

BOB SMITH OPENS HOT CAMPAIGN AT GRANTS PASS

Well-Known Attorney Declares He Will Clean Up the Town and Rout the "Blind Pigs" if He is Elected to Office.

TAKES HOT SHOT AT SOCIALISTIC BOSSISM

"The Trouble With This Town Is That It Is Rotten. Elect Me and I Clean It Up."

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Dec. 2.—The Smith family is waging a red-hot battle for the mayoralty. Dr. J. C. Smith is champion of the wide-open town, Attorney R. G. Smith of the law enforcement movement, and E. V. Smith of the socialists. Of the three, R. G. Smith is making the most aggressive fight and has challenged his opponents to meet him in debate, a challenge they have ignored to date. At a mass meeting held at the opera house, R. G. Smith spoke as follows, his remarks being greeted with great applause:

"I do not hanker to be mayor of Grants Pass; there is hard work to do here, so pardon my egotism when I declare to you that I believe I am the best man in town to do that work.

Socialists Grilled.

"The socialists refuse to come to my meeting here tonight. I understand they agreed to keep away. That does not hurt me, however. Why it was R. D. Cole (who is a socialist) who suggested to me that I run for mayor. He said to me, 'you can make a good town of this.' Later the socialists solicited me to become their city attorney and I told them I would not accept the office or any office under their system of resignations in advance, signed and delivered into their hands; that that kind of business was a political peonage, a contemptible form of partisan rule through party bosses.

"They claim to proceed on the theory that the officer is only to be removed in case he violates his pledges. But the question is who are to be the judges? Why the little socialist club, which like any other club is ruled by bosses? There are registered in Grants Pass 68 socialists. Some of you are frightened and some of you men think there are 3000 of them. A few frogs in a pond can make a fearful noise.

Ruled by Bosses.

"The socialists are bosses, their plan of bossism is the work of bosses—theirs are the methods of 100 years ago. If one of them votes for any other than a socialist he is thrown out of the party, to wander a political exile. They go on the theory that the Debs party is the only one that possesses virtue, and that all other parties are rotten.

"They talk about needed changes in government; certainly there will

RUNNING FOR MAYOR



Robert G. Smith.

be changes; there are mighty changes to take place. The government will take charge of some matters and conduct affairs for the benefit of all the people, such as lines of ships through the Panama canal to check transportation trusts; but these acts of the government will not be by any party as such, and especially not by any helpless, bigoted party that will not come and hear a man talk who is running for mayor of a little town of 5000 souls. Not one law has been initiated by the socialists for the benefit of the people. Changes we get are by the initiative and will continue to be by the initiative. The people can propose and vote laws at any election but although we have had the initiative in this state for several years the socialists have never proposed a single law. Why I have a better record than that.

Would Enforce Laws.

"Now as to the law enforcement in Grants Pass. No man knows what he can do until he tries. I want to say to you that if you want the law enforced you don't know how easy it is to do so with a little earnest effort. We have imposing school buildings filled with the young who are taught wisdom and morality there; but when these same children walk down the streets of Grants Pass they see it is 'proper' to violate the law. We build school houses, but make laws only to be broken. There are 15 places in Grants Pass wherein some of them liquor is said to be sold openly. Do you think you are doing your duty?"

"Yes, as an attorney I defended them in the courts in the local option cases, and I gave them value received; they have no cause of complaint against me. Now I am through with them. I will not take any more cases from that element unless I know the accused is innocent. Only last week I turned down a fee of \$1000 offered me in another county. I say again I am done with them, and you know what they are saying about me now.

Will Clean Up City.

"Regarding my announcement for mayor where I said I would clean up Grants Pass if it bankrupted me to do so, I want to say, if you please, that there will be no bankruptcy, as the violators of the liquor law will take to the woods and I will be doing them a favor to run them out of a venal business.

"Do you believe that the little boys in this town do not know what blind pigs are? For God's sake how long

COMPANY EXTENDS HOPKINS CANAL

Three Thousand Additional Acres of Land Will Be Placed Under Water—Surveyors Now in the Field Extending Lines.

The Rogue River Canal company has a crew of surveyors at work north and west of Central Point running lines for an extension of the Hopkins canal, which will place about 3,000 additional acres of land in that section under water. Ranchers, orchardmen and farmers are coming to the aid of the company with deeds of right of way.

The benefit of water in the valley is more and more understood by the ranchers, and they are now welcoming the extension of a canal system where once they objected.

FOUND NOTHING IN EAST LIKE MEDFORD

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pointer returned a couple of days ago from a trip through the middle west. They left here three or four weeks ago with the avowed intention of buying a farm near their old home at Macomb, Iowa, but upon reaching that place they found land valued at \$200 an acre, eggs 10 cents a dozen and butter 15 cents a pound. Mr. Pointer could not see just where there was any margin to the producer and the ratio of land values and land products didn't look inviting, and the next train out of Iowa had Mr. and Mrs. Pointer as passengers. They also went into Missouri and here things didn't look right. Neither did they in Arkansas. As a matter of fact, Medford and Oregon looked better in their mind's eye with every turn of the car wheels in a westward direction. Mr. Pointer is the gentleman who has grown such excellent vegetables and small fruits on his city lot out on West Eleventh street, in Medford. He has not only supported his family from this small lot but has laid by several dollars for a rainy day.

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are we going to allow these things to continue? And do you know, and I regret to speak of this, that there are houses of ill fame here—and some men there are who say they must exist here. Hear me, are a portion of the baby girls born each year to be set apart for this hellish business? Let me tell you that there exists no vice but what can be eliminated if you but want it eliminated.

"I say again I am not hankering after the job as mayor, and if you have a doubt regarding me then see that J. C. or E. V. Smith is elected. The trouble with this town today is that it is rotten; it is worse than any town in southern Oregon. I am willing to bear my part in putting a stop to it if you will help."

ANOTHER SCHOOL SOCIETY FORMED

Twelve Parents and Friends Unite for the Purpose of Promoting Child Welfare in School District No. 7, Near Ashland.

After an interesting program given at the Neil Creek school house Wednesday afternoon by the children and their teacher, Miss Adah Smith, a parent-teacher circle was formed and elected the following officers:

President, Mrs. James Barrett; vice president, Mrs. Thomas Morris; secretary, Mrs. Homer Barron; treasurer, Miss Bertha Kincaid.

A committee was appointed to draw up a suitable constitution and by-laws and another committee to prepare a program for the next meeting, which will be called Wednesday, January 3. This circle intends to join the Oregon Congress of Mothers and work with them for the children. One organization considers the education of the child, while the other aims to place before parents all that will be helpful to them in developing the child physically, morally and intellectually.

BIG POWER PLANT NEARLY COMPLETE

Prospect Construction Company is Laying Off Its Men and Drawing Work to a Close—Power House Complete Soon.

The Prospect Construction company is rapidly drawing its work of constructing and installing the big power plant at Prospect to a close. Twelve of the workmen who have been working a night shift came in from there yesterday, they having been laid off in a few days, they having completed the part of the works upon which they were employed.

The carpenters expect to have the power house completed by the 10th of this month. The machinery necessary for the installation of this tremendous power plant is all on the ground and will be put in place just as soon as the building is ready for it.

The work of laying the 1050 feet of 36-inch water pipe is now in progress and the boiler-makers in charge of this part of the construction system are working a day and night shift.

LUNCH AT THE OFFICE.
Hot lunches are served daily at the Ryan cafe or "The Office," on North Front street. Hot roast beef sandwiches, turkey sandwiches, clam chowder, and Chili con carne are some of the tempting offerings. 218*

Haskins for Health.

ARTHUR PUTNAM IS NEAR DEATH

San Francisco Sculptor is Reported Today to Be Hovering Between Life and Death—Stricken Two Months Ago.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—Arthur Putnam, the San Francisco sculptor and clubman who has been seriously ill since he suffered a stroke of paralysis two months ago, is reported to be hovering between life and death today.

Aldenhagen Withdraws.
To the Public:

About two weeks ago I announced myself as a candidate for councilman from the third ward, doing so at the earnest solicitation of a large number of my friends and immediate neighbors and at the time I considered more the honor of the position than the numerous and onerous duties involved.

At this time I desire to express my appreciation for the confidence which those neighbors and friends have shown me by requesting me to become a candidate, but since my announcement additional duties have been devolved upon me, so that should I now continue under my announcement as a candidate for councilman and the result be my election to office, my duties to the city of Medford as well as to my immediate constituents will not only place upon me an added burden of labor and responsibility, but largely take time from my immediate employment and its consequent obligations.

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withdraw my candidacy and in so doing desire to express my regret that such action should seem advisable, but I feel most keenly that should I be elected I will have many obligations to fulfill and many arduous duties to perform to the city, and in view of the present demands upon my time I cannot suitably and satisfactorily fulfill both.

I again desire to express my most sincere appreciation to those who have suggested to me to become a candidate as well as those who have supported it. Yours very sincerely,
W. G. ALDENHAGEN.

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