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THE CANDIDATE.

Much jesting is indulged in at the expense of the candidate for office but to those of us who have passed through the initiatory ceremony and realize his position, our very heart and soul goes out in tenderest sympathy for him.

When a man consents to become a candidate he uncovers his whole life and becomes a prey to the beasts of the field and the vultures of the air in unfriendly criticism, and not infrequently charges are laid against him of which he never dreamed.

He is expected to lead the battle for party principles and notwithstanding the noble fight he is making in behalf of those principles, is sometimes knifed by the leaders of the party through a spirit of petty jealousy.

If defeat comes to him he must realize that the party was not made for himself and friends alone, but whether on the band wagon when it comes in on the home stretch, or trailing in the rear with the mourners, he must take his medicine like a philosopher.

When a man sits down and sulks in the political harness he doesn't know how soon his action may come back to slap him in the face, nor how hard a mule can kick. If we are not mistaken, there is a gentleman over in eastern Oregon, who, if not neatly Geered, can furnish ample proof of this assertion after the primary election.

It pays a man to be a candidate at least once in his life, for he learns more of human nature in one short pilgrimage than could be pounded into his cranium in one whole year at school. Many amusing things, as well as the disgusting, come under his observation. We remember, on one occasion, a candidate, in the goodness of his heart, furnished oranges for the ladies and children when the speaking was over.

The disgusting feature comes when, after having made an honorable canvass, he comes to the close feeling a sense of gratification in the thought that his trials are about over to wake up in the morning to find some vile slander floating in the air when too late to refute it.

If there ever was a time when a man appreciates friendship of the real true genuine sort it is when he is a candidate for office.

GROWTH OF POWER.

The trend of our government is unmistakably toward centralization of power in the national government. This in fact has been the tendency ever since the adoption of the Federal constitution.

Jefferson found his ideals of government in the ancient Greek republics. He failed to see, or did not clearly see that these republics ultimately perished, mainly because they had failed to erect and maintain a strong central government embracing all Greek states and nationalizing the Greek people.

He never accepted the constitution as the organic creation of a nation, but rather as a mere compact between sovereign states. Later, and more specifically he taught that any party to this compact might withdraw from it without let or hindrance.

The Jeffersonian view of government was too purely idealistic to be enduring. Had it been accepted by the American people we had long since, and in all probability would have become a lot of petty sovereignties warring with one another and the prey of any strong enemy from without.

The effort and purpose on all hands now is to strengthen the national government. This is done not by amending the constitution but by the legislative branch of the government exercising power it always had but which heretofore it never saw occasion for putting forth.

But the several states have not had their rights and powers diminished. On the contrary these are now better understood and more generally asserted and exercised than heretofore.

The results of this centralization of power are that both the central government and the state governments never were more powerful and beneficent than they now are.

How far this centralization of power may be carried we may not foresee, but we have demonstrated to ourselves and to the world the admirable flexibility and comprehensiveness of our constitutions.

It is this that warrants the belief that "the fathers builded better than they knew," and induces us to assert that the people may obtain every necessary right and power through the operation of these constitutions without amending them.

EXPERIMENTS AT OAC.

Work Being Done on College Farm of Great Interest to Farmers.

Experiments that will ultimately result in great benefit to farmers of the Willamette Valley are at present being carefully conducted at the college. We are indebted to the Barometer for the information which follows concerning this work:

Perhaps one of the most important of the experiments contemplated or under way, is the one with corn. The object of this experiment will be to develop a hardy, early maturing variety of corn that will produce grain under the climatic conditions of the Willamette Valley. From an

agricultural standpoint one of the great drawbacks to our state at the present time is that corn will not ripen and mature here. Excellent corn can be grown for fodder, but so far all attempts to produce the grain have been failures. It is by no means an impossible task to breed a corn that will flourish in the Willamette Valley. The problem will be to develop a hardy variety that will adapt itself to our peculiar climatic conditions.

Another intensely interesting undertaking is the wheat breeding experiment which was begun last fall, when selected seed from about one hundred varieties of wheat was planted. The seed from these plantings will form the foundation stock for the wheat breeding trials. From these hundred varieties those will be selected which have the highest and most uniform yield and which have the best adaptability to soil and climatic conditions. From these superior varieties a number of individual plants will be selected according to their merits. These plants will be selected in the field before harvest. The heads of these selected plants will be carefully examined and compared in the laboratory and the best grains or seeds will be selected from each head of each variety. These seeds will be planted in head rows, in triplicate. Then from the best yielding head rows and from the plants of best quality and adaptability in each row will be selected the following year's breeding seed and thus in a few years seed can be developed which will be better adapted to soil and climatic conditions and which will produce much larger yields. Large crops of this superior wheat will then be raised and distributed to the farmers throughout the state.

A similar extensive trial of some two hundred varieties of vetch seed will be undertaken this year. The object will be to determine which varieties are best suited to this valley, and to breed up and increase the yield.

A selection and breeding experiment with kale will also be undertaken. Heretofore nothing has been done in Oregon along these lines with this most valuable crop. Indeed, many farmers have been in the habit of sending to Europe each year for their kale seed. There is no reason why Oregon should not produce just as good if not better kale seed than England or Germany and this experiment will most likely furnish ample proof of Oregon's superiority as a producer of kale.

Experiments will also be conducted with the growth of other crops suitable for winter dairy feed; and experiments will be carried on to determine the value of irrigation in the Willamette Valley, and the experiments begun some years ago with short and long rotation of crops will be continued.

A valuable part of the college farm has been set aside for the new dairy barn and for the new poultry plant, the higher, better drained portions being given over to these new buildings. It is hoped, however, to put the remaining part of the farm in better shape for experimental work by installing a thorough drainage system.

Notice.

On and after the first of March, 1908, all bills due this Company for electric lights and power must be paid at their office. All bills are due on the first of the month and delinquent on the fifteenth when service will be disconnected without any further notice, and there will be a charge of 50 cents to connect it up again.

You must make arrangements at the Company's office with the Manager for any extensions of payments or changes in rates.

No one else has any authority to make or change any rule of this Company.

Customers moving from a residence where the services has been ordered, should notify the Company at once, so this time can be placed to their credit, otherwise the full month will be charged.

Yours truly,

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CO., 20-23 By B. M. Atkins, Mgr.

The Elite Millinery

New Exhibition of Millinery, commencing Friday, March 6

An endless Variety of new Ready to Wear and Trimmed Hats, such as "Merry Widow Sailors" and French Sailors in all prevailing colors, the largest stock of Millinery ever shown in this city. We are now getting together a large showing of Hats for street wear. We employ an expert trimmer but it costs you no more than if made by a novice. We are here to please and it requires good workmanship to please in the Millinery world. See our goods, get our prices and you will find we show style, quality and workmanship at the same price.

Come to our store Friday and you will find an endless variety of fashionable head wear for ladies and misses at as low prices as can be put up in good style by any firm in the Valley.

And don't forget the furnishings for Ladies, a complete showing of new 1908 Lawn Waists just received. They are new and a glance at styles and price will convince you this is the place to buy waists.

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Millinery! Millinery!

The OLD RELIABLE Millinery

Has a new hat for every woman and girl in Benton county. Prices down to bedrock. We trim our own hats and do not charge this up in the price of the finished article. Complete stock up to the minute in style. Call and see my goods, and get prices.

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LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled, for in the Corvallis postoffice, for the week ending Feb. 22, 1908: Emil Albrecht, J. H. Duffy, N. Jasper Huff, Miss Florence Humphrey, Mrs. Fannie Jennings, M. Hodges (hop grower), M. Hodges, J. E. Taylor, Mrs. James Wimee.

B. W. JOHNSON, P. M.

Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, October 22, 1907. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Mrs. Bertha Jorgenson of Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement, No. 7603, for the purchase of the Northwest quarter of Section No. 32, in Township No. 10 South, Range No. 5 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 25th day of April, 1908. She names as witnesses: Mrs. Minnie Mack of Monmouth, Oregon; Mr. Will Mack of Monmouth, Oregon; Mr. J. C. Olson of Corvallis, Oregon; Mrs. J. C. Olson of Corvallis, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 25th day of April, 1908.

AGNES S. DRESNER, Register.

Portland and Return, Only \$3.50.

The Southern Pacific Company and Corvallis & Eastern Railway are selling round trip tickets to Portland from Corvallis for \$3.50, good going on any train Saturday or Sunday either via Albany or west side and good returning either via Albany or west side, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. R. C. LINVILLE, Agent.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been appointed executrix of the last will and testament of R. C. Kiger, deceased, by the County Court of Benton County, State of Oregon. All persons having claims against the estate of said R. C. Kiger, deceased, are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof, to the undersigned at her residence in Corvallis, Oregon, or at the office of McFadden & Bryson, Attorneys, in Corvallis, Oregon. Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 25th day of January, 1908. MABEL J. KIGER, Executrix of the last will and testament of R. C. Kiger, deceased.

The GAZETTE for Job Work.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of Benton county, Oregon her final account as administratrix of the estate of C. H. Lee, deceased, and that Monday, the 24th day of February, 1908, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon of said day has been fixed and appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of said account and for the settlement thereof. All persons interested and desiring to object thereto are notified to file their objections thereto in writing with the Clerk of said Court and appear at said time and place. As administratrix of the Estate of C. H. Lee, deceased.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court for the State of Oregon for Benton County. Della Head, Applicant and Plaintiff

vs. Hannah Rowland, Polly Mitchell, heirs-at-law of Lucetta Hallock, deceased, Sara H. Strahan, Cladie Strahan, Faye Lewis, Henry Lewis, and S. Strahan, deceased, and Henry Lewis, and "All whom it may concern," Defendants. In the matter of the application of Della Head to register the title to the following described real property: The original D. L. C. of Heman S. Hallock and Lucretia Hallock, his wife, being Claim No. 59, being parts of Secs. 4 and 9 in Township 11, South, Range 6 West of the Willamette Meridian Benton county, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Sec 4 and running thence north 28 minutes east 40 chains, thence west 27 chains and 50 links, thence south 44 chains and 60 links, thence north 20 deg. and 24 min West 23 chains and 25 links, thence south 26 chains and 25 links, thence east 60 chs. and 25 links, and thence north 25 chains to the place of beginning in the tract of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Or., and containing 339 acres and 20-100 of an acre.

To Hannah Rowland, Polly Mitchell, Sara H. Strahan, Faye Lewis, Henry Lewis, and "All whom it may concern"—Defendants.

In the name of the State of Oregon you and each of you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint and application filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 21st day of February, 1908, and date being six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons. The first publication of this summons being on the 19th day of January, 1908, and the last publication thereof being on the 21st day of February, 1908, if you fail so to answer for want thereof, the plaintiff and applicant will apply to the Court for the relief demanded and prayed for in said complaint and application, to-wit: for a decree declaring, determining and adjudging that the defendants and each of them, and "All whom it may concern" have no estate, right, title or interest in and to the following described real property: The original D. L. C. of Heman S. Hallock and Lucretia Hallock, his wife, being Claim No. 59, being parts of Secs. 4 and 9 in Township 11, South, Range 6 West of the Willamette Meridian, Benton county, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of said Sec 4 and running thence north 28 minutes east 40 chains, thence west 27 chains and 50 links, thence south 44 chains and 60 links, thence north 20 deg. and 24 min West 23 chains and 25 links, thence south 26 chains and 25 links, thence east 60 chs. and 25 links, and thence north 25 chains to the place of beginning in the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Oregon, and containing 339 acres and 20-100 of an acre, at law or in equity, in possession, expectancy, reversion or remainder and that you and each of you be forever concluded, enjoined and debarred from asserting any claim whatsoever at all in or to said real property adverse to the plaintiff and applicant; that the Court by such decree find and declare the title or interest of the applicant in the said real property and decree that she is the sole and only owner and person who has an interest in said land as in the application prayed for, and further by such decree order the Registrar of titles in aid for the county of Benton and State of Oregon to register the title to said property as found by the decree of said Court and for such order and further relief as the Court may deem just and equitable, in the premises.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof by order of Honorable E. Woodward, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton county made on the 4th day of January, 1908, directing publication thereof once a week for six consecutive and successive weeks in the Corvallis Gazette, said Corvallis Gazette being a newspaper of general circulation and published weekly at Corvallis, Benton county, State of Oregon. First publication January 19, 1908. J. F. YATES, Attorney for Plaintiff and Applicant

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