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WHY NOT?

The Observer is a firm believer in political parties. This country must be governed through parties, and the best possible legislation will only be secured when we have two strong parties.—La Grande Observer.

We agree with the La Grande Observer that political parties are a necessity, but we will never have strong political parties so long as we have the direct primary.—Dallas Observer.

We would suggest that the fault is not with the primary law as with the manner of applying it. When the parties hold their state and county conventions prior to the nominating period and adopt their platforms, then there is no more reason why strong parties cannot be maintained than under the old convention nominating system. As it is, every candidate, if he adopts any platform at all, and most of them do not, makes it himself, and to conform to circumstances peculiar to himself. If the state convention met prior to the nominations and formulated a state platform as suggested by delegates from every county in the state, it would mean something. If candidate did not agree with the platform, he in reality would not be a republican. If the platform was not right the party would get a deserving chastisement and would not make the same mistake again. Herein would be the responsibility. As it is there is no responsibility, every candidate is a free lance to interpret his own policy or platform.

Parties either mean something or nothing. If we continue our present policy they will amount to very little, for the responsibility is placed only in the individual candidate and there is no way to prohibit anyone from becoming a candidate. By holding the state conventions first, then if a candidate comes out as a republican or a democrat, it means that he is in accord with his party platform.

THE WORLD'S SUGAR.

An estimate by the British Board of Trade of the sugar production of the world for 1906 makes a total of 14,312,716 long tons, of which 7,317,472 tons were cane and 6,995,244 tons beet, the production of both kinds advancing practically at the same rate since 1893. In the production of cane sugar, British India had the largest output of 2,223,400 tons, and in beet sugar Germany ranked first, with an output of 2,365,187 tons. In consumption of sugar per head Australia stands first at 129 pounds, the United States coming next with 89 pounds, and the United Kingdom following at 81 pounds.

Keep your eye on our county debt. As compared with what it used to be, it does not amount to very much now. But the present \$53,996 is melting away at a rapid rate. It will be only a very short time until Union county warrants are at par. Something that has not been the case for years and years, and then some.

Pendleton has within her gates two celebrities at one and the same time, both of whom are well known in La Grande; Zimmerman, the Market day booster, and Fitz Maurice, the post-author-preacher-lecturer-politician. A great combination they would make, should they join forces.

Persons who do the loudest complaining against the length of the winter and the cold weather in general, are usually those who had heavy frost fall and prayed for an early frost.

Without doubt the most general interest along campaign lines today is the Fulton-Cake contest. Just remember whoever is elected, he will be the party nominee and is entitled to the full party support.

WOODMEN TO BAKER CITY.

Many Planning to go From La Grande Tomorrow Morning.

A large number of Woodmen of the World are going to Baker City tomorrow morning to attend the Woodmen activities that are planned for tomorrow. This is a long-awaited event to local Woodmen, and it is believed a large number will go from here, as rates are reasonable. They will leave on No. 6. Following is what the Pendleton Tribune says of the Pendleton delegation's intentions:

The uniform rank of the local camp of the Woodmen of the World and a large delegation of local Woodmen will go to Baker City Saturday to attend the monster log rolling and initiation which is to be held in that city by the camps of Baker and Union counties.

This will be one of the largest fraternal events ever held in eastern Oregon. At least two of the head officers will be present. These are Head Consul I. L. Boak and Head Banker Snodgrass. Others may be there.

The Pendleton degree team has been invited to go over and put on the work. It has also been invited to put

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on a public drill on the streets of the city. The first invitation has been accepted, but Captain A. O. Carden says that inasmuch as he has about a half dozen raw recruits, he will not attempt to give any fancy exhibition. The team is practicing every night and will continue to do so from now on until they go to Baker City.

Beagle Company Draws.

The Beagle Comedy company, which appeared at the Star theater last evening under the management of C. W. Baker, drew a good house. The Beagle company consists of a family of seven, father, mother and five children, and they are all quite clever musicians, have a band and play various instruments. There are two small boys in the company under 10 years of age that are perfect little wonders, the elder beating a drum to perfection. The company presents a three-act comedy besides putting on a number of good musical and dancing sketches. There is also a new set of moving pictures.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Tonight at Elks' hall.

GIBSON PICTURES POPULAR.

To Be Amusement at the Elks' Auditorium Tuesday.

Don't forget the Gibson pictures at the Elks' Auditorium Tuesday night. Gibson pictures are all the rage elsewhere and La Grande is not going to be behind. Come and have a good laugh. The ladies of the Lyle Tuesday Musical are sparing no pains to make this entertainment a success. There will be a fine musical program. Admission 25c.

THE PRESENT SQUAD.

List From Which Will Be Chosen the First Representative Team.

Tomorrow morning the La Grande ball team in charge of Manager Jack O'Brien, leaves for Pendleton to play a series of two games, the first of

the season. With a large squad already here to pick from, and with several coming tonight, the manager should have no difficulty in patching up a strong aggregation. After a short rest following the Pendleton series, the season proper will open in La Grande on Wednesday, when Pendleton comes here for two games. That series will inaugurate the game for this season here. The team which will face the Pendleton aggregation tomorrow and Sunday will be picked from the following squad, which is here now, with the exception of one or two, and they are coming tonight: Hudson, Isaacs, Purdy, Lodell, Cotteaman, Zimmerman, Kooser, Jackson, Wynia, Strayer, Beck, King, Florhin, Weede, Peters, Handlein and Jack O'Brien. Ten will make the trip.

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