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POLITICAL COLUMN

Prosperity or Uncertainty?

It has been under the administration of the Republican party that Hood River, with the rest of Uncle Sam's domain has enjoyed its greatest prosperity. There does not seem then any reason for a change and every reason why there should not be. It has been under the policies of this same party that its products have brought the highest prices in the world's markets and it is reasonable to suppose that under this self same policy they will continue to do so. The condition that confronts the voter is that of supporting the element that is endeavoring to keep these policies in existence. The issue is not so much a change from Republican to Democratic rule as represented by the conservative element of the latter party, as it is a change in power to a movement that at present represents nothing and whose policies are not known. Republicans who believe in a continuance of the prosperous rule we are now under will vote for the candidates that represent and endorse the present administration and which are in this instance on the assembly or the regular Republican ticket. Those who are for uncertainty, doubt and probable business and financial disturbance and disaster will vote otherwise.

Satisfactory in Washington

The result of the Washington primaries, according to reports from Seattle, indicates that there will be no change in the local option law this year. In a few counties friends of the prohibition workers were elected, but the general results indicate that the voters are willing to give the present law a more thorough trial before affecting any change.

The law has worked out satisfactorily wherever it has been tried, and is so utterly fair in allowing each community to settle the liquor question for itself that any legislators who trifle with it or try to take up the time of the coming session with another long drawn out fight like that which occupied the minds of the lawmakers in 1909, will make themselves unpopular.

If the eternal liquor question can be eliminated from the discussions of the legislature many of the nominees now believe that body can profitably spend its time in cutting down the public expenses instead of fighting for the entire session and then railroading an enormous appropriations bill through the closing hours as was done two years ago.

The Washington local option law is similar to the one being advocated this year for Oregon.

Autos Bringing Good Roads

The movement for good roads in the states of the northwest has received a great impetus from automobile owners, and the organization last week of the Western Automobile Association which numbers among its members the auto clubs of the cities of the northwest, will be an important event in the campaign for better highways. While the farmers and motorists are not always friendly they agree on the good roads question. All over Washington the county commissioners selected at the primary election of Sept. 13 were pledged to the good roads cause. Slowly but surely this movement is assuming the importance it deserves.

Kindergarten

Under the direction of Miss Molly Stickey will be in session from 1:30 to 4 o'clock in the afternoons instead of the mornings as formerly. The date for opening, as announced before, is September 28th.

Candidate for Sheriff

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff before the primaries September 24th, 1910.—Wm. Ganger.—Adv.

County Surveyor

I wish to announce my candidacy before the primaries on the Republican ticket for the position of county surveyor of Hood River county.—P. M. Morse.—Adv.

Candidate for County Surveyor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of county surveyor at the Republican primaries to be held Saturday, September 24th.—Harry Hackett.—Adv.

County Surveyor

I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the office of county surveyor of Hood River county on the Republican ticket at the primaries September 24th.—Murray Kay.—Adv.

Candidate for County Clerk

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket for the office of county clerk of Hood River county at the primary nominating election to be held Sept. 24.—W. E. Hanson.—Adv.

County Treasurer

Having been recommended by the Hood River Republican county assembly for county treasurer, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for that office at the primaries Sept. 24th.—J. M. Schmeitner.—Adv.

County Surveyor

Having been recommended by the Republican County Assembly as a suitable candidate for county surveyor, I wish to announce that I will come before the primaries September 24th for the nomination.—C. M. Hurlburt.—Adv.

Candidate for Sheriff

I wish to notify the voters of Hood River county that having been recommended by the Republican assembly for the office of sheriff, I am a candidate for the nomination for same, subject to the primaries September 24, 1910.—G. R. Castner.—Adv.

For County Commissioner

Believing that the interests of the upper valley are entitled to a representative in the affairs of the county, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for that office at the Republican primaries September 24th.—Chas. Steinhauer.—Adv.

For Sheriff

I wish to announce that I am a direct primary candidate, on the Republican ticket, for the nomination of sheriff of Hood River county subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primary election on September 24, 1910.—Thos. F. Johnson.—Adv.

Candidate for County Commissioner
 I hereby announce to the voters of Hood River county that I am a candidate for the nomination for county commissioner on the Republican ticket at the primaries Sept. 24th. If nominated and elected I will serve all the people of the county to the best of my ability.—O. H. Rhoades.—Adv.

Candidate for Assessor

I wish to announce that I am a candidate before the Republican primary for assessor and have duly filed my declaration. Having been deputy assessor for five years I feel that I am competent to fill the office and if elected will serve the county and taxpayers to the best of my ability.—Jasper Wickham.—Adv.

Candidate for County Judge

I herewith announce to the voters of Hood River county that I am a direct primary candidate, on the Republican ticket, for the nomination for county judge of Hood River county, subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primary election on September 24th. Yours for good roads.—G. D. Woodworth.—Adv.

County Clerk

Having been recommended by the Republican County Assembly as a suitable candidate for county clerk, I wish to announce that I will come before the primaries September 24th for the nomination. I believe that I am duly qualified to administer the affairs of the office, and will appreciate the support of the voters of the county.—Howard Isenberg.—Adv.

County Judge

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as County Judge of Hood River county on the Republican ticket, subject to the Republican primaries. I am in favor of Statement No. 1 and am an enthusiastic advocate of the extension of the good road scheme and if nominated and elected will do all that I can toward the same.—Chas. N. Clarke.—Adv.

For Joint Representative

Having received the unqualified recommendation and endorsement of the Republican State and District Assembly, as Joint Representative, for Wasco and Hood River counties, I hereby announce myself as a candidate, subject to the decision of the voters of the Republican party of said district at the primary to be held Sept. 24, 1910; and if nominated and elected I shall use my best judgment and ability to the discharge of the duties of the office.—Alex. Stewart.—Adv.

For County Assessor

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket for the office of county assessor at the primary nominating election to be held September 24, 1910. In making this announcement I wish to state to the public that if I receive the nomination and election to this office, I will endeavor, to the best of my ability, to perform the duties required by the office in a systematic and business-like manner and in a way that will be satisfactory to all concerned.—Henry L. Howe.—Adv.



The Epworth League of the Methodist church now begins at 6:30 p. m. and preaching service at 7:30. The midweek prayer meeting is held Thursday evening at 7:30.

Rev. E. T. Simpson, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church, was greeted with a large congregation at the morning service Sunday, the little church being filled to overflowing. Mr. Simpson's opening service and sermon were very favorably received. The rector and his family expect soon to occupy the new rectory just back of the church.

The subject of the Rev. Isaac Peart, minister of the Valley Christian church, next Sunday morning will be, "Does It Pay?" In the evening at 7:30 he will discuss "Baptism, Its Object and Mode," and says that whoever you may be and whatever you are, you will find a most hearty welcome at these services. Come and bring some one with you.

Rev. E. McOmber, who succeeds Rev. T. B. Ford as pastor of Asbury Methodist church, arrived here Friday and held his opening service Sunday morning. His wife and family of five children are also here. Sunday morning a large congregation was present to hear Mr. McOmber.

For County Commissioner
 I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the nomination for commissioner of Hood River county at the Republican primaries Saturday Sept. 24th.—G. A. McCurdy.—Adv.

For Joint Representative
 I desire to announce to the voters of Wasco and Hood River counties my candidacy for the Republican nomination for joint representative. I am opposed to the assembly plan of nominations. I have signed statement No. 1 and if nominated and elected will support the direct primary, the initiative, the referendum, and work to improve school and road legislation. Wise economy should be practiced in the use of the people's money.—Frank M. Gill, Dufur, Wasco Co.—Adv.

ber and to welcome him to his new field of endeavor. The McOmbers come to Hood River from Davenport, Wash.

After the service at Riverside Congregational church Sunday morning, at which was present one of the largest congregations that has ever occupied the edifice, a unanimous call was extended to Rev. E. A. Harris to become the permanent pastor of the church. Mr. Harris' salary was placed at \$1600. It is said by members of the church that they are highly pleased with Mr. Harris' selection and believe the church has secured an able advocate of its doctrines, and also an energetic worker for bettering civic and social conditions.

Rev. and Mrs. Ford Given Reception

The farewell reception given to Rev. and Mrs. T. B. Ford at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Sonnichsen Wednesday evening brought a large number of the church members and friends of the pastor and his wife together to say a parting word to them. The guests were received from 8 to 10. Words expressing regret at the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Ford were many and they were the recipients of the best wishes of the assemblage in their new place of residence, which for a time will be Portland and to which city they went Saturday.

During the evening Mrs. E. O. Hall entertained the guests very enjoyably with musical selections and refreshments were served.

Reception to Rev. and Mrs. Simpson

In honor of Rev. E. T. Simpson, the new rector of St. Mark's church, and Mrs. Simpson a reception was tendered them Tuesday evening by the ladies of St. Mark's Guild at the Commercial Club rooms. Bishop Paddock of the eastern Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church was present to welcome the rector and his wife, and the affair was largely attended and enjoyable. The guests were received by a reception committee of members of the church and introduced to Rev. and Mrs. Simpson after which a musical program was given and refreshments served. The entertainment feature was in charge of Murray Kay. Those who took part were Mrs. C. H. Henney, Miss Alberta Jackson and J. Adrian Epling, in addition to Mr. Kay. Short addresses were also made by Judge Derby, Attorney A. A. Jayne, Bishop Paddock and Rev. Simpson.

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