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## FRUIT OFFICIALS PRAISE K. S. MILLER

To the Editor:

At the adjourned annual meeting of the board of directors of the Northwestern Fruit exchange held in this city on Friday, April 12, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association has rendered a most valuable service to the entire fruit industry of the northwest by authorizing its manager, Mr. Kerby S. Miller, to carry in person the gospel of business co-operation to the producing districts of the northwest; and

"Whereas, the manager of the Rogue River Fruit — Produce association, Mr. Kerby S. Miller, has carried on this work wholeheartedly and vigorously, bringing to it the wealth of an active, brilliant mind and the enthusiasm of a strong, virile personality; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered the Rogue River Fruit & Produce association and to Mr. Kerby S. Miller, individually and collectively, for the splendid public service so rendered, which cannot fail to add materially to the whole sum of prosperity and general welfare of the fruitgrowers of the Pacific northwest."

Yours very truly,  
NORTHWESTERN FRUIT EXCHANGE.

By W. F. Gwin, general manager.

### COMMUNICATION.

To the editor: I am attorney in the claim of the Sherman county settlers for reimbursement for the loss of their homesteads in 1890, the amount involved being about \$250,000. Every senator for twenty years has tried to get a federal appropriation to pay this just claim, but no member succeeded in even getting the bill out of the committee until Senator Bourne took it up. He not only got a favorable committee report from two congresses, but has secured the passage of the bill twice through the senate.

Believing that the facts in this important case are not generally known to the people of Oregon, and earnestly desiring that your state keep in the senate the men who get results, I have taken the liberty of sending you this statement.

Hoping that the pamphlets forwarded under separate cover will be of service to you, and that I may hear from you, I am

Very truly yours,  
SAMUEL HERRICK.  
Washington, D. C., April 10.

### To Hop Growers.

To the editor: It is our desire to help all we can, the re-election of Senator Bourne, because of his need to the hop growers of this coast.

The setback that the increased duty on hops gave to the foreign hop growers who had been increasing their markets in America, at the expense of the coast growers, caused the foreign growers to stop their increase in acreage and to neglect their crops and with the result of foreign crop shortage and good hop prices.

The present hop prices will of course cause foreign hop growers to again make a fight for the American markets, and they will indirectly make a fight for a lower hop duty and we need some one in the United States senate to get in strong behind Senator Bourne to champion the cause of the coast growers.

When the question of hop duty was last before the senate, Senator Bourne, single handed made a most difficult uphill fight and won; and the coast hop growers profited so well that nearly all of them recovered the enormous losses they suffered prior to Senator Bourne's taking hold of the matter.

Senator Bourne must be re-elected — no one else can fill his place as far as concerns the Pacific coast hop growing industry.

Vote for Senator Bourne and get your friends to vote for him.

Faithfully,  
E. CLEMENS HORST CO.  
By E. C. HORST, Pres.

San Francisco, April 12.

### THAT "PROGRESSIVE" LEAFLET.

"PROGRESSIVENESS" from Dunn's standpoint and "Progressiveness" from his opponent's standpoint," is the caption of a leaflet sent broadcast throughout the county. Like all of the articles issued in defense of Judge Dunn, this document is principally a tirade against the Mail Tribune, whose chief virtue is the enemies it has made.

The Mail Tribune is highly flattered. Its progressiveness is as different from the progressiveness of Dunn as day from night. It is one of its chief merits and the most valid reason for its existence.

The "progressives" signing this circular are T. E. Pottenger, E. R. Oatman, F. M. Amy and G. C. Garrett, all of whom have made enough money by selling their farms at the enhanced values secured through the enterprise of Medford, to move here, and live the life of the capitalist. Some of them are in the landlord class, whose chief occupation is to assist prosperity by raising rentals already exorbitant. It is said that they have all worn out the elastic in their suspenders by diving into their pockets for money to head subscription lists for public enterprise. This probably accounts for the fact that their names are conspicuous by their absence from these same lists and but one, Mr. Oatman, a member of the Commercial club that produced their prosperity. This class of enterprise consists chiefly in the highly creative work of knocking, and howling because taxes are not as low as they were when land was valued at half of what it is today.

An initiative bill ought to be introduced at the next general election exempting this class of "progressives" from taxation. Then the country could go ahead without meeting their organized opposition to every foot of pavement, every length of water pipe, every yard of highway constructed.

### Delinquent Tax List Publication.

The leaflet asserts that the delinquent tax list publication under Dunn was \$120 while under the present administration it was \$1800, and an insinuation is made that the Mail Tribune grafted this amount. The figures quoted for Dunn's administration, which left a large portion of property off the tax rolls, were the result of a cut-throat newspaper war, when the Tribune was first started, when the Tribune printed these proceedings at considerably less than cost, and as a result of fool management became bankrupt.

The law requiring the publication of delinquent tax lists was then abolished, at the instance and to the profit of the tax-sharks who bought up delinquent property without the knowledge of the owners or their notification, a class now enrolled among Dunn's "progressives." The publication was restored by the legislature of 1911, and the legal rate stipulated. The law also provided that it should be printed in the two papers having the largest circulation in the county. In conformity to the law, the delinquent tax list was printed in the Mail Tribune and the Ashland Tidings, Judge Dunn's own organ, at the stipulated rate of 5 cents per line, each paper being paid an equal amount. That the list was the largest ever printed was due to the fact that years had elapsed since a previous publication and was no fault of the newspapers. But it offers these "progressives" another chance to knock the Mail Tribune, while silent about the Tidings.

### Figures Purposely Misleading.

The figures quoted, said to have been compiled by Wm. Ulrich, who it is reported was not permitted to sign the leaflet because he was too progressive, are purposely misleading. Dunn is credited with having supervised the expenditure of \$117,596 in 1904, when he did not take office until January 1, 1905, and the expenditures in 1908, showing an increase of 50 percent, laid to the present administration, which took office January 1, 1909. This is a sample of the fairness shown by these "progressives."

As a matter of fact, the county has nearly doubled in wealth, population and values in the past four years, and its administration costs far more than it did during Dunn's term, but Dunn did not build good roads, spent very little money upon roads, and does not intend to build any in the future if elected. He opposes bond issues and would devote the proceeds of taxation towards redeeming warrants already issued.

### Alleged County Dictation.

The charge that the Mail Tribune dictated county affairs or expenditures during the past four years is too absurd to need reply. Joshua Patterson, Dunn's lieutenant, dominated the county court until January, 1911, the Mail Tribune had nothing to do with courthouse affairs, nor sought to have anything to do with them, then or since, and never has been consulted by the administration, a statement that any of the members of the county court will substantiate.

The only appearances before the county court by Mr. Putnam have been as a public spirited citizen urging the construction of the Crater Lake highway—which is probably a crime in the eyes of these "progressive" disinterested guardians of the taxpayers, who seek a regime of stagnation that their taxes may be reduced to what they were when their property was worth but a fraction of what it is today and who would reap a profit by warrant shaving.

## HOOSIERS ORGANIZE; 250 MEMBERS LISTED

Recounting reminiscences of pioneer and modern life of Indiana, 125 members of the Rogue River Valley Hoosier club met Wednesday night at the I. O. O. F. hall and enjoyed a most pleasant evening, which included a banquet and an excellent program.

The club is one of the largest state organizations in the city and has an enrollment of 250 members. Many delightful gatherings have been given in the past and more are

planned for the future. Chief among these is a picnic to be given on August 9 in honor of ex-President Benjamin Harrison, the only Indiana president.

The meeting Wednesday night was called to order by President M. A. Rader. The program follows: Invocation, D. F. Wilson; "Reminiscences Around Noblesville," C. E. Gates; "Blossoms From Bloomfield," S. B. Graham; "Adrift in Logansport," Professor Stine; "Medford vs. Peru," Mr. Butler; "Spitzenbergs in Indianapolis," W. A. Jones; "Skinsy Horse Race," August D. Singler.

Following the program the following officers were elected: C. E. Gates, president; August D. Singler, vice-president; S. B. Graham, secretary and treasurer.

## POLITICAL CARDS

(Paid Advertisement.)

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 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.

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.

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. LENVER.

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.

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 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.

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 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 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.

I can nomination for county surveyor.

EMMETT BEESON.

County Surveyor.

I am a candidate for the republican nomination for 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 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.

For Prosecuting Attorney.

I hereby announce myself as 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. Very respectfully,

J. N. JOHNSTON.

(Paid adv.)

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.

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

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