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WILL BUILD NEW PLANT

Portland General Plans New Station On East Side.

BEGIN WORK THIS YEAR

Develop 40,000 Horse Power and Supply Manufacturing Industries That May Be Located Here.

Early this year, as soon as the stage of water in the Willamette River permits, the Portland General Electric Company will commence work on a new 40,000 horse power plant on the east side of the river in Oregon City, made up of units of 3,500 horse power. Within two years the company will be in a position to operate 20,000 horse power and already have announced that they will furnish cheap power for eight or nine months in the year for any manufacturing industry that may be located here. At least 200 men will be employed in construction work, which will be rushed while the water is low, little or nothing being done on foundation work during high water. The company is also planning the erection of another plant in Portland of similar capacity to burn cheap fuel, sawdust being utilized.

UPHOLD THE INSPECTOR.

C. W. Swallow Advocates Destruction of Worthless Trees.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 7.—(Editor of the Courier)—Grapes, peaches and cherries are the subjects to be discussed at the next meeting of the Clackamas County Horticultural Society. Although apples seem to be attracting the most attention in this locality just now, we hope to show that there are many other fruits that can be produced to perfection in this county. I am very sorry to see so much misunderstanding in regard to spraying and the horticultural law. When we speak of cleaning up, or destroying old, infested orchards, there are some that bristle up immediately and want to fight. They say they guess they can do as they please with their own

property. I suppose if someone owned a gun they would say they could do as they pleased with it, because it was their own property, and could shoot any stock or chickens, or make it dangerous to live in the neighborhood. Well, perhaps they could for a while, but why would not I have something to say about it.

We would prefer to have every tree freed from scale and disease that is worth cleaning up. But, if not worth it, producing no income, and a detriment to the neighborhood, a nuisance and disgrace to the community, why not have it destroyed, and give others who are trying to take good care of their trees a chance. I hope all fruit growers, the county officials, and all who are interested for the best interests of the county, will uphold any inspectors who may work along these lines. C. W. SWALLOW.

HAVE DOUBLE FUNERAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Shindler Laid to Rest in Riverview.

The remains of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Shindler were laid side by side in Riverview Cemetery Sunday afternoon after simple ceremonies at Holman's chapel. The funeral services were brief and attended only by the immediate friends and lifelong acquaintances of the family. Rev. J. J. Staub and Dr. E. H. House conducted the services and intimate friends acted as pallbearers. There was no music. After appropriate Scriptural reading and prayer by Dr. House, Rev. Mr. Staub paid a beautiful tribute to the honored couple who had gone hand in hand to the Great Beyond. Mr. Staub was much affected, stating that it was due to Mr. Shindler that he came here from their common home in Switzerland, and that he eventually entered the Christian ministry.

There will be memorial services at the First Congregational church in honor of this beloved couple February 5. Mr. and Mrs. Shindler were charter members of the First Congregational church and most active in church work during their residence here. It was in view of the fact that the memorial services have been arranged that the funeral services were so quietly conducted. Beautiful floral tributes were sent by friends, both caskets being covered by white lilies and other flowers. The son and daughter, D. D. Shindler, of San Francisco, and Miss Caroline Shindler, of Long Beach, were present, the other son, D. A. Shindler, who lives in Dawson City, not being able to reach Portland at this season.—Oregonian.

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MEASURES TO BE VOTED ON

Ten Will Be Submitted to the People June 4.

NEW LOCAL OPTION LAW

Grange Is Successful In Securing Enough Signatures For Vote on New Revenue Laws.

Eleven measures will be submitted to a vote of the people at the general election June 4. One of these is the \$1,000,000 appropriation bill upon which the referendum was demanded; five are proposed constitutional amendments and four are laws proposed by initiative.

The proposed tax laws of the Willamette Valley Development League failed to secure the number of signatures necessary for the initiative.

William Grisenthwaite, of Beaver Creek, left Friday morning for Salem taking with him a huge bundle of petitions for the initiative on laws levying a license upon the gross earnings of telegraph, telephone and express car companies, and upon the gross receipts of sleeping car, refrigerator and oil companies. About 900 signatures were secured in Clackamas county.

"We fell down in Multnomah county," he said, "as we expected to get at least 2000 names there, but at last reports only 1400 had been obtained. Benton and other counties also fell short of the number counted on, but many petitions were filed directly in Salem, and I find that we have enough and some to spare. We did not start in time. Last spring I was appointed to conduct the campaign for signatures in Clackamas county, but did not receive the petitions until last December.

W. S. U'Ren left Friday night for Salem, taking with him the petitions for the initiative on the following amendments and laws:

For the initiative and referendum on local, special and municipal laws and parts of laws.

Giving cities and towns exclusive power to enact and amend their charters, subject to the constitution and criminal laws.

To allow the state printing, bind-

ing and printer's compensation to be regulated by law at any time.

Giving one legislative assembly power to propose and submit to the people amendments to the constitution and making it the governor's duty to proclaim a portion of amendments, and requiring people's approval before constitutional convention can be called.

Bill for a law prohibiting free passes and discrimination by public service corporations.

These petitions were prepared and circulated by the People's Power League, of Oregon, of which Mr. U'Ren is secretary. He states that the required number of signatures had been obtained with 500 to spare and this will insure a vote on the proposed measures at the June election.

Following is a summary of the measures that will come before the people for approval or rejection:

The \$1,000,000 appropriation bill passed by the last legislature and held up by the referendum petitions.

The local option bill proposed by the Liquor Dealers' Association as an amendment to the present local option law.

The bill filed by the owners of the Barlow road, requiring the state to buy the road for the sum of \$4,000.

The proposed constitutional amendment filed by the Equal Suffrage League, extending the elective franchise to women.

A bill by the People's Power League making it unlawful for public service corporations to give passes or free or reduced rate service to public officials.

A bill by the State Grange, levying a license tax upon the gross earnings of refrigerator and sleeping cars and oil companies and telegraph, telephone and express cars.

A constitutional amendment proposed by the People's Power League to amend section 1 of article 13 so that the public printing will be en-

J. E. HEDGES FOR SENATOR

Prominent Democrat Has Announced Candidacy.

INTEGRITY IN POLITICS

Believes in the Will of the People, and Opposes Deception, Political Bossism and Fraud.

Joseph Eugene Hedges has filed in the county clerk's office his declaration to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination of state senator from Clackamas County. The announcement of Mr. Hedges' candidacy is received with unusual interest, as he is reasonably certain to be the nominee of his party, no other Democrat having been prominently mentioned for the position, and also because he may have to oppose State Senator George O. Brownell, who is seeking another term in the senate. Mr. Brownell, however, is antagonized by L. L. Porter, editor of the Oregon City Enterprise, the local Republican newspaper and Mr. Porter himself is a candidate for the Republican nomination. The fight between them is becoming very warm, and will be warmer still before the pri-

desire to do what is right, can outvote him.

"While some will be sincere in signing the statement called No. 1, I know there are those who have so little regard for politics for a pledge, that anything may be promised in order to attain office, when they know that after taking the oath they may repudiate their solemn promises. If I make a promise, I shall keep it.

"Personally, I cannot discover how one who is careful and conscientious can promise to vote for any possible one who may get the largest number of votes at the next preceding general election when that one, if may subsequently be found, has obtained his nomination by purchase, fraud, or chicanery, and the vote at the general election may be that of a small minority of one party only, and the person may be opposed by a large majority of the people. Some have said they would support such one under the circumstances, because the pledge is absolute.

"To illustrate—Assume that five Republicans should aspire for nomination for the office of United States senator, of whom A is notoriously bad and corrupt, but shrewd. Assume, further, that three Democrats try for nomination, of whom B is likewise bad and corrupt, but astute. A and B, we will assume, by practices of chicanery and deceit, and all the other evils applicable, obtain the nomination by a slim plurality. These two men have their names placed on the ballot for election. A large majority of both parties are disgusted and refuse to vote for the respective candidates and, by a small minority vote, it chances that B has a plurality and therefore has received the highest number of votes for the office at the next preceding general election. A cry of a majority of the people, and of members of both parties goes up to elect someone else to be sent to Congress as senator.

"Will then those who signed the pledge or statement, keep it? But they have said they would!

"There is no qualifying clause, and those, who, at this time make this pledge must also hereafter consider that minority who insisted in placing them in the legislature, and will have no choice—they must vote for B.

"This is an extreme case, but very possible, and the pledge seems as unsafe as buying a horse on the representation of an itinerant horse trader."

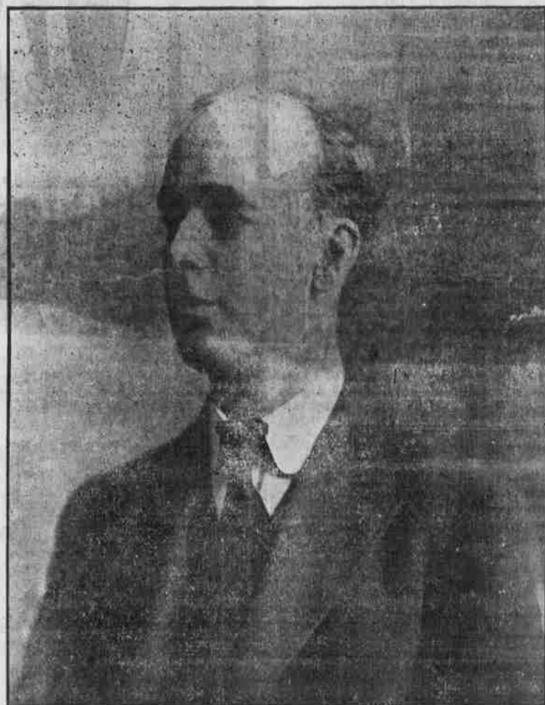
John Lewellen has filed his declaration to become a candidate for the Republican nomination of county commissioner, and like President Roosevelt, says: "A square deal for every man, without regard to location or religion."

Mr. Lewellen resides in Oregon City and was a county commissioner several years ago, but was legislated out of office by a bill that reduced the number of county commissioners from three to two, and made the county judge a member of the board. F. J. Harkenrider, of Estacada precinct, has been brought forth by the Republicans of that section as their choice for the nomination of county commissioner at the primary election, April 20. Mr. Harkenrider will probably have the united support of the Republicans of Eastern Clackamas county, who have been trying for a number of years to secure representation on the board of county commissioners.

Mr. Harkenrider's candidacy places four men in the field for the Republican nomination, the others being Mr. Lewellen, W. S. Rider, of New Era, and W. H. Matoon, of Viola. It is possible that William Brobst, whose term expires next July, may become a candidate for a second term.

Reception to Miss Gail Laughlin.

From 3 to 5 P. M. on the afternoon of Lincoln's birthday, Monday, February 13, Mrs. Sarah A. Chase will give a complimentary reception to Miss Gail Laughlin, of New York, assisted by her daughters, Mrs. Gilbert Hedges and Mrs. Lowellyn Adams, and Mrs. C. D. Latourrette, Mrs. C. H. Canfield, Mrs. George Hardin, Mrs. W. S. U'Ren, Mrs. O. H. Dye, Mrs. J. E. Hedges, Mrs. O. W. Evans and others. At 7:30 o'clock in the evening Miss Laughlin will speak at the First Baptist Church, with music by the Baptist choir. Miss Laughlin is a practicing attorney of New York and although young in years has already won fame as one of the foremost woman speakers of America.



JOSEPH E. HEDGES

tirely within the control of the legislature, and may be let by contract, or a Printer elected or appointed upon a salary or other compensation.

An amendment proposed by the People's Power League to amend article 4 of the constitution so that the referendum may be demanded upon any item or section of a bill, an extending the rights of initiative and referendum to municipalities.

An amendment proposed by the People's Power League to amend sections 1 and 2 of article 17, so that one legislative assembly may submit constitutional amendments and that when the vote upon an amendment has been canvassed by the Governor and a majority found in its favor, he shall proclaim it adopted, and it shall then be a part of the constitution, beyond the power of the courts to pass upon; also that no law for a constitutional convention shall be in force until approved by a vote of the people.

An amendment proposed by the People's Power League to amend section 2 of article 11, giving the legal voters of a municipality power to frame and adopt their own charters, and forbidding the legislature to create municipal corporations.

Following is a statement of the amount of signatures obtained in the several counties of the state to the petition to initiate laws for the taxation of telephone, telegraph and express companies, also refrigerator-car, sleeping-car and oil companies, which were circulated by order of the State Grange of Oregon. For the first measure:

Clackamas, 838; Marion, 1199; Washington, 417; Linn, 854; Yamhill, 688; Benton, 250; Columbia, 326; Wasco, 331; Multnomah, 1927; Lane, 239; Umatilla, 230; Polk, 177; Tillamook, 148; Coos, 134; Gilliam, 62; Wheeler, 43; Lincoln, 3. Total, 7906.

Union county sent in some names too late for filing with the secretary of state. For the second measure:

Benton, 250; Clackamas, 844; Columbia, 318; Coos, 132; Gilliam, 62; Lane, 257; Linn, 826; Lincoln, 3;

many election is held April 20. Mr. Hedges was born in Canemah, a suburb of this city, and is one of the prominent members of the legal fraternity. He is a graduate of Yale University and two years ago was the Democratic nominee for joint representative from Clackamas and Multnomah Counties, carrying his home county by a large plurality, but the Republican vote in Multnomah County accomplished his defeat. Mr. Hedges makes the following pledges in his initiative petition:

"If I am nominated and elected, I will, during my term of office, oppose deception, political bossism and fraud, the purchase of office, and purchase and sale of the influence of those in office.

"Will favor maintaining as high a standard of honesty, morality and integrity in politics as in business or society.

"Will favor accomplishing the will of the people, and believe the safety and life of our government depends upon this.

"Will maintain a public officer as a public servant clothed with a trust whose one great requirement is to accomplish the people's greatest good.

"Will exercise care in preventing unwarranted expenditure of state's money, and will favor less legislation with greater care.

"I desire to have the following statement printed after my name on the nominating ballot: Honest, integrity, economy. A minimum of legislation with a maximum of care."

In reference to his candidacy, Mr. Hedges has given out the following statement to the Courier:

"I have filed my petition for the nomination for the office of senator from the fourteenth senatorial district comprising Clackamas County, without any mention of whom I shall vote for to occupy the seat of United States Senator from Oregon. Those who are aspirants may either do so or not, and there need be no extraordinary or unusual feeling because one declines to tie his self so firmly that neither the people's voice, his party's desire or his own inclination, due to what his

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