

Washington Letter Tells of Ellis Work for Oregon

Washington, D. C., April 13.—(Special Correspondence to the East Oregonian.)—One of the amusing features of the legislative "filibuster" which the democrats are carrying on these days in the house under the captaincy of Williams of Mississippi, is the extreme care which that militant gentleman and Speaker Cannon take to keep from "getting personal."

In his tirade on what he termed the dilatory tactics of the republicans, Mr. Williams compared Uncle Joe to a certain Indian chief named "Afraid of His Horses," but took the sting out of the remark by saying that his feelings for the venerable presiding officer were like those of a son for a kind father.

Then again Saturday morning last Williams and Cannon had a tiff over the question whether or not the former had been given a proper parliamentary opportunity to interject a time-killing roll call. This ended in a regular "Alphonse and Gaston" double apology in which each assured the other that he never would under the most peculiar appearances doubt the other's word and Williams declared fervently that he had never "said that he had said," or even thought of such a thing.

Old Soldiers Remembered.

There are half a regiment of old soldiers over 62 years of age in the 16 counties which compose the second district in Oregon, who have received pensions since the opening of this congress.

The total number of pensions claims allowed since the first of December which have passed through the hands of Hon. W. R. Ellis is 813 and a large share of these are act of February 6, 1907, cases. The immense amount of work connected with helping the old veterans get their rights is part of what is making the big congressman from eastern Oregon one of the busiest men in the house this spring.

I had a pleasant little chat with him the other morning and he told me that he estimated that he had written more than 2000 letters about these pension cases alone, not to mention numerous trips to the office of the commissioner of pensions. While in some cases a call, a letter and a notice is all that is required, in others as high as six or eight are written before the old veteran out west or his widow is made happy.

Work Piled Up On Ellis.

But for the pension business as great as it has been on account of the flood of reissue claims under the 1907 act, is only a small part of the departmental business which requires the attention of the Oregon man.

The fact that prior to his term there had been no representative from the state on the floor for practically two years has turned loose upon the present incumbent a flood of accumulated postoffice and other detail matters which occupy every minute of his time not taken up with attendance on the sessions of the house or the committees of which he is a member.

He told me that the press of work had been so great that he had not been to the theater once since coming to Washington in November. The fact that the naval affairs committee of which Mr. Ellis is a member has been holding sessions almost daily and sometimes oftener this winter, has added a great deal to his duties. He is a member of the subcommittee on private claims which often takes advantage of his legal and judicial skill in making out its reports.

Ellis Not Coming Home.

Mr. Ellis told me he would have to let his friends in Oregon take care of his campaign for re-nomination; that in view of the immense amount of departmental business and some important pieces of legislation affecting Oregon which he has been watching, he did not feel that it would be right for him to leave his post of duty at this time even for three weeks.

Pendleton Bill Not Dead.

In spite of the ultra-economical tone of the present congress he has not yet given up hope of getting the public building committee to smile on the bill for a \$75,000 public building at Pendleton nor will he allow that recognition of the Celilo canal is entirely a forlorn hope, as yet, but wants to be on the ground to keep the northwest members reminded of the fact that they should keep one eye on the river and harbor committee all the time.

So while dozens of members of the house who have no campaigns on their hands until November are trotting home every few days to prop up their fences this man from the Web-foot state declares to his fellow members when they josh him about letting his campaign run itself that he has faith that the people of Oregon will not let his fences break down while he is out here working to the best of his ability for their interests.

Dry Land Homestead Bill.

What is known as the "dry land" homestead bill providing for 320 acres in arid regions has been favor-

ably reported by the house committee and has an excellent chance of becoming a law. Large areas in eastern and southern Oregon will be affected by this law, should it pass.

Pacific Coast Banquet.

A mammoth "Pacific Coast" banquet is being planned here to celebrate the arrival of the American fleet at California. The society of the Oregon country, composed of former residents of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, now at the national capital, proposes to join hands with a similar society known as the California state society and hold the function at the Ebbitt house.

The California society originated the scheme and invited their next door neighbors to join with them and make it a far western affair. The Oregon society numbers about 60 persons and holds several meetings throughout the winter.

ALFALFA AS CATTLE FEED.

Eastern Oregon Feeder Tells of the Value of the Plant

A cattle feeder in one of the sections of eastern Oregon tells his experience in fattening steers for the block, says the Pacific Homestead.

He says: "Alfalfa is not a balanced ration and as I had a quantity of barley that was not marketable this season I determined to try feeding it rolled.

"Barley can not be successfully fed to cattle in whole condition. It can be rolled for 10 cents per bushel, thus almost doubling its value as a fattening ration. It can be fed in the bottom of the ordinary feed rack which is built with a tight bottom to prevent the leakage of alfalfa leaves. We began by feeding about a pound to the head. The grain was scattered in the bottom of the racks and among some of the leaves and stems that were left from feeding hay. This not only causes the steer to get the grain slower and chew it better, but it is better feed when mixed evenly with the alfalfa leaves.

"We began this about a month before the first shipment was to be ready for market. The gain in weight was not so apparent at first as the effect seemed to be a reduction of the 'punchy' look of the beef but there was a material increase in the solid fat which causes the beef to stand the driving to the railroad and shipping with less shrinkage.

"With a shipment made the loss of weight was about 80 pounds, while the average decrease of the hay fattened cattle is about 120 pounds.

"This beef sold at an increase of some 30 cents over the highest quoted price, because they were rated as 'prime stuff.'

"The amount of feed per day is increased to about three pounds and the amount of barley that will be fed during the season will not be over two bushels per head which at the market price of barley, including the cost of rolling and feeding, will not increase the cost to any great extent and the price received will be from 1-4 to 1-2 cent per pound, or an increase of from \$4 to \$8 per head in the price received for the barley.

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SEEKING OIL IN CROOK COUNTY

Leases on 14,500 Acres of Land Taken and Boring Will Begin.

The Madras Pioneer says of the activity in oil prospecting in Crook county:

The local oil company, organized for the purpose of making a thorough investigation of the oil prospects in this section, sent an order last week to Bradford, Pennsylvania, for tools and machinery with which to sink the wells, and they confidently expect to begin active operations within the next 60 days.

Leases for more than 14,500 acres of land in the Opal prairie, Culver and Lamonta districts have been signed, and many others are expected to sign within the next two weeks.

This was the information given out last Saturday by the members of the company residing here.

Only one well will be drilled to begin with. The tools and machinery ordered will be used in connection with the big Loveland drill, and with the new machinery the hole will be sent down to a depth of several thousand feet if necessary.

A thorough test will be made, of the best prospect the company has on leased ground, and if indications justify it, other wells will be sunk at once at other points. It has not yet been definitely determined where the first well will be sunk.

The local company is backed by Portland capital, and may that they have plenty of money in sight to thoroughly prospect their ground for oil.

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Petition Blanks for Candidates.

"Petition of Candidate" and Elector's Nominating Petition blanks for either party, are now printed and on sale at the East Oregonian office.

H. M. CAKE

Republican Candidate for United States Senator

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BLAZE AT PEN SCARES CONVICTS

FILM IN MOVING PICTURE MACHINE CATCHES FIRE

Panic Among Prisoners Narrowly Averted—Well Known Streeter-Bryan Company Gives Free Entertainment at Penitentiary—One Man Had Hands Severely Burned—Most Caused Panic.

Fifteen feet of flaming film came near creating a life sized panic among 900 convicts at the penitentiary yesterday, says the Walla Walla Union. But for the quick action and cool assurance of Archie Siebert, a member of the Streeter-Bryan Stock company, many of the prisoners might have secured a reprieve by being scared to death. After the smoke of the small conflagration had subsided, the audience was agreed that the monotony of the day had been successfully relieved.

Through the generosity of Manager Morris B. Streeter the convicts were treated a vaudeville by members of the Streeter-Bryan company. Among

the numbers was a kalidoscopic reproduction of the "Passion Play." Because of poor facilities offered at the room in which the performance was held the picture machine became overheated. The film which is composed of inflammable material, suddenly burst into flame.

At this unannounced part of the program, hose members of the audience seated nearest the machine, sought a distant perspective of the fire. The bald headed row suffered a sudden desertion. Their excitement was communicated to the others, until the guards began to finger their Winchester nervously.

In the midst of this chaos, while many of the audience were holding their breaths, expecting an explosion, Mr. Siebert tore the burning portion of the film from the machine and stamped out the fire. After some persuasion, the convicts were induced to resume their seats. In the inventory of damages, it was found that Mr. Siebert had burned his right hand severely. He was taken to the hospital where the injured member was treated. Although painfully hurt, he will be present tonight when the company gives "That Girl of Morley's."

The portion of the film damaged forms but an inconsiderable part of the whole, so that the "Passion Play" was not seriously injured.

Too much business for the old stand. You'll now find the Graham Furniture company next to St. George Hotel.

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Announcements of Candidates

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.
C. A. Barrett
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for the nomination by the republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE.
L. L. Mann

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination by the republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.
C. W. Steen

For Umatilla and Morrow counties. Candidate for the nomination by the republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE.
T. J. Mahoney

Commission work surely calls for a man of experience as the duties of a commissioner are of a serious and important nature.

I have proven myself qualified for the position, and I am the only candidate with two years previous experience in railroad commission work, having served on the commission in 1901 and 1902.

If you believe in electing a man to this important office who will give the people a "Square Deal," and one who thoroughly understands a commissioner's duty from past experience, I earnestly solicit your support and vote.

Yours respectfully,
A. N. Hamilton
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C. C. LOUCKS

I hereby announce my candidacy for the republican nomination for re-election as district attorney, sixth judicial district, subject to the action of the republican voters at the coming primary election, April 17, 1908.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
G. W. Phelps

I hereby announce my candidacy for the re-nomination, at the primary election to be held April 17, 1908, for sheriff.

FOR SHERIFF.
T. D. Taylor
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.
Frank Saling
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.
Geo. W. Bradley
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
Horace Walker
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for the nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
A. H. Sunderman

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Democratic nomination, at the coming primary election, to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
J. Hudemann

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for the office of County Commissioner, subject to the approval of the people at the primaries, April 17.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
Joe Bailey

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination by the democratic party, at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY RECORDER.
John Q. Peebler

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.
Frank K. Welles
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

RECORDER OF CONVEYANCES.
Fred W. Hendley
(Present incumbent.)

Candidate for the nomination by the republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY RECORDER.
Chas. E. Macomber

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

FOR COUNTY CORONER.
Ralph Folsom
(Present incumbent.)

Chas. W. Wall

Hereby announces his candidacy for the nomination of

COUNTY CORONER,
at the Republican primary election, to be held April 17, 1908.

W. R. ELLIS FOR CONGRESS.

Present Incumbent and an Eastern Oregon Man.

The following abstract from the official vote of the primaries of April 20, 1906, shows the relative strength of the congressional candidates in their home counties. This is the supreme test of a man's standing in any community, and is more eloquent than words.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Marion County—James Withycombe (of Benton county)	1734 votes
Marion County—T. T. Geer (of Marion county)	1209 votes
Union County—Withycombe	497 votes
Union County—Geer	332 votes

FOR GOVERNOR AND CONGRESS.

Umatilla County—T. T. Geer, for governor	483 votes
Umatilla County—W. R. Ellis, for congress	1207 votes
Union County—T. T. Geer, for governor	332 votes
Union County—W. R. Ellis, for congress	506 votes

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