

PLENTY OF MONEY

Clackamas County Warrants in Great Demand

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Greater Confidence in County's Financial Condition Never Before Manifested.

An unusual instance of public confidence in Clackamas county and its ability to meet any and all of its obligations, was presented at the court house last Saturday following the issuance of the monthly grist of county warrants at the clerk's office. Upon receiving his warrant each person was interviewed by one of the three or four agents of this city who were at the building in quest of this negotiable paper for which 1 per cent premium is offered.

The various officers of the county are regularly sought after each month by these agents who seek to engage in advance the purchase of their monthly salary warrants.

This condition has existed for many months but never before has there been such strife for purchasing these warrants, which are now eagerly solicited while heretofore they have been cashed at the local banks with the allowance of the one per cent premium.

The demand for these warrants is due to the abundance of idle money in this section that is awaiting investment. Further than this the county's financial condition is materially better than in years before. Outstanding warrants until and including January 1, 1904, have been called in. The aggregate of the county's outstanding warrants on February 1 was \$70,529.56.

Within the next ninety days this amount will be practically liquidated altogether, since the collection of taxes on a roll representing \$227,000 was only begun this week. The bulk of this amount is applicable to the

payment of warrants which will be taken up as rapidly as there are available funds.

Never before since the rebate feature of the tax collecting law has been in effect, were taxes more readily paid than they are being liquidated at the office of the Sheriff this year. Money is more plentiful than in years, and with a lower tax levy, taxpayers are unusually punctual in settling with the county.

F. W. GREENMAN FOR CLERK. Present Incumbent Has No Opposition for Nomination.

In the fact that he will not be opposed for the nomination lies, perhaps, the strongest popular endorsement that can be asked by an aspirant to public office. But there are times when to oppose the nomination of some men to office would be not only foolish for the contestant to undertake but discourteous to the one candidate who might generally be considered deserving of the nomination and entitled to it without any opposition. This appears to be the situation with respect to the nomination of a candidate for County Clerk on the Republican ticket.

To date F. W. Greenman, the present incumbent of this office, is the only candidate to announce that he will be a candidate for this nomination and the indications are that he will not be opposed. Mr. Greenman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Green-

F. W. GREENMAN, OREGON CITY.



Candidate for Republican Nomination for County Clerk.

man, highly respected pioneers. He is a native of Oregon City where he has lived all his life. Born in February 1859, the subject of this sketch is 47 years of age. In August 1902 he was appointed Deputy under the late County Clerk Slight and served in that capacity until the death of Mr. Slight when in April 1904, by appointment of the County Court, Mr. Greenman was made County Clerk.

While Mr. Greenman's qualifications were never to be questioned, he is now eminently qualified for the place by reason of a four years' experience in that department with every detail of which he is thoroughly acquainted. The books and records of the office speak for themselves, being models of neatness and accuracy. This high standard of efficiency has been maintained at a minimum of expense to the county, for the records at the court house show that this office was never before more economically managed than under the administration of the late County Clerk whose conservative policy has been continued with the same satisfactory results by Mr. Greenman.

THE MOON DESERTED THEM. Two Banqueting Democrats Hold Mid-night Dialogue.

The eclipse of the moon was at its height and the street was entirely deserted save for two belated Democratic banqueters who had taken possession of a prominent street corner last Thursday night.

In a disconnected manner the two faithful members of the minority party were carrying on a rambling conversation the burden of which consisted of thoroughly roasting those who had in years gone by deserted the ranks of the Democracy. Both of the stalwarts were somewhat the worse for an inordinate indulgence in the innocent appearing punch, which, however, was extremely deceptive as to its combination of ingredients, that was so generously dispensed at the Democratic banquet held earlier in the evening.

"Bill—must be disowned and denounced by our great and noble party," declared one of the speakers with difficulty and his companion concurred in the conclusion with an audible "hic."

"Such men are anything but a credit to any party organization," continued the first speaker, "and it is right that it should be said of such that they have become 'black' Republicans or something else."

"He, that is only too true," interrupted the listener, "but, hic, there are so—many of them turning black or some other shade, hic, that there are not many of us left."

At this juncture the last speaker, elevating his eyes heavenward, observed the complete eclipse of the moon and noted the darkness that ensued.

"See," he exclaimed, "—it, even the moon has turned black and is no longer with us."

This was too much for the first speaker who was not prepared to learn of heavenly desertions from the Democratic party, and, collapsing, he fell through the window of a Main street millinery store.

SAGE OF MOLALLA

Wm H. Vaughan, Respected Pioneer Died Sunday

NATIVE OF TENNESSEE, CROSSED PLAINS TO OREGON IN '43.

Took Prominent Part in Shaping Early Growth and Development of the State.

Wm H. Vaughan, aged 84 years, the "Sage of Molalla," and one of the oldest and most prominent pioneers of the state, died of pneumonia at his home on the original Vaughan D. L. C. at Molalla Sunday. "Uncle Billy" Vaughan, as he was widely known, was a native of the state of Tennessee. The deceased crossed the Plains to Oregon in 1843, locating at Oregon City and until the time of his death he was a continuous resident of Clackamas county. In coming to Oregon the sole purpose of Mr. Vaughan and the members of his party was to drive the Hudson Bay Company and its members from Oregon soil. But by reason of the difficult journey and scarcity of food on route, the stock and cattle with which the immigrants were traveling had been reduced to the minimum of numbers for actual requirement and when the party reached what is now the Barlow road at Mt. Hood members of the Hudson Bay Company voluntarily made an interchange of animals, supplying the immigrants with well groomed animals, receiving in lieu thereof the exhausted horses and cattle which were unfit to continue and complete the hazardous journey. This generous treatment dispelled the hostile feeling of the invading party towards the Hudson Bay Company, but for whom and the kindly services of Dr. McEoughlin the Tennesseans must have starved.

Mr. Vaughan took a prominent and active part in the early development and settlement of Oregon. Born and bred in the Democratic faith, he was an ardent supporter of Democratic principles and was a staunch member of that party all his life. Mr. Vaughan was not called into public service although he was many times among those who were unsuccessful in their candidacy on the minority ticket, being defeated for the legislature at one time by the narrow margin of two votes.

Besides a wife there are eleven surviving children as follows: Frank W. Vaughan, of Big Bend, Washington; Mrs. N. M. Moody, of Portland; Mrs. M. F. McCown, of Medford; Isom C. Vaughan; Mrs. Virginia Cutting, S. J. Vaughan, H. Longstreet Vaughan, Mrs. Tennessee Frazer, Mrs. Viola Engle, John C. Vaughan and Wm. H. Vaughan, Jr., all of Molalla.

The appended interesting sketch of Mr. Vaughan is taken from a historical volume published a few years ago and containing sketches of many of the prominent pioneers:

Funeral services were held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning and were the most largely attended of any funeral ever held at Molalla. Prominent pioneers and citizens from all parts of the county joined the population of the Molalla section to pay a last tribute of regard to the memory of the deceased.

The services were simple and impressive, consisting of a few remarks at the grave-side by Dr. W. E. Carll, who spoke eloquently of the departed. Every expressed wish of the deceased, relative to the details of the burial services, was complied with, the body being wrapped in a white woolen blanket and placed in the casket as though in restful slumber. Those officiating as pall bearers were: E. G. Caulfield, H. L. Kelly, J. W. Cole, R. B. Beatie, N. Darnall and P. Gribble. Interment was made at the Adams' cemetery. When the grave had been filled and the floral decorations arranged, H. L. Kelly, of this city, said the Lord's prayer and pronounced the blessing of peace. All of the surviving eleven children together with the bereaved widow were present at the funeral.

William Hatchett Vaughan an honored Oregon pioneer of 1843, now residing on his donation claim on Molalla River, in Clackamas county, is descended from Scotch-Irish ancestors, who emigrated to the colony of Virginia at an early period in the history of America, where they were people of wealth and influence. His father, James Vaughan, was born in Virginia, and was there married to Miss Nancy Hatchett, also a native of the Old Dominion, and one of the nine children of Thomas Hatchett and his wife, nee Chaffin. The Hatchetts were of English descent. Mr. Hatchett served in the late Colonial army during the Revolution. He died in the 74th year of his age, and his wife passed away at the age of 96. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan removed to Tennessee and settled in Rutherford county, where they reared a family of thirteen children, seven sons and six daughters. Of this numerous family only five are living, three sons and two daughters. In 1842 the family moved to Missouri, where the parents resided up till the time of their death.

William H., the fifth son in the family was born in middle Tennessee, January 17, 1822. At the age of 16, through an elder brother, and the Congressman from the district, arrangements were made for him to attend the military school at West

Point, but his father said "No," and that was a cut deep and wide, as his only aspiration was blasted. That was the cause of his crossing the Rocky Mountains. Being an expert rifleman and filled with the spirit of adventure, April 20th, 1843, he left his father's home, in southwestern Missouri, to cross the plains to Oregon.

He was with the first wagon train that ever came all the way through to Oregon. They cut their own roads through the Blue Mountains, surmounting every obstacle that presented itself. They came by what was called the Mehan route. The way they scaled the steep, forded rivers and made their way over the new country, can never be fully appreciated by the uninitiated. They came by way of Walla Walla and then down the Columbia River, arriving at Oregon City about November 10, 1843. For a time Mr. Vaughan was employed at fencing and barn building by the Hudson Bay Company. In May 1844, he came to his donation claim, 16 miles southeast of Oregon City and was the first permanent settler in this part of the county. Here, in his primitive cabin, he kept "back," for several years. In building his log house he made it, as far as possible, a stronghold against the Indians, with whom he frequently had trouble. At one time he was attacked by 16 of them, but by his dauntless courage he succeeded in overawing them and made a miraculous escape. In the fall of 1847, after the murder of Dr. Whitman, he volunteered and served in the Cayuse war under Captain Maxin, furnishing his own horse and equipment. He was in the battle of Unatilla, which engagement lasted from nine o'clock in the morning until night, when the Indians withdrew. Mrs. Vaughan's father was also a participant in this war.

August 27, 1847, Mr. Vaughan married Miss Susan Mary Office, a native of Missouri, born March 3, 1823. Her father, James Office, a native of Tennessee, came to Oregon with his family of seven children in 1845, and settled on a donation claim, twelve miles south of Oregon City, where he resided for a number of years. Her mother died June 14, 1878, and her father, now 91 years of age, makes his home with them. Following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan's children: Frank White, who is married and has eleven children, resides in the Big Bend county, of Washington, where he is engaged in the stock business; Isom C., a farmer in Clackamas county, is married and has five children; Nancy Virginia, wife of Owen Cutting, Clackamas county, has two children; Mary Tennessee, wife of George T. Frazier, Clackamas county, has one child; Viola E., wife of John Stubbs, has one child and they reside on the home farm; Stonewall Jackson, a merchant at Molalla; Hardy Longstreet, a farmer in Clackamas county; and Susan Florida, John C., Cora K., and William Office, all at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan have been industrious people all their lives. They have a fine home and other substantial buildings on their farm, and their landed estate comprises 960 acres. Both he and his wife were reared in the faith of the Baptist denomination and for 10 years he served as clerk of the church. Politically, he was a Democrat, several times he was nominated for both the legislature and the senate. His party, however, was in the minority and he was defeated.

Mr. Vaughan brought with him from his home in Tennessee a fine old Kentucky rifle, and with it, after his arrival in Oregon, he distinguished himself as an expert hunter, being known far and wide as the "King of Hunters." For many years he made himself very useful in killing off the wolves and mountain lions that had made havoc among his stock and the stock of his neighbors. His hounds and his guns were his delight, and even yet, at the age of 84 his choice hounds and his rifle afford him great pleasure. Mr. Vaughan brought with him from the Sunny South home a warmhearted friendship and a genial hospitality of the true Southern gentleman. He is one of the most widely known and highly esteemed of that band of brave men and women who came to Oregon in 1843.

FATHER GETS PROPERTY BACK. John Gaffney Recovers Land Deeded To Sons Through Fraud.

A decree for the plaintiff has been rendered by Judge McBride in the suit of John Gaffney, Sr., against Michael Gaffney, Bridget Gaffney and John Gaffney, Jr., by which the court directs that the deeds be set aside by which Mr. Gaffney, Sr., in 1903 transferred about 70 acres of valuable farm land of the estimated value of \$14,000 to the defendants. The decree further provides that the defendants Michael and Daniel Gaffney within sixty days execute and deliver to the plaintiff a deed of conveyance to the property according to the spirit of the decree but in case of their failure so to do, the decree shall stand as a muniment of title in lieu of said deed.

Besides being given judgment for his costs and disbursements in the suit the decree entitles the plaintiff to recover from Bridget Gaffney the sum of \$1480 which it was alleged he paid her through misrepresentation. Mr. Gaffney, Sr., based his suit to have the deeds of this property cancelled on the grounds that his two sons, Michael and Daniel, fraudulently obtained his signature to the deeds after they had first managed to get him into a state of intoxication. The suit was bitterly contested, the taking of testimony covering a period of several days.

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MEET TO BANQUET

Clackamas Democrats Hold Biennial Love Feast.

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN AND OTHERS MAKE ADDRESSES.

Some of the Probable Candidates for Nomination on the Democratic Ticket.

Even the moon veiled her face last Thursday night but the Democrats of Oregon City and Clackamas county banqueted anyway, unmindful of the total lunar eclipse under the most ideal weather conditions.

It was peculiarly appropriate that this night should have been selected by the members of the minority party for the giving of their second biennial love-feast. But the Democrats do not mind an eclipse. They have been eclipsed themselves so many times that a heavenly phenomenon of the kind in no wise interests them. And consequently they congregated at Willamette Hall, ate, drank, listened to inspiring addresses and became exceedingly merry.

The occasion was the second biennial banquet of the Clackamas County Democracy, including a sprinkling of Republicans who attended the feast by special invitation to hear the programme of speechmaking and incidentally to discuss the menu, about 200 persons surrounded the banquetting board. A seven-piece orchestra, directed by ex-Sheriff J. J. Cooke, did their part towards preserving harmony throughout the evening.

Interesting, comforting and encouraging addresses were made by Governor Chamberlain, Chas. V. Galloway, R. A. Miller and F. V. Holman, the last two named speakers being of Portland. Just what inspiration prompted the speakers in painting the brilliant picture for the Democracy that was drawn is not known unless it was the discovery made during the afternoon by some of the leaders of the party in this city that of the 1800 voters registered to date, 1500 are Republicans. But that did not detract from the worth of the address or the quality of the programme in the least. In fact, the Democrats insist that the greater the odds the more interesting to them proves the contest.

In addition to the speakers already named, addresses were made by J. E. Hedges, of this city; P. A. Cochran, of Woodburn; and Judge William Foley, of Portland. The address of welcome was made by Mayor E. G. Caulfield.

The plates sold for 50 cents each, and to make sure that no deficit might exist, at the conclusion of the feast the hat was passed and a "free will" offering was received. The menu was as follows:

- Clam Chowder.
- Baked Salmon.
- Salads—Shrimp, Celery, Potato.
- Meats.
- Bolled Ham, Pickled Tripe.
- Bologna.
- Boston Baked Beans.
- Salted Almonds.
- Saratoga Chips.
- Bananas, Oranges, Apples.
- Punch, Beer, Cigars.
- Coffee.

Dr. W. E. Carll, J. W. Cole, C. W. Evans, O. D. Eby and J. E. Hedges constituted the reception committee, and the general banquet committee was W. B. Stafford, J. A. McGlashan, Harry Draper, J. E. Jack and H. F. Latourette.

Candidates Not Plentiful

As was the case two years ago there exists at the present time the customary scarcity of candidates for nomination to the various offices on the Democratic ticket. Thursday night's banquet was calculated to be the opening gun of the approaching campaign and it was thought after listening to the eloquent and inspiring addresses of Governor Chamberlain and the other speakers that there might be no end to the number of candidates that would be encouraged thereby to enter the political arena and try their fortunes for public office. But the inspiration seems to have not been sufficiently deep seated. Interviews with prominent Democrats of this city disclose the fact that aspirants for office within the ranks of the Democracy are anything but plentiful.

For State Senator J. E. Hedges is the only candidate to file notice of his candidacy. The failure of Mr. Hedges to agree to vote for the people's choice for United States Senator is not a very palatable dose for even Clackamas county Democrats to swallow and there is talk of introducing another candidate for this nomination from the Democracy. Friends of Dr. M. C. Strickland are urging him to become a candidate for this nomination.

Timber for the representative ticket is equally scarce. W. B. Stafford is the only probable candidate that has been mentioned although J. W. Cole and C. W. Kelly have announced that if none of the other members of the faithful are willing to become martyrs to the Democratic cause in this relation, they will themselves make the race.

For County Judge J. J. Cooke has been the most prominently mentioned although it is said O. D. Eby would like to make the race against the Republican nominee.

R. B. Beatie, Chas. Ely and E. L. Shaw are among the probable candidates for Sheriff although the friends of Beatie are desirous that he should become a candidate for the nomination as County Judge.

For the office of County Clerk there is even more marked disposition among the members of the minority party to go to the rear and be seated. However, H. F. Latourette, a young attorney, of this city, having a wide and popular acquaintance in the county, may decide to become a candidate for this office. He is being urged to accept the nomination for which there appears to be no other aspirant and he has the matter under consideration.

W. Shannon, of Beaver Creek, will likely be the nominee of the Democrats for County Recorder, he having already filed his notice with the Clerk.



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