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EDITORIAL

PATTERSON FOR GOVERNOR

ON MAY 21, today, the Republicans of Oregon will nominate a governor. For the nomination there are three aspirants in the field.

Without discussing the merits or demerits of the other two The Telegram will say that it has decided to endorse and support Senator I. L. Patterson.

It is prompted to do so because of his superior qualifications and the constructive principles for which he stands.

An essential qualification of a candidate for any office is integrity, says The Telegram.

Another essential qualification is the required ability.

Still others are the necessary experience, knowledge and sound judgment.

Mr. Patterson has them all.

He is one of Oregon's most successful farmers and business men and has to his credit a record of public achievements.

As collector of customs he actually reduced the operating expense of the office by thousands of dollars in face of the fact that the business doubled during his tenure.

As a state senator for six sessions he introduced economies and reforms in the administration of state affairs.

From every angle he is splendidly qualified and equipped for the governorship.

Now for the policies and principles for which Senator Patterson stands.

To begin with he stands for a reduction of taxes.

He stands for the removal of the state penitentiary from politics and a reduction of its per capita tax.

He stands for the abolition of the parole board, the vesting of the parole power in the state board of control and a curtailing of the pardoning power.

He stands for conservative highway construction, the elimination of fish and game from politics, intelligent advancement of agricultural interests and the development of the state's resources and industries.

He stands for rigid law enforcement and a high standard for our public schools and higher institutions of learning.

Finally, he stands for popular government—for the sovereign rule of the people.

"I do not believe," he says in his platform, "in taking any political power from the individual voter."

With Senator Patterson as its nominee for governor the Republican party would be assured of victory in the general election.

With Mr. Patterson as governor and chairman of the state board of control and State Treasurer Kay and Secretary of State Koser as members thereof, the people of Oregon would be assured of an honest, economical, efficient and constructive administration of state affairs.



Reduce taxes by reducing cost of Government.

Place penitentiary under Board of Control. Make Board of Control the Parole Board; fewer pardons. Enforcement of Prohibition by officials who believe in enforcing the law.

Hasten construction of Roosevelt Highway.

Adequate provision for retiring bonds. Issue no tax free bonds.

Fish and Game Commission function for people and not as political machines.

Play fair with ex-service men.

Maintain high standard of public schools and institutions of higher learning.

I do not believe in taking any political power from the individual voter.

No discount on the taxpayer's dollar.

CITY ELECTION

Reprint Section of Charter Which Answers the Question.

We have been asked several times about the nominating of city officials to run at the coming election in November. We here reprint Section 16 of our charter which fully answers the question. According to this section of the charter it would be well to hold the mass meeting sometime in August:

"SECTION 16—Nomination for officers under this act may be made by mass meetings of the citizens when certificates of such nominations shall be made out in writing specifying the name of the candidate for each office nominated and be signed by the chairman and the secretary of the mass meeting and filed with the Recorder at least 32 days before the election. Provided, that independent candidates for any office within the city may be nominated by individual electors of said city for any office to be filled by the electors therein as independent candidates are nominated under Chapter 2 of Title 28 of Oregon Laws; and every such certificate of nomination mentioned in said act shall be signed by not less than two per cent of the electors of said City as shown by the last preceding vote of said City for mayor."

GO ON HIKE

Pebble Creek Is Host to Ladies of Athletic Club.

The Ladies Athletic club held its first hike last Tuesday at Pebble creek when 35 members met at 2 p. m. in front of the mill office, clad in hiking outfits and a jolly good crowd they were as they went singing along the road. After reaching the beautiful spot on the creek where the committee had prepared everything in readiness, sides were chosen and snappy games of horse shoe, volley ball, high jumping, rope jumping, wadding in the water then fire was made for hot coffee. Then came the hour of rest and story telling, where the ladies waxed eloquence in their election of a mayor, councilwomen and even a lady marshal. The club now plans that in the near future they will have or build their own club house.

ADVERTISING PORTLAND STORES

From Clatskanie Chief

For the first time in the four years we have been here, we are this week running an ad for a Portland store sent us yesterday by an advertising agency. We are not urging buying in Portland. It is a mighty poor policy for any person to buy outside his own home town.

We are running this ad for the purpose of calling to your attention the fact that even the big Portland stores with their enormous amount of advertising in the Portland papers which reach the majority of the people in Clatskanie, realize that the home-town weekly is the best medium of advertising to reach their people.

That store is willing to pay \$15 to tell its story to Chief readers. They do not have to sell much merchandise to pay for that ad. It's an ad for local people to think about.

LOYALTY

An out-of-town non-licensed solicitor made Vernonia this week, taking orders for job printing, same kind of work the Eagle insists on. He got a few orders but we certainly appreciate those business men that boldly told him they got their printing done at home.

Attend Convention.

Those who attended the Pythian Sisters convention held in St. Helens last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Aspland, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gilchrist, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Richardson, Mesdames Mellinger, Greener, Black Brady and Brown, Miss Macie Roberts, and Emil Messing and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris, who are members of the St. Helens temple were also present from Vernonia.

Claimed the American people always lock the stable doors after the horse is stolen, but anyway they propose to prevent the thieves from carrying off the stable.

Why He Never Gets Anywhere



The man who continually finds fault with nearly everything in Vernonia conspicuously overlooks himself. Constructive criticism is valuable, but attacks which are made for the sole purpose of giving vent to a chronic dissatisfaction with the world in general are of benefit to nobody. Every town has its disgruntled knockers, but Providence in its divine wisdom has kept them in the minority.

How much better it would be both for Vernonia and its critics if we could persuade such persons to cast aside their destructive sentiments and join the people who are working hard to make this a bigger and better community. Pessimism and unfair criticism are difficult loads to carry especially when one is trying to make the grade. It costs nothing to drop them and it is worth anything to be rid of them.

Boost Vernonia!

ATTEND CONVENTION

Large Crowd Present at Meeting Held in St. Helens.

Reputed to be one of the largest district conventions yet held in this county was held in St. Helens last Saturday afternoon with Pythian Sisters from Nehalem, Tillamook, Seaside, Rainier, St. Helens and Vernonia participating. Ava Temple No. 19 of St. Helens was host. The regular lodge meeting was held in the afternoon at the city hall of the river city with over 125 sisters and eight brothers present. Initiatory work was exemplified by the different lodges present and two candidates were taken into the order. Ava temple officers in chair opened and closed the meeting. In the evening a dinner was served at the Congregational church and an open entertainment and dance was given later in the city hall to which a full house partook to the hospitality of the river sisters. A midnight supper was served in the K. P. hall. Orphia Temple 13 of Portland put on the fancy drill and the regular drill work. The next convention will be held at Tillamook next year.

KILLED AT I. P. CAMP

Cable Breaking Is Fatal to Workman near Here.

Ole Engelbrektsen, who was skidder foreman at the Inman Poulsen logging camp, west of Vernonia, was instantly killed at 11 a. m. Tuesday. A large cable broke and the block hit the unfortunate foreman in the head, crushing his skull. Mr. Engelbrektsen had worked at the camp a year and leaves a wife and young daughter. He was 37 years old.

Candidate Speaks.

Mr. Carter, candidate for governor spoke for a few minutes in Vernonia Saturday night. Marshal Kelly introduced the speaker and Attorney Sheeley made him acquainted around town. Mr. Carter is a splendid man as far as we can learn; a good man, but hardly big enough calibre for governor of Oregon—at least that impression was left with us, after seeing and hearing him.

BAND PLAYS SUNDAY

The ball game in Vernonia this coming Sunday will, and should draw the biggest crowd ever on the Vernonia ball field. Mac's band will furnish music and will march from the depot to the ball grounds promptly at 1:15 o'clock. Follow the band.

ON MILITARY REVIEW

Two Vernonia Boys are Honored at State University.

Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis, May 21.—Herman G. Dickson and Alvin L. Parker, of Vernonia will be entered in the review of the fourteenth annual Military tournament at O. A. C. May 28. By means of the tournament the military department each year shows the training it offers and the serious purpose the physically fit college men give to their work in the reserve corps.

An air service demonstration directed by Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelly, America's premier long-distance flying ace, will be an outstanding feature of the program. It will include formation and stunt flying and a parachute drop. The air demonstration at 1 o'clock will open the tournament.

In the general military review, Dickson will act as a lieutenant and Park as a corporal in the engineering corps. This event is the formal entrance and march of the entire cadet corps.

Other events scheduled include cavalry drills; building and wrecking of a potoon bridge by the engineering unit; artillery and machine gun contests; exhibition drills by a crack infantry unit and feature stunts. The impressive retreat parade will be the closing event. Every grammar and high school student in Oregon will be admitted free. Major Donald A. Robinson, tournament director, has announced.

Legion Has Good Time.

The American Legion had a big time Saturday night. A crowd from Portland made the night famous for the Vernonia Post and the 40 and 8 degree will always be remembered by about 20 local members.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION

The eighth grade graduation exercises for the Vernonia public school will be given at the high school auditorium, Wednesday evening May 26th at 8 o'clock.

The following program will be given:

Processional
Invocation Rev. Rademacher
Song "Welcome Sweet Spring Time"
..... Seventh Grade
Violin solo Mrs. Shinn
Address to class Rev. Curtis
Song, "The Evening Bells"
..... Eighth Grade girls
Presentation of diplomas
Prologue.

In the junior honor roll at the high school this year, as reported in another column, the name of Anna Aamodt should have appeared.

PIONEER PASSES

Death Follows That of Husband by Two Weeks.

Mrs. Thomas Marshall Tucker, 67, one of the early pioneers of the Nehalem valley, died at her home here early last Friday morning from heart trouble. Mrs. Tucker was born in Des Moines, Iowa, September 17, 1859 and was united in marriage to Mr. Tucker in 1887. They moved to the Nehalem valley 49 years ago, where they had continually made their home. Mr. Tucker passed away two weeks ago and was buried in the Vernonia cemetery. Surviving are 13 grand-children and six children. They are: Mrs. Lewis Snider, Warren, Or.; C. H. Tucker, Ridgfield, Wash.; Everett L. of Portland.; Mrs. Walter Parker, Vernon L. and Mrs. T. F. Keasey, all of Vernonia.

The funeral services were held in the church at Vernonia, Sunday May 16.

WRITES INTERESTING LETTER

Former Vernonia Resident Makes Much From Editorial.

A former Vernoniaite writes to the Oregonian as follows:

"Ione, Or., May 15.—(To the Editor.)—Having been a continuous reader of The Oregonian for ten years and at one time its agent at Vernonia, I wish to commend you on your editorials and on one in particular, "The End of His Rope." This ought to be read by every boy who expects to make a man of himself. There are hundreds of boys going the same route today that Tom Murray took unless they mend their ways. William W. Esselstyn."

START NEW SERIES

Cartoon on Home Building to be Eagle Feature.

Each week we will run in the Eagle a different cartoon on home building and civic improvement. Call it boosting if you will, but as we glance at these cartoons each week we are going to try to get an important lesson. They are truthful and their suggestions certainly worth the effort.

WHERE WAS RUTH?

Vernonia Takes Back Seat in One of Worst Ball Games That Has Yet Been Played.

Vernonia journeyed to Rydewood Sunday and was given one of the saddest whippings that a ball team could get. It will long be remembered by those who saw the game. Rydewood completely outclassed the Vernonia team and they didn't let up until the last man was down. Bronningsburg on the mound for Rydewood allowed only two hits. While his team mates were gathering twenty off of three Vernonia twirlers. Rydewood filled the bases in the fourth inning and Swift came to bat and nicked Tolke for a home run. Tolke was relieved by Kotula who only lasted one inning. Pilette relieved Kotula and finished the game. Brown playing first base for Vernonia was a great help to Rydewood because he muffed everything that came his way. In fact the whole team showed about as much speed as Barnam & Bailey's pet elephant.

The question now, is Vernonia going to have a winning ball club. Under the present condition it looks impossible. The present line up will never make a go in this league.

BILL REPORTED FAVORABLE

Senator Stanfield's Bill 3255 For Refunding Is Great Help

Senate Bill 3255, to refund about \$5,000,000 to 18 Oregon counties for taxes lost from railroad and wagon road grant lands forfeited, has been favorably reported by the Senate. This is Senator Stanfield's bill, also introduced in the House by Representative Hawley. It is a great and needed measure of relief for the counties which have been deprived of the taxes.

Home Damaged by Fire.

A small house on Weed avenue was badly damaged by fire Saturday night. The Dunnigan family, owners, had moved out the day before, so we are informed.

VERNONIA HIGH CLOSES YEAR

On September 10, 1915, County School Superintendent Allen called a meeting to organize a union high school in Vernonia. George Trageser was elected chairman of the board and F. E. Malmsten, clerk.

The school board then rented a school room and equipment from district No. 47. Professor J. P. Claybaugh taught the first two terms of the new school.

Ten sophomores and seven freshmen enrolled the first terms, but five dropped out later and two others changed schools. It was during this first term that our high school piano was bought.

At the beginning of the second term 21 students started but eight of the boys joined the navy during the term. They were Everett Tucker, Omar Sheeley, Glen Sheeley, Russell Stanton, Cyril John, Curtis John and Dewey Van Blaricom.

Eighteen enrolled for the third term and only one dropped out. It was that term that our V. H. S. put out its first graduating class.

Mr. J. B. Wilkerson was the principal that year and was elected for a second term with Miss Deerwester as his assistant.

Twenty-four students entered school the next term under Mr. G. W. Brown and Miss Davis. Lola Brown and Hazel Malmsten were Vernonia high's first debating team.

The next term 1920-21, thirty students entered school. The high school entered the State Athletic association and put out its first basket ball team.

Mr. W. W. Kelty was the principal the next year and Miss Marjorie Holaday his assistant. Miss Holaday, now Mrs. Cole, has been teaching in our high school ever since that term. This is her fifth year.

The next year the new school building was built. Mr. Kelty and Miss Holaday were the only teachers at the beginning of the term but Miss Gleason was added to the faculty at the end of the first semester.

The following term 1923-24, school started with Mr. P. M. Nash, Miss Marjorie Holaday, Mrs. Mae Beaman and Mr. William Schreiber. Miss Cecilia Bell was elected as an English teacher at the beginning of the second semester. This was the first year that our girls had played basketball, and they won the county championship. The boys, also, did well, and we had two winning debate teams. It was in this year that our first annual was printed.

Mr. J. B. Wilkerson was the principal in 1924-25 with Mrs. Cole, Miss Bell, Mrs. Beaman and Mr. Austin. Mr. Graham came at the middle of the term as our commercial teacher.

It was this year that the boys put out a remarkable track team, and the girls, their second year, won the Lower Columbia district championship.

This year Mr. Wilkerson was the principal with the same teachers as last term except Miss Goodin who took Mrs. Beaman's place. It has been an eventful year. The boys made a better athletic showing than ever, and the girls held the lower Columbia district championship. They challenged the other high school teams for the state championship. Then, too, we published our second annual this year, and sent delegates to both the U. of O. and the O. A. C. conventions.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered Sunday evening by Rev. Rademacher of the Evangelical church. His text was "And Jesus increased in welcome and stature and in favor with God and man." Luke 2:52. He divided his sermon into four parts, speaking separately and yet connectively of the development of the mind, the physical body, the social relationship with our fellow men and the spiritual relationship with God.

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