

IT'S ANYBODY'S RACE IN \$2500 CAMPAIGN

Today Marks Real Start for Prizes.

HUSTLERS OUT TO WIN NEW CANDIDATES ENTER BIG RACE AND START OUT TO GET WINNING SUBSCRIPTIONS

The bars are up and the track is clear, and everyone of the energetic and enterprising candidates who have entered in the Vernonia Eagle prize Automobile Campaign has the "right-of-way." The preliminaries are over, and the race for rich prizes headed by that fine Overland "6" Sedan worth \$1095, is now on in earnest. On this page will be found the first published announcement of the standing of the candidates, showing the number cast for each up to Saturday night. Each competitor has started in the race with a grin of determination to win or know the reason why, and the battle royal now in evidence is attracting wide attention.

Several of the more aggressive candidates have started in the race with a good number of votes to their credit, but the leaders of today do not necessarily indicate the winners by any means, as more than five weeks remain to bridge the difference existing between the highest and those having the fewest votes.

Now Is the Time to Enter.

This is not a "beauty" or "popularity" contest, but a strictly legitimate proposition for wide-awake energetic men and women, and one in which ambition, backed by the determination to win, are the sole requisites for success. As in all of life's game—business, politics, social or otherwise—the most aggressive players "pluck the plums," while the half-hearted, "trust to luck" variety never gets anywhere. Those who have been "thinking of entering" this race for rich prizes but have not done so as yet, should lose no further time, for every day you put off entering is just that much time lost that can never be recalled. There are rich opportunities which may be seen by glancing at the vote totals today, for more hustlers to enter the race and by a little special effort make themselves important factors for the best prizes.

Don't Get Discouraged.

Candidates who are now actively in the competition should not get discouraged if they are not the highest on the list today. The campaign is just in its infancy and there is not a single participant who could not, if the proper interest and effort were put into the matter, secure enough subscriptions and votes during this week to lead the entire field. In fact, an entirely new candidate with no votes at all, could by a little concerted effort, be numbered among the leaders in the next vote count.

Time Is Limited—Get Busy.

Now is the time for those competing in this race to "make the dust fly." Only two more weeks remain during which to secure the maximum number of votes on subscriptions—

LIST OF NOMINATIONS

Miss Mable Bosworth, Vernonia	5,800
Winifred Mecklen, Vernonia	68,700
Mrs. Alice Burch, Vernonia	106,800
Thelma Olsen, Vernonia	108,500
Carl O. Erickson, Vernonia	72,300
Mrs. E. E. Graham, Vernonia	106,900
Clifford Brown, Vernonia	6,100
Mrs. George Parker, Vernonia	5,800
Mrs. A. A. Dowling, Mist, Ore.	5,800
Miss Ruth Burcham, St. Helens	5,000
Miss Irene Smith, Vernonia	5,000
G. J. Roberts, Vernonia	5,000

COLUMBIA BANKERS MEET IN VERNONIA

St. Helens, Mist
The quarterly meeting of the Columbia County Bankers' association held at Vernonia was a very successful affair, twenty-one members being present. The Bank of Vernonia was the host of the evening and provided a splendid banquet. W. O. Galloway, president of the Bank of Vernonia and president of the Columbia County Bankers' association acting as toastmaster. The following visitors were present and gave very interesting and instructive talks: Mr. Wright, Mr. Davies and Mr. Howard of the United States National Bank of Portland, Mr. Jones and Mr. W. L. Thompson of the First National Bank of Portland, Andrew Miller, field secretary of the Oregon Bankers' association with which the Columbia County Bankers' association is affiliated, was present and gave a very interesting talk.

After the banquet the members and visitors inspected the new home of the Bank of Vernonia and were very much impressed by the beauty and practical arrangements and complimented the officers upon having constructed a home entirely in keeping with the progress of the inland metropolis.

A trip was then taken through the Oregon-American mill, personally conducted by Mr. McGraw, cashier of the Bank of Vernonia, and this was indeed a revelation even to those who were reared in the west and were entirely familiar with the western lumbering methods as this is the most modern mill in existence and their up-to-the-minute methods for handling the cut surprises even those familiar with the lower Columbia operations.

The next meeting of the association will be held at Clatskanie with the First National Bank of Clatskanie as host.

COLUMBIA COUNTY LAND RANKS HIGH

Oregonian News Bureau, Washington, O. C., Aug. 15.—Increases in farm land values for both Columbia and Tillamook counties, Oregon, between 1920 and 1925, as reported by federal agricultural census takers have been published by the department of commerce. As a great majority of counties in all parts of the country thus far reported upon have shown decreases, not only in land values as a result of deflation but in number of farms as well, the figures on the northwestern Oregon counties may be considered remarkable.

The quinquennial check on farm progress by the bureau of census in Columbia county showed an increase in number of farms from 991 in 1920 to 1595 in 1925. In the same time the value of land and buildings jumped from 7,307,240 to 8,854,665, of land alone from 5,762,720 to 8,467,452 and of buildings alone from 1,544,520 to 3,137,213.

Amount of land in Columbia county farms increased from 89,889 acres five years ago to 105,619 acres now, of which 20,995 was cropland in 1924, 70,284 was pasture and 8192 was woodland not pastured. Livestock on the farms included 2153 horses, 11,399 cattle, 1999 swine and 50 mules. All animals showed increase except pigs, which numerically were cut in half between 1920 and 1925.

Principal crops in the county for 1924 were 68,277 bushels of oats, 27,808 bushels of wheat, 18,492 tons of hay and 52,336 bushels of apples. Of the 1595 farms in the county 1426 are now operated by owners.

NEW LADIES STORE OPENS FOR BUSINESS

The opening of the new "Reitner's store" took place this week. Mr. Reitner has a complete new and stylish stock of ladies suits, dresses, coats, etc. The store is a pretty one complete, convenient and ready for business. An opening announcement appears in the advertising columns this week. Turn to it and read.

W. W. Eselstyn spent Monday in Portland on business.

MCDONALD GOES TO KLAMATH FALLS

A. A. McDonald, who for the past year has been local manager of the Miller Mercantile store in Vernonia, left this week for Klamath Falls, where he will manage the new Pilcher store, in which he is financially interested. Mr. McDonald has made many friends in Vernonia and put the Miller store in first rating in our community. To succeed him here is Mr. C. F. Heiber, who is in charge at present. Mr. Heiber is universally well liked in the community and all are glad to see him in the store. Describing the position of Mr. McDonald, we can do no better than to quote a few lines from the Klamath Falls News, as follows:

The R. A. Pilcher Co., Inc., of New York, announced yesterday its entrance into the Klamath Falls field, with the opening within six weeks of one of the largest men, women and children's clothing concerns in the city, involving an expenditure in cost of remodeling of the Melrose building at Fifth and Main streets and merchandise stock at \$60,000. The Pilcher concern is a several million dollar corporation.

The entire building has been leased by the Pilcher corporation for a long period. Expenditures in remodeling the building will exceed \$10,000. They include a stucco front squaring off of the front portion of the building and entire remodeling of the interior.

Ready in Six Weeks.

Representatives of the Pilcher corporation looking over the field in the Pacific northwest, with a view of extending their chain of stores, declared Klamath Falls held the most inviting prospects of any one city in the territory. Eleven other stores will be opened, however, this fall in the northwest, at Tacoma, Medford, Yakima, Bremerton, Eugene, Stockton, Eureka, Salem and Monroe, Wn.

A. A. McDonald will be the local manager for the big corporation. His son will be assistant manager.

The elder Mr. McDonald has been in the mercantile business for many years, coming here from Idaho, where he managed one of the largest dry-goods concerns in the state. He is here now and will direct remodeling operations.

WORK OF PAVING TO START MONDAY

The City Council at a special meeting on Tuesday night let the paving contract for Bridge street to the lowest bidders—Cummins & La Point, of McMinnville. The work will start next Monday and rushed to completion as fast as good work will permit. The final letting of the contract is a great relief to the citizens as it has been hanging fire for many weeks. We are now all assured that we will be out of the mud this coming winter and the job is about sixteen hundred dollars lower than the bid previously submitted.

KLAN LODGE GIVES COMMUNITY PICNIC

The local Klan lodge held their community picnic at Parker's Grove on the Nehalem river last Sunday. A good crowd turned out and a splendid day is reported. The Vernonia band furnished music throughout the day and was greatly enjoyed by all in attendance. There were eats galore, games, music and a good social time generally.

TWO FAMILIES MAKE HOMES IN VERNONIA

George Hobson and J. T. Brady, formerly of Wasco, Ore., have decided to make Vernonia their future home, having purchased the Tipton property in Corey's addition. This will add two more families to our growing city as they are making preparations to move here at once. The sale was handled by G. C. Olsen of the Vernonia Realty.

Leonard Johnson has purchased the eight room house known as the Oatman property on Third street and will make Vernonia his future home. The sale was handled by G. C. Olsen of the Vernonia Realty Co.

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TO RETAIL DEALERS OF OREGON

A law passed by the 1925 legislature provides that all potatoes sold in lots of 50 pounds or more must have the grade and name and address of the grower stenciled on the sack or container. In lots of ten tons or more they must be state inspected in addition to the markings.

If a grower or dealer sells a retailer 50 pounds or more of potatoes without the grade and address being marked on the sack he is liable for a maximum fine of \$100, or 30 days jail sentence or both.

If a retailer sells or offers to sell a customer 50 pounds or more of potatoes in a container not stenciled as above, he is also liable for the penalties.

If a retailer buys potatoes branded as No. 1, which are No. 2, the seller is guilty of misbranding and is liable to the penalties fixed by law.

If a retailer sells No. 2 stock to a customer under brand of No. 1, or if he sells in unbranded sacks, he is guilty of a misdemeanor and liable for the penalties fixed by law.

The State Inspection Department asks the retail dealers to cooperate in the observance and enforcement of the law. Compliance with it will work out for the benefit of both the retailer and his customers. The law simply demands an honest pack.

It is made the duty of the State Inspection Department to enforce the law. When our inspectors visit your store have your stock stenciled and graded. Compliance is far better than prosecution.

With your cooperation the law can be enforced without any trouble or punishment or hardship. Insist that the law be complied with when you buy your potatoes and that you get the kind of stock you pay for.

State Inspection Department, by C. E. Spence, State Market Agent, 714 Courthouse—Portland, Phone Main 4656; and Mr. Morris, county inspector for Columbia county, is saying that this is enforced.

HIGH TEACHERS FOR SCHOOL YEAR

J. B. Wilkerson, principal, algebra and geometry; Levi F. Austin, sciences; Mrs. M. D. Cole, latin and Spanish; Miss Cecilia Bell, english; Miss Mirabel Goodin, history and sewing.

High school will open Monday, September seven.

BEAUTIFUL LAWN RE- CEIVES FIRST PRIZE

J. E. Cropper is more than delighted with a handsome check for \$125, received this week from the Oregon-American company, presented as first prize in the campaign at Mill-View for beautiful lawns and premises. Mr. Cropper has put considerable effort in beautifying his home and the lawn and flowers are indeed handsome. The garden is wonderful and aside for the prize, the Cropper family realize a great deal of satisfaction from their improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wilkes and son Lynn of Orenco, Ore., renewed old acquaintances in and around Vernonia over Sunday. Mr. Wilkes expressed surprise at the rapid growth of our city since visiting here a little more than a year ago. He stated that his first visit to Vernonia was in 1880.

William Tipton and family are leaving this week for their ranch in Southern Idaho.

Buy your Sunday dinner at the cooked food sale at King's store on Saturday.

Don't forget the date of the cooked food sale at King's store on Saturday, August 22nd.

Mrs. G. E. Gleason is enjoying a trip to Spokane to visit with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wight of Hillsboro were visitors for several days at the home of Dr. Ella Wight, their daughter-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Comer and Mrs. Molly Comer of Portland, cousins of Dr. Ella Wight, drove out and spent the week-end at the doctor's home.

ORIENTAL TEA GIVEN BY LADIES FOR LIBRARY

Large Number of People Enjoy Fiesta of the Orient.

CLEVELAND HOME IS THROWN OPEN TO ALL

Library Fund Is Built up Extensively by Program Given by Local Young People.

The garden party Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland on the west side, for the benefit of the Library Fund, was a beautiful affair and a wonderful success in every way and an event that will be pleasantly remembered for days to come.

The generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland in giving over their beautiful home for this benefit was fully appreciated by the ladies of the library board, who spared no pains to make it the great success that it was and the generous patronage of the public also speaks their great appreciation.

The house decoration, all of oriental suggestion was very effective and gay color and good cheer to the occasion. Everybody was there with a good purpose in their mind and you could just feel the very true hospitality that invaded the very air. At the door to greet the visitors were Mrs. E. S. Cleveland, Mrs. Ray Emmott, Mrs. D. L. Smith, Mrs. Eugene Marsh and Mrs. Frank Hansen.

The first feature of the Fiesta was to present each visitor with a bright hued cap. Over one hundred caps were given out and it is very wonderful how he coming every one was to every one who put them on. The front parlor was given over to a programme of instrumental music readings and a nature dance. The programme was assembled and directed by Mrs. Dr. Cole, and was much appreciated by everyone, and was as follows: Reading, Little Miss Spencer, nature dancing, Miss Gene Gould, reading, Miss Lura Smith, ukalalie duet, Miss Amy Hughes and Louise Summers.

The card games were discontinued during the recital of this programme. The entire upper floor was given over and arranged for cards, both bridge and five and ten card was played. Ten tables of cards was in progress during the afternoon.

Mrs. D. L. Smith was in charge of arrangements and progress of the card games, some very high scores was played and the card games great success. First grand prize for bridge was won by Mrs. J. L. Wilkerson, first grand prize for 500 was won by Mrs. Judge W. A. Harris. The presentation of prizes was made by Mrs. Frank Hansen and consisted of huge bouquets of sweet peas. The dining room was used as reception to the Oriental tea room and the east veranda was used as an orient tea room with bright banners tinkling bells, chinese gongs and oriental whistles. One could imagine you had been transported to a tea room on some street in the city of Kobe and wonderful tea, all served by young ladies in oriental costumes and beautiful china from Niponeise at Yokohama, this tea room was a suggestion from Mrs. Cleveland.

The young ladies wearing in oriental costume were Misses Louise Summers, Phoebe Greenmail, Amy Hughes and Orline Counts. The tea room was a very great feature of the occasion and was really a wonderful success.

The breakfast nook, draped with bright colored chutz and porcelains made an ideal abode for the forty tellers and palm readers. The ladies were all heavily veiled, but listened in on some wonderful fortune tellings.

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