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MEDFORD, OREGON.
 Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon.
 Population—U. S. census 1910—4840; estimated, 1911—19,000.
 Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving fine supply pure mountain water, and 17.3 miles of streets paved.
 Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1911, show increase of 19 per cent.
 Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitzberg apples won sweepstakes prize and title of "Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Newtowns won First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show, Vancouver, B. C.
 First Prize in 1911 at Spokane National Apple Show won by carload of Newtowns.
 Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.
 Write Commercial Club, including 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever published.

OUR NEW GUARDIANS.

EVERY time Jackson county attempts to do anything progressive, our mossback guardians of the Willamette valley prevent it. There is small encouragement in Oregon to be progressive in anything save politics.

Our special guardians, the courts, have forbidden us from spending the state's money, appropriated by the legislature for a state highway to Crater Lake, and have stopped us from spending our own money for permanent county highways.

Now comes a new set of guardians in the guise of the Oregon Association for Highway Improvement, presided over by C. T. Prall, with an initiative bill to prevent counties from issuing road bonds exceeding two percent of the assessed valuation of the county. This would mean \$750,000 for Jackson county, instead of \$1,500,000 which the people voted—not enough to do half the development work needed.

In other words, this association does not think that the people can be trusted to spend their own money, that Jackson county people do not know what they want, and that the association is better qualified to tell them than they are themselves. It is the stand-pat idea in politics applied to business—the fool people haven't sense enough to manage their own affairs.

The association does not think the bonds would be salable unless limited to two percent of the valuation. The association wouldn't market these bonds, and it doesn't need to shoulder these troubles. Jackson county would have to market them herself, could and would find a ready market for all issued, just as California counties do.

By prompt action, that is by voting for bonds upon initiative petition at the general election in November, according to the supreme court decision, these bonds can be voted without restrictions before the proposed initiative law goes into effect—and that is what must and will be done.

THE GREY SQUIRREL STATESMAN.

EVER since J. W. Morton of Salem visited Medford and informed a breathlessly awaiting populace that he sought the republican nomination as United States senator, a wondering world has puzzled over the problem why so great a man sought so small an office. Now comes the state voters' pamphlet solving the puzzle by publishing the candidate's glorious record.

Mr. Morton's chief claim to fame, according to his own statement, is his record as a statesman made while serving a term in the Oregon legislature. This consisted in the authorship of the celebrated statute protecting silver-grey squirrels.

Seldom does it fall to the lot of an individual to frame such an elaborate piece of legislation, one calculated to change the destinies of a mighty race, to prevent the extermination of a great nation, to save for posterity so powerful a people.

It is but right that Oregon fitly recognizes such great service and bestows whatever poor honors it can as an earnest of its gratitude and appreciation. Let us send the noblest statesman of them all to the nation's capital, so that from every forest tree in all our vast domain may wave the fluttering silver-grey tail of the scampering squirrel barking joyously its huzzas for Morton the squirrel statesman!

ESSENTIALS LACKING.

"THE Mail Tribune says that Judge Dunn is honest and economical. That is just what the people want," exclaims the village press.

Yes the people want honesty and economy, but, admirable as these virtues be, they alone are not sufficient. Honesty and economy do not redeem narrowness, ignorance and unprogressiveness.

What is needed as well as economy and honesty, is efficiency and progressiveness—and Judge Dunn lacks these essentials.

Progressive Administration Needed

(From the Central Point Herald.)

Jackson county needs a business administration of county affairs during the coming four years, but that does not mean that the county can afford a policy of retrogression that would allow public improvements to remain at a standstill. The people of the county last fall declared themselves in go uncertain terms on the matter of good roads and the man or set of men who hope to elect unprogressives to the county board will find an uphill job to carry through.

Undoubtedly too much money has been spent by the county during the past few years considering the amount accomplished, but that is no reason why anybody should want to bury all improvements and go back to the days of the pack trail or the freight wagon.

The Rogue River valley is no longer a "cheap proposition." Land values here are high as compared with many western communities, but they are worth the price, because they will bring liberal returns on the investment and at the same time furnish the owner a home in the most delightful climate and amid the most picturesque surroundings in America. The people who have already come here and the people who are coming in the future are of that class who demand modern conveniences. Good roads head the list of needed things. We must therefore select men who will continue improvements and who will give us 100 cents' worth of improvements for each dollar expended.

It doesn't matter so much how much public money is spent if it is honestly and intelligently spent for permanent improvements.

Jackson county wants no administration which will simply sit tight on the lid and squeeze two-bit pieces. We must have progression, honest, straightforward progression, remembering always that in case of foolishness, graft or waste there is always the recall.

CIRCUS RIDER CHALLENGES ELEANOR SEARS TO RIDE

BURLINGAME, Cal., April 10.—Miss Eleanor Sears, the Boston society girl and athlete, is in receipt today of a challenge from Miss Emma C. Stickeney, a circus rider, for a quarter mile horse race on any private track near San Francisco. Miss Sears last rode against Lady Herbert of Coronda. The circus speaks of inviting a few friends, and intimates that the race might be an exclusive social event. Miss Sears has not yet accepted the challenge.

Not Liable for Falls

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 10.—If a lineman falls from a pole while going up to string wires, he cannot hold the company liable for his injuries, according to a decision of the state supreme court on file today. The decision was made in the case of Clyde H. Hood against the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, the lower court being reversed.

POLITICAL CARDS

(Paid Advertisement.)

County Clerk.
 I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of county clerk, subject to the will of the voters of that party at the primaries. I promise the people of Jackson county that in case of my nomination and election I will fulfill the duties of the office according to law and the best of my knowledge and ability.

W. H. MILLER.
 Gold Hill, Ore., Feb. 16, 1912.

For County Clerk.
 I hereby announce my candidacy for republican nomination as county clerk. If nominated and elected, I will conduct the office according to law and will treat all patrons courteously.

GEORGE A. GARDNER.

For Sheriff.
 I announce myself as a candidate for sheriff, promising a continuance of the businesslike administration I have given the office in the past.

W. A. JONES.

County Recorder.
 I am a candidate for a second term for the office of County Recorder on the Republican ticket, subject to the coming primary.

I have conducted the office to the best of my ability, the books are always open for inspection and feel that I am entitled to a second term.

FRED L. COLVIG.

For Prosecuting Attorney.
 I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of prosecuting attorney for the first prosecuting attorney district of Oregon, embracing the counties of Jackson and Josephine, subject to the will of the voters of that party at the primaries, and I pledge the people of Jackson and Josephine counties that in the event of my nomination and election I will fearlessly, impartially and to the best of my ability prosecute all violations of law in said district and endeavor to administer the duties of said office with the utmost efficiency and economy.

E. E. KELLY.

For Representative.
 I respectfully present my name as candidate for representative to the republican voters at the coming primary. I have been once honored by the people of Jackson county, having been chosen to represent them in the state assembly two years ago. If nominated and elected, I shall do in the future as I have in the past: give to my constituents as honest and faithful service as lies within my power. I realize that there are matters of importance to southern Oregon that will come up in the next meeting of the legislature at Salem, and it will be my earnest desire if elected to act to the fullest satisfaction of all the people of Jackson county.

J. A. WESTERLUND.

County Clerk.
 I announce myself as a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county clerk, subject to the primaries April 19, 1912.

N. L. NARREGAN.

For County Judge.
 I am a candidate for the nomination of county judge of Jackson county to be determined by the will of the voters at the primaries April 19, 1912. If I am nominated and elected I will during my term of office, as soon as lawful authority of the voters can be secured, bond the county and begin the construction of a scientific system of permanent roads. One million and a half dollars is not too much for this purpose. But a dollar's value must be had for every dollar spent. I will oppose increasing the county's warrant indebtedness and will endeavor to reduce the same and restore the county's credit. I will assume full responsibility for a business administration of every county office.

F. E. MERRICK.

For County Commissioner.
 I hereby announce myself as candidate for the nomination of county commissioner for the four year term, subject to the endorsement of the republican voters at the primary election April 19, 1912.

If nominated and elected I will during my term of office conduct the business of Jackson county on a strictly business basis, and to the best interests of the taxpayers, and without fear or favor to any party, parties or to any particular section of the county.

W. C. LEEVER.

County Recorder.
 I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county recorder, subject to the will of the voters of that party at the primaries. I was born and raised at Eagle Point, Ore. I have for the past two years been

deputy in the assessor's office and all I ask the people to do is to look up my character and past record before casting their ballots.

CHAUNCEY FLOREY.

For Sheriff.

I respectfully present my name to the republican voters as candidate for sheriff of Jackson county at the coming primaries. I have served two terms as constable of Medford district, and if nominated and elected I shall serve the people in the future as in the past.

AUG. D. SINGLER.

For Representative.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as one of the two representatives to the assembly for Jackson county, to be chosen by the republican voters at the primary election April 19, 1912.

My two interests—the ranch at Central Point and law practice—having brought me in touch with conditions confronting both the farmer and the business man, in consenting to make the race for the nomination for representative, I wish to state that I am in favor of well built highways, constructed along economical and scientific lines. I favor such laws as will enable our orchardists to protect and care for their orchards in the best possible manner. I believe in such legislation as will protect and safeguard all the interests of the people in matters of taxation, railroad rates and efficient public service.

And if nominated and elected, I will give to each taxpayer honest, efficient and businesslike service.

JOHN H. CARKIN.

For Assessor.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for a second term for county assessor, subject to the republican primaries, April 19, 1912, and promise if nominated and elected to do my duty in the future as I have in the past.

W. T. GRIEVE.

Prosecuting Attorney.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney for the first prosecuting attorney district of Oregon, comprising the counties of Jackson and Josephine, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries.

If nominated and elected I will prosecute all violations of the law and will faithfully discharge the duties of the office, honestly, impartially, economically and to the best of my ability.

H. K. HANNA.

Jacksonville, Ore., March 14, 1912.

For Sheriff.

To the Republicans of Jackson county:

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff of Jackson county, Ore., subject to the wishes of the voters of the republican party, to be expressed at the primary election on April 19th, 1912. In case I should be nominated and elected to the said office, I promise the people of Jackson county a businesslike administration of the office.

EMMETT BEESON.

For Prosecuting Attorney.
 I hereby announce myself a candidate for the republican nomination to the office of prosecuting attorney for the first district, Oregon. If I am nominated and elected I shall prosecute all violations of the law, and especially will I prosecute all violations of the liquor laws, and all laws safeguarding the welfare of young manhood and womanhood in this jurisdiction. This I shall do with whatever of strength and ability my six years' experience as a practicing attorney and three years as deputy prosecuting attorney of this district has conferred.

J. N. JOHNSTON.

County Surveyor.
 I hereby announce my candidacy for the above named office, subject to the republican primaries in April. I respectfully refer the electors to my past record as a basis upon which to judge my qualifications for said office.

T. W. OSGOOD.

County Surveyor.
 I am a candidate for the republican nomination for county surveyor, subject to the primary election in April.

If elected I will perform the duties of the office with the system and ability that my credentials of former experience and my private work of the past three years in this county credit me with.

Copies of letters recently sent to the county clerk and court, and now in my possession, regarding my ability and past experience, may be had by any voter requesting the same.

H. G. STOECKMANN.

For County Clerk.

I hereby announce my candidacy for county clerk subject to the republican primary on April 19. If

nominated and elected I promise a businesslike administration of the office, and will observe the laws governing the office in every detail to the best of my ability.

W. F. QUISENBERRY.

For County Judge.

I am a candidate for democratic nomination as county judge. If elected I promise to reform all loose and careless methods of transacting public business, and to administer the affairs of Jackson county on strict and systematic business lines. I will assist in building good roads, build up the county's credit, labor for its every material interest along progressive and economical lines. I will favor no locality at the expense of any other and I will safeguard all of your material interests conscientiously and to the best of my ability.

FRANK L. TOU VELLE.

Medford, R. F. D. No. 2.

For County Surveyor.

I am asking for the republican nomination, and if I am elected I will make the office mean something.

All county work requiring engineering skill should be done by the county surveyor, and maps and other data filed for future reference. Having made the surveys for the adjudicating of Little Butte creek water rights and a topographic map of a large portion of the Rogue river valley, besides other surveys, I am able to give first-hand information.

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JOLTS AND JINGLES

By Ad Brown

If you were registering voters you would know it isn't only the women who hesitate about giving their age.

Every time a man washes the dishes he says, "It doesn't seem possible we could have used all this silverware today."

The open season is on for little Johnny to chase his baseball in the neighbor's garden.

"If your life is full of hard knocks keep banging away," advises a Medford minister. That's what the prizefighters do.

We are bound to hear a whole lot about "keynote speeches" before long.

Old Man Umph.
 "In my youth I mite hev bin a grate baseball pitcher ef I haddent bin so bizzzy pitchin' hay.

The funniest things I hev heard lately are a lot of strote corner political speeches.

As a member of the Sunday excursion club I am hopin' thet the Blue fledge ralerode puts on a passenger car.

Sogy Sampson sez her Easter hat is "jest too dear," and her dad agrees.

Speakin' of daffydils, what has Judge Dunn?

"I have something important to ask you," said Mrs. Wife when Friend Husband returned from work the other evening.

"Well, what is it?" was his rejoinder as he mentally looked over his stock of excuses for staying out late the night before.

"It is simply this, John Henry Wadlak. Have you registered yet?"

If Mr. La Follette is a sick man it behooves other candidates to study his symptoms.

BARNES ANIMAL CIRCUS

IN MEDFORD APRIL 22
 The Al G. Barnes wild animal show will return to Medford for two performances, afternoon and evening of Monday, April 22. The parade occurs at 10 a. m. In a few days the publicity car will arrive and further advertise this peerless attraction. It is not the old-time circus with its many tiresome aerial acts, but the biggest and best wild animal show which has ever visited the vicinity.

Every animal known to the kingdom of wild beasts performing feats which fall little short of the impossible. To gain some idea of the enormity it takes twenty extra length cars to convey them around the country, and acres of canvas to house them, 300 wild and domestic animals, 200 employees, three arenas in the big top, the center of which contains a mammoth steel arena, where all the wild animals acts take place; scores of brilliantly decorated wagons for the street parade and the greatest show, both as an educational and amusement value, known to amusement lovers of the country.

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