

RACE FOR SENATOR IN IDAHO COMPLEX

With Probability of Four in
Long and Short-Term Con-
tests, Interest Rises.

REPUBLICANS ARE ACTIVE

State Central Committee Indorses
Republican League and Condemns
Governor for Not Obtaining
Ballot for Idaho Soldiers.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 16.—(Special).—United States Senator Nugent having announced that he has never had any other intention than running for the term in the Senate to which Governor Alexander appointed him, or the short term, and advice coming from Washington that Fred T. Dubois may set into the race for either the short or long term, while James H. Hawley also will have his "shot in the ring" for either the short or the long term, probably the latter, an interesting situation has come up in Idaho.

James H. Hawley announced some months prior to Senator Brady's death and shortly after Senator Borah made his original announcement, that he might not be a candidate to succeed himself, that he was a candidate for the Senate. Mr. Nugent declined to come out as a candidate against Mr. Hawley and it was agreed between the two that the latter was to have a clear field.

Appointment Changes Aspect.
The death of Senator Brady and the appointment of Senator Nugent came suddenly. Mr. Hawley's friends took the stand that the Democrat appointed to the short term should become a candidate for the long term and run against Senator Borah, who had changed his decision and decided to enter the race. Mr. Hawley indorsed this attitude and after Mr. Nugent's appointment announced he expected to run for the short term.

Mr. Nugent's friends held that it would be absurd for him to run for the long term, after having been appointed to the short term; that logically he should be a candidate to succeed himself to the term to which he was appointed.

Another Surprise Sprung.
The possibility of Fred T. Dubois, ex-Senator of this state, "farmer" of Blackfoot, who is in Washington most of the time, getting into the primary Senatorial race comes as a surprise to party leaders here. Something more than a mere rumor or unofficial report from Washington will be needed to convince them that such an intention is really serious. For eight or 10 years Senator Dubois has not been active in Idaho politics. Prior to that, however, there was no more conspicuous figure in the political arena of this state. Senator Dubois led the anti-Mormon fight and waged it bitterly. Mormonism has not since been a paramount issue. Senator Dubois is known to have considerable influence at Washington.

W. G. Scholtz, former state farm market director, now active as one of the leaders in pushing forward the Non-Partisan League campaign in this state, declares the matter of issuing warrants for the arrest of A. C. Townley, president of the National organization, and the arrest, conviction and sentencing of Joseph Gilbert, manager, at Lakefield, Minn., is a "frameup." The announcement caused a genuine stir among members of the league in Idaho and they have been clamoring for information.

Chairman Evans Resigns.
At a meeting of the Republican state central committee here the resignation of Evan Evans, of Grangeville, was accepted and his successor was elected in Stephen D. Taylor, ex-newspaperman of Bonanza Ferry, Northern Idaho, and for two terms State Auditor. The committee laid careful plans for a strenuous campaign and its members, together with other party leaders, held a lovefeast at a Lincoln day rally, which was one of the most successful in the history of the party. It was featured by an address of Rev. William Martin, pastor of the First Methodist Church, who is known as the "fighting pastor" of Idaho.

The committee laid its plans for the 1918 organization. The Republican League which is being organized was indorsed. This work was started by James H. Gilson, of Caldwell, ex-chairman of the Progressive party, who was a candidate for the Republican state chairmanship, but whose friends withdrew his name during the committee contest over the office.

Resolutions were adopted condemning Governor Alexander for failing to obtain the elective franchise for Idaho soldiers and declaring for the ballot for them; expressing the hope that Colonel Roosevelt will have a speedy recovery and urging Idaho's delegation to continue hearty support of war legislation.

At the Republican lovefeast which followed the committee meeting resolutions were adopted pledging the Nation to fight the war to a victory and urging the Administration to make use of all of the brain power of the Nation, regardless of politics.

Senator S. P. Atkinson, of Twin Falls, made it known during the gathering that he might be a candidate for Governor.

HIGHWAY WORK IS HALTED

Construction of Road South of Bend
Cost \$1325 a Mile.

BEND, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special).—After weeks of unusually good weather for outdoors work it has now been found necessary to shut down on the highway construction on the road south of Bend and break up camp. Frank May, engineer in charge, has discharged his crew and will give his attention to other work in the County Surveyor's office.

The work has been done under an appropriation from the State Highway Commission and has consisted of clearing between 12 and 13 miles of The Dalles-California Highway at a cost of \$1325 a mile. A small balance of the appropriation is left with which to finish the work in the Spring, when the chills will be leveled and rerolled. The work will be of great benefit to summer tourists, who have found this particular stretch of highway on both sides of Lava Butte particularly bad.

Pendleton Women to Help Babies.

PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special).—The Parent-Teacher Circle of Pendleton have decided to take up, as their particular part of the war work, the making of layettes for French and Belgian babies. They expect to have considerable assistance from the Junior Red Cross, which is being organized here now.

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NEW DEPOSITS OPENED

Josephine County Expects Income
of \$2,000,000 This Year From
Mineral Industry Affecting
Prosecution of War.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special).—Chromite production through the Grants Pass gateway for 1918 is expected to reach 75,000 tons. This is greater than that of the rest of the United States and will be of immense value to the Government steel industry. The leading properties that will contribute to this tonnage, with the engineers' estimate of their production, follow:

The Hawkins property, now under lease to the Adams-Maltby interests of San Francisco, is being developed by Martin Uldes and promises to exceed 2000 tons for 1918. The Gordon Mountain group, owned or leased by the Barton-Rowen-Young Company, will probably reach 15,000 tons during the year, and there are a number of smaller properties between these two that will make another 2500 tons in 1918.

Goconda Promises Much.
Nearer home, the Goconda mine promises between 10,000 and 15,000 tons of concentrates during the year. The new mill is well along toward completion, and the lessee, R. J. Rowen, has two carloads of machinery already delivered. The Turtledove group, under lease to W. E. Gilmore, of Kerby, will somewhat exceed the Goconda production.

The Logan placer chromite mine is furnishing several auto truck loads to the Waters Creek terminus of the C. & O. C. Railway daily and promises to reach 2000 tons during 1918. The Chalk Creek property is finally in production and is being handled by W. E. Gilmore, of Kerby, the prospects for 2000 tons of very high-grade material being excellent.

The Jack Johnson group, owned by W. E. Gilmore, is a very large low-grade proposition and is counted upon to add 1500 tons per month after the mill is installed. The Willets properties, down the Illinois River, have about 1000 tons ready for shipment when roads become passable, and the Calaveras claims will bring about 1500 tons to Waters Creek during 1918.

New Shafte to Open.

The Atlantic Ore & Alloy Company expects to open up a heavy tonnage at the Noble-Sordy group on Briggs Creek, which will come out through Swede Basin, to the extent of 1500 tons during 1918. Two other new properties now pretty well developed and producing, but which the owners wish kept under cover for a few weeks, promise to exceed 10,000 tons, and there are a number of smaller prospects that will produce 2500 tons.

The Sexton Mountain property, which was a consistent shipper last year, will again be in the list of producers for 1918, there being several hundred tons still to come from it. Lessee Barton will resume work shortly on this.

On the Southern Pacific but all in Grants Pass territory George S. Barton has a number of leases, some of which produced a satisfactory tonnage in 1917 and will show much heavier shipments this year.

County Expects \$2,000,000.

The foregoing estimates are conservative and indicate only the expected 1918 production. This will bring more than \$2,000,000 into Josephine County in 1918 and in the mineral field is the most valuable asset of the county.

The greatest handicap is the matter of roads, but the county is fully alive to the importance of developing the mines by such assistance as may be given consistent with permanent benefit to the county roads, and to meet as far as lies in the power of the county the patriotic spirit that demands that everything possible be done to stimulate the production of this important raw material.

The Government is facing the necessity of providing ships to bring 175,000 tons of chromite from New Caledonia, but Josephine County is doing its bit, and with this help the Govern-

Bend Red Cross Names Rhodes.

BEND, Or., Feb. 16.—(Special).—J. C. Rhodes has been appointed secretary of the Bend Chapter of the American Red Cross to succeed Mrs. J. C. Vandeventer, who has had to resign in order to devote herself to work in the Bend schools recently undertaken. Mrs. Vandeventer has been in charge of the secretarial work of the chapter since last Spring.

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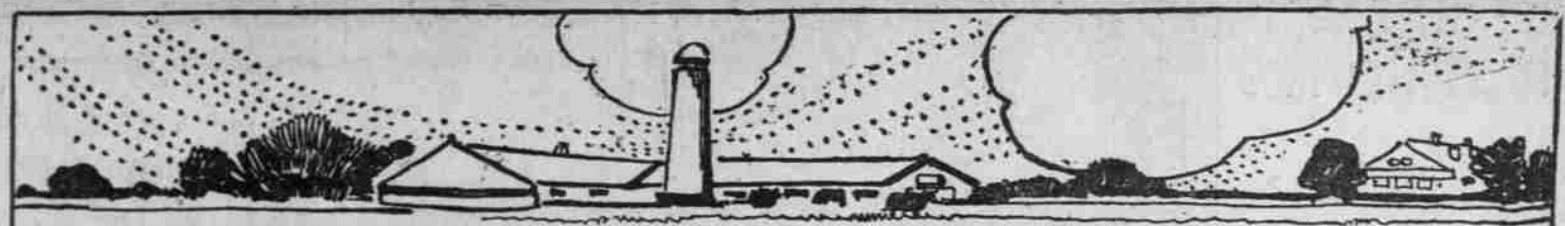
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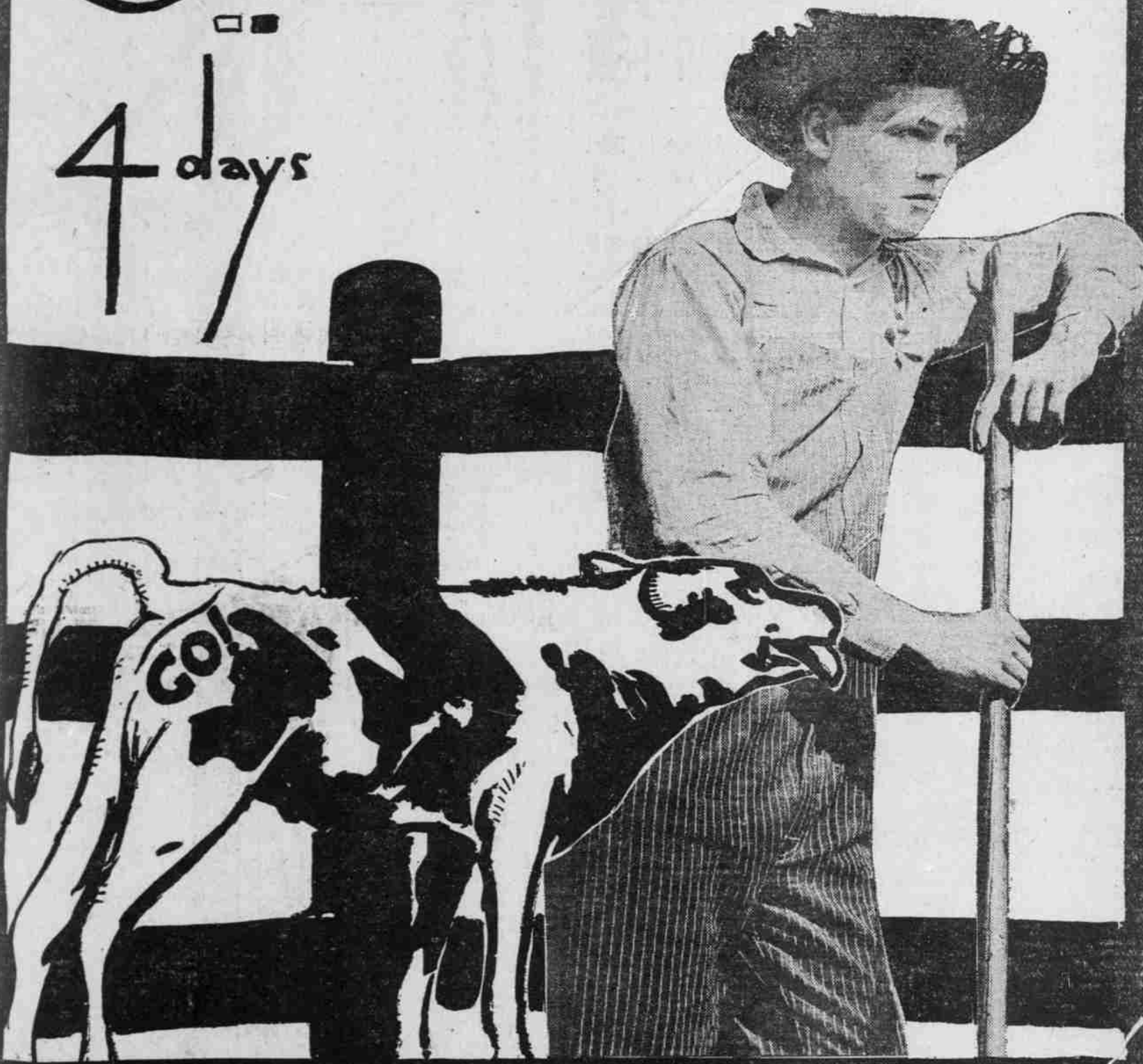


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