

UMATILLA IS BEHIND CROWE

HUNTER SCOUTS RABIES ALARM

WARM ENDORSEMENT BEEN
GIVEN LA GRANDE MAN

C. K. Cranston of Umatilla County
Supported for Game Warden.

That there is greater likelihood than ever that S. D. Crowe of this city will gain appointment to the fish and game commission, is seen in the action taken at Pendleton by sportsmen regarding Mr. Crowe's candidacy. Umatilla county had two men running for the office, but since Mr. Crowe's candidacy became known, the factions in Umatilla county have united on Mr. Crowe of this city. However, Umatilla county, will, as intimated in Saturday's Observer, send C. K. Cranston, a familiar face in the fish and game circles, into the field as game warden candidate.

Cranston's extensive experience with fish and game and his thorough knowledge of fish and game birds fit him remarkably well for the post and a man in the state, local sportsmen believe, have better preparation. Two years ago Cranston spoke to sportsmen of this city, and those who heard him realize he is conversant with the subject. In regard to the change in pace at Pendleton, the East Oregonian remarks:

Endorsement of S. D. Crowe of La Grande for membership on the new state fish and game commission and of C. K. Cranston of this city for appointment as state warden was the result of the joint meeting last night of the Umatilla County Fish & Game association and the Round-up Gun club. The president and secretary of each organization, W. N. Matlock and R. Fletcher, G. I. La Dow and J. A. Gibson, were named as a committee to urge in every possible way the making of these appointments.

The failure of the local sportsmen to endorse a Umatilla county man for membership on the commission resulted, not only from the inability of the sportsmen and the Umatilla county legislative delegation to agree upon a candidate, but from the justice of the claim of the Union county sportsmen. Inasmuch as Umatilla, Baker and Walla Walla counties have at different times been represented on the commission, they contend that Union county can properly advance a candidate who should receive serious consideration.

The only local man upon whom the sportsmen and legislators could agree was J. V. Tallman and he refused to become a candidate. The other men suggested by the legislators were unfavorable to the sportsmen and vice versa.

The recommendation of Mr. Cranston, who is secretary of the Pendleton Commercial association, for the position of state warden was a recognition of his qualifications. Not only is he an experienced and thorough sportsman but, as chairman at one time of the state fish and game commission, he is acquainted with the work required.

S. D. Crowe, president of the independent telephone company of Union and Walla Walla counties, is the candidate of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club of La Grande, the most active sportsmen's organization outside of Portland. Local sportsmen who know him declare he is every way qualified to be eastern Oregon's representative on the new commission.

Representative R. W. Ritner, who was on the game committee of the house and was largely responsible for the new commission law, was present at the meeting. While he interposed no objections to the endorsement of the La Grande man, he stated that he knew nothing of him and would reserve his own endorsement until such time as he might see fit to give it. It was understood between him and the sportsmen that he was not to be bound by their action.

KAMELA SCARE DUE TO PRO-
LONGED CHASE.

Beast Killed at Meacham Was Jump-
ed Near La Grande, He says.

That rabies infection was not present in the coyote that scared Kamela last week and was later slain near Meacham, or that the coyote killed at Oro Dell, Saturday was infected with rabies, is scouted by Jack Hilary, a North La Grande huntsman who follows bloodhounds up and down the canyons of Eastern Oregon for big game whenever the opportunity affords. In fact, he has every reason to believe that the coyote seen at Kamela was one that he and his three fox hounds jumped on the Garret trail place Monday morning a week ago. One of his dogs followed the animal up Fox hill, to Five Points, over toward Meacham and there had a mortal combat with the coyote. The dog managed to detail the beast, as shown by the trail marks during the three-day fight through the woods. The dog returned without its quarry, sometime Wednesday, while the coyote frightened to desperation, and hungry, tore through Kamela biting at dogs and, furthermore, was probably suffering from squirrel poison it had picked up, thinks Mr. Hilary. When killed at Meacham it was minus its tail, and its sides were gored.

As to the coyote seen at Oro Dell Saturday, Mr. Hilary thinks it too had come in contact with squirrel poison. He is going out north of La Grande tomorrow or the day after and confidently expects to jump a coyote again.

Coyote Instinct Peculiar.

Many interesting instincts of the coyote are told by Mr. Hilary. "We have jumped many coyotes on the plains back of La Grande and elsewhere, and all coyotes act alike," said Mr. Hilary in speaking of coyote instinct. "My dogs will follow a cold trail many hours sometimes and then when it becomes warm, the race is on in earnest. If pushed only reasonably hard, the coyote will take to his hole in the ground if anywhere near it, but if the dogs are hard upon him, he will take a stand when conditions are right, but never until they are. He will never fight in the open and it is only when he can back up against a log or a fence corner that he will show fight. He can then snap at his foes and protect himself. When the dogs press him too hard he apparently forgets where his hole is and runs pell mell; in this way he frequently runs blindly through a barnyard, or into town when, if left alone, he would keep safely from it. It is not rabies that drives him close to civilization, but fear of the dogs behind him—he is seeking protection, just as a drowning man grabs for a straw. I do not think the rabies scare is as serious as it might be. My dogs have been scratched and bitten repeatedly by coyotes this winter, and they are still in good condition. Hunters usually are responsible for the appearance of coyotes in settlements, and unless my dogs overtake and slay the next we jump, this week it would not be surprising if some coyote shows up at an Eastern Oregon settlement within a few days."

Cleveland, March 6.—While a number of big leagues are figuring out ways and means of jangling their teams into first place or thereabouts, Joe Birmingham, manager of the Cleveland Indians, erstwhile Naps, is facing the problem of lifting his team out of last place in the American league.

Birmingham has entered into the pleasant, though somewhat perplexing pastime with the zest that always marks the doings of a youthful manager, and hopes to land his team in at least the fifth berth.

He started his campaign this winter by eliminating from the team several players who views on running a ball club did not coincide with his own. Ole Olson, utility infielder, was sentenced to the Cincinnati Reds, Lajoie was sold to the Athletics and Doc Johnson, first baseman, failed to find his name on the team roster at the time the list was made public.

The Indians will start the season with only three veteran pitchers, unless another is obtained by trade or purchase before the middle of April. Willie Mitchell, a southpaw, and Fred Blanding and Bill Steen, right-handers, are the vets.

Guy Morton, obtained from the

Waterbury club last season, and who bears the earmarks of a future great, appears to be the pick of the young pitchers. Sam Jones, a member of the Cleveland association club last season, Walker, Bowman, and Harstend, are the other pitchers.

Several infield changes will be apparent when the team takes the field for the first game of the season. Bill Rodgers, with the Portland team of the Pacific Coast league last season, will replace Lajoie at second base. Roy Wood, who showed good form last season, probably will cover first. Barbare, recruited from New Orleans, or Terry Turner, will hold forth at third.

Wambagans, Cedar Rapids short-bury first baseman, and Thomas, the Omaha third baseman, will fight it out for the utility jobs. Barbare or Turner having first call, of course, if either fail to break in as a regular.

Five outfielders will try for jobs, manager Birmingham being among them. Joe Jackson will hold forth in right field and will again try to nose out Ty Cobb in the race for league batting honors. He hopes to succeed this year after many vain efforts. Elmer Smith, a Waterbury recruit, will play center field. Smith played thirteen games last fall and batted .327. He is one of the best outfield prospects the Cleveland team has picked up in several years. Jack Graney will play left field and Lee-bold and Birmingham will be the extra outfielders.

Steve O'Neill and Ben Egan, the latter with Baltimore last season, will do the bulk of the catching. Devout and Billings, with the Cleveland association team of last year, will fight it out for the third string job. Lee Fohl, veteran catcher, will instruct the young pitchers.

The Cleveland team may be the dark horse in the American league. If Smith, Barbare and Rogers come through in style and two of the re-

cruit pitchers deliver the goods, the club may make a hot fight for a first division berth.

To Start Training.
Chicago, March 6.—The Chifeds expect to leave today for Shreveport, to begin training for the coming baseball season.

Pirates Off For Southland.
Pittsburgh, March 6.—The Pirates were scheduled to leave today for Dawson Springs, Ky., their southern training quarters.

TRAP SHOOTING NEWS.

Trapshooters had an interesting session yesterday afternoon at the Island City traps. Some first-class scores were made and during the week practice will be daily occurrences for next Sunday La Grande will try for the big Dupont trophy, which will be shot for all over the United States next Sunday.

Some good scores were made yesterday; very good in fact. "We seldom have as good success as we did yesterday," said Bert Hughes who looks after the details of the shoots and keeps the score book in working order. "Crowe, Beiver, Mackey and others were back in almost mid-season form."

Here is the score made yesterday:

	Broke	Shot at
Jake Beiver	45	50
Ambros Wright	32	50
S. D. Crowe	47	50
Vick Melville	40	50
Claud Mackey	48	50
B. W. Hughes	28	30
Wallace Black	13	15
Chas. Rowlin	13	15
Bob O'Connell	13	15
Jones	7	10
John Garrity	7	10

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Notice of Delinquent Assessment Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a warrant to me issued and delivered, from and by the Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon, bearing date the 21st day of January A. D. 1915, and attached to the delinquent assessment roll, in each case and requiring me as Chief of Police of the City of La Grande, Oregon, to sell as by law provide, the real estate described in the said delinquent assessment rolls, for the payment of the delinquent assessments.

Ordinance No. 594, Series 1912, Sewer 2, Sec. 1, due May 3rd, 1912.

George T. Cochran, Lot 3, Blk 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 17.48

Interest to date of sale 2.98

Geo. T. Cochran, Lot 4, Blk 21, Predmore Add to La Grande Ore.

Assessment 17.48

Interest 2.98

Ordinance No. 691, Series 1913, District 68, Macadam N. Fir St. due Feb. 10th, 1913.

George T. Cochran, Lot 3 Block 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Oregon.

Assessment 62.30

Interest 7.74

George T. Cochran, Lot 4, Blk 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 47.26

Interest 5.88

James Mahady, Lot 24, Blk 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 58.77

Interest 7.11

James Mahady, Lot 25, Blk. 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 71.08

Interest 8.82

James Mahady, Lot 26, Blk 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 145.36

Interest 18.06

Ordinance No. 669, Series 1912, District No. 13—A. Sidewalk, Due Dec. 12, 1912.

James Mahady, Lot 26, Blk. 21, Predmore Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 92.36

Interest 12.37

Ordinance No. 670, Series 1912, Dist. No. 13—B, Macadam No. Fir St. due Dec. 12, 1912.

Frank Carpenter, Lot 6, Blk. 124, Chaplin's Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 18.79

Interest 2.52

Frank Carpenter, Lot 7, Blk. 124, Chaplin's Addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Assessment 13.93

Interest 1.58

Frank Carpenter, Lot 8, Blk 124, Chaplin's Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 10.86

Interest 1.46

Wm. Thompson, Lot 8, Blk. 150, Chaplin's Add to La Grande, Oregon.

Assessment 271.72

Interest 36.46

Wm. Thompson, Lot 9, Blk. 150, Chaplin's Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 271.10

Interest 36.32

J. M. Van Fleet, Lot 3, Blk. 151, Chaplin's Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 86.44

Interest to date of sale 11.67

J. M. Van Fleet, West 4 feet of Lot 4, Blk 151, Chaplin's Add to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 11.71

Interest 1.60

Ordinance No. 690, Series 1913, District 67, Macadam, North Fir St. due Feb. 10th, 1913.

A. W. Jones, Lot 17, Blk. 18, Predmore Addition to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 84.73

Interest 10.33

A. W. Jones, Lot 18, Blk. 18 Predmore Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 86.96

Interest 10.81

Annie Pause, Lot 6, Blk. 30, Predmore Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 72.04

Interest 8.95

Annie Pause, Lot 7, Blk. 30, Predmore Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 71.12

Interest 9.84

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Annie Pause, Lot 9, Blk. 30, Predmore Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 71.12

Interest 9.84

Annie Pause, Lot 10, Blk. 30, Predmore Add. to La Grande, Ore.

Assessment 89.37

Interest 11.11

Due Nov. 26, 1910.

Ordinance No. 497, Series 1910, District 1—A. Macadam, Adams Ave.

D. C. Callahan, West 31 feet of Lot 4, Blk. 6, Coggan's 2nd Add to La Grande, Oregon.

Assessment 70.12

Interest 18.00

Ordinance No. 768, Series 1914, Sewer 3 Sec. 1—A, Delinquent March 10th, 1914.

D. C. Callahan, West 31 feet of Lot 4, Blk. 6, Coggan's 2nd Add. to La Grande, Oregon.

Assessment 17.12

Interest 1.00

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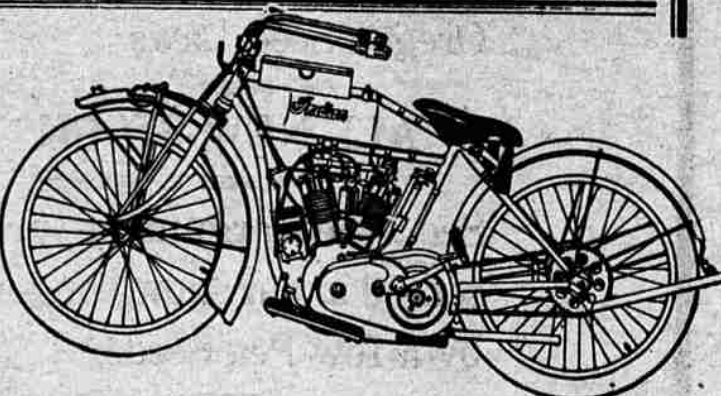
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