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AS OTHERS SEE US.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear W. E. Guerin, Jr. speak at the republican rally last Thursday evening were, or should have been impressed with some of the statements which he made regarding the future growth and progress of this county. Mr. Guerin did not mince his words; he spoke straight to the point, and spread over every feature of his address was the mandate: "Crook county, you must wake up."

Mr. Guerin has come to Crook county, as the developer of her resources, the representative and possessor of thousands of dollars of capital. That money is being spent lavishly and will be spent until the work of reclaiming an enormous stretch of arid territory is completed. He sees the faults, the drawbacks, the lack of facilities, the hesitancy on the part of Crook county, which has never been too ready to pick up with new industries, to sanction a change in her business diet; in short, he sees ourselves as others see us, and he is anxious, as a permanent resident of this community, that a radical change should take place; a change in conformity with the phases of the new era into which Crook county is stepping.

It is not within the province of any man or institution to say that he is wrong. He's right. Is now and will be just so long as he holds to his present views of the situation. Crook county has slept soundly for 30 years and only the mischievous prod of a few wide awakes from the outside has caused it recently to turn over on her side. The alarm clock of progress has had a broken main spring for more than a score of years.

During the campaign which has just closed candidates of both parties have posed before the people as the criterions of economical administration in county affairs. "Elect me," they said, "and the county treasury will be jammed full, running over and spilling out money all over the ground when I step down from office." A promise was thrown in with it that the taxes would be the same or a little bit lower.

And there you are. There's the logic, there's the reason, there's the wisdom and erudition which has occupied the throne in a campaign just closed for a county whose resources are capable of placing it among the first of the state in wealth and population. A county out of debt with thousands of dollars lying idle in the treasury and candidates pleading for more economy! Has this hoarding proposition become so instilled in the populace that public institutions will forever go to rot for the sake of showing five or six figures in the bank account?

It is to be hoped not. Spend that money. Not recklessly, or injudiciously, but with a view of placing Crook county upon a basis which will call forth commendation and not the reverse from the hundreds of people who are coming in to populate it. What earthly sense is there in having a pocketful of gold and the educational facilities, the bridges, the public highways and the dozen and one other county institutions surrounded by the same lethargic conditions? None at all. But instead there should be emblazoned on every tree, in every highway, in every operation and institution under the jurisdiction of the county the intrinsic truth that Crook county offers to the outside world inducements second to none in the state.

RESULTS OF A DEADLOCK.

After a protracted struggle, lasting many days, during which it was necessary to cast 72 ballots, the deadlock over the nomination of a governor for Illinois was broken last week and Charles S. Deneen secured the coveted prize. The Sucker state has never before

in the history of its political imbroglis witnessed such a contest for gubernatorial honors as has been fought in Springfield during the past month. Each of the men had their strength. Yates with almost the entire delegation of state office holders back of him; Lowden bolstered up in the political traces of "Billy" Lorimer, the ward boss of Chicago; and Deneen supported by the strongest Republican papers in the latter city. Yates was hampered by a record as governor none too ravory for the politicians and people; Lowden was getting there on his own merits and the flaws he could parade in the present state administration; while Deneen bulked by an enviable record as state's attorney fought on grounds favored by both the press and people.

That Deneen has won and will in consequence be elected, is a matter upon which the people of Illinois have reason to congratulate themselves. Similar to circuit attorney Folk, of St. Louis, in his prosecution of political corruption and crime, Deneen had a right to the nomination which quickly became strengthened as the dead locc remained unbroken. Circumstances later on compelled a compromise, and the final adjustment between the Deneen and Yates forces carries with it some significant features.

Governor Yates, who secured his hold in Illinois politics in much the same manner as did Carter Harrison, now serving his fourth term as mayor of Chicago—namely, on the brilliant record of a dead father—is not a man who would have been contented to step down from the governor's chair and sink into political oblivion. It is reasonable to believe, therefore, that he will be the next senator elected from the state in which his political record has been altogether unsatisfactory during his term of office. Four years ago, when talking for votes, he linked his name with that of President Roosevelt, defined his position on state questions, which at that time were of considerable moment, carried the election, and is now pushed out from the office after a term which has been a discredit both to himself and the head of the nation. It is fitting that he should be elected to the United States senate in order to cover up his record or make it more marked. It is the second step in the management of political intricacies, and Governor Yates as senator will be in a position where his right hand knoweth not what his left hand doeth.

On the other hand Illinois will be relieved from the burden of a republican governor whose acts have kept his own party in a thoughtful mood of suspense. Deneen, as a republican state's attorney, has been tried and not found wanting and it is altogether probable that the caliber of the man and his traits of firmness and decision will become instilled in his office at the head of the state's affairs. His record as a prosecuting attorney is such that no man, class of men or institutions in the state will be able or anxious to tamper with or attempt to undermine his position, a condition of affairs which has been unknown for many years in Illinois politics.

A single glance at the returns of the election last Monday fully convinces anyone that there were more murders committed that day than on any other occasion held in Crook county for a number of years. Nearly every voter who went to the polls slaughtered his ticket as is evidenced by the fact that with the county nominally republican by nearly 200, a single democratic candidate received a majority of over 450. The butchering process was strongly brought out while the local votes were being counted when one man's ballot showed he voted first for a prohibition candidate, switched off onto the socialists, hit the democrats a clip, wound up on the republicans and then voted against local option.

BERNOLA MINING COMPANY FORMED

Owners of the Quicksilver Claims Get Ready to Push Development Work.

The Bernola Mining company, which was organized at a meeting of eight claim owners at the Poindexter hotel last Monday evening, is the second one to shape itself for the development of the rich cinnabar deposits on Lookout mountain. The move is one which has been under contemplation for some time, but it was not until this week when word was received by some of the members of the newly formed company that eastern capitalists would be here soon to look over the field, that any definite action was taken. The officers of the company were elected Monday night as follows: P. B. Poindexter, president; D. F. Steffa, vice-president; J. Frank Spinning, secretary and treasurer.

A short time ago when C. C. Hutchison, who was instrumental in getting Ohio capital interested in the irrigation enterprises in the western part of the county, was in the city, some of the members of the newly formed company were given to understand that eastern capital could be secured to handle the claims represented in the Bernola company, provided they were gotten into the right kind of shape for handling. No action, however, was taken until Monday when word was received from Mr. Hutchison that New York capitalists with their experts would be here the last of this month to examine the property and that a 90-day option at a fixed price was desired. Under this instigation the new company was organized and this week options on the ten claims were drawn up, signed by their owners, and sent to Portland. It is expected that the eastern parties to the transaction will arrive here about the first of July when they will inspect the claims and make known whether they intend to buy the properties.

The price named in the option is considered a reasonable figure, and it is not now the intention of the company to let go their hold on the bunch of claims unless the sum mentioned is forthcoming. The ten claims are in a compact group only a few hundred feet below the tunnel in the Tillotson-Cram mine and the ore which has

already been taken from the tunnel in the Bernola mine is equal to that taken from the upper mine when its shaft had been sunk to the same depth. The same formation of blue granite, which walled in the enormous vein of cinnabar which has been cut in the Tillotson-Cram tunnel, has also been encountered in the lower tunnel and it is the belief of the owners that their property is equally as valuable as that of former. At least it is not the intention of the present owners to sacrifice their property when conditions fully justify the belief that with the tunnel driven a short distance farther into the mountain a body of ore fully as rich as that in the upper tunnel will be uncovered. And that is the course of procedure which will be adopted this summer provided arrangements between the company and the eastern parties fail to prove satisfactory.

Work in the tunnel will be started in July and during the months following until snow flies will be pushed steadily until the cinnabar deposits are exposed. Ore which has been taken only a few feet from the surface in this tunnel when assayed has shown a quantity of four per cent mercury and it is believed that this is an unfailing sign that a deeper prospect will disclose a satisfying ledge of cinnabar.

T. H. Lafollett will leave next Sunday for Shaniko where he goes to attend the wool sales which will be held there next week. The firm of Allen & Lafollett has 65,000 pounds there at the present time which will be sold.

Joe Hinkle made a trip to Squaw creek last week, returning in time to vote Monday.

C. B. Allen was in from Lava yesterday. He reports the outlook good for a record breaking hay crop this year.

J. H. Windom, of Culver was in the city the past week transacting business the past week.

Notice.

The eighth grade final examinations will be held at the school house in Prineville the 6th, 16th, and 17th of June.

WILLIAM BOEHL,
School Superintendent.

BARGAIN SALE

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