene to the coast have been let to McArthur, Perkins & Co., Ltd., of Chicago and New York, and that work will begin immediately and rushed through to completion.

McArthur, Perkins & Co. have also been awarded the contract by the Pacific Coast Railway Company, an allied line, for the construction of a line from the Stuslaw River to Coos Bay, and it is declared outfits will be strung out along the entire line as soon as the weather will permit.

Sub-Contract Awarded.

The contracts call for the construction of 114 miles of road and the cost of the project will be approximately \$5,000,000, it is said. R. B. Hunt, chief engineer of the Pacific-Great Western, said tonight that construction would be rushed with all possible speed, and that trains would probably be running over the new line within less than two years.

The contract for construction of the tunnel at the summit of the Coast Range has been sub-let to Roylance, Menninger & Dye, who have just finished a contract on the Natron Extension and they will leave here tomorrow with a wagon train of equipment and a crew of 70 men, and begin work immediately on the tunnel, which parallels that of the Southern Pacific Company. Crews will be put to work clearing right of way westward from the tunnel site, it is announced that as soon as the weather permits in the spring 2,500 to 3,000 men will be put to work.

Backers Not Told Public.

Officials of the Pacific-Great Western decline to say whose money is backing the project.

The Pacific-Great Western was incorporated two years ago. I. H. Bingham is president, R. B. Hunt vice-president, and F. M. DeNeff secretary. The company is closely allied with the Pacific Coast line, of which H. A. Sumner is chief engineer.

It has been freely asserted here that the operations of the two companies forced the hand of the Southern Pacific, resulting in the announcement of its Coos Bay line.

Right-of-Way Nearly All Secured.

Ninety per cent of the right of way from Elmira to the coast has already been bought, it is announced, and condemnation suits covering the remainder have been filed. One crew of surveyors is in the field for the Pacific-Great Western and two for the Pacific Coast, finishing the work of permanent location, which will be completed by the first of the year. The line has not yet been located from here to Elmira.

Chief Engineer Hunt said today that his company was making no effort to block the Southern Pacific, but may one day. His sole intention, he said, was to build a road as rapidly as possible. The injunction suit now pending in the Multnomah county courts is merely to protect their priority right, where their survey conflicts with that of the Southern Pacific in crossing the Oregon & California grant.

LOCAL NEWS.

John Alexander, the Glide merchant, spent the day in Roseburg attending to business matters.

E. E. Hills, of Myrtle Creek, spent the day in Roseburg attending to various business interests.

The last will and testament of Marshal D. Thompson, deceased, was admitted to probate today.

Notice of appeal in the supreme court has been filed in the case of F. E. Kincart and John Siren vs. J. L. Shambrook. The case was recently tried in the local circuit court, at which time the plaintiff secured a verdict in the full amount of his claim.

The silver cups to be given as prizes during the coming exhibition of the Douglas County Poultry and Livestock Association, are on display in the show windows of the First Trust & Savings Bank today. The cups are among the finest ever seen in Roseburg, and will no doubt incite a keen interest among those bent on entering their respective displays.

LIFE HISTORY

Lillian Graham Tells of Relations With Stokes.

DENIES STOKES SUPPORTED HER

Millionaire Wanted Affair Suppressed—Rebels Extend Armistice—Two Hundred Killed In Falling Bridge.

(Special to The Evening News.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Lillian Graham, who, with Ethel Conrad, is on trial for shooting Stokes, the millionaire hotel man, testified today of her relations with the man. The girl said that she was born in the state of Washington 23 years ago, and lived in the country until her mother died. Then she went to Los Angeles, and finally to New York with her sister, Mrs. Singleton, and in the latter city she met Stokes. She denied that the hotel man ever supported her. Finally Stokes succeeded in luring her to his stock farm near Lexington, Ky., by writing that other guests would be there. Then at dictation of Stokes she wrote a letter admitting her shame. This was in Lexington, and not in New York, as Stokes alleged. She remained there three days and then re-joined her theatrical company at Memphis. On a later date in New York she alleges that Stokes begged her not to tell of the Lexington affair.

Armistice Announced.

PERKIN, Dec. 8.—Rebels announced an extension of the armistice until December 21, pending negotiations. Revolutionists, however, will not accept any terms except abdication of the emperor and recognition of the republic.

Will Discuss Peace.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 8.—Telegrams were received here today by the foreign committee from Premier Yuan, who declares that he will be glad to meet those delegates in conference to discuss peace terms. It is probable that the meeting place will be selected within a few hours.

Receives Natives.

DELHI, Dec. 8.—King George received the native princes today, who continued to arrive and depart in a living stream of gaudy splendor. The all India memorial, a huge equestrian monument of King Edward, was unveiled by the king this morning. The memorial was presented by British residents and natives.

Russian Bridge Collapses.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 8.—Between 150 and 200 workmen engaged in the construction of a bridge over the Volga River, perished in the ice-caked stream today when the huge structure collapsed.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Dr. H. E. Hermann, the eye specialist, returned yesterday from a business trip to Glendale.

Mrs. Ruth Atkins arrived here from Riddle this afternoon to spend a few days visiting with her friends, Miss Mabel Mahn.

O. H. Mortenson, of Glendale, arrived here this afternoon to spend a couple of days attending to business matters.

J. L. Grimes, until recently a deputy sheriff in the local Southern Pacific yards, today accepted a position as coach cleaner. He assumed his duties this afternoon.

Canyonville Call: A special road tax of 3 mills was voted by the taxpayers of the Canyonville road district No. 43, at the election called for that purpose last Saturday afternoon, December 2. Thirty-one votes were cast, 21 of which were in favor of the special tax and 10 against it.

Just prior to adjournment last evening, the members of the county court appropriated the sum of \$50, which amount will be used in defraying the cost of the premiums to be given away during the annual exhibition of the Douglas County Poultry and Livestock Association, which occurs late in December. The members of the association are highly pleased over the action of the county court, and appreciate their assistance in making the event a grand success.

Coroner N. T. Jewett returned from Glendale last night where he was called to investigate the death of Jos. L. Winchell, who suicided at that city Wednesday. Mr. Jewett says the cause of the man's rash act could not be traced down, his family and business relations were the best and his partner gave out the information that the books, which were kept by the deceased, were straight in every particular. His sudden death was a shock to all the residents of Glendale, none of whom had the remotest idea that he contemplated taking his life. The only possible cause assigned for the man taking his own life was a temporary spell of melancholy, from what cause, no one seems to know.

LOCAL NEWS.

Amos O. Burke, of Tillier, was a business visitor in Roseburg for a few hours today.

John Williams, of Perdue, was a business visitor in Roseburg for a few hours today.

Mrs. William Jackson, of Looking Glass, arrived in Roseburg this afternoon after two weeks spent at Myrtle Creek visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. P. Gerding.

George Cate, who conducts a tuberculosis hospital in the Myrtle Creek vicinity, arrived in town this afternoon to spend a day or two looking after business interests.

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Holiday Suggestions. Suits, Coats, Waists, Dresses, Rain Coats, all splendid new styles at special reduced Holiday prices. Handsome Evening and Party Dresses, the very latest creations, very reasonably priced. Millinery. We still have some beautiful dress hats, as well as tailored and street hats, at special prices. Leather Goods in great variety. Pictures handsomely framed, in splendid assortment Games, Puzzles, Books, Dolls, Christmas Boxes, Neckwear, Novelties, Handbags. Let us show you. THE LEADER

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