

FRS GUN IN TAFT CAMPAIGN PRIMED

Republicans to Hold Mass Meetings at Heppner and Oregon City.

BAD FAITH OF T. R. CITED

Speakers Will Declare Even Third Non-Consecutive Term Violation of Precedent Set by Jefferson and Upheld in Grant Case.

The first gun of the Taft campaign in Oregon will be fired this week. Both Oregon City and Heppner will hold mass meetings of Republicans, and speakers will set forth the reasons for supporting the Taft candidacy.

These addresses may be expected to sound the keynote of the Oregon campaign. There is no question but that the speakers will characterize a third term for any President as un-American and fraught with danger to the Republic.

It is pointed out that the whole history of the country is full of the strongest support of this position and every precedent declares against it. The speakers will declare that not only is third consecutive term a violation of the traditions, but a third non-consecutive term was explicitly denounced by Jefferson, and this wise policy was upheld in the case of Grant.

Bad Faith Not Overlooked.

The alleged bad faith of Roosevelt in turning upon Taft, for no other known reason than to satisfy his own personal ambition, and his like treatment of La Follette, after inducing the Wisconsin Senator to announce his candidacy and giving him assurance of his support, offer campaign material that it is reasonably certain will not be overlooked.

The speakers will undoubtedly have much to say about President Taft's constructive work during his three years in the White House. They will also point out the many things which the people too little informed on these subjects. The Taft Administration has blown its own trumpet too little, all agree, and the distrusting campaign in the state believes it should, in the main, be a period of education in which the accomplishments of the President should be presented properly.

They hold that when the work of the past three years is shown, the absolute conviction must come to anyone with open mind that it has been a period of constructive, progressive legislation.

Oregon City to Have Meeting.

At Oregon City the Republicans will hold an afternoon meeting on Saturday that is expected to attract a large number of people from the outlying districts. Following the meeting a banquet is to be held in the evening, and a strong Taft committee for the whole county will be formed.

At Heppner the Republicans will form a Taft Club this week, following an address by some prominent Republican. Judge Butler, of The Dalles, has been asked to deliver the address.

Chairman of the Morrow County Taft committee, reports strong support for Taft in that district.

Petitions, which are being returned to the Portland Taft headquarters from the outlying counties. They will be filed this week at Salem, the law requiring that a certain number of signatures be obtained; in fact, there will be not less than three or four times the requisite number of names on the Taft petitions.

"Square Deal" Again Questioned.

"I wish the people of this state would ask themselves the meaning of a 'square deal' and see if it is not the golden rule. Do you, where you would have them do unto you, and then ask themselves if Theodore Roosevelt has handed out a square deal?"

W. B. Ayer, chairman of the Portland Taft committee, yesterday, "asked themselves if Roosevelt has not violated every principle of the 'golden rule'—ask themselves if he is hungry for office, if he is in office an inordinate lover of power?"

"Is not the real reason for his being unfaithful to his friends and unfaithful to his word the real nature of his present attitude? If we can only arouse the consciousness of the people, Roosevelt has not a look-in in this state."

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S POLITICAL INCUBATOR HATCHES A FEW MORE CANDIDATES.



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C. W. Hodson, Rep. for State Senator.



Dan Kellaher, Rep. for State Senator.



Roscoe P. Hurst, Dem. for District Attorney.



M. A. Miller, Dem. for United States Senator.



Dr. B. Earl Smith, Rep. for Coroner.

HANLEY AIDS SELLING

LAND OWNER LAUDS PORTLAND MAN FOR U. S. SENATOR.

Central Oregon Leader Says Candidate Always Has Worked to Put the State's Interests Front.

"Oregon for Oregon" is the slogan of William Hanley, the picturesque representative of Central Oregon, who, because of his marked facial and physical resemblance to William Jennings Bryan, has many times been mistaken for the thrice-defeated candidate of the Democracy for the Presidency. It is for the reason of "Oregon for Oregon" and because Hanley's views coincide closely with those of Ben Selling, candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator, that Hanley feels very friendly toward the candidacy of Selling. This means that Hanley, the orator from Burns, will give Selling loyal support.

Hanley came out of the Selling headquarters yesterday looking cheerful. Reflecting that Mr. Selling in his platform had definitely committed himself to securing for Oregon its just share of the reclamation fund for promoting various irrigation projects in this state, Mr. Hanley said it would be advisable for the voters of Oregon to elect a Senator who could be depended upon to do all in his power to secure for the state all that belonged to it in the way of money for originating and completing irrigating enterprises.

"Up to the present time the State of Oregon is about about \$5,000,000 of its part of the reclamation fund, money that should have been used for the construction of irrigation projects in this state and which money was actually turned over to other states," said Mr. Hanley.

"Mr. Selling is pledged to the recovery of that money for use here, and anybody can do it. I am convinced that he will at least lend his best efforts in that direction. My acquaintance of several years with Mr. Selling has convinced me that he always has stood square and to the front for Oregon interests and it is about time we had such a representative at Washington. Mr. Selling made a good member of the State Legislature and invariably voted right on the bills which affected the laboring man or the farmer. He always has been progressive."

BELL SAID TO MENAGE

EFFORT TO GET INDEPENDENT PHONE LINES IS SEEN.

Samuel Hill, President of Home, Declares Control in Portland Would Be Disastrous.

Efforts now are being made by the Bell telephone interests to secure control of the independent telephone system in Portland, according to Samuel Hill, president of the Home Telephone & Telegraph Company of Portland, who has just returned from a trip to Seattle, where he was in consultation with the managing officers of several independent plants in that vicinity.

"Portland will be the center of a storm that will be Nation wide in its importance," declared Mr. Hill last night. "It is to be a fight for independence. If there be any man in Portland who doubts the wisdom of competitive telephone service, he should go to Seattle at once and study the situation there. It would be well for the Council of this city also to appoint a committee so to do. What this country wants is regulated competition."

"I believe that the National Government will take a hand in the matter and protect the rights of the people against this billion-dollar trust, the biggest trust now in America."

"They are endeavoring to buy the Seattle independent telephone plant, and are now engaged in making the service just as bad as it is possible to make it. I passed some minutes trying to get my own telephone in Seattle, and was told by the information department that there was no such telephone, and had to give the matter up. It is no frequent thing for an independent subscriber in Seattle to be told he has no phone."

It does not seem possible in this enlightened day that such a matter and tactics should be resorted to, nor that they would be allowed to be tolerated. People generally do not know the attitude it is their right, and Portland is the last place where a fight can be

FEWER LAWS PROPOSED

BARBUR THINKS LEGISLATURE SHOULD ACT ONCE IN DECADE.

City Auditor Says Almost Every Bill Contains "Joker" Despite Good Intent of Officials.

"I believe that if the Legislature should meet once in ten years, and permit the people to pass their laws through the initiative measure it would be better for the state and the whole people. We would have less bad laws and the people would get what they want," said City Auditor Barbur in his address yesterday before Evening Star Orange, which met in the hall on Starline road.

Mr. Barbur spoke on "Civil Service and Commission Form of Government." He held that nearly every law passed by the Legislature contained some kind of a "joker" and was the result of compromise.

A man may go to the Legislature with the very best intention of doing the right thing for the people," said Mr. Barbur, "but he soon finds that he can get nothing done at all without compromising with others. Tom comes to him and says, 'You support my bill and I'll support yours,' and that is the way all the way through. I doubt if a measure is passed by the Legislature that does not contain something that it should not have, that has not been put in it by some interested one or corporation. If the Legislature should meet once in ten years and pass only such laws as are needed, we could get along all right. The people could pass such laws as they might want in the meantime."

Mrs. E. A. Niblen read a paper on "Does the Entrance of Women in the Employments and Business Weaken the Home?" She contended that women are better off by entering business of their own kind and that the home is also better off.

"Often a home, which would have gone to pieces, kept up," said Mrs. Niblen, "if the daughter is able to go into business and gets a business employment. In my judgment the present conditions are better for the population will die out."

The excursionists will reach Portland at 10 o'clock Monday morning, March 18, and will spend the following day at the stockyards, where they will take part in the stock sales, and, as Mr. Struble worded it, "boost for the Northwest."

On the return trip the party will visit The Dalles, Hood River, Celilo Falls, Pendleton and Walla Walla. At Walla Walla the excursionists will attend the South Central Washington Development League convention, which will then be in session.

PORTLAND LAWYER ENTERS RACE FOR PLACE IN LOWER HOUSE.



David E. Lofgren.

David E. Lofgren, a lawyer with office in the Chamber of Commerce building, residing at 18 1/2 Sixth street, will oppose W. H. Chatten for the Republican nomination for Joint Representative from Multnomah, Columbia and Clackamas Counties. Among other things, he advocates Statement No. 1, good roads, shortening of legislation, prohibition of stock frauds and exemption of household goods from taxation.

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New Candidates for Office Display Activity.

POLICIES ARE ANNOUNCED

Dan Kellaher, Republican, for State Senator Says He Is for Good Roads — Other Aspirants Enunciate Platforms.

Last week produced the usual number of new candidates for public office and provided a period of renewed activity on the part of several candidates already in the field.

Among those either announcing their candidacies or redoubling their efforts to land their party nominations were the following: George W. Caldwell, Roon Cason, 675 Umatilla avenue; Dan Kellaher, 872 Clackamas; and C. W. Hodson, for State Senator; Arthur L. Moulton, 825 East Caruthers; A. L. Dundas, 245 Glenn, and M. J. Murnane, for Representative; M. Miller, of Lebanon, Democrat, for United States Senator; R. F. Robinson, for County School Superintendent; Roscoe P. Hurst, Democrat, for District Attorney; Dr. B. Earl Smith, for Coroner, and Richard Diech, 123 Twenty-sixth street, for committeeman in Precinct No. 103.

Miller Lives in Linn.

Of the above Messrs. Caldwell, Hodson, Smith and Miller already have announced their candidacies. Mr. Miller is not only State Senator from Linn County, an office he has held for several years, but he is National committeeman for Oregon for the Democratic party. He had an active hand in arranging for the reception and entertainment in Portland last week of William Jennings Bryan.

Announcement of his intention to run for the Democratic nomination for District Attorney was made yesterday by Attorney Roscoe P. Hurst, who makes the second aspirant for the choice of the Democrats, John A. Jeffrey being already in the field.

Mr. Hurst says he will stand for "an honest, efficient and impartial administration of the office; will vigorously enforce the laws and will choose as deputies none but capable lawyers and clean men."

Mr. Hurst lives at 151 Seventeenth street. He was born in 1882 in Illinois, and attended De Pauw and Notre Dame universities. He was admitted to the Illinois bar in 1907, and came to Portland the same year. He has been prominent recently in the fight waged against loan sharks, being the legal adviser of the men back of the campaign.

Candidates Give Platforms.

The platforms on which the other candidates are running yesterday set their party nominations for the following: Dan Kellaher (Rep.), for State Senator—If I am nominated and elected I will during my term of office support the Oregon system of woman suffrage, nomination and election of President by direct vote making government of the people, by the people and for the people, a practical, ideal, progressive popular legislation as needful panacea in state and Nation for public safeguard to curb corporate greed and opposing a practical, ideal, progressive plan to protect people against corporate abuse; good roads and interstate bridge, and believe an American dollar should carry a ton of freight from the West east as from the East west, to encourage Pacific Coast manufacturing. Sensible revision of school laws. Slogan: "Statement No. 1, good roads, better school laws, regulation public service corporations."

Roon Cason (Rep.), for State Senator—More laws based on business principles. Law regulating traffic over river. Abolish wildcat concerns. Exempt household goods. Economic appropriations. Slogan: "Statement No. 1, lower taxes, exempt household goods from taxation."

Good Roads Aid Promised.

A. L. Dundas (Rep.), for Representative—Economy. More fully considered legislation and fewer laws. Progressive good roads legislation. Revision school laws. Exemption household furniture. Interstate bridge. Slogan: "Statement No. 1, good roads, better school laws, economy."

Arthur I. Moulton (Rep.), Representative—carry out the principles of protect public against unreliable corporations. Perfect public service commission. Limited exemption of household goods. Economy consistent with progress. Creation of board of forestry to acquire forest reserves. State and National regulation of bridge construction. Slogan: "Statement No. 1, progressive legislation, with justice to all classes."

M. J. Murnane (Rep.), for Representative—Will support the principles of direct legislation. Statement No. 1 Support tax reform measure. Free text books and the reformation of school laws. Good roads. Oppose graft, petty or mighty. Oppose logrolling or meddling with legislation enacted by the people. Oppose appropriation of the people's money for questionable schemes. Oppose fee system in state and county offices. Slogan: "Workingman's candidate, of the working people; tax reform, Oregon system direct legislation."

R. F. Robinson (Rep.), for County School Superintendent—Consistent progressive policy of supervision. Favor courses of modern languages, agriculture and industrial subjects. Slogan: "For re-election."

Richard Diech (Rep.), for Precinct from 2 to 5.

LAW TO BE LET ALONE

REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE GIVES UP TEST.

Presidential Preference Statute Will Be Left to People for Alteration if They Desire.

If a test is made in the courts as to the constitutionality of that feature of the Presidential preference law which allows the individual elector to vote for only one delegate to his party's National convention and one Presidential elector, it is considered doubtful that any effort will be made to seek from the courts of the state an interpretation of this statute. Any proceeding along that line must be initiated by the friends of the measure. It will not receive the sanction of the Republican state organization. It is considered doubtful that any effort will be made to seek from the courts of the state an interpretation of this statute. Any proceeding along that line must be initiated by the friends of the measure. It will not receive the sanction of the Republican state organization. It is considered doubtful that any effort will be made to seek from the courts of the state an interpretation of this statute. Any proceeding along that line must be initiated by the friends of the measure. It will not receive the sanction of the Republican state organization.

Cottage Grove Folk Theatians.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., March 2.—(Special).—Three Cottage Grove students at the University of Oregon were successful contestants for parts in the play to be put on by the University Dramatic Club. The three successful contestants are: Miss Ailie Phillips, Hugh Curran and Ernest L. Anderson. The play that will be put on is "Candida" by Bernard Shaw, and rehearsals have already commenced. Members of the club are chosen from the students at a public tryout.

R. G. Morrow

Circuit Judge Department No. 2

Republican Candidate for Re-election

(Paid Advertisement.)

Committeeman, Precinct 103-1 believe the office of precinct committeeman to be an important office from a party standpoint, especially this year on account of the long interval between the April primary election and the November election, nearly seven months. During this long interval numerous things may happen to cause vacancies among the party nominees. Under the primary law it will be the duty of the state, Congressional and County Central Committees to fill such vacancies and Republicans should see that these offices are filled with good men.

EDRIS HELD AS BUNCO MAN

Fraud Charges Are Filed by Several Washington Banks.

W. S. Edris, alias Emerson, 25 years old, wanted for forgery in New Orleans, and Sumner, Sumas and Lynden, Wash., was arrested through the efforts of Otto H. Kuller, manager of the local Burns Detective Agency office, in Walla Walla, yesterday afternoon. Edris will be taken to Lynden at once.

The Munsell & Martin Optical Co.

Our new location is one of the best in the city, being on the corner of Sixth and Washington streets, on the second floor of the Northwest building, entrance on Washington street. The Munsells have been in the optical business for years in the Macleay building. They would be pleased to have their many friends call in and see them.

GEORGE TAZWELL

Progressive Republican Candidate for

Circuit Judge DEPARTMENT NO. 4

(Paid Advertisement.)

W. Y. MASTERS

Candidate for Republican Nomination for

Judge of Circuit Court DEPARTMENT NO. 4

(Paid Advertisement.)

Wm. Reid

Republican Candidate for

Judge of Circuit Court DEPARTMENT NO. 4

Judge Reid has resided in Portland for 20 years, and has been engaged in the practice of law for over 25 years. (Paid Advertisement.)

TO YOU, MR. VOTER

The office of Sheriff is, perhaps, the most important in the county.

It demands a man of great executive ability. Nowadays the Sheriff is not a gunfighter, nor is it necessary for him to flaunt a great star everywhere.

The Sheriff, though, must be a business man. He collects the taxes. He must know just what business is.

He must be a man in whom you can have the utmost confidence.

Next, he must know the duties of the office, how it is conducted, and understand how to have the work done economically, yet properly.

Before he can know the duties of Sheriff, it is necessary that he spend years in the work of acquainting himself with the office.

Of the many men running for Sheriff, there is but one who can point with pride to eight years as Chief Deputy. There is but one you know knows the duties of Sheriff from 2 to 5.

Not many men care to spend their time "learning how." The man for any office must be the man who knows the work and who has spent time learning it.

That is why W. B. Hollingsworth is the only real, as well as the only logical candidate for Sheriff.

"Holly" has been eight years learning how. He is the one man in whom you feel you can have confidence.

Half the lawyers in Portland have endorsed Hollingsworth by personal letter. He is Republican candidate.

Isn't he the man you want in the office of Sheriff?

(Paid Advertisement.)