



TIME EXPIRES FOR FILING PETITIONS

A Brief Resume of the Political Situation in Coos County.

BANDON LEADS IN REGISTRATIONS

The time for filing nominating petitions expired Wednesday, the first of April and the registrations closed Tuesday night.

Among those who have filed their petitions with the formalities required by law are the following: for county clerk, James Watson, republican is the only candidate. For surveyor, A. N. Gould, republican and at present deputy surveyor under Cathcart, is the solitary aspirant for the position.

In the field for representative, are George N. Farrin of Marshfield, Major L. D. Kinney of North Bend, and Fred N. Perkins, of Bandon, republicans, and R. E. L. Bedillion, democrat of Bandon. This promises to be a lively contest both in the primaries and in the election in June.

For senator from Coos and Curry counties, W. C. Chase is the only candidate to file a petition. Mr. Chase who is the present representative from Coos county, is candidate for the republican nomination. R. D. Hume, of Rogue river has announced his candidacy as an independent for the same office, and while the primaries will be uneventful in this position, the election will bring out a good campaign, as both men have a large and influential following.

Joint representative for Coos and Curry counties presents a rather peculiar condition of affairs. Col. I. N. Muncy of Gold Beach is the only candidate to file his petition in due form for the job, although Ed Rackleff of Langlois, present incumbent and Ed Jensen of Port Orford, both circulated petitions all over the republican end. The two latter gentlemen will ask their friends to write in their names. No democrat has come out for any legislative office with the single exception of Mr. Bedillion. Mr. Rackleff is the only republican candidate on record in support of Statement No. 1.

E. Huckendorff, Prosper, Levi, Smith, Marshfield, A. M. Snyder, Myrtle Point and John Perrot of Coquille are candidates before the republican primaries for sheriff and W. W. Gage, the present sheriff and Cal W. Wright of Marshfield, deputy game warden, seek nomination on the democratic ticket. This looks like another good contest both before and after primary time.

County treasurer J. B. Dulley seeks the nomination to succeed himself on the republican side and M. R. Lee will oppose him in the primaries, and J. J. Lamb is the sole democrat in the field for the honor.

N. C. Medley of Bandon, and K. Hansen of Gravel Ford are opponents for the republican nomination for assessor. T. J. Thrift, the present assessor and Sol Ulver of Bandon are candidates for the democratic nomination for the office.

No democrat has appeared for county school superintendent. Robert Goetz and W. H. Bunch are aspirants on the republican side and it is believed a close contest is on for the office.

For county commissioner W. T. Dement of Myrtle Point, M. J. Krantz of Dora, Geo. S. Davis of Norway, H. F. Wilcox of Fairview and J. A. Davenport of Coquille desire to go in as republicans and I. T. Weekly of Gravel Ford will represent democracy in the contest.

Registrations closed with a fair showing, Bandon leading all other precincts by a big majority, having approximately 500 registrations. Voters who have not registered will be allowed to swear themselves in at the polls, with six freeholders, registered voters, as witnesses.

Sewell C. Smith, who has been employed at Coty's mill since its start, left last Friday morning for Portland and valley points.

Launching at Price's Shipyard.

The launching of the steamer Daisy is announced for April 30th. Miss Erma Craine will christen the good ship, which is the first vessel to be completed by Price's Yard since its re-establishment in Bandon. It is planned to have the full Bandon Band to furnish music, and a brief period of oratory upon the occasion.

The public will be invited and a feast of the best to eat and drink will be served in Craine's Hotel by the owners and builders of the new ship. A grand ball will be given in the evening at the Oriental, for which complimentary tickets will be distributed. The City Council will be asked to declare a special holiday for the occasion, and it is expected that all industrial enterprises in the city will close for the day in honor of the event.

Major Tower, customs house officer for this District, has already completed inspection of the ship; he returned to the bay last week.

S. P. to Start Work.

A report from a seemingly reliable source is received to the effect that a large army of men and teams will begin work grading the Coos Bay-Drain railroad April 1st or as soon thereafter as weather conditions will permit. Several additional loads of steel bridge material have been unloaded at Drain this week. At present there is enough material on the ground to build over one-half the way. If the S. P. people can build a road bed as fast as Jim Hill can, we may expect to ride out of Coos Bay on a first-class train and eat Thanksgiving dinner with relatives in the interior. But we are not building air castles.—Coos Bay Harbor.

Charter Re-vision.

The City Council, at their last meeting, decided to make another try at the charter and are acting promptly. They appointed a committee to consider the matter and to revise the proposed charter if necessary. The committee consists of John Felner, R. E. L. Bedillion, E. Dyer, C. R. Wade, Geo. P. Topping and E. M. Gallier. The measure will probably be re-submitted to a vote shortly after the next municipal election.

Pensions for Bandonians.

According to the latest dispatches to the Oregonian from Washington, increases in pension to \$20.00 for C. E. Covell and \$12 for A. M. Sumner have been granted. Other Coos and Curry men and the amounts they will get are as follows:

Wm W. Glanville, Port Orford, \$15.00; John F. Burgess, Coquille, \$12.00; John N. Shahn, Marshfield, \$12.00; O. L. Cole, North Bend, \$12.00; John Porter, Allegany, \$12.00; D. W. Small, Marshfield, \$15.00.

He Got What He Needed

"Nine years ago it looked as if my time had come," says Mr. Farthing of Mill Creek, Okla. "I was so run down that life hung on a very slender thread. It was then my druggist recommended Electric Bitters. I bought a bottle and I got what I needed—strength. I had one foot in the grave, but Electric Bitters put me back on the turf again, and I've been well ever since." Sold under guarantee at C. Y. Lowe's drug store. 50c.

Salem, Or., March 27.—The case of J. K. Sears and District Attorney J. H. McNary, as relator for the state of Oregon, plaintiffs, vs F. I. Dunbar, former Secretary of State, for an accounting and for the recovery of certain fees collected by him during his two terms of office, was decided by Judge Galloway today in favor of the state. In his decision, Judge Galloway orders Dunbar to pay back to the state \$103,926.41. Dunbar will appeal.

A Twenty Year Sufferer

"I have just completed a twenty year health sentence imposed by Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which cured me of bleeding piles just twenty years ago," writes O. S. Woolever, of LeRaysville, N. Y. Bucklen's Arnica Salve heals the worst sores, boils, buras, wounds and cuts in the shortest time. 25c at C. Y. Lowe's drug store.

ROOSEVELT AND THE PEOPLE

Why He Should be Re-elected President of the Nation.

FRANK H. WORCROSS' EXPRESSION.

This paper, submitted in competition with hundreds of others, was awarded the prize of \$1,000 offered by the Hon. Jonathan Bourne, United States Senator from Oregon, for the best argument in support of certain propositions, which he laid down, to the effect that Theodore Roosevelt should and would be selected and elected for a second elective term.

The assertion that "the sovereign people and not Theodore Roosevelt, the individual and public servant, will decide who shall be his successor," is so manifest that it will not admit of argument to the contrary. The views of the President are entitled to most respectful consideration, but they are not necessarily conclusive, even where the question is whether he shall succeed himself.

The position of the President regarding his own candidacy is well known. Immediately following the election in 1904 he issued a statement to the people, which statement he reiterated on the 11th of December last, upon the occasion of the call of the Republican National Committee for the convention at Chicago. That statement is as follows:

"I am deeply sensible of the honor done me by the American people in thus expressing their confidence in what I have done and have tried to do. I appreciate to the full the solemn responsibility this confidence imposes upon me and I shall do all that in my power lies not to forfeit it. On the 4th of March next, I shall have served three and a half years, and these three and a half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the President to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination."

There is no reason why he foregoing announcement should be accepted by the American people as conclusive simply because it comes from Mr. Roosevelt. If there is room for a difference of opinion as to fact or reason, or both, the good judgment of the whole people must be, and is, decisive.

The only custom that prevails in this country regarding the terms of office of our Presidents applies to elective terms. The President, unquestionably does not come within the letter of this custom. If the custom is to undergo modification, Mr. Roosevelt certainly has not the right to all the say regarding that modification. Doubtless, when Mr. Roosevelt issued the foregoing statement, he was prompted more or less by modesty. For him to insist, however, that the views therein expressed are conclusive would be the height of arrogance. It is probably the fact that the people do not care for any innovations upon the custom in question. The great mass of the American people are well pleased with the administration of President Roosevelt. They want him for two elective terms, and they have the right to say whether his re-election will be a violation of a custom of debatable wisdom. Mr. Roosevelt has never been an advocate of short measure in any of his dealings with the people. There is neither reason nor consistency in his saying now that the people shall accept three and a-half years as a full term when they are entitled to four. The citizens of this country are always entitled to the full bushel of wheat. If, in order to obtain it, they must take it heaped and running over, who will object, unless it be those who, for personal reasons, do not want the people to have all that is coming to them?

The only reason offered by the President why he will not again become a candidate is that it will violate the "substance" of the custom. To insist upon such a conclusion, in

view of all the facts to be considered, would place "his own personal desires or egotistical opinions paramount to the combined wishes and intelligence of the Republican party and the electorate of the nation." As a matter of fact, the people will not have had the substance of two administrations of President Roosevelt at the close of his present term. To prove this, all that is necessary is to quote from the language of the President and cite a little recent history. In that dark hour of universal sorrow following immediately upon the death of our beloved President McKinley, Vice President Roosevelt was notified of the President's death by the members of Mr. McKinley's Cabinet, then present in Buffalo, and advised to at once take the oath of office as President. The reply of the then Vice President is significant:

"I shall take the oath at once, in accordance with your request and in this hour of deep and terrible national bereavement, I wish to state that it shall be my aim to continue absolutely unbroken the policy of President McKinley for the peace and prosperity and honor of our beloved country."

This declaration quieted the fears of the people, that there might be a change in the policy of the administration, the uncertain nature of which would have a tendency to upset, to a greater or less extent, the financial and commercial interests of the country. In line with his solemn declaration, the President requested the members of McKinley's Cabinet to remain at the head of their respective departments and constitute his official family, as they had constituted his predecessor's. This invitation was accepted. What Mr. Roosevelt is pleased to call his first term was, in reality, the second term of President McKinley. By Theodore Roosevelt, acting in a capacity similar to that of an administrator with the will annexed. It may be conceded that during those three and a half years the people obtained some intimation of the character of administration Mr. Roosevelt would inaugurate, should he be elected President, and thus become free to carry out his own policies. As a matter of fact, however, he never lost sight of his declaration, made in all solemnity at Buffalo, "to carry out absolutely unbroken the policy of President McKinley." How, then, can his re-election violate the substance any more than it does the form of the custom? It violates neither.

If the great mass of the American people, regardless of party affiliation, desire that the President succeed himself, and I believe they do, unquestionably, it would be folly for them to regard the statement of Mr. Roosevelt as conclusive. The office of President of the United States is so exalted, and its administration so affects the welfare of all, that the people will never concede that a citizen can refuse to accept it when tendered.

Mr. Roosevelt, however, has not declared that he will decline the office should he receive the electorate vote of the nation. We need not fear that he would think of refusing it. He is too good a soldier and too patriotic an American to refuse to obey the command of the people to stay in the harness until he finishes the good work he has inaugurated.

If the American people will stop to think for a moment, they will realize that, "barring death or serious illness, President Roosevelt must and will be selected and elected for a second elective term." The people are with him in the great work he has undertaken. They have the utmost faith in his honesty of purpose. They appreciate his transcendent ability to deal with the great problems now confronting the state. They realize his courage, his initiative, his vast experience, his tremendous capacity for effective work. They believe in his purpose to enforce the law impartially, without respect to person, wealth or station. They have an abiding faith in the ultimate good that will result to this nation from his persistent campaign against legal and moral wrong doing. They comprehend the value of having such a man as Chief Executive.

No other man has such a hold upon the confidence of the people. No other man can gain such confidence without years of trial. The people know what Roosevelt is; they do not know what some other man may become. The policies of Roosevelt are in course of execution.

Few, at this time, have reached ultimate conclusion. To place another man at the head of this government, would mean, for some time to come, delay, uncertainty, if not possible disappointment, in the successful carrying out of the problems of government the President has essayed to solve.

For President Roosevelt to be permitted to give up the reins of government at the end of his first elective term because of such illogical and paltry reasons as have been offered, against the wish of the great mass of the people, in the present condition of governmental affairs would be worse than folly.

There is but one logical and reasonable thing to do under the circumstances, and that is for the Republican national convention at Chicago to nominate Mr. Roosevelt as the choice of the Republican party for President. It might not be so logical, but it would be the sensible thing for the Democratic convention to take a similar course. If Mr. Roosevelt feels that he cannot consistently accept another nomination, the people will not insist that he do so. They will, however, insist that he be on hand when the time comes for his inauguration.

Death Was On His Heels

Jesse P. Morris, of Skippers, Va., had a close call call in the spring of 1906. He says: "An attack of pneumonia left me so weak and with such a fearful cough that my friends declared consumption had me, and death was on my heels. Then I was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It helped me immediately, and after taking two and a half bottles I was a well man again. I found out that New Discovery is the best remedy for coughs and lung disease in all the world." Sold under guarantee at C. Y. Lowe's drug store. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

MAJ. MCKINNEY WILL SPEAK

Major L. D. Kinney, candidate for Representative from Coos County will address the voters of Bandon and vicinity to-night on the vital issues and questions of the day. He will outline the policy to be pursued by him if elected and will state his position on all public matters. The Major is a first class speaker and will entertain you well. The address will commence at 8:30 sharp in the City Hall.

Willard's Boat Launched.

The launch Wolverine, built at Max Timmerman's yard in this city, was placed in the water today. She is 61 feet long, 10 feet beam, and 4 feet depth of hold and has a 50-horse power gasoline engine. G. R. Willard and E. D. Stuller are the owners of the new craft that was built for the passenger trade on the Coquille river, between Bandon and the county seat, which distance she is supposed to cover twice daily. The Wolverine is a new type of boat for these waters. She has a compromise stern and lines that should make her speedy. So soon as the engines are running smoothly and the weather is favorable, she will be taken around to the Coquille river to enter her commission.—Times

School Notes

Jessie Wood is absent from school today on account of sickness.

Rittie McNair is absent today on account of her mother's illness.

The basket ball team played very interesting game with the town team last Friday evening, which resulted in a tie.

Miss Murphy reports that one of her pupils back today, who has been ill the past week.

Mrs. Yoe reports a larger attendance this week than usual.

Miss Hall has accepted Miss Collier's position as teacher of the third grade, Miss Collier having resigned last week.

The examinations taken at the end of last week closed the seventh month of school, leaving two months more before school will close.

EBBA WIREN

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RESPECTFULLY,
O. A. Trowbridge