

Corvallis Times.

Official Paper of Benton County.

CORVALLIS, OREGON, MAY 23, 1904.

Democratic County Ticket.

For Senator
Anderson Avery.

For Sheriff
M. F. Barnett.

For Clerk
Victor P. Moses.

For Recorder
Horace Locke.

For Commissioner
Peter Rickard.

For School Superintendent
S. I. Pratt.

For Treasurer
W. A. Buchanan.

For Assessor
Thomas Davis.

For Surveyor
T. A. Jones.

For Coroner
O. J. Blackledge.

WHY EXPERIMENT LONGER?

The election of a state senator in Benton is for the remaining two years of the unexpired term of Senator John Daly, resigned. The senator elected, will not have an opportunity to participate in the election of a United States senator. It is a most opportune time for Benton republicans, by aiding in the election of a democrat, to serve protest to the legislature against the enormous state taxes that the county has to pay. Twenty four thousand, seven hundred and forty five dollars is the state tax Benton had to pay this year, and it is a sum out of all reason. It is nearly \$5000 more than is collected for county purposes this year, figuring out the rebate. The election of a democratic senator, especially one that everybody knows would set his influence and his vote against legislative extravagance, is a business proposition that must certainly appeal with great force to every tax-paying citizen of the county, regardless of political preferences. Are taxes easy to pay? Is it not a fact that many a man has to borrow money to pay them? If the thing continues to go on as it is, if the legislature continues to be filled with lawyers rather than taxpaying business men and farmers, how long will it be until little Benton county will have to pay \$40,000 a year in state taxes? The sum this year is \$24,745. A few years ago it was about \$10,000.

Does anybody who knows him, offer a reason why Peter Rickard should not be elected? Did he not serve four years in the office of commissioner, for which he is now a nominee, and is it not a fact that he so conducted himself while in the office that he was called by the people of his county to a higher position? Is he not known everywhere as an amiable, honest, level-headed farmer, whom once to know is to forever esteem? Has he not been successful in every capacity in which circumstances have placed him—successful as a commissioner, successful as sheriff, and successful in the management of his own affairs? If Peter Rickard, tried and true, cannot be relied upon to do his whole duty at all times, who can? Then, why vote against him?

Ever since he was elected county treasurer, W. A. Buchanan has kept the treasurer's office in the court house. When the court house was built, there was set a part, for the use of the county treasurer, a suitable room, provided with a fire-proof vault for the safe keeping of books and valuable papers. It is proper that this room should be occupied, because it is convenient and easy for men who draw warrants in the clerk's office to step across the hall and have them cashed or endorsed. Mr. Buchanan has recognized this from the first, and it is certain that if he be elected, that the office will be kept where it belongs.

Send your curtains to the Corvallis Steam Laundry. We will call for your work every day in the week.

"If 'squandered' isn't the proper word to describe the use that has been made of the money paid in by taxpayers to be applied on roadwork what particular term will answer that purpose? The money is gone; so are the roads."—Headless four columns.

This is hard medicine for the road supervisors of the county. It is a statement, plain and unequivocal that the road money that has passed through their hands has been squandered. Among them are, Dick Fehler, Ed Blake, John Miller, Tom Cooper, G. L. Stoneback, Louis Wentz, Amos Cadwalder, W. L. Reed, John Crow and Albert Zierolf, all republicans. All the money from the road fund and all spent on the dollar for dollar plan, has been spent under the direction of them and their democratic colleagues among the supervisors. There is no doubt in the world, but every cent of it has been judiciously, economically and wisely spent, but the statement by the "four columns" is, that it has been "squandered." It says, "The money is gone; so are the roads."

Apparently the mighty "thing" over the way, in venting its personal spite against the county court, is politically butchering not only Mr. Jolly, but Dick Fehler, Tom Cooper, Ed Blake, Albert Zierolf, and the other gentlemen among the supervisors. It kicks and cuffs them, slaps them and raps them, and then calls upon them to "stand in."

Fortunately, however, for the supervisors and Mr. Jolly, nobody is likely to believe the scurrilous statements published about them because when a four column political publication has turned loose without responsibility, without past and without future, it was expected and designed to utter false statements and promote fraud.

Has not Thomas Jones filled the office of surveyor capably and faithfully? Is he not a self-made, hard-working young man, who, left an orphan at a tender age, has pushed his way into the respect and confidence of the people of Benton county? Did he not get his education in surveying in that exacting school—the railroad service? Does he carry affidavits to prove that he is all right?

The "four columns" boasts that it is saying nothing that reflects on the character of the gentlemen on the democratic ticket. Of course not. Not a man in the crowd carries affidavits. In fact, the only man on either ticket that does it, is Lawyer Yates.

Shall any man vote against Telt Burnett because he is not of his political convictions? In office has Telt Burnett been the sheriff of any party? Has not the republican, the socialist and the prohibitionist always been accorded the same courteous treatment that was bestowed on the democrat? Is not the question of fitness, qualification, capacity, the paramount and only issue in the election of a sheriff? Is there another sheriff in Oregon that collects taxes and transacts all other business without assistance and without cost to the taxpayers? In short, are not the people of Benton county proud of the reputation that Sheriff Burnett has at home and all over Oregon? Then why vote against him?

Is it not humiliating to the people of Benton county that there is before them a candidate for office who boasts in a public speech that he carries affidavits with which to prove that he is all right? Does Rev. Carrick, or Rev. Moore or Rev. Noble, either or all, carry affidavits to prove that there is nothing wrong about them? Is there, outside of this candidate, a man in Benton county who has resorted to affidavits to bolster up his personal character? And is there such a man who feels that he ought to go and get affidavits for fear he might be attacked? Under the circumstances, is it not palpable that a mistake has been made and that this candidate who carries affidavits, ought to be asked to resign his candidacy? Would it not be a proper thing, in the light of the facts, for the central committee to act?

Strayed or Stolen.

John Goos, who resides four miles south of town, has lost a span of horses, either stolen, or gone astray. Any information in regard to them will be well rewarded.

Additional Local.

—Mrs. R. C. Franklin leaves in a day or two for her home at Anacortes, Washington.

—Bishop Morris will hold services in the Episcopal church Friday evening at 7-30.

—Mrs. W. H. Malone of the Alsea store, came in from the Valley on Monday.

—Nelson Thompson arrived in Corvallis two weeks ago, looking for a location. Yesterday his family arrived from Kansas, and they will make this their home.

—Calvin Bledsoe arrived yesterday from Chico, California, and will assist in the culinary department at the Occidental during the Grange convention.

—A. J. Richardson came up from Buena Vista yesterday on a business trip, and returned home on this morning's boat. The gentleman is a brother-in-law of Willard Linville, and is one of the substantial citizens of Polk county.

—Two sawed timbers 12 by 14 inches by more than 50 feet in length attracted attention Monday afternoon as they passed down Main street on a wagon. These timbers and a number of similar ones are to be used in the construction of a side boom at the Corvallis lumber mills. They were gotten out by the Benton County mills on Greasy creek.

—Charley Porter returned Monday from Washington whither he had gone with a party to peel chittim in hope that the outdoor work might benefit his health. It proved too laborious, however, for his strength and a sick spell was a consequence. It is likely that he will spend the summer at one of the mountain resorts in the Cascades.

—The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wells died at the family home Tuesday morning at 3:30 after a two weeks illness from whooping cough and pneumonia. Its age was 11 months and 11 days. The funeral service is to be at the M. E. church today at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Deck and Rev. Carrick. The varying condition of the little one has been watched by many anxious friends, and much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved parents.

TO CELEBRATE THE FOURTH.

Fire Department Starts the Movement by Subscribing \$50.

At a special meeting of the Corvallis Fire Department Monday evening initial steps were taken for the celebration of July 4th, in Corvallis. The sum of \$50 was subscribed by the department to assist the purpose. S. I. Kline, John Zeis, F. P. Sheasgreen, C. H. Woodcock and Charles Small were appointed as the committee of arrangements; J. M. Nolan, J. H. Harris, and C. H. Woodcock, committee on finance; E. E. Wilson, B. F. Irvine, F. P. Sheasgreen, O. A. Dearing, advertising committee; Zeis, Sheasgreen and Small, committee on music. The Coffee Club is expected to look after matters pertaining to the liberty car and kindred matters. The various lodges will be invited to participate at least to the extent of providing floats for the parade.

Don't fail to hear Mrs Norton sing.

Iron beds at Blackledge's new furniture store.

Good things to eat at the Colonial booth.

To the Voters of Benton County: According to the wishes of a large number of patrons and friends of our public schools, I submit my name to the voters of Benton county for the office of county school superintendent.

Very Respectfully,
S. I. Pratt.
Philomath, Oregon, Mar. 7, 1904.

Everyone competing for prizes at the Rose carnival must bring their roses early Friday morning, so the committee can arrange.

Rummage Sale at the Carnival.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

Disappeared from my barn on 11th street last Wednesday night, a Shetland pony, sorrel, white face. When last seen on Mountain View road two or three miles north of Corvallis. The return of the pony or information leading to its recovery, will be suitably rewarded.

A. J. Johnson.
Corvallis.

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SENIOR EXCURSION.

The Approaching Debate and Other News Notes From College Hill.

Mr. Leavitt, a former Y. M. C. A., secretary of the northwest who is now traveling in the interest of the Gearhart Conference spoke to the students in the Y. M. C. A. rooms Sunday at three o'clock.

The Jeffersonian and Feronian Societies are now busily engaged in preparing their debate for the President's cup. As this is the final debate of the year and it decides which society shall hold the cup for the coming year, it will excite an unusual amount of interest especially between the participating societies. The question for discussion is: "Resolved, that every American boy should have a military training."

H. C. Currin '06 has left school, which somewhat weakens the OAC track team.

General Joubert and Captain O'Donnell, battle scarred heroes of the great Boer war, will give a lecture in the college chapel Saturday May 28th.

The senior excursion was a grand success. The train left Corvallis at the scheduled time and arrived at its destination four hours later. The principal excitement of the day was a ride out over the bar in a government tug boat by a few of the excursionists. The train arrived at Corvallis about ten o'clock, nearly everyone having a large bunch of rhododendrons.

The work of filling the silos at the college barn was begun Saturday with the result that one silo was filled and another partly filled.

OVER FIVE HUNDRED.

Enrollment at the College—What the Figures are and Where Students are From.

The total enrollment at the college has reached 530 for this year. The figures are one of the high water marks in attendance in the history of the institution. It is also the first instance on record in which every county in Oregon has students on the roll. Students come from the following counties, states and foreign countries:

Baker, 4.
Benton, 128.
Clackamas, 24.
Clatsop, 6.
Columbia, 7.
Coos, 5.
Crook, 6.
Curry, 1.
Douglas, 8.
Grant, 2.
Gilliam, 4.
Harney, 4.
Jackson, 8.
Josephine, 3.
Klamath, 1.
Lake, 3.
Lane, 5.
Lincoln, 4.
Linn, 46.
Malheur, 5.
Marion, 36.
Morrow, 5.
Multnomah, 48.
Polk, 22.
Sherman, 3.
Tillamook, 4.
Umatilla, 8.
Union, 8.
Wallowa, 1.
Wheeler, 1.
Wasco, 25.
Washington, 24.
California, 4.
Colorado, 1.
England, 3.
Illinois, 5.
Iowa, 5.
Missouri, 2.
Nebraska, 7.
Utah, 2.
Washington, 18.
Total, 530.

A Word for the Horse.

How can self respecting men and women ride behind a horse with its head reined back as far as it is possible to draw it? There are people in this town who drive nice horses with the check rein fastened at the top of the head in such a manner as to draw the head back until the horses nose extends straight out in the air. Natural movement is therefore impossible and it is not only a damage to the horse but a disgrace to the one who drives it.

Such treatment is cruel in the extreme and no truly high minded, fine principled person will do it or allow it to be done to their horses or any they have control of. Is there not a law to prevent or at least remedy this practice?

The Horse's Friend.

Notice for Bids.

For building and completing a school house in District No 3, contractor to furnish all material. To be finished by September 25, 1904. Specifications may be seen at the Times office. The directors reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Bids will be received until June 5th, 1904.

By W. S. Alcorn,
Kings Valley.

For the "Non-Ultra."

Of course, every man isn't a dashing young fellow with leanings toward the ultra. It's not every one that can wear extreme styles, anyhow. They would look out of place. Fully half the good

dressers go in for the conservative. We do not mean by that something that's out of date. On the contrary, our conservative coats are right up to the minute, only the cut isn't the kind that people will turn around and look at! Of course, we have the ultra styles, too, for the nobby youth—the sort that will bring out the ejaculation: "Geel! but he's dead swell!"

If you don't want that sort of thing, we commend our

regular conservative suits, the Arvon three-button sack or the three-button double-breasted Tudor, or, may be, the straight-front sack, which—ever your taste decides. You won't be a swaggering Beau Brummel—just a plain every-day man with real smart clothes on.



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