

PREFERENCE PRIMARIES.

The primaries that have been held in eight or nine states recently in which the voters were to voice their will for delegates to the republican and democratic conventions that will be held next month show the fallacy and inadequacy of the primary law. In most of the states divided delegations were the result, although one candidate carried the state in the preference contest. This condition resulted from a desire on the part of so-called reformers to make the people rule. But in their over anxiety to bring this Utopian condition about they overshot the mark. The primary system in this state, in Massachusetts, in Pennsylvania, in California and in all the other states is inadequate and farcical. If the people are to rule the laws must be changed. No law such as we have in Oregon will bring about a rule by the people. What has happened in Oregon has been a travesty upon the theory of the rule by the people.

On the question of voting for presidential candidates it would be better to give the entire delegation from the state to the candidate who received the popular preference than to have the voters vote first on whom they prefer for president and then vote on presidential delegates who may or may not be for the popular choice. If such a plan does not meet with the approval of the voters it would be far better to go back to a modified form of the old convention system rather than continue under the present primary law. Even the man who is responsible for the Oregon system, U'Ren by name, says that the system is no good and that the voters will be asked to adopt a new plan this fall. But let the voters beware of this self-constituted law giver and maker. Let them study carefully any proposed changes or innovations that this man offers. U'Ren is working out a well defined plan to make himself, and the men behind him, the real rulers rather than the people for whom he professes to work so hard.

PROTECTION AGAINST FOREST FIRE

The organization perfected here last week which had for its purpose greater protection to the forests of this state against the devastations of fire will no doubt reduce the timber loss materially this summer. Many fires are caused by lightning and, of course, there is no way by which the number of these can be reduced. But those fires that are caused by carelessness can and must be prevented. A lighted match thrown needlessly into the brush, a camp fire left smouldering, a lighted torch dropped by the wayside and many other similar causes start fires that are disastrous not only to those who own the timber but to the community as well. Fires started in this manner are needless. A little precaution taken by the hunter or camper as he pro-

ceeds through the forest will save the timber and the community the loss that goes with the destruction of the timber.

The Rockefeller Bible Class in Cleveland, Ohio, takes up many subjects in its Sunday discussions. Recently the "Ideal Girl" was the topic. It was agreed that the ideal girl should do the proposing. Most girls have it all arranged and when they want the proposal to come they give the proper signal and the young man simply follows out her plans.

Cairo, Illinois, strawberry growers are crowing over the fact that their berries will be ready for the market next week. Roseburg hasn't been doing much bragging over the fact that her berries have been on the market for about three weeks, but they have been selling just the same.

The state of Missouri is to hold a spelling bee of the old fashioned kind. There will be four thousand hard words in the list to be submitted to the contestants. Newspaper men are not allowed to contest, it is said.

An Indiana couple were divorced on a Saturday and the following Tuesday they were married again. This is only one of hundreds of cases where divorce was unnecessary. Sooner or later the public will demand more stringent divorce laws.

Those carnival hats—have you purchased one?—they are going fast—better get in and buy one—be a real booster—they will make good fishing hats after the carnival is over—and they only cost the sum of one dollar in the coin of the realm.

A San Francisco jury composed of women returned a verdict that a woman need not pay for a tailor made suit if the suit doesn't fit. How about switches that don't match.

Colonel Roosevelt must back up on his statement that Taft has ignored all of "my policies". Taft has put the colonel into the Ananias Club, which was started by the ex-president himself.

The lawyers of the state of Illinois in convention assembled voted five to one against the recall of judges and decisions. They are a pretty safe body of men after all.

A Colorado man believed in the saying "prepare for the future". He walked into an undertaker's establishment, bought a coffin and then went to his home and died.

The winter wheat crop in the United States was 60,000,000 bushel short. This probably accounts for the small loaf of bread this season.

Rome was not built in a day but Roseburg was in readiness for the carnival over night.

DYSINGER MILL REBUILT.

Progressive Roseburg Mill Owner Adds 12,000 Square Feet of Floor Space.

W. L. Dysinger, of the J. G. Flook & Company, manufacturers of doors and windows, has been adding nearly half again as much floor space to his mill as he had before. This was done by building a fourth story, it being easier than building an addition to the south end of the plant. Three walls had been run up to 8 feet above the roof when the mill was built and Mr. Dysinger lowered the ceiling of the third story about 4 feet, making the 4th story 12 feet high at the lowest point. The elevator shaft was raised to the 4th story. A dry kiln was added on the 4th floor, it being heated by the overflow exhaust of steam from the engine. This is fixed in such a way that no extra pressure is exerted upon the engine.

A total added floor space of about 1,350 square feet means more machinery so a veneer press, size 4x14, a 3 saw ripping machine or gang edger and an automatic knife sharpening machine have been installed and more machinery will probably come later. The inside of the building has been strongly reinforced. The front of the first floor

is to be fixed up into a show window and office, and an electric sign which reads J. G. Flook & Co., with letters more than 6 feet long is to be placed in the front of the building near the top, which will serve in day time to light the interior and at night will be lit up with electric lights. Nothing like this has ever been seen in Roseburg and the idea is purely original.

With a total of over 27,000 square feet of space, new and better machinery, Mr. Dysinger begins to see the thing he has been working for for the last 20 years in view. The object is to give employment to Roseburg men and use Roseburg doors and windows in Roseburg homes.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

To the officers and members of Philletarian Lodge No. 8, I. O. O. F., Roseburg, Oregon.

Brethren: Again we are bereaved by the loss of a beloved brother. Past Grand John B. Williams has been called away by death. Taken away in the midst of life we are most sorely reminded of the frailty of human existence.

We miss him in our daily life. We miss him in the councils of our order. Therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That in the death of Brother Williams our order has sut-

fered a distinct loss, and his family is bereft of a worthy and honored husband and father. His many virtues live after him. His daily life was worthy of emulation.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to his bereaved family. We share in their great sorrow.

Life's duty done, his toil is o'er; May his final sleep be sweet.

Roseburg, Oregon, May 4, 1912.

Respectfully submitted,
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Committee.

No little credit is due to Mr. Arnold, owner of the Arnold Street Shows, for the manner in which he decorated the cars transporting his shows here last night. In all, Mr. Arnold had six 50-foot banners, all of which told of the Fourth Annual Strawberry Festival to be held in Roseburg this week. These banners adorned the sides of the several cars of the train and could be easily interpreted by persons who chanced to see the train as it passed. Mr. Arnold says a large number of people are coming here from Eugene as well as other cities along the main line of the Southern Pacific railroad.

"BUY A HAT"

HORNS AND CONFETTI

--Will Make The--

LAST NIGHT

--Of the Carnival--

DOUBLY ENJOYABLE

The Chairman of the Carnival Committee says there will be lots of FUN on Saturday Night. There has been procured for that purpose Horns and Noise Makers and Confetti--Lots of it. Just think of the FUN you will have throwing Confetti at the small expense of 5 cents a bag, and if you don't throw it just think of the fun the other fellow will have. Get in and throw while while the throwing is good. Don't Wait until the Confetti is all gone and then wish you had taken part in the fun for it will be too late.



THE SMILE THAT WON'T COME OFF—GET ONE YOURSELF.

Every One is requested to get the Carnival spirit that always exists at this time. Get a Mask on and join with those that help to make life one good thing after another.

Remember the Carnival is Thursday, Friday & Saturday Of This Week--At Roseburg

"BUY A HAT"

Meet Me at the Fountain at the Rexall Store
Perkins Building Cass Street Roseburg Fullerton & Richardson