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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements of candidates published under this heading are paid for at regular advertising rates.

For Sheriff

To the voters of Crook County: I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Crook County, on the Republican ticket, subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primary to be held in April.

FRANK ELKINS.

For County Clerk

To the voters of Crook County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Clerk, subject to the approval of the Democratic voters at the primaries to be held in April.

WARREN BROWN.

For County School Superintendent

To the voters of Crook County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination, on the Republican ticket, to the office of County School Superintendent. Your support at the primaries, April 17th, will be truly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
J. F. BLANCHARD.

To the Democratic voters of Crook County: I desire the nomination at your hands at the primaries in April for the office of County School Superintendent, on the Democratic ticket, and your support at the primaries will be heartily appreciated.

W. R. COOK.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for County School Superintendent of Crook County, subject to the action of the Republican voters in the primary election.

M. A. LEHMAN,
Oneil, Oregon

For Joint Representative

To the Republicans of Klamath, Lake, Crook and Grant Counties: I wish to inform the Republicans of Klamath, Lake, Crook and Grant counties, constituting the Twenty-first Representative District of Oregon, that my name will be presented for your consideration at the Primary election to be held April 17, 1908, asking your suffrages for selection as one of the Republican nominees for Joint Representative in said district, to be balloted for on June 1, 1908.

H. A. BRATTAIN,
Paisley, Or.

For District Attorney

Subject to the approval of the voters of Crook and Wasco counties, I announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for District Attorney of the Seventh Judicial District at the coming primaries. If nominated and elected I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office faithfully as the law provides.

FRED W. WATSON,
The Dalles, Or.

To the Republican voters of the 7th Judicial District:

I desire the nomination at your hands to the office of District Attorney and will appreciate your votes at the coming primary election if you deem me worthy of your support.

W. P. MYERS,
Ladlow, Oregon.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

A few of the reasons why so many are joining the Modern Woodmen of America:

We have 960,000 members with 20,000 outstanding certificates, which is far more than the two next largest Societies combined.

Three assessments missed the first ten months of this year; all claims paid and \$3,000,000 cash on hand.

First eight months of this year we issued 100,122 new certificates.

There are 175 of the leading Fraternal insurance societies that have six million members at the present time. The Modern Woodmen have nearly one-sixth of this entire membership.

There are six billion four hundred and fifty million dollars of protection for the widows and orphans carried by the members of these societies.

The M. W. A. carries One Billion Three Hundred and Fifty Million of this amount, or a little more than one-sixth of all the fraternal insurance carried in the United States.

The management expense of this great order has cost each member not to exceed the price of one postage stamp per week since starting in business.

We are furnishing GOOD RELIABLE INSURANCE to our members for about one-half what other societies charge.

Net increase in the following societies and cost per thousand, 1906:

Net Increase 1906	Cost per \$1000 at age 30
Artisans 560	\$ 7 80
Maccabees Decrease	12 00
A. O. U. W. Decrease	10 80
Royal Arcanum Decrease	13 20
W. O. W. 5,502	10 20
Modern Woodmen 90,080	5 85

The cost at 30 years of age in the M. W. A. has never exceeded \$5.85 per thousand in one year. Compare this with the cost in other societies. These are a few of the reasons "WHY" we are writing an average of 12,516 members per month. If this record suits you we want your application for membership. Yours fraternally, J. E. Shears, District Deputy, 522 Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oregon.

For further information see F. J. Brooks, local deputy, at Madras, Oregon.

WILL PROSPECT FOR OIL

Leases of Lands Being Made in Culver and Opal Prairie Districts by Company

WILL DRILL 1000 FEET OR MORE

Region That Has Long Been Known to Show Indications of Oil To Be Thoroughly Prospected

Plans have been made to begin at an early date prospecting for oil in this vicinity, and the numerous indications of oil which have been found in this district will be thoroughly prospected in order to determine whether or not oil exists here in paying quantities. These plans have been perfected, and it is stated that there is sufficient capital behind the enterprise to insure a thorough investigation of the various prospects, and actual drilling will begin just as soon as sufficient leases have been secured upon the land in the immediate vicinity of the points where the first wells will be sunk. Mr. Frank Forrest, a prominent stockman of this county, is now engaged in securing these leases, which it is reported are being very generally signed without any opposition.

It has been known for several years past that good oil prospects had been discovered in this section of Crook County, and several years ago an option was taken on the Dave Barnett ranch with a view to making a thorough investigation of a prospect found on his place, but this plan never materialized, and up until this time there has not been an effort made to follow up and test any of these prospects. These indications of oil have been found in a territory of considerable scope, covering practically all of this end of western Crook County.

It is the plan of the present prospectors to sink several deep wells, preparations having been made to go to a depth of a thousand to fifteen hundred feet. The leases under which the prospecting will be conducted are liberal in their provisions for the land owner, whose interests in the land and in any discovery made upon it are amply protected. Among other provisions in the lease is one that if no oil is found in paying quantities, but water is found, the well becomes the property of the land owner without any cost to him except the actual cost of the casing. If, however, artesian water is found and no oil, the land owner agrees to purchase the same at the customary price of a well drilled to a depth of 600 feet, irrespective of whether the well has been drilled to a depth of 1000 or 2000 feet. And, any rancher in this district can afford to pay the price of a 600-foot drilled well to secure artesian water on his land. In the event oil is found in paying quantities, the lease provides for a royalty of ten per cent to the land owner, so that in any event he, the land owner, has his interests taken care of and cannot but be benefited by the work done on his place. The leases also provide for an option on the land, at a price fixed by the owner.

SPECIAL AGENT

MEYENDORFF IS DEAD

Well Known Attache of U. S. General Land Office Dies at Portland

F. M. Meyendorff, one of the best known of the special agents of the U. S. General Land Office, died in Portland last Saturday at the Good Samaritan Hospital. Mr. Meyendorff was quite well known in this county. Last September he was a member of the party of federal and state officials who went to the Bend country to inspect the irrigation projects there. He did not return with the party but spent some time in Crook County, investigating land matters. On his way out, Mr. Meyendorff came by way of Madras, from Prineville, and spent a day or so here looking over land matters.

Mr. Meyendorff's life was one of varied experiences, and he was a most entertaining and interesting companion. He was a Russian by birth, and because of too ardent sympathy with a revolutionary uprising, was for some time a political prisoner in Siberia. Securing his release from Siberia he came to America, and for many years he has been connected with the Government service. He was the principal witness for the Government in the land fraud prosecutions in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah, and was one of the most reliable men in that branch of the Government service.

JOHN H. HALL IS FOUND GUILTY

Convicted of Conspiracy in Illegal Fencing of Public Lands

John H. Hall, ex-United States Attorney for Oregon, was found guilty of conspiracy against the Government in the Federal court at Portland, that verdict having been returned by the jury last Saturday morning. Hall was indicted jointly with W. W. Steiwer, H. H. Hendricks, C. B. Zachary and others in connection with the unlawful fencing of Government land in Wheeler county, Hall's connection with the case arising out of the protection he is alleged to have given the other members of the conspiracy while he was U. S. Attorney, in return for political favors bestowed upon him. He demanded a separate trial on the charges, which has just ended in his conviction.

The extreme penalty for conspiracy is a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for two years. Hall has not yet been sentenced, but he has been given until April 1 to file his motion for a new trial.

In connection with the case of the Hall case, it is announced that the remaining land fraud cases, 22 in all, will be taken up at the April term of the Federal court. Mr. Heney, who has successfully prosecuted the land fraud cases, including that against Hall just ended, may not return to prosecute all of these cases, but it is stated that he will conduct the prosecution of the Binger Herman case, and that against ex-Congressman J. N. Williamson.

DURHAM-TAYLOR

Married at the home of John Campbell, in Prineville, on Wednesday, February 5, 1908, Mr. Thomas A. Taylor and Miss Maude Durham, both of Madras, Rev. Dr. Dunsmore of the Prineville Presbyterian Church performing the marriage ceremony. Only a few intimate friends of the bride and groom were present to witness the ceremony.

The above news item, which reached us from Prineville too late for publication last week, came as a pleasant surprise to the many friends of the contracting parties in this locality. The bride is the daughter of Mr. William Durham of Agency Plains, where she has made her home for several years past, and the happy groom is to be congratulated upon having won so charming a helpmate. Mr. Taylor is one of our prosperous and progressive young farmers who is making a success in this country. He is farming extensively on the Little Plain, where he and his bride will make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor returned from Prineville last Thursday.

WILL FARM IN UMATILLA COUNTY

N. H. Pinkerton has rented a large wheat ranch in Umatilla, consisting of about a section of land, and expects to leave for that place within the next two or three weeks to take possession. The ranch is situated within seven miles of Pendleton, and is said to be one of the best ranches in that very prosperous wheat district. Mr. Pinkerton expects to sell off some of his farming implements here, and rent his farm on Agency Plains, where he has about a section of land. He says that he expects to hold on to his land in this locality, and that within a few years, when this section has rail transportation, he expects to return and make his home here. Mr. Pinkerton has been one of the most progressive farmers of this district, and he and Mrs. Pinkerton have many friends here who will regret to see them leave the community.

COUNTYSEAT FIGHT IN LAKE

Lake County will be the scene this year of a countyseat fight, as the ambitious little town of Paisley is making an effort to have the countyseat moved from Lakeview. Its present location, to Paisley. The reason urged for the removal of the countyseat is that Paisley is, geographically, more centrally located, and will make the countyseat more easily accessible to a majority of the citizens of Lake County. The town of Paisley is located about half way between Lakeview and Silver Lake.

MARTIN-PECK

Married at Culver, Wednesday, February 5, 1908, Miss Lena Martin and Mr. Ralph Peck, Justice of the Peace Collyer performing the marriage rite. The bride is one of Culver's popular young ladies, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Martin. The groom is a prominent young rancher of the Culver section, and has charge of the ranch of his father, Mr. W. H. Peck, where he and his bride will make their home.