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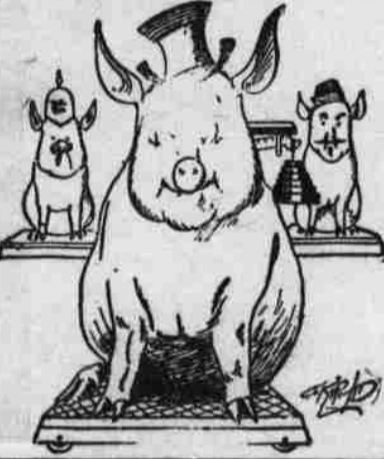
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ON HIS PAST RECORD

Representative Barrett Formally Announces His Candidacy and Takes Statement No. 1 Pledge.

Hon. C. A. Barrett of this city, gives his formal announcement as a candidate for representative, as follows:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for representative in the legislature subject to the choice of the republican primary nomination and promise if nominated and elected to use my best endeavors to represent all the people to my best ability.

I reserve to myself, as well as I concede to others, the right to support whoever I please in the primaries for state and county officers and republican nominees in the general election. I am in sympathy with and believe in the direct primary law and endorse the provisions of statement No. 1, believing that the intent of the primary law is for the people to select their own choice for United States senator.

There are in round numbers some 100,000 voters in this state and the majority selection would necessitate some 50,000 individual voters choosing one person. In that event I would heed the wishes of the majority although such person might not be my individual choice for senator.

I stand upon my former record and having lived in Umatilla county for 35 years, I believe I am fully conversant with the wants of the county and that the people at large may express their choice as best suits them, I submit my candidacy for their consideration.

C. A. Barrett.

Gamblers Fined at Pendleton.

Lester Swaggart, Jesse Sellers and J. A. Ogg of Pendleton, the latter a saloon keeper, pleaded guilty to a charge of gambling and each was fined \$100 in the circuit court.

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OPEN BRANCH STORE

D. B. Jarman of This City Will Engage in the Mercantile Business at Weston.

D. B. Jarman, proprietor of the big Fair department store in this city, will open a branch store at Weston.

Mr. Jarman returned from Weston Wednesday evening, after having made arrangements for a store room and looking after other details preparatory to putting in a stock of goods. He has leased the store room in the bank building, and has secured the services of Jay Gross, the well known Weston salesman, who will have charge of Mr. Jarman's Weston store.

Mrs. Jarman was formerly engaged in business at Weston, and operated a store there in connection with the one here for a number of years. He has many friends in the Normal school town who have been prevailing on him to open a store for some time. Illness in Mr. Jarman's family prevented him from opening the store sooner.

REGARDING NEW POSTAL RULES

Subscriptions More Than a Year in Arrears Must be Discontinued.

The Weston Leader pertinently handles the subscription proposition as follows:

Order No. 907, put into effect January 1, 1908, by the postoffice department, is a wise ruling, designed to protect the public from publishers who persist in sending their papers to subscribers after discontinuance is expressly ordered; and also to protect publishers from their own folly in sending papers year after year to delinquent subscribers in the faint hope that they will "get something sometime."

In brief, Order No. 907 provides that after a reasonable time in which to secure renewals (being one year in the case of weekly papers) subscriptions shall not be counted in the legitimate list of subscribers, and the second-class postage rate of one cent a pound will not apply. Instead the publication must prepay postage at the transient second-class rate, which is practically prohibitive.

The Weston Leader will abide strictly by this regulation. It has no wish to force itself upon unwilling patrons; and it is tired of trusting delinquents more than one year in arrears, by which practice its present publisher has lost upwards of \$8000.

Take notice, therefore, that from and after March 1, 1908, all subscribers one year or more in arrears will positively, without a single exception, be dropped from the list.

We must meet our own obligations in spot cash. In future we expect cash from all our patrons.

ROSE CITY OPENS ITS DOORS

Excursionists Participate in Car Rides, Receptions and Banquet.

With hearty cordiality and good fellowship, Portland threw open her gates Saturday to the Inland Empire excursionists and the response of the invaders proved their deep appreciation. The palatial special train reached the Union depot at 11 o'clock, on schedule time, and the entire day was utilized by the visitors to become better acquainted with the Rose City and its people and to disclose the prosperity of Spokane, Walla Walla and the surrounding country.

"The Inland Empire made Portland. You own the town," was the motto that greeted the excursionists on every side and this spirit prevailed throughout the day. There were automobile and streetcar rides, receptions and a banquet at the Hotel Portland, with speeches that showed the cities represented are separated by distance only.

At the depot there was a large crowd to add its greeting, while placards of welcome were placed at the depot gates and a band played as the visitors left the train. A long line of automobiles was in waiting and there was an hour's spin about the city before luncheon at the Hotel Portland.

At luncheon formal speeches of welcome were made by Governor Chamberlain and Mayor Lane, with a reply from President Goodall of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce. After luncheon six special cars conveyed the party to points of interest. The visitors were especially pleased with the ride to Council Crest, which give an unequalled view of Portland and surrounding country. The return to the hotel was made at 4 o'clock and the time until dinner was served at 7:30 was given over to informal entertainment.

Normal Wins Again.

In the game of basketball between Pearson's academy of Walla Walla and the Weston Normal teams which was played at Walla Walla Friday evening, the normal team won by a score of 16 to 18. The game was a return contest, Weston having won the game two weeks ago also.

ITS M'KINLEY NOW

Oregon's Wiley Land Thief on Way Home From Orient to Face Charges in Court.

Horace G. McKinley, Beau Brummel of the minor Oregon land thieves, faro dealer in China, soldier of fortune and affinity of Little Egypt, will step into the lime light of land fraud publicity once more Monday, April 13, when he will face Judge Wolverton in the United States federal court to be tried by Judge Tracey C. Becker for the crime of forgery, says the Oregon Daily Journal. The court has so decreed.

McKinley is now supposed to be on the trackless wastes of the great Pacific speeding to Portland in charge of a guard to answer for his having run away from the merciful clutch of Mr. Burns and thus avoiding his trial on several pending indictments. It is supposed that he will be in Portland safely tucked away in the county jail by the time the April term of court opens and for this reason Mr. Heney asked that his case be placed first on the docket of the pending cases.

TWENTY-TWO UNTRIED CASES

Tracy C. Becker Will Prosecute the Cases at April Court Term.

Following the conviction of John H. Hall, for conspiracy in connection with fencing lands for the Butte Creek company, it is announced that 22 untried Oregon land fraud cases would be taken up at the April term of the federal court. Tracy C. Becker will conduct the cases for the government with the exception of the Hermann and Williamson cases which Francis J. Heney expects to prosecute late in the April term.

On motion of Heney indictments were dismissed only against Charles F. Lord and Charles E. Hayes.

The sentencing of Hendricks, Clarence B. Zachery, convicted of subornation and perjury, respectively, in August, 1906 is postponed until April 13 next. The same date was fixed for the sentencing of W. W. Steiwer, Hendricks and Zachery, who January 22, last, pleaded guilty to conspiracy in the indictment in the Hall case and testified for the government.

Mr. and Mrs. Heney and party left Portland for San Francisco to take up the graft cases in that city.

"I do not know that my engagements in San Francisco will permit me to return to Oregon to further discuss Senator Fulton and his candidacy for reelection before the primary election," said Heney. "When Fulton replies to my first address I may have something further to say."

F. H. COOLIDGE-EDNA STRAHL

United in Marriage at the Bride's Home in Moro.

The marriage of Mr. Frank H. Coolidge of this city and Miss Edna Strahl, was solemnized Tuesday at the home of the bride's mother in Moro, in the presence of relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

Mr. Coolidge is Athena's well known jeweler and his bride is well known to Athena people, having for a time been employed in Mrs. Miller's Millinery store.

After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge will return to Athena, where they will reside permanently.

Contracting for Sacks.

At a meeting of the Inland Grain Grower's Association, held in Pendleton Saturday, bids were asked for furnishing 300,000 grain sacks to members of the association, bids to be opened Saturday February 15. The Farmer's Union of the State of Washington, Saturday, let contracts to J. Z. Smith of the Kerr-Gifford company, whereby the Kerr-Gifford company agree to furnish the farmers of the Walla Walla valley, including parts of Walla Walla, Columbia and Umatilla counties, with more than 1,000,000 of the best grade Calcutta grain bags for next season's wheat crop at a flat rate of 7 1/2 cents each, f. o. b. Walla Walla and surrounding points.

Market Days Are Success.

Pendleton's second monthly market day, which was held Saturday was a success in every particular. The sales, which were principally of stock, amounted to over \$5,000. The market day at Waitsburg brought hundreds of people to the town. Freshwater business men have become interested in the proposition and the commercial association at that place has taken the matter up and announcement of a market day for that place has been made.

Wanted—by man and wife, job on farm, woman a good cook and man not afraid of work. Address D. C. Bowman, sr. Pendleton, 902 West Webb.

OPENS YAKIMA LAND

Government Is to Throw Open 1,145,000 Acres to Settlement This Year of Possible.

That it is the intention of the department of the interior to endeavor to open 1,145,000 acres of land in the Yakima reservation to settlement this year is the statement contained in the annual report of the department just issued from the government press at Washington, says the Yakima Republic.

Whether or not the preliminary work which has been done in the way of classifying and valuing the lands in this year remains to be seen, but it is the general opinion that if the work is not done this year the reservation will be opened to settlement early next year in time to allow of the new settlers getting in their crops for the harvest of 1909.

Those who are acquainted with the character of the lands which are to be made available for the white farmers are aware that some of the most valuable land in the country is contained within the reservation, and that there will be a great rush for holdings goes without saying. The land will be valued and the successful applicant will have to pay an installment this purchase price—which goes to the Indian owners—in addition to the usual homestead fee.

One of the most immediate results of the opening of the reservation will be the rapid development of the reservation towns and with the prospect of the early influx of hundreds of white farmers to the reservation speculators are looking to Toppenish and Wapato real estate as a good proposition. But North Yakima, as the metropolis of the valley, will benefit to a great extent also.

The wide interest taken in the prospective opening of the reservation is indicated by the hundreds of letters of inquiry from all parts of the country which have reached the local United States land office during the past month or two. People in the middle western states, particularly, are anxious to have a look in when the time for applying for holdings arrives.

SEEING BIG THINGS AT TACOMA

Was it Japanese Airship That Caused Men to Stop and People to Gaze.

Dark red, pale green, yellow and a brilliant white are the colors of a strange light that appeared in the western horizon Saturday and Sunday nights, seen by residents of Kent and Tacoma, who firmly believe them to be the lights of a passing airship belonging to the Japanese, says a Tacoma item.

A large object was seen sailing through the air at a high elevation, moving from north to south. It was first sighted by an engineer on a Northern Pacific train on the tide flats waiting for the Fifteenth street bridge to close. He pointed out the object to the conductor and passengers alighted from the train. Some examined it with field glasses. So interested did the passengers and trainmen become that the train was delayed several minutes. Those who saw it told of a large cigar-shaped object flying a foreign flag, which some maintained was French while others declared it to be Japanese. During the same week, on clear nights, colored lights were seen displayed at high altitudes and on one occasion a rocket was discharged high in the air, it is asserted. Since that time the light has appeared at various points along the coast, usually between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock as at Kent, Sunday night. In many of the smaller towns along the Grays Harbor, Tacoma Eastern and Northern Pacific near Tacoma, residents have watched the light. It is the firm belief of many that the light is attached to an airship employed by the Japanese spies, who are studying the topography of the coast.

The Pilot Rock News.

Although Pilot Rock has an excellent newspaper in the Record, under the able editorial management of John P. McManus, another paper, the News, is to be started there. A company is behind the new venture. The following officers were elected at a recent meeting: E. E. Parker, president; Henry Harrison, secretary and treasurer; J. D. Royer, J. M. Royer, J. M. Rook and Henry Harrison, directors.

Wood Thief Evaporated.

Danner, the photographer, ran into a wood thief the other night at his home in the north part of town. Mr. Danner didn't have time to take a snap-shot of the fellow, for he skidded—simply evaporated, so great was his hurry to get away. However, there has been no wood taken from Mr. Danner's shed since.

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