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Governor Hughes is to speak tonight on the negro question. It is more than possible that his opponents for the presidential nomination will accuse him of bidding for the negro vote in the south. Senator Forsaker of Ohio will read his address with interest.

Since the financial stringency we do not hear so much as we did about tainted money. It seems to be in hiding along with the balance.

HOW DOGS ARE ASSESSED.

Oregon Assessors in Convention Discuss This Weighty Problem.

'Are dogs property?'
'Can they be assessed, and if so, at what rate?'
'If assessable, under what heading are they to be placed?'
'Are all dogs of the same value, and should a dog which is good for nothing but bark be assessed at the same figure as a dog which is good to chew up assessors or bite the tails of sheep?'
These are some of the questions with which the county assessors of the state labored in their annual convention which is being held in the office of County Assessor Sigler in the city hall, says the Portland Telegram. For nearly an hour yesterday afternoon the dog question was discussed in all its phases. Assessor D. B. McKnight of Linn, opened the discussion by wanting to know if any of his brother assessors had 'bumped' up against the proposition of assessing dogs, and if so, how had they proceeded. He was eager for information regarding the question.

Nearly ever assessor present had an opinion on the subject. It was said that some dogs were of considerable value. Some of the sheep dogs on the ranges were worth as high as \$50 each, and it was thought that these dogs should be assessed for the price asked for them by their owners. Other dogs were good for nothing but to eat meat and bark, and it was thought these dogs should be assessed at the minimum sum. One assessor remarked that he had a man come to him to have his dog assessed, as then he could say his dog was personal property and he would get out of paying a dog license. He thought it cheaper to do this, as the tax on the assessed value of the dog would be less than the dog license.

Stake Meeting.

There will be a religious class convention of the L. D. S. at the tabernacle in this city next Sunday at 2 p. m. and at 6 p. m. The first meeting will be for religious class workers only and the second session will be open to the general public. Representatives from Baker county as well as this county will be present and also a number of the leading workers from Salt Lake.

HIGH BINDERS IN EVIDENCE

PRESIDENT OF CHINESE TONG ASSASSINATED LAST NIGHT.

Seven Members of the Bing Kong Tong Kill Lee Hoy, President of the Hop Sing Tong—It is Believed That a Standing Reward Will Be Offered for the Head of the President of the Bing Kong Tong.

Sacramento, Jan. 16.—Lee Hoy, who was president of the Hop Sing tong, was assassinated here last night by seven Chinese members of the Bing Kong tong. Lee Hoy is the third president of the Hop Sings to have been murdered within the last few years.

Today it is believed that word will go out that the Hop Sings have set a price on the head of the Bing Kongs and that the pistol men and slant-eyed hatchet-wielders of the tong in the coast cities will be assembling to secure vengeance on the death of their leader. These fierce factional fights between the various tongs break out every once in a while, but owing to the declining Chinese population on this coast the several tongs are not so strong as they once were.

SIXTY-FIVE ARE GOING TO ELGIN

The committee arranging the Odd Fellows' excursion to Elgin this evening to witness the triple installation of officers in the Elgin lodge, reports this afternoon that tickets have been sold liberally and that something like 65 Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and other La Grande people will be at the depot this evening at 7 o'clock.

The Elgin lodge has a real treat prepared and before the special train has returned to La Grande late tonight many Odd Fellows of Union county will have been in a big talk, eat and lodge-rite fest. There will be no delay in starting the special train and those contemplating to enjoy the trip and hospitality of Elgin tonight are advised to be at the depot on schedule time.

Notice of First Meeting of Creditors.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Oregon. In the matter of D. B. Ruckman, a bankrupt.

In Bankruptcy. To the creditors of D. B. Ruckman, of Alceel, in the county of Union, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1908, the said D. B. Ruckman was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held in the office of the referee in bankruptcy in La Grande, Oregon, on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1908, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

JNO. S. HODGINS, Referee in Bankruptcy. January 16, 1908. 16-17

CONTEST NOTICE.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, La Grande, Ore., Dec. 14, 1907.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Lovell E. Tipton, contestant, against homestead entry No. 15117 made July 19, 1906, for N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 4, and N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 5, township 2 S., Range 35, E. W. M., by Thomas H. Daly, contestee, in which it is alleged that Thomas H. Daly has wholly abandoned said entry for more than six months last past; that he has not resided upon or improved said land at any time, and that said alleged absence was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine during the war with Spain or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged, said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 28, 1908, before the register

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and receiver of the United States land office in La Grande, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed December 9, 1907, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

(Signed) E. W. DAVIS, Register. J. T. WILLIAMSON, Agent and Attorney for Contestant. Dec. 27-Jan. 24.

Assignee's Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the Farmers & Merchants' State bank—a private corporation—or North Powder, Union county, Oregon, has made an assignment of all its property to me for the benefit of all its creditors, and that I have duly qualified as such assignee. All persons having claims against the said corporation bank are directed to present the same under oath and properly itemized to the undersigned, at North Powder, Oregon, at the place of business heretofore had by said assignor, within three months after this date.

Dated at North Powder, Ore., December 27, 1907. J. P. MYERS, Assignee.

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

U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., October 21, 1907. 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.

SARAH E. GREENE, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5774, for the purchase of the NW 1/4 SW 1/4, section 17, E 1/2 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4 of section No. 18, in township No. 3 south, range No. 36, E. W. M., 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 register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Saturday, the 18th day of January, 1908.

He names as witnesses: William D. McMillan, of La Grande, Ore.; Charles G. Greene, of La Grande, Ore.; Volney J. Dawson, of La Grande, Ore.; E. E. Romig, of La Grande, Ore. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 18th day of January, 1908.

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CHARLES G. GREENE, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5773, for the purchase of the NE 1/4 of section No. 18, township No. 3 south, range No. 36, E. W. M., 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 register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Saturday, the 18th day of January, 1908.

He names as witnesses: William D. McMillan, of La Grande, Ore.; Sarah E. Greene, of La Grande, Ore.; Volney J. Dawson, of La Grande, Ore.; E. E. Romig, of La Grande, Ore. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 18th day of January, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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U. S. Land Office, La Grande, Ore., December 13, 1907. 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.

ELIZABETH MORGAN, of Kamela, Oregon, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 5784, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of section No. 17, in township No. 2 south, range No. 35, E. W. M., 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 her claim to said land before the register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 20th day of January, 1908.

She names as witnesses: Lovell E. Tipton, Leroy Morgan, Frank Wright, John W. Elliott, all of Kamela, Ore. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 20th day of January, 1908.

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LEWIS H. RUMILHART, of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5863, for the purchase of lot 4, Sec. 22, lot 1 of section No. 27, in township No. 2 S., Range No. 37, E. W. M., 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 register and receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, the 9th day of March, 1908.

He names as witnesses: R. D. Hamilton, J. E. Neukirchner, Albert Neukirchner, and D. F. Gillstrap, all of La Grande, Ore. 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 March, 1908.

E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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Foresters of America. Court Maid Marian No. 22 meets each Wednesday night in Elks' hall. Brothers are invited to attend. NERI ACKLES, C. R. G. V. HENDRICKS, F. S. Board of Trustee: Dr. G. L. Biggers, Oscar Berger and Herbert Patterson.
M. W. A. La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets every Monday evening at I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend. E. C. DAVIS, C. D. E. COX, Clerk.
F. O. E. La Grande Aerie No. 259, F. O. E., meets every Friday night in Elks' hall at 8 p. m. Visiting brethren invited to attend. J. H. PEARE, W. P. GEO. J. ABBEGG, W. S.
I. O. O. F. Star Encampment No. 31, I. O. O. F., meets every second and fourth Wednesday in the month in Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting patriarchs always welcome. D. E. COX, C. P. W. A. WORSTELL, Scribe.
M. B. of A. Meets first and third Thursday evening at I. O. O. F. hall. Visiting members always welcome. J. A. ARBUCKLE, President. C. J. VANDERPOEL, Secretary.
B. P. O. E. La Grande Lodge No. 433, meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Elks' hall on Adams avenue. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. W. B. SARGENT, Exalted Ruler. G. E. McCULLY, Rec. Sec.
I. O. O. F. La Grande Lodge No. 16, meets in their hall every Saturday night. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. Cemetery plat may be seen at Model Restaurant. T. J. SCROGGIN, N. G. D. E. COX, Secretary. C. J. VANDERPOEL, Fin. Sec.

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