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The Tillamook Headlight

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Don't go into the republican primaries and convention, and then because it does not go the way you expected, you then turn out to be a genuine chronic disgruntled kicker. That shows poor political breeding.

Now that the Mitchell-Simon fight is over in Multnomah county, it is reported that the small minority faction will now get in and elect the candidates of the majority faction. That is good politics, as those who were in the minority factions in Tillamook in recent years have found out to their political sorrow when they jumped the republican traces and went over to the "enemy's camp."

Of course it would be proper for a few democrats to name their henchmen and stool pigeons as candidates on the republican ticket if the republicans raised no objection. But this is where the hubbub has already occurred in the republican party, for republicans do not propose to be controlled from that direction any more, even if there are a number of republicans who still have to do the bidding of their democratic masters.

The commerce of Tillamook bay does not justify the expenditure to improve the bar is the same old gag that is being worked upon Tillamook. Now we think we are perfectly justified in saying that the Board of Engineers is impotent in making such a report, not having visited the scene and ascertained the facts. We hope the Oregon delegation will criticize the Board of Engineers so numerically that it will crumple.

Hon. B. L. Eddy, of Tillamook, announces that he is not a candidate for Congress to succeed Hermann, but frankly admits that he would appreciate the republican nomination for one of the circuit judgeships. Mr. Eddy possesses the ability to fill any position within the gift of the people of Oregon—and you can't keep a good man down.—Lincoln County Leader.

That is just what some of his political opponents have more than once realized in Tillamook, for the public will take to and support a fearless, conscientious and industrious person in preference to those who run in the opposite groove.

As so many false statements are being made about Assessor Hare's assessment, in justice to that gentleman we wish to state that the timber owners are paying 22 per cent more taxes; that cows are assessed on an average at \$17 each, this being a reduction of \$8; and that tillable land is assessed \$5 to \$6 less an acre. This is authentic information, which we feel justified in printing so as to refute the false statements which are being circulated about him. As we have stated before Mr. Hare has tried to do the right thing, and he is entitled to considerable credit from a fair minded people, which he will receive when the voters have an opportunity to express their sentiment.

E. G. E. Wist on Saturday, for about 60 minutes, poured his political mind into the editor with a good deal of vim and animation, and when George Washington applauded, overhead, he, too, came in for a bit of Wist's mind. The burden of Mr. Wist's talk was that he had had a political inspiration while coming to the city, to this effect, that Herman Shoemaker should be the next county commissioner. The editor has had a large number of callers the past few weeks to talk politics, all of whom he has given a patient and respectful hearing. Personally, the editor has his choice for a few candidates, but what part he is taking in politics this year is in the interest of the party rather than candidates.

Some of the President's enemies are bringing out the circumstance that he, as assistant secretary of the navy, wanted to pitch into Spain savagely right at the start in the war of 1898. Secretary Long, his official superior, it is said, had to hold him back. The inference to be drawn from all this is that if Roosevelt had been allowed to have his way Dewey's victory would have come a little earlier than it did, and Cervera's fleet would have been destroyed before it got a chance to hide in Santiago harbor. These are queer accusations to bring against the President. The more his enemies talk about his "suddenness" in the Spanish war the better his countrymen will like him. Roosevelt's majority in the electoral college is likely to be somewhat top heavy in any case, but his Spanish war critics are doing their little best to increase it.

Wouldn't Old Bossy think Tillamookers were awfully green of they sent Green Chance to Salem to chew that old Green political cud of his in the state legislature. There, friend Green, give your friends and neighbors a well earned rest this election, for that old Green political cud has been chewed over with so much jaw bone pertinacity and perpetual motion through so many years and a number of campaigns that it is about as rank a political cud that is to be found anywhere in Tillamook county. We would advise the dairymen to post notices not

to allow Green to chew his political cud on or near their farms, for as soon as Old Bossy takes a sniff at the darn'd old political cud she will stampee the entire dairy herds of the county. And should Green get the prefix of "Representative" to his game of Chance, we are inclined to believe that he will stampee the state legislature also. Then, see, what Tillamookers would be held responsible for.

Now is the time when political reformers and political kickers will have so much advice to give the taxpayers and voters and to instruct them whom they shall select as candidates and how they shall cast their ballot. Just inquire into the personal characters of some of these political croakers, reformers and kickers, and it will be noticed that they have a political ax to grind or a personal spleen to ventilate. We are glad to know that the republican party is not composed of political knockers, but of the most successful business and professional men in Tillamook City, and by a large majority of the most successful dairymen in the county. That is what the republican party is composed of, men who want county affairs administered with honesty and economy, and it is not at all probable that these successful business men and dairymen will take any notice of the croakings of political soreheads or the dictation of the same old rule or ruin outfit now it is helching out "ring" for the purpose of making political capital. Look at the personal characters of those who now form the old time rule or ruin ring in Tillamook City and compare it with the successful citizens who now form the republican party.

Dealing With Beef Combine.

Representative Martin, of South Dakota, has asked the house to direct Secretary Carey to investigate the alleged meatpackers' combine and its effect upon prices of cattle and meat products. It is to be hoped Mr. Martin's efforts will be seconded and carried out.

Farmers and ranchmen west of the Missouri river complain that there is no competition in the cattle markets because the packers have combined to keep down the price of cattle on the hoof. On the other hand, the consumers complain that in spite of the decline in price of live stock the price of trust beef is about what it was three years ago. They furthermore point to the fact that the packers are now enjoying as good a market at home and abroad as they ever have. Very naturally the query presents itself, who profited by the addition of \$1 per 100 pounds between actual prices of 1901 and 1904. The packers insist that the shrinkage in price of live stock has not benefited them, and the retail butchers insist that they are getting no share of the profits. A congressional inquiry may possibly help to solve the mystery.

It is argued in some quarters that the proposed investigation is an attempt to hit the beef trust with a leather duster and the question is asked why the president does not institute criminal proceedings against the members and managers of the trust under the Sherman act. The same question has been asked with regard to the prosecution of the Steel trust magnates and the captains of industry who has organized trusts to control various enterprises.

One reason, perhaps the most potential, is that the power to secure convictions under the criminal section of the Sherman act is questionable, it not impossible, and failure of criminal prosecution would seriously weaken the position of the government in the enforcement of anti-trust legislation. Under the constitution, treason, namely, aiding war against the government and aiding its enemies, is the highest crime any American can be guilty of, and yet Jefferson Davis, the arch traitor, who marshalled whole armies to destroy the government, could not be prosecuted for the high crime of treason because the Department of Justice entertained fears that no jury of twelve men could be found in Virginia to render a verdict against him.

There is, moreover, no actual proof at hand that there is such a thing as a Beef trust under the definition of the Sherman act. All we know is that half a dozen concerns operating packing house plants in various cities maintain a community of interest understanding by which the market is controlled. The ownership of these concerns is separate and so is the management, consequently no direct, or even indirect, profit sharing, such as is presumed to be fundamental with a trust. If it shall be established by the proposed inquiry that there is a mutual compact in the nature of a trust, it will devolve upon the government to break up the combine and enforce the anti-trust law, so far as it can be done under existing conditions.

It Saved His Legs. P. A. Danforth, of La Grange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Becklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cts. Sold by Chas. I. Clough, druggist.

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END TO LAND EVIL.

Senate Committee for Repeal of Timber Act.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—By unanimous vote, the Senate committee on public lands today favorably reported a compromise bill intended to modify the public land laws so as to minimize the opportunity for fraudulent operations, and to insure the settlement of the public by bona fide entrymen. This compromise is the result of a protracted and heated discussion of the public land question, and, to a large extent, carries out the recommendations of the Public Land Commission.

The bill agreed upon authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to sell to the highest bidder the right to cut and remove timber from any unappropriated, nonmineral surveyed public lands after first having such timber appraised and giving the notice of such sale. The funds derived from timber sales in the arid and semi-arid Western States are to be placed to the credit of those states in the fund ultimately to be expended in the construction of national irrigation works.

The bill repeals the act permitting the entry of timber lands, though it does not affect the acquisition of stone lands. It provides further that lands chiefly valuable for timber shall hereafter not be subject to entry under the commutation clause of the homestead law. This last provision removes the most objectionable feature of the commutation clause, and the one under which the Government has heretofore been generally injured. The committee did not feel justified in going further in the way of modifying the land laws.

The unanimous report on the bill today is thought to insure its early passage by the Senate, and it may get through the House this session, though there are several members of the House public land committee who will oppose it and attempt to prevent a report. Never the less, advocates of reform in the land laws are greatly encouraged by the action of the committee today and regard it as a long step in the right direction.

No bill introduced in Congress in several years has been pushed with more vigor by its friends, or fought more stubbornly by its enemies. For two years the committee on public lands has had the measure almost constantly before it. Last year the committee reported the bill over the head of the chairman, Senator Hansbrough, but he served notice that it could not be passed, and it died with the Congress. This year all the Democratic members of the committee except Senator Dubois and three Republican members, Bard, Nelson and Dietrich, were again against it, making a majority of one in favor of reporting the bill. Chairman Hansbrough declined to put the motion for reporting the bill without having a chance to be heard in opposition to the measure. He was charged with filibustering, but remained steadfast. Chairman Hansbrough talked to members of the committee individually, and gave as his view that the bill, if passed, would upset the land laws of the entire country and turn to Canada the great stream of immigration that is now building up the West. He declared the homestead law vital to the interests of the unimproved West, and suggested to the friends of the bill that a measure be introduced for the repeal of the timber and stone act only. He won Senator Nelson to the same view, and the bill was introduced by Senator Quarles and approved by the committee.

The House committee on public lands also today favorably reported a bill, which if enacted, will rob the land law of an objectional and dangerous feature. But the chances of its final passage are not bright, as it is opposed by the land-grant railroads, still recognized to be powerful before Congress, and in a position to block legislation this late in the session, when every attempt is being made to adjourn by the first of May. The bill provides that no vacant public lands shall be subject to selection in lieu of tracts relinquished within forest reservations, except in cases where owners of lands within reserves relinquish to the Government lands which are chiefly valuable for their timber, in which event lien selections can be made on any public land subject to homestead entry, including timber lands. This bill will effectually prevent the exchanging of arid, rocky and other nontimbered land within reserves for valuable timber outside, yet permit an owner of timber within a reserve to procure timber land outside, if he so desires.

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Vote of Condolence.

Bay City, Ore., Mar. 17, 1904.—Resolutions adopted by the Miriam Chapter, No. 20, O. E. S., on the death of Sister Reberta Campbell, who died March 5, 1904.

The white-winged messenger has entered our Chapter and taken a link from our golden chain to be added to the immortal Chain in the Grand Chapter above, where death never enters and the links are never broken. On March 5, 1904, our sister heard the summons from the Most High and answered the question "Believest thou this?"

It remains for us to bow in humble submission and be prepared for the call, having for inspiration the "Star of Bethlehem." We, as a chapter, extend to Brother Campbell and family our sincere sympathy in their sorrow. May the parting be temporary and the meeting eternal.

We have draped our Chapter sadly for the loved one gone before. She has crossed the silent river. We shall see her here no more. We shall see her sisters, brothers, When we, too, have passed beyond; Hand in hand around God's altar, When our work on earth is done.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to Brother Campbell and family; that a page be set apart in the records of the Chapter for the memorial; that the Chapter be draped in mourning for thirty days; and these resolutions be sent to the county papers for publication. Committee, Ella J. Wood, Emily Tilden and R. W. Robbins.

Call for a Republican County Convention.

Notice is hereby given that the Republicans of Tillamook County, Oregon, will meet in convention at Tillamook City, Oregon, on the 2nd day of April, 1904, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating a member of the legislature, commissioner, sheriff, clerk, assessor, school superintendent, surveyor, coroner, justices of the peace and constables, and the election of delegates to the state and congressional conventions, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention. Said convention will be composed of 86 members, divided among the various precincts of the county as follows, to-wit:

- Nahalem 8 Foley 2 Garibaldi 4 Bay 6 Tillamook 12 Hoquarton 9 Fairview 9 South Prairie 5 Barnegate 2 Netarts 3 Beavertown 3 Sandlake 3 Hebo 3 Union 3 Little Nestucca 3 Dolph 2

The primaries will be held in the said precincts on the 26th day of March, 1904, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., and at the regular voting places.

By order of the Republican County Central Committee.

Dated at Tillamook, Oregon, March 10th, 1904. A. W. SEVERANCE, Chairman.

HOMER MASON, Secretary.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly filling to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 2 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, January 23rd, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

Of Spruce County of Tillamook, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 534, for the purchase of the N. W. 1/4 of section No. 22, in Township No. 3 South, Range 8 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the County Clerk of Tillamook County, Ore., at Tillamook City, Ore., on Saturday, the 9th day of April, 1904. He names as witnesses: William L. Riefenberg, Winfield C. Trombley, Lewis H. Riefenberg, of Bay City, Oregon; Karl R. Ayer, of Blaine, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 9th day of April, 1904. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Oregon City, Ore., February 13th, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Tillamook Co., at Tillamook City, Ore., on March 26th, 1904, viz: NELS NELSON; H. E. No. 12,155, for the S. 1/4, sec. 2, tp. 3 north, range 10 west. He claims the following witness to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Andrew Klein, Charles A. Handy, Dan J. Handy, John Ek, of Nehalem, Oregon. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, February 23rd, 1904.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by MR. KEL MICHOR, contestant, against homestead entry No. 13987, made January 10th, 1902, for S. 1/4 Sec. 4, and S. 1/4 Sec. 14, section 21 and 22, T. 3 N., R. 8 W., Tp. 3 N., R. 8 W., Range 8 West, by HARTWIG A. NELSON, contestee, in which it is alleged that contestant is well acquainted with said tract of land and knows the present condition of the same; also that the said entryman has never established his residence on said tract of land and did not within six months of the date of his said entry establish his residence in a house on said land; that said entryman has never built a house on said land or caused the same to be done; that the said entryman has abandoned said lands for more than six months next prior to the making of this affidavit, to-wit, since on or about January 1, 1902, and has not at any time since that date resided on said land or any part thereof and that the said affidavit of said entryman from said land was not due to his being engaged in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine, during the existing war with Spain, or any other war in which the United States is or has been engaged, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m., on April 6, 1904, before the County Clerk of Tillamook County, Oregon, at Tillamook City, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on April 9th, 1904, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed January 25th, 1904, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

TIMBER LAND ACT, JUNE 3, 1878.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, March 2nd, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

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