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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

- W. J. FURNISH, Governor; J. L. DUNBAR, State; PHAS S. MOORE, Supreme Judge; R. S. BEAN, Attorney General; A. M. CRAWFORD, State Printer; J. K. WHITNEY, Superintendent Public Instruction; J. H. ACKERMAN, District; J. N. WILLIAMSON, Congressman; J. W. SURBER, Joint Senator; W. D. PHELPS, Joint Representative; MORROW COUNTY: For Sheriff, F. M. SHUTT; For Clerk, VARTER CRAWFORD; For Assessor, W. H. SALLING; For Commissioner, JOHN WILLIAMS; For Treasurer, MAT LICHTENTHAL; For Surveyor, JOHN F. ROYSE; For Coroner, F. B. KISTNER.

Williamson will poll the biggest vote ever known in the history of Eastern Oregon.

The Republican canvass by the county candidates will be commenced in Morrow county at Lena precinct on Monday, May 12.

Business men all over the state are supporting Mr. Furnish for governor. He is a successful and reliable business man and the people have confidence in him.

All voters who believe in republican principles should make an effort to elect the legislative ticket. The election of a United States Senator is of great importance.

The registration books will close next Thursday, and still a great many voters have not registered in Morrow county. The privilege of voting is a question in which every good citizen should be interested.

The Portland Journal is making an awful howl because the Oregonian is supporting Mr. Furnish. A big majority of the voters will be supporting Mr. Furnish along with the Oregonian about the 21 day of June.

The demonstration in the opening of the campaign in this city, Saturday evening was encouraging for the republicans. Williamson's address was full of business, good sense and good judgment, and was received with great applause. Williamson comes direct from the people. The interests of the people in general and his interests have always been closely allied. No man is more competent nor better fitted to serve our interests at Washington than Newt Williamson.

SCHEME TO MONOPOLIZE THE RANGES

Just as it was believed that the fight against the proposed to lease the range lands of the country had been won, news comes from Washington that new effort is being made in behalf of that project. Certain large landholders in the Southwest, who operate upon the open ranges are back of the new movement. They see clearly that unless, through the lease system of some other device, a fresh hold can be got upon the ranges, their monopoly is doomed. Settlers are moving in upon the South-western ranges precisely as upon those of Eastern and Central Oregon; they seek, naturally, the choice watered and sheltered spots, and not so much by their numbers as by their locations, they are "boxing up" the ranges. Appeal, of course, is not made upon this ground, but upon the pretense

that under general competition the ranges are being destroyed, and that only under the lease system, some other looking to a limited use of the ranges, can the value of these lands be preserved. There is, indeed, something in the claim that the ranges are suffering from overgrazing, but the conditions are far from being as serious as the lease promoters have tried to make out; and there is no assurance that better conditions would follow if the lands were turned over to the leaseholders. In many districts the bunchgrass which once monopolized the soil has practically been destroyed, but there has come up in its place other grasses which many believe to be of greater value. The so-called "sheep grass" of Eastern and Central Oregon is distinctly a better stock feed than the coarser bunchgrasses to whose place on the ranges it has measurably succeeded. It has not some of the important merits of the bunchgrass, but it makes more feed to the acre and is, on the whole, better suited to the present uses of the range industry than the more famous original grass. This is the universal testimony of stockmen who do not now depend wholly upon the range to carry their herds through the Winter season. Experience does not support the theory that with the failing of the bunchgrass the ranges become worthless, and there are practical stockmen who would not exchange a range upon which the secondary grasses have become established for the best bunchgrass range.

The objections to leasing the ranges are many. First and foremost, it would tend to prevent the settlement of the country. Lands under lease would practically be beyond the reach of the immigrant. This fact is clearly illustrated by current events in this state. In several parts of Central Oregon which until just now have been open range country, settlers are pouring in and making permanent homes—a thing which manifestly would not have been under lease. Again, the lease system would in the very nature of things crowd out the small stockman and promote the interest of the large owner. The pretense, of course, is otherwise, but nobody who has observed the operation of government land administration can for one moment doubt that the rich man would find ways to get the advantage of the man of small herd and limited means. If this sort of injustice occurs in the appointment of grazing privileges in the Cascade mountain forest reserve, what could be expected in the contest of wits and resources which would follow if the lands were open for entry under a general leasing system? There can be no serious doubt as to what would happen. The small stock owner would be driven to the wall, for the man with large interests would manage to have the first and best information, and he would find it easy to take up any area he wanted by hiring "dummies" to represent his interests and "hold down" locations for him.

The only claim made for the proposed lease system is that it would preserve the native grasses, but there is no assurance to this end. On the other hand, it is certain that it would postpone the settlement of the range country; that it would immediately injure the range industry; that it would operate for the advantage of the richer as against the poorer stockmen; that it would tend to monopolization of the land. These are reasons enough why the thing should not be done.—Oregonian.

Resolutions of Condolence

Whereas, the county has suffered the loss of one of its most faithful members and officers in the death of Bro. David A. Hamilton, be it Resolved that Whittaker Tuley, No. 42, A. O. U. M. Lodge No. 12, be a worthy Workman and respected citizen and be it Resolved that this lodge extend its sincere sympathy to the widow and family of our deceased brother, and be it Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be placed upon the minutes of the lodge and a copy be printed in the local papers, and that the charter of the lodge be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days. W. L. FERRY, Secy. D. J. S. BERRY, Pres. FRANK ROBERTS, Com.

Prohibition Party Ticket.

- For Governor, A. J. HUNSAKETE, of Yamhill Co.; For Secretary of State, N. A. DAVIS, of Clatsop Co.; For State Treasurer, T. S. McPANTEL, of Multnomah Co.; For Sup't. of Public Instruction, R. W. KELSEY, of Yamhill Co.; For State Printer, W. W. BROOKS, of Multnomah Co.; For Supreme Judge, C. J. BRIGHT, of Wasco Co.; For Attorney General, T. H. GOYNE, of Tillamook Co.; For Congressman, 2d Dist., F. R. SPAULDING, of Wasco Co.; For Joint Representative, JAMES J. ADKINS, of Morrow Co.; For Joint Senator, R. A. COOPER, of Umatilla Co.

COUNTY

- For Sheriff, H. C. GAY; For County Clerk, ELBERT STANTON; For Treasurer, L. W. BRIGGS; For Surveyor, JULIUS KEITHLY; For Assessor, H. M. OLDFEN; For County Commissioner, W. L. MALLORY; For Coroner, J. L. YEAGER.

Deafness Cannot be Cured By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a running or watery ear, which is not cured by local applications, which is nothing but an immediate irritation of the mucous surface. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Remedy, free.

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The Belvedere. FINEST WINES, LIQUORS & CIGARS. One hundred empty barrels for sale. Five hundred barrels of extra fine older vinegar on tap. FRANK ROBERTS, Prop.

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