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GOVERNORS GO 2 BETTER FOR TAFT

ONE WHO URGED COLONEL TO
 ANNOUNCE SAID TO BE
 WAVERING

ROOSEVELT'S MEN ARE ANSWERED

Announcement of Taft Bureau Taken
 As Answer To Appeal For Ex-
 President—Square Deal
 Asked

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Telegraphic pledges of support from nine Republican Governors were given out tonight from the campaign headquarters of President Taft. The executives go on record in favor of the President's re-nomination are:

Eberhardt, Minnesota; Carroll, Ia.; Hay, Washington; Goldsborough, Maryland; Tener, Pennsylvania; Hooper, Tennessee; Spry, Utah; Pennewill, Delaware; Pothier, Rhode Island.

In addition to the signed statements made public, the Taft managers claimed the support of Dimeen, of Illinois, Oddie of Nevada and Mead of Vermont.

The announcement from the Taft bureau is taken as an answer to the Chicago conference of seven Governors upon whose solicitation Colonel Roosevelt based his formal entry to the Presidential contest.

Twenty-two states have Republican Governors, and all are accounted for in the various statements of political preference as follows:

Declared for Taft 9, claimed by Taft managers, declared for Roosevelt 7, declared for La Follette 1, preference not announced 2.

The Governors who have declared for Roosevelt are Glasscock, West Va., Aldrich, Nebraska; Bass, New Hampshire; Osborn, Michigan; Stubbs, Kansas; Hadley, Missouri; Johnson, California.

Governor Carey, of Wyoming signed the "Governors' letter" urging Colonel Roosevelt to become a candidate but it is now asserted that he has reserved judgement. Neither has Governor Vessey, of South Dakota, announced his choice. The California executive did not sign the letter, but has declared for the Ex-President.

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Father Time: "Jehoshaphat! And only a few years ago one of them things couldn't get 150 pounds round the block without breakin' down!"

MACCABEES INITIATE FIFTEEN APPLICANTS

The Knights of the Maccabees initiated fifteen applicants for membership Tuesday night. The attendance was the largest in the history of the local camp, fully seventy-five members of the order from Portland being in attendance. The degree team from Portland, headed by State Commander Sherwood, came to the city in a special car. Refreshments were served.

AUTO RACE VOTES COUNTED DAILY

CONTESTANTS MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO WIN FIRST SPECIAL PRIZE.

MORE ENTRANTS ARE EXPECTED

Mill Worker And Leader in Educational Work Among Those Who Probably Will Be Nominated.

STANDING OF CANDIDATES.

- Joseph Sheahan19,400
- Ruby McCord11,000
- John Weber6,000
- Charles Beattie6,000
- Harry Miller1,000
- John Haleson6,000
- McCully Dale1,000
- Edna Hutchinson1,000
- Rosie Brown1,000
- Marnett Howard1,000
- York Hammond1,000
- Dellas Armstrong1,000
- Kathryn Downey1,000
- Mabel Chase1,000
- Rose Justin1,000
- Mildred Ream1,000
- Ethel Rief1,000
- Fred Metzner1,000
- Frank Bruce1,000

The votes cast in the Enterprise Automobile contest will be counted every day at one p. m., and the total number polled by each candidate to date will be published each morning in the Enterprise.

With but three days left in which to win or lose the first special ten day contest, each contestant is attempting to determine just how many votes will be needed to land the \$15 merchandise certificate. Every entrant in the race for the auto wants to win one or more of these special prizes, the first award being especially desirable.

It is evident that each of the contest-

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GARY TO PRESIDE AT SCHOOL MEETING

An educational meeting will be held at Springwater Saturday, March 9, from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. County Superintendent T. J. Gary will preside and the school supervisors and many teachers will attend. The first, second and the fourth supervisory districts are concerned in the meeting. All who are interested are cordially invited. The women of Springwater will serve lunch to the visitors. The pupils of the Springwater schools will present an interesting program at 1 o'clock. Open discussions will follow the introduction of these topics: "The Ethical Value of Singing," Anna McDonald; "Destructive and Constructive Criticism," Professor H. M. James; "Real Methods versus Fads," Mary Latta; "What is Real Discipline?" Rev. C. F. Ave; "How May Parents Assist the Teacher?" Mrs. C. F. Ave will furnish music.

BIG STABLE FIRE MENACES BORING

Much excitement was caused in Boring Sunday evening when the large frame barn of O. A. Farmer, of Portland, was destroyed by fire. The building was on Main street, west of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company's sub-station and for a while it was feared the station and several other small frame buildings near by would burn, but owing to a light rain the fire was confined to the stable. Charles Farmer, who is in charge of his father's interests at Boring, saved six horses, and harness, and about 50 sacks of grain. Five tons of hay was burned. There was no insurance, and the origin of the fire was unknown.

REBEKAHS TO ENTERTAIN.

The Rebekah Lodge will have a social session at the I. O. O. F. hall Thursday evening when the members of both Rebekah and I. O. O. F. Lodges will play whist which will be followed by a banquet and musical selections.

The committee in charge of the affair is composed of Mrs. J. L. Waldron, Mrs. T. Finnegan, Mrs. Walter Westworth, Mrs. J. K. Morris, Mrs. Ann Wilchart, R. J. Brown, J. L. Waldron.

MISS MOSER TELLS HOW TO BE YOUNG AT 60.

A large audience gathered in the Commercial Club parlors Tuesday afternoon to hear the excellent talk of Miss Clara Moser, of Portland, who is spending a few days in this city. Miss Moser's subject was "How to be Young at Sixty." This lecture was illustrated by means of a chart, and much interest was manifested by those in attendance.

Miss Moser has arranged to give a talk at the Baptist church this afternoon at 3 o'clock, to which the public is invited. Her subject will be "Perfect Womanhood."

Watch the automobile contest.

Professor Ringler, Portland's leading dancing master will open a dancing school at Busch's Hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 29th, for beginners and advanced dancers. The latest society dances will be taught. Don't miss this opportunity to perfect yourself in the graceful art of Terpsichore. Professor Ringler will be at the hall after 4 P. M. Thursday to accept enrollments.

STATE NOT TO GIVE UP CANAL RIGHTS

GOVERNOR INTENDS TO COLLECT \$200,000 OF SALE PRICE OF LOCKS.

ATTORNEY GENERAL TAKES ACTION

Legislature Has Appropriated \$300,000 Toward Purchase of Property—Money Part of the School Fund.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 27.—Attorney General Crawford has directed a letter to the Board of Canal Commissioners, calling attention to the fact that the Federal Government is about to purchase the locks at Oregon City owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and to the fact that the state has a \$200,000 interest in them, and inquiring whether this is to be collected for the benefit of the school fund or contributed for the benefit of transportation on the Willamette River. Governor West, on behalf of the board, has replied that the board has no intention of donating the \$200,000 to any one, and that just as soon as it is advised that the purchase has been made, the Attorney-General will be instructed to take such action as is necessary to protect the state school fund.

The Attorney-General's letter in part follows: "I notice by published statements that the Federal Government has come to an agreement with the Portland General Electric Company, now the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, for the purchase of the canal and locks at Oregon City, and I wish to call your attention to the fact that when said canal and locks were built, in 1870 to 1875, the State of Oregon contributed \$200,000 toward the construction, and that the act authorizing the contributing of money by the state for that purpose and authorizing the canal and locks to be built, provided, among other things, as follows:

"And it is further provided that the issuance and payment of said bonds shall be made upon the express condition that said corporation shall pay to the State of Oregon 10 per centum of the net proceeds arising from the tolls collected for passing freights and passengers through said canal and locks, which said sum of 10 per centum of the net proceeds shall be paid into the common school fund of this state."

"This law came under the inspection of the Supreme Court of this state in the case of Board of Commissioners vs. Willamette Transportation Company, 6 Or. 229, in which the court says, relative to the rights of the state:

"In fact it may be said (referring to the transportation company) to a valuable property, standing in the very gateway of commerce, which not only affects a great public interest, but in which the public have a proprietary interest, as part owner."

"The transportation company paid its 10 per centum of the net profits in 1874, since which date it and its successors failed to pay, until the Supreme Court again directed the payment of the 10 per centum, in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Portland General Electric Company, reported in 52 Or., page 502, in which case the court compelled the company to account for several years back, but held that up until about 1897 the statute of limitations barred the state from collecting. However, a decree was given for over \$7000.

"The state has an interest in the canal and locks to the extent of \$200,000, which sum of money was, in case the canal and locks were taken over by the state, to have been raised and put into the school funds of the state of Oregon.

"The Legislature of this state has provided by law for the collection of \$300,000 to be donated to the Federal Government towards the purchase of said canal and locks.

LOCAL COMPANY TO GET MANNING TABLE

On Sunday a spirit of enthusiasm was manifested at the Armory when every member of Seventh Company Coast Artillery Corps turned out and under the supervision of Corporal McFarland gave the building a thorough renovating. A Manning table which the United States values at \$2000 will be installed for the use of the company. The Oregon City Company is now known as the Seventh Company Coast Artillery Corps. An intricate detail has been assigned by Captain Hidy.

The annual Regular Army inspection takes place the first Tuesday in March.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE TO BE CLOSED TONIGHT

County Judge Beattie announced Tuesday night that the Suspension bridge would be closed from 10:30 o'clock tonight until 6 o'clock Thursday morning in order to repair the approach on this side. The approach has been in need of repairing for some time and the county court has decided that the work should be done at once.

POSTOFFICE TO BE ON WATER STREET

GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATION IS NOT SUFFICIENT FOR MAIN STREET LOT.

CANNERY PLAN HELD IN ABEYANCE

Sullivan Reports That Six-Foot Depth Will Be Provided in Lower Locks—Dredging Is Assured.

T. P. Randall, postmaster, at the weekly luncheon of the Live Wires Tuesday, said it was virtually settled that the public building in this city would be located on Water street. Mr. Randall called attention to the fact that the bill provided for an appropriation of \$75,000, \$15,000 of which will be expended for a site. A site cannot be obtained on Main street for that sum. Mr. Randall also said that the Treasury Department, which has control of the work, is considering the erection of a one-story building. The residents of the city desire a two-story building, and an effort will be made to have the government authorities change the plans.

M. J. Lazelle, who has been investigating the prospects for a cannery in this city, reported that further consideration should be given the subject. M. J. Lee, of Canby, said that a free lease had been offered by that city for a cannery company, but that after consideration it was decided the proposition was not feasible. He said there was such a demand for fruit and berries that the best quality was shipped to Portland before it ripened. Mr. Lee, who was a delegate to the Irrigation Congress in Portland, reported that the Congress was one of the most successful meetings ever held in the state and that it would have the effect of stimulating irrigation in the Willamette Valley.

T. W. Sullivan, Hydraulic Engineer of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, said that he had accompanied United States Engineer Thomson on a trip of inspection of the locks and river. Mr. Sullivan declared that the government planned having a six foot depth in the lower locks at the lowest stage of the water.

B. T. McBain, President of the Commercial Club, read a telegram from Congressman Hawley giving the information that the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the Lower House had reported favorably upon the proposition to appropriate \$30,000 for dredging the river between this city and Portland so as to give a six foot depth at the lowest stage.

MRS. EDWIN VAN WEY GIVEN BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Edwin Van Wey was pleasantly surprised Monday evening when a number of friends and neighbors gathered at her home to remind her of her birthday. Music, vocal and instrumental, and games were indulged in until a late hour when refreshments were served. Mrs. Van Wey received several pretty gifts. The guests departed wishing her many happy returns. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Forward, Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jubb, Mr. and Mrs. W. Troupe, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Van Wey, Mr. and Mrs. Barnard, Mr. W. H. Van Wey, Mr. David Herd, Misses Edith Judd, Nunda Wolfer, Edith Ross and Mildred Ross.

ROAD SUPERVISOR COMMITS SUICIDE

PERRY SHARP WORRIES OVER WORK UNTIL MIND IS UNBALANCED.

BROTHER FINDS BODY IN PASTURE

Coat Hanging on Fence Leads to Discovery of Corpse—Letter in Pocket Reveals Reason For Act.

Mentally unbalanced from worry over his work, Perry Sharp, fifty years of age, road supervisor in District No. 21, committed suicide Monday by shooting himself in the head. The body was found Tuesday by the man's brother, Walter, in a pasture near their home at Stafford. A shot gun was the instrument of death, and the suicide's head was blown from his body, which was afterward mutilated by hogs. Coroner Wilson held an inquest Tuesday afternoon, the jury returning a verdict of suicide.

Sharp, who was a member of a pioneer family, was appointed road supervisor several weeks ago, and immediately after began worrying about the work. He told several friends that it would be impossible for him to make a good showing because sufficient funds were not available. His condition gradually became worse, and his brothers, fearing that he might do himself harm, decided to watch him closely. Sharp, however, eluded them Monday morning about 11 o'clock, and nothing more was seen of him until the body was found.

When the man did not return home that night it was thought probable that he had gone to the home of a neighbor, A. F. Turner, who died Monday. Walter Sharp went to the Turner home Tuesday and when in-

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