

3 REPUBLICANS LEAD RACE FOR GOVERNOR

Nomination Chances Narrow to Olcott, Hall, Patterson.

OTHER CANDIDATES LOSE

Governor Conceded to Have Edge on Opponents, Though He Is Making No Personal Campaign.

Events in the past few days have convinced many political observers that the contest for the republican nomination for governor is narrowing down to a horse race between Ben Olcott, incumbent; Charles Hall and I. L. Patterson. This has been brought about by a realignment and a shifting of support from other candidates.

The reasons assigned for the change in the situation are many and various, but the opinion prevails that the contest is now a three-cornered affair, with Olcott having an apparent advantage and Hall and Patterson pressing him arduously. This judgment of the prospects of the respective chances of the contenders is now being reflected in the betting.

Klan Members Active.

Recently there has been increased activity among the Ku Klux Klan and the federation of patriotic societies, who have combined in supporting Hall, although they are said to be split on other parts of the primary ballot. Representatives of the Klan and of the federation have traversed the western part of the state, visiting and of the important cities and hamlets in the interest of Hall, their candidate. These missionaries have built up a strong and aggressive working organization in a number of populous centers and these groups are now laboring zealously for Hall.

Being the incumbent, Governor Olcott is conceded to have the edge on his opponents, but there is considerable criticism directed at Mr. Olcott because instead of going out and soliciting support he is making no personal campaign, but is remaining at his office. It is the first time a governor, seeking another term, has adopted the policy of attending to the duties of his position rather than swinging through the state expounding his administration and making promises for the future. More activity on the part of Governor Olcott in person would suit his advisors.

Patterson's Friends Busy.

Senator Patterson, listed as among the three top men, is well known to the old-time republicans who were active in the past and the younger generation through his service in the legislature. The presence of Patterson in the campaign has won the approval of his old friends to take a renewed interest in the political game and they have been reaching out to revivify the former connections and to put this teamwork has been the foundation of the Patterson programme to his cause in the past.

Furthermore, there is a considerable element among the federation of patriotic societies who feel that a mistake was made in endorsing Hall and these are and have been reaching out to advance the cause of the senator from Polk and Benton counties.

The Patterson appeal has been largely to the farmers, as he is the owner and operator of a farm at Eola, Polk county, and he has had the backing of farm organizations.

Olcott's Strength Widespread.

While the strength of Governor Olcott is spread over the state, the strength of Hall and Patterson is found in spots, but where the Hall support exists it is of the energetic type, fired with determination to put him in the governor's chair.

There is no longer any question but that Hall will carry heavily in some communities. The strength of his strength, as the Ku Klux Klan and the federation of patriotic societies have gone under way and accumulated a big momentum, is one of the features of the campaign.

Of all the candidates for the nomination, and there are six, none other is so firmly convinced of his success as is Hall. This confidence is engendered by the knowledge that the klanmen and their affiliates are leaving no stone unturned to put him over the top, and Hall has a pretty good idea of the actual number of members in the Ku Klux Klan in Polk, Astoria, Salem, Medford, Grants Pass, Eugene, The Dalles, Roseburg, Fondleton and other centers of population.

Gains Matter of Speculation.

Whether Olcott, Patterson or Hall has gained the most in the readjustment of the situation is a matter for speculation. Even the chances of Olcott on the support of the remaining three contenders so that Ben, Lee and White have sustained dents in their ranks. However, these deductions have gone no one knows for certain, but each of the leaders has undoubtedly made substantial gains at the expense of the other three.

Scarcely a full week of campaigning remains before the primary ballots are to be cast. Anything can happen in a political campaign in 48 hours and many things can happen to change results in a week. In the intervening time the Ku Klux Klan and the Federation of Patriotic Societies are working with just two objects in view: The first is to campaign unceasingly for Hall, and the second is to see that all of their members go to the polls on May 13 and vote the ticket.

Lesser Candidates Lose.

In a canvass among candidates last week, each camp figured that Governor Olcott was the man they had to beat to win the nomination. This is still the acknowledged situation with the Hall followers, but the fact that their candidate has distanced all others and that Hall has been brought up to second place and they predict that he will overcome Olcott at the finish. The organization of lesser candidates has been going to pieces under the hammering and these aspirants are slipping, but are making desperate efforts to keep their fences in repair and recover lost ground.

Unless the weather conditions prevent the farmers from leaving their work and going to the polls, the Patterson managers are expressing supreme confidence in the outcome. At this date, however, the fiction-doll has simmered down to a closely set race with Olcott, Patterson and Hall distancing the field.

Patterson Apparently Favored.

About 800 responses have been received to the questionnaire sent out by the Motor Vehicle League asking for members' choice of candidates for the various state and county offices in the coming primaries. It is ex-

DO YOU REMEMBER?



The funny flat derbies which graced the heads of well-groomed men in the late '60s and were probably a reaction from the tile hats of the '70s? They would create a sensation if seen anywhere but on the stage today. In the days of the flat headgear the top coat button was the proper one, as is the present custom. Also when a man bought a new pair of trousers the tailor politely asked him if he wished the creases ironed out.

The photograph, sent to The Oregonian by R. Cullins, now of Seattle, was taken in 1888 in front of Gilder's cigar store, on Washington street between Third and Fourth streets, at that time a sort of headquarters for the old "Moosehead" club, where it is said more politicians were made and broken than in any other place in Oregon. Several of the men in the picture are due for a surprise, pleasant or otherwise, when they open their morning paper, for they are still in Portland and are well known. From left to right, they are: Frank Butgen, August DeWorming, Lou (Blondie) Cobb, William (Wee) Streib, Herman (Patsy Cardiff) Ellis, Rosey Rosenthal, Baldy Gilder and John (Johnnie Diamond) Sloan.

CANDIDATE IS INDEPENDENT

James N. Davis Seeking No Indorsements for Nomination.

James N. Davis, candidate for the republican nomination for department No. 5, circuit court, said yesterday he is making an independent campaign. He ran four years ago when Mr. Owens, a member of the musicians union, received the labor vote; Mr. Owens, a member of the baseball and the patriotic societies vote; Judge Gantenben received the indorsements and votes of those who opposed the other indorsements, so no vote was left for Mr. Davis. He said, in fact, that he made no effort to get a group of indorsements, but that a judge should go upon the bench free from such political tricks.

Mr. Davis said there is no running for department No. 5; that all should have a fair field and fair race for the office, and that he has hoped this would be the case.

In event indorsements of anyone are made public, so that the opposition is made of obtaining nominations may be defeated, it is Mr. Davis' hope and belief that the voters will center upon his candidacy and nominate him. Being a well-known lawyer and standing well at the bar, he said he is expecting the nomination on his merits. He said he has no association of any kind having politics for its purpose or object except the republican party. He has practiced his profession since 1890; he filed his statement in the voters' pamphlet and asks that all who are interested look up his record in the past.

His slogan is "Impartial justice; justice to all alike."

REEDER RETIRES FROM RACE

Ex-Speaker Discovers He Is Not Eligible for Office.

L. R. Reeder, one of the candidates for the judiciary, has withdrawn. Mr. Reeder, formerly speaker of the Oregon legislature, has discovered that he is ineligible to the office by virtue of having been out of the state for a time. His announcement follows: To the republican voters of Multnomah county:

I have been a candidate for the republican nomination for circuit judge, department 7, but find that I am not eligible to hold the office on account of residence. I have resided in Oregon more than 40 years, but have not resided in the state all of the time during the last three years. Section 3855 of the code requires a circuit judge to be a resident of the state for three years next preceding the election. This provision was overlooked and only discovered a day or so ago, and under it, I cannot qualify. I have sent my withdrawal to the secretary of state. If, however, my name should appear on the ballot, I would not accept the office of the other candidates. I regret to have to announce to my duty to make this statement.

Those who have taken an interest in my candidacy, I thank heartily.

CLAM DIGGERS NUMEROUS

Beach of Pacific County Alive With Industrious Hunters.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—The lure of "something for nothing" has drawn hundreds of clam diggers to the ocean beach of Pacific county. Although the weather is still wet and cold, each low tide finds the beach covered with a crowd, summer-like in density.

Nearly canneries take all the clams that the diggers can supply. Although the price paid diggers is higher this year than last, bad weather has done much to hinder work, though a good tide sometimes will net a digger \$15.

Good Blood—Good Health

Are what everybody wants, but comparatively few have. The small dose, three times a day, and the positive results, absolutely prove its merit. The reduction in price and the removal of the stamp tax make it by far the most economical of all family medicines. Get a bottle today.

"One bottle would be followed directly by another, painful and annoying. One bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla gave such relief I never had a boil since." Mrs. Anna Cornwell, Bridgeton, N. J. Hood's Pills help as a laxative.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

MAKES RICH RED BLOOD AND PROMOTES HEALTH.

APRIL HAS 32 BURGLARIES

DETECTIVES CLEAR UP ALL BUT SIX CRIMES.

Report for Month Shows 38 Cases of Grand Larceny, Five Hold-ups and 35 Bad Checks.

Out of 32 burglaries reported to the police detective bureau during April, 26, or all but six of them, were cleared up during the same month. It is shown in the monthly summary of the activities of the detective bureau as submitted to the chief yesterday by Detective Captain Harris. It was said to be a much better showing than that of the previous month.

There were 38 cases of grand larceny reported and 31 of these were given the official "O. K." Out of 139 reports of petty larceny, 82 were investigated and cleared up by the detectives.

The footpads, however, continued to ply their trade without arrest, although the number of street holdups has been showing a gradual decrease during several months. There were but five holdups during April. The two murders reported in April resulted in both suspects being arrested.

The bad check division continued to show record results during April. A total of 35 fictitious check cases was reported and all of these were cleared up. In addition, another 10 cases held over from March also were handled and settled during the month.

There were two forgeries and one arrest; two cases of obtaining money under false pretenses and two arrests.

The detectives during April made 216 arrests for all sorts of crimes and misdemeanors ranging from simple trespass to first-degree murder.

MEDFORD TOURIST MECCA

Oregon State Motor Association Establishes Auto Bureau.

MEDFORD, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Medford's importance as the southern gateway into Oregon and out to California and in being the chief gateway to Crater lake, in view of the rapidly growing automobile tourist traffic to the Pacific coast from all parts of the country, which this year is expected to exceed all previous records, is recognized by the fact that in this city will be established two important tourists' information bureaus.

Last week it was announced that the Oregon tourist information bureau, which is financed by a state appropriation of \$12,000, would establish a branch bureau in Medford, which will be in operation next week.

Now the Oregon State Motor association, which is affiliated with the American Automobile association, has established a branch bureau in Medford, with the intention of maintaining it the year round, with Arthur F. Hazelrigg of this city in charge.

Mr. Hazelrigg opened up the local branch office today.

POISON IS NOT FOUND

Death of Spokane Jurors Ascribed to Natural Causes.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 9.—Edwin T. Botts, a member of a superior court jury which last month acquitted Maurice H. Codd of the charge of murdering Frank E. Beinton, a United States army soldier, died a natural death and no trace of poisoning was found in his stomach, Coroner Newman announced today after making a thorough examination.

Mr. Botts had received anonymous communications concerning the verdict of the jury. A grand jury now in session is to make an investigation of the evidence submitted in the trial of Codd, the prosecuting attorney has announced.

Cranberry Industry Surveyed.

ILWACO, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—Dr. J. E. Stevens and his assistant, H. I. Bain, pathologists of the bureau of plant industry, United States department of agriculture, accompanied

WOMEN VISIT ASTORIA

Portlanders Spend Day as Guests of Civic Club.

ASTORIA, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—A party comprising 58 women, all members of the Women's Progressive League of Portland, arrived here today and in company with Dr. L. W. Paul, Doctor Hill, D. Walter Williams and other local growers visited the cranberry marshes of the peninsula. The state of Washington is planning on operating a station at Long Beach for experimental purposes.

Mount's suit was brought against Dr. Welsh, A. H. Huycke, H. C. Strickland, C. H. Meissner, Ross Eaton, C. A. Stuart and George Stuart, who had protested against the payment by the county of an autopsy fee on the ground that Mount's conclusions were substantially incorrect and that the bill was contracted for by private parties. Because of the accusations of "grossly ignorant or grossly misleading" testimony and profiteering on the part of Dr. Mount, the action is held as libelous per se and the defendants, having been notified of the right to plead that the communication was privileged, are attempting to prove the truth of their accusations as the only remaining defense.

Dr. John J. Sellwood, Joseph A. Silverman, J. Earle Elze and Joseph D. Stenberg testified before the court of the defense. Presented with certain facts concerning the dead man, they testified that death was due to pneumonia following a gunshot wound. This contention was made by Dr. Welsh. On cross-examination, all of the experts admitted that the man might have died of septic peritonitis, following the wound, as Dr. Mount had held, and none of the witnesses substantiated the claim of the defendants, having admitted that the bill was recalled, and about an hour was taken on automobile trips to various points of interest. On returning the guests were entertained with luncheon at the Y. W. C. A. headquarters, where a social time was enjoyed until the departure of the steamer.

Vote-Counting to Be Slow.

TILLAMOOK, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—As the county court did not appoint second election boards to count the votes during the day of election, the count will not be made until after the polls close at 8 o'clock in Tillamook county. There are three large precincts that have second boards to relieve the first board when the polls close. The county court did not want to put the county to extra expense.

Canby Plans Auto Park.

CANBY, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—At the regular noon luncheon of the Dooster club of Canby, held today, the majority of the members, of which there were about 24 attending, were in favor of establishing an automobile park at the Clackamas county fair grounds, and the matter will be taken up with the county court.

Kelso Men Fined in Kalama.

KALAMA, Wash., May 9.—(Special.)—H. Parson was fined \$100 and costs in justice court Monday, by Judge Comer, for having liquor in his possession. R. J. O'Day was fined \$15 and costs in the same court for drunkenness. Both men are from Kelso.

Road Spends Much Here

Union Pacific Pays Out \$9,008.68—1.45 in Portland in Year.

The Union Pacific properties in Multnomah alone contribute a total of \$9,008.68 a year to keep the wheels of industry turning and in taxes was the disclosure of figures compiled at the traffic offices of the system in the Wells-Fargo building yesterday. The payroll alone of the Oregon-

PHYSICIANS SEEK TO PROVE CHARGES

Plea of Privilege in Mount Libel Suit Overruled.

SEVEN DOCTORS ON STAND

Wide Diversity of Opinion Develops, Diagnosis of Plaintiff Being Held Possible.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—Their plea of privileges defeated through the ruling of Judge Morrow, the defendants in the \$50,000 libel suit brought by Dr. H. S. Mount, today made an attempt to substantiate their charges virtually amounting to professional incompetency, made in the alleged libelous communication to the county court.

Physicians and surgeons from this vicinity and from Portland were called by the defense to testify as to the correctness of Dr. Mount's autopsy over the body of Alce DeFord. Wide diversity of opinion developed over the allegation to the county court of the seven defendant doctors that a person cannot die from septic peritonitis in 21 hours after the infection. All nine doctors called as professional witnesses testified that Mount's contention was fully within the bounds of probability, while they at the same time allowed that the contention held by Dr. Q. A. Welsh, chief of the defendants, was also possible.

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All Seven on Stand.

All of the seven defendants took the stand during the fourth day of the trial, Dr. Welsh, on the stand when the court adjourned last night, was recalled, and about an hour was occupied with technical questions relative to the filing of the document and the medical facts involved.

The other doctors, called to the stand by the defense were questioned as to their motives in signing the protest to the court, they held that their action was taken for the "protection of the medical profession and the taxpayers" and that their charges against Dr. Mount's post-mortem diagnosis were merely intended to convey that he had been guilty of an "intentional mistake."

All of the defendant doctors asserted that their feelings toward Dr. Mount were of the most cordial kind, despite the disclosure of the plaintiff's counsel on cross-examination to prove that animosity existed.

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The modern woman pays by Check

A woman who doesn't have a household or personal checking account is almost as far behind the times as one who doesn't use the telephone, for a very large share of the world's business is done by check.

The modern woman conducts her household in a business-like way, making use of all of the present day conveniences.

Her check-record is a tangible means of adjusting her expenses, as the complete record of where and how she has spent her allowance of the past month is revealed by her check stubs and cancelled checks, the latter serving as receipts.