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**THE LAST DAY BEFORE PRIMARY.**

This is the last day before the nominating primary. Tomorrow the event comes off and candidates will be named for state and county offices. The importance of nomination of proper candidates is apparent to every good citizen, and the primary is the foundation of all government. It is therefore necessary for the right of suffrage to be used at primaries as well as elections if the state and county would have the best officials. This is overlooked by a good many and then complaint is made if things do not go to suit.

Under the direct primary law registration is necessary. All know how well this feature of the law has been carried out this year, and what effort it has been to get what registration that has been obtained.

Yet if you would say to the unregistered voter that he is not a good citizen he would resent it. The same man refused to attend mass primaries in old-time political days, yet he complained of machine rule. Had he attended the primaries and taken a hand in affairs he would have either annihilated the local political boss, or deposed him and taken his seat himself. That is human nature, and there is no use denying it.

But whether you are registered or not, there is to be a primary election held in Union county tomorrow and candidates are going to be named for different offices from governor down the line.

Those who favor party organization and straightforward state government; those who believe in judging things by results rather than assertions; those who believe in seeing economy in practice rather than in theory in Oregon, should vote for Jay Bowerman and the ticket named by the gathering of republicans in Portland last July. Those men are recommended by 1200 reputable citizens of your state. Hofer is recommended to you for governor by himself. That is the difference between organization and no organization. The political money spent this year has been spent by those who claim to be anti-assembly, and for statement No. one, etc. They have spent the money not in buying votes, but in circulating literature. But the money has been spent just the same. So do not get the idea that campaigns are run without expense, even in this day of "let the people rule."

Take your choice of the candidates tomorrow. Remember the Bowerman ticket nominated means a straight out

republican line-up; no trading on candidates; no dodging issues. That ticket offers you everything that is in reason for economical and decent government.

**ROOSEVELT VS. LAFOLLETTE.**

(Portland Oregonian)

"Will Oregon, the home of the initiative, the referendum, and the recall, continue to allow itself to be misrepresented in the House (Congress) as it has so emphatically declined to be in the Senate, my 'system' statesman of the caliber of Ellis and Hawley?" This sounds like Tom Lawson; but it is not. It is the exordium of a formal attack on the two Oregon representatives by Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin. What LaFollette wants Oregon to do is to send men to Washington of the "caliber" of Bourne and Chamberlain. We think Oregon will do nothing of this kind; but we do not know. Oregon does queer things, as the election of Bourne and Chamberlain abundantly proves.

The LaFollette indictment against Hawley and Ellis is that they supported throughout the "regular" House organization. They did; they also supported all the great Taft measures such as the postal savings bank, railroad control, publicity of election expenses, and the like, that made the Taft administration one of remarkable achievement. They aided the Taft programme as they had conspicuously upheld the Roosevelt programme in the previous congress.

Ellis and Hawley do not suit LaFollette, but they suited Roosevelt. It may help a little to reprint part of a formal statement issued May 29, 1908, from the White House:

The President (Roosevelt) today said goodbye to the two Oregon Congressmen, Messrs. Hawley and Ellis, and stated publicly that he took the occasion to thank them for the attitude they had consistently maintained in support of the Administration policies, and to wish them success in the election which is to take place on Monday next.

The President stated that he wished publicly to express his appreciation of the cordial manner in which the gentlemen had backed up the policies and the measures which the President felt were of such consequence for the welfare of the country, in connection for instance, with such matters as the upbuilding of the navy, the upbuilding of merchant marine, the conservation of our natural resources, including both the reservation of the forests and the construction of the waterways; securing proper employers' liability legislation, both as regards interstate commerce and as regards the employees of the government itself; securing child labor legislation and the effort to secure the proper administration by the courts of the power of injunction, and finally securing by the nation of thoroughgoing and adequate control over the great interstate corporations, a control which shall be both effective to prevent any wrongdoing by them and at the same time of such a character as will permit the reward in ample fashion of all business which is so conducted as to be for and not against the public interest.

The LaFollette method is to assume that everything done in Congress by any others than himself or his immediate following was wrong, and that the men who did it were inspired by unworthy motives and dis-

honest purposes. It is the fashion nowadays, when in doubt, to believe and assert that public men are criminals and thieves. Doubtless Hawley and Ellis would be in a bad way with some people except for the explicit testimony of the ex-President in their behalf.

**REFORM HITS SEATTLE.**

Youthful Councilman Acting as Mayor is Causing Considerable Worry.

Seattle, Sept. 23.—While Mayor Gill is cruising in waters on the Sound on a vacation and Chief of Police Wapenstein is spending his in California, Acting Mayor Max Waddell, a youthful councilman is effecting such radical reforms in restricted districts that privileged interests are frantically searching for the missing officials. Waddell closed dance halls and bade the acting chief of police enforce the liquor law to the letter.

**Baker Couple Married.**

William Jensen and Edith Rows, both of Baker City were married this morning by County Judge J. C. Henry at the court house.

**ADDITIONAL LOCALS.**

Cherry Blossoms are marshmallows and cherries. Delicious confection, at Silverthorn's family drug store.

Flemish Art Goods, something very new and pretty, being demonstrated now at Silverthorn's family drug store. It will be worth your while to call and see it.

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**BLACKSMITH FOR SENATOR.**

John F. Breckenridge, Once Performing Cowboy, Out For Missouri Seat.

John F. Breckenridge of St. Joseph, Mo., the blacksmith who announces himself a candidate for United States senator from Missouri and whose petition, with the required number of names, has been filed with the secretary of state at Jefferson City, in his early days followed "the trail" as a cowboy. He now runs a horseshoeing establishment at the stockyards in South St. Joseph.

While with wild west shows as a rope and cattle thrower Mr. Breckenridge visited Europe and every part of the United States. In Brussels ten years ago he saved the lives of five persons in a hotel fire, and again at Jacksonville, Fla., seven years ago he rescued two persons from being suffocated by smoke. As a farrier in Jerseyville, Ill., six years ago he made a strong race for congress as a Socialist and labor candidate. Mr. Breckenridge says he will make a strenuous campaign for United States senator, visiting every county in the state.

**Six Teams in Intercollegiate Shoot.**

Six colleges, Yale, Harvard, Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, George Washington and Massachusetts Agricultural college, already have signified their intention of sending rifle teams to compete in the intercollegiate rifle match to be held at Washington on June 18 under the auspices of the National Rifle association. Among the members of the Yale rifle team are a Chinese student and a son of Secretary of War Dickenson. This will be the fifth meet. The team winning the cup oftentimes out of twelve meets will retain it permanently. The cup has been won once by Princeton, once by Columbia and twice by George Washington university.

**Bay Rum.**

Bay rum is manufactured from the dried leaves of Pimento acris. Bay rum is procured by distillation, and this in a very simple manner. The leaves are picked from the trees and then dried. In this state they are placed in the retort, which is then filled with water, and the process of distillation is carried on. The vapor is then condensed in the usual way and forms what is known as "bay oil," a very small quantity of which is required for each puncheon of rum.

**He Cited the River.**

Indignant Wife.—You talk about having "meandered all over the neighborhood" while you were waiting for your breakfast. You haven't been out of your bed! Husband (half awake)—Well, didn't you ever see a river meander without getting out of its bed?—Chicago Tribune.

**Turning the Tables.**

He (after a quarrel, bitterly)—I was a fool when I married you. She—I knew it, but I thought you would improve.—Exchange.

People who fish for compliments do not need long lines. They will get their best bites in shallow water.



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**Notice to Contractors.**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the undersigned Recorder until September 28th, 1910, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. for the construction of 14267.7 square yards of bitulithic pavement together with the excavation, drainage and curbing as shown by the plans and specifications on file in this office, the same to be constructed on Fourth street from the North line of Adams avenue to the south line of "O" avenue, Adams ave-

nue from the west curb line of Fourth street to the east curb line of Third street and Chestnut street from Adams avenue to the south curb line of Jefferson avenue. Certified check of 5 per cent of the amount of the bid to accompany each bid. Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the City Council, September 21st, 1910.

D. E. COX,  
Recorder of the City of La Grande.  
Sept 23-24-26-27-28.

## Season for Music

During the long evenings to come you will appreciate a musical instrument. Most people want to learn to play on some instrument and this is the most favorable time to take up this work.

**Remember that we have**

Violins, Mandolins, Guitars, Accordions, Flutes, Banjos, Etc. We have good goods in this line and we sell them at right prices. Drop in and talk it over.

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