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Political Information.

- County registration books open until April 7. Primary election April 17. Registration books reopened April 21; closed on May 15. General state election June 1. Registration books reopened September 20; close October 20. Presidential election November 3. City Election. City registration books close February 22. Candidates must file their petitions not later than February 22. City election March 9.

UMATILLA COUNTY POLITICS.

Laying all prejudice and politics aside the great bulk of the people can not see wherein there is anything to be gained in exchanging a man of experience, ability and thorough knowledge of the wants of the people for a man whose sole stock in trade appears to be the fact that he is an ex-governor of this state. While he may not have come here for the sole purpose of running for office, and being encouraged to do so by those who wanted to get rid of him on the other side of the mountains, the fact remains that he did come here, traded for a newspaper and immediately commenced looking about for an office. His conferences seem to have been held in Portland, not in Pendleton, and that Portland politicians, and not eastern Oregon politicians were taken into his confidence. He made up his mind while in Portland, not while in Pendleton, that he would try for congress and first announced his declaration in a Portland paper. Is he the tool of a small and unimportant gang of Portland plug-uglies who aspire to be the state-makers of the republican party of the state? Is there any evidence that he was urged or even encouraged in his ambition by the people of Pendleton or those of any other part of eastern Oregon? The fact is, there is not a republican of prominence in Pendleton who favors his nomination. Lowell, by the way, we believe, is giving him some half-hearted support, but he and Lowell are in the same boat. Both these men favored the direct primary law after they had been turned down by their party, and both were turned down by the people after its adoption. Under the primary law both thought they could be elected without the support of those who controlled the republican politics of this state. Geer was turned down in the convention by his party, and for very good reasons, for a renomination as governor. Lowell was not turned down for renomination for circuit judge for the reason he saw the handwriting on the wall and was not a candidate. He did not, however, have one friend in the state delegation from this county and Morrow and Ellis was nominated and elected as his successor. Ellis gave satisfaction as a judge, and Lowell, who had been refused a nomination by his party, failed to see wherein Ellis amounts to much and will probably do what he can to bring about his defeat for congress through envy and jealousy. Mr. Geer claims credit for a special message recommending the adop-

tion of the primary law, but does not say his reason for doing so was because the state convention turned him down. Lowell's activity in the interest of the primary law, like Geer's, was in the hope of being elected to office in spite of the wishes of his party. To a man up a tree it looks as if both had run their race. Geer is a man of no great force of character. So far as can be learned, he has never made a success of anything he has ever turned his mind and attention to. As an editor of a country paper he is above the average, and if he confined himself strictly to his newspaper the people of this county would have no regrets that he came among them. But no man can make a success of a newspaper and run for office at the same time. The fact is, no newspaper man should engage in politics, and when he does he drags his paper down to the level of a market day poster.—Pilot Rock Record.

A number of Granges throughout the state are passing resolutions to support no candidate for the legislature who will not subscribe to statement No. 1. On the other hand there are quite a number of voters who will not support a candidate who will subscribe to statement No. 1, unless it is so modified as to include a pledge to support the candidate of the respective party receiving the highest number of votes at the primaries. It may be possible that these conflicting ideas may have something to do to cause a scarcity of candidates for legislative honors. There will be few vacancies, however, when the official ballots are printed.

It will only be a short time until the secretary of state will distribute, in pamphlet form, a copy of all the proposed new laws that will be submitted through the initiative for their consideration and decision at the ballot box next June. These should be carefully read as there are a number of proposed laws that should not receive ratification. The entire bill should be read and reread. It is not safe to simply read the title, as several of the so-called titles may be found to be misleading.

It is only 10 days until the home-seekers' rates will be operative. The railroads are preparing to handle more people than they did last spring, as they report there is considerable more inquiry this season than last. Thousands of people have caught the western fever and they are coming by the trainload.

GRANGE MEETING FULL OF INTEREST

Blue Mountain grange No. 345 met in regular session February 15, Master C. D. Huffman in the chair. Six new members were instructed in the first and second degrees. There was a busy session in the forenoon. The grange had purchased an organ, and it was delivered that day. Refreshments were served, after which the following program was rendered:

- Select reading—Miss Ethel Red-head. Instrumental duet—Miss Etha Huffman and Reba Williamson. Recitation—Ben Gekeler. Select reading—"St. Valentine," Miss Etha Huffman. Roll call—"Why Do We Need Money?" Song by Etha Huffman. Valentine box opened. Discussions by several members on some of the important questions of the day. About 60 members were present.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Jonathan Green has been duly appointed by the county court of the state of Oregon, for Union county, administrator of the estate of James Green, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same with proper vouchers to the said administrator at his residence about eight miles northwesterly from Elgin, Oregon, or to R. H. Lloyd, attorney for said estate, at his office in Elgin, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1908. JONATHAN GREEN, Administrator. R. H. LLOYD, Attorney for Said Estate. 6-15-20-27-5

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LA GRANDE TO BE REPRESENTED

Charles Blackwell of this city, will represent La Grande at the meeting of eastern Oregon and Washington professional baseball promoters at Pendleton tomorrow.

Jack O'Brien, local organizer, who has been in Walla Walla the past few days, will be in Pendleton tomorrow, and representatives of Walla Walla, Pendleton, La Grande and Baker City are to be there with him, and lay preliminary plans for boosting the inland empire league.

Mr. Blackwell leaves tonight or tomorrow morning for Pendleton.

British Scion in Court.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 19.—Charged with misappropriating a number of diamonds belonging to a young woman to whom he was engaged, R. D. Towne, alleged scion of a distinguished London family, will be placed on trial tomorrow. Miss Violet Park, a society girl of Alameda, caused Towne's arrest. Towne obtained much of her jewelry upon the pretense that he intended to have it polished and reset. Instead, it is alleged, he pawned the gems and bought wine suppers for the woman who is now accusing him.

STATE CIVIC DAY PLANNED

An effort is being made by the General Federation of Women's clubs to make March 10 a National Civic day.

The state federation of Oregon will do all it can to have this day observed in every town of the state, either by some civic work done, or by having public meetings to discuss civic improvements.

La Grande will not be behind in this movement and arrangements are already being made to observe the day.

MAYOR DEFENDS NAME.

Mayor Lane of Portland, Tells His Story of Famous Case Today.

Portland, Feb. 19.—In the Waymire-Radding case, in which the defendants are charged with attempt to blacken the character of Mayor Lane, the mayor was again called to the stand this morning.

Lane testified under cross-examination that Mrs. Waymire had never asked him for money. After the alleged assault upon him had been committed the mayor stated he went to the office of the morning paper and told them his story, in order that the "people would have it straight." Lane denied that he had ever written a letter of resignation as a result of the publicity given the story. Lane acknowledged on the stand he had good reason to believe that Mrs. Waymire was not a virtuous woman before the time of her alleged attack upon him in his office.

The advertisements of La Grande merchants in The Observer should be read religiously. They contain store news of vital interest to every reader.

CITATION.

In the county court of Union county, State of Oregon.

In the matter of the estate and last will of Melinda Wardwell, deceased. To William McCall, Zachariah McCall, Jonathan Newman McCall, Rebecca E. McCall, Linna McAllister, Fanny Wilson, Lillian Kinney, William A. McCall, Hugh McCall, Edna Selts, Florence McCall, Marjorie McCall and Mary M. Couch, Heirs at Law and devisees of Said Melinda Wardwell, Deceased:

Whereas Ulysses G. Couch, as administrator de bonis non of the estate of said Melinda Wardwell, deceased, (with the will annexed), has presented to the county court of Union county, state of Oregon, his petition in due form, praying said court to grant him an order thereof duly authorizing him to sell, according to law, either at public or private sale, as said court may determine, all of lots five and six of block twenty-six (26), in Sterling's addition to the town of Island City, in Union county, state of Oregon, to obtain funds to pay the legacies provided by said will and expenses of administration; and said court having by order thereof fixed Tuesday, the 7th day of April, 1908, at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at the April term of said court as the time, and the usual place of holding said court at the court house in La Grande, in said county and state, as the place, for hearing said petition and objections thereto, and directing the issuance and service of a proper citation in said proceedings; Now, therefore, you and each of you are hereby cited and required to appear in said proceeding at said time and place and then and there show cause, if any exists, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted and why said court should not make an order thereof authorizing said petitioner to sell all of said real property in accordance with the said prayer of said petition, to obtain funds to pay said legacies and expenses of administration, and you are required to make said showing within 10 days from the date of the service of this citation and not later than the time fixed, as above stated, for hearing said petition.

Witness the Hon. J. C. Henry, Judge of said court, and the seal of said court affixed, this, the 17th day of February, 1908.

J. B. GILHAM, Clerk of Said Court. F. C. BRAMWELL, Deputy.

(SEAL) 18-25-3-10

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County. William G. Peach, plaintiff, vs. Ella C. Peach, defendant. To Ella C. Peach, Defendant, Greeting:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and suit on or before the expiration of the time prescribed in the order directing the publication hereof, to-wit: six consecutive weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons which is January 20th, 1908, and if you fail to appear, answer or otherwise plead within the said time the plaintiff will ask the court for a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between this plaintiff and this said defendant and awarding the plaintiff an absolute decree of divorce.

By virtue of an order of the Hon. T. H. Crawford, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on



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AN INSTANCE.

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the 24th day of January, 1908. This summons is published in the Weekly Observer, a weekly newspaper printed and published in La Grande, Union county, Oregon. COCHRAN & COCHRAN, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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