

JIM HAM SAYS NO

Would Refuse to Serve as Governor of Washington.

NOR WILL HE RUN FOR CONGRESS

Says Rogers is the Logical Candidate to Succeed Himself—Ex-Congressman Will Help.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 25.—"You may say," said Ex-Congressman James Hamilton Lewis to a reporter today, "that Mr. Lewis most emphatically states that he is in no sense of the word a candidate for gubernatorial or Congressional honors. I am not out of politics. I hope never to be out of politics while I seem to be for the good of my party that I remain in. But I am no candidate for these three reasons:

"First—I cannot bring myself to accept the nomination.

"Second—I shouldn't be elected this Fall.

"Third—I should refuse to serve if I was nominated and elected.

"I only want to live a quiet life and practice my profession, to redeem myself financially."

As to the probability of Governor Rogers' re-nomination, he said:

"I have always looked upon Governor Rogers as the logical candidate to succeed himself. That is, I have no considered him heretofore."

Asked as to what he meant by "heretofore," he said:

"Oh, well, up to a year ago," and would not answer more explicitly.

"I am not spending my time fixing up political stunts, but I am quite confident Thomas M. Vance will be the unanimous choice of his party for Attorney-General. Further than this I have paid no attention."

Mr. Lewis started in to eulogize the present Fusion administration as desirable, when his attention was called to the fact that in some instances the state officers were regarded as rather "cheap skates."

"Yes," he admitted, "some queer specimens did hold up at the last general election."

"But," he added, "I wish you would quote me as saying, 'James Hamilton Lewis will swing into line gracefully this coming campaign, and with his best endeavor for the success of the Democratic party!'"

CONSIDERED HOP SITUATION.

Stockholders' Meeting Called, and Committee Named to Reduce Crop.

SALEM, Or., May 25.—The directors of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association held a meeting in Salem this afternoon, and called a meeting of stockholders to be held at Woodburn, June 25.

At the meeting of hopgrowers, held after the directors' meeting, there were present representatives of growers in Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Clackamas and Washington counties. William Egan, H. B. Thielson, J. W. Woods, James Winstanley and J. R. White were appointed a committee to formulate a plan and secure signatures of growers agreeing to a plan for the regulation of the production of hops. If 75 per cent of the acreage can be secured in this movement, a meeting will be held to determine whether further action will be taken. Even though 75 per cent of the acreage in Oregon should be secured, the movement might still be abandoned, if the same should fall of success in other states.

Deeds Said to Be Fraudulent.

A suit was begun today by Ada Strong to set aside as fraudulent two deeds by which George H. Jones conveyed property to his wife and to his daughter, Mary Parker, and her husband, G. J. Parker. The plaintiff has a judgment against Jones, rendered July 7, 1898, for \$257. The deeds alleged to be fraudulent were executed July 24, 1898, and recorded June 15, 1898, the same day that action was begun from which the judgment resulted.

The tract conveyed to Mary Parker and husband in 1898, and the tract conveyed to Mrs. Jones in 1898, is in South Salem. The value of the property is about \$5000. Jones was a wealthy pioneer resident of Salem.

Rain Does No Good Yet.

Heavy rains have been falling all day. The weather has been cold and windy. Fruitgrowers express the opinion that if this kind of weather should continue much longer, the fruit crop will be injured. Farmers continue to make complaints of grain turning yellow. The sheep shearing which began during the day or two of fair weather the first of the week has been discontinued.

Capital City Breweries.

The T. S. Townsend Creamery Company yesterday received the machinery formerly used in the plant at Nehalem. The machinery was shipped several weeks ago, and was delayed by low water on the Nehalem bar. When the Nehalem machinery shall have been placed in position, the capacity of the plant here will be double that at present, or about 1000 pounds of butter per day.

Rev. H. A. Barden, of Portland, has been secured by the local O. A. B. to deliver the principal address at the memorial exercises on Decoration day. The exercises will be held in the evening will be held in the First M. E. Church.

The work of remodeling the Orphan's Home building, which will be completed by the Salem Hospital, will be commenced next Monday.

State Superintendent Ackerman left for the Indian this evening. Tomorrow night he will deliver an address before the graduating class of the High School there.

City Superintendent of Schools E. D. Resler, of Eugene, and Professor French, of the Monmouth Normal School, spent the week visiting the state educational institutions at Salem. They were accompanied by Superintendent Ackerman.

State Treasurer Moore today received a remittance of \$10,000 from Lane County, which sum pays that county's 1899 state taxes in full. A partial payment of \$5000 was also received from Douglas County.

GRAIN CASE UNSETTLED.

Bank Declines to Surrender Receipts, Though So Instructed.

COLEFAX, Wash., May 25.—The case of Mrs. Petty against C. W. Tracy et al., of Portland, is still unsettled, the Second National Bank, which holds the wheat receipts, refusing to surrender them to Mrs. Petty, although G. W. Ford, who acted as Tracy's agent in the matter, has instructed the bank that the receipts are property Mrs. Petty's, since the check given her has not been honored. Ford says his arrangement with Mrs. Petty was that she should hold the wheat for him, making such advances as were necessary, and says that the receipts were never left with De France to be deposited in the bank as collateral. The bank contends that the wheat receipts were given it as collateral for pre-existing indebtedness, and reports notification by its Portland correspondent that Tracy will probably be able to resume business in a very short time.

WOOL IS NOT MOVING.

Sales Expected to Be Made About the First of July.

PENDLETON, Or., May 25.—With 1,000,000 pounds of wool in the warehouses of Pendleton, scarcely a sale has taken place yet this season. Judging from the statements made by buyers and sellers, it is improbable that selling will begin before the first of July, after which it is thought that the clips will move out promptly.

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La Referencia Cigars

"30 MINUTES IN HAVANA"

"Every thing with a crooked neck is not a camel"—nor are all ten-cent cigars worth ten cents. Preferencia cigars are cheaper than any cigar equally good and better than any equally cheap. 10c. and upward. At high-class dealers.

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THE HAVANA-AMERICAN CO., MAKERS.

"It costs no more to smoke the best."

ard, but disallowed his counter claim for damages against Rand. This was the last case on the docket, and the jury was dismissed.

Articles incorporating the Gold Rim Mining Company were filed in the office of the County Auditor today. The incorporators are: Representative C. J. Moore, of Skamania County; Z. S. Russell, of Vancouver, and W. E. Jones, of Portland. The capital stock is \$1,000,000, and the head office is to be at Vancouver. The objects of the corporation are to acquire, own, hold and develop mines in the Bald Mountain mining district, in Skamania County, and such other mining claims and property as the company may acquire, and to lease and develop such mines and issue full paid-up stock in payment thereon.

The Columbia River at this point has fallen about 12 inches this week, and all danger from high water sufficient to overflow bottom lands or cause any considerable amount of damage to crops is believed now to be past. The highest point registered by water here so far was 12 feet 5 inches.

Captain James A. Goodin, Regimental Adjutant of the Seventh Infantry, will leave for Seattle May 30 in command of a detachment of 77 recruits intended for that portion of the Seventh Infantry ordered to take station in the new department of Alaska. These recruits came to Vancouver Barracks with a battalion of the Seventh from Fort Wayne, Mich.

Experiments With Grass.

PENDLETON, Or., May 25.—John F. Robinson, acting for the Pendleton Commercial Association, is conducting a series of experiments in growing Australian saltbush and bunchgrass on arid and semi-arid lands that will grow almost anything in the shape of grass or grain.

Roanoke Sails for Nome.

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The Cannon Firecracker.

Boston Herald.

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den and prohibited as a feature of Fourth of July jubilation, some thought ought to be placed on its size and deadliness. Firecrackers of the size named as the maximum are surely noisy enough in their detonation for all purposes of celebration. It is more important, however, that things loaded with dynamite, or yet more perilous stuff, should not be sold at all. This kind is manufactured in America, and manufacturers, no doubt, are ready to certify to their safety, if intelligently and skillfully handled. The same is true of the far less dangerous gunpowder playing, yet every Fourth of July was followed by a long list of burnings, maimings and deaths before the new infernal machine was invented. Nobody's intelligence and skill can be guaranteed on the Fourth of July, nor can the discretion of persons who have ready toys for sale. The Legislature can protect the public, and it should do so. So conscious are the makers of these things filled with high explosive compounds of their character that we understand they attach a printed direction to each firecracker, to this effect: Caution: Do not hold in the hand or touch the cracker after lighting the match." Boys who are celebrating at 1 A. M. will read this caution with great care! And even in the daytime, when one boy in every crowd would want to see what would happen if he violated the direction. No firecracker that requires such a caution should be on sale anywhere.

In seven counties in Southern Missouri rich fields of minerals have been found, and there is great activity there at this time.

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