

RECALLERS FIND ONE CANDIDATE WILLING TO RUN

A little band of Jackson county patriots filled with zeal for a recall of the county court answered the call for a meeting of all taxpayers, and assembled in the basement of the library Saturday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting was to select candidates to run against the present officials. It was not a howling success, there being comparatively little howling, absolutely no success and only one patriot willing to make the race. A count of noses showed forty-three citizens present, one-third of these being sightseers and gentlemen seeking a change from city park benches. Attorney W. E. Phipps presided.

The meeting manifested a sentiment for Judge George Dunn of Ashland for county judge. The only trouble with the Dunn candidacy was his absolute refusal to have anything to do with the recall, which he does not sanction. Benton Bowers of Ashland, arriving late, was importuned before he had a chance to sit down, to give his opinion of Judge Dunn's making the race. Mr. Bowers not caring to break the news abruptly, made a five-minute talk, in which he said that unless Judge Dunn had changed his mind within the last week he would not run. Contractor E. J. Semon, who shares with Dr. J. M. Keene and Benton Bowers the parentage of the recall movement, said that only last week Judge Dunn had said that he would not run.

To Entice Dunn

Notwithstanding news of the refusal from two high sources, W. P. Dodge of Medford made a motion that a committee be appointed to go to Ashland and notify Judge Dunn that he was wanted to run. "I think," said Patriot Dodge, "that if Judge Dunn knew Medford wanted him to run, he would."

The chair then appointed a committee of notification composed of Jesse Honek, E. H. Fehl, F. V. Medynski, W. P. Dodge, John Matney of the Applegate, A. A. Smith of Eagle Point, A. E. Kellogg of Gold Hill and William P. Cotterill of Phoenix.

W. W. Parker of Butte Falls stated: "I owe Judge Dunn an apology," he said. "Four years ago I thought he 'aid me in the lie.' It was over roads. The roads in the Butte Falls district, I read a piece in an Ashland paper where he said the Butte Falls roads were good. That laid me in the lie. I took that paper and went down to the polls and read it to the voters and said: 'I cannot support a man like that.' Out of 113 votes Judge Dunn got 13. I owe him an apology; he did not lay me in the lie, as I supposed. I will write him. We need a change from the county court that is robbing us of thousands of dollars."

One Willing Martyr

In an hour's skirmishing around for county commissioners, only one was found willing to be a martyr, but not anxious about it. This patriot was W. W. Gregory, one of the circulators of the recall petition. Even his zealotism had a string attached. He would run only for the short term. So the meeting elected him to run against Commissioner Con Leever of Central Point, whose term expires December 31.

The patriots had plenty of good men to run against Commissioner Frank H. Madden, only none of them would run. Horace Pelton, J. E. Wortman and George A. Hilton were mentioned for the job. And as fast as they were mentioned some friend would arise to announce they had flatly refused to participate. Finally the meeting selected George A. Hilton as the one most easily persuaded, but even he has refused, and according to friends will not qualify, under any circumstances.

Improper Booms Fade

Several improper booms were cut loose. Earl H. Fehl nominated L. Nordermyer, who punctured the boom forthwith. Benton Bowers, defeated at the last primary for the legislature, was mentioned. "Once is enough," he said. E. M. Wilson, beaten for the republican nomination for assessor, also bobbed up as candidate and passed away.

The meeting adjourned with one candidate nominated, only a dozen taxpayers remaining for the close. The strong desire for a recall, outside of a coterie always against progress, was conspicuous by its absence.

Among the taxpayers participating were Jesse Honek, Frank M. Amy, L. Nordermyer, A. E. Kellogg and R. C. Kelsey of Gold Hill, Benton Bowers of Ashland, W. P. Dodge, Earl Fehl, F. V. Medynski, A. A. Smith, W. W. Parker of Butte Falls, John Matney of Applegate, Attorney W. E. Phipps, Dick Bradley, William Cotterill and others.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR FISHERMEN AT HIGH BANKS

George Porter had a very narrow escape from a most serious accident yesterday while fishing on Rogue river. Mr. Porter was fishing along the precipitous and rocky bluffs known as the high bank, opposite Table Rock. He had worked his way down upon a narrow ledge over a deep pool in the river and had tried a cast or two when, chancing to look behind him in the brush and rock he saw a huge diamond-back rattler just above him on a ledge of rock, coiled ready to strike. It was a case of fight or swim, and Mr. Porter, being somewhat rheumatic, elected to fight. Carefully selecting a heavy rock, the besieged Isaac Walton took careful aim and delivered a high, fast one that missed the rattler by a good two feet. The snake, after the style of the big-leaguer, refused to bite on this wild pitch. Failing to get a strike on his first shot, George wound up and delivered a softball that caught his snakeship squarely in the middle and broke up the game. George says that judging from the aroma the snake had not been dead more than two weeks.

District Attorney Kelly, who also visited the river yesterday in company with Mr. Porter and their families, had a narrow escape from a rattler. He was working his way through a jungle of brush and fallen logs when he heard the ominous rattle of a rattler, and looking down in the direction of one of his descending elevens he saw the reptile coiled for action. He says he has known for a number of years that he could navigate in an Overland car, but that he now also claims the record for navigating in a pair of wading shoes and a split bamboo rod.

Both gentlemen claim to have gone dry with the state January 1st, and as neither has visited California, considerable credit should be attached to their adventures.

Chauncey M. Depew and Wife Snapped in Convention Crowd

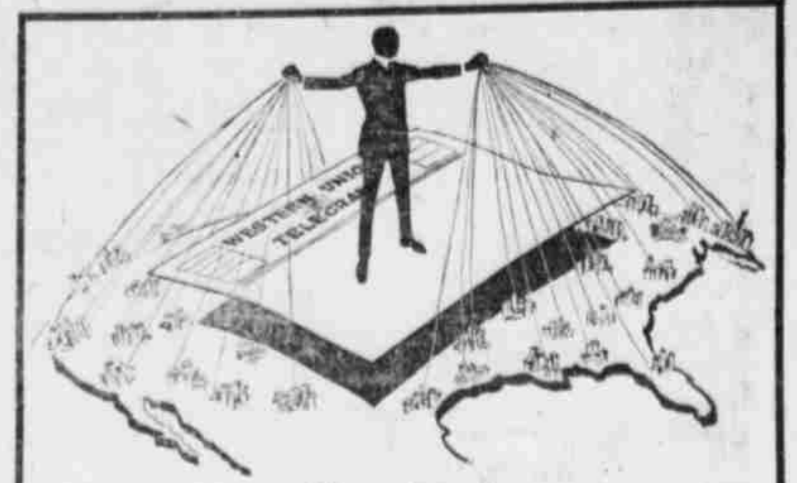


The former New York senator and Mrs. Depew were in Chicago for the republican convention. The senator is a prominent figure in the committee rooms and his advice is eagerly sought by the political steers.

ESTERLY LIKELY NEVER TO SIT IN COMMITTEE

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—A legal snarl over Oregon's membership on the national committee has resulted from recent primary laws in Oregon. After Will R. King had been chosen national committeeman in 1912 to serve four years, in accordance with a new primary law passed in 1913 requiring primary election of the committeemen, William E. Esterly of Portland was elected in 1914. At its meeting last winter King was held by the committee to be entitled to serve out his time. Esterly is now contending that upon expiration of King's time he is entitled to succeed him. The Oregon delegation, however, according to Judge T. H. Crawford, will accordingly ask the national committee to seat Dr. J. W. Morrow of Portland.

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DAY IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Senate not in session.
House met at 11 a. m.
Fortifications appropriations bill aggregating \$34,297,050 taken up.
Message of Charles E. Hughes, accepting the republican presidential nomination ordered printed in congressional record at the request of Representative Mann.

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