

## MANY CANDIDATES FOR SOME OFFICES; ONE FOR OTHERS

**Patriotic Citizens Are Not Deterred by Niggardly Salaries Paid by County and State.**

Despite the fact that holding county office is not generally considered a paying proposition, there are many this year willing to fill the jobs at the disposal of the voters. This is particularly true of the legislative positions, which are accepted at an actual sacrifice of several hundred dollars.

Despite the crowd of candidates for some positions, there are others where there is no opposition. B. S. Bryson, republican, has no opposition in either party for county clerk; E. J. Moore, republican, is the only candidate for school superintendent; Edna Ward, republican, is the only candidate for treasurer; P. M. Morse, republican, is the only candidate for county engineer and W. W. Branstetter, republican, is the only candidate for coroner.

Republican candidates for the legislature are H. C. Wheeler, Pleasant Hill; W. S. Roberts, Fox Hollow; Emmett Howard, Santa Clara; E. O. Potter, S. S. George and W. G. White, Eugene. Democratic candidates are Ed. Bailey, Junction City, and Ralph Laird, Creswell. Three are to be nominated by each party.

For sheriff the republican candidates are Van Svarverud, Eugene, present deputy; Frank E. Taylor, Thurston, and Leonard H. Liles, Goshen; Candidates for the democratic nomination are Bud Komp and Hugh H. Earle, Eugene.

Candidates for the republican nomination for county commissioner are Emmett Sharp, Cottage Grove; Clinton Hurd, Coburg, and C. R. Bailey, Noti. Candidates for the democratic nomination are Wm. T. Poole, Cottage Grove; Robert O. Brady, Creswell, and J. H. Moffett, Junction City.

For county assessor, Ben Keeney, appointed during the present term, would like to succeed himself but will be opposed by O. S. Callison, of Eugene.

The republican candidates for district attorney are Clyde N. Johnston, Howard M. Brownell, Gordon S. Wells and Walter B. Jones. The democratic candidates are J. S. Medley and Donald Young. All are of Eugene.

The proposed recall of the county commissioners will, of course, overshadow all the other events. Sufficient names on the recall petitions were secured some time ago, so it is stated, and the petitions are to be filed today. In this contest Clinton Hurd, of Coburg, opposes Emmett Sharp and is also a candidate against him for the republican nomination. Andrew T. Miller, of Eugene, opposes Commissioner Roney.

## BANQUET IS ARRANGED FOR U. OF O. GRADUATES

Graduates and former students of the University of Oregon, with their wives or husbands (if any), will be guests at a get-together dinner to be served at 7 o'clock Friday evening, May 9, at Hotel Bartell. The state University of Oregon gift campaign committee will be the hosts and there will be no charge to those attending.

The object of the dinner is to bring graduates and former students together for the purpose of creating or renewing bonds of friendship and to make of them a cohesive organization for the promotion of the statewide gift campaign for the University of Oregon.

Following the dinner a representative of the University of Oregon will explain the needs of the university and the gift campaign which is about to be launched. No gifts will be solicited or accepted at the dinner.

**No Earwigs Here.**  
No earwigs have yet been found in Cottage Grove, according to Fruit Inspector C. E. Stewart, although they have been found in several places in Eugene. The fruit inspector has stated that he probably will be unable to use any county funds to fight the pest within the city limits of any city, as his office is authorized to fight crop pests only and the earwigs would not be a crop pest while within the city.

## FAMOUS BALL PLAYER ISSUES ULTIMATUM TO PRESIDENT BILL THUM

Cottage Grove is not likely to have much of a ball team this year, according to a letter received from A. M. Moore, now a resident of Los Angeles, who last year filled several positions at one and the same time upon the pennant-winning Merchants team of Cottage Grove. He has written the following ultimatum to Wm. (Bill) Thum, president of the organization:

"Unless I receive contract for \$1000 additional salary for 1924 season, I shall refuse to report at your training quarters at specified date, as per contract for 1923."

Mr. Thum is greatly worried by Mr. Moore's action and has appointed Samuel Loophole Mackin as a committee of three to endeavor to raise the extra \$1000 by a one-mill tax upon the timber of the county, as this seems the most popular method of raising money.

## THOUGH SCARED ALMOST TO DEATH, WOMAN SAVES MONEY FROM ROBBERS

The presence of mind of Mrs. John Safley saved from robbery Wednesday of last week the till of the service station and store which she and Mr. Safley operate at Safley springs, near Yoncalla. Mrs. Safley had filled the tank of a car in which three men were riding. Two men remained in the car while the other went into the store ostensibly to make a purchase. When Mrs. Safley turned around from finding the article asked for, she found that the man was holding a gun on her. He demanded that she at once hand over the money in the till. She replied that there was none in the till. The hold-up artist asked where her husband was and she replied that he had gone to town and taken the money with him. The man was convinced that she was telling the truth, hurried from the store and into the waiting car and the three disappeared and have not been apprehended.

Despite Mrs. Safley's presence of mind she was so scared that she could give but a meager description of the men and did not note the kind of car in which they were riding. All that the hold-up man got was the gas which Mrs. Safley had put into the tank of the car, for which they did not pay. Quite a sum of money was in the till.

## TO BUILD OR NOT TO BUILD AND WHERE, UP TOMORROW

**Taxpayers to Give Consideration to Proposed New School Building and Gymnasium.**

The school building program will be up for consideration at a mass meeting of taxpayers of the school district, to be held tomorrow evening in the high school auditorium.

Three propositions are up for consideration, two depending upon action upon the first. They are: Whether to erect a new building this year; what kind of a building to erect; where it shall be located.

Sentiment seems to favor a new building and until those living east of the railroad suggested that they might be entitled to the new building there, there seemed little doubt that it would be erected upon that part of the high school grounds where the old frame school building now stands. If the new building is placed there, the probability is that it will be constructed of tile or some permanent material. A frame building has been suggested by those who have suggested that the building be erected on the east side.

By the use of lumber an eight-time. If tile or brick is used, the district will be unable to erect more than the first four-room unit of an eight-room building. Included in the building plans is a frame gymnasium, a large part of the lumber from the old frame school building, which is to be razed, to be used in constructing the gymnasium. The gymnasium building would accommodate the agriculture and home economics classes in rooms under the stage.

**LIONS CLUB ENTERTAINS THE COMMERCIAL CLUB**  
Members of the commercial club were guests Thursday evening last at a luncheon served by the Lions club at the Gray Goose. Seventy-five members of the two organizations were present. Following the luncheon, several short talks were made.

T. C. Wheeler, president of the commercial club, urged cooperation upon the part of the citizens of the city with the officers of the two organizations and gave some illustrations of what one person can accomplish by everlastingly keeping at it.

C. E. Umphrey, member of the school board, explained the proposed school building program.

C. A. Bartell, proprietor of Bartell hotel, said that the city has a good chance to get a new hotel building during the year.

Music was furnished during the evening by an orchestra composed of Mrs. Horace Sutherland, piano; Cecil Caldwell and James Sutherland, saxophones, and Herbert Cochran, drums.

## INCREASE IN NUMBER OF READERS SHOWS GROWTH

The condition of a community is usually reflected in the number of readers of the local newspapers. That the Cottage Grove country is enjoying a steady and healthy growth is indicated by the fact that The Sentinel's annual spring subscription campaign is more productive of results than ever before. J. B. Griffith, who has had charge of subscription campaigns for The Sentinel twice a year for several years has found whole blocks and large sections of the city where The Sentinel goes into every home, making the adding of new subscribers dependent largely upon the arrival of new residents.

**Many Going to Winchester.**  
Indications are that about 50 cars will go from here to attend the opening of the Winchester bridge Sunday. S. L. Godard, chairman of the commercial club committee who are arranging the details, requests that cars leave from the corner of Sixth and Main streets at about 9 o'clock, picnic dinners to be taken by each party.



Presented to the state of Oregon in reverent and grateful remembrance of Robert Booth, pioneer minister of the Oregon country, by his son, Robert A. Booth, commemorating the labors and achievements of the ministers of the gospel, who as circuit riders became the friends, counselors and evangelists to the pioneers of every American frontier. Insert—A. Phimister Proctor, the sculptor.

## Roney and Sharp Would Be Social Lions as Authors of Fiction

What has happened to the batteries of the enemy? Ten days ago there was a machine fire of literary effort from the opponents of the recall; then as sudden as if the earth had swallowed those who manned the verbal guns, there came a hush that is almost painful. Not a verbal volley has been fired for a week by those who before were issuing warning that they had but started to fight. Evidently the barrage of facts and figures from the records has hit the mark and the guns of the anti-recallers have been silenced. Probably some of the hot stuff from the records dropped into their arsenal and exploded the whole works. That is the only logical conclusion to be drawn by this awful silence upon the part of those who were so vociferous but a few days ago.

Quiet invites contemplation, and The Sentinel has come to the conclusion that the county commissioners have been greatly wronged. They were grievously wronged when they were elected to office, for they were poorly equipped (as events that have followed have shown) for the positions to which they were elected, but they were splendidly equipped to become authors of the best in fiction. Had they been left to follow the pursuit for which they had shown such aptitude they might now be social lions as the authors of a dozen or more of the world's best sellers instead of being held up to public gaze as ravenous raiders of the public treasury.

They might even now have their busts of marble as center pieces in great collections of statuary, instead of being twitted of being of that solidarity above the shoulders only.

What reason has The Sentinel to believe that as county commissioners they would make great writers of popular fiction?

The answer is, what they have already produced.

Here is a quotation from a somewhat widely circulated literary effort, to which the name of Nels Roney is appended as its author, entitled, "My Platform."

"I desire to make certain specific and definite statements relative to what I propose to assist in accomplishing."

"I have followed the business of bridge building for more than 40 years. If elected, I shall MYSELF SUPERINTEND—with the assistance of a competent foreman—the construction of bridges in Lane county. I can do so without interfering in the least with the other duties of the office and thereby SAVE TO THE TAXPAYERS OF Lane county the salary now paid to the bridge superintendent. I AM FULLY CONSCIOUS OF MY ABIL-

ITY TO BUILD BRIDGES MUCH CHEAPER THAN IS NOW BEING DONE.

"We should at all times guard against extravagant expenses and strive to obtain a dollar's worth of work or merchandise for every dollar expended. Under the present management... overhead expenses are out of all proportion."

"THE COUNTY-OWNED AUTOMOBILE... SHOULD BE USED FOR COUNTY BUSINESS ONLY, not for pleasure, not for private business or by the families of county officials or employees."

"I am unalterably opposed to the shifting or transfer of such funds after they have been voted or assigned to the budget."

"I am heartily in favor of road maintenance... by the constant and systematic attention of a vigorous and vigilant road patrol."

It will be seen that Commissioner Roney not only has a splendid command of vigorous, definite, expressive English, but his humor is such that it should carry him smiling through the recall campaign. The fiction efforts of Commissioner Roney and Emmett Sharp are no less worthy of commendation, if indeed, they do not surpass those of his associate. But a few of the most vivid flashes can be given.

Sharp and Roney seem to have been conducting something of a fiction contest. Sharp's literary production is also entitled, "My Platform." The first sentence shows that a rare treat of execrating humor is in store for those who will read the story through. It is passing strange that it remained for a Lane county author in 1920 to first pen this palpitating, thrilling, mirth-provoking bon mot that is destined to live through the ages:

"Having been approached by many of my friends, requesting me to become a candidate... I have reluctantly decided to announce my candidacy and in doing so desire to state some of my views upon the present situation on the road question as affected by the office of county commissioner."

Following are eulogies from this literary gem:

"I am not seeking this office to learn the road business. I maintain that I CAN REDUCE THE COST OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION and maintenance and save many dollars of the taxpayers' money now expended in unnecessary overhead charges for supervision and other leaks from the county purse that should be stopped at the commissioners' court room. I am a strong advocate of building good roads and keeping them good."

"The county commissioners' court and county engineer should do the supervising, and a foreman under

them who could not build a road, run a rock crusher or build or repair a bridge with them to advise them, is not a profitable employe for the county."

"If elected county commissioner I would insist upon getting a dollar's worth of road for the dollar expended, which I believe we are not receiving under the present system."

"The above criticisms with their remedies are offered to the taxpayers for their decision, and with my insurance to them that I will use my best endeavors to put them into practice, as well as MANY ECONOMIES TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION here, which could be put into practice without interfering with efficient service, and which savings I believe should be put into good roads and to keep them good."

Why keep on the payroll at a paltry \$150 a month, with \$50 a month for personal expenses and \$50 a month for automobile expenses men who as writers of fiction should rank with Jules Verne and Edgar Allan Poe? To do so is unjust to them—and unjust to Lane county. We'd better take their gasoline flippers away and give them a Pegasus upon which to wing and pen their way to eternal glory."

The Sentinel has resurrected another intensely interesting production by these literary gentlemen, in which they seem to have collaborated as authors. Upon June 7, 1921, a recall election was held in which L. N. Roney was the candidate against M. H. Harlow, his candidacy being promoted by Emmett Sharp, even in that early day wasting as county commissioner the time that should have been employed as heretofore suggested. In this collaboration of theirs they suggested reasons why M. H. Harlow should be recalled. Sharp and Roney have but recently characterized the recall as a criminal procedure, unless high crime has been proved against the officials whom it is desired to be removed. When they desired to remove Commissioner Harlow they prepared a statement for the recall ballot and employed the English language to such effect that it was proved beyond any shadow of doubt that Satan ought to resign and give Harlow the job. This imperishable document, in stinging, biting English makes this infamous charge:

"That he (Harlow) is dominating and stubborn and dominates the action of the County Court; that he has and is discriminating in road matters against the Northern, Western and Southern parts of the County, and refuses to permit the County Court to give said parts of the County their proper share of road funds."

Never was another victim of a

## NEW S. P. AGENT HELD FIRST JOB AT SAGINAW, THEN IMPORTANT STATION

T. L. Boyd, who recently became Southern Pacific agent here, was agent at Saginaw in 1898, when that was one of the most important stations upon the Southern Pacific. That was his first job for the Southern Pacific. At that time the Booth-Kelly Lumber company was operating its big mill at Prune Hill out from Saginaw and the Saginaw station was shipping about the same amount of lumber that the Cottage Grove station does today, while the shipments from that station have not for many years required an agent at all. The Prune Hill mill and the planing mill at Saginaw were long ago dismantled and the machinery shipped away. The flume from the mill to the docks at Saginaw, which stood for many years after the mill ceased to operate, was torn down several years ago.

The Saginaw Lumber company started operating a year or so ago in the timber near where the Booth-Kelly mill formerly stood.

When Mr. Boyd was agent at Saginaw, T. C. Wheeler, now cashier of the First National bank, was bookkeeper and storekeeper for the Booth-Kelly people.

## MIKE YOKEL WILL MEET HAND ON MAT HERE TONIGHT

**This Will Be Fourth Contest Between the Two, Who Seem Evenly Matched.**

Wrestling fans anticipate one of the evenest wrestling matches of the season tonight, when Mike Yokel, of Salt Lake City, the old Roman of the mat, will again be here to take on Ralph Hand. Yokel lost the light heavyweight belt to Thye, of Portland, immediately following a match a few months ago with Hand in which the local bone crusher had taken one fall and seemed quite likely to take the second. Yokel will have 10 or 15 pounds the better of it in weight but that will avail him little if the local man gets one of Mike's feet twisted into one of the toeholds of which the best of those who have appeared here are extremely wary.

Hand and Yokel have wallowed each other around the mat in three contests. Hand won a handiamp and Yokel won two straight matches.

Ted Thye, the pride of Portland, has agreed to make 165 pounds and to meet Hand here at an early date.

## CURRIAN PURVANCE DIES: FUNERAL TO BE HELD HERE

Word was received here Tuesday of the death in Portland of Currian Purvance, former resident and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Purvance. The funeral will be held here at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Methodist church. Joseph Knotts, of Grants Pass, former pastor of the Methodist church here, will officiate.

Currian was born here October 1, 1901, and was a resident here until his parents moved to Methakath, Alaska, where the father is a teacher in the government service. He was attending Oregon Agricultural college when taken ill nearly two years ago. The father remained in the state a part of this year on account of the son's sickness but was obliged to go to Alaska a short time ago to give attention to his school affairs and will be unable to be present at the funeral. The mother remained with her son. A sister survives and Mrs. Sarah Purvance, of Springfield, and Mrs. Lucy Currian, of this city, are grandmothers.

## LEGION OPPOSES ENTRY OF DOUKHOBOR COLONY

Calvin T. Funk post, American Legion, has gone on record as opposing the settlement of a large part of the northern part of Lane county by Doukhobors, a large colony of whom are said to be planning to move to this country from Canada. The principal objection of the legion to the set is that they do not become citizens and have peculiar ideas about obeying the laws of the land.

A committee from the commercial club is also investigating the Doukhobor proposition and it is likely that this organization will also go on record as opposing their entry into the county.

## MUCH BUILDING PLANNED FOR EAST SIDE SECTION

The east side is experiencing something of a building boom. L. Heiner has started a residence on Jefferson avenue, S. R. Brand has started a residence on Washington avenue and C. A. Larson, of Oregon City, owner of the property immediately west of the Harvey home on Main street, plans to tear down the old residence now standing there and erect three modern bungalows. The foundation has been laid for the first of these. C. M. Parker recently built an addition to his store building.

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## ROW RIVER ROAD IS BEING GREATLY IMPROVED

**Knox Hill Grade Lowered, Two Sharp Turns and Curran Hill Grade Eliminated.**

Those who have occasion to use the Row river road are greatly pleased with improvements in progress there. At this end of the road, the grade over Knox hill has been reduced three feet and the dirt removed to reduce the grade has been used to widen the turn at the west approach to the grade. The narrow grade there was a source of considerable danger. The two sharp turns on the east side of Knox hill are being eliminated and in their places will be one turn with a wide sweep, additional ground having been purchased for this purpose. The old road over Knox hill, which was abandoned a number of years ago, is in use while the improvements are being made.

The grade for the new road around Curran hill was completed some time ago and will be rocked during the summer, thereby eliminating a dangerous piece of road on a narrow and steep grade. It is probable that during the summer a new piece of road will be built east from Curran bridge to eliminate that portion of the road which is often under water at times of high water in Row river a few yards away.

It is understood to be the plan of the county court to scarify and roll this road for its entire length, with the exception of the portion built last year. The strain upon this road is such that, with the exception of where work was done last year, it is so full of chuck holes that there are few stretches where a speed of 20 miles an hour is comfortable.

Between the steel bridge and the hill to the east, a distance of probably a mile, the surface placed last year has stood up splendidly. West from the bridge it has not stood up so well, although the chuck holes are almost entirely in the center of the road and traffic in both directions can take the outside and avoid them. However, this portion of the road is a paved boulevard compared to the portion where no work was done last year.

This road bears probably twice as much traffic as any other road in this section and requires continual maintenance to keep it in any kind of shape.

## 38 WILL BE IN THIS YEAR'S GRADUATING CLASS

Cottage Grove high will graduate another record class this year. There will be 37 or 38, as follows: Bernice Brainard, Helen Breedlove, Verma Caldwell, Myrtle Deberstein, Ray Godard, Lois Jackson, Genevieve Johnson, Hattie Lebow, Donna Nichols, Melba Pentico, Ruth Powers, Genevieve Rice, May Rose, Jeanette Spahr, Baulah Smith, Nellie Stewart, Helen Waples, Naoma Wynne, Velma Madden, Leo Brand, Homer Dixon, Glenn Gillespie, Robert Galloway, Byron McFarland, Carl Porter, Marion Richmond, Ned Smith, Henry Snauer, Samuel Swartz, Hazen Williams, Gordon Wright, Joe Young, Henry Hubbell, George Hewitt, Jack Howitt, Jack Benager, Lois Caldwell and Dwight Buehannan.

**Diastion Route Extended.**  
Residents living north from the Spray steel bridge to Saginaw and between Saginaw and Cottage Grove will receive rural mail delivery beginning June 1, a petition for an extension of the Diastion route to take in this territory having been granted Tuesday by the postoffice department at Washington.

## BILL THUM LOSES SOUP MEAT IN ACCIDENT; BUYS SECOND PAIR TROUSERS

William (Bill) Thum was in an accident a few days ago that came near incapacitating him as a star in the merchants baseball team. Bill was riding a bicycle along Main street, keeping well to his side of the street, when a California car came alongside and crowded him so as to cause the bicycle to tip over with him. One pedal of the bicycle was wrecked, a chunk was torn out of Bill's trousers and a liberal chunk of soup meat was gouged out of Bill's anatomy.

The driver of the car which had caused the accident offered to repair the trousers but Bill had been planning for several months upon purchasing a second pair and made no claim for damages.

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—merchants who advertise have to tell the truth about their goods.  
—cannot be printed word even because retracted.  
—the unreliable advertiser is soon out of business.  
—the merchant who stands out as a regular advertiser for any length of time can be depended upon for reliability.