

PEOPLE MUST DECIDE

Local Option Receiving Liberal Attention This Year

LARGE VOTE ON MEASURE LIKELY

Voters Are Being Acquainted With Facts By Means of Arguments Pro and Con on the Liquor Question—Measure Being Well Considered

Probably the most hotly contested measure on the ballot at the election on June 1st will be the matter of prohibition under the local option law. Men, who have heretofore given the question little or no serious thought, are now taking sides on the issue and the indications are that the vote will be very close. Both sides have speakers in the field and the advocates of the saloon and of prohibition are working earnestly in an attempt to poll the popular vote at the election. Members of the local option committee will take the stump and will speak at Merrill and Bonanza next week. Rev. J. B. Griffith and G. W. White have planned for meetings at both places and will address the people of the former place place Wednesday night and of the latter Thursday night of next week.

Klamath county has never had a prohibition agitation until this year and this is the first time that the measure is to be voted on under the local option law. At the present there is not a village in the county but what has one or more saloons and it has been so for many years. The strength of the dry movement at this time shows that there has been somewhat of a revolution in the sentiment in regard to the liquor question, but it is doubtful if the growing sentiment is strong enough to place the county in the dry column. Reports from various parts of the county are to the effect that some of the precincts are sure to go dry. The matter will be well considered and it is safe to say that no matter which way the vote goes it will be the vote of the people as almost every man who will go to the polls on election day has to some degree considered the prohibition question and will vote upon it after having given it some consideration.

In 1888 the matter of prohibition was voted on by the state as a whole, and the measure was lost, but Klamath county gave it an affirmative vote by a majority of 70. Since that time the question has never been submitted.



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Dredge Now at Work

Again the construction of the railroad dike across the marsh is in progress. W. H. Kent, who has charge of the work, is in the city today and he says the machine that had been temporarily laid off for repairs has been moving dirt for several days, and that within five or six days the new dredge will be ready to start in on the job. The large has been completed for several days and most of the machinery is already in place so that it will be but a few days until it will also be ready to start moving dirt. This will mean that the work will be vigorously prosecuted and that by this fall the entire dike should be built.

Good Horses

E. B. Ramsby has opened training stables in this city and has now in training three horses, Merrill Maid, Red Roy and Dexter. These are all standard bred horses and are coming out in fine shape. Merrill Maid and Red Roy are pacers, while Dexter is a trotter, and gives evidence of being a good one, too. Horse raising in this section has received a new impetus in the last few years, and a line of really good stock is being obtained. There are several superior horses in this end of the county at this time and the result is a lot of well bred, good appearing horses that have it in their makeup to step into ranks with the best of them in any place. When stock-growers come to the realization that it never pays to raise scrubstock and that it always pays to raise thoroughbreds, they will be better off financially and will take more pleasure in their stables and corrals.—Merrill Record.

Visiting Southern Oregon

J. M. Graham, second vice-president of the Erie railroad, is in Southern Oregon presumably on business connected with the Hill railroad system. It is known that he is closely allied with Hill and his visit to this section is doubtless in the interests of the proposed Hill road through the southern portion of the state. Hill has had several surveys made and it is certain that he will run a feeder to his road through Central Oregon into the now isolated districts in the southern part of the state.

Bonanza Bulletin Items

Chas. Pattee is getting material on the ground for his new stone and brick business block.

Henry Vinson and family arrived Friday from Medford and will remain this summer upon their ranch in Langell valley.

Fred McKendree returned Sunday from Dorris where he had been to place a bid for furnishing butter for the railroad construction crews.

The crew working on the electric line between this place and Klamath Falls moved here Sunday and state that they will have the poles set by the first of June.

H. Kimble, of Klamath Falls, representing Moore Bros. was in the city a couple of days the first of the week making arrangements for wiring the business houses and residences of the city. His prices are exceedingly high for each light he states will cost something like \$3. It may be all right but it looks like graft as that is considered high as to what the prices were in Klamath Falls when the lights were first installed in that city about 12 years ago when things were considerably higher than now.

Paint, Paint, Paint. Just received a Baldwin's Hardware Store a complete line of Sherwin-Williams Paints and Varnishes.

'It's a Mean Law'

A couple from Siskiyou county, Cal., bent on being married, decided to tie themselves to this city to have the ceremony said. They were not aware of the fact that the law has something to say with regard to where a marriage must be performed or the license issued. When they appeared before the County Clerk and gave their residence as Siskiyou county they were refused a license and informed that it must be secured in the county wherein they resided. "They turned round and went right back again," and will be married at home and then come here to spend the honeymoon. The blushing would-be bride thought it a shame that the law should interfere with matters of love, which are as far above it as the star is above the earth.

Victim of Runaway

J. D. Carroll was the victim of a runaway a few days ago and as a result he wears a black eye and a number of bruises. His team ran away, throwing him from the buggy and dragging him some distance. Mr. Carroll is able to be about but feels decidedly worse for the experience.

Indian School for Alturas

Arrangements are under way for the establishment of an Indian school at Alturas. There are a number of Indians in that section belonging to the Modocs, Pitons and the Pitts and the only school for them is at Fort Bidwell. The supervisor of the Indian schools has been in that vicinity for several days and it is very probable that he will recommend the establishment of the school.

NO FUNDS FOR PARK

Crater Lake Must Manage to Get Along With \$3000 Appropriation

There is now no further hope to secure more funds for Crater Lake Park than the original \$3000 appropriated by the house. The conference committee would not accept the Fulton amendment increasing the amount to \$10,000. Mr. Fulton and also Congressman Hawley worked hard to secure a larger sum, but it seems that the importance of this section is a matter entirely foreign to many of the leading lights of Congress, and as a result for a few more years this magnificent scenery will remain practically inaccessible and those who wish to must travel over poor trails instead of good roads.

In speaking of the \$3000 appropriation Superintendent Arant said that it was sufficient to remove a few of the logs that have fallen across the road, to fill up a few ruts and to improve the trail down to the water. He said there might be enough left after this is done to outline a road to be built by the next appropriation if more is received than is necessary to pay the current expenses. The people of this section cannot blame Senator Fulton and Congressman Hawley for not getting a larger appropriation, but it teaches the lesson that it is necessary to begin to pull wires early in the game if there is to be any assurance of success.

Sees Red Ducks

Jas. Gillogely and a party of friends, while making a trip to Teeter's Landing, saw a pair of red ducks. Apparently the birds are nesting on the marsh. The birds are small and are said to be cinnamon teal, a species of the duck that is seldom seen in this section.

J. D. Church, Jr., weight nine and a half pounds, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Church this morning. Here's hoping that he will grow up to be as good a man as his father.

Official Registration

County Clerk Chastain has made a summary of the registration of the entire county, and according to it 1678 voters have registered for the June election. For the primaries 1550 were registered. The vote by precincts is as follows:

Linkville 781, Wood River 115, Lost River 140, Dairy, 110, Snow 25, Langell Valley 63, Sprague 65, Poe 32, Plevna 97, Klamath Lake 11, Odell 22, and Tule Lake 219.

Espy-Major.

Mr. M. W. Espy and Miss O lie Major were made man and wife at 6:30 Thursday night by the marriage ceremony performed by Justice of the Peace A. D. Miller. The bride is a resident of Grants Pass, Oregon. They will reside in this city.

Lakeview Examiner Items

Fred P. Cronemiller has leased the W. R. Bernard dwelling. His family will be here in about a month.

J. B. Auten's hardware store is one of the neatest stores in town. He has received a portion of his goods, and is ready for business.

Once more Lakeview is lighted with electricity. For five months the town has been dark on account of the burning of the light plant the first of October last year. The lights were turned on last Friday night, and they are first-class.

G. W. Allen and Mr. A. Kuckuk, of Wisconsin, large sawmill men and timber dealers, who visited Lake county in January, are back here again to look further into the timber business. They went to the timber Monday, in company with C. H. McCumber.

READY FOR MAGNATE

Pelican Bay Lodge Being Fixed for Harriman Party

WILL BE MODERN THROUGHOUT

Several Thousand Pounds of Machinery and Material Are Shipped to the Beautiful Klamath Summer Resort of the Great Railroad Chief

Struck A Rock

While on the way to the Wampler resort last Tuesday with Fred Houston, A. Hardenbrook, Geo. Kirkpatrick and Carey Ramsby in the launch, Mr. Wampler run the boat on a rock about two hundred yards from the shore. The wheel was badly bent, and the accident was dangerous as the waves were rolling high and the boat was disabled. The rock has never been struck and it is the first time that it has been found. Steps should be taken to mark the location of the rock or to remove it as a serious accident may result from it. The party returned home last night after enjoying a few days of fishing.

Merrill Record Items.

G. Howard has sold the Merrill barber shop to a Mr. Ennis of the Falls, who took charge today.

Cox Bros. have taken a logging contract with the Long Lake Lumber Co. at Odessa, and left Monday for their field of labor.

Miss Eita Smart of the Falls has been visiting her friend, Miss Hazel Burris, this week.

The McCormick sawmill at Keno burned down last Tuesday—not a thing was saved.

The Board of Directors of the Merrill school has accepted the application of Prof. Lee of Iowa, as principal of our schools for the coming year. Prof. Lee comes highly recommended, and it is to be hoped he will meet with success here.

Roadmaster Phillips was in Merrill last Saturday to arrange for the bringing in the new scraper from Bray. Tobe Mishler took the contract, and Harry Witherell left yesterday to bring it in. The Merrill engine will be used on the roads here where the first work will be done.

Preparatory to the coming of E. H. Harriman and family and a company of friends many improvements are being made at Pelican Bay. Several thousand pounds of machinery and material have just been shipped to the lodge. In the shipment was a 30-horse power gasoline engine, a 12,000-gallon water tank, 25 barrels of cement, bath tubs, dynamo, pumping machinery, heating apparatus and numerous other things to be used in making the lodge with all of its buildings thoroughly modern in every respect. The engine will be used for running the dynamo, which will supply electricity for lighting and power purposes. Water will be pumped into the large tank and will then be piped to all the cottages, so that everyone of the buildings will be supplied with both hot and cold water. J. S. Hobbard, a civil engineer, has been at Pelican Bay for several months arranging for the installation of all of these modern conveniences, and aside from the setting up of the machinery most of the work is already done. Concrete foundations have been laid for the engine and the dynamo and the place has been selected for the pump which will lift the water from the big spring into the tank.

All of these improvements will be made by the first of July, so that when the party arrives there will be nothing lacking to give them every convenience that is found in the most modern places.

Sheriff Closes Midway.

Attorney F. H. Mills, acting for Rothchild Bros., of San Francisco, has attached the entire stock of the Midway Bar and the Midway Wholesale Liquor House to satisfy claims against the firm of J. L. Stewart, A. L. Lyons and W. H. Dulany. The attachment was served last night and the business houses closed.

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