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## POLITICAL BOSSES NAME CANDIDATE

### County Central Committee Used as Cats Paw to Give Nomination to Preferred Candidate. Proceedings Illegal From Start to Finish.

A meeting of the County Central Committee on Tuesday evening of the 22d undertook to secure the nomination of A. E. Coovert as Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator McBride. The plan was to authorize the Executive Committee to cast the vote of the entire body of precinct committeemen for Mr. Coovert. Judge Thayer of Montavilla interposed an objection which was supported by W. H. H. Dufur. The result was that another meeting was called for last Tuesday evening for the purpose of putting over the nomination in spite of all objections. Agents of the bosses visited many of the precinct committeemen of the county, wherever they thought they could turn the trick satisfactorily, and secured the promise of the committeemen to support the candidacy of E. E. Coovert. Where the committeemen could not be present a proxy was secured, and if the proxy could not be secured by the consent of the committeeman it is said some were used any way. At any rate no effort was made to convince those who were aware of the intentions and motives back of the candidacy of Coovert. They were left alone, and when the meeting was called to order on Tuesday there was an undoubted majority present, including the illegal proxies, for the favored candidate.

Chairman Day called the house to order and announced the purpose of the meeting, to nominate a candidate for the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. McBride, and he further declared it was the decision of the chair to receive proxies, and to vote the nomination by ballot. He immediately prepared to proceed with the nomination. At this juncture, Mr. Darnall, of Lents, secured the floor and interposed objections to both proceedings on the grounds of illegality. He maintained that the nomination could not be made so as to exclude other candidates, as the Central Committee had no authority to fill this vacancy. He then devoted considerable time to the illegality and unfairness of the method of using proxies. Persons unable to be present were represented by proxies unknown to them, and who could have no knowledge of the wishes of the committeeman or precinct which he represented. The law does not provide for any proxies. The proxies are usually given out in support of the chairman, whatever his motive may be and thus you would find a precinct represented as supporting a movement that was absolutely objectionable to it or its committeeman. Not infrequently proxies are issued without the consent of the committeemen, who happen to be absent. He stated that essentially the whole dissatisfaction with this year's committee work had been due to the admission of proxies, and he moved that the use of proxies be here and now discontinued. After some discussion it was agreed to handle the matter as an appeal from the chairman's previous ruling and as such was put to vote by ballot. The result of the vote was favorable to the chair, although it expressed a decided dissatisfaction with the system of using proxies.

Following this nominations were proposed for the senatorship and Mr. E. E. Coovert was placed in nomination. Again Mr. Darnall interposed the objection that the proceedings were illegal and proposed that the matter of nominating a candidate be dropped. The chair ruled otherwise. In the course of the discussion it was suggested that there might be other candidates than Mr. Coovert, and a cry went up, name them. As no one responded, and as it appeared that nominations might be closed, Mr. Darnall then arose and briefly discussed his favored candidate, ending by nominating H. A. Lewis of Russellville. W. H. H. Dufur seconded the nomination. S. C. Morton of Columbia County interposed a further objection but his objections were ruled out of order. A roll call of delegates began. After some time it was so evident that Mr. Coovert was going to receive the majority a proposition to concede his nomination was made. A suggestion to make it unanimous was objected to and all those who supported Mr. Lewis were asked to rise. The count showed seventeen votes for Lewis, in a house that had been packed for Coovert. The chair declared Mr. Coovert elected by 285 votes, the votes

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## BLANCHE BOYNTON BURNED TO DEATH

Blanche, the 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Boynton of 15 east 61 street, was burned so badly at a camp on Mt. Scott yesterday morning that she died during the afternoon. It appears that the Boyntons were camping near the Ulrich farm where Mr. Boynton was working and the mother was visiting some one near Clackamas. During the forenoon Blanche put some wood on the camp fire and in some way her dress caught fire. Her screams attracted a neighbor and when he reached her her clothes were burned off her. The doctor does not believe she tried to tear the clothes from her as her hands were not burned. Both parents were absent when she was burned. She was brought by a passing automobile to Dr. Hees in Lents and from here taken to Seliwood hospital. Her burns were so severe she could not recover from the shock. Opiates were administered to relieve the pain.

### Miss Pearl Armstrong Married

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Horn, Tipton, Iowa, Monday evening, August 14th, at 8 o'clock, Mr. C. V. King of Belle Plaine, Kan., and Miss Alida Pearl Armstrong of Portland, Oregon, were united in marriage, W. F. Horn, J. P. officiating.

The groom is a prosperous young mechanic associated with Dick Ward in the contracting business, and the bride is a charming young lady liberally endowed with the qualities that contribute to the upbuilding of a home. They will reside in Tipton for the present and be given a cordial welcome by its people.

### FOOTBALLS WIN A CHARGE.

#### Surreys Beat Them Along Until They Capture German Post.

Describing some of the rummy thrilling incidents of the great advance on the Somme, a correspondent refers to the exploits of the east Surreys. "The captain of one of the companies," he says, "had provided four footballs, one for each platoon, urging them to keep up a dribbling competition all the way over the mile and a quarter of ground they had to traverse. As the company formed on emerging from the trench the platoon commanders kicked off and the match against death commenced. "The gallant captain himself fell early in the charge, and men began to drop rapidly under the hail of machine gun bullets. But still the footballs were booted onward, with hoarse cries of encouragement or defiance, until they disappeared in the dense smother behind which the Germans were shooting. "Then when the bombs and bayonets had done their work and the enemy had cleared out the Surrey men looked for their footballs, and recovered two of them in the captured traverses. These will be sent to the regimental depot at Kingston as war trophies worth preserving."

### Funerals

Stokes E. Johnson, 48 years of age, died at his home near Belrose, on August 28, of heart trouble. Mr. Johnson was a native of Ohio, having lived in Oregon for the past three years. He leaves a family to mourn his early death. The funeral will be held at Kenworthy's at a date not yet announced.

Lois Minerva Cunningham, living with her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Rose, near Gilbert Road and 104th street, died August 26 of senile decline. The funeral was held privately on Tuesday at the Kenworthy chapel and she was buried at Mt. Scott. Mrs. Cunningham was a native of Ohio, having lived in Oregon the past seven years.

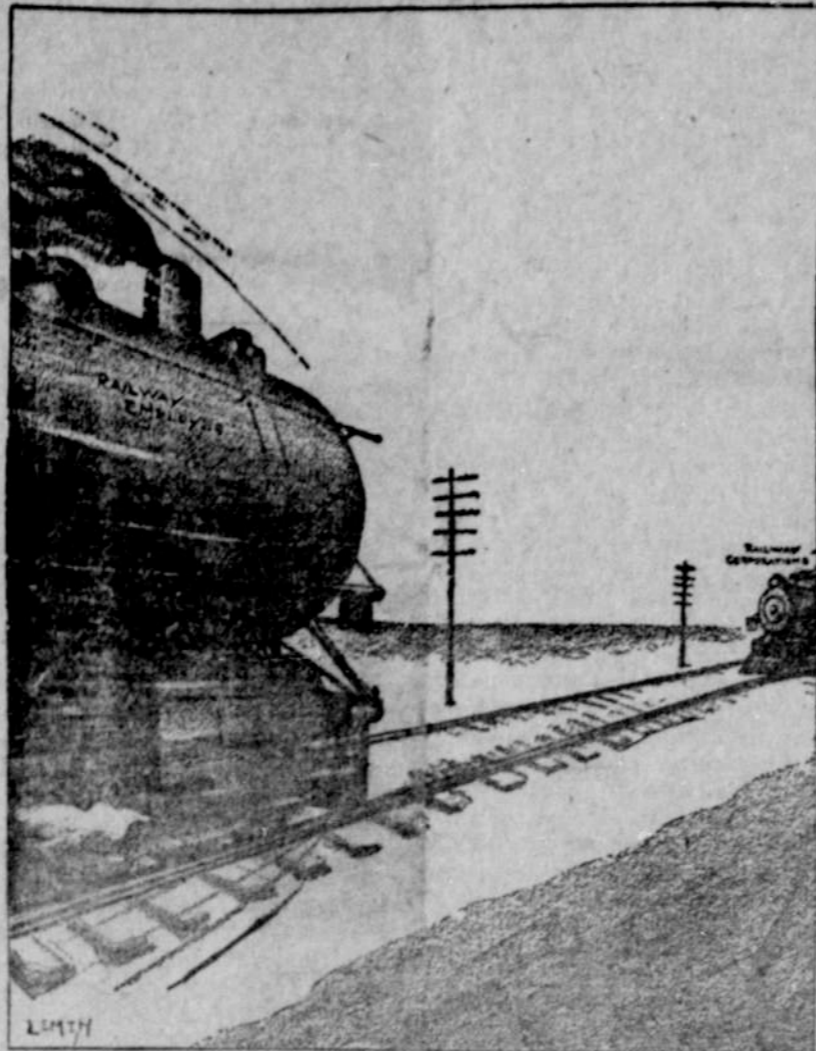
### Letter of Condolence

God with his infinite Wisdom has seen fit to take suddenly from our midst, Mr. Spokeville Johnson, a much admired and loved neighbor, one who was always kind and pleasant, ever ready to say a kind word and do a good deed; one who was ever faithful to his family, kind, generous and loving, an ideal father and neighbor.

Therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Epworth League of Bennet Chapel, extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved mother and children.

Viola Haygarth,  
Third Vice Pres.

## WILL THE CRASH FINALLY COME?



—Lemen in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Linn county is harvesting one of the best crops of oats produced in many years.

Since January 1, 1916, there have been received in Klamath county 1220 consignments of intoxicating liquor.

Hop picking will begin in most of the large Oregon yards on September 5 and 6, with a sufficient supply of labor in sight.

George Leach Story, Oregon pioneer and one of the foremost in constructive devotion to the state, died at Portland at the age of 83.

Bend physicians are busy combating an epidemic of cholera infantum, a large number of children being stricken in all parts of town.

December 13 to 16, inclusive, have been set as the dates for the annual show of the Central Willamette Valley Poultry association at Albany.

Representative Sinnott has been advised that postoffices are about to be discontinued at Cline Falls, Crook county, and Harney, Harney county.

Multnomah county will not pay its employees this month. The employees will get their salary warrants, but the county will not be able to cash them.

The second-hand business has assumed considerable proportions in Oregon, declares Labor Commissioner Hoff. There are 178 firms engaged in this line.

The senate has confirmed the nominations of the following Oregon postmasters: John S. Howe, Lents; O. Edwin Marvin, Wallowa; Mary O. Vail, Carlton.

A new department is being added to the work of Pacific college at Newberg and beginning with 1916-17 a full two-year course in commercial work will be given.

Succumbing to an illness of three months, L. Samuel, an Oregon pioneer, founder and general manager of the Oregon Life Insurance company, died at Portland.

The highest price for which an agate was ever sold in Newport was paid last week, when G. A. Kinsey, a wealthy Pittsburger, bought a coral agate from A. L. Thomas for \$100.

Conditions in the lumber business have been better so far this year than in 1915, reports to Labor Commissioner Hoff from 13 sawmills of Clackamas county for his annual report show.

In the next five years, according to State Engineer Lewis, the state of Oregon will receive approximately \$1,820,000 for the building of roads under the provisions of the federal aid road act.

Harvey Wells, commander of the United Spanish war veterans, has designated the heads of the various encampments throughout the state as recruiting officers for the Third infantry.

Within the next three weeks the Bend commercial club will conduct a vigorous campaign among the local business men to boost its membership list from its present 80 members to 200.

While walking from her home to

the residence of her daughter near Roseburg, Mrs. Nancy A. Fairbanks, aged 78 years, fell by the roadside and died. She was overcome by the heat.

Optometry boards of Oregon, Washington, California, Utah and Montana are to meet in Portland October 3 for transaction of business and to take up the question of quack optometry schools.

A mountain slide last winter was the cause of a broken blow-off valve on the South Fork pipeline which caused a water famine in Oregon City, West Linn, Willamette and Bolton Friday night.

The dates for the annual "Punkin'" show at Junction City have been changed from September 14, 15 and 16 to September 21, 22 and 23 on account of the Lane county fair and roundup on the former dates.

Examiner Disque, of the interstate commerce commission, will come to Portland on October 4, next, to conduct a series of hearings involving rates and service affecting various local shippers and carriers.

At a special election at Silverton for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing bonds for \$21,000 to provide funds for a municipal auxiliary water system, the bonds were authorized by a vote of 144 to 41.

After being lost in the thickly timbered districts of the Wolf creek section of Douglas county for two days, Misses Ella Dillard and Hazel Jewett were found by searchers on a trail about two miles from their camp.

The cement and lime plant of the Beaver-Portland Cement company, at Gold Hill, in Jackson county, in the installation of which more than half a million dollars have been invested, is about ready for operation. It has a capacity of 1000 barrels of cement a day, with a crushing capacity of 3000 barrels.

Black leg has caused the death of 400 sheep in Whitman national forest, according to Assistant State Veterinarian Dr. Osborne, who has been attempting to stamp out the disease. It has been general all through the Whitman forest section.

The dead body of C. E. Bowman, a cigar manufacturer of Bandon, was found by a searching party lying on a gravel bar in Deep canyon. He had apparently been dead for 12 hours. Death was due to exhaustion. Mr. Bowman became lost while on a prospecting trip.

The Hood River Fruit Growers' Exchange has announced final returns on the 1916 strawberry crop. The exchange handled 10,000 crates of fruit at an average of \$2.12 a crate. The highest price received on any shipment was \$6 a crate at the opening of the season.

In the hope of preventing the wasteful destruction of straw this fall M. S. Schrock, county agriculturist of Yamhill county, has issued an appeal to the farmers not to burn their straw. Should straw be burned Mr. Schrock

## GEO. BORNSTEADT SAYS GLOCKNER IS SUICIDE

George Bornsteadt called at the Herald office Tuesday morning. He is living near Tremont now, though he used to live at Sandy and was well acquainted with Fred Glockner who died from unknown cause at one of the city hospitals last week. He thinks Glockner committed suicide. He says domestic differences brought it about. He says Glockner was a very sociably disposed person and liked to be in company, but his wife refused to mix with her neighbors much and that Glockner's yearning for companionship brought about differences that took him away from home.

The latest judgment of the authorities seem to indicate a concurrence in the suicide theory.

### POET RILEY WAS SENSITIVE

"As an illustration of Riley's sensitive nature," said Melville E. Stone, "Jim and I went alone to the theater to see Sol Smith Russell, who also belonged to the Saints and Sinners' Corner. He was playing 'The Poor Relation.' In the play was a scene where Russell took a young boy and put him in a barrel while he removed his trousers to mend them. The audience roared with laughter at the comic situation. Next to me in the box sat James Whitcomb Riley, sobbing as if his heart would break. He saw no humor in the plight of the little boy. To him it was pathetic.

"He, like Eugene Field, was devoted to children. He loved them, but he loved them artistically. I am not sure that personally—that is, mind you, hanging to a man's coat-tails—they either of them wanted children around. They lacked the patience necessary for daily contact with children. Riley and Field could write heartbreaking verse in respect of children and put into them an inordinate amount of human sympathy, but so far as I know this was at arm's length from the youngsters themselves, especially in Field's case. Riley was ever exceedingly sympathetic. One evening Jim was reciting his poem, 'A Happy Little Cripple,' before a large audience. He had scarcely begun the lines—

"I'm that a little crippled boy an' never got to grow. An' I'm a great big man at all, 'cause a nanty told me so. When I was that a baby once I falled out of the bed An' got 'the curvature of the spine'—an' that's what the doctor said—

when he noticed a man and a woman in the audience leaving the hall. He made inquiry and found out that they had a little lame child of their own much like the one he was describing. He resolved never to recite that poem in public again."—New York Post.

### GUIDE YOUR BOY NOW.

#### Keep Him on the Road That Leads to the Highest Citizenship.

This is a good time to think of your boy. If you do not look after him in the right way some one will do it in the wrong way. Begin now.

Teach your boy to follow in the footsteps of his father, to respect the law, to obey his parents, to regard the rights of all men, to honor virtue, to respect womanhood and to depend upon no one but himself for his advancement.

Teach him that the Golden Rule of life will be found in the Ten Commandments. They are short. They stand today unchanged and unchallenged.

They comprise the first great written law given by God to man. Before these few commandments all man made laws fade into insignificance. Teach them to your boy. There is danger ahead if you do not.

The universal drift of mankind is toward decadence. Heredity pays its premium and also exacts its discount. The son of a good father and an affectionate mother, brought up in an atmosphere of parental regard, never will disgrace the family.

The boys of today are to be the men of tomorrow. The destinies of the American people are to be in the hands of their sons. If the boys are taught respect for the law (both human and divine), obedience to authority, manly independence and the fear of God this great nation will be a noble monument to man's capacity for self government and self control at a time when all the world is a seething cauldron of unrest, unreason and disbelief.

Teach your boy to rule, but first to rule himself.—John A. Slescher in Leslie's Weekly.

### Spanish Etiquette.

There is a curious story of how the Duke d'Aosta when king of Spain told a muleteer to whom he was talking to cover himself, the sun being hot, forgetting that by so doing he made the muleteer a grandee. Marshal Prim, to prevent this catastrophe, knocked the man's hat out of his hand, and, according to some, the muleteer had something to do with Prim's assassination that followed soon afterward.

## A. V. KENT ADMITS GRIME

### Eighty-Second Street Man, Mail Clerk, Admits Robbing Mail Sacks of Hundred of Dollars. Arrested Sunday Evening.

When Arthur V. Kent of 7322 Eighty-second street stepped from the Mt. Scott car at Grays Crossing Sunday evening postal inspectors C. B. Welter and C. M. Perkins placed him under arrest and searching him, found \$100 in his pockets, which he admitted he had taken from the mail he was handling on his run as postal clerk between Eugene and Portland. They then went home with him and he showed them a tin can in the woodshed which contained several hundred dollars. He admits the taking of about \$1742, \$870 being recovered from the tin can and a hundred at the station. He has accounted for all but \$4000.

The money spent has gone for things in the home and to send his wife and children to the beach.

Kent is 28 years of age. He is a young man of temperate habits. His pilferings have been going on for the past year or more. He took all sorts of money from envelopes, but the deposits sent by postmasters from the small offices to their depositories in Salem or Portland suffered most. At last a letter with \$100 from Marshfield to Portland was watched. It never came through so Kent was taken on suspicion and confessed. The result will be a long term in a Federal penitentiary and a life opening with fair prospects, permanently blighted.

### H. A. Lewis Nominated

A meeting of citizens in Montavilla Monday evening nominated H. A. Lewis of Russellville as an independent candidate for state senator. This will ensure Mr. Lewis a place on the ballot, and give his friends a chance to show how much they think of him. The meeting at Montavilla was a rousing one and gave the nomination a send off that will be felt around the county. Lewis is the proper sort of man. His head sets on his shoulders about right. He is absolutely on the square. If he goes to Salem we may be sure that his vote will be cast solely for merit and never for selfish motive, expediency, or anyone's personal advantage. He will go for the public and those who are looking for a more pliable public servant had better look elsewhere.

### Mrs. Jesse Woods Dead

Mrs. Ruby Elvora Woods, of Grays Crossing was laid to rest on Monday afternoon in Multnomah cemetery, her death having occurred on Friday. She had been ailing for some time, being troubled by gall stones. An operation seemed necessary and it was while undergoing the operation that she finally yielded up her life. Mrs. Woods was born in New York. She has lived in or near Lents for the past 12 years. She leaves her husband and seven sons and three daughters to recall her memory. The funeral was held at the Methodist church on 84th street, Rev. Mrs. Smith delivering the address. Mrs. Woods will be remembered as a kind, motherly woman and her going will break up the circle that has been home for nearly a half century.

### Obituary

The many Lents friends of Mrs. E. H. Willis of Tenth avenue near Marie street, will hear with sorrow of the passing of this one recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Timothy Lydston at Midvale, Idaho, on the afternoon of Sunday, August 13. She had been undergoing treatment for cancer for some time, and had submitted to another operation the day before. Apparently she was doing well until the afternoon of the following day when she passed away. At the time of her death she was 61 years, 3 months and 5 days of age. The funeral service was conducted by the Baptist minister at Midvale and the interment took place there. Mrs. Willis was an active member of the Lents Baptist church, at the time of her leaving here, being president of the Ladies Aid Society. She was always in her place in the church when possible. A woman of sterling worth she has gone to be with her Lord. The sympathy of the friends here go out to the husband and daughter in their bereavement.

Mr. Perry Klepper left Tuesday morning for Seattle.