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Call for Primary and County Convention.

Persuant to a call of chairman, the Republican County Central Committee met at Roseburg on March 12, 1904, and set the 2nd day of April for the holding of the primary elections and the 9th day of April at 10 a. m. for the convening of the County convention at the court house in the city of Roseburg and proportioned the representation at one delegate at large and one delegate for every ten votes or major portion thereof for R. T. Bean candidate for supreme judge on June 2nd, 1902, and make the following suggestions that all precincts should be represented in the convention by a resident of the precinct as far as practicable, and each precinct select a Central Commitment. The various precincts are entitled to the following number of delegates:

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| Roseburg | 10 |
| Deer Creek | 10 |
| Umpqua | 7 |
| West Roseburg | 12 |
| Yoncalla | 9 |
| Conestock | 4 |
| Riddle | 6 |
| Pass Creek | 11 |
| Myrtle Creek | 7 |
| Glendale | 5 |
| Olaia | 4 |
| Willard | 4 |
| Millwood | 3 |
| Oakland | 8 |

K. L. MILLER, Chairman.
Roseburg, Oregon, April 15, 1904.

CANDIDATES ANNOUNCEMENT.

Being authorized the PLAINDEALER announces that M. L. Moore is a candidate for the office of treasurer of Douglas county, subject to the nomination of the Republican party at the County convention on April 9, 1904.

THE COMING PRIMARIES.

The PLAINDEALER during the past week has received nearly a score of letters enquiring about political affairs in the county, and asking if so-and-so is a candidate? and, similar questions. The editor has also been asked a score of times who of the present corps of officials will be candidates for re-election to the offices they now fill? Of these the only candidates who have announced for re-election are George Staley for the office of assessor, and C. E. Roberts for surveyor. These gentlemen are now filling their first terms and have made faithful and efficient officers, and are deserving of renomination and election. Outside of these two offices we absolutely know nothing.

Two aspirants for office have enquired of the editor if so-and-so would be candidates for re-election? if they were not, then the enquirers would be candidates themselves. The PLAINDEALER attempted to find out, but failed utterly, and thus it is that outside of the two gentlemen mentioned there is not a man in the county who has authorized the statement that he is a candidate for any county office.

There is a great deal of complaint made against "the ring" and what it is supposed to be doing. So far, the editor has not seen the slightest trace of a ring, for it seems to us that for one time in the history of Douglas county every man is in the race for himself and the devil will catch the hindmost. Efforts are being made to form combinations, by several outside aspirants, with politicians in Roseburg, and thus form a ring to fight a supposed ring and to boost candidates into office who are afraid to come out boldly and announce before the public.

There is one man who can settle the entire political situation, so far as candidates are concerned, in a minute, and the whole situation would be cleared, because if he is not a candidate for re-election, others who are looking to his action would announce for his office and some would let go of the bone to grasp at the shadow. Now, it is none of the PLAINDEALER'S business to advise any course, but it sees nothing but the pooling of delegations and the control of the nomination for every office in the county, by reason of the present system.

If a direct nomination or a primary election law was in force, every man who wanted to be a candidate would have been forced to decide long ago and his merits put and can would have been discussed before the public at large and the people would have been enabled to vote intelligently. As the case now stands, nobody knows who are candidates for the various offices. The man who can

control the 39 votes in Roseburg has no hard task to secure proxies or delegates to the number of forty-four and then he has a majority in the county convention.

What the PLAINDEALER fears is: The candidates and aspirants are so backward of positively announcing, that at the last moment a pool will be formed and candidates nominated in a hurried, hoo-ha manner and then general discontent will be manifested over the county, and the greatest crop of kickers and tailmashers will be harvested ever known in the history of Douglas county. If we had a direct primary law in force, there would be no room for a kicker or tailmasher, for the cause for such beings would be removed. With direct primary nominating elections the present unsatisfactory state of affairs could not exist.

MORE SOOTHING SYRUP FOR THE BRAT.

The Review like all democratic sheets when fairly exposed in bolstering up corruption lies back and makes faces and calls hard names. Now we have no time nor inclination to go into a war of words in which billingsgate is the only argument, but we stand to the statement previously published, in six months according to the certificates of the County Clerk and approved by the County Judge and Commissioners, the county debt of Douglas county under the Democratic "Populistic regime on March 31, 1899, was \$50,204.55, on Sept. 30, 1899 as certified to and approved in the same manner the county debt was \$86,415.00 or an increase of \$36,210.45. This statement is true because it is part of the records of Douglas county as recorded on pages 105 and 111 of the official reports of the county. All the faces the Review makes cannot dispute the above statement for it is the work of the party to which the Review belongs, and when such debts are contracted they have to be paid and the taxpayers today are paying for the luxury of having a freak hermaphrodite administration of county affairs. The PLAINDEALER could stand a straight Pop speculation in county affairs, as that would only admit to a two bit proposition or to a straight democratic steal because the blame could easily be fixed, but of all the political grafting combines that Demo-Pop aggregation of financiers are entitled to pick the full blooming roses from the bush. By the smoke of the holy council fires, thirty thousand two hundred and four dollars and sixty cents of increased indebtedness in six months is a monument of financial fame and for the witness post of a straight graft it has nothing equal to it in Oregon.

M. L. MOORE FOR TREASURER.

In another column will be found the announcement of M. L. Moore as a candidate for the office of treasurer of Douglas county subject to ratification of his candidacy by the Republican convention; and we presume that the Republicans will want to know something about him, and as far as the PLAINDEALER can gather, he was born in Illinois over fifty years ago and went to Kansas leaving there in 1875 for California where he resided five years. In 1880 he settled in Clackamas county and in 1894 he was the nominee of the Republican party for the office of County treasurer and received an overwhelming vote. In 1896 he was unanimously nominated for the office again but that was the year of the Demo-Pop landslide and with every other republican he went down before the tornado but was only defeated by a very small margin as he was a very popular citizen and office holder. He moved to Douglas county in the summer of 1896 and is the father of L. B. Moore, station agent at Roseburg. In coming before the Republicans of Douglas county he does so as a straight Republican who has voted the ticket at every election and he does not give fealty to any faction but asks the Republicans as a whole to consider his application for their support. If nominated, he will make a very strong candidate for the office for he is exceedingly popular among the railroad fraternity and is in every way qualified to fill the office to which he aspires.

NEWSPAPER HONESTY VS. DECEPTION.

The following editorial was printed in the Review of March 14:

"Some alleged newspapers in this county are resorting to the most despicable methods in an endeavor to deliberately deceive their readers as to the real conditions existing here at present in regard to taxation and the public debt. They are publishing figures for one single semi-annual period without also giving the figures both before and after that time, so the voters can see the general trend of public affairs and know just what the present conditions really are. It is the duty of every paper which claims to be an honest purveyor of news to publish these facts in full, as was done by THE REVIEW in the issue of March 3, 1904. On that date we published the sworn figures, as they appear on the county records of Douglas county, for each and every year since 1898. This was done without fear or

favor, let the credit or blame fall where it may. If an alleged newspaper attempts to deliberately deceive its readers in so important a matter as this it thus proclaims its dishonesty and will henceforth be marked as unworthy of belief in any of its utterances. The people have no more use for a dishonest newspaper than they have for a dishonest official or individual. That the taxpayers of Douglas county are required to pay over \$80,000 more of taxes this year than in the year 1900 and that the county debt is now over \$86,000 more than it was then, are undeniable matters of public record, and, disagreeable as these facts are, the people have a right to know what are the actual existing conditions."

The above article would lead one to believe that the Review was an honest sheet and would not deceive its readers, would tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, but here comes a statement that the Review could explain to its readers if it saw fit to do so, but it prefers to deceive them or leave them in the dark in the matter: "The taxpayers of Douglas county are required to pay over \$80,000 more of taxes this year than in the year 1900." Now, this is what an honest paper should say in connection with the above statement: The state taxes are \$18,432 more this year than in 1900; the school taxes are \$13,050 more than in 1900 and the road taxes are \$16,685 this year, while there was no levy made in 1900, making a total of \$48,167. This amount the legislature, both republicans and democrats, compelled the county court to levy in excess of the levy of 1900. I learn from county officials that more than \$12,000 of this year's taxes will be paid upon \$30,211.05. This statement is true because it is part of the records of Douglas county as recorded on pages 105 and 111 of the official reports of the county. All the faces the Review makes cannot dispute the above statement for it is the work of the party to which the Review belongs, and when such debts are contracted they have to be paid and the taxpayers today are paying for the luxury of having a freak hermaphrodite administration of county affairs. The PLAINDEALER could stand a straight Pop speculation in county affairs, as that would only admit to a two bit proposition or to a straight democratic steal because the blame could easily be fixed, but of all the political grafting combines that Demo-Pop aggregation of financiers are entitled to pick the full blooming roses from the bush. By the smoke of the holy council fires, thirty thousand two hundred and four dollars and sixty cents of increased indebtedness in six months is a monument of financial fame and for the witness post of a straight graft it has nothing equal to it in Oregon.

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Edenbower M. E. Church.

Special meetings are now in progress at Edenbower M. E. church, conducted by the Rev. S. W. Gamble D. D., assisted by the pastor, N. J. Harbit.

The pastor believes that the people of Edenbower are deserving of the best talent that can be obtained, and has secured Rev. Gamble with that view. At the close of the special meetings, Rev. Gamble will give five or six of his noted lectures on "The Christian Sabbath."

We invite any and all, to attend these services and are confident that the people will be well paid if they will attend all of these services.

The religious and secular press, together with the leading Jewish Rabbies of America, claim for Rev. Gamble the best authority that has developed in the last 100 years on the Christian Sabbath. These lectures will be given at the close of special meetings and will be announced later.

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An interesting fight is now in progress between the officials of the geological survey, who are now empowered to enforce the irrigation act, and senators and representatives who believe that the irrigation works in the West should be placed under a separate bureau in charge of a supervising inspector. Senator Hansbrough, early in the session, introduced a bill creating such a bureau and authorizing the President to appoint a supervising engineer at a salary of \$10,000 a year. The senator calls attention to the importance of the irrigation work as an argument in support of his bill. He said that he had no desire to antagonize the survey. His purpose is to secure the appointment of an officer whose sole duty it shall be to supervise the construction of irrigation works.

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The World's Fair Route.

Those anticipating an Eastern trip, or a visit to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis, cannot afford to overlook the advantages offered by the Missouri Pacific Railway, which, on account of its various routes and gateways, has been appropriately named "The World's Fair Route."

Passengers from the Northwest take the Missouri Pacific trains from Denver or Pueblo, with the choice of either going direct through Kansas City, or via Wichita, Fort Scott and Pleasant Hill. Two trains daily from Denver and Pueblo to St. Louis without change, carrying all classes of modern equipment, including electric lighted observation parlor cars dining cars. Top daily train between Kansas City and St. Louis. Write, or call on W. U. McBride, General Agent, 124 Third Street, Portland, or detailed information and illustrated literature.

A Favorite Remedy for Babies.

Its pleasant taste and prompt cures have made Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a favorite with the mothers of small children. It quickly cures their coughs and colds and prevents any danger of pneumonia or other serious consequences. It not only cures croup, but when given as soon as the croupy cough appears will prevent the attack. For sale by A. C. Marsters & Co.

CLOSING OUT SALE

Commencing March 7 the W. C. Hildebrand Stock of Merchandise will be

CLOSED OUT REGARDLESS OF COST

The balance of stock left will be shipped to our new store in Washington. This offer will not hold good for any definite length of time.

ASH & ATTWELL

Early Spraying.

Secretary J. B. Thornburn of the Oklahoma board of agriculture gives warning to the orchardist of Oklahoma regarding the probable late frost, a warning that is just as beneficial to the same class of citizens in other states.

Although as a rule the peach trees in Oklahoma do not bloom until late in March, yet already the buds are ready to burst so warm has been the weather for the past ten days. Sunday afternoon the thermometer showed eighty-two degrees, and during the entire winter season the coldest weather was eight degrees above zero. The peach trees will be in full bloom by the end of the present week, and plum and other fruit trees will follow closely.

Mr. Thornburn says that every man with an orchard must have his spraying pump ready to defeat the ravages of a late frost: with the liberal use of this pump, any morning before the sun comes up, the trees may be washed and the fruit saved. The water rides the trees and blooms of the frost and eliminates any danger to the fruit from the frost.

Regarding the use of water, Secretary Thornburn says that persons living in the city may use their lawn hose on the trees with a like result, and that garden plants, beans, corn, tomatoes, etc., may be easily saved in the same manner.

Mr. Thornburn quotes one illustration: A friend of his had a half acre of strawberries in full bloom; there was a late May frost, which would have completely killed the strawberries for that year; the farmer arose before day light, and with the aid of his sons, turned the water from two windmills in to the strawberry patch; there were not 100 blossoms that could be seen above the flood of water, but that farmer was the only man in the county to pick berries from his own patch that season.

Upper Otala News.

There has been a great deal of rain this winter.

Col. Day, and a number of others made a flying trip to Roseburg last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Lamb last Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Lamb, has been very sick for the past three weeks is improving now.

Mr. Clarence Brock and O. A. Ohlsen have been cutting saw logs for Col. Days saw mill.

Mr. Henry Bushnell and his son Edmond, has been cutting poles for their wood saw.

In spite of rain and stormy weather W. G. Friend and Charles Wiley, continue their farming.

THE DEW DROP.

Inflammatory Rheumatism Cured.

William Shaffer, a brakeman of Denison, Ohio, was confined to his bed for several weeks with inflammatory rheumatism. "I need many remedies," he says. "Finally I sent to McCaw's drug store for a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, at which time I was unable to use hand or foot, and in one week's time was able to go to work as happy as a clam." For sale by A. C. Marsters & Co.

Weather Report.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU OFFICE, ROSEBURG, ORE.
Week ending 5 p. m., Mar., 16 1904.
Maximum temperature, 56 on Mar. 16
Minimum temperature, 31 on 16th inst.
Rainfall for the week, 1.48.
Total rainfall since 1st of month, 4.06
Total rainfall from Sept. 1, 1903 to date 31.96.
Average rainfall from Sept. 1 to date 27.37.
Total excess from Sept. 1, 1903 to date 4.69.
Average precipitation for 26 wet seasons 33.32.

THOMAS GRISBOL, Observer.