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Remember the mass meeting Friday night. We cannot, as a city, afford to permit the La Grande Commercial club to pass out of existence. The good it has done; the good it is capable of doing, are all too well known to need comment. The property is too valuable to think of letting go by default. The debt is really the least thing to worry about. Think of it, 250 loyal members would pay it out in a short time, and the community would never know how it was done. It is not finances so much as it is loyalty. On the other hand, to command loyalty, the club must be active, must accomplish results, and it can and will, under proper support. Let the business men and property owners come out Friday night and out of the discussion will come reorganization, new life and a progressive club. Is it not worthy of an effort?

The Granges are absolutely right in resisting the initiative bill to compel the railroads to provide all county and state officials with free passes. This is an unjust bill, and never should be enacted. The opposition to the appropriation for the state militia is questionable. From the viewpoint of taxation to the extent that the militia simply furnished a guard to the large corporations in times of labor troubles may be well taken, but the militia of our states furnishes the nation a nucleus for the quick mobilization of a large volunteer army, which in case of national complications might be worth many times its present cost of maintenance.

Did you read the published sworn bank statements of our national banks. If you have not, do so. These official and government authorized sworn statements reflect the financial prosperity of this city and vicinity that permits of no possible criticism. Of course, we all know that is a prosperous community, but many who read these statements were surprised at the excellent showing made.

The Dalles is to have a big poultry show this week. Already 104 coops have been constructed to take care of the applicants of exhibitors.

Politics and Politicians.

The national convention of the socialist party for the nomination of a presidential candidate will meet in Chicago May 10.

Representative Joseph Holt Gaines of West Virginia, has the unusual distinction of being the only member of either house of congress born in Washington, D. C.

L. Q. C. Lamar, a grandson of L. Q. C. Lamar who was a member of the United States supreme court, is a candidate for the Texas legislature.

Present indications are that the delegates from New Hampshire and Maine to the republican national convention will be uninstruced.

Governor B. B. Brooks of Wyoming, who began his career as a farmhand and cowpuncher, is now one of the wealthiest men of his state and the owner of a ranch of 100,000 acres.

The headquarters of the democratic congressional campaign committee will be located in Chicago in the coming campaign instead of in Washington, from which city the last campaign was conducted.

The apportionment of delegates for the coming democratic national con-

vention, makes no allowance for representation of the Philippine islands, but gives a larger representation than the republicans to the District of Columbia, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Secretary Taft will be the principal figure at the banquet of the republican club of Massachusetts in Boston early in March. Senator Elmer J. Burkett of Nebraska and Governor Guild of Massachusetts will be the other speakers.

M'COURT DEFINES POSITION.

Pendleton Attorney Gives Race the Time He Thinks Profitable.

A Pendleton dispatch says: Attorney John McCourt of this city, denies that he is making any active canvass as a candidate for United States district attorney, as has been reported in eastern Oregon. He has been a passive candidate for several weeks. At the instance of friends he became an applicant for the post and some strong recommendations were sent to Washington by Pendleton people. Aside from that, McCourt claims, he has made no effort and if the nomination is tendered him it will be without any further solicitation. According to McCourt, he does not consider his chances very promising, and he would not be disappointed by failure to secure the appointment.

Payette Farmer Kills Assailant.

A Payette dispatch says: G. W. Whitney, well known in Portland, and at Seaside, was shot and killed today by J. M. McGreevy.

Rumors say that Whitney went out to the McGreevy ranch and commenced to quarrel, and picking up a club, chased McGreevy around the house several times and that, when he finally ran into the house, McGreevy found his revolver and shot him twice, once above the heart and once just below. This stopped Whitney, and a doctor was called but found he could not live more than a few hours.

McGreevy came to Payette and gave himself up, claiming self-defense. A special train on the Payette Valley railroad has gone out with a number of friends to bring the body in.

The quarrel was over a sale of land. Bad blood had existed between the two men for some time.

Horace Must Go to Court.

Horace G. McKinley and his attorneys must appear in the federal court Friday next to show cause why the records of the court should not show that McKinley's motion for an arrest of judgment had been denied, says the Journal. Since McKinley's return to Portland it has been discovered that the court record shows that long ago McKinley through his attorneys moved for a new trial and an arrest of judgment pending the outcome of such motion. The record of the clerk shows that the motion for a new trial was overruled, but no record of the action of the court regarding the arrest of judgment has been entered. It is to show that such record should have been made that McKinley has been cited to appear in court.

Plant Peach Pits.

Planting of seven tons of peach pits in the Sunnyside district, southwest of Spokane, will begin in a short time, and from these it is expected to grow 500,000 trees, most of which will be sent into the Methow valley in Okanogan county, Wash., where it is planned by Spokane men to develop one of the largest peach orchards in the country. While apple growing is one of the chief industries in Washington, where the yield in 1907 was estimated at \$10,000,000, it is declared by expert horticulturists that the market value of the peach crop will amount to \$3,500,000 within five years.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Henry H. Elmer, deceased, and the county judge of Union county, Oregon, has appointed Tuesday, the 7th day of April, 1908, at ten o'clock a. m., at the court house in La Grande, Union county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.

Dated February 25, 1908.

EDWARD ELMER,

Administrator of the Estate of Henry H. Elmer, Deceased.

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Ladies Skate Cheaper.

Ladies can skate at the Noyes rink this week for 15 cents. This does not apply to Saturday night, however.

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For Representative. I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination on the republican ticket for state representative, from Union county, at the primary election to be held on April 17. If nominated and elected I will use my best endeavors to promote the best results for Union county and eastern Oregon, and do it impartially. My motto is: "No friends to reward, but equal justice to all." S. F. RICHARDSON.

Attention, Foresters. All members of Court Maid Marlin No. 22, are requested to attend the meeting this evening as business of special importance will come before the court. If you are interested in your order, attend this evening.

FOUND—Ladies' small open-face watch. Owner call at this office.

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 29; 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.

Trees and Shrubs. Trees, shrubs and roses—The Union Nurseries, Union, Ore., have a large stock of apple, cherry, pear and shade trees, they are selling at reasonable prices. Send for their price list. 2-6tf

Candidate for Circuit Judge. I take this method of announcing myself as a candidate for the nomination for the office of circuit judge of this district at the democratic primaries to be held on April 17, 1908. My motto: No enemies to punish; no friend to reward; equal justice to all. February 13, 1908. T. H. CRAWFORD.

For Circuit Judge. I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of circuit judge of the Tenth Judicial district, comprising Union and Wallowa counties, at the primary election to be held on April 17, 1908. If nominated and elected I will use my best endeavors to administer the business of the circuit court in both counties of the district impartially, speedily and economically. D. W. SHEAHAN

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.

For Assessor. I hereby announce to the republican voters of Union county, that I am a candidate at the primary election for the republican nomination for assessor of Union county. R. H. HUG.

To Delinquents. Notice is hereby given to all water patrons of the city of La Grande who may be in arrears at the present time, that unless the same is paid by March 1, 1908, the water will be cut off. WATER COMMITTEE.

"Och Louie"

MEET ME IN LA GRANDE

MARKET DAY

EVERYBODY IS GOING TO BE THERE from far and near. All the merchants in town are going to give some of the BIGGEST BARGAINS EVER HEARD OF or offered in the state of Oregon. FARMERS BRING IN YOUR HORSES. No commission charged for selling them at auction.

AND DON'T FORGET THE DAY AND DATE RAIN OR SHINE

29 Sat. Feb. 29 MARKET DAY