

PROHIBITION IS THE MAIN ISSUE

Clackamas County Campaign in Interests of Anti-Saloon Has Been Warm.

OUTCOME SEEMS DOUBTFUL

Fight Between Cate and Chamberlain Close—Republican Victory in County Ticket Looked For, but Present Sheriff May Win.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 31.—(Special.)—What might otherwise have been a comparatively quiet election day in Clackamas County is disturbed this year by the intervention of features that have focused almost every thinking man into raising the future and to watch, with curious interest, the trend of public sentiment along the lines of moral advancement.

Notwithstanding the fact that the vote four years ago was overwhelmingly in favor of the prohibitionists, the campaign for prohibition in every cross-roads town, and has unquestionably made hundreds of votes for their cause. The outcome of the campaign is rather doubtful, but close observers will not be surprised if the prohibition votes of the county districts succeed in overcoming the strength of the liquor people in Oregon City.

Tomorrow the local option people will display a unique feature of election day by ringing the bells of four city churches at 8 A. M. and at noon. W. P. Elmore, President of the Bank of Brownsville, closed the local option campaign in Shiloh's Opera House last night and last night F. J. McHenry, who has been stumping the county, and J. M. Glass held an open air meeting at the east end of the city, where there are several saloons, it is estimated that a careful poll showed the sentiment to be dry by a majority of about 25. It is believed that precinct No. 3 in Oregon City will go dry, and a hard fight will be made to swing precinct No. 2 into line, though there are six saloons in the precinct.

Cate and Chamberlain Close.

The fight between Cate and Chamberlain in Clackamas will be close. The Statement No. 1 vote will go largely for Cate, who may receive a large share of the Fulton strength, but just what the Republicans who did not go to the polls on the day of primary election will do is an open question. Cate has carried Clackamas against Withycombe two years ago by about 200, and he still has many warm admirers and enthusiastic workers in the precinct.

Fight on County High School.

The fight against him is due to the division of the Park Place school district, but the fight is not over. Mr. Gary, his opponent, J. W. Gray, declined to take a chance at the primaries for an independent run. He recently returned from the six years' stay in Alaska. The proposition to establish a county high school has been fought bitterly in some quarters and the prospects for success are not rosy. Clackamas is expected to favor the University of Oregon appropriation, though the vote may be close. Three Representatives from No. 1 Representatives will be elected from this county, and C. N. McArthur, Republican nominee for joint Representative from Multnomah and Clackamas, is expected to defeat the Democratic candidate, A. King Wilson. The Republican nominees for Commissioner, Clerk, Recorder, Treasurer, Coroner and Surveyor will probably be elected by large majorities.

LINN EXPECTS LARGE VOTE

Campaign Closes With Republican Rally at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., May 31.—(Special.)—The political campaign in Linn County was closed last night with an enthusiastic Republican rally in the opera house. Speeches were made by M. C. Cull, chairman of the Republican County Central Committee; J. N. Duncan, nominee for County Judge; D. E. McKnight, candidate for re-election as Assessor; E. E. Upmeyer and Frank H. Porter, nominees for Representatives; Grant Forman, running for re-election as County Recorder, and T. J. Butler and O. H. Russell, nominees for County Commissioner.

GRAIN CROP IN NEZ PERCE

Yield of 5,000,000 Bushels Awaits Arrival of the Railroad.

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road from Lewiston to Grangeville is opened for traffic.

Mr. Miller reports that the region is a richer one than the far-famed Palouse country. The soil is richer—it is a richer country. It will be a more thickly populated agricultural country than the Palouse country. I consider it an ideal dairying country. The soil is too rich and the advantages too great for big farms to be maintained there. It will become a very, very thickly populated agricultural country.

For a number of years, the Nez Perce prairies have been turning out crops of wheat which ran 40 to 60 bushels to the acre, but the farmers have been greatly handicapped by lack of transportation facilities. The iron horse of the Northern Pacific has at last reached the prairie, and in anticipation of the fact that the railroad would be able to handle the 1908 grain crop, it is estimated that the country this fall will yield 5,000,000 bushels.

Grangeville, a town of over 3000 people, at the end of the new line, is soon to lose the distinction it has long held of being the largest town in the United States without a railroad.

WOUND MAY PROVE FATAL

FOREST GROVE VICTIM OF CHINAMAN MAY DIE.

Public Sympathy With Oriental—Often Attacked by Hoodlums, With Too Much Liquor.

CROSSED THE PLAINS TO OREGON IN 1847.

The Late Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, AMITY, Or., May 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, one of the oldest and best-known pioneers of Yamhill County, died at her home in this city Thursday evening, May 31. Mrs. Smith was a highly respected and lovable old lady. She was born in Jackson County, Missouri, February 2, 1827, and came to Oregon in 1847 with her parents and was married to Cyrus Smith in 1855, who died in 1898. Her husband was a well-known pioneer and one of the first merchants of this city. Mrs. A. G. McKinnon, of Amity, and Dr. C. G. Smith, of Roseburg, Wash., are the only children who survive her. Three brothers—G. M. Allen, of Amity, Or.; J. W. Allen, of McCloud, N. E. T., and L. F. Allen—are living.

The Chinaman to jail, where he will be held until it develops whether or not Wilson will pull through. The sympathy of the community seems to be in favor of the Chinaman against the hoodlums, who have tormented the Celestial for months past to such an extent that he found it necessary to barricade his windows and doors against the element whenever it took an overland liquor. His house has been stoned and the windows and doors have been broken down. Quong Lee has hitherto been a peaceful citizen, always attending strictly to his business.

EXTEND NORTH BANK ROAD

Reported Hill Will Acquire Interest in Hanford Project.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 31.—(Special.)—In order to increase the capital stock of the Hanford Irrigation company, a meeting of the stockholders has been called in Seattle for June 25, when a proposal to increase the capitalization from \$250,000 to \$750,000 will be voted upon. The cost of the construction of the big power canal and the installation of pumping and other machinery has exceeded the original estimates by a large amount, and it is proposed also to extend the scope of the project.

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REPLIES TO CHARGE

A. W. Lafferty Files Answer With Land Department.

STANDING SAID TO BE HIGH

He Denies Allegation That He Used Information Obtained While in Government Service for His Own Advantage.

Considerable interest promises to grow out of the charges recently filed in the Land Department against A. W. Lafferty, a Portland lawyer. Mr. Lafferty has just returned from Lakeview, having been absent when the charges were published. In 1906, the county attorney, Lafferty's term as Prosecuting Attorney of Montgomery County, Missouri, he was appointed a special agent of the General Land Office and sent to Oregon to aid in the land trials. He soon resigned that position to enter the law practice here. He states that during the past year his relations with certain special agents stationed in Oregon have been very strained, culminating in their presentation of charges against him some time ago.

Charges Used in Campaign.

Special prominence has been given to the charges by supporters of Governor Chamberlain on account of matters which Mr. Lafferty brought to light last week in the land trials. He soon resigned that position to enter the law practice here. He states that during the past year his relations with certain special agents stationed in Oregon have been very strained, culminating in their presentation of charges against him some time ago.

Makes Fight for Settlers.

"I have never been able to agree with the policies of certain special agents in Oregon," said Mr. Lafferty yesterday. "On arriving in Oregon my investigations soon convinced me that the government was not being robbed by the individual citizens of this state. The people here are just as honest as those of any other state. Ninety-nine out of every hundred homestead and timber applicants act in good faith and are entitled to their claims. Not one hundredth part of the lands fraudulently acquired in Oregon have been obtained through homestead or timber entries. Over 90 per cent of the lands fraudulently obtained in this state were acquired by scrip applications through priorities illegally secured, or through the state and land board. And those procuring thereby have been regularly investigated and have been permitted to retain the lands so obtained.

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Mr. Lafferty has filed a denial of the charges pending against him, together with a practically unanimous written indorsement of the bench and bar of Portland certifying that he is a reputable lawyer of high standing. The judge before whom Mr. Lafferty practiced in Missouri is also championing his cause. He practiced eight years there and attained high standing for and of his age being less than 30 when he came West. He was several times Republican nominee for Prosecuting Attorney, each time running far ahead of the strength of his party. In the third race he was elected. During his term of office he secured the first convictions against what are known as bucket-shop gambling institutions ever had in the state, and he put more money in the state treasury in fines than was paid him in salary. Before his election as Prosecuting Attorney he had a large civil and criminal practice. He was also non-resident lecturer on criminal law at the Missouri State University.

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LAST WORD ON BILL No. 332 "PROHIBIT FISH WHEELS AND STATIONARY TRAPS" WIRES DAVID STARR JORDON

President of Leland Stanford University, Famous Salmon Authority, Telegraphs Indorsing Bill to Correct Fishwheel Evil.

The following telegram was received yesterday by Edward Rosenberg, secretary of the Columbia River Salmon Protective Association:

"Immature male salmon running in river valueless for breeding, as all die. These, with other fishes, are caught in fishwheels. Believe wheels and all stationary traps are especially pernicious to salmon industry and should be everywhere prohibited, for reasons stated in recent letter to Rosenberg. (Signed) 'DAVID STARR JORDAN.'"

Following Is the Letter Referred to:

Stanford University, Cal., May 13, 1908.—Mr. Edward Rosenberg, Astoria, Oregon: In response to a request from Mr. Hylan, I am giving you my opinion as to certain matters connected with the salmon fishing in the Columbia. As you know, I was the first Commissioner ever sent out to investigate the salmon. I spent some time in Astoria in 1880, and I have made a number of visits there or farther north in the same interest since then. I have not changed my opinion in this time as to these matters.

(1) The fishwheel and the stationary trap in the Columbia River should be abolished.

HELP THEIR PASTOR Spiritualists Come to Aid of H. D. Barrett.

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ished. It would be well for the fishing interests of the country if the stationary trap in all of its various forms was everywhere eliminated, for this is the most destructive and indiscriminating kind of fishing. On the Columbia, where the river is narrow and swift, the fishwheel is not only very destructive, but has the additional evil effect of (a) taking work from the fishermen, and (b) of taking the fish when they are not in the best condition, for fish for canning ought to be taken in tidewater.

(2) It would be well if all fishing on a large scale above tidewater in the Columbia should be prohibited.

(3) I would also recommend that a careful study of gillnet and similar methods of fishing be made, with a view to the ultimate interest of the fishing industry, as even if worse forms of fishing were eliminated, there are still perhaps too many gillnets for the size of the river.

To prohibit gillnet fishing after dark would virtually destroy the effectiveness of that industry at all times when the water is clear. Very truly yours, DAVID STARR JORDAN.

Table with 2 columns: Bill Number and Yes/No options. Includes bills 332, 333, 318, 319.



This picture shows the LONG LEAD, extending into river, right up to falls, and the three uppermost FISHWHEELS. These CATCH ALL THE SALMON ascending to spawning grounds. To save the Columbia Salmon Vote 332, Yes, and 319, No

NEW PERKINS HOTEL NOW OPEN

This most centrally located and well-known hostelry has passed into new hands. The old location, but a new hotel. Entirely remodeled and most elegantly furnished in Creosote walnut and Tuna mahogany. Hardwood and the floors throughout; carpeted with Axminsters and Oriental rugs.

125 rooms with connecting baths, balance have bath privileges. Early Dutch colonial has been followed for furnishing the main dining hall, which will open Tuesday. The Grill is one of the finest on the Coast, and will open tonight. Popular prices will prevail. There is also a banquet-room for theater and special parties. German and French chefs will preside over modern-equipped kitchens. The seventh and upper floor will be devoted exclusively to large, light ample-rooms for commercial patrons.

The hotel is owned by the Perkins Hotel Company; Adam Mueller, President; F. J. Richardson, Vice-President; L. Q. Swetland, Treasurer; W. Swetland, Secretary, and is under the management of Warren Swetland, who has had years of successful experience in the hotel and catering business.

GRUBMEN PLAY VARSITY

MULTNOMAH CLUB WILL MEET OREGON TODAY.

Snappy Game by Good Players Is Promised and There is Much Interest in Contest.

Portland fans will have an opportunity of witnessing two contests of the classiest amateur baseball this afternoon, for the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club team and the University of Oregon nine are to cross bats at the Vaughn-street grounds in a double-header for one admission.

Two games are to be played on account of the improvements to Multnomah Field having precluded the previous contest scheduled between these two crack amateur teams. As it is election day a large number of baseball enthusiasts will enjoy a half holiday, during which they will avail themselves of the opportunity of witnessing two such clever teams as the Multnomah and Oregon nines in action.

Multnomah has an exceptionally strong team this season, and the collegians' undefeated record speaks for their ability. With the club team this afternoon will be such stars as Chester Murphy, Plowden Stott, Jack Holman, Kenneth Fenton, Hulskamp, Sinnott, DeNeffe, Stirling, Casa Campbell, McClelland, Edg Morris and Murray. All of these players have earned their reputation on either university or club teams, and are rated as high-class amateur players, several of whom have frequently turned down offers to play with professional clubs.

Kenny Fenton and Jack Holman are fresh from Stanford University, where both were prominent members of the crack team which represented that institution on the diamond. Fenton was captain of the nine and played shortstop. Today he will probably play third base, as captain McClelland, of the club team, is the regular shortstop. Holman is a speedy baserunner, a good batter and plays the outfield as well as a Tom Rafferty or a George Hildebrand. Another splendid player who will wear a Multnomah uniform today is Hulskamp, who played for years for Yale and refused repeated offers to enter the big league. He is a fine hitter and this one feature was what attracted the major league magnates to him. He refused to turn professional and on removing to Portland last fall joined the Multnomah club.

De Neffe, who will pitch the first game for Multnomah, was the winning twirler of the University of Oregon in 1907. He graduated last term and joined the local club. He is anxious to pitch against his former teammates, and some interesting maneuvers should be the result.

PERSIA'S OFFER REJECTED

Russia Unwavering in Demands for Indemnity for Outrages.

LONDON, June 1.—A special dispatch from Tiberias to the Times says that Persia has agreed on compensation for the families killed by Russians and suggests a joint investigation, but that Russia will not accept this proposal, and is unwavering in her demands for indemnity for depredations alleged to have been committed by Persian bandits. The dispatch further says that Kurdish tribesmen have surrounded Urmiah and are indulging in wholesale massacre and pillage.

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