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MR. CURREY EXPLAINS.

Calls Attention of Voters to Fact He
Has Not Misrepresented Himself.

La Grande, May 9. (To the Editor)—A circular letter has been mailed to many Republicans of Union county, the first paragraph of which is so worded by the use of partial quotations as to make an inference that by my advertising I have created an impression that Geo. H. Currey, my father, is a candidate for Republican nomination for Union county representative instead of myself. That inference I regard as libelous in effect and is absolutely false.

In news articles in the La Grande Observer, Union Republican, Elgin Recorder and other papers the following facts were printed about myself, none of which are true of my father: "George Huntington Currey is a native of Union county, was educated in the La Grande public schools, studied law at Willamette university, and published a newspaper in Forest Grove." While it is true that we have both been newspaper men, and are now together in the real estate business, these facts alone do not justify such a cowardly and libelous inference.

My photograph has been printed in the Elgin Recorder and several Portland papers. Since about April 20th I have had my photograph on my campaign cards. My personal visits to various parts of the county are proof enough that no such intention ever entered my mind, and I resent any such inference being made upon my character. I want it clearly understood who I am, and while I am a young man, I have earnestly studied governmental issues and economic questions, and will let the voters on election day judge my comparative ability and desirability.

During this campaign I have been very careful to make no personal remarks or false or detrimental inferences about any of my opponents, for I do not believe in injuring any man's character merely to gain votes, as much as I desire them. I am making my campaign on my platform as it appears in the candidate's pamphlet, a copy of which has been mailed to every registered Republican. I believe in a simplified and efficient business-like government. By the people and not for them. I am the only candidate who has openly declared himself a supporter of Oregon's Prohibition law, and I offer my reputation and record of activities in the interests of better government as a guarantee that I will keep my

pledges, if elected, and serve the people of Union county to the best of my ability in a manner that will justify your support. My candidacy was inspired with an honest desire to serve the citizens of this county at the coming legislative assembly. I am out to win.

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Savoy Hotel Guests

Nick Bavard, city; J. E. Folsom, Elgin, Ore.; L. Harvey, Wallawa; F. H. Starratt, San Francisco; N. M. Smith, P. R. Clemmans, Wallawa; D. H. Childers, Imbler; H. B. Davis, Baker; S. Carroll, Umatilla; A. Merse, City; C. N. Williams, Portland; R. Rogers, City; Elmer Ferguson, Frank Engleide, Weston; J. Farnes, City; J. Blackington, Imbler; Wm. Phillips, City; H. R. Shomshire, Baker; Geo. E. Greiner, Summerville; W. R. Beachburn, Huntington; Ed. O. Heth, Portland.

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A. A. Bannan and daughter, D. L. Irons, Portland; E. B. Budge, Walla; W. Richardson, John E. Halverson, Spokane; Chas. McBea, Pendleton; F. M. Kendrick, Tacoma; H. Tharhauser, H. W. Peterson, Portland; G. H. North, Seattle; Claire Mastrude, Stella Mastrude, Alliance, Neb.; W. A. Jones, Salem; Jas. McIntroy, P. A. Harmon, Baker; Robert C. Fordney, Portland.

DISCRIMINATION CHARGED

Oregon and Washington Commissions
Air Contention

Seattle, Wash., May 9.—Do railroad companies discriminate against the Pacific Northwest in round-trip tourist rates from the East? A hearing to decide this important question started here this morning before Examiner Watkins of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Members of the Public Service Commissions of Oregon and Washington contend that the Northwest is discriminated against. Commissioner Frank J. Miller and Chief Engineer H. H. Hoven of the Oregon commission had several witnesses on hand this morning to testify that the rates are unfair. Likewise, Chairman Charles Reynolds and Chief Engineer T. H. Phipps of the Washington railroad commission had witnesses to present testimony before Examiner Watkins. Unequal rates, it is claimed, keep 90 per cent of the eastern tourist travel out of the Northwest. Commissioner Miller said today that the round trip rate from Chicago to San Francisco is \$17.50 cheaper if the tourist goes by way of New Orleans and Los Angeles than if he goes through the Northwest. And this discrimination exists, said Mr. Miller, despite the fact that the distance by the Northwest route is much shorter.

The Oregon and Washington commissions have been conferring in Seattle several days preparing the testimony which they started presenting this morning. Delegations of prominent business men from Washington and Oregon cities were on hand.

The only railroads concerned in the suit, which was brought by the Washington railroad commission, are the Southern Pacific, the Union Pacific and the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company.

Witnesses called by the Northwest commissions represent every business interest in the different states. Before the hearing concludes, each will be given an opportunity to show just how the differential rate affects the profits of each individual business.

DEFENSE SOUGHT

Pacific Northwest Wants Naval Base
At Astoria

Astoria, May 9.—From Montana to the Pacific Ocean there has arisen during the past three months a demand, persistent and serious, that the mouth of the greatest river on the Pacific Coast of America, the entrance to the 250,000 square miles of American territory known as the Columbia Basin and the Inland Empire, receive governmental recognition by the establishment there of a naval base of the first class, with adequate fortifications to protect this investment.

The acorn from which this mighty oak of sentiment has grown is known as the Columbia River Naval Base Committee.

In January F. C. Harley and Wallace R. Struble started the movement in Astoria.

The necessity for the naval base was an easy matter to prove. The Pacific Coast is so helpless at this moment that our military experts say that in case of an invasion the first stand American troops could make would be in the Bear River valley in Utah. That means the evacuation of the Pacific Northwest.

Our naval base at Bremerton is entirely unprotected from a flank or rear attack as long as there is no adequate defense at the mouth of the Columbia. Furthermore, it is located 132 miles from the ocean and its entrance is dominated by territory of the greatest sea power in the world.

Strategically the mouth of the Columbia is the key to the Northwest. From it to Alaska is open American coastline and the shortest route. It is the narrow point to Yokohama. It is the entrance to the wheat belt, to three-fourths of our transcontinental lines, to a 500 mile navigable waterway, and to the only water grade route to the Northwest.

These are arguments which the residents of the basin considered before making their demands. Commercial bodies of Eugene,

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Suit Cases, wicker style 98c
Suit Cases, Fibre style 98c
Suit Cases, leather style \$3.98, \$7.99
Hand Bags, all styles \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.98, \$5.99, \$6.99, \$8.99
Oshkosh Blue Bib Overalls 79c
Underhill Blue Bib Overalls 83c
Boys' Blue Bib Overalls 25c, 49c
Children's Blue Play Overalls 49c
Boys' Muleskin Shoes \$1.25 and \$1.39
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Salem, Portland and Astoria have endorsed the movement. In March the city of Spokane, uniting with the naval base committee, held a preparedness convention in which five states were represented. This convention was held at the suggestion of P. N. Bernard of Kalispell, Mont.

Six hundred Portland business men have sent a long omnibus telegram to Washington in six sections urging the necessity of the naval base.

The present status of the campaign is considered favorable. Secretary of the Navy Daniels is considering the naval report of 1900 in conjunction with the army report of 1910 on the entrance to the Columbia River. Chairmen of naval committees in the House and Senate are both friendly to the Hawley and Lane bills for the establishment of the naval base.

DANGER TO SHEEP.

Cold Snap a Menace to Eastern Oregon Stock Men.

Pendleton, May 6.—The change in weather of the past two days has brought grave danger to the stockmen of the county, especially to the sheepmen who are just in the midst of the shearing season. At this time, the animals are unusually sensitive to changes in climatic conditions and in such a situation as the stockmen find themselves now, losses in the past have been heavy.

The forecast which was wired to Mr. Cryder this morning gives warning of local showers and cooler weather Sunday and Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday will probably be clear, it says, with cold nights, and warmer weather will follow the last of the week.

Forest Supervisor Cryder has been informed by the Weather Bureau in Portland that bad weather may be expected for the next two or three days and has issued warnings to the stockmen of the district. Robert Stanfield has two bands ready for the shearing pens but, on the advice of Mr. Cryder, decided to hold them over until the weather was more favorable.

It is recalled that there was a short spell of just such weather as this at this time, or a little earlier last year and that, as a result, there were considerable losses among the Umatilla county sheepmen.

In the hills of the district, the rains of yesterday and last night fell as a light snow. At Heppner, the foothills were white this morning clear down to the edge of town, it is reported. While the result of the storm was not so much in evidence in this immediate vicinity, it is believed that some little distance back in the hills, the precipitation took the form of snow.

The rain during the day yesterday, while fairly steady, was not great in

quantity but the storm of the early evening brought an unusually large quantity of water and throughout the night and today the amount has increased steadily. The rain gauge at the Averill home shows that the total precipitation for this storm was .28 of an inch at noon today.

Will Picture Wild Game.

Pendleton, May 6.—William L. Finley of Portland, state biologist, will arrive in Pendleton next week on a picture taking tour of Eastern Oregon and Washington for the Oregon Fish and Game Commission. The Pendleton officials of the Department of Biological Survey will co-operate with Mr. Finley in the work. E. F. Averill of the department has had his force of 60 men locating dens of coyotes, porcupines, badgers and bears to enable Finley to get first hand pictures of these animals.

Mr. Finley will build a blind to work with and catch the wild animals at play and in their native homes. This has never been done before. Finley has recently returned from a lecture trip in the large cities of the East where he showed pictures of Oregon game and fish life.

Prineville Man Candidate.

Charles O. Pollard, of Prineville is a candidate for election as delegate to the Republican national convention to be held in Chicago in June. Mr. Pollard is editor of the Prineville News, the oldest paper in central Oregon, and he has been a resident of this state for several years. He has been a consistent Republican all his life as was his father who was one of the first members of that party.

Mr. Pollard was for many years connected with important branches of the government and is a veteran of the Spanish war. He advocates the nomination of Progressive Republican candidates for President and Vice President, but has pledged himself to support throughout the convention the choice of the people of Oregon as expressed at the primaries, irrespective of his personal preferences.

MRS. BRYANT DEAD.

Well Known Citizen of This County
Indigestion Victim.

At 1:15 this morning Mrs. J. A. Childers Bryant, aged 68 years and 12 days, died at 1514 Jefferson of acute indigestion.

The deceased was born in Wayne county, Iowa, April 26, 1848 and was married to J. A. Childers, Jan. 6th, 1878. Mr. Childers died in 1893.

The funeral will be held from the Christian church Thursday at 2 o'clock, preceded by a short service at the home at 1 o'clock.

She was the last family of 10, and

her parents are both dead. Her children who survive here are Grace and Joanna, the former of this city and the latter formerly of Portland.

Mrs. Bryant was a pioneer Oregonian. She came to the Willamette valley in 1863, coming west with an ox team train. After living there for a time the family moved to the Grande Ronde valley and Mrs. Bryant made her home in this county continuously since that date.

Attention Rebekahs!

Members of the La Grande lodge of Rebekahs are called to meet Thursday at 1 p.m. at the lodge hall to attend the funeral of the late Amanda Bryant, in a body, at 2 o'clock.

NATIONAL CORN SHOW

One of the important agricultural events of the Northwest for 1916 will be, the Second Annual "First National Corn Show," which will be held in St. Paul Minnesota, December 11-16, inclusive. Contests will be open to every farmer and farmer's son in the Northwest.

The geographical divisions for the two districts in Oregon are as follows: District No. 1—Counties of Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gillman, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallawa, Baker, Grant, Wheeler, Crook, Malheur, Harney, Lake, Klamath and Jefferson.

District No. 2—Counties of Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Multnomah, Clackamas, Yamhill, Polk, Marion, Lincoln, Benton, Linn, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine, Jackson and Lane.

Four prizes will be awarded in each district of each state, a first and second prize for men and a first and second prize for boys, trophies for the latter to be of like design and equal in value to those awarded the adult exhibitors.

Each exhibit must consist of ten ears of any variety of Indian Corn raised by contestant in a field of one or more acres, but not less than one acre. No fee will be charged for entry of exhibits.

"Corn and Cattle Contribute Capital for Bigger Bank Balances" is the Slogan that has been adopted by the First National Bank and the Northwestern Trust Company of St. Paul and Bankers of the Northwest, in the promotion of their Corn Shows. Increased interest in corn production means the ultimate raising and maintenance of more livestock and diversification in farming methods, to the financial advantage and prosperity of the entire Northwest.

Pamphlets giving full details regarding the second annual "First National" Corn Show and form of entry blank, may be secured on application from bankers in the corn contest territory.

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