

SECRETARY FIGHT; JOHNSON LEAD

Prophets Think He Will Win Third District Congressional Nomination.

RIVALRY CONCEDES CHANCES

Spokane County Handicapped in Fact That Its Strength is Divided Among Four Candidates in the Contest.

BY JOE SMITH. SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—With comparatively few important exceptions Eastern Washington political observers have picked Lee A. Johnson, of Sunnyside, Yakima County, as the winner of the seven-sided contest for the Republican Congressional nomination in the Third, or Eastern Washington district.

Not many of them venture the prediction that he will win the nomination on the first choice vote, though that is considered a possibility, but on the second choice vote as well as on the first choice vote he looks upon as a general favorite so that this is not considered as militating seriously against his chances of landing the nomination.

Johnson Easily Leads.

His rival candidates, as well as independent political observers, recognize Mr. Johnson as easily the leading candidate in the race. None of them will admit that he is going to win it, but practically without exception each of them admits that he is the candidate whom they must defeat in order to win.

Rockwell-Pointexter Contest.

Of the four, Rockwell is probably the most widely known throughout the district, having been given much prominence and publicity in connection with the work of the Tax Commission, and earlier in the campaign was looked upon by many of his supporters as a sure winner. Judge Pointexter has adopted the same campaign and one which has extended to all parts of the district. In the course of which he has attacked Rockwell's work on the Tax Commission and has charged him with being the candidate of the Great Northern Railroad interests.

Rosenhaupt Strong at Home.

All three of the candidates from without Spokane County, Johnson, H. M. Boone and M. E. Field, as well as William Goodyear, the sole candidate for the Democratic nomination, after looking casually over the field in Spokane County, agree in picking Rosenhaupt as the man likely to get the most votes in his home county. Rosenhaupt, however, is counting very heavily on the support of a large proportion of the labor vote and quite recently his chances of realizing these expectations have been materially enhanced by the assistance rendered by officers of the State Federation of Labor which shows that he voted in the Senate last session against the initiative and referendum and side-stepped the vote on the initiative.

Interest at Low Ebb.

All seven of the candidates are making active campaigns, but supporters of all of them complain somewhat at what they term a lamentable lack of interest in the contest displayed in many parts of the district. Rockwell and Pointexter have been holding meetings and reports from them are to the effect that they have been slimly attended in some instances, while in comparatively few instances has the attendance been satisfactory in either the number in attendance or the enthusiasm manifested by those present.

Newspapers Not Aggressive.

Little aggressive partisanship has been displayed by the newspapers of the district in the Congressional contest, as compared with the contests for Governor and for United States Senator. Practically every county in the state has taken a more or less definite stand for either Senator Ankeny or Congressman Jones on the Senatorship, a considerable number have announced their preference on the Governorship, but most of those in the district have adopted a more or less neutral attitude in the Congressional contest, playing no favorites in the notices published by them. There are exceptions to this rule, but a rule it still remains.

Little Aggressive Partisanship.

Johnson draws his strength from three sources, and it is apparent from it to daily by the campaign he is making, possessing as he does an intensely attractive personality and being in the superlative degree a "good mixer." The first of these elements is the church vote, to which he has a prior claim, having served several years in the Methodist ministry, and through that connection having formed a wide and favorable acquaintance in several different counties of the district.

popularity with this class of voters by the record which he made in the State Legislature two sessions, being in that capacity particularly active in advancing moral reform measures. He was chairman of the House committee of public morals in the last session, and introduced and championed the proposed local option law, which met with narrow defeat in the House. With this professional and public record back of him, he was thrown conspicuously into the limelight in Washington politics by the sensational unexpected action of the Republican State Convention in declaring for local option as a party issue.

Conditions which are Nation-wide have conspired with conditions in this state and this party declaration to make local option easily the dominant issue of the primary campaign, and Johnson is riding on the crest of the local option wave. In addition to these two elements of strength, he has been "right" in the Legislature with the labor organizations, and while this may not attract the members of those organizations to his support, it will present any successful effort to organize them in behalf of any of his opponents.

How Field Compares.

Field, who hails from Chelan County, also comes with a record of rare excellence in two State Legislatures, has developed superior strength in the Upper Columbia River region, through familiarity with Congressional needs and desires, but that region, while large in area and possible resources, is comparatively small in voting population, and it is upon second choice voters from the better-settled portions of the district that he must depend for possible success. Only a few days ago, after making a brief canvass of Spokane City and County, Field threw a bomb into the midst of his opponents by proposing that the seven candidates join in a joint meeting in this city, each to address the meeting, and at its conclusion take a straw vote of the voters in the audience. Replies to this challenge have not been received from the other candidates.

LOGGING CAMPS REOPEN

OPERATIONS ARE RESUMED BY TWIN FALLS COMPANY.

Two Hundred and Fifty Men Will Be Employed by Beginning of September.

YACOLT, Wash., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The Twin Falls Logging Company, which is a part of the Werberhaus system, will begin operations September 1. The company will open with 250 men on the pay roll. Fallers and buckers are already in the field, and by the beginning of the month the work will be running on full time and with a full crew.

CATTLE QUESTION ISSUE

Washington County May Vote on Stock Running at Large.

HILLSBORO, Or., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The Presidential ballot this Fall may carry as a side issue the question of cattle running at large. Nearly all the mountain precincts voted in the majority to give cattle the swing of the highways, and Buxton precinct, where the timber Summer range is large, and of much value to the home-steaders and small home holders, has sent in a petition to have the question resubmitted at the November election. There are many other precincts which are in the same category, and petitions are now being successfully circulated. In all probability ten precincts will ask to have another chance to vote an open range for livestock.

No "Organ" for Democrats.

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DEAN OF SCHOOL OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE AT O. A. C.

MISS JULIE GREER. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Miss Juliet Greer, dean of the School of Domestic Science and Art, Oregon Agricultural College, has arrived from the East and is already engaged in preliminary incident to housing her department on the second floor of Science Hall. Miss Greer comes to the college with a record of successes in the East. She received her preparatory training in Chicago, graduated from Vassar College, was a teacher in grade and preparatory schools, then a student in the University of Chicago and Columbia University, New York City and comes direct from the Domestic Science department of Pratt Institute, New York, where for ten years she has been instructor.

DEATH ROLL IN NORTHWEST

Charles Putnam, Native Son and First Sheriff of Klamath. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Charles Putnam died on the evening of August 18 at the residence of Ivan D. Applegate, in Fruitvale, Cal., at the age of 53 years. His death was the result of paralysis, with which he had been afflicted for more than a month.

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INDIANS USE GUNS

East Indians Rout Belligerent Italian Strikers.

TWO RIOTERS ARE INJURED

Further Trouble is Feared at Tacoma and Auburn and Railroad Company Has Appealed for Deputies.

TACOMA, Aug. 21.—Maddened at the sight of 40 Hindu strike-breakers filling their places in the Northern Pacific Railroad yards about 50 Italian laborers armed with stones, clubs and other

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN OF INDIAN RACE, DIES AT NEWPORT.



Mrs. Joseph Briggs.

NEWPORT, Or., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. Joseph Briggs, wife of one of the life-saving crew here, died in Newport, August 14, after a brief illness. Mrs. Briggs gave birth to a daughter last week and her death soon followed. Mrs. Briggs, whose maiden name was Alice Saunders, was considered the most beautiful woman of Indian blood on this Coast. She came of a fine Indian family, was a graduate of Chemawa Indian School and took a prominent part in every movement for the betterment of her race. She was 34 years of age at the time of her death, and had been married 13 years. Her daughter, Dorothy, died of pneumonia in California last winter, and it is thought that this bereavement hastened her own death. Mrs. Briggs was buried Sunday in the wind-swept cemetery of her family situated on the height of Cape Poulsbo.

COMPANY ASKS FOR DEPUTIES

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Sheriff L. C. Smith was called upon today by the Northern Pacific Railroad to send 10 deputies to Auburn tomorrow to prevent threatened trouble between striking Italian strikers and Japanese, with whom it is proposed to replace the strikers. A few days ago 30 Italian section hand struck when their demand for higher wages was refused. They were ordered out of their shanties, but refused to go. Japanese have been employed and last night about 50 of them slept on the ground near the Italian quarters. Today they again refused to vacate their quarters, but they again refused, and the company was told that the Italians would shoot anyone who attempted to enter them or any Japanese who was put to work. The railroad was told that the deputies would be sent to Auburn tonight.

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the detachment of Warm Springs Indians about which occurred the notorious outrage. In 1883 on the organization of the County of Klamath, he was appointed as Sheriff of that county, and was afterwards elected to serve a second term. In 1899 he left Klamath County with his family and has since resided in Redlands, Cal.

Mrs. Susie Talmage.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Aug. 21.—After an extended illness, Mrs. Susie Talmage, wife of C. W. Talmage, a widely-known attorney of this city, and at one time Mayor of Tillamook, died Tuesday night. Mrs. Talmage was born in Harrison County, Missouri, in 1842, and came West with her parents two years later, spending her childhood and early girlhood at Walla Walla, Wash. Afterwards she lived at McMinnville, where she and her husband, Mr. Talmage, in 1880, residing continually in that city until 1901, when, with her husband, she came to Tillamook.

James Leary.

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—James Leary, who for 28 years has operated the steam pump in the yards of the O. R. & N. here, died this morning in Portland at St. Vincent's hospital. Leary was one of the few remaining employees of the Oregon Steam Navigation Company, whose steamboats plied the Columbia River before the war. He was born in Ireland, and being transferred to the new company, had continued in its service. In honor of his memory the railroad shop which is in this city, which he had blown from its foundations, remained silent today. His widow survives him.

Mrs. C. H. Rosenberg.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. C. H. Rosenberg, wife of a wealthy German wheatraiser of this city, died suddenly of heart disease this morning. She had been in ill health for some time. Mrs. Rosenberg leaves a husband and five children. She had been a resident of Umatilla County for 25 years.

LIGHT DAMAGE IN MARION

Reports of Forest Fires Exaggerated—Gateway to Eastern Oregon.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 16.—(To The Editor.)—Leaving Detroit at 12:30 on the 15th, I give you conditions in the Northwest as to forest fires, which as to damage done, seems to have been greatly exaggerated, as was the case two years ago, when the principal loss was by the Curtis Lumber Company, and most of the fire was on logged-off land—fired by sparks from the locomotives.

PROPOSE UNIFORM LAWS

ATTORNEYS WOULD MAKE WIFE-DESERTION CRIME.

National Commission American Bar Association Opens Session in Seattle. SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 21.—The three days session of the National Commission of Uniform State Laws, preceding the meeting of the American Bar Association in this city, began today with about 30 delegates in attendance, representing perhaps 20 states. Amasa M. Eaton, of Providence, R. I., president of the commission, was in the chair and delivered his annual address at the morning session.

NORMAL COURSE IS ADDED

Changes Are Made in Curriculum of Centralia High School.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The Centralia public schools will open for the registration of pupils on September 7. Repairs are being rushed so that the buildings will be in first-class condition. The High School course has been changed, a Normal course to prepare young people for the teaching profession being introduced.

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OWNERS OF DISEASED TREES RESENT DESTRUCTION.

Fruit Inspector Declines to Become Excited Over Crusade for His Removal.

LA PAVETTE, Or., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The fruit inspector for Yamhill County, M. O. Lowndale, is evidently causing considerable distress to the owners of diseased orchards in this county. A petition has been circulated asking for his removal because he is enforcing the law and is cutting down diseased trees whose owners refuse to treat or renovate them. The petition is being signed by those who evidently have no regard for clean orchards, and by a few who, perhaps, hope the removal of the present inspector will allow them to retain their own infested and diseased trees.

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ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The automobile of Dr. L. B. Smith, of Portland, who, together with his wife, is on his way from Portland to Aberdeen to visit his son, Dr. C. T. Smith, was overturned by a 25-foot embankment between Kalama and Castle Rock yesterday afternoon. The chauffeur jumped. Dr. and Mrs. Smith were thrown from the car and landed on the road. They escaped injury. The auto was not badly damaged.

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