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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.

Elsewhere in this issue we reprint a letter from a Chicago banker in answer to Mr. Bryan, in the Commoner, favoring his plan to have the government guarantee deposits in national banks, for the purpose of showing that there are always two sides to every question. There is no one who questions but what some better protection than is now afforded should be thrown around those who place their earnings in the banks. On the other hand there is much truth in the letter referred to by Banker Forgan. He is right in saying, that the fact of a government guarantee, would place all banks upon an equal footing, the plungers and the conservative alike, and that many persons would engage in the banking business who would never think of it now, because their past lives and associations were such that a discriminating public would never think of placing their savings or surplus money in their hands.

Mr. Bryan's plan, when it first came out, on the face of it looked so simple and easy, that hundreds were heard to remark: "Why was that not thought of before?" But it is readily noted that simply a guarantee of the deposits are concerned, but without some practical safeguard along business lines, it would destroy the entire banking system as now conducted. It is a mighty big question, involving as it does, our entire commercial standing. At the present time there are a number of bills before congress to regulate our banking system, but it is a foregone conclusion that in reality little will be accomplished. Our National banking system, like the tariff question, has been a national issue more or less since the organization of our government. It is possible that out of all of the discussion more protection than now exists will be given the depositor, but it is doubtful if Mr. Bryan's plan will ever be adopted unless the banking system is placed entirely in the hands of the government. If the government went into the banking business, then it could guarantee the deposits, but it could hardly be expected to do a banking business as is now being done by even our most conservative institutions. The banking business lies so close to the vitals of our entire commercial prosperity or destruction that any and all changes should be given the most careful thought by our ablest and experienced statesmen.

News Forecast for the Coming Week.

Washington—Dissolution suit of the government against Standard Oil Co. will be resumed Monday. New armored cruiser South Dakota will have first government trial trip on Pacific coast Tuesday. Annual convention of department of superintendents of National Educational association meets Tuesday.

New York—President Roosevelt will press a button in Washington Tuesday, opening McAdoo tunnel under North river, between New York and Hoboken. Trial of Raymond Hitchcock, noted actor, charged with criminal assault upon young girls, is set for Monday. Charity entertainment under auspices of Mrs. Waldorf Astor for benefit of poor mountaineers of Virginia will be given Wednesday and Thursday. Miss Elizabeth A. Cook will be one of the representative of Cornell at Cornell-Columbia debate Friday. Secretary Taft will speak before Brooklyn Bar association Saturday.

New Orleans—Second democratic primary for state offices will be held in Louisiana Tuesday. United States Association of Local Building and Loan associations convenes Friday. Mardi Gras carnival begins, to extend to March 3.

Indianapolis—Conference of United Mineworkers and operators of central competitive field convenes Thursday.

Nashville—American Berkshire association opens annual convention Monday.

City of Mexico—Annual conference of Mexican Methodists opens Thursday.

St. Louis—Missouri republican state convention meets Thursday.

Oklahoma City—Republican district convention Friday.

Springfield, O.—Republican district convention Thursday.

Shelby, O.—Republican district convention Wednesday.

Bay City, Mich.—Republican district convention Thursday.

Notice of City Election.

Be it resolved by the council of the city of La Grande, Ore., that the recorder shall give notice by publication in the La Grande Evening Observer, for the period of 10 days, of the general election to be held on March the 9th, 1908, for the election of a mayor, recorder, treasurer, marshal and one councilman from each ward of the city, and that the judges and clerks of the First ward shall be as follows:

Judges—J. P. Clark, E. C. Davis and Arthur Wranick. Clerks—D. E. Cox and Arthur Curtis. The voting place shall be at the city hall;

And that the voting place in the Second ward shall be the council room, and the judges and clerks shall be as follows: Judges—H. W. Stoner, David Bay and George Ball. Clerks—H. E. Coolidge and A. W. Nelson.

That the voting place in the Third ward shall be in the South Methodist parsonage and that the judges and clerks shall be as follows:

Judges—B. W. Grandy, R. L. Lincoln and Arthur Williams. Clerks—R. W. Logan and C. C. Hamilton.

That the voting place in the Fourth ward shall be in the Harris building on Fir street, and that the judges and clerks in said ward shall be as follows: Judges—B. Logsdon, Wm. Thompson and G. E. Fowler. Clerks—C. G. Cummings and A. Thomas.

I. R. SNOOK,
Recorder of the City of La Grande.

By order of the council February 5, 1908.

Dated this, the 19th day of February, 1908.

GOVERNMENT POLICY

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tional issues before the Republican club in New York that the pressure became really great. That address before the Republican club met with a most gratifying reception all over the country, but nowhere more so than from the republicans of the middle west. The newspapers in all this great section of the country gave up an unexpectedly large amount of space to it, and the comments both by the newspaper press and by individual republicans have been complimentary to a degree.

WINTER OF 1883.

A Record Found in the Recorder's Office on a Deed.

On the margin of a document in the court house is an annotation made in February, 1883, when W. T. Wright was county clerk, to the effect that in Union, which was then the county seat, the thermometer on February 3, 1883, registered 30 below zero, and "it is reported 52 below at North Powder." The following day it was recorded at 34 below in Union and 60 below at North Powder.

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TRACK TEAM IN TRAINING

The high school track and field team indulged in its first training last evening.

Prospects this year are brighter than they have been in several years. However, from the squad of something over a dozen, it is hard to prognosticate the future status of the team at this time, but with hard work the talent and ability exhibited last year, and many of the old team are yet in school, the La Grande school should be well and creditably represented this spring. Regular practices will be maintained from now on, if weather permits.

There are several good meets on schedule this spring. There is the county meet at Union, which always attracts much interest. The eastern Oregon meet at Baker City, is another hard-fought meet. The Corvallis interscholastic will draw four or six men from this school, and that trip is worth working for.

The Walla Walla interscholastic, which last year was a huge success, may possibly be pulled off again this year, and La Grande will surely be represented there.

With these many meets for incentive for hard training, supporters of the squad hope to see a winning team. It is too early to even guess at eventual representatives.

For County Recorder.

I take this means of announcing that I am a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of Recorder of Union county, at the primary election.

D. H. PROCTOR.

Class Entertains.

Miss Ladd and her Bible school class entertained Mrs. King and her class at a Washington's birthday party in Central Church of Christ last evening. The large room used by the primary department was curtained off into rooms and decorated with national colors, a cherry tree and many paper hatchets. Games were played and refreshments served. Miss Ladd and class 5 proved splendid entertainers. The following were present: Ruth Cotner, Edith Rush, Bessie French, Helen Richardson, Susie Burnett, Clara Hagerty, Valleta Watson, Verla Weaver, Nima Erickson, Manda Stone, Mary Stone, Barbara Snodgrass, Beulah Brown, Geneva Alden, Leona Findley, Margaret McCoy, Sarah Smith, Hazel McCrary, Lela Sampson, Hilda McCoy, Alta Davis, Enna Rogers; Mrs. O. H. King, Miss Ladd.

Old papers, just the things to start the fire with or to put under carpets, in bundles of 100, for 25 cents at The Observer office.

EIGHT-HOUR LAW CONTESTED

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which went into effect this year, and have discontinued many small offices to porcure extra men to fill in the required help. Other states, like Texas, will fight the law to the highest court. A legal tangle of much importance to telegraphers and railroads alike is facing the courts in many parts of the United States.

New Blacksmith Shop.

Imbler will soon have another blacksmith shop. John Hyde, a recent arrival from Canada, has purchased a lot and will erect a new shop and expects soon to be able to meet customers and friends.

The people generally took advantage of the fine weather and good roads and came into town today. There were more persons on the street today than for any Saturday for several months.

HURRAH!

FOR

LA GRANDE'S FIRST MONTHLY

MARKET DAY

29 Sat. Feb. 29

AND DON'T FORGET THE DAY AND DATE

COME IN TOWN EARLY as you will soon get Busy.

Among the prizes to be offered:

$5.00 IN GOLD

for the Farmer bringing in the Largest Bonafide Family. No neighbors' kids goes.

$5.00 IN GOLD

to the Lady purchasing the largest bill of goods out of the different stores.

Here is the Hottest One That Ever Came Over the Trail

To any couple, young or old, matrimonily inclined, who will volunteer to be married in public on an elevated stage on Market day, every merchant in town will throw in a present to help feather their nest. Max Zimmerman, the Horse Auctioneer, will act as master of ceremonies,

FREE

BE IN TOWN LA GRANDE'S BIG

MARKET DAY.