

Candidates' Announcements

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of county assessor of Morrow county, subject to the will of the republican county convention.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Morrow County Republican Convention is hereby called to meet at the county court house, Heppner, at 10:30 a. m., on Saturday, April 7, 1900, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for county officers and to elect delegates to represent Morrow county at the Republican State Convention to be held in Portland April 12.

The primaries of Morrow county will be held at 2 p. m., Saturday, March 31. The apportionment of delegates to the County Convention will be based on the vote for Governor Geer, one delegate at large for each precinct and one for every 15 voters or fraction over half.

Table listing precincts and delegates: Heppner 9, Mount Vernon 7, Gentry 4, Lone 3, Cecil 2, Lexington 2, Dairy 6, Pine City 2, Dry Fork 3, Eight Mile 2, Matteson 2, Wells Springs 1, Alpine 1, Lena 3.

Total 49. E. R. HUNLOCK, R. F. HYND, Secretary, Chairman.

GIVE UP THE CASH.

The U. S. treasury has a barrel of money paid into it by people of the Heppner Hills who were charged \$2.50 an acre for their lands. The justice of refunding half of this money to the men who were thus over-charged, is freely admitted.

The thing for congress to do is to refund and do so at once, or give the overcharged people scrip with which to locate other lands. Common justice demands prompt action in this matter, and the congressman who opposes it is an enemy to common honesty.

A JUST MEASURE.

Congressman Tongue has introduced a bill that ought to pass. It provides that men who served with the volunteers or regulars against hostile Indians in any of the wars since 1855 shall receive rewards in the shape of a certificate entitling them to take free 160 acres of government land. The bill extends the privilege to each and every person, whether commissioned or noncommissioned officer, musician or private, whether of the regulars, volunteers, rangers or militia, who were regularly mustered into the service of the United States, or whether of the militia, volunteers, or state troops of any state or territory, called into the military service and regularly mustered therein and whose services have been paid by the United States, including wagonmasters and teamsters who have been employed under the direction of competent authority in time of war in the transportation of military stores and supplies, who have served for a period of not less than 14 days in any Indian wars in which the United States have been engaged since March 3, 1855, and prior to April 12, 1861, shall receive a certificate or warrant for 160 acres of land as a bounty.

If this bill becomes a law there are many pioneers of the northwest who will receive some tardy benefits from it.

PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITIES.

The most significant feature of the meeting of the Democratic National Committee in Washington was the power exercised by Ex-Senator Gorman. It was his influence that knocked out the plan, fathered by Mr. Bryan, of holding the democratic convention in advance of the republican convention, and it was also his influence that caused Kansas City to be chosen for the convention, after Milwaukee seemed to have a cinch. Mr. Gorman is one of the slickest and most slippery politicians in the country, and there is very little doubt that he will keep Mr. Bryan out of the nomination, if he can find a way to do it.

Ex-Senator Edmunds put a quick stop to the report that he would join the so-called anti-imperialists in supporting Bryan, by saying: "It is absurd to think I would vote for Bryan under any circumstances. I agree with Senator Hoar that however much we may differ with what seems to be the republican Philippine policy, it will be impossible to support Bryan. He stands for so many things that are antagonistic to republican principles that I would trust my own party before I would join him. We must take the average of things and not be influenced by a single fact."

THE COURTS.

Judge Lowell and District Attorney Bass came to Heppner Monday, and will come again for a jury term in May. The following cases in equity were disposed of this trip:

L. N. Sargent vs. Foster Adams; decided in favor of plaintiff.

Mrs. Mary E. Cantwell was granted a divorce from John T. Cantwell.

County court is still in session on commissioner business. In probate, the business done has been as follows:

In the matter of the estate of Nelson Jones, deceased, an order was issued declaring the estate settled, with a dividend of 2 per cent to the creditors, and allowing a compensation of \$521.73 to the administrator, James Jones, for services in full. The administrator was discharged and his bondsmen exonerated.

O. E. Farnsworth, administrator of the estate of Frank Oigoibeech, filed his semi-annual report showing cash received \$567.17, and \$9 paid out to the three appraisers.

In the matter of the bankruptcy case of D. W. Horner, Alex Sweek, commissioner, came up Tuesday night and the hearing is now in progress at the office of Ellis & Phelps.

THE LATE E. V. SMALLEY.

A Truthful Tribute From a Co-Worker Who Knew Him Well.

E. V. Smalley, whose recent sudden death was such a shock to the thousands of readers who loved to follow his work, was one of the most interesting writers on earth. He was broad and liberal-minded, graphic and interesting, always sensible, and always a gentleman.

As editor of the Northwest Magazine he did more than any dozen men to make the great natural resources of the Pacific Northwest known to the world. The natural grandeur, the romance and reality of this vast region were set forth by Mr. Smalley with pen and picture, and his work was always well done. One of his co-workers on the beautiful Northwest Magazine pays him the following truthful tribute:

"Now the tired brain is at rest. Though he laid down his pen just when his powers were ripest—just when the sun of his influence was at its zenith, he yet had crowded into his life more work than is usually compassed by busy age. His loved magazine will go on, pursuing its old-time course, going to its old-time friends, and striving earnestly to exercise its old-time influence for good, but the hand that founded it, and the mind that illuminated its pages for so many years, have gone to take up a new mission on the other side of life's divide."

WALKEEN MILLER.

This famous poet, prospector, frontiersman and naturalist will lecture in Heppner opera house Friday evening, March 10 for the benefit of the Heppner High school. It will not be a dry lecture. Miller is a bright man and near to nature. He has been everywhere and absorbed endless ideas. You will hear spoken words of wisdom and poetry and common sense.

MASONIC MATTERS.

Three Teams Take Degrees in Heppner.

Heppner Chapter No. 26, Royal Arch Masons, is full of activity this week. E. E. Sharon, Acting High Priest, and J. W. Rowland, Acting Principal Sojourner, arrived from Portland Tuesday night, and the work of initiating nine candidates has been going on for two days. The proceedings will close tonight with a grand banquet at the Palace Hotel.

The following gentlemen took the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Excellent Master, and Royal Arch Mason: Geo. E. Whiteis, Jacob Wells, Oscar Schaefer, F. J. Habelt, J. W. Becket, Vawter Crawford, R. F. Munroe, Geo. Perry and T. D. Mathews.

SHEEP SALES.

Several sheep-buyers from Montana, Idaho and Wyoming have arrived in Heppner this week, and most of them have departed without buying. They seemed to consider the asking price of sheep as too high. There have been rumors of some sales around Heppner at \$2.50 for mixed yearlings, but it is generally understood that buyers and sellers are apart about 25 cents a head.

George Gray has returned from a long buying trip extending clear to Antelope. He says he bought several lots of mixed yearlings at \$2.50, but found a general tendency to hold yearling ewes.

Mr. Bunce, a buyer from Landers, Wyoming, on coming here this week said he would pay \$2.50 for yearlings mixed half and half, but no more. He bought 10,000 here two years ago, and George Gray trailed them through with a loss of only 133. It took 5 1/2 months, and average losses on such trips were calculated at 300.

At Prineville, W. W. Brown, of Fife, has sold to Colonel M. C. Nye, of Prineville, 1800 head of yearling wethers at \$2.25 per head—delivery to be made after shearing.

Ready for Spring.

The cattle outfits and sheep outfits and horse outfits and prospecting outfits that will rig out in Heppner in the spring so soon to be here, will surprise the natives. And the town will be ready for them. They can get any kind of goods they want here for mountain or plain. And one of the surprises they will find here will be the stacks and cords of saddles, harness and all kinds of horse furniture that George Noble has been making and piling up all winter. It is immense.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

Lager de Slapjack, March 6.—When the hoseback mail came in copies of the Heppner Geest were distributed and Dick Neville's campaign poetry was read aloud at the end of each company street in the Boer camp. Col. Cracker-jack waved it aloft in the direction of Gen. Bullrush's camp, and said he just wished for about a dozen kegs of the beer whose praises were so well sung. Boers are retreating.

London, March 7.—Lord Roberts telegraphs from Osofontein:

Enemy in full retreat toward north and east. Being closely followed by cavalry, horse artillery and mounted infantry, while Tucker's and other divisions are making their way across the river at Poylar's Drift. Our casualties will be few, as the enemy were quite unprepared for being attacked by a flank movement, and having their communications with Bloemfontein threatened.

Debtors, Cape Colony, March 4.—Gen. Brabant's Colonial division after a night march is now attacking the Boers in a strong position at La Boshagne's Nek, on the road from Dordrecht to Jamestown.

Later—The engagement is proceeding with great vigor, and the Boers are gradually retiring before the British shell fire from three positions. A heavy rifle fire is being exchanged where the British are engaging the Boers on the right flank. So far the Boers have had no big guns in action.

Evening—Gen. Brabant's advance today was most satisfactory. After marching and bivouacking over night, the force reached the strong, entrenched positions, which they occupied and now hold, the Boers being on the opposite hill.

The British will remain tonight in the captured positions, although the Boers brought two guns into action and made determined efforts to retake them. The British losses are six killed and 18 wounded.

Lady Smith was Enthusiastic.

The enthusiasm of the garrison and inhabitants of the beleaguered town was intense when the relieving column entered. Men left the hospitals, and even the women and children went forth to greet the newcomers. It was noticeable, however, that the latter were the most demonstrative, cheering the women and children whom they were proud to have saved.

The garrison could have held out until April 1, though rations had been reduced to the minimum. The men of the garrison will require a rest, and the horses are much wasted.

The correspondent paid a high tribute to the courage and heroism of the women. Never a complaint was heard from them, in spite of their unexampled privations, and their endurance and courage were beyond praise.

Sad sights were often witnessed when the spare rations were being drawn. Children would pathetically seek milk for their sick mothers. The women and children numbered 500. Though there was much sickness arising from the horse meat diet and the absence of farinaceous food, the epidemic period was safely passed. Dr. Jameson is suffering from typhoid fever.

Stringing Bees.

Durban, March 2.—Correspondents from Ladysmith say that the relief came quite unexpectedly. At noon on Tuesday the firing of Buller's army seemed to recede instead of approach, and the garrison was depressed.

Everybody was startled to hear the garrison's 4.7 gun firing. It had not been used much of late, owing to diminishing ammunition. On hurrying out, it was found that the Boers were trying to remove the big gun on Bulwana by the erection of a derrick. This proved that something extraordinary was happening. The other garrison guns then directed their fire on Bulwana, with the result that the Boers were compelled to abandon the attempt with the derrick. Later on, they placed the gun on a wagon, which capsized in a donga.

During the afternoon, when the Boers were seen approaching, the British resumed shelling of Bulwana. At 4 o'clock a terrific thunder storm broke over the town, just after a message had been telegraphed from Wagon Hill that the Boers were in full retreat. Other officers said they believed they could desert British cavalry, but most people supposed that the wish was father to the thought.

As soon as the storm ceased, the British guns resumed on Bulwana, gradually concentrating the fire on the left and driving the Boers before them with the object of preventing the enemy from hampering any British approach. An hour later a party of British horsemen could be seen crossing the flat, below Bulwana, at a distance of some miles. It is impossible to describe the excitement and enthusiasm among the troops that followed. Most of the townspeople had been driven into the houses by the storm, and did not learn the good news until later.

The storm broke out again in the evening, and continued until 2 o'clock next morning. It must have seriously hampered the retreating Boers. The British gunners kept a sharp watch to prevent any further attempt to remove the Bulwana guns. The British naval gun was fired at intervals through the night, and in the morning a force was sent out to look after the gun and to occupy Bulwana.

Lord Daudonald's force went after the retreating Boers while 4000 of the best men of the garrison went toward Elaad's Laagte, in the hope of being able to cut off the enemy.

March Mixed.

Osofontein, March 2.—Forage for horses is almost unobtainable. The whereabouts of the enemy is not exactly known, but the mobile commandos are hovering around our army. We anticipate opposition at Abraham's Kraal, 30 miles east of Paardeberg, where General Jonbert is reported collecting a force from the whole of the Ladysmith forces with the Northeasters Free Staters.

Blanket Bargains advertisement. Features a wreath logo and lists prices for various types of blankets and comforts. Includes text: 'Regardless of the fact that everything in the line of Blankets and Comforts has advanced from... Twenty-five per cent to Thirty-three and one-third we will continue to sell at our present low prices until they are all gone.'

Drugs, Paints, Oils, Jewelry, Stationery advertisement. Features a cow illustration. Text: 'The largest and best selected stock in Morrow county. A fine stock to select from. The very latest. CONSER & WARREN. Fresh Meats: Salt and Smoked Meats, Pure Rendered Leaf Lard, Fish every Friday. Liberty Market. Highest price paid for fat Stock. Bock & Mathews, Proprietors. Heppner, Oregon.'

J. H. Bode, Tailor advertisement. Text: 'Has established a shop in the former Palace Hotel sample room, and will be pleased to have those desirous of first-class work call upon him. A thorough Berlin, Germany, tailor. Everything guaranteed. For Winter Wear M. LICHTENTHAL, The Pioneer Boot and Shoe Dealer of Heppner, has Overshoes, Rubbers, Boots and Shoes. Coming—A big Stock of Spring and Summer Goods. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED IN EVERY PARTICULAR. Old Stand, Main Street. Repairing a Specialty.'

MINOR & CO. advertisement. Text: 'Agents for Butterick's Patterns. President Steyn arrived at the Boer camp at Abraham's Kraal on the morning of February 27 and harangued the burghers, exhorting them to remember Masjuba and to deliver Cronje. Boer Forces. A private letter from the Transvaal received at Heppner by Dutch Billy, says that the Boer Republics, on January 15, had issued altogether 46,500 identification cards to Boers in the field. The writer of the letter claims that these figures represented the total federated forces at that time. Riots and Fights. Cape Town, Mar 6.—At Graff-Reynot, about 200 miles north of Port Elizabeth, some 70 Dutchmen, incited by bondites, attacked with sticks and stones a body of loyalists who were celebrating the relief of Ladysmith. Many persons were injured. The loyalists demanded military protection. A similar riot occurred at Stellenbosch, about 25 miles east of Cape Town. The rebels of Griqualand, reinforced by 600 Dutch farmers from the Prieska district, occupied Kenard, 100 miles west of Prieska, after a sharp conflict with the Kaffirs, and are now marching southward on Van Wyck's Vlei, where there are grain stores. Will Have Hands Full. Portland, Mar. 6.—Joe Reed, war correspondent of the Tomahawk, cables from the front: The Boers cannot place more than 40,000 men to oppose Lord Roberts, except by a complete abandonment of Natal. Without that, the Boers must keep two strong rear guards, one at the crests of the Free-State passes and the other at Biggardeburg. General Buller is between them and can threaten either at his discretion. He can, therefore, compel them to keep a disproportionate force on the two lines, or leave one or the other open to his advance. Tried to Escape. The Boer prisoners, while on the way from Paardeberg, unsuccessfully attempted to escape from the train. Eleven hundred of Cronje's men have been placed temporarily on board the British steamer Mongolian and Mailla, in Table Bay. Among the Boers. Bloemfontein, March 2.—The federals have resolved to abandon territory around Renaburg, and the retreat has been effected under the protection of mounted burghers. President Kruger is issuing a stirring address to the burghers in Natal, who are falling back on Biggardeburg. The President will return to Pretoria Sunday. He regrets to learn that Billy Stewart, of the Heppner bills, is against him, but is glad to know that Bob Dexter and the rest of Skinner fork and Dipping Vat canyon are cheering for the Boers.

THE MORROW COUNTY LAND AND TRUST COMPANY advertisement. Text: 'O. E. FARNSWORTH, PRESIDENT. R. F. HYND, SECRETARY AND MANAGER. Is always in the field for Business, and extends all modern advantages to the farmer and the stockman. Its warehouse is located right on the railroad at Heppner. It handles WOOL AND GRAIN and engages in Storage and Forwarding. The Wool Growers' Warehouse. Owned and operated by the Wool Growers of Morrow County. Highest Cash Price Paid for Hides and Pelts. Agents for Black Leaf Tobacco Dip and Little's Fluid Dip. The only reliable prepared dips on the market. Feed and Seed Grain always on hand. Wool Sacks at cost to patrons. Advances made on Wool and Grain in Store.'

Parker's Hair Balm advertisement. Text: 'PARKER'S HAIR BALM. Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes a luxuriant growth. Restores falling or discolored hair to its youthful color. Cures itching humors & dandruff. Sold by Druggists. Price 25c and 50c per Bottle. CONSUMPTION. The following subjects at the M. E. church next Sunday: "The Truth" at 11 a. m., "The new man of the 20th Century" at 7 p. m. A. Abrahamsick Merchant Tailor. Pioneer Tailor of Heppner. His work first-class and satisfactory. Give him a call May Street. PISO'S CURE FOR GOUTS WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Lough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by Druggists. CONSUMPTION.'

Gilliam & Bisbee advertisement. Text: 'GILLIAM & BISBEE. You can save it by trading with COMPLETE LINE. Of Heavy and Shelf Hardware, Graniteware, Tinware, Agricultural Implements, Wagons, Hacks, Etc., Paints and Oils (the best in the world). Crockery and Glassware. Give us the cash and you can get as good and as many goods from us as you can get laid down in Heppner from anywhere. This we guarantee. Remember. It will soon be time to kill squirrels. Go to Ed. R. Bishop's. And get a 22 rifle and set the kids to work. One killed now means a dozen later on. Stevens, Winchester, Remington, Marlin and Phoenix kept in stock. The Phoenix Sure Shot 22 is safe for women and children. Also steel Traps galore.'