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When any one tells you that any one man can deliver the labor vote, refer him to Mr. Gompers' experience. It is to be hoped that it will ever be thus. It is an insult to state that any class of intelligent men can be voted as some one man may dictate. That time may have been, but not in this epoch of our history. The Australian ballot gave such opportunities its death blow.

California has adopted the direct primary law. This means trouble for the politicians, for the first few years, until the voters realize that they have a responsibility to meet. It requires some time to bring this about. It is so easy to let the bosses do the thinking.

It begins to look as though we men will have to call upon our lady friend boosters, to go out and get that irrigation acreage signed up. Well, to say the least, there is not the least question but what they would accomplish the desired end within a week if they went out after it.

We presume that the selection of the federal building will soon be officially announced. It was stated that nothing would be done in the matter until after election. Taft could not have carried Union county had the location of the site been made public prior to November 3.

If we could get the energy concentrated on our irrigation project for about 10 days that there was on the presidential election, that 20,000 acres would be signed without any trouble.

AN ANSWER
TO SLATER

What will unquestionably set aright the erroneous impression and mistaken interpretation of the recent interview by The Observer with J. B. Stoddard in this city, held by F. S. Slater, cashier of the Canyon City National bank, is a letter sent today to Mr. Slater by Mr. Stoddard. As is pointed out in the letter, "the two men have opposite viewpoints. Following is a copy of the letter today forwarded to Mr. Slater:

La Grande, Ore., Nov. 7, 1908.
 Mr. F. S. Slater,
 Canyon City, Oregon.

Dear Sir: I read your letter to The Observer in which you take exception to one part of my statement as to the causes leading up to the failure of the Farmers & Traders bank. The difference between us is in the point of view, and the construction put upon this statement: "The banks at Sumpter and Canyon City were started without a dollar of actual capital being invested by the promoters," etc. This does not say that citizens of these towns did not put up any capital when the banks were made sound. It merely refers to what the promoters did.

You say \$2500 in exchange on the Sumpter or Farmers & Traders bank was paid for Mr. Scriber's stock in the Canyon City bank. This stock was held by the Sumpter bank as col-

lateral security for a loan, the money from which was used to pay for the exchange that you afterward realized on; so my statement holds good that the promoters did not invest any actual capital in these banks.

The question that elicited the interview was not to call into question the soundness of the other banks mentioned, because it was the fact that their soundness was in large part the cause of this failure, for Mr. Scriber was compelled to assume and transfer everything that was unsound from the other banks he was interested in when he withdrew from them.

It is sufficient for a general explanation of a seeming difference of opinion.

Yours truly,

J. B. STODDARD.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES.

First Methodist Episcopal Church.
 Corner M and Fourth St. Sunday, 9:45 a. m., Bible school, Geo. H. Currey, superintendent; 11 a. m., public worship, subject, "Love." At 12 m., class meeting; 6:30 p. m., Epworth League, subject, "Church Building." George H. Cleaver, leader; 7:30 p. m., public worship, subject, "Faith." Thursday, 7 p. m., teachers' meeting; 7:45, prayer meeting. A cordial welcome to all. Special music by the chorus choir, Miss Laura Green, director. Rev. C. E. Deal, pastor.

First Presbyterian Church.
 Washington avenue and Sixth St. Morning subject, "The Glorious Privilege of the Christian." Evening subject, "The Prominent Characteristics of the Church of Today." Special music by the choir. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m., W. L. Brenholts, superintendent. C. E. service, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Rev. S. W. Seemann, D. D., minister.

Central Church of Christ.
 Bible school, 9:45 a. m., O. C. Fleischman, superintendent. Prayer and praise, 10:50; the Lord's supper, 11:10; sermon, 11:30, subject, "The Safe Investment." Junior C. E. in basement and Y. P. S. C. E. in main room at 6:30 p. m.; preaching service, 7:30 p. m. Sermon on "Pitching Tents Toward Sodom." A cordial invitation to all whose duties permit them to attend.

St. Peter's Church.
 Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. Holy communion, 9 a. m.; Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; evening service, 5 p. m. The Bible class for adults will meet in the church at 4:15 p. m. promptly. Please bring pencils and note books. Rev. Upton H. Gibbs, rector.

First Baptist Church.
 Corner Sixth and Spring. At 9:45, Sunday school, superintended by Mrs. C. E. Happersett; 11, morning worship, sermon by Dr. Fred C. W. Parker, corresponding secretary of the Oregon Baptist State convention; 6:30, young people's hour, program led by Miss Jennie Oliver, theme, "Evangelical and Missionary Zeal"; 7:30, evening worship, sermon by Dr. Parker. In consequence of the serious character of the pastor's injuries and the probability of his inability to enter fully into the proposed revival to have begun November 15, the date of the meetings is changed. The special meetings will be held, beginning January 21 and continue through February. Dr. Alexander Blackburn will be our evangelistic help. Cordial welcome to all services. W. H. Gibson, pastor.

DOGS CHASE
THIEVES

Prison bloodhounds were used this morning in a futile attempt to trace the burglars who early this morning entered seven places in the business district, but who got little for their trouble—probably not over \$15, says the Walla Walla Bulletin. The hounds were unable to accomplish anything, as it was hours after the crimes when they were put on the trail, and the scent was mixed by the hundreds of pedestrians who had passed along the street.

It is supposed that there were two

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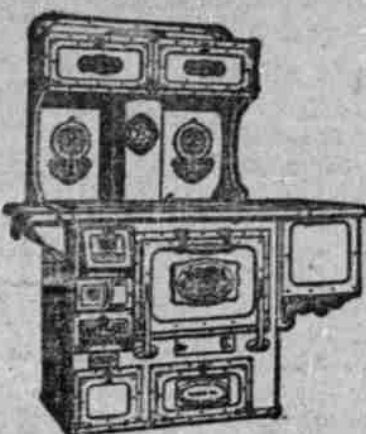
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and possibly three implicated in the affair. The man who got into the De Moss grocery was seen by Rev. M. L. Sanders of the First M. E. church. Rev. Sanders tried to shoot the burglar, but failed because his gun was not loaded. It is supposed this man had one other with him as a lookout.

They got less than \$15 in cash from the seven places, but damage done to safes and cash drawers and windows will mean more of a loss to the proprietors.

PROMINENT MEN TO ATTEND.
 Woolgrowers' Meeting in Pendleton Attracted Officials.

Pendleton, Nov. 6.—According to a letter received from Secretary Walker of the National Woolgrowers' association, President Gooding of the association, J. E. Cosgriff, one of the prominent members, and W. H. Maness, representing the Chicago business men, will be members of the party agitating the proposed national wool-

growers' warehouse to visit Pendleton on the 14th and will also attend the meeting of the state association in Heppner on the 17th. With these gentlemen will be other workers interested in the proposition.

The meeting in this city on Saturday, November 14, will be of the utmost importance to every woolgrower in the county association. The coyote bounty law will be discussed as well as the warehouse proposition, delegates to the Heppner meeting will be chosen, and the winter's salt is to be purchased.

Companions Misuse Ex-Convict.
 An unknown Indian, an ex-convict, released on parole yesterday, was robbed and thrown from the Northern Pacific train last night near Eureka Junction by his two comrades, also ex-convicts. The Indian's leg was broken by the fall and he will be brought to one of the hospitals in this city for treatment. Efforts are being made today to apprehend the guilty parties.—Walla Walla Bulletin.

GEORGE PALMER, President W. H. BRENHOLTS Ass't Cashier
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