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Many North Marion county people will be gratified to learn that Judge Percy R. Kelly will be a candidate for Justice of the supreme court. He has served more than ten years as circuit judge of Marion and Linn counties—the Third District.

Adam Knight is out again after the office of commissioner and denies the report that was in the Aurora Observer last week that he was making a play for the judgeship.—Canby News.

A news dispatch from Salem says that Ben Robertson of Turner will be a candidate for county commissioner. Robertson is chairman of the Republican county committee. He has been a candidate for commissioner before.

L. J. Adams of Silverton seems to be the foremost candidate so far for County Judge. He is well qualified for the office, and living in that part of the county which is justly entitled to recognition by the voters, he will no doubt receive a large vote in the primaries.—Gervais Star.

A battle royal for the senatorship may be expected this year in Clackamas county where Walter Dimick and George Brownell will contend for senatorial honors. Both men are red-hot campaigners, and there will be something doing every minute once the campaign opens.

Dr. Dedman and Harry Bair of Canby and Gordon J. Taylor of Molalla are said to be aspirants for legislative honors (if such things be) in Clackamas county. These are all good men. Dr. Dedman has the advantage of a term in the House already, and there is every prospect of his re-election if he desires the place.

Salem rumors say P. J. Kuntz, former superintendent of the Salem schools, would like to be county judge. Frank Wrightman of Salem, L. J. Adams of Silverton, are the other candidates for the place, not to mention the ever present possibility that Judge Bushey may come again.

J. L. Adams of Silverton was a recent visitor here enroute to Oregon City to attend a meeting of a fraternal order. Mr. Adams has announced that he is a candidate for county judge. He has many warm friends here who have already pledged him their support in the May primaries.

Stanfield spent a day in Silverton last week and promised a return next month when the mills are running full blast as he wants to talk to the workmen. It is reported that some Silverton men told him they believed he can do all he has promised to do, if elected. We know not whether their front names be Judas or Ananias.

It is rumored in Salem that Judge Bushey will ask a third term as county judge, and that Wrightman will either withdraw, or, as the campaign develops, may remain in the race to draw strength from Bushey's opponents. These rumors and the growing belief that Bushey did not mean what he said when he told the Statesman he would not be a candidate for re-election will add nothing to Bushey's popularity in this section.

The Oregon Voter (alias C. C. Chapman) predicts the re-nomination of Governor Withycombe on the ground that he has made no serious mistakes and that he has been constructive and patriotic. Chapman fears Moser, says L. J. Simpson will be making "a fool break" if he runs, praises Olcott but says he is throwing himself away by getting into the fight for the governorship, and ignores Dr. Anderson as a candidate. With the Oregonian, Simon Benson, President Kerr of O. A. C., et al. supporting Withycombe, the Voter's line-up is not surprising.

Some of the weakest men in the several counties of Oregon are candidates for legislative nominations. Very few men of standing have been persuaded to enter the contest. What do our citizens expect in the way of tax legislation and public economy if they do not encourage men to run whose reputation for sound judgment is well established? There is going to be one mess at Salem a year hence unless a higher quality of citizenship is evident in candidacies than has appeared so far in names mentioned in many of the counties.—Oregon Voter.

County Commissioner Goulet was here from Woodburn Tuesday on business. While here he made it known he will be a candidate for re-election,—not a candidate for county judge as many had urged him to be. Mr. Goulet has many friends here who will urge his re-election on the ground that his record is clean and open and that he has given this (and every other) section of the county a square deal.

R. N. Stanfield, Republican candidate for United States Senator, has formally opened his campaign with a tour through Western and Southern Oregon. It is the intention of Mr. Stanfield before the date of the primary election to visit every section of the state. He will carry his candidacy direct to the people, tell them where he stands on state and National issues and respectfully solicit their support.

F. C. Harley, fighting mayor of Astoria, wants to know "What's the matter with Oregon?" He answers his own query by saying there are too many ambitious young lawyers, too many "mossbacks, too many incapables, in the Oregon legislative assembly all attempting to mold our destiny in that narrow, limited manner that always accompanies personal and selfish motives. He wants us to select men who are not afraid to come out in favor of constructive policies, and with backbone strong enough to support their conscience. But what about the candidates that have no conscience?

Chas L. McNary, republican candidate for United States Senator, is busy at his post duty in Washington, D. C. It is the intention of Mr. McNary to remain on duty and let his campaign take care of itself in every section of the state. He will let his friends and the record of duties well performed carry his candidacy direct to the people, who already know where he stands on every state and national issue.

It is reported that J. P. Feller, one of the best known residents of Donald and North Marion counties, this week filed with the county clerk notice of his intention to become a candidate for county commissioner. Mr. Feller is president of the Farmers' Fire Relief Association of Butteville and has a wide acquaintance in this end of the county. Jim Feller is a man fully qualified for the position. He is the third candidate for the place—the others being Dr. Goulet, the present county commissioner, and Ben Robertson of Turner.

MACKSBURG.

The new Lutheran Sunday school in the Eby school house is still gaining in members.

Will Roth and Roy Yoder are hauling ship-knees for shipment to the building yards.

Mrs. Eby Sr. who has been quite seriously ill is so much better that she can go out once more.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hamilton have gone to house keeping in their new home near Hubbard.

The Little Girls Sewing Circle is to meet at the home of Mrs. G. M. Baldwin on the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 9th.

A sale of the household furniture belonging to the late Mrs. Schrock is to take place on Sat. 6th, at her former home on the premises of Simon Miller.

Mr. John Hepler has returned from an extended tour of the middle West bringing his father with him. Mr. Hepler Sr. was quite ill prior to his journey but is much better now.

Mrs. John Duarschaak is still in Oregon City to be near her little son who is in the hospital there. Mrs. Duarschaak is greatly encouraged to hope for the little boy's recovery, though at times he seems very ill.

The Mother's club had a very busy and pleasant session on Thursday last at the home of its President, Mrs. Jno. Hepler. Mrs. D. Wolfer made her first visit to the club, at this meeting and rendered valuable assistance in the work. The next session of the club is to be Feb. 14th, at the home of Mrs. Simon Miller. Mrs. Ben Dreier was absent from this meeting of the club on account of illness but is so much better now we are hoping to have her with us when we meet again.

The spring of 1918 was heralded by a colony of robins returning from the south on Feb. 1st. The temperature prevailing on that day might have been a menace to the winter grain had it not been accompanied by so heavy a fall of snow that all vegetation was provided with ample shelter from the cold which

Town Topics

Albert Elliott who has been sick for a week is out again.

Dancing at the Band Hall next Saturday evening, February 9. Everyone is invited.

Carl and Jacob Rueck were among the Macksburg visitors here Tuesday on business.

Dr. B. F. Giesy has been confined to the house several days with an attack of the grip, but is improving.

W. S. Hurst & Co. shipped two cars of potatoes this week and hope to get cars for further shipments soon.

FOR RENT—New modern house for rent cheap. All conveniences, full basement, and centrally located. Inquire of Dr. B. F. Giesy, Aurora.

The Aurora Theater puts on a good show every Sunday night, which you will enjoy. There is no better way to pass an evening. The same popular prices prevail.

The pastor calls attention to the 11 a. m. service to be held in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning. You are cordially invited to attend.—L. S. Mochel, pastor.

The city council met Monday night—paid a few bills and borrowed \$250 to pay emergency bills until the city funds are turned over by the county. No other business came up.

The district board at Portland has handed down its final classifications affecting a number of Clackamas county men. Among them is Herman William Kuhnke who has been placed in Class 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Schnack and children were here Wednesday from Macksburg. They will hold an auction Wednesday, February 20, at the Joe Gibson farm, at Macksburg. They expect to move to Portland.

FOR SALE—52 acres, 20 acres in cultivation, 10 acres slashed and sown to pasture, some good timber. \$4000, 30 per cent. cash, balance mortgage at 7 per cent.—John L. Snyder, Aurora, Or. 47-3t.

The board of directors of the Aurora State Bank met Tuesday for their regular monthly meeting. John Miley, I. A. Miley, Chas. Kraxberger, R. H. Crisell and Guy N. Hickok were those present. Dr. Giesy was sick and Judge Dimick was unable to be present.

Mrs. Eugene Moshberger was here Tuesday from Woodburn to attend a meeting of the Aurora Third Oregon Auxiliary. She stated that she has heard from her husband Major Moshberger several times—letters from both England and France.

M. D. Leabo was here Tuesday. While not over-impressed with the prospects for a good year for the farmers in 1918, Mr. Leabo hopes for the best, and advocates uniformly lower rates for money for private loans to assist the government in keeping down the rate on Liberty Bonds.

H. H. Hurst advocates the use of potatoes in every batch of home made wheat bread in order to utilize the big surplus of spuds. As much as one fifth or one fourth the weight of the bread may be mashed potatoes thinned with water and added to sponge. He urges that the state food administrator allow such use of potatoes as a flour substitute instead of the substitutes people are now forced to buy.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Yergen went to Portland this week, where they will spend the remainder of the winter and spring. Mrs. Yergen, who was so seriously burned at the time the Yergen home was destroyed by fire, is now making slow but satisfactory progress toward recovery. It is probably that Mr. and Mrs. Yergen will not soon rebuild their home at Wallace Station.

PUBLIC AUCTION

Edward Schnack will hold a public sale Wednesday, February 20, at the Joe Gibson place one mile north of Macksburg. He will sell his horses, cow, heifer, 2 hogs, chickens, wagons, hack, harness, some oats, separator, churn, farming implements, household goods and many other goods and articles, on the usual terms. Will Heinz, auctioneer.

lasted but one day and night. Then it grew so mild it is hard to realize that we are still in a winter month. With the verdure as bright as it can ever be with the birds caroling there morning song as blithely as in April or May, the aquatic fowls choosing their nesting places, the dandelions and the violets peeping out here and there, and the daffodils opening their store of gold it is easy to think that planting time is not far away. Eager is everyone to get at work in the soil with earnest purpose of getting from mother earth all that she can possibly be induced to yield for the gigantic supply which must suffice for so great a position of the globe. The winter wheat is promising a fine yield, and with the new, economical ways of blending it with other grains, we are likely to have plenty for shipment to other lands.

Mrs. Diana Snyder has been named as Licensing Agent of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, to issue licenses to those who wish to purchase and use explosives. No one is allowed to use explosives without first securing a license. Applications may be made to Mrs. Snyder at the Aurora Post Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Dimick left this week, having moved their household goods to Canby, where they will store them for the present. Mr. Dimick has been offered good positions at Grants Pass and in Eastern Oregon, but has not decided fully which he will accept. Wherever Mr. and Mrs. Dimick locate, the best wishes of Aurora friends will go with them.

George Cassidy of Hubbard has offered Willamette Chapter of the American Red Cross a Shetland pony to be auctioned off for the benefit of the Red Cross. He speaks of a similar auction in his old home town in Iowa where a thoroughbred rooster was auctioned off and resold again and again, until \$10,-755.25 was brought into the Red Cross fund.

Shows No Mercy

Judge Bushey has changed his mind. He does not want to return to his little farm. He will run again for County Judge. Poor Marion County! Has the Judge no mercy?

Mrs. Henry Muessig Dies

Mrs. Henry Muessig died Tuesday at the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Salem. The body was brought to Aurora yesterday, and the funeral services will take place this afternoon at one o'clock at the German Lutheran church, Rev. Bruss conducting the services. Interment will take place at the Aurora cemetery.

Mrs. Muessig is survived by her husband and several children. She has been ill for many months, and the end was not unexpected. Her family have the sympathy of the entire community.

Several German aliens have applied for registration at the Aurora Post Office. To date the following are the applicants: Rev. Fredrick Th. Lucas, Ernest Mader, Christian Grofin, Volkmar Dopple, Dr. E. R. Stark, and Eugene Dopple.

Civic Auxiliary of District No. 74, Clackamas county, in January sent to headquarters the following articles: 2 sweaters, 24 triangle bandages, 18 pairs operating socks, 12 pairs short socks, 45 wash cloths, 207 mouth cloths, 7 tray cloths, 6 napkins, 56 gun rags, and 5 fracture pillows. The auxiliary meets every week. February 7 it meets at Mrs. Stollers, the headquarters, and February 15 at Mrs. Lewellins. All are invited to bring their thimble and join the workers.

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Mrs. Walter Grim Dead

Mrs. Walter C. Grim died Sunday at the Hubbard hospital about 3 p. m., aged 38 years. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a. m. at the Hubbard Methodist church, Rev. Cooper conducting the services. Burial took place at the Hubbard cemetery. She is survived by her husband W. C. Grim, and three sisters, one of whom, Miss Cora Jansen, is here from Idaho, the others living one each in Minnesota, Iowa, and Colorado. She also leaves two brothers, who live at Winner, N. D.

Mrs. Grim was a native of Cass County, Iowa. She came to Oregon 11 years ago having been a nurse in Portland for several years. She and Mr. Grim were married March 10, 1915. Mrs. Grim was loved and respected by an ever increasing circle of friends.

W. H. Ehlen has just acquired a new Ford this week. He has not yet christened it, but wants it understood that it will be neither Tin nor Lizzie.

Mrs. Bowers Dead

Mrs. Elizabeth Bower, mother of E. M. Hurst of this city, died February 2, at Portland at the age of 65 years. Burial took place Tuesday at the Multnomah Park Cemetery. She is survived by three sons and two daughters, E. M. Hurst of this city, Paul Bower and Claud Hurst of Portland; and Mrs. A. W. Hawk and Mrs. Harold Geovez of Portland. Mrs. Bower was a native of Indiana, but had lived in Oregon more than 25 years.

Special W.O.W. Meeting

J. C. Jones, organizer for the Woodmen of the World will be here next Monday afternoon, when a special meeting of the Nessmuk Camp will be held at the I. O. O. F. Hall. All Woodmen are urged to be present at 2:30.

Rev. F. Th. Lucas of Macksburg was here this week. He returned a few days ago from California where he has been for his health.

