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LEGISLATIVE LINE-UPS KEEP VOTERS GUESSING

WOODSON BEING URGED TO RUN AGAIN

Speakership Offered As Premium to Induce Former Legislator to Become Candidate

This is the way a writer in last Sunday's Oregonian sizes up the joint representative situation in Morrow, Umatilla and Union counties:

"Legislative line-ups have kept Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties seething the past week. Marion county too, has a fight in prospect. The speakership is even now being discussed with the primaries many weeks distant. Pressure is exerted on C. E. Woodson, of Heppner to run again for the house, with the prospect of eastern Oregon getting behind him for speaker. T. B. Kay, of Marion is looming as a prospective speaker candidate. Others under discussion are Denton Burdick of Deschutes, K. K. Kubil and Herbert Gordon, both of Multnomah, but neither Mr. Kubil nor Mr. Gordon have decided to seek seats in the house this year.

"From last Saturday until last Wednesday Frank Sloan, of Stanfield, was a tentative candidate against Colon Eberhard of La Grande for nomination for joint senator from Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties. J. T. Hinkle first decided to contest against Senator Eberhard, but a meeting of politicians concluded that Mr. Sloan would be their choice. Mr. Hinkle was then mentioned for Mr. Sloan's old place as representative for Umatilla county.

Mr. Sloan's backing came from a Union county group, but Mr. Eberhard's political friends from Pendleton sent word that if Mr. Sloan ran against Mr. Eberhard they would have someone enter the field from Morrow county where Mr. Sloan's strength would be best. A conference between Union and Umatilla county politicians is said to have effected a compromise Wednesday evening, with the understanding that Mr. Sloan will run for his present seat.

"For representative of Umatilla, two to nominate, there are besides Mr. Sloan, S. A. Miller, who served in 1921; Dr. I. U. Temple and Hal Warner, first commander of the American Legion in Pendleton.

"If Mr. Woodson clings to his determination not to be a candidate to succeed himself and possibly become speaker, E. M. Hulden and Perry Conder are ready to run for joint representative for Morrow and Umatilla counties. Former representative Dodd is also mentioned for this nomination."

When asked by a Herald representative Monday morning whether he would be a candidate for the nomination for joint representative Mr. Woodson replied:

"Well I'll tell you; there's more money in practicing law in Heppner than making laws in Salem, and, besides, it suits my temperament better."

Mr. Hulden is busy looking after his big wheat ranch and could not be seen Monday. It is known however, that he did not seek the nomination in the first place but only agreed to consider it after being importuned to do so by many of his friends. The situation between Woodson and Hulden is strictly harmonious. When Mr. Hulden was first mentioned, Mr. Woodson at once tendered his support. Later when Woodson was mentioned Mr. Hulden tendered his support. "After you, Gaston." "After you Alphonse."

Mr. Conder is in the east on a business trip and Mr. Dodd, beyond announcing his candidacy in the newspapers has not made his plans known to Heppner voters.

HEN OR OSTRICH, WHICH?

Judge Cornett brought a sack of his famous hen fruit to this office the other day to have the same officially measured, and thus prove to the Herald and the world that the product of his Little White Leghorn hens really stretch the tape at 6 x 8 1/2 inches. The demonstration was a complete success and the eggs themselves proved every claim made for them by the judge. While the eggs were on exhibition Sam Van Vactor and Mac Clark both examined them and refused to believe that they were hen eggs. Wanted to bet that the judge had imported a lot of ostrich eggs from Southern California just to boost his strag of chickens with.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES NOT OVERPAID IS CLAIM

A bulletin issued by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers denying the claim of railroad managers that the employees were overpaid during the war, quotes former director general of railways, W. G. McAdoo with the statement that when prices of living went up during the war period that the railroad workers were notoriously underpaid as compared with other workers in the nation and that they could not be expected to continue in the employ of railroad companies when more lucrative employment was offered elsewhere. Mr. McAdoo quoted as follows from the report of the wage commission: "That there has been such steadfast loyalty to the railroads, and so slight a disposition to use the lever of their necessity and their opportunity to compel, by ruthless action, an increase of wages, is not without significance and should not be passed without public recognition."

The bulletin also quotes a statement attributed to several railway presidents made before the Interstate Commerce commission in 1917 to the effect that low wages being paid railroad workers were driving thousands of men out of the service and preventing the efficient operation of railroads.

The bulletin which has been handed us for publication is too lengthy for our space but the above extracts gives the general drift of the article.

MORE LOCAL SHEEP GO EAST

John J. Kelly sold 2000 2-year-old wethers to W. W. Stabler Saturday and the stock will be loaded today at Echo for shipment to Idaho feed yards where it will be finished for market and sent on to Chicago. The price paid was not made public but Mr. Kelly says it was a good sale. Mr. Kelly is moving his ewe band from Ione to his Rock creek ranch where his lambing season will open in a few days.

TEACHING COURSE AT PENDLETON NORMAL

PENDLETON, OR., March 20—Teachers of eastern Oregon will be afforded the opportunity of doing work in a practice school in conjunction with the six weeks session of the summer normal school here this summer, according to an announcement made recently by President J. S. Landers of the State Normal School at Monmouth. The session will begin June 19th and will be concluded the latter part of July.

One of the requirements which graduates of normal schools must meet in order to secure a diploma is a certain amount of directed teaching in a practice school under the criticism of skilled instructors. Heretofore the Pendleton normal has not offered this feature, and the decision of the state to make available to Eastern Oregon teachers the opportunity of this extra training in the normal school in their own section of the state is expected to add to the popularity of the course.

ST. PATRICK DAY CELEBRATION

Pleasant weather greeted St. Patrick's Day celebrators last Friday and the occasion was an enjoyable one for all present. The crowd of visitors was smaller than usual due, it is said to the fact that so many of the sheepmen are unusually busy around the feed yards and lambing camps and the difficulty of getting substitute workers.

The usual program occupied the day beginning with morning mass. In the afternoon a meeting of the Hibernians was held, after which a game of old country football, known as "soccer" was played and in the evening a big dance was held in the dining room of Hotel Patrick. Saturday evening members of the Hibernian lodge and their families enjoyed a banquet at the hotel, this occasion closing the holiday period.

CHARLES HALL PLANS VISIT TO HEPPNER

Charles Hall, of Marshfield, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, in a recent issue to the Herald says that he is planning to spend a day or two in Heppner during his tour of eastern Oregon, which will be undertaken at an early date. Mr. Hall intends to make an intensive campaign all over the state.

TAX COMMISSION ON VISIT TO EAST, OREGON

MORROW COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTEND PENDLETON SESSION

Income Tax Favored by Commissioners. Other Remedies Suggested

County Judge Campbell, Clerk Waters, Sheriff McDuffee, District Attorney Notson and Expert Accountant L. W. Briggs, attended the Pendleton session of the state tax investigating commission last Wednesday and their report is that while many remedies were suggested for the relief of the overburdened taxpayer, it is apparent that the members of the commission are favorable to an income tax plan as the way out and will probably recommend that plan when their final report is turned in to the next legislature.

S. E. Notson, of this city, was the only speaker at Pendleton who opposed the income tax, his argument being that such a tax is expensive to collect and that, unless surrounding states should adopt a similar policy, its adoption in Oregon will have the effect of driving capital from the state.

Mr. Notson also opposed the elimination of O. A. C. extension work, county agents, or the crippling of any of our educational institutions saying, however, that if there are any frills or useless expenditure of money in the administration of our schools, high or low, that all such should be trimmed off.

Almost every speaker at the meetings at LaGrande, Pendleton and The Dalles had a different remedy for the present condition which indicates, if nothing else does, that the readjustment of taxation and the reduction of the cost of government in Oregon to the level of pre-war days, is no school boy's job.

A favorite expression at the Pendleton meeting, Judge Campbell says, was: "The way to reduce taxes is to reduce them," and the judge took occasion to tell the meeting that speakers using it should not always look at county officials as though they were entirely to blame, for the reason that in Morrow county, at least, the amount of taxes imposed by portions of the levy fixed by the county court are negligible, the big end of the tax burden having either been fixed by statute or voted by the people.

Sentiment expressed by various speakers at Pendleton demanded cutting off appropriations for county fairs, new buildings for state fair, Northwest Tourist association, and the Pacific International Livestock Exposition; abolition of 6 per cent tax limitation and extension work of the agricultural college. Bounty on coyotes should be abolished, contended Frank Sloane, of Stanfield and himself a sheepman, state industrial accident insurance should be abolished or required to be self supporting, cut out the water board and stop issuing non-taxable securities.

Senator Roy Ritner pointed out that the state taxes are negligible when compared with county, city, road and school taxes, only \$2.00 of the \$56 per capita cost going to the support of the state.

At The Dalles, on Thursday, a strong demand was voiced for the cutting of all public officials salaries from governor to school teacher. Judge A. S. Bennett, ex-member of the supreme court, in advocating this measure, stated that when a young man he taught school for \$40 a month and Mrs. Grace Zevely, school superintendent of Sherman county, naively expressed the wonder why the judge is not still teaching school at that salary.

FORMER HEPPNER PIONEER PASSES

L. W. Briggs received a letter yesterday informing him of the death of his brother-in-law, William Leunberry, which occurred at the Soldier's Home at Sawville, California, March 16th. He is about 89 years old. He was one of the first settlers in what is now the Heppner country, having homesteaded what is now John Kilkenny's Hinton creek ranch more than 50 years ago. He was for years engaged in the cattle business here. He was a veteran of the civil war. Besides his widow, who is a sister of Mr. Briggs, he leaves two daughters, both residents of California.

JOHN KILKENNY BUYS TWO BUTTER CR. FARMS

John Kilkenny one of the largest individual sheep owners of this section, Thursday closed a deal with C. P. Bowman, of Santa Monica, Cal., for the two Butter creek ranch which Mr. Bowman has owned for many years past. The places have been farmed by Jake Bowman since the removal of C. P. Bowman to his southern home a couple of years ago, and as yet Jake Bowman and his family do not know just what they will do. For many years past Mr. Kilkenny has wintered numerous bands of sheep at various Butter creek ranches and states that all this time he has felt a longing to add to his already large acreage, one of Buttercreek's model farms. Mr. Kilkenny will supervise the work at the farm for awhile himself, and with the aid of P. G. Farley will carry out many of his ideas concerning the raising of alfalfa hay.—Echo News.

JUDGE LOWELL WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

Judge Stephen A. Lowell, of Pendleton, who some time ago announced that he would enter the race for the Republican nomination for governor, has reconsidered the matter and in the following letter to the press states his reasons for declining to become a candidate:

"Six weeks' investigation has undeceived me as to the gubernatorial situation in Oregon. Early in February I gave to the public a tentative platform in the full expectation of becoming a candidate for chief executive of the state, and in the belief that the issues of the campaign were to be economic, industrial and moral. I am now convinced that the primary election two months from tomorrow, and the general election in November, will most probably be determined upon the age old conflict of race and religion. Neither the ability, personality nor the attitude of the candidates upon state problems, are likely to receive controlling consideration at the polls.

"I am a protestant in religious faith, descended from ancestors who came to New England in the 17th century. I believe I can properly claim to be an hundred per cent American, but I have no sympathy with either religious bigotry or racial prejudice. Whether a man be Protestant, Catholic, Hebrew, Mohammedan, Brahman or Confusion depends chiefly upon the environment of his childhood. For the place of his birth or the color of his skin, he is not responsible.

"The people who are injecting these exotic issues into the campaign are assuming censorious authority which belongs to no individual, no secret society. They are compelling these factors in our population, whose race or religion they attack, to meet organization by organization, to act together for the protection of their civil rights and the prerogatives of their citizenship. The result is that in the more densely populated counties there exists already a sub-surface fire of sectarian passion and racial antagonism, which bids fair to encompass the entire state increasing in volume and vehemence as election day approaches until the fundamental interests of the people are overshadowed and forgotten.

"I would deem it a distinguished honor to be governor of Oregon, and I believe that at this juncture I could render valuable service to the commonwealth, but I am accustomed to measure men by the standard of character, not by creed or nativity, and into the existing maelstrom of alien controversy and creedal strife I decline to plunge. I shall not be a candidate at the primary election."

STEPHEN A. LOWELL

STOCKMEN CONVENE AT UNION APRIL 13-14

Cattlemen from all over the state are arranging to meet at the Union Experiment station on April 13-14 to discuss the splendid results obtained at that station, and to thrash out some of their common feeding problems. This is an event which no stockman or feeder can well afford to miss if it is possible to get away at that time. They have good accommodations at Union for all visitors. And the splendid results obtained at the experiment station, put into practice will pay the expense of any stockman to that meeting.

HOLDUP MAN AGAIN IN COURT

Jack Stone, who held up Pete Farley early last week and forced him to write a check for \$10 claimed due him for blankets alleged to have been stolen from him a year ago, and who beat Mr. Farley to the bank and secured cash on the check, was before Judge Cornett Saturday on a charge of assault. The man's story Saturday did not fit well with what he had to say at the previous hearing and, while not an intellectual prodigy, he showed considerable cunning and readiness to tell any sort of a story he thought he might get by with, but showed a fixed determination to hold on to Farley's ten spot. Judge Cornett finally told the man he would give him ten days in jail but would remit half the sentence if he would give back the money. He refused to consider the proposition and when asked, "If Mr. Farley should meet you on the street with a brick and demand that money or smash your head, would you give it to him?" replied "Yah I give him up den, bet."

Mr. Farley says he could have beat the man to the bank and stopped payment on the check but he thought the fellow was crazy and didn't want to raise a disturbance in the bank, but he thinks next time he will keep his check book in his pocket and depend on his fists and Irish ancestry to meet the emergency.

SENATOR EBERHARD WILL SEEK RE-NOMINATION

Hon. Colon R. Eberhard, of La Grande, announces in a letter to the Herald that he will be a candidate for the nomination for state senator for the 19th district at the coming primaries. Senator Eberhard served in the last two sessions of the legislature and his friends believe he is entitled to another term.

"SOCCER" FOOTBALL GAME DREW BIG CROWD

The game of "soccer" football at Gentry field Thursday afternoon drew a good crowd of interested spectators. Many of the old standby Irish players were not in town, however, and the teams had to be recruited from among the high school boys to make two full elevens, but just the same, the players and audience enjoyed it and "a good time was had by all."

Jim Mollahan and Joe Kenny captained the two teams and the way the 22 stalwarts went after that ball was not slow. Bert Stone took an active part in the proceedings and might have starred had he not tried to give the battle cry of his side in the Celtic language and almost strangled on it Johnny Doherty was referee and a good one only when he got excited once in awhile and tried to play the game when the young American players broke down. The game lasted until the players were ready to quit and the score, as near as our sporting editor could make out, was a tie at 1072 points or something like that.

CITY WATER SYSTEM IS PAYING PROPOSITION

A report recently submitted to the city council by L. W. Briggs, who was employed some time ago to audit the books of the city water department, shows a satisfactory condition. The report shows a net income for the year 1921 of \$14,849.49 with \$356.93 delinquent and to be collected with total disbursements of \$4,744.07. After paying interest on water bonds of \$5,500.00, a profit of \$4605.00 for the year remains. At this rate the system should pay for itself by the time the bonds are due.

POISON PREPARED FOR CROWS AND RAVENS

By C. C. Calkins Reports are coming in to the effect that the crows and ravens are doing much damage by making raids on baby chicks and roosters have been sent into the county agent's office for some efficient remedy to do away with them. The county agent is preparing a special bait recommended by the Biological Survey for handling these birds. This bait will not be prepared until the last of this week when parties desiring to try it can get the same by paying the price of the corn which is used in making up the bait.

SECOND ADVANCE TO WHEAT MEN THIS WEEK

MORROW COUNTY MEMBERS TO RECEIVE \$70,000

Oregon Cooperative Grain Growers To Distribute \$450,000 To Farmers

An announcement made last week by the manager of the Oregon Cooperative Grain Growers, through The Producer, official organ of the association, is to the effect that checks will be mailed during the present week to all members in Oregon covering the second advance on last year's wheat crop, amounting to \$350,000 and raises the total amount paid on the pool of last season's crop to \$2,750,000.

The 10-cent advance mailed during the next week will raise total advances to from 65 cent to 75 cents a bushel, depending upon the time warehouse tickets were received in the Portland headquarters. An illustration of the amounts being sent to the various communities, the following sums going into several counties in Oregon are given:

- Morrow county \$70,000.
- Sherman county \$70,000.
- Gilliam county \$50,000.
- Wasco county \$30,000.
- Marion county \$20,000.

The Washington-Idaho Wheat Growers' association also is preparing to make a supplementary advance, the exact amount of which has not been determined. The Montana Wheat Growers' association made a second advance late in 1921.

SPRAY MATERIAL

By C. C. Calkins For the convenience of the orchard men who have desired to purchase spray, Gilliam & Bisbee have consented to handle liquid lime & sulphur and arsenate of lead. They should have a supply of this spray material in their store by the middle of the week.

All parties interested securing this material are requested to get the same by calling upon Gilliam & Bisbee.

Pete Farley moved his family to Castle Rock Sunday where they will remain for a month or until the lambing season is over. Mr. Farley is lambing 2700 ewes at Castle Rock starting last Saturday and he says the grass is starting up fine and he expects a good season.

HARDMAN

Miss Gladys has recovered from a slight attack of La Grippe. Mrs. Joe Batty has moved from Hardman to her ranch at Eightmile.

A surprise party was given Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Saling, Monday evening, March 13th.

The Leathers' orchestra went to Lone Rock Friday to play for a dance to be given there.

Miss Ilo Merrill, a junior in high school in back at her studies again after a slight illness.

The Alabama Colored Jazz Band played for a novelty dance Saturday, March 18th. A show was given preceding the dance.

Mrs. Archie Saling, who has been very ill for some time, is now improving. Her many friends are indeed glad to know this.

There was an Old Time dance at Collier's hall Friday, March 17th. Supper was brought in baskets by the ladies and needless to say was delicious.

The grammar school will give a pay entertainment at the high school auditorium, April 1st. There will be several dialogues, monologues, short plays and songs.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Madison Stansman 9th March 16th.

W. H. Ayres, proprietor of a linden grocery here, is again able to be at business after a severe illness.

Mrs. Joe Howell announces that she has opened a hotel at her dwelling, and is ready to accommodate each and every one. This house has several times been run as a hotel and is well fitted for that business. Meals will be served at all times.