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CHAMBERLAIN FOR GOVERNOR

OREFON DEMOCRATS SAY HE IS MAN FOR THE PLACE.

Three Other Names Mentioned For The Nomination But Chamberlain's Prospects Considered The Best.

For governor—George E. Chamberlain, democrat.

From present appearances that will be the way democratic state ticket will be headed next election, says the Telegram. It is conceded by a notable majority that District Attorney Chamberlain is as good as nominated right now, and among democrats entertaining this opinion they declare that when he is nominated he will be elected, or will come so close to the gubernatorial chair that his opponent will not know "where he is at" for a month after the ballots have been counted.

Not more than four names are prominently mentioned for governor in the democratic ranks. They are those of Mr. Chamberlain, State Senator Robert D. Inman, State Senator William Smith and E. C. Robinson. With the exception of Smith, of Baker, those mentioned are from Portland. It is unusual for democrats to talk politics for a state office so far in advance of conventions, and it is still more strange that there are actually men desirous of taking the nomination. This is considered as momentous by the sages of the party, for, as a general rule, the nominations have to go a begging, and they are even then accepted only with reluctance. Now, conditions have changed, and there is a strong demand for office, and the objective point is that of governor. So warm has become the contest that the various booms are now "on."

All of the alleged aspirants are known from one end of the state to the other, and so require but little to identify them. Mr. Chamberlain was elected attorney general when the state was going heavily republican, and his run was considered remarkable. At present he is district attorney, with three years of his term ahead of him. Mr. Inman has appeared conspicuously in local politics, although he has never sought a state nomination heretofore. When he ran against the late George P. Frank, for mayor, there were many who believed and declared that the democratic nominee was really elected. When Pennoyer was mayor, Inman was one of his fire commissioners. During the Bryan campaign in 1896, Inman aligned himself with the gold democrats, but put on sackcloth and ashes during Bryan's second campaign. Last year he was nominated for state senator on the citizen's ticket, and was elected. E. C. Robinson was a candidate for mayor, which sums up his political history. Senator Smith, of Baker, was a candidate for congressman last year. He was formerly a populist, and is considered a strong man.

Chamberlain, it is asserted, will receive the nomination, or he would, if the convention were now in session. His popularity exceeds that of the others, and besides he can make great inroads into the republican fort. Inman will probably be named for mayor, for with Chamberlain and Inman on the ticket for those respective places it would be a combination hard to break. Robinson is to be considered a candidate for the nomination in the event that Chamberlain will not accept. Smith's stock is even, because there is a desire to recognize Eastern Oregon in the state government.

While Chamberlain has not publicly announced that he will take the nomination it is rumored that he has intimated to a few close friends that he will not decline. This is corroborated by John Manning, one of Mr. Chamberlain's deputies, who said: "The democrats have a candidate for governor who will make a tremendous run, as he is known throughout the state as an upright and conscientious officer, and one not a rabid partisan. The only man in the republican camp whom he fears

as an opponent is Governor T. T. Geer." Mr. Manning was careful not to disclose the name of this dark horse, but as he is so close to Chamberlain it is obvious to whom he refers, especially since his superior is mentioned for the position.

Democrats are of the opinion that Governor Geer will be re-nominated, as he is entitled to a second recognition at the hands of his party, because he avoided taking sides with either of the republican factions.

Wheeler County Sheep Killed.

Last Sunday night unknown vandals to the number of 10 or 12 rode through a band of sheep belonging to Shown Bros., of Waldron, which were camped near where Rock creek empties into Crooked river in Crook county. As they rode, the lawless gang fired about 100 shots into the sheep, killing five and crippling many others. The herder, R. E. Scott, was awakened by the commotion, and saw the men ride away. Prior to the shooting, a warning notice had been pinned on the herder's tent.

The sheep were on government land, many miles from the so-called forbidden ground of the Beaver creek settlers, and the outrage has aroused great indignation among the sheepmen of central Wheeler county who summer their sheep in that vicinity. The sheepmen have no intention of taking their flocks away from there and are organizing to meet force with force, which they have a legal right to do.

It is probable the end of the affair is not yet.—Fossil Journal.

Grant County Cattle.

When the cattle market opened up during the past spring, the opinion was prevalent among cattle dealers of Grant county and outside sections that all classes of stock would not command the same figure they did last year by at least \$2.00 to \$4.00 per head. Cattlemen hesitate to accept such figures for their stock and for several months the buyers refused to pay more. The conditions, however, have somewhat changed and the prices that prevailed last season are being paid again.

F. Hilbert, of Camas Prairie in Umatilla county, recently brought 100 head of yearling steers in Grant county paying \$20 per head for them.

The Wilmoth brothers, of Ritter, who were here a few weeks ago buying beef, paid as high as \$30 per head for two-year-old steers, which was the prevailing price last year.

There are numerous buyers in the county buying on the basis of \$18 and \$18.50 for yearling steers, but find many growers reluctant to sell at such figures.

The Eagle realizes that cattle are higher here this season than prices in the east will warrant, but from the demand for such stock, growers can secure former figures for all they have for market.—Canyon Eagle.

Head of The Eastern Star.

Mrs. Clara Marsden, worthy grand matron elect of the order of Eastern Star, is the wife of Dr. W. L. Marsden, of Burns, and daughter of Ralph J. Byran, a pioneer mining man of Canyon City, says the Oregonian. She has been connected with the order for six years, and was one of the charter members of Burns chapter, No. 40. She was the first associate matron and second matron of that chapter, and has also served as Ada and conductress. As a Grand Chapter officer she has filled the position of grand Ada and grand conductress and associate grand matron. She was born in Canyon City, educated in San Francisco, and for 10 years has been identified with the welfare of the public schools of Grant and Harney counties. She and her husband are enthusiastic members of the Masonic fraternity, and are untiring in their efforts in behalf of their respective orders. Mrs. Marsden is a decided blonde, and is a very pleasing address.

WILL BE IN OREGON SOON

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO VISIT SEMI-ARID SECTION.

Stockmen Interested in Pasturage on Forest Reserves and Irrigation Should Meet The Gentlemen.

Representative Moody has just received a letter from Hon. F. H. Newell, Chief Hydrographer of the Geological Department at Washington, stating that he, with Gifford Pinchot, chief of the Forestry Bureau, will reach The Dalles about August 1, when they expect to join Mr. Moody on a drive through the semi-arid sections of Eastern Oregon. No itinerary will be fixed until the exact date of their arrival is known. However, the trip contemplated is from The Dalles to Prineville, thence via the headwaters of the Deschutes to Burns, and, if time will permit, on through Malheur county. Mr. Moody will make announcement of the route when it is determined upon, in order that the stockmen interested in pasturage on forest reserves and those interested in the reclamation of arid lands may have an opportunity to meet these gentlemen.

Since they are the heads of the Forestry and Hydrographic Bureaus of the government, and upon whose reports pasturage in forest reserves may be regulated in the future, it is important that all interested in the question should meet these gentlemen. Mr. Newell and Mr. Pinchot both have indicated a desire to meet the woolgrowers of Eastern Oregon, and it is expected a meeting will be called at The Dalles and Prineville when the date of their arrival is known.

Bought Portland Property.

Judge William Miller, of Ontario, district attorney for Grant, Harney and Malheur counties, who has been in the city the past ten days, attending the session of the grand lodge of Masons and looking after some private business at the same time, left for his home, accompanied by his wife and Mrs. Farre, of Canyon City, this morning, says the Evening Telegram of June 19th. So pleased was Judge Miller with the progress Portland has made since his last visit and so satisfied is he of the city's bright future, that he purchased a residence lot, with the expectation of making this city his future home. He will probably erect a handsome residence this fall, but as his term of office does not expire for three years yet, he will not be able to move his family to Portland before the expiration of that time. Judge Miller and his party went by steamer to The Dalles for a view of the magnificent scenery of the Columbia, and from there will complete their journey home over the O. R. & N.

Oregon Counties Join Idaho Wool Growers.

The Idaho Statesman says: At an auction sale of wool at Ontario, Ore., on Monday, over 600,000 pounds was disposed of. The average price was 11 1/2 cents. The clip of Gwin & Isaacs, amounting to 110,000 pounds, was sold at that time.

Immediately after the sale a joint county wool growers' association was formed with Malheur and Harney counties interested. The new organization then in a body joined the Idaho Wool Growers' association.

Will Go South.

Deputy Game Warden Moore, of this city, is planning a tour of Malheur, Harney and Grant counties in the near future. He will visit Ontario and Vale, thence to Burns and the Stei. mountain country, returning home by the way of Canyon City, John Day and the Granite section. The purpose of his travels is to inform himself on the game conditions of the country and to look out for violations of the law. He will also pay close attention to saw mills dumping sawdust into streams.—Baker Democrat.

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