CHOICE SEEMS TO BE AMONG THREE

Simon, Wetherbee, Hodson Are Strongest Names to Go Before Assembly.

SIMON PROBABLE WINNER

If He Is Recommended by Republican Convention, Selling Will Not Make Race—Metschan Not

Active Candidate.

Choice of the Republican assembly for Mayor apparently has dwindled down to three of the five prominent candidates who have been suggested. The three are Joseph Simon, Dr. J. R. Wetherbee and C. W. Hodson, Of these, Simon is believed to be the Wetherbee and C. W. Hodson. Of these, Simon is believed to be the strongest. Although he has not definitely said he would be a candidate, it is known his acceptance of the indersoment by the assembly depends altogether on the assurances of support he can be pledged. Dr. Wetherbee and his friends alone are actively working among the delegates to the assembly in support of his candidacy. Friends of Mr. Hodson also have become husy and are buttonholing delegates in his behalf. But it seems unmistakably to be in the cards for the nomination to go to Mr. Simon. Dr. Wetherbee issued another statement vesterday explanatory of the statement he caused to be published Sunday. In this supplementary declaration, which is addressed to the delegates of the assembly. Dr. Wetherbee gives the members of that body his positive assurance that if he is not indorsed as the Mayoralty candidate, he will give his support to the successful nominee. The advisability of taking such a position by Dr. Wetherbee was discussed at an informal meeting of his supporters at luncheon yesterday and there was not a unanimity of feeling.

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Phil Metchan yesterday authorized the announcement that he was not an active candidate for the nomination. Mr. Metchan admitted that he would appreciate the honor of being Mayor of Portland, but said that his candidacy was only the suggestion of friends. Large husiness interests, demanding the attention of Mr. Metchan, have prevented him from becoming an active candidate for the nomination, even should he have been disposed to make a fight for it. However, his position is such that should the assembly pick him as the right man for the nomination he will accept.

The report has gained circulation that should the assembly nominate Mr. Simon as its candidate, Senator Ben Selling would refuse to become a candidate for the nomination in the primary election, as his friends are demanding. This has had the effect of hooming ex-Senator Simon's 'candidacy, Should some other candidate receive the indorsement of the assembly it is commonly reported that Selling will be persuaded to go after the nomination.

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The extent to which tomorrow's assembly will indorse candidates for the different Municipal offices rests entirely with the membership of that body, according to A. B. Manley, chairman of the Republican City Central Committee. It was reported yesterday that the assembly would indorse only a candidate for Mayor, adopt a platform and resolutions and adjourn. There is a disposition on the part of some of the delegates, however, to nominate a complete city ticket.

Officers Seek Reselection

Officers Seek Re-election.

Seneca Fouts and Councilman Frank 8. Bennett are aspirants for the Republican nomination for Municipal Judges. Candidates for the other offices are scarce. City Attorney J. P. Kavanaugh, City Anditor A. L. Barbur and City Treasurer J. E. Werlein have all announced their candidacy for another term and so far are without opposition as candidates for the nomination. It is in the matter of Councilmen that there is a shortage of applicants. It is feared by some delegates for the assembly to undertake to nominate a complete city licket would prove a tedious and protracted undertaking. Pouts and Councilman Frank

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There is a strong sentiment among the delegates against the use of proxies at the assembly, and it is not probable that other than bona fide delegates will be seated. "It is the duty of every Republican who has been selected as a delegate, either to attend in person or send in his resignation in time so that another can be selected in his place," said a delegate yesterday, "This is the only fair way to proceed and give all candidates an equal chance. It would preclude the possibility of packing the convention with preview in the interest of any one candidate or set of candidates. If friends of candidates for the different offices do not take enough interest to attend and participate in person, they should not be given the right to transfer their credentials to others. I hope this matter will receive the consideration of the delegates at the beginning of the assembly and that it will be decided that no proxice will be recognized." be decided that no proxies will be recognized."

M'DONELL IS FORMALLY OUT

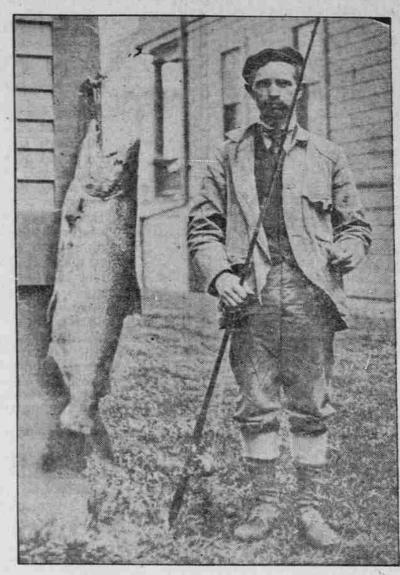
Files Announcement of Mayoralty Candidacy With Clerk.

C. E. McDonell yesterday filed a formal amouncement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination as Mayor with City Auditor Barbur. This declaration is substantially the same as Mr. McDonell's opening announcement of his candidacy, when he promised the voters, if nominated and elected, he would give Pertland a businessilie administration.

J. J. Jennings, real estate dealer, with offices in The Oregonian building, vesterday declared his candidacy for nomination as Councilman-at-large on the Republican ticket. He has condensed his platform into the following nine words: "Low lican ticket. He has condensed his plat-form into the following nine words: "Low taxes; moral city; better streets; serve all

ought to be assigned to lack of con-

HERE IS BIGGEST SALMON TAKEN WITH SPOON AND LINE THIS SEASON



A. A. BROWN AND HIS RECORD 321/2 - POUND CHINOOK. The largest salmon for this season, caught near Oregon City, was the 32½-pound chinook captured last Thursday by A. A. Brown near the falls. The outfit used was the regulation pole and line for salmon fishing. It took 40 minutes to get the fish into the boat. Mr. Brown advises that few fish are being caught, but he believes, when the weather becomes a little milder, that many salmon will be taken by local fishermen.

fidence. The large deposits were made in outside banks, on account of the doubt of the stability of the said banking institution. The president, M. A. Butler, of Portland; cashier, his son, H. R. Butler and his law partner and director of the bank. J. R. Poland, were doing all the business, and the other local directors have not been consulted in all matters. The action brought by the Merchants Na-tional Bank was brought and a receiver appointed there before any of the local directors or stockholders knew anything

directors or stockholders knew anything at all about it, nor did they know the serious condition of the bank. Mr. Butler, the president; Mr. Poland, director, and the firm of Butler & Poland, attorneys for the bank, managed the business—they were "it—the whole push."

Now, the action of the court, by Judge Gantenbein, through the appointment of J. R. Poland, as receiver director of the banking corporation and one of the atterneys for it, the very men who are responsible for the wreck, is an imposition and great injustice to the people and on and great injustice to the people and depositors here. The books of the bank should have been examined by an expert, or at least by the bank examiner, neither of which was done.

Mr. Poland may attend to the business.

as receiver, honestly, fairly and justly to all concerned, but, natorally everyone is suspicious and distrustful, and they have no reason to be otherwise. If the institution had been conducted in every respect as it ought to have been, why did the parties interested ret invite inspec. the parties interested act invite inspec-tion thereof before they would accept the responsibility involved in closing up its affairs? Instead of doing that, Mr. Poland rushes the day before, to Fortland, and was appointed receiver s day or two after the bank was closed, thus giving no one an opportunity to inspect it couldnot be council Crest district of the Heights.

the bank was closed, thus giving no one an opportunity to inspect it nor object to him as receiver. Is not this sufficient to create a suspicion of an horest administration of the people's morey!

If the court had been informed of the fact that Mr. Poland was a director and attorney for the bank, having actually been "running" the bank, the court would undoubtedly have appointed some qualified disinterested mar. for receiver. Such information has never been revealed to the court—that is a safe con-Such information has never been re-realed to the court—that is a safe con-

The people here undoubtedly will at-tempt to have a disinterested and com-petent receiver appointed.
The distrust in the management of the Stockmen & Traders Bank is nothing new. It commenced some two to three years ago, when the people found that the bank was speculating in mines and



A. B. Manley, Chairman of Republican City Central Committee Who Will Call Assembly to

WANT ANOTHER RECEIVER

The Troubles of a Prairie City, Or.,

Bank Get an Airing.

PRAIRIE CITY, Or., April 1—(To the Editor.)—The closing of the Stockmen & Traders Bank of this city was quite a shock to the citizens of this community, and exught a few with large and a great many with small deposits, although the crash came not unexpected to a great number of people here.

The couse of the failure may be and ought to be assigned to lack of con-

Wonderful Increase in Heights Property in Two Years.

50 ACRES BRING \$100,000

Costerman Tract Sold Two Years Ago for \$23,000-Land Near Council Crest Rapidly Being Built Up With Fine Homes.

act, from the Council Crest district of the Heights.

This acreage was acquired by Mr. Menefee two years ago from the owner of what is locally known as the Costerman tract, for \$23,000, showing an advance of \$77,000.

The rapidity with which Heights sites are being counted by rapidences of the

The rapidity with which Heights sites are being occupied by residences of the highest class, and the road improvements that are either completed or under way, have attracted not only buyers of sites for good homes, but also of people in moderate circumstances who have an eye for the beauties of Nature. The older sections of the Heights, where some choice pleces are yet to be obtained. pleces are yet to be obtained, are gradually filling up with residences, so that the territory to the westward is perforce com-ing into the market, and the 50 acres just acquired is to be so placed as soon as platting can be completed.

The advance scored in this tract is said to be the greatest one yet made in realty bordering the city, but at the same time the prices paid for lots and blocks in that district of the city, if brought together and figured on original cost, would be found to equal if not to exceed the big in-crease noted in the present instance.

Peninsula.

Organization of a realty board on similar lines to the Portiand Realty Board is to be effected at St. John tomorrow night. For some time the idea of having an organization in the Peninsula city of the dealers doing business there has been considered, and finally has developed into an agreement to set together ariff work for the best interests of that community. Tomorrow at 7:15 P. M., members of the Portiand board will meet at the office of H. W. Fries, president, 22 Stark street, and will take cars for St. John at 7:30 in a body. The purpose of the trip is to give the new board the benefit of advice and recommendations that the older board is qualified to give, and besides to meet with dealers in the neighboring community, so that closer relations may be established.

Lots Sold in Warehouse District.

D. Marx, a Portland capitalist, has sold D. Marx, a Portland capitalist, has sold part of two lots at the northwest corner of Fourteenth and Davis to H. W. Hogue for \$30,000. There is a dwelling on the ground that has been occupied by Mr. Marx for some time. The figure is regarded by realty men as quite reasonable. The property lies between the growing wholesale and warehouse district and the residence district not yet infringed upon to any great extent, but before many months will be considered in the former, as already the Fuller block is in the imas already the Fuller block is in the im

Jefferson Pioneer Dies.

JEFFERSON, Or., April 5.-(Special.)clace here for a wildcat-substitute of a Mrs. J. W. Looney, a pioneer resident, ank.

A. M. F. KIRSPHEINER. died at 5.30 this evening, aged about 62 years. Three sons survive her. Her husband died December 25.

WAR MAY BE ENDED

and Harriman Officials Meet Here Tomorrow.

DISCUSS TERMINAL FIGHT

Friendly Negotiations Begun in San Francisco Expected to Be Carried to Successful Conclusion-Both Sides Ready for Debate.

Portland's terminal war may be settled tomorrow. In fact, the Hill and Harriman lines interested expect to effect a permanent truce and bring about ciliation of conflicting interests that will be permanent. An important conference is scheduled for tomorrow morning at which it is hoped to plete the friendly negotiations that were

plete the friendly negotiations that were reached recently in San Francisco between the warring railroads.
Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway, is expected to reach the city tomorrow morning. L. C. aGilman, the Hill attorney who has been handling the terminal difficulties for his people, will be here, as will W. C. Nutt, general manager of the Northern Pacific, who will come down from Tacoma. President Hill will reach the city from California in his private car.
Local officials of the Hill and Harriman lines will attend the conference and they expect to settle the existing difficulties for good and always. J. P. O'Brien, general manager for the Harriman lines, and Francis B. Clarke, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, who attended the California conference, and who are thoroughly in touch with the local signature will.

Railway, who attended the California conference, and who are thoroughly in touch with the local situation, will be on hand armed with maps and blueprints of the terminal yards, showing exactly the property rights of the two conflicting interests, and the local terminal facilities.

Neither of these officials cared yester day to be quoted further than to say they hope for a settlement of the termi-nal war that will be satisfactory alike nal war that will be satisfactory alike to the Interests directly concerned and the business men interested in having better facilities. The length of the conference cannot be known but depends upon the speed with which the Harriman people get together on the matter. It may be terminated today or it may last for several days. It is understood on good authority that nothing outside the local terminal situation will be considered.

RAILROAD'S RIGHTS LIMITED

Engineers to Send Report on Deschutes Right of Way Tomorrow.

Recommendations of Reclamation Engineers Henny and Hopson to the department on the Deschutes Railroad project will go forward to Washington tomorrow unless something unforeseen comes up to delay it further. Neither of the engineers will give out what recommendations the report contains, but it is pretty generally understood that it will favor permission being given to the railroad company to build its line up the east side of the Deschutes River from its mouth, with the stipulation that the Government shall be protected in future reclamation plans it may have for the Deschutes Canyon. Whether this limitation will be satisfactory to the railroad interests remains to be seen. Recommendations of Reclamation Engi-

'I am told that the reclamation project Up With Fine Homes.

"I am told that the reclamation project contemplates only the watering of something like 75,000 acres of land," said General Manager O'Brien, of the Harriman lines, yesterday. "This is a small tract in comparison with other reclamation projects of Council Crest and adjoining the Joseph M. Healy tract, at a consideration approximately of \$100,000.

Gain in two years of over 300 per cent allowed will not water the land, it will railroad will not water the land, it will bring transportation to a vast empire and will make this land productive and valuable in another way than by irriga-tion. As to the recommendations to be made by the engineers, we have not been advised and will not be until after action

After Title to Valuable Lands in Northern Pacific Grant.

Taking their cue from the claimants for the lands embraced in the Oregon and California land grant, squatters living on the Northern Pacific land grant in various parts of Washington are trying to secure title to valuable timber tracts where they maintain a residence by appeal to the maintain a residence by appeal to the courts. A number of settlers on the Northern Pacific grant have sought to file on the lands at the Vancouver land office but their tenders have been re

office but their tenders have been re-fused by the officials in charge.

Not discouraged by this, however, a number of squatters have taken their case into the courts. Members of the legal department of the Northern Pacific are not alarmed, however, by these suits. They say the original terms of the North-ern Pacific grants were similar to those of the Oregon and California, about which lawsuits are now rasing but that this ST. JOHN IS TO HAVE BOARD

Realty Men to Organize in City on

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TEAL LEAVES FOR HEARING

Commerce Commission to Go Over Lumber Rates in Northwest.

J. N. Teal, attorney for the transporta-tion committee of the Chamber of Com-merce, left last night for the East to attend the hearing of the Interstate Com-merce Commission on the Northwest lum-



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card-players.

testimony Monday in St. Paul and will likely continue for 10 or 20 days. After hearing evidence at St. Paul, an Ijournment will be made to Chicago to adjournment will be made to Chicago to hear further evidence. Mr. Teal stated that after the Chicago hearings were concluded, he would go on to Washington, where it was probable there would be a hearing in the Spokane rate case. Altorney Cotton of the O. R. & N., has already announced the probability of an appeal being made by the railroad against the decision in the Spokane case.

Burlington Official Coming.

P. S. Eustis, passenger traffic manager of the Burlington, will visit Portland next week, coming with a party of brother railroad officials in his private car for a trip over the Coast territory to look into business conditions and to learn what chances there are here to work up more Burlington business. Mr. Eustis has not been in Portland for the passes the years, and the great changes he will see years, and the great changes he will see here are likely to impress him strongly. Mr. Eustis is known far and wide as one of the biggest railroad advertisers in the country today. To interest him in the Pacific Northwest will be to gain a triend for this part of the country. friend for this part of the country throughout the Burlington territory.

Hearing to Be Resumed April 16.

Further testimony on the Astoria & Columbia River freight rate hearing, that was begun Saturday in Astoria, will be held in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium in this city on Friday, April 16, when the railroad will present its side of the case. Complaint has been made to the Commission that freight rates from Portland and Astoria to Senside are excessive and the Commission is probing the matter. The railroad, in its own defense, will set forth that the rates charged are no higher than those on the main line of the O. R. & N. out of Portland, that have been pronounced fair and reasonable by the Commission itself.

GAMBLERS NOT CONVICTED

Alleged Gamesters Caught in Raid

Allowed to Go.

J. DeNome and 15 associates, arrested in February for gambling at the Erickson place on Burnside street, were dismissed in Municipal Court yesterday forencon, when the charges were brought up for hearing. The dismissal was entered on motion of Deputy City Attorney Sullivan, who found it impossible to convict for

reason.

The raid in question was made following an investigation of North End conditions by Councilman Wills last February.

Mr. Wills found solo games much in evidence, the stakes being liquor, cigars and even cash. The police, astounded at this revelation of unlawful operation committed right under their eyes, made a raid and arrested the 17 men found playing various games with cards. The case has been hanging fire ever since, while Mr. Sullivan has been trying to untangle the mess made by the police in arresting the alleged effenders. Falling in this, dismissal became necessary. Attorney Raiph Moody looked after the interests of the card-players.

wise escaped prosecution for the same

PHONE PIRATES' MISCHIEF An Evil, Which Is Shown, Creates Wayward-Girls.

PORTLAND, April 3.—(To the Editor.)— In a recent number of The Oregonian there appeared an editorial headed "The Root of the Evil." This editorial is so full of good, hard horse sense and admonition that I canot refrain from expressing my app

nard horse sense and admention that I cannot refrain from expressing my approval of it.

Very many parents are to be pitted, in their efforts to rear families, especially girls. Parents mean well, but simply don't girls. Parents mean well, but simply don't control of the parents as to the sense of the parents as to trusted by their parents as to the course, this leads to absolute rulership by the children in course of time, and the parents become helpless, or think they are.

The telephone is a great bissing to people in general, yet in such families as are ruled by the children, telephones are a great ruled by the children, telephone of the parents. It is no uncommon thing to observe girls.

It is no uncommon thing to observe girls called up on the phone by parties of whom the parents know absolutely nothing. Then will follow long seasons of drivel, weak reparties, and sometimes worse, to the disgust of overybody in hearing. Often the parents sit by and listen in humiliated helpiessness, or they think so.

Is there no way by which this wretched, the parents all have an end and helpiess, incompetent parents be protected from this invasion of their homes by an ill-bred, unprincipled gang of home-wreckers? Is there not some machinery within the power of the telephone companies to at least out short such abuse? If a scamp goes to a home, and if he is unworthy, he can be seen and kicked into the stream, of the carents and is debasing in the extreme.

"BUNS FOR THE BOYS!"

want of evidence. The police blundered in making the raid, it is said, failing to note at what tables the various players were seated and what games they were playing. J. J. Russell, manager, like-And the girls, too, and their fathers

WASHINGTON SQUATTERS SUE FLORIDA MAN WANTED TO KNOW THE TRUTH

Put Cooper's Claim to a Test and Proved It's Genuineness.

The theory of L. T. Cooper that most of the ills of mankind emanate from the stomach, and that it is only necessary to restore that organ to normal condition in order to enjoy good health, is rapidly being accepted as correct by people in all parts of the country. His further claim that his New Discovery medicine will effect this New Discovery medicine will effect this New Discovery medicine will effect this change quickly and permanently is supported by a vast army of followers. One of those to put the Cooper theory and medicine to a test is F. W. Ross, living at 205 Irvine street, Orlando, Fla., and an honored resident of that community. Mr. Ross has made a statement for publication with refer-

a statement for publication with reference to the result of his experiment, in which he says:

"For the past ten years I have been unable to do any work, and on numerous occasions when I tried to work, I became ill from exhaustion. I had little or no appetite, and the small amount of food I did eat distressed me. My digestion was bad, my bowels in a miserable condition. I was nervous, weak, tired and worn out all the time. weak, tired and worn out all the time. Weak threa and work out all the time.

I could not sieep well, and would arise in the morning feeling all worn out. I tried numerous remedies, but instead of getting better, I continued to decine, and felt that it would not be long pany. Dayton, Ohio.

treatment. It thoroughly cleansed my bowels, made my stomach feel easier, and I began to get some strength. "In a little while I developed a splendid appetite, and found that I could eat anything I cared for without suffering any ill effects afterward-t digestion was perfect. My sleep be-came sound, restful and refreshing. As I gained in strength I began to work again, and found I could do consider-able without becoming exhausted.

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