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BOTTOM DROPPING OUT!

Democratic Statement Legislative Ticket Loses J. A. Chapman.

DECLARES FOR CAKE

Makes Public Statement in Defense of Primary Law --- Approves Course of A. T. Buxton.

With democratic breezes and a high Chamberlain wind kissing its sails, the political pirate ship, the "Disgruntler," chartered by the Washington County Democratic Machine set sail from Hillsboro some two weeks ago for a peaceful voyage to Victory's harbor. Since the hour of its departure, the craft has been tossed upon tempestuous seas and raging billows have again and again swept her decks, but the most recent mishap, however, is the occurrence of a mutiny on board which is destined to bring destruction to the ship.

There are no words of condemnation for the brave sailor who finding himself on board a pirate ship openly declines to continue sailing under an ill-omened flag and who with patriotic zeal leaves the ship and reaches shore to pledge his fidelity to his country and his party.

In every age and in every clime, moral courage has been admired as one of the great civic virtues and the name of J. A. Chapman will live henceforth in the political annals of the county because he possessed the courage to stand true to his convictions and to cling steadfastly to Republican principles and ideals.

Determined to beat the Republican nominees at the polls, the Democratic bosses to the utter disgust and rebellion of the rank and file of honest Democrats and Independents decided not to put out a county ticket but to make a still hunt fight for the legislative ticket.

The News' simple expose of the political farce enacted at Hillsboro some time since by the Democratic bosses of the county is in some degree responsible for the awakening of voters and candidates to the real issues of the campaign. When the mask of non-partisanship is torn from the motley political gathering which met at the county seat on April 24, the devices of the Democratic machine are revealed in all their hideousness and the last supreme effort of the "Democratic Bosses" to prevent the triumph of Republican principles is completely brought to naught.

The position of Mr. Chapman is unequivocally set forth in a letter to J. W. Connell, chairman of the Republican County Central Committee. The communication is self-explanatory and is as follows:

Sherwood, Oregon, May 4, 1908.
Mr. J. W. Connell,
Chairman County Central Committee,
Hillsboro, Oregon.

Dear Sir:
After due deliberation I have declined to accept the nomination for Representative, given me by the mass meeting Convention, and I wish to say to the Republican voters through you that, while I appreciated the unsought honor conferred, nevertheless I am a member of the Republican party and a firm believer in the principles thereof, and as such participated in the Primary election, the law prescribing the method of nominating candidates for all political parties, and had I wished to become a candidate for the Legislature I, as Austin Buxton, Master of the State Grange, said in his public statement, would have complied with the provisions thereof, letting the people decide whether or not I was wanted as a candidate. All the Republican candidates have complied with the provisions of this law and are entitled to support, and I pledge to them my most hearty support, and will advise all my friends to do the same. By so doing I trust I may be aiding the election of Hon. H. M. Cake as United States Senator, and materially increasing party unity and strength in this county.
(Signed) J. A. CHAPMAN.

L. M. Porter of Dille, recently sold the Paul Ward property containing 20 acres and situated near the Carl Tupper place, one-half mile from Forest Grove, to Harvey Baldwin of this city. The place has nine acres in hops, an orchard and all the land is tillable.

J. W. H. Adkins Returned Home.

Judge J. W. H. Adkins, of Gales Creek, returned home, yesterday, from a sojourn of seven months in his native state, "Old Missouri." He went there to settle an estate and to visit his only sister, Mrs. Narcisse Hess, of Richmond, Ray county. It was while there that he noticed an article reprinted in the local papers from Denver (Colorado) Post, relating to the estate of the late Hon. John Sevier, and in tracing his genealogy Judge Adkins ascertained that he was one of the forty or more heirs to the vast estate.

General John Sevier was a patriot of the American revolution, a resident of Knoxville, who for 12 years was governor of the state of Tennessee. He was a soldier and from 1791 to 1800 was brigadier-general. He also became a member of Congress, and served in the First, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Congresses. While in camp during an expedition against the Indians he took suddenly ill and died September 24, 1815, leaving certain valuable assets of his estate in the hands of the United States government.

In a brief recently filed by the administratrix of the estate, in the United States Court of Claims, it is alleged that the estate of John Sevier was administered in 1816, but owing to the unsettled condition of Indian affairs, his administrators were unable to obtain a settlement with the United States government, and for that reason the administration was not closed nor fully settled.

The estate of John Sevier, Sr., consists of grants of land in the state of Tennessee amounting to 134,541 acres, valued at \$6,817,050, and that of John Sevier, Jr., consisting of 30,070 acres, valued at \$1,503,500, or a total valuation of \$8,320,550 with interest at 6 per cent from August 4, 1790.

Esquire Adkins' grandfather was with Daniel Boone when that sturdy pioneer settled in Missouri and during his visit he asserts that he was able to trace his ancestry to the late John Sevier, Jr., and will eventually have a part in the inheritance left by that estate.

Mr. Adkins is 63 years of age and his visit to his native state proved particularly interesting and pleasant after a long absence. He believes that interesting developments will be forthcoming in this case within a month.

To Cruise Tillamook Timber.

Sixty expert cruisers and twelve teams left this morning for Tillamook county to plot and cruise the timber acreage of that county. It appears that the assessors of that county have had a difficult task on their hands to assess timber lands and that the owners have, at times, refused to pay their taxes because the valuations were too high. In an effort to remedy this condition of affairs, C. J. Clement, of Portland, secured the contract to cruise and plot all the timber lands in Tillamook county. Every acre of timber will be cruised and plotted and the data turned over to the county for the use of the assessor, who will thus be enabled to reach a more just valuation. The contract requires that the work be completed in four months and is at seven cents per acre.

Pleasant Reception.

A charming reception was given Tuesday evening at the J. T. Buxton residence in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Augustus N. Kinney who had just returned from their honeymoon trip. The affair was given by Mrs. Buxton and Mrs. A. B. Caples and proved a thoroughly enjoyable social event. The parlor had been beautifully decorated for the occasion with jardiniere of white lilac and narcissus. Dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Mayne Abbott cut the cake and Miss Aiyce Cronin presided at the punch bowl.

The evening was spent in social conversation and the guests took this opportunity to extend their congratulations to the newly wedded couple.

The beautiful wedding presents received by the young people attracted the attention of the guests. Dr. and Mrs. Kinney leave Portland tomorrow for Quebec, Canada, whence they will go to New York to sail for Europe where the doctor will study abroad for several months previous to his return to America. The best wishes of their friends for an enjoyable sojourn abroad and a safe return to Oregon follow Dr. Kinney and his bride.

Remember the Dates.

Baseball games, at Banks, are scheduled as follows: Banks meets Beaverton, Sunday, May 17, and Banks crosses bats with McMinnville on May 10.

Colts Lose to Maroons.

Through a bunch of serious errors, the Forest Grove Colts were haltered by the Holladay Maroons, at the baseball matinee given at the local grounds, Sunday afternoon, and when the nine-inning race was over, the score stood 6 to 5 in favor of the visitors.

The Holladays believe they have a twirling wonder in the box, but he was found by the Colts quite easily. Bodie, Mullen and Broughton wielded the willow in good shape, and for the locals Henderson and Boos did the best batting.

Moore, who alternated with Alexander at the twirling act, pitched in good style. Getter, behind the bat, put up an exceptionally good game.

The line-up follows:
Maroons—Duncomb, c; Broughton, p; Bodie, 1b; Stoops, 2b; Davidson, ss; Donaldson, 3b; Robinson, lf; Mullen, cf; Barnsted, rf. Colts—Getter, c; Alexander-Moore, p; VanBlaricomb, 1b; R. Schultz, 2b; Wilkes, ss; W. Schultz, 3b; Henderson, lf; Moore-Alexander, cf; Boss, rf.

Summary: Struck out, Alexander 5; Moore 4; Broughton 1; hits off, Broughton 10; Alexander 6; Moore 3.

The Woman's Club.

The club will hold its regular meeting next Monday, May 11, at 2:30 p. m. The program will be a very interesting one, the study topic being, "As Others See Us."

There are three amendments to the constitution to be voted on at this meeting.

At the last meeting the club voted "that each member earn fifty cents, turn it into the club treasury, and tell how it was earned." Next Monday afternoon is the time appointed for this purpose, and the ladies are requested to be prepared to tell (in prose or poetry) how their money was earned.

Resolutions.

Whereas there is a measure to be voted upon at the coming election in June, looking to the establishment of the single tax system, and whereas it is felt that this system by exempting a large amount of property from taxation will inevitably increase the burden upon farm property;

Therefore Resolved, by Washington County Pomona Grange representing a large number of property owners and taxpayers of Washington County that we are unalterably opposed to any proposition looking to the exemption of any form of property from the payment of its just and reasonable share of taxation.

Buy Good Horses.

Horse fanciers of this county were in attendance at the horse sale held in Portland last week and several of them took the opportunity to buy some of the well-bred animals offered at auction. J. W. Connell of Hillsboro, purchased Natchez Maid, bay mare, by Senator, 2:26 1/4 for \$155; Terry R, bay gelding, by Love-lace Marion, went to John Connell of Hillsboro, for \$315; Lady Mc, brown mare, to E. E. Lyons also of Hillsboro; Black gelding to J. Connell of Hillsboro, \$135; Lady Isom, chestnut mare, by Pricemont, to George Naylor of Forest Grove, \$205; Alcove, brown gelding, to C. C. Hancock of Cornelius, \$240.

Passed Up Hillsboro.

The Hillsboro Independent remarks: "It is pretty safe to class a circus that will pitch its tent at Forest Grove and make its next stop at Beaverton, a pretty 'bum' affair. Still the management may be shy the price of a license at the county seat."

Hillsboro Grants Franchise.

The Hillsboro city council has granted the Oregon Electric Railway Company a 25-year franchise through that city, with privileges to occupy two blocks on First street for turning cars. The town has required a \$5000 bond from the railway company to be forfeited in case the road is not in operation within six months.

After Hillsboro Saloons.

Another move of the local optionists was the filing of a petition with the county clerk asking that the question of the sale of intoxicating liquors be voted upon in a sub-division consisting of North and South Hillsboro and South Tualatin and West Butte precincts. This is an attempt to drive the saloons out of Hillsboro.

Jack Wright was in attendance at the horse sale in Portland last week.

CAKE IS A SURE WINNER!

FOR A "DRY" CORNELIUS. Renewed Fight Against Saloons to be Made at June Election.

Determined in their efforts to expel the saloons from Cornelius, the temperance voters of that thriving town have decided to unite Cornelius and South Forest Grove precincts so as to bring about the desired end—the expulsion of saloons from the town of Cornelius, as well as the sale of intoxicating liquors throughout the district covered by the two precincts.

The temperance forces believe that in their fight for a "dry" town at Cornelius they have been repeatedly defeated by "boosters." They are out for a square fight in June and expect the assistance of South Forest Grove precinct, which has, in years past, been in favor of local option.

H. G. Fitch, of Cornelius, was in Forest Grove last week and secured a great many signers for the petitions which are being circulated.

The results will be compiled from the election returns in the two precincts when the question of prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors is voted upon throughout the county. In case the county should go "wet," though not at all probable, the total vote of the Cornelius and South Forest Grove precincts might be favorable to prohibition.

Elected State Clerk.

L. J. Corl, of this city, was chosen state clerk of the Modern Woodmen of America convention held at Ashland, yesterday. He will serve for three years.

Mr. S. E. Miller of Portland, one of the early settlers in the vicinity of Forest Grove, was here this week meeting acquaintances of former days. Mr. and Mrs. Miller came to this country nearly 30 years ago and first settled on the property which has since formed a part of Col. Harry Hayne's place on the Cornelius road. Mr. Miller died some years ago and Mrs. Miller, who had not been here for five years, saw many improvements. Her sons were educated at the university and have since won for themselves success in the legal profession. Although 79 years of age, Mrs. Miller is hale and hearty and came unassisted from Portland to Dille where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Porter.

The Domestic Science Department met with Mrs. R. Austin on Tuesday afternoon. A committee was appointed to prepare an outline for a course of study next year. The subject for the day was fish. Mrs. A. T. Buxton gave a demonstration of white sauce and creamed salmon, for which she used salmon of her own canning. How to fry fish was quite generally discussed, as also were several other methods of preparation. After enjoying the refreshments which consisted of the creamed salmon, oyster sandwiches, pickles and coffee, the Department adjourned to meet with Mrs. E. Stewart, Tuesday, May 19. Subject, Green Vegetables.

Herbert Clay Lieser and Miles Underwood Lieser, who were in attendance at the university here some years ago, completed the course offered at the medical department of the University of Oregon and were graduated Monday evening from that institution. The Liesers are from Vancouver, Wash., and Miss Leah Emma Lieser, a student in the conservatory of music, is a sister of the new M. D.'s.

Rev. Philip E. Bauer of Salem, will be in town over Sunday. He preaches in exchange with the pastor of the Congregational Church. Mr. Bauer, a graduate of Pacific University in the year 1897, is always cordially welcomed back to Forest Grove. All his friends here, and they are many, will be glad to see him again and to hear him speak. Sunday evening he is to speak under the auspices of the Congregational Brotherhood.

The committee consisting of H. G. Goff, L. J. Corl and E. W. Haines, who went to Sumpter, to examine the mining property in which Frank T. Kane is interested, have returned and expressed themselves as satisfied with the condition of affairs. It will be remembered that a considerable number of shares were turned over by Mr. Kane to the Haines bank to effect a settlement of the business of that institution.

All Republicans Are Uniting to Approve Administration of Pres. Roosevelt

FULTON OUT FOR CAKE

Portland Telegram Declares Its Support for Cake and Urges All Republicans to Rally.

That H. M. Cake, republican candidate for the U. S. Senate will be elected by an overwhelming majority on June first, there is no doubt. Everything is shaping itself to give Mr. Cake the entire republican vote of Oregon. Senator Fulton, who was defeated by Mr. Cake, has opened up headquarters at the Imperial hotel and will give his support to Mr. Cake. As another indication of Cake's success the Evening Telegram comes out in his support and has the following to say:

A great many Republicans are beginning to ask themselves, "Why should we elect Governor Chamberlain to the United States Senate?"

And to this echo is answering, "Why, indeed!"

There is an overwhelming majority of Republicans in this state. In the ordinary elections they have often, and the Telegram believes wisely, looked to the men without reference to the party brand which they wore. In this way they have disciplined party and at the same time raised the standard of the local public service.

But in the matter of the election of a United States Senator they have presented to them a different problem. There they come in touch with the party of the Nation, the party of Roosevelt, of which they so warmly approve, and the verdict which they render the general public must accept as very largely the judgment of the voters of Oregon upon that administration. Our elections occur at an odd season of the year. We here fire the first gun of the Presidential election. The verdict is made up in advance, so far as the rest of the country is concerned. The Nation knows that the state is overwhelmingly Republican. It likewise knows that the administration of President Roosevelt has here received enthusiastic approval. That administration, disguise it as we will, is now on trial before the country. By the general masses of the people it has been warmly approved; by the corporate and plutocratic interests it is bitterly reviled, and, while little is being done openly, there is deep down a smouldering fire of resentment that cannot be extinguished. For the very reason that the plutocratic forces of the country hate the President, the masses of the people admire and approve him.

If under such circumstances such as these it goes forth that the people of Oregon in June elect a Democrat for United States Senator, the administration receives a blow in the house of its supposed friends that it is conceivable may have a serious effect upon the plans of the friends of the administration and upon the great contest in November following. It must not be forgotten that much quiet work has been done in recent months against the administration. One may see the effect of it upon every hand in every community—the claquers busily engaged in hamstringing Roosevelt, and insiduously undermining the platform of principles which he has been steadily putting forth in his messages and speeches. If a well-known and supposedly safe administration state falls by the wayside in June, the prestige of the administration severely suffers, and no man who honestly faces the question can see it otherwise.

From this standpoint, which is something considerably more than a partisan standpoint, the matter appeals to the Telegram. It believes with heartiness and sincerity in the advanced platform of principles which the President is laying down, in the elimination of special privileges and the equality of opportunity for which the President stands, and to propagate and develop which he has done more than any other man of his generation. It considers this a matter of patriotism, rather than partisanship, and it proposes to do whatever lies within its power to uphold and sustain the man whose very name typifies these modern enlightenment.

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