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NEAL CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

ANNOUNCES PLATFORM AND SOLICITS SUPPORT

Declares Familiarity With Duties of Office and Position With Reference to Upholding Laws of State and Nation.

James P. Neal, well known attorney of Freewater, is in the city today and issued his formal announcement of his candidacy for the office of district attorney for the sixth judicial district to succeed Sam E. Van Vactor, the present incumbent, whose appointive term expires this year. With his announcement Mr. Neal states the platform upon which he bases his hopes of election. His formal statement follows:

To the Republican Voters of Umatilla and Morrow Counties:

It is my desire to announce myself at this time, as being a candidate for the nomination for the office of district attorney for the sixth judicial district in the state of Oregon at the primary nominating election to be held on the 19th day of April, 1912.

The duties attendant upon the office are not unknown to me as I have been more or less acquainted with the work incumbent upon the holder of such office for a number of years, both from personal experience in connection therewith and from a close personal observation of the matters which are to be considered in connection with it. For several months I acted as deputy in the office of the prosecuting attorney for

Madison county, Indiana, and as such officer I had charge of all the work in one section of such county and represented the state in the trial of a great many cases. Since coming to Oregon almost four years ago I have been very much interested in the affairs of the district attorney's office and have endeavored to keep in touch with the work done there and the methods to be pursued in the accomplishment of the purposes of the office.

There are two branches of work which come under the supervision of the office and both are of great importance. First the work connected with the prosecution of criminal cases and second the work of acting as legal advisor to the members of the county court and other county officers and the conducting of the legal work for the county.

In connection with the first division and the work connected therewith I wish to say that I am in favor of the strict enforcement of the state laws and I believe that such enforcement should be accomplished impartially, fearlessly and with absolute freedom from partisan or personal prejudice. If I am nominated and elected it will be my purpose and aim to devote my entire time and my best efforts to the work of the office and I will endeavor to see that all criminal matters receive the most careful consideration so that the facts may be given to the court and jury without any touch of influence which might be prejudicial to the interests of justice.

As to the work coming under the second division I wish to say that for almost three years I have served the city of Freewater as city attorney. I realize that the work in a small city is not in any wise so extensive or difficult as the work which would have to be considered in connection with the work of a county and its officials but in many ways it is identical and my work with the city officials, covering as it has the matter of street improvements, taxes, a bond issue and the advisory work along various lines, has given me a proper foundation for the work which I might be called upon to consider in connection with the work of the county court and that of the county officials. If nominated and elected my office will at all times be accessible to the members of the county court, to all county officials and to all the people of the sixth district, and I will endeavor to furnish any and all advice called for promptly to the best of my ability and strictly in accord with the statutes as interpreted by the courts.

Politically, I am a republican, a progressive republican, and I have worked for the success of the party consistently at all times. I believe in the principles of popular government and I feel that the methods used under the Oregon system are the best so far presented for safeguarding the interests and rights of the electors. It may be that at some future time some improvements may be made but the present system has accomplished much for the good of the people and should be upheld and approved.

Trusting that the voters of the sixth district will see their way clear to give my candidacy their favorable support and consideration and asking them to remember that by so doing they are giving their support to a progressive republican, one who believes in the realness and efficiency of the working principles of popular government as tested under the Oregon system, and that they are voting for the strict and impartial enforcement of the laws of the state of Oregon, I am

Yours for republican success,
JAMES P. NEAL,
Candidate for District Attorney for the Sixth Judicial District.

MUST MARRY FOR MONEY.

Terre Haute, Ind.—Because the will of their grandfather, Francis L. Drake, leaving them an estate of \$12,000 provided that they must each marry and become parents before they can share in the bequest. Hazel and Elmer Yeager, children of a wealthy Vigo county family, brought suit here to set aside the will. They allege their grandfather was of unsound mind.

Newsy Notes of Pendleton

Enforces Screening of Ditches.

E. F. Averill, deputy game warden, left this morning for the west end of the county where he will inspect irrigation ditches to the end of enforcing the law ordering such ditches screened for the protection of fish.

Birch Creek Ranch Sold.

J. W. Bush, through his agent, E. T. Wade, has sold to Julius Guderian his Birch creek ranch consisting of 380 acres. The price is not given, but it is known that it runs up into the thousands.

Wife is Untrue; Wants Divorce.

J. W. Dixon has commenced suit against his wife, Mary Dixon, whom he married in Olympia in 1907, alleging in his complaint that since Dec. 1, 1911, the defendant has been immorally cohabiting with Horn Daniels in this city. He asks for the custody of their two-year-old daughter, Pearl. J. P. Neal is attorney for Mr. Dixon.

Blind News Seller is Sued.

Suit was commenced today against Walter Courter, the blind news seller, the complaint alleging that he is \$235.55 in arrears to the Journal Publishing company of Portland for papers purchased. The account has been transferred by the company to Macdonald Potts who is bringing suit through Cole & Cole of Portland and Lowell & Winter of this city.

Sues to Collect Notes.

Robert L. Moore has commenced suit against the Milton-Freewater & Hudson Bay Irrigation company for the collection of notes aggregating \$1227.10 alleged to have been executed by the defendant and now past due. F. B. Sharpstein and C. C. Gose of Walla Walla are the plaintiff's attorneys.

Paving Waits on Weather.

T. F. Mahoney, representative of Warren Bros., who secured the contract for the paving of Alta, Cottonwood and Webb streets, is in the city and declares his company will start paving operations here just as soon as the weather settles. He states that all preliminary work has been done so that there will be no unnecessary delay once the plant is started.

Tickets Sell For \$1.50.

Owing to a typographical error yesterday, it was made to appear that tickets for the annual library ball are selling at one dollar, when, as a matter of fact, the club ladies are charging one dollar and a half. The tickets are being sold by a committee and are also on sale at the Pendleton and Tallman drug stores and so far the ladies are encouraged by the interest taken in their attempt to raise money for the library.

Leaves For Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Moorhouse left today for Los Angeles where Mr. Moorhouse will assist Roy Raley and J. H. Gwynn in putting on a wild west show. Mr. Moorhouse also hopes to improve his health by a sojourn in the sunny south. Mrs. Clark Nelson and Mrs. Roy Alexander will leave Saturday for Portland from which city they will sail for Los Angeles to join the Moorhouses for a month.

Joe Bohl Severely Burned.

Joe Bohl, local manager of the Ford Automobile agency in this city, was severely burned this morning when some gasoline in his shop became ignited and flashed up. He was cleaning some new, modern machinery which he has just installed and when he lighted a match to make a closer examination of one of the parts of the machine, the gasoline took fire and burned his right hand and arm up to the elbow. He secured medical attention immediately and his suffering was relieved.

Circuit Court Finishes Term.

When the jury in the George Miller company vs. S. E. and Sadie Walton trial brought in its verdict yesterday, the extra term of court was

brought to a close, the only other case set for trial, that of Frank Spinning vs. S. E. and Sadie Walton, having been settled out of court. The jury in the trial yesterday gave the plaintiff a verdict for \$28.37, just the amount which the defendants had offered to pay before the trial.

Circulating Judge's Petition.

Major Lee Moorhouse is today circulating a petition among local republicans for signatures to the nominating petition of Chief Justice Robert Eakin of the state supreme court. The petition is being quite liberally signed.

Back from California.

Mr. and Mrs. Will S. Ferguson returned yesterday from southern California where they went several weeks ago. They found the warm climate intolerable and did not remain as long as they had intended.

TO BEAUTIFY ROUND-UP PARK

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dirt for the track, is being leveled off and will be surfaced and planted to grass seed. The southwest corner and plots back of the east bleachers have already been surfaced and sewed to bluegrass and serve as an indication of the appearance of the whole park when it has been treated likewise. Surface dirt is also being put upon the curves of the track in order to improve that speedway and make it the best quarter mile track on the coast.

The large area between the track and the Indian village grounds is being partly filled in order to give more room for horsemen at the next show. Other work that is now being done or which will be done before the 1912 Round-Up include the painting of the grandstand, the construction of an arch entrance, the building of a twenty-foot cinder driveway leading about the entire park, the construction of additional bleachers on the northeast side of the track, the enlargement of the corrals and paddocks, the installation of another row of boxes in the grandstand, the seeding of the arena and a considerable number of minor improvements.

The Ultimate Park.

However, the work which is being done this year is but a small part of that which is contemplated. The city has already purchased a piece of land just east of the enclosed area and may purchase still more. The association already owns a piece of land extending 130 feet west of their west fence and several hundred feet south of the north fence and this together with the tract to the east of the park will be included within the park. The water to which the ground is entitled will be taken from the river near the Ladow property and will be piped down Court street to the park. There it will empty into irrigation ditches and will be run in both directions around the park to give life to the extensive lawns and shrubbery contemplated. It is the present intention to form an artificial lake just north of the Indian bleachers into which one of the irrigation ditches will flow, while farther west a swimming pool of large proportions is contemplated. Fountains will be interspersed frequently about the park and many other methods of beautifying will be employed.

Will Be Lasting Monument.

The purpose for which the directors are working is the construction of a lasting monument to the Round-Up should it ever cease to exist as a local institution. Inasmuch as the show is a municipal affair and not designed to make money for the stockholders, the directors are of the opinion that the profits of the annual shows can not be more beneficially disposed of than in providing a city park second to none in the country, the size of the city considered. They point out that a park on the scale planned by them is almost an impossibility for a small city which must rely wholly upon taxation for its revenue and for that reason they believe their action will be commended by every person in the community.

JERRY RUSK SAYS HE IS IN RACE TO STAY

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Signed, "JOHN P. RUSK."

GERMANS EXCITED OVER BRITON MINISTER'S VISIT

Berlin, Feb. 8.—Serious complications today are expected to follow the visit of Lord Haldane, British minister of war, and Admiral Lord Charles Beresford. It is believed they intend to ask the kaiser to discharge Bertrand Stewart, who was convicted of espionage.

If the kaiser grants the request, the act will meet with a general protest, as the Germans believe Stewart got off easy.

England Denies Significance.

London, Feb. 8.—Official denial that Lord Haldane's trip to Berlin had any political significance, has been made by the foreign office. The denials, however, receive slight credence.

It is firmly believed that the visit affects England's foreign policy, as regards Germany, and that of the subjects to be taken up, will be the rectification of mistakes in the survey of the Anglo-German frontier in America. This will make an opening

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for the discussion of the Stewart matter.

Gives Life to Save Dog.

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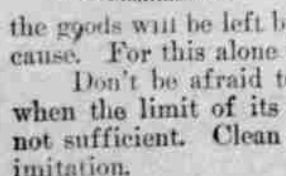
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