

DR. VAN BRAKLE IS CLEARED OF CHARGE

Court Case Against Osteopath,
Who Is Clackamas Health
Officer, Is Dropped.

TRIAL BY BOARD REMAINS

Fight to Remove County Official
Hinges on Last Accusation of
Association Doctors That
He Is Incompetent.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—The proceedings in court against County Health Officer Van Brakle, charging that he is not a graduate of a reputable medical college, were dismissed this morning upon the request of County Attorney Hedges.

The physicians of Oregon City of a rival school to that of Dr. Van Brakle, who is an osteopath, were behind the proceedings. The complaint, filed last November, consisted of three charges: That the health officer was not a graduate of a reputable medical school; that he "did not have, or does not have, a license issued by the State Board of Medical Examiners," and that he, for other reasons under the law, is not qualified to hold the office. Only the first of the charges reached the court, the other two being thrown out shortly after the complaint was filed.

Action Called Vindication.
"The dismissal of the proceedings attacking my legal qualifications is a vindication of my rights to hold the office of County Health Officer," said Dr. Van Brakle.

The fact that this dismissal was asked for by those opposing me is proof positive that they were unable even to make out a case against me. Typical medical association tactics were used again—filed a few minutes before the case was to come for trial—thus throwing upon the taxpayers the expense of bringing witnesses from several parts of the state.

The one charge now remaining against the local health officer is that which has been brought before the State Board of Health. The complaint of Dr. Guy Mount and Dr. M. C. Strickland, both of this city.

Incompetency Is Charged.

The two Oregon City doctors charged that Dr. Van Brakle is not competent to hold the position. At a hearing here Tuesday night evidence was taken before three members of the State Board and the case will be argued before all the members Tuesday night in Portland.

In these charges the attorneys for Dr. Van Brakle, John Sleva, Chris Schuebel and L. S. Stimp have taken the stand that the State Board is exceeding its authority in hearing the charges and that the proceedings are not lawful on the grounds that the complaint against Dr. Van Brakle does not state how the charges which have been filed can be used to remove the health officer.

PAR BONDS TICKLE THEM

Hood River Farmers Find Supposedly Worthless Stock Had Value.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—George R. Wilbur, secretary of this irrigation district, received word today from Dutton, Thompson & Clay, New York bond attorneys, that they have passed favorably on the \$25,000 bond issue to be sold by the district on April 7. A month ago the district disposed of a \$125,000 bond issue, which \$50,000 was paid to stockholders of the old East Fork Irrigating Company, from whom the system now operated by the district was purchased. The East Fork Irrigating Company having become insolvent, it was on the verge of insolvency when the district was formed last year. The worthless stock in the old company is jubilant at being able to transfer it at par for 5 per cent bonds of the district.

JUDGE ZENT ISSUES CALL

Spokane County Republicans to Discuss Coming Campaign Monday.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 4.—The Republican county executive committee will meet on the third floor of the Jamieson block Monday at the call of Judge Zent, Republican county chairman. The leaders will discuss ways and means of conducting the coming campaign. Candidates for the county and Congressional ticket will probably be in attendance.

"We shall fill the vacancies on the county central committee," Judge Zent said, "select a secretary and probably consider plans for the coming campaign. Held April 27, when E. K. Pendergast, former City Controller, of New York, will be here."

"It is hardly probable that a new state committee will be elected, since there are reasons why it is not necessary to fill that place at this time."

GIRLS PLAN GLEE TRIP

Whitman College Club Starts Thursday on Easter-Week Itinerary.

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—Starting from Walla Walla next Thursday, the Glee Club of Whitman College will start on an Easter vacation trip which will take them as far west as Sunnyvale, Wash. They will not go to any points east of Walla Walla, but will sing at a number of places between here and Sunnyvale, Pasco and Mabton among the points at which they have made appointments.

Among the leading musicians in the club are: Miss Caroline Churchman, soloist and president of the club; Miss Lillian Russell, violinist; and Miss Edith Smith, pianist. Miss Ruth Darrow, of the faculty of the conservatory of music and director of the club, will accompany them on the trip.

"MOVIES" UNION ENJOINED

Spokane Theaters Prevent Picketing of Shows by Human Sandwiches.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—Suits against the local Motion Picture Operators' Union, to prevent picketing in front of the Unique and Majestic theaters, were today decided

in favor of the theater owners by Superior Judge Kennan, who announced his willingness to sign a permanent injunction, forbidding the union members from attempting to drive patronage away from the picture houses.

CHURCH GROWS DURING FOUR-YEAR PASTORATE.

Rev. Charles B. Elliott.

From a small group of 27 earnest and energetic Baptists worshipping in a little one-roomed building seven years ago, the Highland Baptist Church has grown until it now enrolls nearly 250 members and occupies a large and commodious church building at the corner of Alberta and East Sixth streets, in the heart of the thickly settled northeast portion of the city. The church is under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Charles B. Elliott, who during his four year of service with this people.

ing before the theaters, or entering them, was too stringent to be made permanent.

LABOR IS HELD AT LINE

BRITISH COLUMBIA ENTERS NONE BUT CANADIANS FROM STATES.

Twenty Railroad Workers Sent From Spokane Turned Back, Including Many Scotch and Irish.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—Rigidly enforcing the order-in-council of the immigration department of British Columbia, barring all but Canadian artisans and laborers in search of work from entering that province, the immigration authorities Thursday night turned back 20 men sent out of Spokane by the Mathewson Employment Agency of this city, under orders from Guthrie, McDougall & Co., to work at Coalmont on the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railroad.

A total of 26 men were included in the crew, according to Mr. Mathewson. Only seven or eight were permitted to cross the line. These were Canadians. Among those turned back were Scotch and Irish workers, subjects of King George.

The order-in-council in question was originally made to hold effective until March 31, and it was expected that after that date non-citizens of Canada would be admitted to work in British Columbia. On the eve of the expiration of the original order, however, an extension of six months was decided upon.

Guthrie, McDougall & Co. will obtain sufficient laborers to carry out the work at Coalmont and other railroads is considered a perplexing problem.

London Calls McBride.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 4.—Sir Richard McBride, Premier of British Columbia, has been offered the position as High Commissioner for Canada, in London, made vacant by the death of Lord Strathcona, and will accept the appointment will be made in May. Sir Richard is now in the East.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends for the many kindnesses shown during our bereavement by the loss of our loving husband and father.

MRS. N. J. TUSANT.
LOIS TUSANT.

BIVALVE, NEW TO OREGON, BEING FOUND IN QUANTITIES ALONG COAST.



MUSSEL BED NEAR NEWPORT.

NEWPORT, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—The mussel will probably prove a valuable commercial bivalve of the Oregon coast in the near future. From Agate Beach to Silette Bay and farther north there is apparently an unlimited quantity of mussels clinging to the rocks along the beach.

S. G. Irvin, of Agate Beach, sent some samples to Professor Hodge, of the social biology department of the University of Oregon, and received an enthusiastic letter in reply that some of his samples to Professor Irving A. Field, of Clark University, Worcester, Mass., who, Professor Hodge said, was responsible for making mussels a commercial staple. Professor Hodge will arrive this month for a visit of 10 days, which he will pass examining the mussel beds.

Mussels are long, blue-shelled bivalves like oysters, except that they turn yellow when cooked and are not under water all of the time.

228 DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDATES IN

Comparatively Few Nominating
Lists Are Recorded and
Deluge Is Expected.

SIX DAYS LEFT FOR FILING

Of Those Seeking Nominations 173 Are Republicans, 39 Are Democrats and 14 Progressives. Some Offices Not Sought.

SALEM, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—When Secretary of State Olcott closed the doors of his office today, a total of 228 candidates had filed their declarations of candidacy for office, and with the time limit for filing nominating petitions but six days distant, it is believed that few, if any, declarations will be filed next week. Comparatively few nominating petitions have been filed, however, and it is expected that the Secretary's office will be literally deluged with them in the last few days in which they may be filed.

Of the total number of candidates who have filed declarations, 173 are Republicans, 39 are Democrats and 14 are Progressives. For the office of United States Senator, Governor, Representatives in Congress in the First and Third Districts, and National Comptroller, all three parties are represented by candidates.

Some Are Unopposed.
N. J. Sinnott, candidate for re-election to Congress in the Second District, apparently will be without opposition in the primaries, and this probably will be true in the case of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill, George C. Cochran and James Chinnock, candidates for re-election as Water Superintendents of divisions Nos. 1 and 2.

No candidates have made their appearance for State Representative in the Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Districts. Unless declarations of candidacy are filed for these offices in a few days they will be without representation, for, if filed Monday, there would be but six days in which to circulate nominating petitions.

Nine declarations were filed today. Six of these were for the office of State Representative from Multnomah County. They were Plowden Stott, Ben Selling, Wilbur Henderson, George A. Johnston, Dr. Andrew C. Smith and E. J. Littlefield. All are residents of Portland, and, save Henderson, who is a Progressive, all are Republicans. The slogan and platform of Selling, Littlefield, Stott and Dr. Smith are identical. They promise to oppose all needless appropriations, to work to abolish all useless boards, and their slogan is "taxpayers' candidate, lower taxes in the future."

All Promises Refused.
Johnston makes no promises, adopting the slogan "no promises to make, no pledges to break." Henderson's slogan is "taxes payable quarterly; eight hours a day's labor for men and women."

The other three who filed their declarations were Fred S. Bynon, of this city; Harvey G. Starkweather, of Oak Grove, and Marlan R. Towne, of Phoenix. Both the latter are Democrats. The first is a candidate for State Senator, and the second for State Representative.

Bynon is a Republican and a candidate for State Labor Commissioner. His slogan is "equal consideration and justice to the laborer and the employer." He is the secretary of the Salem County Club. He makes the fourth Republican candidate for this office, the others being M. E. Miller, of St. Helens; J. A. Madsen, Portland, and Commissioner Hoff, who is seeking re-election.

POLK POLITICS ACTIVE

DEMOCRATS HAVE TWO ENTRIES IN RACE FOR SHERIFF.

Charles A. Johns Said to Stand High in Dallas and Mr. Booth Is Deemed Man of Destiny.

DALLAS, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—An 11-hour candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff in this county has appeared in Oregon City, J. J. Savery, who until yesterday apparently had the field to himself. W. J. White yesterday filed his petition. The entry of Mr. White is causing much speculation here. Mr. Savery is known to have the active support of J. M. Grant, incumbent.

As yet John Orr, of Rickreall, has no opposition for the Republican nomination for Sheriff. For the first time in years it looks as though the general election was to witness no fight for

the County Clerkship. Asa B. Robinson, Jr., Democrat and incumbent, has no opposition. A determined effort, however, is being made to induce E. M. Smith, Republican, former incumbent, to enter the race.

ROAD WORK IS ACTIVE

STATE OF WASHINGTON EMPLOYING 900 MEN AND 175 TEAMS.

Principal Improvement Is on Pacific and Sunset Highways and Force Will Be Increased Materially.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—With the opening of Spring the State of Washington has started highway construction on a scale never before attempted.

Reports to the State Highway Commissioner from contractors show that nearly 900 men and 175 teams are being used in building up the system of state highways authorized by the last Legislature, while the next 30 days will see more added.

Daily expenditures of approximately \$200 for labor and horses alone is represented by the highway work. Most of the laborers receive \$2.25 or \$2.50 a day with the exception of the 60 honor convicts, who get 50 cents a day, board and clothing.

The Pacific and Sunset Highways show the greatest activities and additional men are being employed on both soon. The detailed reports show: Pacific Highway—Haine south, 31 men, seven teams; Waterfront road, 173 men, number of teams not given; Everett to Marysville, 41 men, 12 teams; Toledo south, 27 men, nine teams; Kalama south (honor camp No. 2), 30 men, 18 teams. Total, 308 men, 39 teams, exclusive of Waterfront road.

Sunset Highway—Shoquallmie Pass, 150 men, 16 teams; Wenatchee to Waterville, 103 men, 25 teams; Reardan west, 60 men, 20 teams. Total, 303 men, 28 teams.

Inland Empire Highway—Spokane to Spangle, 15 men, two teams; Spangle to Rosalia, 56 men, 15 teams; Walla Walla west, 22 men, five teams. Total, 83 men, 22 teams.

Olympia Highway—Duckabush south, 41 men, nine teams; Hoodport north (honor camp No. 1), 39 men. Total, 71 men, nine teams.

National Park Highway—Alder to Elbe, 11 men, one team; Channel Change Hill, 22 men, one team. Total, 33 men, two teams.

McClellan Pass Highway—Enumclaw to National Park, 60 men, 15 teams.

Contracts have been let for work on the Sunset Highway along Lake Keechelus, which will be started shortly; for the east side of the McClellan Pass Highway, from Naches to the National Park, and for a section of the Olympic Highway in Chehalis County.

ASHLAND, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—A main camp at Steinman, with branches at Siskiyou and Coles, is headquarters for work on the Pacific Highway in this section. The summit at Siskiyou will be the highest elevation on the line. More than 100 men are now on the job and this number is being daily increased.

J. W. Sweeney, the Portland contractor, is present in person supervising operations. He also is reported as a bidder on the first unit of the highway traversing California territory, that section extending from the Oregon border to the Colorado border, a station at Steinman being virtually the line of the highway makes it very difficult for persons visiting the scene of operations as well as making for the shipping of supplies and machinery from Ashland to that point.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER BACK

Washington County Sheriff Returns With Guy Porter.

HILLSBORO, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—Sheriff Reeves returned today from El Centro, Cal., bringing with him Guy Porter, wanted for embezzling money from farmers. Porter was acting as a sales agent for the dairyman, and is charged with misappropriation of several hundred dollars. He will await the action of the grand jury.

Sheriff Reeves caught Porter through the medium of an express package, which he had shipped out of Eugene. Porter, knowing that he had relatives at Eugene, went to the express office to get the package and was arrested by a constable. He came back to Oregon without extradition.

FARM TOPICS DISCUSSED

Educators Give Lectures in Four Towns of Sumpter Valley.

BAKER, Or., April 4.—Professor Fitts of the department of dairy husbandry, Professor Lawson, of the department of agronomy, and Mrs. L. G. Rollins, domestic science instructor, all of Oregon Agricultural College, visited the Sumpter Valley today and lectured before large crowds at McEwen, Sumpter, Prairie City and La Grange. "Soil Culture" and "Domestic Science" for Housewives on the Dairy Farm." The party will go Monday to Mount Vernon and then may go overland to the interior of John Day country. The roads are in good shape and if the snow is off the mountains in the interior the trip will be made.

Daughters of Revolution Elect.

SPOKANE, April 4.—Mrs. Henry McCleary, of Tacoma, was re-elected state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the annual meeting here today. Other state officers for the coming year are: Mrs. W. B. Wuth, Kennewick, vice-regent; Mrs. Fannie O'Brien, historian; and Mrs. A. E. Mead, of Bellingham, chaplain. The next meeting will be held in Seattle.

Jeweler Charged With Theft.

Barnett Bachella, a jeweler, 251 Alder street, was arrested yesterday by Detectives Tichenor and Howell and charged with the theft of a diamond ring, which Mrs. Francis Jensen, manager of a freak show in the vicinity, is said to have given him to repair.

Students Give German Farce.

WHITMAN COLLEGE, Walla Walla, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—Before a

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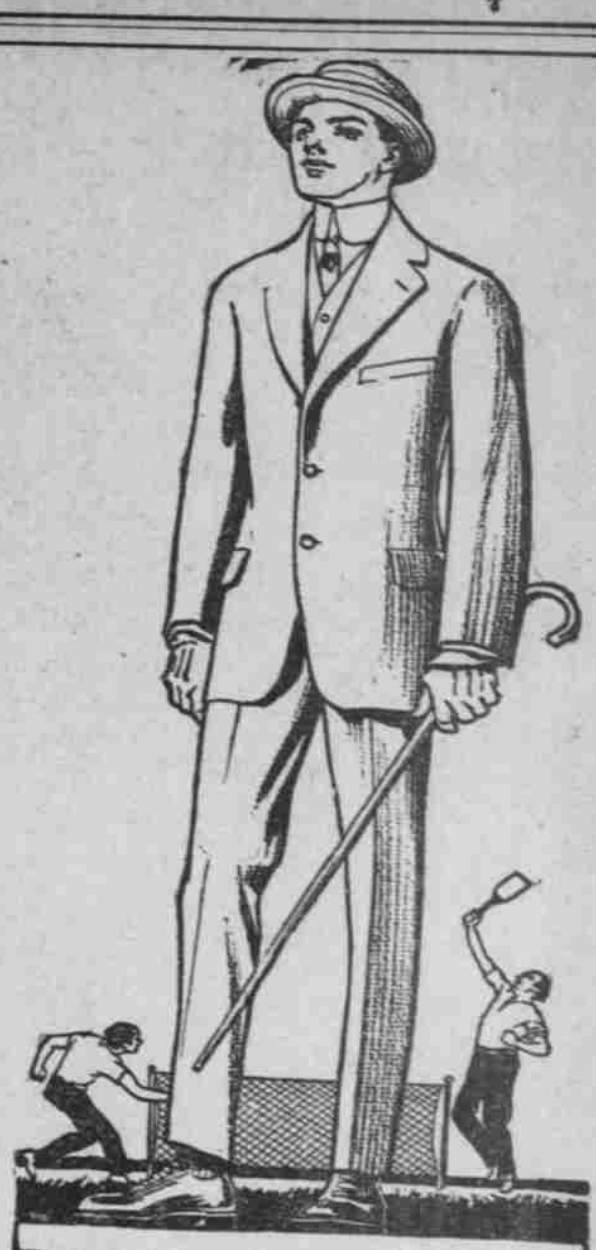
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GALLIARDIA
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PANSIES
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CAMPANULAS
SWEET
WILLIAMS
PHLOX
HOLLYHOCKS
PRIMROSES
ANEMONES
WALL
FLOWERS
DORONICUM
GEUM
PAMPAS
GRASS

POST'S FORAGE BILL IS BIG
Quartermaster Wants Enormous Hay and Grain Supplies.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., April 4.—(Special.)—An enormous amount of forage and feed will be necessary for the use of the quartermaster's department in this post, beginning July 1. The quartermaster, Captain Samuel V. Ham, has estimated that it will require 9000 pounds of bran, 250,000 pounds of hay, 200,000 pounds of oats and 60,000 pounds of bedding.

Cashier Sentenced to Five Years.
OMAHA, April 4.—Albert C. Felt, cashier of the failed First National Bank of Superior, Neb., today pleaded guilty in the Federal Court to the charge of embezzling the funds of the institution and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment. Felt disappeared last winter before the bank closed, but gave himself up in San Francisco some weeks ago.

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