

PETITION DELEGATE TO ESCAPE PLEDGE

Attorney-General Holds That Only Declarations Must Bear Election Promise.

OATH IS NOW OPTIONAL

Salem Politicians Remark That Party Might Indorse One Who Would Not Be Candidate, Leaving Delegates Helpless in Vote.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Candidates for delegates to National party conventions who file declarations of their candidacy with the Secretary of State must pledge themselves to support their party's choice for President and Vice-President, while those who choose to place their names on the ballot by the petition method will not have to make such a pledge.

This was the announcement of Secretary of State Olcott today after having obtained a verbal opinion from Attorney-General Brown. The decision of the Secretary of State is to receive petitions containing no pledge to vote for the party choice for President and Vice-President settles the question about which some doubt has been expressed, and leaves it optional with the candidate whether he will make a pledge or not.

Pledge Feature Repealed.
The last Legislature revised the direct primary law governing the election of party delegates whereby candidates may choose between filing a declaration or a petition. By the former method candidates are required to pay a fee of \$15 for filing. The old law, which was enacted by the people in 1910, provided that delegates to National conventions must make oath to support the choice of their party as expressed by the voters at the election.

At the last legislative session, however, J. S. Smith, Senator from Coos County, obtained the passage of a measure in which that portion of the 1910 law pertaining to the election of party delegates, nomination of Presidential electors and the people's choice for President and Vice-President was repealed. The Smith bill, it is held, eliminated the provision of the 1910 law obligating delegates to pledge themselves to support the primary choice of the people.

Under the new law, which was fathered by Representative Olson, candidates for delegates to the National party conventions must subscribe to the following declaration:

"I will use my best efforts to bring about the nomination of those persons for President and Vice-President of the United States who receive the largest number of votes at the coming primary election in the State of Oregon."

Petition Candidates Free.
Should it develop at the coming Republican and Democratic conventions that a great majority of delegates favor some person for whom the voters of the two parties in Oregon have not expressed a choice, it is pointed out that delegates who were elected after setting on the ballot by petition would be more free to act than those pledged by previous declaration.

Politicians say that it is easily possible that the people of Oregon may choose a man for President who would not even permit his name to go before the convention. Delegates tied by a declaration to support the party choice would thus be placed in an awkward position, it is said.

What may prove a check to aspirations of would-be delegates is the fact that their expenses will not be borne this year by the state as in the past.

EUGENE PASTOR TO TEACH

Dr. W. Parsons to Make Two Trips Weekly to Albany College Classes.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Dr. William Parsons, of Eugene, is occupying the chair of Bible study at Albany College, beginning with the second semester, February 1.

He will continue to act as pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church at Eugene and will continue his residence there, making two trips a week to Albany to meet his classes at the college.

Dr. Franklin H. Geselbracht, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this city, will assist Dr. Parsons by taking charge of some of the classes in biblical history.

\$3347 JUDGMENT IS WON

Vancouver Bank Succeeds in Action Against Growers' Union.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—In a "friendly" suit, in the Superior Court yesterday, a judgment of \$3347, interest amounting to \$147, costs of the suit and attorney's fees, was allowed the Vancouver National Bank. The amount of the attorney's fees was \$300 against the Clarke County Growers' Union.

The Growers' Union was organized several years ago, and a sanitary cannery was operated one year near the Union Depot. This year it was leased to the Oregon Packing Company, for \$100, but this company did not operate the plant here, but shipped the fruit to be canned to other points.

Jackson Woman Files for Treasurer.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The first announcement for Treasurer of Jackson County is the candidacy of Mrs. Myrtle W. Blakely, who has filed on the Republican ticket. She is the present Deputy Treasurer, and for two years filled the position of Deputy Recorder. She also has served as accountant for several public corporations. Her residence is at Jacksonville.

Mill Names Safety First Delegates.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The Crown Willamette Paper mills here, in which the "safety first" idea has been consistently and successfully carried out, will be well represented at the "safety first" conference in Portland tomorrow. E. Kenneth Stanton, J. H. Cary and William McLean have been named delegates to represent the paper company.

Albany Council Orders Cleanup.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—That it might harmonize with its surroundings the new City Council, which has just taken office, has ordered the City Council chambers renovated and all furniture and equipment placed in neat shape.

Insurance Case Arouses Interest.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—

Attorneys in the case of the Mountain Timber Company vs. the General Insurance Company of Paris have been engaged in their summing-up arguments before Judge William T. Darch this week. The arguments are attracting great attention among Kalamazoo people and the courtroom is packed to overflowing for every session.

CIDER "LIQUOR" TRIAL ON

C. A. Machon Case at Marshfield Is of Widespread Interest.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The greatest topic of interest in Coos County today is the jury trial of C. A. Machon, at Coquille, for selling cider that intoxicates. The case has been in progress all today and will be continued tomorrow.

District Attorney L. A. Lilleqvist hopes to obtain the first conviction in the county for a violation of the liquor law. He is opposed by C. B. Barrow, who is his opponent for the District Attorneyship this year, and the case is the hardest fought in Justice Court annals in recent years.

Ridgefield Again Hit by Storm.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—After several days of thaw and heavy rains, a sudden snow storm struck this vicinity early Tuesday night and was so intense that within half an hour there was two inches on the ground. The fall continued all day Wednesday. Yesterday the weather partly cleared. The temperature remains around freezing.

Kelso Grocery Concern Sold.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Fred McKenney has purchased the Kelso Grocery Company stock and business from S. L. Roberts. The new owner will take charge immediately. Mr. McKenney has been engaged in business in Kelso for 19 years, having owned a men's furnishing establishment for several years.

Damage Suit Filed at Kelso.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Magill, McKenney & Brush have filed suit against the town of Castle Rock in the Clatsop County Superior Court for damages to the amount of \$5000 for Mrs. C. C. Brown, of Castle Rock, who was severely injured in a fall alleged to have been due to a defective sidewalk.

Stock Lost in Eastern Oregon.

VINCENT, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The recent cold weather has frozen considerable stock in this vicinity. Mr. Marlett lost 13 young calves and nearly 100 head of hogs. Mr. Hoon lost several hogs and some poultry. Reports of stock being frozen came in from several other different farmers.

Klamath Falls May Muzzle Dogs.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—At Monday night's regular meeting of the City Council, City Health Officer Warren Hunt recommended that a city ordinance be made immediately compelling dog owners to muzzle animals on the street as a precaution against rabies.

Willamette Quartet at Clatskanie.

CLATSKANIE, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—A large and appreciative audience greeted the Willamette University quartet here Tuesday night at the Peoples Theater. Each number was well rendered and the entertainment was a great success.

Freewater Without Train Service.

FREEWATER, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—No trains have been running through here for two days owing to washouts on the O.-W. R. & N. Farmers here feel quite jubilant over the snow that fell this week, as it prevents the grain from freezing.

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Oregon 1915 Salmon Catch Exceeds \$6,000,000.

MORE PROTECTION URGED

capture and destruction of sealions, sealion pups and seals is recommended by Warden Kelly, to obtain their destruction. He calls attention to the fact that seals and sealions probably destroy 25 per cent of the total run of fish in Oregon waters. An investigation is urged.

With Puget Sound fishing companies now reaping the benefit of the newly discovered halibut banks off the mouth of the Columbia River, Mr. Kelly advises steps whereby Oregon industries may reap some of the profit. He suggests that steps be taken to have a survey made to determine where small fish suitable for bait in catching the halibut can be obtained. He says that laws to permit the carrying on of this work should be passed.

Patrol Costs \$6511.72.
The patrol service for the year ending November 20, 1914, cost \$6146.59. From fines and the sale of confiscated salmon and gear \$1251.69 was collected. The same work during last year cost \$6511.72, while \$1072.46 was collected from the sale of fish and fines. Ninety-seven complaints were filed against violators of the commercial fishing laws.

"A feature of the patrol work for the past season," writes Warden Kelly, "has been an attempt to educate the fishermen to appreciate the fact that law violations are working a direct injury to those observing the laws, and are working against the interests of all classes in the fishing industry; for the cost of the patrol work is charged against the hatchery fund."

In district No. 2, Mr. Kelly says, the greatest trouble to the department has been caused by violations of the fish laws on the Upper Rogue and Umpqua Rivers. A patrol boat for these streams and one on the Willamette and Clackamas Rivers is suggested. Violations of the fishing laws on the coast streams are declared to be many.

"The run of Spring Chinooks on the Columbia River," continues the report, "not only was one of the largest in the history of the work, but the average weight of each fish was heavier, being about 25 pounds. The run of Bluebacks was very light compared to last year, and the same is true of the Silver-sides and Steelheads."

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ant, has received the contract to audit the city's books from January 1, 1917, to January 1, 1917. Mr. Van Winkle served several terms as City Recorder prior to his appointment as postmaster here.

Snow Re-Closes Ratner Mills.
RAINIER, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—The lumber mills in this vicinity, after running a few days, again were forced to close down, owing to the heavy snowfall. Nearly 12 inches has fallen in the past few days.

Rainier Moose Dine High Officer.
RAINIER, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—

The Rainier Moose Lodge held a big reception and banquet last night in honor of Charles H. Glos, deputy supreme dictator of Oregon, who gave an interesting description of Mooseheart and what it means to the members of the order. Mr. Glos is an attorney of Corvallis.

Albany Pythians Aid Job Finding.
ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—(Special.)—To help its members to help themselves, Laurel Lodge No. 7, Knights of Pythias, of this city, has established an employment bureau for the benefit of its members. The bureau has been successful thus far, and few members of the lodge are now unemployed.



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