

RALPH E. Williams

REPUBLICAN

Candidate for National Committeeman

RALPH E. WILLIAMS, of Portland, native son of Oregon and present Republican National Committeeman, is a candidate for renomination and election. All Oregon knows that Mr. Williams was the chief factor in bringing about the reunion of the Republican and Progressive parties in the state in 1916, resulting in Oregon being the only state in the West to cast its electoral vote for Hughes. That Mr. Williams' splendid work in harmonizing the various elements of the Republican and Progressive parties is also recognized nationally, is attested by strong letters of endorsement, written by William R. Wilcox, retiring chairman of the Republican National Committee, George W. Perkins, chairman of the executive committee of the Progressive party, and Will H. Hays, recently elected chairman of the National Republican Committee. These letters refer not only to the state and national campaign of 1916, but also to the recent meeting of the Republican National Committee at St. Louis, where Mr. Williams' activities materially aided in establishing the spirit of cooperation and harmony which now prevails in the party throughout the United States.

A descendant of Oregon pioneer stock, his parents having crossed the plains to Oregon in 1845, Ralph Williams' Americanism has found abundant expression since the outbreak of the war by participation in all patriotic war activities.

As is generally known, seniority in service gives prestige and influence on the Republican National Committee in the same measure as on Congressional committees. At the present time he is ranked as to seniority on the National Committee by two members only. This puts Mr. Williams in a position of power and distinction such as no new member of the Committee could hope to attain.

His reelection will insure to the State of Oregon all the added benefits which will naturally accrue from his increased standing.

THOS. H. TONGUE, Jr.
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Members of Hughes Campaign Committee (Republican-Progressive).

(This information furnished by Thos. H. Tongue, Jr., Clyde G. Huntley, and others)

Sheriff McDuffee went to Ione on Tuesday to attend to the matter of taking over some property on a chattel mortgage of I. Wilkes to Bank of Ione.

Ed Buschke, Eight Mile farmer, was in Heppner Monday to bid good bye to his brother Robert, who left with eight other drafted men for Camp Lewis.

For Governor



GUS C. MOSER
REPUBLICAN
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HARLEY IS A SCREAM.

Commenting editorially upon the candidacy of F. C. Harley of Astoria, for the republican nomination for governor on "a beer and light wine" platform, the Bend Press has the following:

"Harley is a scream, and it is indeed strange that sedate Chapman should find anything to commend in the Astoria mayor.

"Harley as governor of Oregon on a 'beer and light wine' platform would bring the same publicity to this state that the governor of North Carolina and the governor of South Carolina did to those fair common-wealths on a memorable occasion.

"As a publicity expert Harley is a P. T. Barnum and Lydia Pinkham salad with a Painless Parker dressing.

"In Astoria he, as mayor of the City by the Sea, introduced himself to his townsmen as 'the next governor of Oregon,' and then as mayor backed off the stage and as governor-select he trod the boards.

"He has purchased the steam callope of Painless Parker, painted it lilly white, and will tour all available towns.

"He asks every man who has taken a drink of raw whiskey since Doc Anderson's bone dry law became effective to be honest and vote for him.

"He says 'If I cannot wake up Oregon, I will ask Congress to make a special appropriation and declare the state a national cemetery.

"In his headquarters in the Portland Hotel, in charge of Mark Woodruff, on a little glass shelf stands an invitational flask, flanked with small glasses. The contents of said flask is neither 'light wine or beer,' and departing visitors have been heard to remark, 'If that stuff is a sample of the kind of Governor Harley will make, here goes a vote for Doc Anderson.'

OREGON HAS PRIDE.

Oregon's claim for first honors in subscribing her quota to the Liberty loan is not surprising in view of her preparations.

The 'drives' for the first and second loans were not well planned and the result was that Oregon made a poorer showing than the average state on either the Pacific coast or in the nation at large. Indeed, they were saved from failure, according to the Oregon Voter, 'only by the host of true patriots all through the state who rallied at the last moment because they realized that the honor of Oregon was at stake.' It was determined that next time things should be different.

Months ago, accordingly, an organization by counties, communities and rural districts was perfected. Maps and tables were published, showing how the counties responded to the second loan. Laurels were heaped upon Benton, Wallowa and Union counties for exceeding the maximum quota announced only two days before the campaign closed.

It was prophesied that rivalry among the counties would result 'in some pretty good races' to see who would be high on the roll of honor in the third drive. Apparently, the state has 'made good.'—New York Evening Post.

TUSCANIA SURVIVOR WRITES TO MOTHER

William C. Gosney Is Now Somewhere In France and Is Only Waiting To Get Revenge On the Huns.

Mrs. Emma Ranck of Heppner has received the following letters from her son William C. Gosney, who is now with the American Expeditionary Forces somewhere in France. Mr. Gosney was on the ill-fated Tuscania but escaped injury.

On Active Service With American Expeditionary Force, March, 1918.

My Own Dear Mother:
I have been on the go for the last week and have been unable to write. I received both letters, one had the stamps but as yet I have not received the candy you sent, but am hoping it will reach me soon. We are getting letters right along and I am looking forward to the package.

I am well and feeling fine, although the climate over here is not like our climate and it will take me some time to get use to it. I think it is a little bit damper here than in Oregon, but I am not going to let that stop me. I do not want a small thing

like that to worry me.

I have had quite a good trip since I left the states, even though we were torpedoed. I visited Ireland, Scotland and Wales and was also in England for quite a while. We all seemed to enjoy the stay in those places. Well mother write as often as you can and don't work too hard. Hoping this finds you all well and happy. I am your devoted son,
WILLIE.

Somewhere in France,
March 31, 1918.

Dear Mother:

Just received your letter and was certainly glad to know you are getting along good. This finds me feeling fine and dandy. I just received the candy you sent me and it's awfully good.

This certainly is a good looking country but I like Oregon much better and when I get back there I will never leave. I haven't seen Luther since I enlisted in the army. I would like to see him and know how he's getting along.

Well I had a pretty close call on the boat but was landed safe and sound. We didn't lose very many of our boys after all, but I am hoping for the day to come when I can get my revenge back on the Huns.

We don't get our mail very often but don't worry, I will drop you a line often so you can have a word from me. You must write often. I wrote you a few lines from England. I hope you got them all O. K.

Trusting this finds you in good health, I will close. With love to all.

As ever your son,
WILLIAM C. GOSNEY,
Co. F, 6th Bn., 20th Engineers,
A. E. F.

FORMER HEPPNER BOY NOW A COOK IN FRANCE

Elwyn Shipley, a boy born in Heppner and who still has a number of relatives here, writes some interesting letters to his mother, Mrs. Guy Boyd, of Parma, Idaho. The letters are read by her, sent to other members of the family and finally returned to her. Young Shipley is a cook with Co. D 116 Engineers and has been in France since January.

Somewhere in France,
Feb. 15, 1918.

Dear Mother:

I have ***(Cut out by censor)** and am now with the old company and am still cooking.

We are in a good sized town, one of the oldest of the French cities. It has one of the oldest and most historic of the old French castles or chateaus, as the French call them. It was built 400 A. D. It was very interesting to go through and see the dungeon and all the prison cells and think of what had happened there. It is an education that one cannot get in books, and I am sure that we will all be many years ahead when we get back to the old U. S. A., which won't be very long I hope.

In the meantime I hope you won't worry about me, because I am in no danger, and from the looks of things, won't be.

I got that box you sent ***(Cut by censor)** joined the company. I sure was glad to get the sweater, it is just the thing I needed, because it is cold and damp here, and the weather is very disagreeable. As far as I know, there are no peanuts raised here, for I have tried to get some several times.

I have a pair of wristlets that were issued to me by the Red Cross, so

I won't need any of them.

I went down town last night and was surprised at the number of people who can speak English and the number of American products, such as kodaks, guns, Singer sewing machines and watches.

I am using a Corona typewriter. It belongs to Gibbons, our mess sergeant. I hope this will pass the censor because I wrote you a letter about a week ago and got it back yesterday, so had to re-write it. I expect you will laugh when you read it.

ELWYN F. SHIPLEY.

Dear Mother:

I have a little time to write, but nothing to write about. I am off duty today and have been cleaning up and sewing a few buttons on here and there and am going to do a little washing as soon as the water gets

warmer.

It has been a fine day and the sun is shining, but the air is still cold. We now have a regimental mess. That is, all the mess is cooked on one big kitchen and a certain number of cooks are on each day and the way it comes out, we go on every third day.

We are in good warm barracks or caserne, as the French call them, and in all the 16th is very lucky. I am glad I am with them and not with the infantry.

If anyone should happen to tell you that France is starving tell them I said it wasn't the truth, because when one goes down town the first thing he notices is how much he sees in the shops and I can get a fine meal here for about 4 francs, a much better meal than I could get in New York for the same money.

ELWYN.

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