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In view of the fact that a democrat has not been sent to congress within at least 30 years, and possibly longer, we called up several leading members of the party and without looking up their ancient histories they could not tell in what decade it was, or who the man was. One gentleman thought it was Whittaker, and we believe he is correct, it seems that the opposition to statement No. 1 by a few of the republicans on the ground that they might be compelled to vote for a democratic United States senator is not well founded. There is not the least fear, gentlemen, of such a contingency, and if in a state like Oregon, which is credited with a republican majority of anywhere from 25,000 to 40,000, a democrat should receive a plurality, the way the natural drift of public opinion towards popular government is increasing, there is a mighty poor argument that could be put up to justify any representative in not voting for him.

Of course, our guests are anxious to get home who have been here since Sunday, and the protest they have wired in will relieve them to the extent that they have done everything within their power, but they must remember that the railroad is doing everything in its power to get the line in operation. It looks now as if a through train will go west sometime between midnight and morning, and these little troubles will soon be forgotten.

The 500 or more passengers who are our guests during the temporary suspension of traffic, are speaking volumes in our praise for the manner in which our people are housing and feeding them. Everyone so far has secured a good comfortable bed, and the hotels and restaurants are furnishing their tables with the fat of the land. They consider themselves fortunate indeed, in being here.

The committee to secure subscriptions to the Commercial club, are expected to call on you tomorrow. The life of the club depends upon their ability to secure a sufficient number of members. The income of the club is derived from membership, and unless there is a sufficient number to pay the operating expenses, the suspension of the club is inevitable.

Mayor Hall's idea of the necessity of a sewerage system and his plan as suggested in his message, is practical and, if carried out, will solve this much-mooted question. The main thing is to make a starter, which, when once made, will continue to develop until relief will be provided for the most densely populated portion of the city at least.

This is St. Patrick's day, but aside from a few green neckties and sprigs of shamrock that bedeck quite a number of the sons and descendants of old Erin, the day is passing unobserved in La Grande.

It is time to begin to think about those aster beds. Aster day is coming.

SAN JOSE HOUSE CLEANING. City Official and Attorney Facing Serious Graft Charges. San Jose, March 17.—Startling

charges will follow the disclosures said to have been made to the grand jury which is in session here, and which promises to result in a municipal house cleaning. Chief of Police Carroll and H. A. Gabriel, an attorney, have been called before the tribunal and will have to submit to an examination.

The investigation is an outgrowth of charges made in a weekly paper that protection at specified weekly rates was sold in the tenderloin. Gabriel is said to have been retained by the women because of his alleged close connection with police officials, which made it easier for him to keep his clients out of court.

Recently W. F. Herron, editor of the Town Crier, a weekly magazine, was charged with libel by a saloon keeper, whom Herron charged with running a gambling house. When the cause came into court, however, the district attorney dismissed the suit against the editor.

DERIDES F. J. HENEY.

San Franciscan Can See No Good in Heney's "Hot Air."

Portland, March 17.—Father Peter C. York, of San Francisco, who delivered the St. Patrick's Day oration today, declared this morning in an interview that the San Francisco graft prosecution is the effort of one set of politicians to discredit another set, and made a strong defense of ex-Mayor Schmitz.

"Heney came from Oregon," said Father York, "but we wish you had kept him here. His prosecution is composed of the same stuff as that which makes balloons go up. Whatever you may say or think about Mayor Schmitz, he was the manliest man San Francisco has had as mayor in the city's history."

FIREMEN HOLD "FEED."

Locomotive Firemen in Big Eat and Talkfest Last Night.

The Blue Mountain lodge, No. 245 of locomotive firemen, held a delightful social evening last night in the Lewis hall, when 60 members of the lodge and a few invited guests were present. The nature of the evening's enjoyment was mostly talk and eat. Following the banquet came an appropriate speech-fest in which Firmian F. Reichlin acted as master of ceremonies, and started the speeches with an interesting talk. Division Foreman Watson responded for the guests and Henry Pfeiffer for the firemen.

Iowa May Turn Down Shaw.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 17.—Delegates are beginning to arrive for the Iowa State Republican convention, which will be held in Des Moines tomorrow. A bitter fight has developed between the two factions of the state central committee, a portion of the members favoring Taft, while the others are intent upon securing the endorsement by the convention of Iowa's favorite son, Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, for the presidency. The opponents of Shaw won a victory at the meeting of the committee in January, when they refused to make Shaw the temporary chairman of the state convention, and selected Attorney General Webb Byrers for that honor.

VICTIM OF DIPHTHERIA.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Graham Died Last Night.

The 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Graham died at 9:15 last night at the home of her parents in South La Grande, of diphtheria. Last Tuesday she was taken ill and a week of extreme suffering followed.

Interment was made in the L. D. S. cemetery this afternoon. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of a large number of friends.

Estray Notice.

There came to my place at Starkey, Ore., on or about January 8, 1908, and was taken up by me, one bay mare about 7 years old, weight about 900 pounds, branded J. J. on left shoulder and circled T on right shoulder. Owner may have same by paying pasturage, and for this notice. ALVIE BURNETT, Starkey, Ore. 3-17-1m

Three Killed and Many Injured.

Coal Mount, Ind., March 17.—Three people were killed, two fatally injured and 29 seriously injured as a result of an explosion here today in a powder mill. The accident occurred in the mixing room, but the man supposed to be responsible is among the killed.



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Every industrious man, in every lawful calling, is a useful man. And one principal reason why men are so often useless is that they neglect their own profession or calling, and divide and shift their attention among a multiplicity of objects and pursuits.—Emmons.

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. d Feb 26-4-11-18-25-a1

Public Sale.

The undersigned will sell at public sale at the late J. M. McCall farm, 3 miles southeast of La Grande, Tuesday, March the 24th, 1908, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property:

Six mares, two geldings, three colts, 22 head milk cows; two 3/4 low wheel wagons; one 14-foot California wood rack; two hacks; one buckboard; one top buggy; one buggy without top; three bob sleds; one sleigh; one set of sleigh runners; two wheelbarrows; two Deering binders; one Wood binder; one Deering mower; one McCormick mower; two hay rakes; one disc harrow; one 12-foot drag harrow; one 14-inch sulky plow; one garden plow; one double shovel cultivator; one feed chopper; one cider mill, one roller; one steel road scraper; one platform scale; one grindstone; two small anvils and vise; two post hole augers;

Firemen, Attention.

Regular meeting Rescue Hose Co. No. at 7:30 tonight. Please attend. P. A. FOLEY, Foreman.

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Notice of Street Improvement.

To Whom it May Concern: Notice is hereby given that by a resolution duly passed, the common council of the city of La Grande has ordered the following described portions of the street hereinafter named, to be improved by constructing cement sidewalks on and along the same as follows: That a cement sidewalk seven feet wide be constructed on Depot street from its intersection with Fourth street to the south line of the Mahaffey brick building; also a cement sidewalk seven feet wide on Fourth street along lot 4, in block 103, in Chaplin's addition to La Grande; also cement

sidewalks, 12 feet wide, along lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9, in block 108, and on the east side of Elm street, from Washington avenue to Adams avenue; also along the north side of Adams avenue, from Chestnut street to Fourth street; and along the west side of Fir street, from the north side of Jefferson avenue to the south track of the O. R. & N. Co.

All of said walks to be built at the expense of the owners of the property abutting on said portions of said streets according to the specifications of ordinance No. 307, series 1905, and under the supervision of the street commissioners, and to be completed not later than July 1, 1908.

Notice is also given that any of said work and improvement not done by the property owners by said July 1st, will be done by the city and the cost of doing said work made a lien on the property abutting on the street so improved by the city as aforesaid. That any remonstrance against said improvements or any part thereof, must be presented to the city recorder within 10 days after the date hereof. La Grande, Oregon, March 6, 1908. I. R. SNOOK, City Recorder.

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