

TO HOLD A CAUCUS

Suggested that Republicans get Together

MAY RECOMMEND A TICKET

Thus Secure to the Country Representation in County Affairs

Will the republican party of Klamath county hold a caucus this year and in-dorse a ticket for presentation at the April primaries? This in the question that is agitating the prospective candidates for office. It is being recognized that the expense of a campaign for a primary nomination is going to be more than most of the candidates want to stand, especially since they will have to turn right around and duplicate the expense, if nominated. It is this very thing that many of the candidates want to avoid, and the plan of holding a caucus is being suggested by some of them. No definite steps in this direction have as yet been taken, but that something will be done is certain, for the sentiment in favor of it is growing stronger every day. The plan suggested is this: Each precinct will select delegates to the caucus along the line followed before the adoption of the primary law. If the candidates want to campaign for these delegates they are at liberty to do so, as of old. These delegates will meet in this city and if they vote in favor of endorsing a ticket, then the nominations will be made as if in the regular, old-fashioned convention, and the successful candidates will have their names submitted as a whole to the people for ratification. County Chairman W. O. Smith returned from Idaho Saturday and the matter has been presented to him by several of the leading republicans of the county. He has the matter of issuing a call for a caucus under advisement but as yet has reached no decision. In discussing the matter he said: "The question of calling a caucus has been suggested to me by many republicans. I am desirous of ascertaining the sentiment of the republicans throughout the county, and if I find that it is the desire of the members of the party that such a course be followed, I can see no objection to issuing the call. The reason advanced by the candidates I have talked with are two-fold: First, they do not relish the expense connected with the campaign. If they are defeated it is a total loss; if they win they have to turn right around and stand the expense of another campaign. Second, some of them would like to know whether they stand a show or not. They realize that only one man can win and they see that through a caucus they would be in a position to easily gauge public sentiment so far as they were concerned. So far as I am personally concerned I am going to be guided by what the party throughout the county wants. I have no other end to serve." Of course there would be nothing legally binding on the action of the cau-

cus if it saw fit to recommend a ticket for the consideration of the party in the county. If there were any of the candidates who were dissatisfied with the result, they would have the privilege of going before the people just the same as if the caucus had not been held. The whole question can be summed up in one sentence: It cuts down the expense of campaigning and insures equal representation for every section of the county. As it is now, it would be possible to have every candidate on the ticket from this city; under the proposed plan it would enable the outside district to be assured of representation on the ticket, and even the most biased will admit that they are entitled to such consideration.

Dr. Dewey Dead

The many friends in this city of Dr. J. S. Dewey, of Lakeview, were surprised to hear of his death, which occurred in Glendale, Oregon, Saturday. The doctor was in this city last Thursday, having passed through here in company with A. F. Torrence and V. L. Snelling, all three of them being on their way to Ashland to visit the Elks lodge of that city. From there the Dr. went to Glendale to visit his brother. It is presumed that it was while on this trip that he contracted the cold that developed into pneumonia, which resulted in his death.

Mrs. Dewey was notified of the illness of her husband and started immediately for Glendale, accompanied by J. M. Miller. When they reached Bly Sunday night they telephoned to ascertain the condition of the sick man and then learned of his death. They left here on Monday morning's boat.

Dr. Dewey was one of the best known dentists in the state and was particularly popular in this section. He has a wide circle of friends who will deeply regret to hear of his sudden death and who extend to his bereaved widow and relatives their deepest sympathy.

Dr. Dewey was born in Iowa 49 years ago and came to Oregon in 1877. During the past thirty years he has resided in Lakeview, being well known as a dentist in Southern Oregon and Northern California. In addition to his wife, Mrs. Dala Dewey, of Lakeview, and his father, J. D. Dewey, of Gresham, the following brothers and sisters survive him: Mrs. Maggie Crow, of Gresham; Mrs. Sarah Boyd, of Sacramento; Miss Ida Dewey, of Mabton, Wash.; J. A. and Philip Dewey, of Glendale; Mrs. Anna Penney and E. D. Dewey, head of the mailing department of the Oregonian, Portland.

"Lest We Err"

The statement in the Bonanza Bulletin that I should be a candidate for the county clerkship at the coming election is wholly misleading. I have never discussed the matter with Editor Hamaker or anyone else, nor will I be a candidate for any county office under any circumstance. The Bulletin is solely responsible for the statement. Some have the happy faculty of doing more harm in a minute than they can neutralize in a lifetime. Chas. Pattee.

Baggage Transfer

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AT DORRIS

Railroad Contractors Establish Camp and Get Ready for Business

Erickson & Peterson have established a camp at Dorris and are making preparations for an active campaign that will carry them through the winter and far into the spring. The purpose of the camp at Dorris is to make ready for the big work that is to be undertaken in the early spring. As has been stated before, all of the low places between this city and Bray are being filled in, so that the waters of spring will not prevent the carrying on of operations. Some of these are to be found in the vicinity of Dorris.

The establishment of the camp, however, is for the purpose of getting things in readiness for the task of getting over the divide. It has not as yet been definitely settled whether work will begin at once on the tunnel, but it has about been decided to start work on the "shoofly" track that is to be used temporarily, and it is on this account that the Erickson & Peterson camp has been established. It means that every foot of the right of way will be pushed as fast as men and money can push it, in order to get it to this city by September. There will be no stopping places between the present terminus and this city. Several of the towns along the line have sought to gather under their wing a following by claiming that the road would remain there for several months, but this kind of talk is all moonshine and done for the purpose of selling lots. It is a settled fact that town property along the road must be sold on some other basis than that the road will use this or that particular place as a terminus, for the orders have been issued to get the road to this city by September, and if it is not here by that time some of the officials and engineers are going to lose their jobs, for when Harriman wants a thing he generally gets it, and we be to the man who interferes with his desires.

In this county there are as yet no avowed candidates. Several names have been mentioned in connection with the various offices to be filled by friends of men who believe them to have the right running qualities. For sheriff the names of Dr. William Martin, R. S. Grigsby, H. V. Mitchell and A. T. Langell have been freely mentioned, and it would not be surprising to see at least three if not all four of them enter the race. It is certain that it would be an interesting struggle, for each of them has a strong following throughout the county.

For county clerk W. E. Bowdoin and Charles Pattee have been mentioned, but each declares that he has no aspirations in that direction. But these two names do not complete the list. There are several candidacies in embryo, and it is quite certain this office will be well sought after.

For county treasurer W. E. Bowdoin has been mentioned and no doubt would seriously consider such an honor. Billy has a host of friends throughout the county and if he were a candidate for either of the offices mentioned he would make a race that would be a hummer. His is the only name so far mentioned for treasurer, but the intimation has been given out that there will be at least another candidate.

For assessor R. C. Cowley of Langell valley has been mentioned, as has Sheriff Obenchain. The latter, however, assumes a belligerent air when his candidacy for his office is referred to in his presence and some of his friends say that he has had his bread basket filled to overflowing with the collection of taxes. Cowley has a strong following, especially in the upper county, where he is well known.

For county superintendent of schools there may be three candidates, if the wishes of the friends of the gentlemen mentioned are carried out. They would be the present incumbent, Prof. Wight, Prof. Dunbar, principal of the public schools of this city, and Prof. Carlock, principal of the Merrill school. They are all possessed of splendid qualifications and whichever one won out would be sure to give satisfaction.

Dr. George Merryman is being strongly urged by his friends throughout the district to be a candidate for state senator and it is quite possible he will be a candidate for the office.

For commissioner the name of L. J. Bauman has been mentioned, while several others are being groomed for the race and their names will be mentioned within the next week or two.

For coroner the only name suggested is that of J. T. Bradley of Bonanza. He is anxious to get into the office in time to hold the inquest on the remains of the democratic party in the county.

Not in the history of the party in the county has it approached a primary or nominating convention with so much harmony. The slogan will be "harmony." Unless something unforeseen arises to upset that apple cart, there is nothing that can prevent the election of a complete republican ticket.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

The Political Pot Beginning to Simmer

FEW OF THOSE PROPOSED

Prospects Bright for a full Representation for Each Office

Political aspirants are beginning to sit up and take notice now that registration has commenced and many are the bees that have begun buzzing since the first of the year. In state politics little local interest is manifested, except in the prospective scrap between Heney and Fulton. From present indications this fight is apt to attract national interest. But Mr. Heney has been qualifying his remarks of late, and it is barely possible that he will not fire his threatened broadside during the campaign, if at all.

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BRIGHT PROSPECTS

Favorable Turn of Things For the Upper Project

Not since government came have the prospects been so bright for the Upper Project. Last year it was supposed that there would be something doing on the Clear Lake dam, but as time passed it developed that these hopes were doomed to disappointment. A strenuous effort was made this winter to get assurances that the dam would be begun next year. The Reclamation Service recently informed the Water Users Association that if the people of the Upper Project would sign up 85 per cent of the land to be irrigated that the dam would be constructed. The word was passed along down the line, and with the usual enthusiasm the people of the Upper Country began to get busy. The results of their labors are being manifested. It is quite certain that within a short time they will come to the Reclamation Service with the necessary 85 per cent, and when this is done the last obstacle in the way of the construction of the dam will be removed.

While there is as yet considerable of the land unsigned, much of it is in such shape that the owners have practically agreed to no longer delay the construction of the project by their refusal to sign up with the association. Diplomacy has been the keynote of success, for instead of going at the thing in a bull-dozing fashion, reason and logic have been the arguments and they are carrying the day. Under the circumstances the prospects are bright for the Clear Lake dam next year.

County Court

The regular meeting of the County Court came to a close this week, after the transaction of an immense amount of routine and special business. One of the important acts of the body was the levy for taxes, which is as follows: State and Agricultural College, 2 mills; High School, 1.1 mills; Road Fund, 1.5 mills; County School, 3.5 mills; Library Tax, .05 mills; County purposes, 7.85 mills. This makes an aggregate of 16 mills. The purpose of making such a heavy levy, which is the same as it was last year, notwithstanding the fact that there is a considerable increase in the assessed valuation, is to apply the surplus over and above the expenses of running the county government, to the payment of the county debt. This surplus will be in the neighborhood of \$30,000. It is presumed that the object of making such a heavy levy in to pay off the county debt with the ultimate purpose of creating a surplus which will be used for the purpose of erecting a new court house.

The total assessed valuation is \$7,582,950, and the 16 mills levy will realize an income of \$121,227.20. The state tax will amount to \$15,165.90; high school \$3,341.25; road fund \$11,374.43; school fund \$26,540.32; libraries \$379.15. The salaries will amount to \$12,049.89; other expenses \$14,275.

The judges and clerks for the June election were also appointed for the various precincts, and they are as follows:

Table with columns: JUDGES, PRECINCTS, CLERKS. Lists names for Linkville-First Board, Linkville-Second Board, Tulare Lake, Bonanza, Sprague River, Langell Valley, Klamath Lake, Snow, Pok Valley, Wood River, Dairy, and Odele.

ANOTHER SESSION

Judge Benson Calls Special Court Term

To be held February 10 Cases of Corpron and Petersteiner Will be Heard at This Time

The order for the special term of court, which is to be held on February 10, was issued by Judge Benson this week. A new jury list was drawn, and they will be summoned to appear at court on Tuesday morning, February 11. Following is a list of the cases to come up for trial at the special term:

- Dist. No. 1—E. M. C. Brown. Dist. No. 2—H. H. Law. Dist. No. 3—T. M. Durham. Dist. No. 4—F. W. Eglington. Dist. No. 5—Fred Becholdt. Dist. No. 6—Lawrence Griffin. Dist. No. 7—J. H. Smart. Dist. No. 8—William Uerman. Dist. No. 9—D. M. Griffith. Dist. No. 11—John Haglestein. Dist. No. 12—F. T. Nelson. Dist. No. 13—Geo. T. Cline. Dist. No. 14—Wm. DeNaul. Dist. No. 15—Chas. Graves.

Keno is situated in the Southern part of Klamath County, on the Klamath river, at the terminus of navigation. Two steamers land here; mail, express and passengers are transferred from the stage to the boat at this point. Adjoining Keno on the west is a large belt of timber, and on the east is a large body of marsh lands. Near Keno, on the river, is immense water power. Telephone connections with all parts of the country. Has a good school, two stores and two saw mills.

Miss Laura Nelson has returned from Southern California where she has been on a visit. She returns with good health and feels fine. Mr. Jones the blacksmith took the stage Monday morning. He is going to Ashland to take medical treatment. John Ackley is building a new large 20 by 60 feet, to be used in connection with the Steamer Canby. This looks as though he meant to do business next summer. Miss Doten has returned from Falls with her health much improved. There will be preaching in the hall next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

WEDDING BELLS

JOHNSON—BEST Miss Christine Johnson of Weston and Hugh C. Best of Klamath Falls, were married last evening by Rev. J. J. McAllister, at 701 Thompson street and left today for Weston for a few days visit. Next Monday afternoon they will leave for Klamath Falls, where they will reside permanently. Mr. Best is a brother Dr. J. A. Best of this city and Miss Johnson was a well known young woman of Weston. Both of the young people have many friends in this city and county.—East Oregonian.

Another change is made in the train schedule of the Klamath Lake railroad. The new arrangement will enable passengers to Portland to catch No. 14, due at Thrall at 7:15 a. m. The schedule is as follows: Leave Thrall..... 3 p. m. Arrive Klamath Springs..... 4:07 p. m. Arrive Pokeyama..... 5:05 p. m. Leave Pokeyama..... 6 p. m. Arrive Klamath Springs..... 7:05 p. m. Arrive Thrall..... 8:20 p. m.

In the case of the city against C. D. Wilson, for violation of the Sunday closing ordinance, the jury found a verdict of guilty, and a fine of fifty dollars was assessed.

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