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There is considerable sentiment, dormant at present, but would soon become aroused, if steps were taken to secure a Carnegie library. Baker City has just completed the foundation for a \$25,000 building which Mr. Carnegie will pay for.

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Fall is here, the proper time to set out a few trees in our city park. If we judge the future by the past, there will not be a move in this direction. This city has quite a nice site for a park. It may not be located just where many think it should be, however, we have been thinking this for the past many years, and are no nearer a park than before the ladies gave the city the present site.

There are two home-seekers now in the city who were attracted hither by the exhibit hall display last year. They did not see it, but were advised to come and look over Grande Ronde by one who spent several minutes in our exhibit hall last year. For some reason things were more favorable for results last year than this. First it was apparently easier to secure exhibits and the bulk of the tourists came through on the morning train. This year the majority pass through on the night train.

We have reason to feel certain that 1909 will see many miles of railroad constructed in this state. Heretofore only the west and northern boundaries of our state have been permitted to enjoy railroad transportation, but at last the largest body of land in the United States without railroad communication is to be invaded.

The State fair seems to have brought on a general rain. Doubtless our county fair will bring forth another stormy period. However, let us look on the bright side of life. We generally have most delightful weather the latter part of September, and all through October, and we have a right to expect it this year.

A man who will deliberately offer 15-year-old boys liquor, should not be too leniently dealt with. This man McDowell has not only served time in the penitentiary, but has been a constant violator of the law for many years.

These are the morning when we begin to think of our wood piles. That is, those who are not supplied. A review of the city, however, will note that a great many are supplied, possibly more than usual at this season of the year.

Governor Hughes was nominated on the first ballot. The opposition tried in vain to secure someone with ability to become a candidate, but it was useless. The people wanted Hughes to serve another term and they will have him.

If the socialists sent out more speakers of the type of Mr. Stokes, who spoke on the street last evening, we predict that their cause would receive more attention, than such as held a series of meetings here a few weeks ago.

Some counties of the state are doing their advertising at Portland, Seattle and Spokane. Knowing that about 99 per cent of all the home-seekers buy their tickets to these terminals. The idea is not a bad one.

In tonight's paper will be found the call for our special election to vote on the proposed new charter. The charter to be voted upon is now being set in the Observer office, and will be published in full within a few days.

There is little doubt but what if there had not have been ample police force when the rush at the land office took place yesterday morning, there would have been serious trouble.

By working it right we might make 1909 a building season. A federal building, a library building and a high school building are all among the possibilities.

A Carnegie library building would be a fitting improvement along with a federal building.

TAKE TESTIMONY IN CONTEST CASE

Boise, Sept. 16.—After being directed to make a report September 24, I. W. Hart, appointed referee by the supreme court to take testimony at Fremont, Blingham, Oneida and Bear Lake counties in the democratic contest, left today for St. Anthony. Attorneys for Dubois and the anti-Dubois faction reached an agreement as to the stipulation of facts on all points except the contests in these so-called Mormon counties.

Open Peasny Campaign. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 16.—A great parade of Taft and Sherman clubs, a business session and a public mass meeting this evening, at which men of national prominence will speak, comprises today's program for the Pennsylvania league of republican clubs, formally opening the republican campaign in this state.

Republican marching clubs from nearly every city and town of the state paraded through the streets of Wilkes-Barre today, carrying banners and with many bands playing. At tonight's meeting it is expected that addresses will be made by Representative Sherman, candidate for vice-president; Congressman Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, son-in-law of the president; Senators Penrose and Knox, Governor Sibert and other republicans of prominence.

The succeeding days of the convention will be interspersed with outings to places near here, including a trip to Bear Lake, the summer home of Albert Lewis, the lumber king.

Delegates will be selected to represent Pennsylvania at the convention of the National League of republican clubs in Cincinnati next week. Politicians here today declare Pennsylvania will roll up its usual big republican majority for Taft and Sherman.

Fight Prohibition. San Francisco, Sept. 16.—Growers of the festive grape in every section of California have formed protective organizations to fight the prohibition movement which is now sweeping over the country and will hold a director's meeting today at which final plans for the anti-wet crusade will be decided upon.

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Small boys now peddle sandwiches at the Eugene depot, as at Albany. Albany now has a public library.

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