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In the editorial columns of the Mail a short time since an article appeared stating that B. F. Mulkey, candidate for the nomination for district attorney, had been a resident of Jackson county for four years only. We were misinformed as to the time of Mr. Mulkey's residence, as he has been here six years, nearly all of which time he has been in charge of the Southern Oregon Normal School at Ashland. We cheerfully make this correction, the error was one of ignorance not of intention.

If elected to the office of district attorney Gus Newbury will commence not only with training in the law, but with a acquaintance with the people of the first judicial district. His experience in public office, covering a period of several years, has given him an insight into the working of court business that will prove of value to him in the office of district attorney. Besides Mr. Newbury, has ability as a lawyer, is a close student and a strenuous worker.

TO THE PUBLIC.

Ashland, Oregon, April 9, 1908.
TO THE EDITOR MEDFORD MAIL:
Relative to my candidacy for the Republican nomination for the office of County Judge, I desire to say to the readers of the MAIL that my duties as recorder of Ashland require practically all my time and are of a character which will allow me but little time to be absent from the city so as to meet the voters in the other parts of the county.

If elected to the office of County Judge I shall endeavor to confer strictly to the requirements of the law. The jurisdiction of the County Court is limited and defined by law. It is, of course, a matter of honor and duty for the judge acting as a court of probate to inform himself as to the law and to apply it justly and impartially to the best of his ability.

As the head of the Commissioners' Court, invested with the general power to manage the county business, my influence and vote will be used to put the County administration in line with the progressive movement initiated by the people in the county and growing localities of the county.

The sentiment that this generation should be satisfied with these conditions which have served the pioneer times is entirely out of harmony with the thought of progressive civilization. The rock, mud, chuck-holes, brush, logs and stumps of the public highway should be removed and the delight of our people should be to make them smoother for themselves and for those who follow us.

The problem of road improvement, I regard as of the first importance in Jackson county and I would address myself to the matter of planning such work so as to produce the best results with the money available, my knowledge and the instruction of my experience and that of the Commissioners, and other persons being utilized, as far as practicable, to that end.

System and method in the orderly conduct of the county business should be insisted upon to insure economy of administration and the accommodation and convenience of the people.

Expenditures for improvements, special work and generally should be published.

A careful supervision should be exercised by the County Court in the general care and management of the county property and funds as required by law.

In the maintenance and construction of roads and bridges; the needs of the outlying districts will be appreciated by me and they shall have their share of the public money available for such work. Some excellent work has been done on our roads, but a rancher on the upper Rogue River, or in other remote districts is entitled to a practicable and reasonably good roadway to reach valley towns.

Some plan ought to be devised to raise more money for road improvement. The money heretofore available is entirely inadequate for necessary road purposes in Jackson county. A country so rich and where the lands are so valuable as in the Rogue River Valley is able to sustain first-class roads.

The proper conception of a public thoroughfare in this county should be higher than of its maintenance in a passable condition. There ought to be more than one road crew in the county and there should perhaps be some new legislation to facilitate organization for road work and to centralize its direction and the responsibility for the work.

Efficiency alone should be the test for employment in road work.

The duties of the Board of Equalization are clearly defined in the law. A complete and careful examination and correction of the assessment rolls and the making of proper corrections are specified as the first to be performed. In order to increase or reduce valuation of property so as to reach full cash value.

I regard it as a prudent foresight to have some assurance by the court, that the assessor's work, through deputies, shall be efficient and painstaking, by the exercises of the court's discretion in determining the number and compensation of such deputies.

Advertisement Letter List.

Following is a list of letters remaining un-called for at the Medford postoffice on April 9, 1908:
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To Voters of the 1st Judicial District

My opponent for the office of district attorney, Prof. B. F. Mulkey, would have the public believe that I had made an attack upon him through the press in this district. Let it be known that in no communication that I have ever made did I mention Mr. Mulkey's name or allude to him in any way. If he has professional cards and I inadvertently trod upon them, I can certainly not be blamed for his having the cards.

Mr. Mulkey, in a long article devoted much attention to my professional success and labors to cast discredit upon it. But he points to only one civil case that I have lost at the Jackson county bar, and does so by the records that I have acquitted 50 per cent of the criminal cases that I have defended, and this record attained against so vigorous a prosecutor as A. E. Reams. Now that he has let it be known that I have had some 75 cases in the Jackson County Courts and lost but one civil suit and only six criminal cases (and the district attorney never files an indictment against a man unless he thinks he has a "clutch" against him), the public would like to know how many cases Mr. Mulkey has had in the courts of the first judicial district or in any other courts of the state of Oregon. In a paid advertisement in the Portland Oregonian he states that he "practiced for a time in Polk county." Perhaps a certificate from the county clerk of Polk county would show how many cases Mr. Mulkey tried in that county. It ought to be very easy to get the certificate from the clerk, why not get it Mr. Mulkey?

Since Mr. Mulkey is hauling some one else's professional record into the press, why not let the people know of his own record as a lawyer? The taxpayers of this district would like to know and have a right to know whether Mr. Mulkey ever tried a case in his life and where. Stand up and tell them.

Now in that joint discussion which you propose why not take for the subject "The cases B. F. Mulkey has tried in the courts of Oregon." By taking this subject the people might not be bored so long in the argument.

I desire further to state, that every criminal case that I have tried involved a penalty which would have sent the accused to the penitentiary had he been convicted, and according to Mr. Mulkey's own statement I saved one half of them conviction, a professional record which I am not ashamed of.

I desire to state that it was not my purpose to break into print and should not have done so but for Mr. Mulkey's diplomatic attack and this is my only apology to offer for this article. Mr. Mulkey alludes to his services in the Oregon Senate and would have the people believe that this should fit him for district attorney, but I can point to a dozen men in Jackson and Josephine counties who have served in the Oregon Legislature so one of whom would presume that it qualified him for district attorney.

Very respectfully,
Gus Newbury.

For County Commissioner.

Having announced myself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner I wish to say a few words to the readers of the Mail regarding myself and the lines I will follow if nominated for and elected to the office. I have been a resident of Jackson county for the past twenty-three years and am thoroughly conversant with the needs of the various portions of the county, and if elected to the office will do the best I can for all portions of the county without discrimination in favor of any particular locality. I am a firm believer in good roads and will always work toward the betterment of our county thoroughfares. I have had considerable experience in the building of roads in Southern Oregon and also where and I will fill the office to the best of my ability.

James Owen.

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this method of extending our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of Grant Rawlings.
W. Rawlings and family.

Judge Dunn Replies

To the Editor:

There appeared in the Monday issue of the "Daily Tribune" an article with great big Black Headlines entitled, "Jackson County Tax sale in a Hopeless Middle." I would not reply to this silly twaddle, were it not for the fact that possibly some person, ignorant of the motives of the editor and power behind the throne of the Daily Tribune, might construe my silence as an admission of the true state of facts. Any person acquainted with the motives can read through the lines the animus of the unjust attack. Now the facts in regard to the tax sale to which the article evidently referred are that the property was sold to Jackson county and not to Geo. W. Dunn as charged. On the 23rd day of December, 1904, Sheriff Rader offered for sale and sold at the court house door in the manner provided by law all the property on which the taxes for the year 1903 were delinquent. Deputy Sheriff Oris Crawford auctioned off the property and Lewis Ulrich acted as clerk for him and noted down in pencil in a temporary memorandum, made for convenience by posting a copy of the notice of delinquent taxes in an old book, the names of the persons bidding in the property, etc.

I was there and as the law provides bid in for the County of Jackson all the property for which there was no other bidder. The clerk instead of writing opposite the property bid in for the county the name "County of Jackson," wrote the name Geo. W. Dunn, although it was known that I was bidding for the county.

The certificates were all properly written in the name of the County of Jackson, the Tax Roll, which is the record of the sale, shows that all the land bid in by me was sold to the County of Jackson and that the sale was regularly and properly made.

The temporary memorandum of the sheriff is not a part of the records of Jackson county and the action of the Deputy Sheriff did not in the least affect the validity of the sale.

Now as to the sale of property heretofore sold to Jackson county on which the period of redemption has expired, I will say that at the last session of the Commissioners Court there was made an order directing the sheriff to proceed to advertise and sell in the manner contemplated in the laws passed at the 1907 session of the legislature.

Now, if the editor of the Tribune will slow down a little and not go to much howling about things of which he is densely ignorant, he will probably do more to compass my defeat for the nomination for re-election to the office which I now hold, than he can do by misrepresentation and scare-crow headlines, with no foundation of fact back of them.

You will note how much care he has taken in looking up this matter when he charges that "Sheriff Jackson" evidently thought that it was proper to sell the delinquent land to Judge Dunn when as a matter of fact this sale was made eighteen months before the election of Sheriff Jackson.

The aforesaid editor is evidently hard up for material for headlines when he has to grab at such small straws on which to hang on.

Geo. W. Dunn.

From Mr. Mulkey.

To the Editor:

In your recent editorial you underestimate the length of time I have lived in this county and the amount of experience I have had in the practice of law.

I have practiced law for two years in Polk and Yamhill counties.

I have been a resident of Jackson county six years—six of the busiest and happiest years of my life.

Thanking you for this much of your valuable space
Sincerely,
B. F. Mulkey.

ANTI-SALOON.

Letters From Prominent Persons.

A city of 100,000 people without the saloon. Hon. C. W. Tinkett, Assistant Attorney-General of Kansas, furnishes the following facts concerning the closing of saloons in Kansas City, Kansas. This proves the fallacy of the pictures and posters in saloon windows representing the contrary.

"This city is the metropolis of Kansas, with a population of 100,000. The inhabitants are largely wage-earners and represents every nationality. We are located on the border, only an inviolable line separating us from Kansas City, Missouri. The city ranks fifth in the list of manufacturing cities of the United States. One year ago there were 256 saloons in this county, 200 gambling dens and about 60 houses of social evil. Today there is not a saloon, no open gambling den, nor a disorderly house. It is the largest city in the World without these dens of vice, and as we have now existed about twelve months without them, it affords a living example of the fact that a large city can grow and prosper without such evils. At the commencement of the contest a large number of our people thought that it would ruin business and destroy our property, but it has stimulated business in all lines. Our population has increased at a greater rate than ever before. The deposits in the banks have gained by one and one-half million dollars. The merchants upon our streets have had to employ additional clerks. The attendance in our public schools has increased largely, and we have had to employ eighteen additional teachers. The teachers inform us that this increase is largely of boys and girls of from 12 to 16 years of age, who prior to the closing of the saloons were compelled to assist in supporting the family, by reason of the father spending his wages for drink.

The charitable institutions report a reduction of more than two-thirds in the demand for aid. The juvenile court, which has the care of dependent children, has had but two applications in the past eight months, while prior to the closing of the joints from eight to 85 children required aid and assistance each month. Prior to the closing of the joints we sent from 15 to 25 young men to the reformatory every year. In the twelve months since closing we have sent but two. The expenses for prosecuting criminals have been reduced \$25,000 per annum. Expenses for the police force have been reduced as much more. For the first time in 25 years the court of common pleas of this county opened its term the first Monday in May without a criminal case. The city courts, created for the express purpose of trying petty suits, for the collection of rents and grocery bills, and formerly crowded with a black docket every day, have now practically no business, for the reason that people are paying their bills instead of being sued for them. A year ago this city was trying to devise ways and means to spare the money to build additions to our city jails, to-day the doors of the jail swing idly upon their hinges, and we have no use for those we have. One year ago, not to exceed two business men on the principle thoroughfares of this city would have favored the closing of saloons. To-day there are not two who would favor opening them.

Twice since the saloons were closed we have held a city election at which the issue was presented to the people, and at each election the people have endorsed present conditions. Every banker is loud in praise of the present civic situation. The city is clean, crime is at a minimum, merchants prosperous, and real estate advancing.

This city is now the experimental station of the world. If Kansas City, Kansas, can close saloons and keep them closed, and if the closing produces prosperity, happiness and contentment, then it is reasonable to assume that such results will follow a like policy in other large cities."

S. E. Young & Son, Department Store, Albany, Oregon.
"Dear Sir:—In answer to yours of the 21st would say: Yes it is a good thing for Albany that the saloons are closed up. Taxes have not been increased that I know of. Four months ago in one day the anti-saloon element of Albany subscribed \$1000 for local option and the maintaining of the law. Albany in the last 6 days has raised 7 or 8 thousand dollars for boosting the city and expects to raise more. I hope that you will be successful in making Jackson county dry."

Very truly,
S. E. Young.

J. M. Nolan & Son Dry Goods and Ladies' Furnishings, Fine Clothing and Men's Furnishings.
Corvallis, Oregon, March 23, 1908.

"Dear Sir,—The following are the answers to your questions: The absence of the saloon is a good thing for Corvallis. The absence of the saloon helps business materially. I do not notice that taxes are increased by the absence of the saloon. The selling illegally of liquor is being successfully prosecuted and drives out."

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Ed. Andrews For Commissioner.

In this age of what might be called the new era of politics, when the people are showing a disposition to attend to their own business politically, it is perhaps only fair that a candidate who is honored by having his name placed upon the ticket for primary election should state in a plain and straight forward manner his principles and intentions should be the lucky candidate.

The office of commissioner is often lightly looked upon and often thrown to any one who will accept it but in our opinion it is one of the most, if not the most, important elective offices of the county. We are just waking up to the fact that we have the most beautiful and fertile valley on the entire Pacific coast. People from the East had to come in and tell us this but I am glad to say that we are at last convinced. Their first criticism and sole objection to the Rogue river Valley is the condition of our roads and it is on account of this much needed improvement that I take the hearty interest in the present campaign, and I may say right here that the platform upon which I intend to run, if successful in the primary, is a platform built of crushed rock and not sand from Bear creek or any other creek which contains about 40 per cent mud.

The building of roads is a science and if built upon scientific lines with the abundant material at hand in this county they will wear a lifetime with but little repair. The first thing in road building is to look well to proper drainage. Second, is a grade with sufficient pitch to form a water shed, and width enough to allow two loaded teams to pass. Third—a stone foundation of large rock, covered with crushed rock sufficiently fine to form a smooth surface and rolled down and poked.

When one stops to consider the fact that a good road, especially through our heavy black land will

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immediately add 50 per acre to its value, one can begin to appreciate the value of proper highways, through the county. It is true the building of roads is expensive and the need of the entire county cannot be met at once, consequently a careful examination should be made and such thoroughfares first improved as will open the way from the most thickly settled communities to their nearest market. For instance, a mile of road connecting the new road built last year from Medford toward Eagle Point with the Central Point road running to Agate, would give the people of Dry Creek, Auteplos, Little Butte and Eagle Point a good road into Central Point any time of the year. And there are many instances of this kind throughout the county, which in our opinion should have the first attention. It is a short sighted policy to discriminate by favoring one section more than another. I know of communities that have paid taxes for thirty years, and never had a rod of good road built in their district. While there are other duties incumbent upon a County Commissioner I regard the question of roads of such vital importance that I dwell more especially upon that subject and anyone who gives the proper amount of time to the office must certainly make up his mind to do so at personal loss and unless he be public spirited enough to make this sacrifice he should not consent to allow his name to go before the people.

Most respectfully,
Ed. M. Andrews.

A vote for William A. Carter for the republican nomination of Rail Road Commissioner, at the coming primary election, is a vote in the recognition of the small shipper and the business man who would be represented before the Rail Road Commission.

Waterworks.

Medford, Oregon, April 3, 1908.
Sealed proposals will be received by the city council of Medford, Oregon, until 6 o'clock p. m., April 21, 1908, for constructing water works for the city of Medford.

The work will consist of excavating and backfilling trenches, hauling and laying cast-iron pipe, hauling and placing valves, valve boxes, hydrants and special castings will be furnished by the city of Medford.

Plans may be seen and specifications obtained at the office of the City Recorder of Medford, Oregon, or at the office of Frank C. Kelley, civil engineer, Portland, Oregon.

All bids must be submitted on the printed forms furnished by the City Recorder of Medford.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check in favor of the City Treasurer of Medford for five per cent of the amount of the bid.

A bond acceptable to the city council of Medford will be required for 30 per cent of the amount of the contract price. The time stated in the proposal for completing the work will be considered in awarding the contract. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

J. F. Reddy, Mayor.
Ben. M. Collins, City Recorder.

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