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THOMPSON STRONG IN KLAMATH FALLS

Pioneer Press Gives Lake County Man Good Boost for Senate

Klamath Press: W. Lair Thompson, well known in this city, announces his candidacy in the Lakeview Examiner for the senate before the primaries to be held in April. Mr. Thompson was elected two years ago on the Republican ticket to the legislature as representative of Lake, Klamath and Crook counties. He was one of the leaders in the house for all that was for the good of his part of the state or the people at large and became known during the assembly as a man to be reckoned with when it came down to a fight for what he believes was right. For some time friends have been urging him to come out for joint senator for the three named counties and he finally has consented to do so. That he will make an excellent run in Klamath county will be conceded at once and he has many friends here who will work like trojans for his election. Whether or not he is to be alone on his political side in the race is not yet known, but so far he is the only man in the field.

Iowa Weather

Manchester Iowa Press: Iowa people who went south or to the Pacific slope to escape the rigors of an Iowa winter didn't miss it very much this year. The coldest "spell" in twenty years has clung to our hearthstones, the thermometer sinking to the lowest depths of degradation. Think of weather lasting nearly two weeks with a record of twenty to thirty below zero, one day with another! Wow!

If anybody said that except an Iowa newspaper, there would in all probability be a row. The Iowa people who still remain in that state would better come to Oregon. Lake County is a paradise compared with such a state.

Grazing Charges

The grazing charges to be made on horses, cattle and sheep on the Fremont Forest during the coming season were not stated correctly in the last issue of the Examiner, and were therefore misleading. The rates are as follows:

Yearling—cattle 45c., horses 56c., swine 27c.

April 15 to November 15—Cattle 33c., horses 39c., swine 19c.

June 15 to October 15—Sheep 6c.

April 15 to October 15—sheep, including lambing 11c.

An extension to the short sheep season may be allowed at 15c per head per month.

The above rates show an increase of 7 cents per head on cattle and 4 cents per head on horses over the 1911 summer rate and a decrease of one cent per head on sheep.

Henry Keith Keene

Fred Keene was found this morning roaming the streets before daylight in a most hilarious frame of mind, and when questioned as to his unseemingly conduct stated that they had a fat baby boy weighing eight pounds at his house. The little stranger arrived at an early hour this morning, and both babe and mother are doing nicely. The new arrival will be known as Henry Keith Keene.

UNCLE SAM HAILS FROM PUKE STATE

Packers Show Him High Cost of Meat Not Due to Them

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Uncle Sam and the beef trust met on a common ground today at the trial of the Chicago packers when it was shown that during all of 1908 and the first four months of 1909, Morris & Company, in figuring the cost of fresh beef, allowed but \$60,330.00 for hides and in the same period sold \$3,280,913.91 worth of hides.

Thus it was that had the vast profit in hides, aside from a fair profit which was deducted from the price of beef steak sold, the cost of living would have been materially lessened. The government contends it has at last found the real reason why beef went soaring during and following the 1907 panic— an advance which the packers contended was due to lack of market for hides and a general disturbance in business.

The packers admit all the sales of hides recorded during the period named, but contended it was a simple matter of bookkeeping and that the imposing array of figures read by government attorneys in the past few days were simply arbitrary figures used by the bookkeepers and have nothing to do with the actual price obtained for beef.

The two forces are once more agreed as to figures. But a little matter of argument places a great chasm between them.

Relief for Homesteaders

Senator Chamberlain is preparing and will introduce a bill for the relief of homesteaders, differing from all measures now pending in that it will provide that any homesteader, after six months' continuous residence on his land, may be entitled to leave of absence for six months of each year; that is to say homesteaders will be required to reside upon their land only half of each year until final proof is made.

By this means, he believes, settlement will be greatly encouraged and homesteading made easier. Senator Chamberlain thinks some relief must be granted to attract settlers to those lands now open to homestead entry.

Lake, the Banner County

The rate of taxation is a subject which always interests the property owner. Speaking of this matter one of the county officials has pointed out the fact that this county has called the attention of a reporter for the Examiner to the fact that Lake county has for years held the distinction of having the lowest rate of taxation of any of the counties of Oregon; and although her taxes will be a trifle higher the coming year than usual, amounting 11 3/4 mills, it is still the banner county for its low rate of taxation; and he called attention to the further fact that her rate of taxation this year would be 10 mills save for the fact that the state tax is 1 3/4 mills higher than it was last year.

R. Franklin, Nell Franklin and Jane Doev, of Modoc county, Cal, were arrested at New Pine Creek last evening on a charge of kidnaping Irma Weeks, a 14-year-old girl. The arrest was made by Sheriff Smith and the parties were taken to Alturas for trial.

HOAG DISTRICT BOOMING

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At surface and under a great pile of large rocks, by very clever prospecting work, there was opened a vein in place, which at eight feet showed up values of \$15,000 or \$20,000. At 20 feet there was disclosed eight inches of quartz, and a red tale that proved rich enough for the most exacting of avaricious. Pannings from the stuff showed lone strings of colors, and already there has been sacked and shipped a carload lot, which it is estimated will yield an average of around \$1,000 to the ton.

As an illustration of the apparent overlooked opportunities in this camp, it might be cited that recently a large interest in this property changed hands for but a few hundred dollars!

The most extensive development has been done on the property of the Fort Bidwell Consolidated company, a Detroit, Mich., enterprise, which has been steadily operating with pleasing results. Tunnels two to the mountain from two sides, the west side bore showing values in good size ore bodies carrying \$20 up. The east side working on the Sugar Pine property has ore which is good for \$60 to the ton. On the Consolidated property the greatest depth in the camp has been reached, and it is noteworthy that at 200 feet they are breaking five feet of ore good for from \$18 to \$20 to the ton. This company has a 2600-foot aerial tram connecting with a 10-stamp mill recently completed. The equipment further comprises boarding and bunk houses, assay office, etc.

The Modoc Mines company owns 250 acres of patented ground situated near the Sunshine, and in the northern section of the camp. This is the property in which Mr. Guyot has recently interested Chicago capital, and extensive work is planned.

Rich float occurs here, yielding values from \$4 to as high as \$3,500 to the ton. A shaft has been put down 30 feet, and in the bottom is disclosed two feet of \$50 ore. A plant of machinery, including hoist, etc., has been shipped to the camp and it is the intention to at once send this shaft to a good depth, thoroughly exploring the ore body.

The Big Four is an interesting property, insofar that it has a large blow-out or dyke, occurring above ground, and estimated to contain a matter of 50,000 tons of ore, the average value of which is better than \$4 to the ton. It is stated that this entire mass could be milled at a profit.

In a 100-foot shaft on this property there has been opened two feet of ore good for \$40, and a five stamp mill for handling the product of this mine is now completed.

On the Discovery property there is showing a large and well defined vein at surface, from which good pay values have been had in many samples. Tunnel work here has opened up a good body of about one and one-half ounce stuff, and if the surface indications are anything this ground is destined to prove very productive.

Further down the hill from the Discovery is the North Star property, where there is a similar showing, there being 18 inches of gold bearing quartz good for \$30 to the ton.

The Sunset it is stated, has plenty of \$50 ore, and is situated close to a custom-mill of the Chilean variety, which handles 40 tons of ore a day. On the Mountain Sheen there was recently opened a foot of better than \$50 ore in the tunnel, and in a shallow shaft there is some good looking material.

Without any attempt to detail the various workings and showings, it will be evident that a high average grade of ore is maintained in different properties scattered throughout the camp, without there having been any serious effort at systematic exploitation. In addition it may be stated that the full extent of the productive area has not yet been determined, for in the language of Mr. Guyot, "there is still good prospecting country for some additional distance, with ground still open in the main and proved productive area."

A Nevada newspaper man who visited the camp has the following testimony as to the exceptional character of the ore showings, which were sampled and tested under his personal supervision.

"From one property at the breast of a 100-foot tunnel a good average selection of samples was taken and brought to Reno for assay. The test showed \$550.60 in gold and \$12.50 in silver, and since the silver will pay the expense of mining, transportation, and treatment, it leaves the gold clear profit."

A keen interest has been manifested by local mining men in the camp of High Grade. Mr. Guyot has a wide circle of acquaintances here, having formerly been identified with the smelting interests, and later he had the distinction of being the first assayer in the Cripple Creek district. His knowledge of formations and minerals is considered the best, and in his possession are some ore samples from the camp which tell the tale in unmistakable terms.

At the Albany hotel here Mr. Guyot has been holding a continuous reception to his mining friends, and everything indicates that Colorado is going

CANDIDATES HAVE PLENTY OF TIME

Lawmakers Have Until July 4th In Which to File Petitions

The Secretary of State some time since issued a statement covering dates and information concerning the coming primary and general elections together with data concerning the initiative and referendum petitions, how filed and prepared, etc., and these statements were sent throughout the state to all county officials which voters may well keep in mind.

Registration books were opened Jan. 24. The primary election day will be April 19. Referendum petitions must be filed on or before May 18, with the Secretary of State, and initiative petitions on or before July 4. The law will probably allow these latter petitions to be filed on the day succeeding inasmuch as July 4 is a legal holiday.

Arguments for initiative or referendum petitions must be filed by August 5 or before, while arguments opposed to such proceedings must be filed on or before August 26. The general election will be held November 6.

Aid to Free Land States

The latest move of the Northwest Development League is to ask the federal government to collect, publish in different languages and distribute to foreigners as soon as they arrive on our shores, all the information possible about the states having vacant lands, about their products and the opportunities awaiting a family willing to work and having only small means.

To accomplish this the League is backing a bill introduced in the United States Senate by Senator Brown, of Nebraska, which amends the act to regulate the admission of aliens into the United States and makes it obligatory on the part of the General Immigration Commissioner to give this information to foreigners when they are admitted to the United States. The League is asking Congressman Pray of Montana to push the bill in the house and to introduce one making an appropriation to carry out provisions of the act.

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor is understood to be favorable to the proposition and willing to make a success of the campaign if the bills are passed.

Saved a Wreck

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 16.—For her presence of mind in signalling the eastbound Overland Limited last Saturday and preventing a disaster, 7-year-old Helen Martin, daughter of a section foreman, at Alta, Placer county, probably will receive a handsome reward from the Southern Pacific Company. Her heroism, which saved the train from a broken rail that would have hurled it down an embankment, was brought to the notice of Division Superintendent H. W. Sheridan, who yesterday sent the facts to the company officials and also a letter of thanks to the little girl and her 14-year-old sister, Alma.

Helen was alone when she discovered the broken rail, but she knew that No. 2 was due, and running to the block station, telephoned to the station at Towle, only to learn the train had passed Dutch Flat. She then called for her elder sister, and the pair ran down the track. As the train came in sight the children waved their hands frantically and the train stopped.

J. H. Rogers, a retired sheen owner, of Plush, who owns the hotel over at that Warner Valley capital, has been visiting in town this week. He didn't say so, but it is probable that he came over to get away from the dust which troubles that region.

to take a strong hold in the new camp. Some of the leading operators here are talking about outfitting parties to look into the merits of High Grade and secure ground. Mr. Guyot's personal interest is to get miners and operators into the camp, for development purposes, as he is confident it will more than make good, and the larger the number of properties working the better it will be mutually, in the matter of keeping open the roads, and as well as securing public utilities of various kinds.

Salt Lake people have also shown a desire to gobble High Grade, leading operators there thinking very well of it, and likely are quietly arranging to get in. A big mining man from Los Angeles was a recent visitor, and in a letter to a friend stated that he would be in the camp "with both feet." Reno people are already talking High Grade, and it looks as though the interest would be general, especially throughout Western mining centers. And the natural question arises as to whether the talk of a mining boom has filled the air of San Francisco for some time, is occasioned by the likelihood of these progressive people having arranged to exploit High Grade.

Brief News Notes

Klamath Falls papers have been calling attention to and claiming that the war department has selected a large body of land along Sand creek, in the northern part of Klamath county, as a maneuver ground for the U. S. army of the coast for the coming summer. The claim is that the plans in preparation by the war department provide for the assembling of a force of 27,000 men on the grounds selected during the maneuver period, being composed of all branches of the service—in infantry, cavalry, artillery and the signal service, and will include the state troops or guard from all of the coast states, Idaho, Washington, Nevada, California and Oregon, thus making up the largest assemblage of military force ever drawn together west of the Rocky mountains, and they are to be assembled for nearly a month. Drills, marches, sham battles and all manner of military maneuvers will be embraced in the program of exercises, and the local press claims that supplies for the troops will largely have to be purchased from the country surrounding the camp.

Large numbers of the women of the first families of New York have agreed to place a boycott upon the use of butter, in hopes that their action may put a stop to the rise in price of that article of consumption.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Announcement was made from the White House today that President Taft believes no intervention by the United States will be necessary in Cuba. He expects the island government to solve its own problems.

Havana, Jan. 18.—Turbulence here has vanished today as a result of the United States warning that revolt would be immediately followed by American occupation. It is now believed that all danger of intervention has been averted.

A committee of liberal members of congress was named today to agree upon a presidential candidate upon whom all may unite. It is believed Garcia Velez, former Cuban minister at Washington, will be the eventual selection. This action was taken at a conference at the president's palace last night.

New York, Jan. 18.—Farewell, thou hobble.

The Ladies' Tailors and Dressmakers' Association of America today sounded the hobble's death knell in this usage:

No hobble skirts; dresses to be smart must be two and a half yards wide, three fourths of a yard wider than the hobble. But they must be short—at least three inches from the ground."

Washington, January 20.—Attorney General Wickersham assured the House Committee on Rules today that the Government would take action against the International Harvester Company, Congressional investigation of which is under consideration by the Committee.

A revolution is on in Ecuador, South America.

A strike is on among the textile workers of Lawrence, Mass., and 25,000 workers are involved. The state militia has been called out. A new 9-hour law has lately been passed and the mill owners cut down the wages accordingly, to which the workers would not submit.

An attempt is being made in the New York legislature to create a new state out of the city and a few adjoining counties of New York.

It is reported that Senator La Follette is arranging a campaign of speech making which will probably include a visit to the states of the coast.

Much comment in Democratic circles has occurred by reason of the fact that Governor Wilson informed Mr. Harve, of Harper's Weekly, that he wished he would cease to advocate his nomination for the presidency by the Democratic party, because he believes it was an injury to him.

Helping Sheepmen

In a letter received from the secretary of the National Wool Growers Association by W. J. Proudfoot, stock inspector, it is stated that the Association will undertake to secure lower grazing fees on Government land as well as stockyard charges. Better freight rates are also desired, while an effort is to be made toward educating the people of the country generally to the advantages of mutton. By this means it is expected to increase the value of shear and to again make the industry a paying one.

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