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COL. A. E. CLARK TO SPEAK HERE

Twice in a While

Hey, fellers! Let's go fishin'. The trout season opens tomorrow. They tell me" as a certain Medford sporting goods dealer would say, "that with the high water there ought to be lots of real whoppers in our favorite holes this year."

You know, even if we are all broke and getting broken daily, we still like to ramble off alone down some shady brook and drop a fly into the fishing places of the trout. No man so dumb with sorrow over the lack of depression but feels better after several hours along some beautiful stream. Some way, the silent communion with nature does us all good. If you don't believe it, just try it once.

Years ago we used to drop our rods of daily labor and grab our fly book and hike off down Star Creek when the water first started up in the spring. We have had most of the creeks in this part of Oregon. But we kept our faith and courage by so doing. Now the years have passed and our old spot has grown bigger, we don't have the chance to go as before. And we miss it? We'll tell the world!

Our suggestion last week regarding a safe and sane method of choosing among the many who seem willing to draw pay from the county or the sheriff's job, was not carried out at the pie social Friday evening, it we all had a chance to look at it anyway. There were long legs and short ones, narrow ones and wide ones, old ones and young ones and even our independent.

But we still hold that the man we want for that most important office must be a trained man, one who knows the ropes and who can step and accomplish something. That is no sinecure and the man who fits it must be a real man.

We were glad to learn that our friend Alfred E. Clark, Republican candidate for U. S. Senator, was going to speak in Central Point Saturday evening. We knew Mr. Clark when he was just a poor struggling lawyer and had his office next door to my brother who was also just beginning the practice of law. We have served on jury in cases he tried and we have always admired his ability. We believe he is just the man Oregon needs in Washington.

Last night we attended the candidates' meeting at Table Rock school house. Again we heard these men tell their aims and ambitions and we note that one man of them told the exact truth. He said: "I am running just because I want the job." That's a pretty good reason and we have a faint idea that the same reason underlies the candidacy of them all.

But as far as that goes, what does it matter to you and I just why a man is running for office. We don't care a hang why he is running, if he can prove to us that he is honest, experienced and efficient and can and will perform the duties of the office he seeks.

"These are the times that try men's souls." In these days of re-financing and retrenchment we must have men in office brave enough to cut to the bone. We don't expect miracles, but we want reasonable results and any man who is not ready to face the situation squarely and do all he can to cut down the expense to the taxpayer of county government will have a hard row to hoe.

We want to add our mite to the good things being said about our old friend, A. J. Hanby. Probably no teacher in our schools today has had a wider and more varied experience in school matters than he. "We know him when—" as the saying goes and hope to see him win.

This paper stands ready to furnish rainfall any time our readers want it. We have an unflinching method. All that is necessary is for the city to put a grader on our street to fill up the ruts left by winter travel and it will SURE rain inside a few hours. We have noticed it for years in our (Continued on page four.)

Pomona Grange Master Endorses Sweet for Office

The following endorsement of L. M. Sweet, who is running for County Commissioner on the Republican ticket came unsolicited from Albert Steans, Master of Jackson County Pomona Grange and speaks for itself: "A man may well be proud to receive such endorsement after long years of association."

Mr. Steans says: To The Editor: Now that the political pot seems to be getting sizzling hot, I feel it a duty and a pleasure to seek space in your valuable columns to especially commend to the people of Jackson County, our local candidate for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner. Altho a Democrat myself, I feel that every voter and resident of the northern section of our county owes a deep sense of gratitude to our fellow granger and true friend, L. M. Sweet. During the 22 years he has been a resident of this section, he has been a tireless worker for the uplift and welfare of this section and also Jackson County as a whole. In other words he has proven his moral worth as an ideal booster. Always upon

Pie Social At Grange Hall Success

The pie social at the Central Point Grange Hall last Friday evening was a huge success. The grange had invited all candidates for office in the county to attend and be introduced, and they turned out en masse. The American reporter tried to count them, but lost count somewhere about thirty.

There were would-be judges, representatives, clerks, school superintendents and even a few (about a dozen) sheriffs. Our genial coroner, H. W. Conger, was in evidence in case of any sudden cases of heart failure on the part of those sheriff candidates and accompanied them to the platform just in case.

Judge C. B. Lamkin was prevailed upon after the program and introduction of candidates to act as auctioneer. Each lady brought a pie and the committee pinned her name thereon. Then the fun began. Judge Lamkin showed rare skill in his auctioning of these pies and kept the large crowd in an uproar. There was much lively bidding and some pies brought very fancy prices.

After all were sold the men who had bought them hunted up the lady whose name was on the pie and all adjourned to the dining room where coffee was served by a committee of grange ladies.

Dancing followed and lasted until a late hour. Many expressions of pleasure were heard from the visitors for the fine entertainment provided.

Miss Doris Richardson sang two beautiful solos, one of them being written especially for the occasion, entitled, "Candidates". This brought much applause from the audience.

John M. Ramsey Passes, Aged 86

John M. Ramsey, aged 86 years, passed away at the home of his nephews, Webb brothers north of Central Point, at 3:40 p. m. Saturday. J. M. Ramsey was born in Effingham county, Illinois, Oct. 1, 1845. He came to Jackson County 16 years ago from Illinois to be with his nephews. Besides the Webb brothers, he leaves one brother, Samuel Ramsey of Ill. and one sister, Elia Westinghouse of Seio, Oregon. Funeral services was held at the Conger chapel at 2:00 p. m. Tuesday with Rev. D. E. Millard officiating. Interment in Medford cemetery.

the right side of every moral, political and social problem, his influence has been a deep inspiration to our people. He has demonstrated by acts, and by leadership that true progress comes only from fair play and justice to all rather than by filching from one section to build up another in splendor upon its ruins. Jackson county needs a larger quota of just such men at this time. I am perfectly in accord with our friend O. J. Shorb, when he admonishes our people that L. M. Sweet, for services already rendered, merits the highest esteem, confidence and unanimous support of our people. As Master of Pomona Grange, I have always found brother Sweet a true, loyal helper in every avenue of support. As a man of the keenest, finest ideals, sterling character, and integrity, and ability beyond question, I am highly gratified to commend L. M. Sweet to the voters of Jackson County as an ideal candidate, who if elected, will render valuable services to every section of our county.

Albert Steans, Sams Valley, Apr. 4, 1932.

Eagle Pt. Asks Coating of Oil For Main Road

A petition, signed by practically all the business men and residents of the Eagle Point district, was presented to the county court Wednesday asking that a light layer of oil be applied to the main road of that place to lay the dust during the summer months. Heavy auto travel over the road during the summer makes the dust a terrific nuisance to the housewives of that section. The petition was presented by Royal Brown of Eagle Point.

Inasmuch as the oiling fund was cut to the bone by the budget committee last winter, there is no money on hand for the war on dust, so the Eagle Point plea was taken under advisement with the promise relief would be granted if possible. It is reported that several districts lying alongside main traveled dirt roads will file similar petitions. The county court yesterday visited the Dead Indian and Wagner Creek roads, inspecting proposed road improvements. Both matters were taken under advisement. The morning session of the county court was devoted chiefly to signing the mid-month batch of bills.

Banquet Given Basketball Teams

The mothers of the boys and girls basketball teams assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Jewett gave the boys and girls a banquet in the home ec. rooms at the school Thursday evening.

Covers were laid for thirty-three. The color scheme carried out in the decorations was pink and green. The place cards were yellow basketballs. After speeches and toasts by various ones present Mr. Jewett presented the winning team with a very beautiful trophy. He also gave a medal to the player who was of the most value to their team during the year. Elizabeth Southwell received the medal on the girls team and Donald Patterson on the boys team. After the dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Jewett took the boys and girls to their home where a very pleasant evening was spent playing progressive card games.

Mrs. Jewett served punch and cookies which completed the evening.

Clem Finley is rebuilding the house in the eastern part of town which he traded for from Mr. Duncan. H. C. Leaverton is doing the carpenter work and is doing a very fine job. The house will be equipped with built-ins in the kitchen and the living room has been thoroughly remodeled. The entire house is being remodeled and re-finished.

Change to Be Made in Size Of This Paper

Beginning next week the American will appear in new dress. Instead of 4 pages, 7 columns, we will run 8 pages, 6 columns. We will continue to print all the local news of our district we can get hold of and in addition will have many new features.

There will be a continued story, "Caged" by Courtney Ryley Cooper, a page for farmers, several columns of comics for the kids, a department of fashions for the ladies, and several other interesting and valuable features.

We intend to start a comprehensive campaign for new subscriptions soon. We will offer the new and larger paper at a reduced price for a short time only and hope to see our paper in every home in this district.

Our slogan is: "Everybody in Central Point reads The American." If you are not on our list now is your chance.

Faber Store Is Robbed In Night

Burglars Tuesday night entered the general store of E. C. Faber by boring a hole through the floor, with an anger, and stole \$4 in small change from the till, two cartons of cigarettes, 12 boxes of Copenhagen snuff and two gunnysacks full of provisions. The Faber store has been robbed on an average of twice a year for the past twenty years.

The robbers gained entrance through a vent in the side of the foundation and once under the floor drilled a score of auger holes to make an entry, an operation that required at least an hour.

The state police are investigating and have strong clues.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Eddy spent Sunday in Ashland as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Conley.



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An unusual story in which this competent American author has not stinted himself in portraying surprising situations, emotional conflict or honest sentiment. His widely varying group of characters, and a background none the less realistic for its succession of changes, make "Caged" Mr. Cooper's most human piece of work.

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GAME BOARD AND STATE POLICE WORK IN CLOSE HARMONY

SALEM, April 12.—Relations between the state game commission and the state police department are entirely harmonious, reports to the contrary notwithstanding. Governor Meier declared following a conference with M. F. Corrigan, chairman of the game commission, Frank B. Wire, newly appointed state game supervisor, and other members of the game department. Charles P. Pray, superintendent of the state police, also sat in on the conference.

Corrigan, as spokesman for the game department, denied that the commissioner had called on Governor Meier to complain about laxity on the part of the police department in the enforcement of the game laws.

No Complaint "Reports of laxity come to the commission but when we ask the complainants if they have reported law violations to the state police they admit that they have not," Corrigan declared. "Without the co-operation of the public the police necessarily labor under a handicap in the enforcement of the law."

"We have no complaints to make regarding the work of the state police. We realize that under the present situation when many men are out of work there is a greater tendency than ever before to violate the game laws in order to catch a few fish or kill a deer out of season. However, the fact that there have been twice as many arrests for game law violations during the past year as there were ever made before is evidence that the game wardens are on the job. The commissioners are all willing that the present set up in the police department be given a thorough trial and statements to the effect that we are complaining to the governor about the work of the department were erroneous." (Continued on page four.)

Candidate for Senate on Tour Of Entire State

Will Speak Over KMED From 12:30 to 1:00 P. M Next Saturday, April 16, and in Central Point Grange Hall Saturday Evening

Col. Alfred E. Clark, Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate, will be in Central Point Saturday, April 16. Mr. Clark is making a statewide campaign in the interest of his candidacy and is scheduled to speak in the local Grange hall at 7:30 p. m. Saturday evening.

Col. Clark will address the voters of Southern Oregon Saturday between 12:30 and 1:00 p. m. over K. M. E. D at Medford. He will speak at Central Point Grange hall at 7:30 p. m., the hour being put early on account of the regular dance following.

Col. Clark is a very vigorous, interesting speaker and has a message for every voter in this district. It is hoped by the committee in

charge to have the local hall filled for this occasion. Alfred E. Clark has been a resident of this state many years and has always labored for its welfare. He has recently been in Washington with Governor Meier in the interest of the Columbia River development. He stands squarely on a platform calling for cutting down the cost of government; providing against recurring depressions; effectively suppressing and punish crime; place agriculture on an equal basis with other industries; make practicable cheap power for the homes and industries of the farms and cities; cut out useless bureaus; care of disabled and needy war veterans and their families.

County Has No Place To Dump Trash is Word

In answer to several questions as to where the county dumping grounds is located county engineer Paul Rynning said recently that the county did not have a regular dump-ground. Arrangements must be made with some landowner by those wishing to sort.

The city dumping grounds, located near the Medford cemetery, is open to the public on Saturdays when one gunny sack of garbage may be disposed of free. More than that amount must be paid for, or any garbage dumped other than on Saturdays carries a fee with it.

Mrs. George Wallace Dies In North

Ella Wallace was born at Rochester Mills, Pennsylvania, May 25, 1868. She was married to George Wallace of Mercer, Pa., September 8, 1897. She lived at Mercer, Pa., until 1910 when the family moved to Oregon, living at Ashland until 1913. Since that time the family home has been in Central Point, Oregon.

She passed away at Portland, Oregon, April 9, 1932, aged 63 years, 10 months and 15 days. The cause of her death was bronchial pneumonia.

She is survived by her husband, George Wallace and daughter, Imogene Wallace of Central Point, and two sisters and brothers—Mrs. Marle Oberlin, Rochester Mills, Pa.; Mrs. Roy Lowman, Cleveland, Ohio; T. A. Moor, Marion Center, Pa.; and W. E. Moor, Ashland, Oregon.

Mrs. Wallace was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Ashland. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 12, at 2:30 p. m. at the Perl Undertaking Parlors at Medford, conducted by Rev. H. T. Michelmore, assisted by Rev. J. M. Johnson. The body was laid to rest in the Ashland Mausoleum.

Medford Stores See Effects of Loosening Cash

Effects of the "Save and Spend" campaign of the Ladies' Home Journal with allied anti-hoarding drives, in bringing cash into circulation, have been felt this week among the stores in Medford.

Montgomery Ward and company, through the local manager, I. F. Andres, reported the heaviest buying for Ward week since the Christmas season. "I can readily see that people are coming to realize that hoarded dollars cannot profit from today's bargains," commented the local manager.

Chiloquin—About 50 additional men recently employed at Chiloquin Lumber Co. mill.

Candidates Orate at Table Rock

The ladies of the Table Rock Community Club, assisted by members of the Grange, were hostesses to the assembled candidates on Wednesday evening at the Table Rock school. About twenty-five candidates were present.

Five minutes each was allowed these men to plead their case with the voters of the district. Beginning with candidates for County Judge, on down the line to the one who usually comes last, the undertaker aspirants for coroner, the hopeful ones came forward one by one and told why each should be elected. There was little or no bitterness displayed, although one man did refer to an absent man in no loving terms.

It has been many years since so much interest has been displayed by both men and women in political affairs. This is evidenced by the large crowds turning out for these public meetings being held all over the county. Every time the candidates speak, close attention is given and much discussion is heard of county affairs at the close of the meetings.

The meeting at Table Rock was presided over by M. Charles Angle, assisted by Everett Nealon. Miss Doris Richardson opened the meeting with two solos, rendered in her usual lovely manner, which were much appreciated.

Oregon Visit Cut Short by Alfalfa Bill

POCATELLO, Ida., April 12.—William H. Murray, governor of Oklahoma and Democratic candidate for president who has been "lost" since he failed to fulfill a speaking engagement at Klamath Falls, Ore., today, was found by a United Press correspondent tonight on the east bound Union Pacific train the "Portland Rose."

Murray said that he was called back to Oklahoma City by "urgent business." He declined to explain specifically, what impelled his abrupt departure from Oregon. The picturesque governor was found stretched out comfortably in his drawing room with his shoes off. He said he planned to proceed to Denver, and fly from there to Oklahoma City.

Murray would not comment on why he apparently had failed to notify the Klamath Falls welcoming delegation that he was unable to keep his speech engagement, except to remark that his swift return to Oklahoma City "was necessary."