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RANDALL AND HENRY BUNCH AT THE TAPE

OFFICIAL CANVASS NEEDED TO DETERMINE OUTCOME OF THE RACE.

DEMOCRATS SELECT AS THEIR JUDGE FRANK PHY

Democrats Have No Particularly Close Races While Republicans Do—Three Votes Separate the Men—Cannon Vote is Surprise—Jones is Pace Maker—Denham Representative.

Democrats had little trouble picking a list of candidates to carry their gonfalon into the November battle yesterday in this county, but Republicans on the other hand, will probably not know the final complexion of their ticket until the official canvass is taken. Frank Phy was named Democratic county judge timber over J. R. Oliver by a comfortable margin, but Judge J. C. Henry is, to all appearances defeated for re-nomination by W. W. Randall. Less than a half-dozen votes separate the two in the unofficial statistics, yet errors that may have crept in could easily change the ticket. Medical Springs, not accounted for, might even nose Henry out. The race was the closest of any in the bunch.

Union county rallied to the support of Withycombe and Smith for governors and gave close attention to the supreme court race. Brown won handily here for attorney general, and Lewis was given a drubbing in favor of the Baker man. Hoff carried a plurality out of this county and Miller leads here for railroad commissioner.

Joint Representative Speedy.

Farmer Jones of Joseph got away with the best start and demonstrated best pair of heels to his adversaries in the running. He left the others far in the rear in this county and carried the North end of Wallowa and ran close in the more densely populated districts. He goes out of this county with a majority over all.

Lewis Denham, the Elgin attorney, passed W. B. Sargent for county representative in a close race. Sargent carried his home city, though he lost one precinct here and swapped by taking one of Elgin's precincts.

Details of the returns can be ferreted out of the tabulations in this issue. The surprise in the local Democratic circles was the downfall of Cannon for national committeeman.

Progressives polled but a small vote, and not until the official canvass will be the Bull Moose vote be known in this county. Gill and McMahon ran closely so far as reported in.

J. P. Graham won handily for county coroner over J. M. Hills, and I. W. Faulk will probably be renominated constable over C. W. P. Ellsworth when the final returns come in.

Many candidates for county and district offices rested on their oars without worry and didn't even come near the statistical bureau last night—sleep was dearer to them, for their was nothing to worry about.

Figures compiled by the Observer in yesterday's primary, deal only with such offices as were contested. However, practically all of those running unopposed polled the full party strength. In many precincts the vote of George Cochran, candidate for water superintendent are incomplete, yet his total votes runs high. Judge Knowles and Ed Wright polled the highest party vote. The party vote as cast for Republican candidates should, and probably does, represent the number of Republican votes cast. In this county 1266, plus the Starkey and Medical Springs vote, was the vote cast. On the same basis the Democrats polled 1,009, making a total of 2,275, out of a total registration for the county of 4,412. J. D. Slater registered the full Democratic strength.

The officers who were nominated without opposition are listed elsewhere in this issue.

Consul Reported Safe.

Washington, May 16.—The Brazilian minister at Mexico City notified Bryan that John Stillman, consul at Saltillo is safe and due in the capital today. The minister expressed the opinion, that Stillman's delay was caused by the destruction of the railroad between Saltillo and Mexico City.

Hug Excels As Vote Expander

FOUR REPUBLICANS GIVE HIM SEVEN VOTES

COUNT REPORTED GOOD

Local Woman Spends Whole Night Over Registers, Feeling Fine.

August Hug carries a new distinction in vote getting. There were four votes cast on the Republican ticket at Kamela yesterday, yet Sheriff Hug obtained seven, so ambitious were his friends to get him votes. Women admirers there wrote in his name, even though it appeared regularly on the ballot, and the women members of the board are said to have permitted the additions to stand. For "running ahead of his party in a primary" Mr. Hug stands alone.

Mrs. N. C. Newton, the lone woman on the board in No. 2, this city, exhibited remarkable staying qualities. No. 2 had more than twice as many votes to count as any precinct in the city and even though under full steam ahead until 6:30 this morning, Mrs. Newton stayed with the ship and clerks.

Howard Davis and J. K. Wright confessed this morning that they were well spent while Mrs. Newton left the polling place in tip top condition.

Martin Funeral Held

Cove, May 16.—(Special)—The funeral of the late G. M. Martin who died in Baker, Sunday May 10, was conducted by the Rev. Macleod of Portland, at the Martin Home in Cove on Tuesday, May 12th. Interment was in the Cove cemetery.

Mrs. Martin and family wish to thank their many friends for their kindness shown them in the great affliction that came as the result of the death of her husband and father.

BENNETT AND SMITH STAND UNCERTAINLY

DOCTOR DECLARED TO HAVE THE FAVOR MARGIN LEANING HIS WAY TODAY.

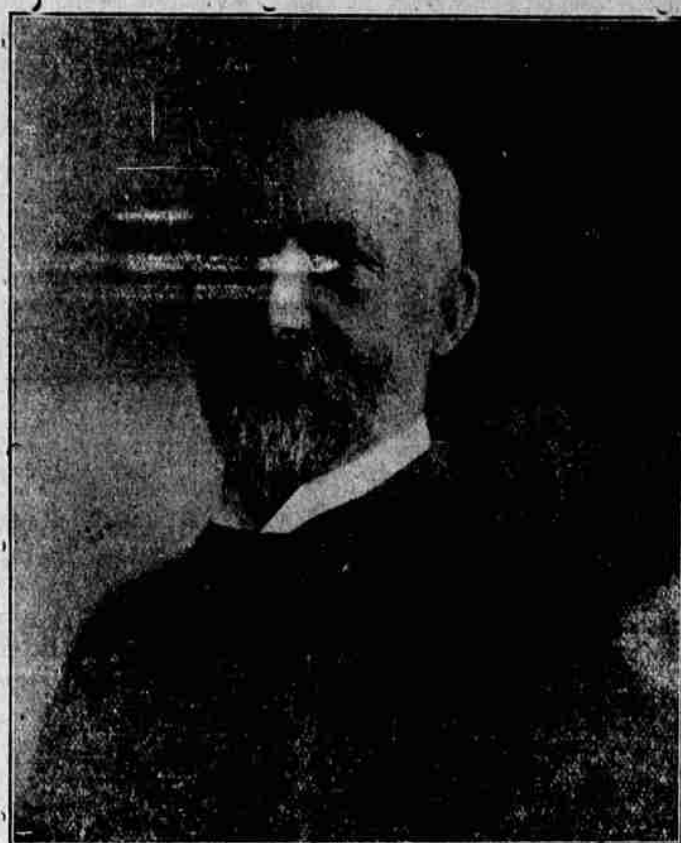
MANNING IS BUT A POOR THIRD IN RACE

Easterly Has Nosed Out Over Opponent for Committeeman Indicate Late Returns—Much Difficulty in Obtaining Results—Bennett is Not Eliminated from Contest.

Portland, May 16.—Incomplete returns from all but four counties seem to indicate that Smith will be nominated over Bennett. The race is exceedingly close. Smith's apparent lead at 2:30 this afternoon was about 200 but there is a possibility this will be overcome by late returns from Marion and Lane counties where Bennett is strong. Smith carried Multnomah county by the small margin of 600.

Portland, May 16.—So close is the contest between Dr. Smith and Judge Bennett for the Democratic nomination for governor that even the Journal this afternoon admits Smith is not safe. The margin of favor leans toward Smith. John Manning of Portland is a poor third, with Miller and

JAMES WITHYCOMBE APPARENT REPUBLICAN CHOICE FOR GOVERNOR, GIVEN FLATTERING COUNTRY VOTE.



Cobb trailing far in the rear. Smith carried Multnomah county by a good figure but with results from the country delayed, the results may be change at any time. Other democrats nominated are: : : Easterly for committeeman, A. F. Elegal for Congress, Galloway and Ramsey for supreme judges and Jeffrey for attorney general.

WITHYCOMBE LEADS MOSER IN THE STATE

BENSON SEEMS TO BE ELIMINATED FOR THE SUPREME BENCH JOB.

LAFFERTY IS DOWNED BY PAT M'ARTHUR, SURE

Late Returns Show Moser Has Carried Multnomah County but Rural Districts Rally to Support of Former Educator—Hoff Chosen to Old Office—Williams is Committeeman

Portland, May 16.—James Withycombe of Corvallis has a comfortable lead for the state Republican gubernatorial nomination. Returns, coming in distressingly slow, give him good pluralities, although Gus Moser carried Multnomah county. The general impression in there is nothing for Withycombe to fear as country votes rally to him and they, principally, are unaccounted for.

Lafferty is beaten.

Other Republican nominations Republican Committeeman, Ralph Williams; Congressmen; first district, W. C. Hawley; Second district, N. J. Sinnott; third district, Pat McArthur.

Benson seems lost.

The supreme court nominations appear to be McBride, Bean, Cleaton, McNary. Later returns may let Benton in over McNary. Labor commissioner, Hoff; Railroad commissioner, Miller.

One hundred and forty-five Democratic precincts in Multnomah county give Bennett 1098, Manning 1034, Smith 1275. One hundred precincts in Multnomah county give Moser 2185, Withycombe, 877.

More Land Available.

The local land office received another communication from the general land office, setting aside for entry under the enlarged homestead act another parcel of land consisting of about 60,000 acres.

The land lies in Wallowa, Grant, Umatilla and Baker counties and is semi arid. It will be subject to entry June 1st, 1914 insofar as it is vacant, public, not timbered and non-mineral. A goodly portion of this land has been settled before, but under the new act those who have a quarter section may increase their holdings by filing on another quarter, thereby making their entire holdings, 320 acres. This may be done providing they have an entry upon which they have not made final proof. If a person holding 160 acres of land on which he has not made final proof, files on 160 acres more, he can make final proof on the whole when the time for making final proof on the first entry arrives.

Business at the land office for the month of April has been brisk, judging by the figures given out this morning by the office. According to the report which the office is obliged to send in to the general office, 182 homesteads were filed on during the past month, two desert applications were made, 4 timber and stone applications were filed, 12 public sales of isolated land and other tracts were held, 51 leaves of absence were granted, 25 homestead proofs were made, 15 were allowed, and 28 proofs were set and published.

This work and additional inquiries necessitated the answering of 502 letters of inquiry, and the writing of 1204 letters of all descriptions. Thirteen new contests were filed and three were decided. The number of public acres of land now in the possession of homesteaders for the month of April is 27,122. The revenue which came to the office through these transactions was \$4,719.15.

UNION VOTE IS NEAR COMPLETE

TWO MINOR PRECINCTS MISSING IN FIRST TABLE.

Starkey and Medical Springs Not Listed in Appended Statistics.

Less than a score of votes remain unaccounted for in the appended table of votes cast for various candidates in this county yesterday. In the instance of the Henry-Randall race, there are only eight lacking of the final unofficial count. Big Creek, or Medical Springs, with eight votes, is minus in all counts, and except for Republican county judge, Starkey is missing in the following unofficial table, with 27 precincts complete:

National Committeeman.

Republican—Chas Ackerman Mult. 492
R. E. Williams, Mult. 526
Majority for Williams..... 34

Democrat—W. H. Cannon, Jackson. 252
H. M. Easterly, Mult. 529
Majority for Easterly..... 277

Progressive—Henry W. Coe, Mult. (unopposed).
United States Senator.

Republican—R. A. Booth, Lane. (unopposed)

Democrat—Geo. Chamberlain, Mult. (unopposed).

Progressive—Will Hanley, Harney. (unopposed).
United States Representative.

Republican—N. J. Sinnott, Wasco. (unopposed).
Governor.

Republican—Geo. C. Brownell, Clackamas... 41
Will A. Carter, Mult. 54
A. M. Crawford, Douglass... 113

Grant B. Dimick, Clackamas... 68
T. T. Geer, Mult. 118
Chas. A. Johns, Mult. 152

Gus C. Moser, Mult. 199
James Withycombe, Benton... 319
Plurality for Withycombe... 520

Democrat—A. S. Bennett, Wasco..... 353
J. A. Cobb, Mult. 34
John Manning, Mult. 57

Robt. A. Miller, Mult. 20
C. J. Smith, Mult. 545
Plurality for Smith 192

Progressive—F. M. Gill, Wasco..... 14
L. H. McMahan, Marion..... 9
Majority for Gill 5

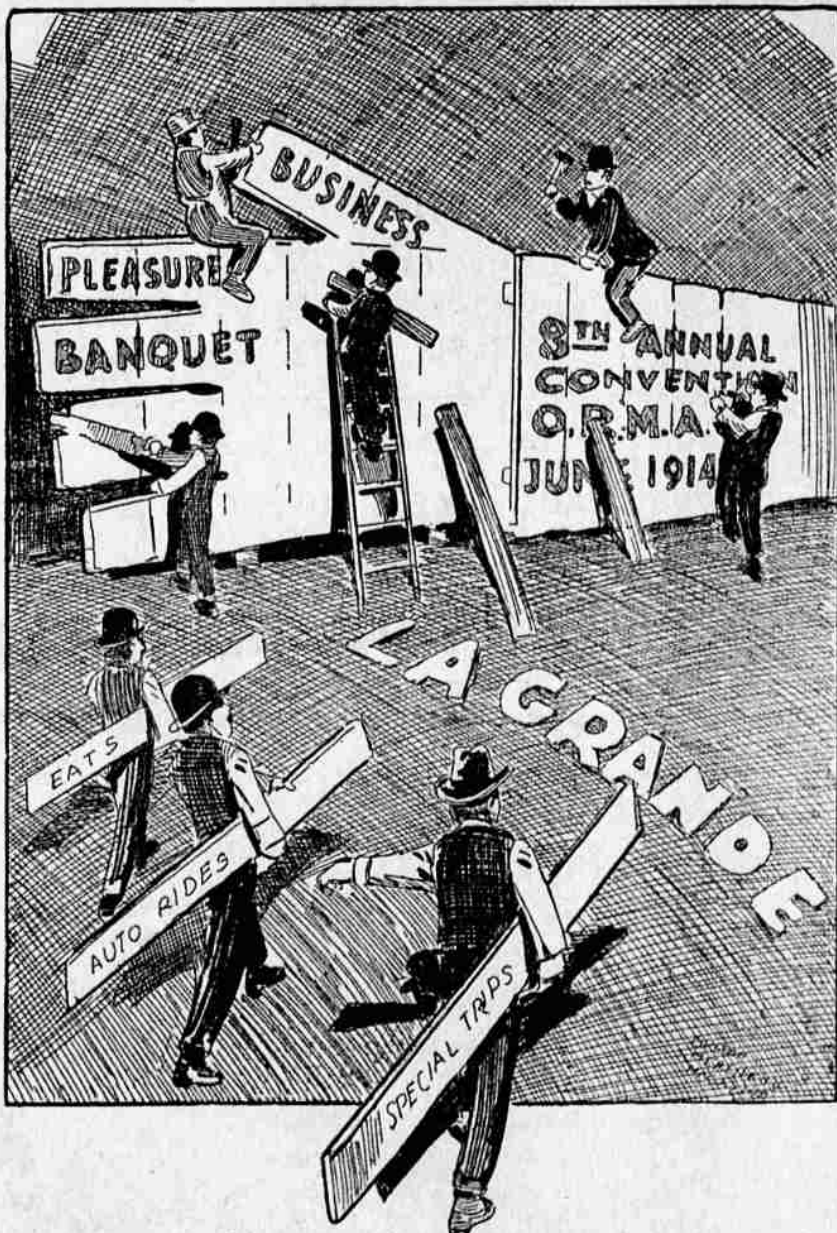
State Treasurer.

Republican—Thos B. Kay, Marion. (unopposed).
Supreme Court.

Republican—Henry J. Bean, Umatilla..... 677
Henry L. Benson, Klamath.... 404
T. J. Cleaton, Mult. 380

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LA GRANDE PAVES FUN PATH FOR OREGON MERCHANTS NEXT MONTH



The entertainment committee of the Merchants Association of La Grande has just perfected arrangements for a monster wild west show to be given here during the meeting

of the State Retail Merchants Association. Twenty events have been arranged for and will make the 24th of June one of the biggest showdays in the history of the city. Relay teams,

hucking contests, chariot races, roping, bulldozing, a drunken ride, together with other entertainment features are calculated to give the visitors a good impression of the virile spirit of the valley.