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THE COUNTY JUDGESHIP

J. F. Blanchard, the announcement of whose candidacy for County Superintendent of Schools was made about thirty days ago, has concluded to withdraw from that race and enter the race for county judge, his announcement for which latter office appears in this issue.

Some time after Mr. Blanchard made his announcement for county superintendent, and when there was no other candidate in the field for county judge, Mr. H. C. Ellis of Bend was prevailed upon to make his announcement for that office. His candidacy was generally endorsed in this section, as all who know him speak in the highest terms of Mr. Ellis personally, and of his qualifications for the county judgeship.

That the step was ill-advised, many of his friends in this section believe. With his home precinct solidly behind him for the office of school superintendent, and with very cordial support in a number of other precincts of the county, Mr. Blanchard was reasonably sure of nomination and election to that office. That he will not have such smooth sailing for the judgeship must be conceded, for Mr. Blanchard cannot expect that those friends who were supporting him for superintendent of schools, and who were supporting Mr. Ellis for county judge, can be or will be switched about to drop Mr. Ellis and give Mr. Blanchard their support because at this late day he has decided that he prefers the county judgeship.

That Mr. Blanchard's announcement for county judge is ill-timed, none can deny. After announcing himself for one office, to withdraw and come out for another, not only makes it appear that he is a "miscellaneous candidate," but there is

an element of bad faith involved in the transaction that will and should operate against him. It was particularly desired to have a superintendent of schools from this immediate section of the county, and when it was learned that Mr. Blanchard desired that office, his friends here united in supporting him. For a month or more he has been their candidate for that office, and no other candidate has been considered in this section. At this late day Mr. Blanchard withdraws from that race and leaves us to "hold the empty sack" as it were. The efforts of his friends in his behalf for superintendent of schools have been wasted, because at Prineville he has been encouraged to enter the race for the more attractive office of county judge. That is the phase of the situation which involves the good faith of Mr. Blanchard when he asked the support of this section for county superintendent.

There is another phase of the question which involves the good faith of the voters of this section. Mr. Ellis very reluctantly entered the race for county judge, stating that he had neither the time nor the money to make the campaign. He expressed a wish that we select some candidate from this section for that office, and it was only after learning that there would be no other candidate that he consented to announce himself. While it cannot be said that every voter in this precinct personally promised to support Mr. Ellis, it can be said that he has a right to expect that support. He did not enter the race until this precinct had had an opportunity to be heard from, and until he felt reasonably sure that his candidacy was acceptable to the people of this section and he could count upon their support. That Mr. Blanchard should now seek to interpose an objection to his candidacy, saying in effect "You were supporting me for county superintendent of schools but I have decided that I want to be county judge, and want you to transfer your support from Mr. Ellis to me," to say the least presents a most selfish attitude on Mr. Blanchard's part, and asks what is most unfair to the voters of this precinct. There is no opposition to Mr. Blanchard here personally. He is unusually popular, and his popularity was shown by the unanimity of the support he was receiving in this section for superintendent of schools, but he has unquestionably withdrawn himself from that strong position by the vacillating policy he has adopted. He has forfeited all claim to the support of his friends in this section, and for that situation he has no one to blame but himself.

MR. FORD VISITS MADRAS

R. A. Ford, candidate for the Republican nomination for county superintendent of schools, was in town last Tuesday in the interest of his candidacy. While president of the Crook County Educational Union, Mr. Ford attended an educational meeting at this place two years ago, and on his present visit he renewed many pleasant acquaintances formed at that time.

Mr. Ford has been a teacher for twenty years, and his long experience in public school work makes him a strong candidate for the nomination which he is seeking. He promises a "square deal" to all sections of the county if elected, and the platform upon which he is making his campaign will be of

interest to the voters of this section. It follows:

- 1. An economical, faithful and efficient administration of the office, serving the whole people of the county without regard to politics or locality. 2. A systematic visitation of the schools of the county. 3. Emphasizing thoroughness in the common branches. 4. Giving to every boy and girl an opportunity to acquire a common school education. 5. The teaching of agriculture in public schools of the rural districts, thereby encouraging the boys and girls to love the home and the farm. 6. The separation of the public schools from the influence of politics and the demagogue.

The Supreme Court of the United States has taken a hand in the "selling-whiskey-to-Indians" industry, and decided that the laws of the United States take precedence over those of any state. Prior to this decision laws in a number of states in which Indian reservations were located have held that Indians on allotted lands were citizens and as such could not have their rights abridged. The Supreme Court decision takes the ground that an Indian is an Indian, and, as the unfavorable effects of firewater on his constitution are proverbial, he will not be allowed to indulge.—Oregonian.

The announcement of Judge L. F. Willets of Klamath Falls as a candidate for joint senator from this district, on the Republican ticket, appears in this issue. Judge Willets has lived in Lake and Klamath counties for twenty years, and was engaged in the mercantile business at Klamath Falls until he retired about a year ago. He was county judge of Klamath for four years, and stands very high in the estimation of the people of that county.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

For County Judge

To the Voters of Crook County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Judge, subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held April 17, 1908. H. C. ELLIS, Bend, Oregon.

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

For County School Superintendent

To the republican voters of Crook county: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of county school superintendent. Your support at the primaries in April will be appreciated. R. A. FORD.

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. Sincerely, 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, Onell, Oregon.

For Joint Representative

To the voters of Crook, Klamath, Lake and Grant counties: I hereby announce my candidacy for joint representative from the 21st Representative District of Oregon, subject to the approval of the Republican voters of the district at the primaries to be held April 17th. U. C. COE, Bend, Or.

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.

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For Joint Senator

To the voters of Crook, Lake and Klamath counties: I announce myself a candidate for the office of Joint Senator, subject to the approval of the Democratic voters of the District. G. SERRINSON, Culver, Or.

I wish to state that I am a candidate for the Republican nomination for joint senator to represent the district consisting of Crook, Klamath and Lake counties. H. L. HOGATE, Bonanza, Oregon.

I herewith announce myself a candidate for joint senator from Klamath, Lake and Crook counties on the Republican ticket, subject to the decision of the primary election. L. F. WILLETS, Klamath Falls, Or.

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 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 ELLIS.

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. WILSON, 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, Laddlaw, Oregon.

For County Assessor

To the voters of Crook County: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of county assessor, subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held April 17, 1908. H. F. JONES, Redmond, Or.

For County Surveyor

To the voters of Crook County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination, on the Republican ticket, to the office of county surveyor. I respectfully solicit your support at the primaries on April 17. FRANK MAY.

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