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THURSDAY May 21, 1908

REPUBLICAN TICKET

CROOK COUNTY

For County Judge H. C. ELLIS, of Bend
For Sheriff FRANK ELKINS, of Madras
For Treasurer W. F. KING of Prineville
For Superintendent of Schools R. A. FORD of Sisters
For Assessor F. E. DAYTON of Laidlaw
For Commissioner JAMES RICE of Haycreek
For Surveyor FRED A. RICE of Prineville

RAIN TO THE RESCUE

Farmers throughout this section are jubilant over the timely down-pour last week, and the opinion is expressed on all sides that the rain insures a good crop for the coming season. Since the rain the weather has turned warmer, which is additional cause for rejoicing. Fall sown grain was still in good condition, though backward, but Spring grain was suffering from the long drouth and the cold weather, and the heavy rain and warm weather was just in time to save it, according to many.

This section of country was not behind other sections of the state, as far as prospects for a crop this season are concerned, for the drouth and cool weather were general throughout Eastern Oregon. Over in those districts through which the O. R. & N. demonstration train made a trip, the opinion was expressed by experts from the state agricultural college that the crop prospects were still exceedingly good, provided there was a good Spring rain and warmer weather. Those conditions have been fulfilled to the letter, and there is general rejoicing throughout the district. It means thousands of dollars to the wheat farmers of the state, and it means more than that to us, for a failure would have offered a further excuse for delaying railroad construction into this section.

AS OTHERS SEE US

Malvern (Iowa) Leader.
Oregon seems to be a very backward state when it comes to matters educational. Just now the educators of the state and those interested in higher education for the masses are very much interested in getting a law passed granting them larger appropriations for their state university which at present is one of the poorest provided for institutions of its class in the United States. The present appropriation amounts to but \$47,500 per year for maintenance, which compared with our own university's \$235,000 looks rather meagre. It seems that a good many in the state are so short-sighted as to fight further appropriation. A state as wealthy and proud as Oregon, should be content with nothing but the best in their educational facilities, and we are surprised at the sentiment against progression. Defeat for the bill means a serious setback to her future progress.

Fred W. Wilson, the republican nominee for district attorney, needs no introduction to the people of Wasco and Crook counties and the voters of all

parties are glad to have the opportunity of voting for Mr. Wilson for this office. He has lived in Wasco county from his boyhood days till manhood's estate and has endeared himself with all who have come to know him. In the practice of law he has been singularly successful and has taken part in the most important litigation of recent years in this district and will bring to the district attorney's office a training which eminently qualifies him for this duty. As deputy district attorney he participated in all the momentous criminal cases which have attracted wide attention in our county and has performed his duty in a way that has brought him the confidence and respect of the people. This is the first time Mr. Wilson has ever been a candidate for office and the Chronicle is satisfied the voters will rally to his support in a generous manner on election day. There will be no mistake made in his election. — The Dalles Chronicle.

An initiative measure to come before the voters in June is the proposed increase of compensation to Oregon legislators of from \$3 to \$10 per day. There is really no plausible reason for such an increase. The legislator's legitimate expenses while serving the people at the state capital are no greater now than they were 10 to 20 years ago, and there is no evidence that Oregon has suffered from insufficiently remunerating her public servants in this branch of public service. As to the plea that men of experience and business ability cannot afford to absent themselves from their own affairs for such a small stipend, it would seem that such argument is baseless from the fact that the state has never yet lacked for men of affairs and business ability to fill its legislative offices. In fact our most representative men have always sought the honor of representing the commonwealth as solons without regard to the per diem. The present legislator receives \$3 per day and mileage.

Sheriff Frank Elkins has proven himself to be a fearless official in the discharge of his duties, and he should be re-elected. No other sheriff in the history of the county has done so much to discourage crime, and his name has become a terror to law-breakers throughout the county. But neither the sheriff nor any other official can accomplish his best without the moral support of the community he represents. Crook county has had a bad reputation throughout the country, and the defeat of Sheriff Elkins would be construed on the outside as disapproval of his activity against the criminal element of the county. It is therefore important that every law-abiding citizen of the county interest himself in giving Elkins an overwhelming majority at the June election, as an endorsement of his course in the pursuit of the lawless. The reputation of the county is at stake.

The voters of this end of the county should give H. C. Ellis of Bend, the Republican nominee for county judge, a big vote in the June election. There is no man in the county better qualified to give us a fair, able and economical administration of county affairs. An effort is being made in certain quarters to divide up the vote and defeat him, but he is certain of election if he gets the votes he is entitled to.

A Republican candidate has suggested that the recent rains should make the farmers of this section feel like voting the Republican ticket on June 1, as these rains occurred under a Republican administration.

PROHIBITION COLUMN

This space has been reserved by the local prohibition organization, and will be occupied by matter furnished by them each week.

Equal And Just Taxation

It is generally admitted by some of the advocates of the saloons that aside from the revenue they produce for the city or village there is little or no excuse for their existence. In other words the saloon is being defended by some because they say it helps to make improvements without increasing the taxes. The general principle of our system of taxation is that when anyone's possessions are protected or increased in valuation because of public improvements those parties being benefitted should correspondingly pay for them by way of just and equal taxation. Thus a man having property valued at \$5000, should pay correspondingly more taxes than the man whose property is worth only \$100, because rich men have more to protect and receive more protection. But now these men who are advocating the saloon as a means of revenue, whose only real asset is their perverted appetites, to come and join them in keeping the saloon in operation so improvements that are made in the city, and enhancing the property of the rich man may cost the wealthy property owner as little as possible, thus the poor man is made to indirectly pay the property owner's taxes, and the laboring man grows poorer while the other fellows grow opulent. Now if these improvements are made with this kind of money, I think, if we were to listen closely with our moral ears as we walk over many of our finely paved streets and sidewalks we could hear something like this from the dear little ones who have paid so dearly for them by way of privation and suffering: "Don't step on this brick for it took the last crust of bread out of my little starving mouth, nor this one for it took shoes off of my little freezing feet, nor this one for it took my little coat from my poor sick body," and by Him who rules above, it were better to walk on free American soil in mud to the knees than walk on the finest improved streets when made with "blood" money. Let us have equal, fair and just taxation, and not based upon perverted appetites.

Local Option Increases Business

Speaking of the local option election to be held in Yamhill county, a recent dispatch from McMinnville in part says:

Considering the fact that the business interests in many of the incorporated towns were pretty generally arrayed against prohibition at that time (two years ago) for what they believed to be good business reasons, and considering also that the conditions at present are not as fearful as the theories were then, it is conceded generally that the move of the saloon interests to again submit the question to vote was ill-advised.

It is true that the 11 incorporated towns of the county have been forced to levy a small tax for public maintenance in lieu of the saloon revenue. It is true, on the other hand, that merchants report increased cash sales from the time the saloons went out of existence, and it is true, in McMinnville at least, that there is not a vacant store building in the place, and scarcely an empty dwelling, with some newly arrived families living in tents. Every town in the county has prospered and made substantial improvements during the past two years, and the country districts have kept pace with the procession.

POLITICAL COLUMN

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

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

To the Voters of Crook County:
I hereby announce myself as an Independent Candidate for the office of County Judge. Should I be elected I will endeavor to conduct the office in a fair, impartial and business-like manner. JAS. T. ROBINSON, Culver.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It has come to my knowledge that W. C. Congleton, candidate for sheriff is accused of the burning of my hay. I wish to say that such rumor is unjust, for Mr. Congleton and I have always been friends. A. L. MACKINTOSH.

A Recommendation

Albany, Ore., April 20, 1908.
To the Voters of Crook County:

This is to certify that Professor W. R. Cook, the Democratic nominee for school superintendent in your county, has been student and a teacher under my supervision in this county for several years. During my 20 years experience as principal and county superintendent and principal in Linn county, I have never met a young man of more studious habits or greater worth in all that goes to make a successful school man, than Mr. Cook. He has always been found true to any trust confided to his care. I have no hesitancy in stating that I believe Mr. Cook will give to the people of Crook county a safe, wise and progressive administration as superintendent of schools.

W. L. JACKSON,
Supt. of Schools,
Linn County, Oregon.

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TIMBER LAND, Act June 3, 1878.
Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office The Dalles, Oregon, May 9, 1908. Notice is hereby given that

LUCY E. CATHCART, of The Dalles, Oregon, who, on May 9, 1908, made timber application No. 4639, for 15.84 ac., sw. 1/4 sec. 8 and ne. 1/4 sec. 17, tp 13 s., r 11 e., w. m. Has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described before the Register and Receiver at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 22nd day of July, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Daniel A. McDonell, Michael O'Connor, Mary Cathcart, William G. Mason, all of The Dalles, Oregon.
C. W. MOORE, m21-j16 Register.

TIMBER LAND, Act June 3, 1878.
—Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, May 11, 1908.—Notice is hereby given that

GRACE WILSON, of Prineville, Oregon, who, on April 23, 1908, made Timber and Stone proof, Receiver's receipt No. 11227, for Lots 3 and 4, sec 7, lot 1, sec 18, tp 12 s., r 11 e., and se. 12, tp 12 s., r 10 e., w. m. Has filed notice of intention to make final timber proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the County Clerk at Prineville, Oregon, on the 24th day of July, 1908.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Maggie Glaze, Robert G. Smith, H. A. Foster and Charles Beidell, all of Prineville, Oregon, and Edwin B. Graham of Sisters, Oregon.

C. W. MOORE, Register

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