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HEPPNER, OREGON, THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1910

THINGS POLITICAL ARE MOVING

Thirty Initiative Petitions Are Listed for No- vember Election.

To date, 30 initiative petitions from every section of the state are assured. These measures, if adopted, will slice the southern and a part of the eastern section of the state into many pieces, will authorize woman suffrage and create a new normal school.

Although present incumbents of all the state offices are signifying intention to succeed themselves, many new candidates have appeared in the field. Among the avowed candidates for Governor are: James Withycombe, of Corvallis, defeated in 1906 for that office by Senator Coamberlain; J H Ackerman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Jay Bowerman, of Gilliam county, president of the Senate in the last assembly of the Legislature, and Grant Dimick, of Oregon City, who has been making an active campaign throughout the state for some months. It is rumored in Salem that Dr. Andrew C. Smith, of Portland, is aspiring for the Governorship, also Willis S Duniway, State printer. In any event, the voters will have for their consideration at next election, unless some unforeseen changes are made, at least five names to select from for chief executive of the state.

Frank W Benson, of Roseburg, Governor and Secretary of State, will probably succeed himself as Secretary, and will have no opposition unless it be true that J B Coffey, of Portland, will make a contest.

A new man for State Treasurer has been receiving notice in Salem in the person of Tom Mahoney, of Heppner. Mr. Mahoney was a member of the House of Representatives during the last Legislature and is a prominent banker and business man in Heppner. His announcement has not been made yet. He was chairman of the banking committee and an active member of the committees on irrigation and insurance at the last session. Other candidates, including the present incumbent of the Treasurer's office, George A Steel, are: T C Taylor, of Umatilla county, and Ralph W Hoyt, of Multnomah County.

It is generally understood in political circles of Salem that W C Hawley, of Marion County, and W R Ellis, of Umatilla, desire to succeed themselves as Congressmen. B F Mulkey, District Attorney of Jackson County, is talked of as an opponent of Hawley, and Congressman Ellis may be opposed by J F Logan of Multnomah County. C L McNary, of Marion County, is mentioned as a probable candidate for Congress also.—Salem cor. Telegram.

M. E. Church, South.

Sunday school at 10 a. m. The entire evening service will be devoted to the Eworth League. The subject being, the Woman's Missionary Movement. Mr. P O Borg will tell of his travels in the Orient. There will be general discussion. The public is invited. E P Warren, psoter.

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WOOL MARKET AT STANDSTILL

Clean Clip of Wool and Best Quality for Years.

Shearing in Morrow county is now practically completed and the clips are being hauled to the warehouses. The shearing season has been unusually favorable and the wool in general is of better quality and cleaner than for a number of years. In fact, the heavy wools in the Columbia river basin are lighter and cleaner than ever known.

The clip of Morrow county this year is estimated at 2,500,000 pounds. This is somewhat lighter than last season. The extremely light shrinkage and extra quality of wool here is attributed to two influences. First, the winter was severe and the growers were forced to keep sheep in the corrals and feed them. Being well fed, the sheep came through the winter in better condition than usual when the ranges are depended upon for part of winter keeping.

The second influence was the fact that when winter broke spring came on with warm weather without any severe storms, and grass was unusually early and good.

Now, with the extra quality of wool and the wool growers always ready to meet the buyer on a fair basis the condition in Morrow county presents a peculiar appearance. No sales or offers are recorded. There is a deadlock between the grower and buyer which cannot be explained. The Boston market indicates sales of Oregon staple at 62 to 63 cents on a scoured basis, while the London market warrants a much better

price. Three months ago it was openly published that the Oregon staple had all been cleared up and warehouses were empty.

The present Boston quotations would indicate a price of only 14 to 15 cents in the grease in the local market.

The growers here have handled and fed their sheep on a 20-cent basis. A long feeding season with very high prices for feed and labor, forest restrictions and a light clip, wool growers feel that a price of only from 14 to 15 cents for one of the finest clips of wool that was ever grown here, is adding a burden not to be lightly looked upon.

In fact, the growers are going to make a strong effort to get what they believe their wool is worth. At this time growers are not forced to sell, and a movement is already under way to pool a great consignment to be handled at the National Woolgrowers' warehouse in Chicago.

The president of the Morrow County Woolgrowers association has called a meeting to be held in Heppner on May 28 for the purpose of taking up matters pertaining to the wool situation.

INTEREST FOR BETTER ROADS

M. O. Eldridge and Judge Webster Lecture on Road Building.

Maurice O. Eldridge of the United States Department of Agriculture and Judge Lionel Webster of Portland lectured here on good roads Friday evening. From the interest evinced by the big crowd present that greeted the speakers it would seem that Morrow county citizens are awakening to the realization of the necessity of better roads. Long study has familiarized Mr. Eldridge with the benefits that will result from better highways. He is a practical road builder and is thoroughly conversant with all of the methods of modern road making. He carries an extensive collection of slides showing roads all over the world, as well as views from almost every state in the union. During his brief stay here he showed how macadam and dirt roads were built, also the necessary machinery for proper road construction.

Judge Webster of the Oregon Good Roads association talked on the business end of roadbuilding and told how to get good roads in a short time without excessive taxation. Judge Webster advocated first an amendment to the constitution giving each county the privilege, if so desired by the voters of the county, to bond the property interests of the county in order to raise funds with which to improve the highways. Judge Webster's argument showing the absolute necessity of this procedure in order to get immediate results was well received here.

He advocated the creation of state highway commission to direct and systematize the work of road building throughout the state. He also dwelt at some length upon the question of convict labor in building roads, advocating both the use of convicts and county and city jail inmates to be used in the work. He impressed his audience with the necessity of organization and advocated local organizations in every county as branches of the state organization, each association to elect representatives and

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have a meeting where plans can be discussed for the aid of needed legislation for the improvement of the highways.

Murder in First Degree.

"Murdr in the first degree," was the indictment brought in by the Grant county grand jury Tuesday afternoon against Emmitt Shields, Earl Shields, Ben Hinton and Albert Green, says the Blue Mountain Eagle. The sensation of the day was the indictment for the same crime which was brought in against Deputy Sheriff Joseph H Caseday. About noon Tuesday Deputy Sheriff W. W Howell and Herbert Powell left the court house, armed with a warrant of arrest for Caseday. He showed considerable emotion when arrested. He was locked up with the other prisoners.

It is alleged in the indictment that these are the parties, who, on the night of December 25, 1909, shot and killed Oliver Snyder.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Services for Sunday, May 29. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Epworth League devotional meeting in the

church basement, 7 p m. There will be no service at 11 a. m., the congregation will go to hear the Memorial sermon in the Baptist church. Preaching at 8 p m by the pastor, Walter L. Airheart. Subject: "The Problem of Life and its solution."

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Union Memorial Services.

Union memorial services will be held at the Baptist church on Sunday, May 29.

Notice to Woolgrowers.

There will be a special meeting of the Morrow County Woolgrowers' association in Heppner, on Saturday, May 28, at 2 o'clock p. m. All members are requested to be present to help in the transaction of important business.

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