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WELCOME, JAY, WELCOME.

Today La Grande greets Jay Bowerman, the next governor of the state. Yes, we made no mistake in that assertion. It is in the air for Jay to win this fight and the only thing to guess upon now is his majority. But there is reason for winning it. Here it is:

For several years there has been the cry of economy in public state administration, yet each year taxes have increased at enormous rates. The people who have accepted the cry of politicians that they would cut down the expense have awoke to find that instead of using the pruning knife more offices have been created and new boards born that took salaries from the people's money. As usual, the politicians could not feel the people all the time. This year when Jay Bowerman entered the race for governor the good, hard-thinking citizens of Oregon turned the matter carefully over in their minds remembering what the alleged "people's friends" had done and they came to this conclusion. Bowerman is a young man whose future is before him. He comes from a remote county and a remote town. His record is an honest one and he has the right breeding to remain honest. That he has courage all agreed from the stand he has taken in several matters of state importance, and those hard-thinking taxpayers decided to give Bowerman a chance.

They nominated him in the face of a strong opposition made stronger by a dislike for the assembly and his majority was about 3,000 in the primaries. Is that faith in Bowerman going to falter at the polls?

No, those same people are going to elect Bowerman only they will be reinforced by many others who see things in the right way by this time. He will have the support of the Dimmick men and he is proud of that fact, for had Grant Dimmick been named for governor there is not a man who supported Bowerman that would not have laid off his coat and helped Dimmick win at the polls.

So, today La Grande welcomes with Grande Ronde hospitality the man who is to make good; the man who is promising nothing but clean, honorable methods and to run the state's business with as little expense as possible; the man who will break down the Salem graft in purchasing supplies for state institutions; the man who will treat everyone on the square and play no favorites; the man who is from Eastern Oregon

where the bunch grows. Now, all together, let us sing the song of success and clean politics for the man who believes in honesty in public office above everything else in this world: "B-o-w-e-r-m-a-n spells Bowerman; He's the man for the place and He's sure to win the race. Bowerman, that's Jay."

LOVE FOR HORSES IS LASTING.

We may talk of the high priced autos and get excited at the "honk, honk" of the horn, but there is an inward love for the horse that time will never erase. This was demonstrated at the parade yesterday. Many horses were admired, but when Dr. W. T. Phyl's high school horse, "Starlight King," passed the crowd the applause was loud. And when our old friend Joe Wood passed the throng with his three horse tandem more applause could be heard. The three horse tandem team is owned by Duncan McDonald who delights in raising good horse flesh. When Joe Wood asked to drive the three well bred animals tandem-style he was told that they were green at such work to which Joe replied, "don't make any difference, they've got good sense!" And that told the story. The three horses were immediately hitched up and Joe grabbed the reins as he used to when he drove stage. The rest was easy. It seemed that the horses enjoyed the exhibition, just as Starlight King delights in performing his many graceful acts for his owner.

The picture of satisfaction on Joe Wood's face when he would turn those three horses in a ten foot space was worth seeing. It brought back the story of his frontier life; of the days when he drove stage coach in Colorado Wyoming, New Mexico and Oregon. His last work in that line being done for the M. & M. company on the stage from Elgin to Joseph. He loves a good horse, and so does everyone else, and the longer Joe lives the more he grows to believe that next to man is the horse.

The satisfaction of raising good horses is great and Duncan McDonald belongs to the class of ranchers who raise the best. At the fair that closes today there was exhibited positively the finest breeding animals in the country. Already this desire on the part of ranchers to improve their stock is plainly showing in the younger stock and within another three years it will be hard to find a mongrel colt in the entire Union county.

THE RECORDER'S GROUCH.

The Elgin Recorder has its usual criticisms to offer regarding the Union county fair management and other things. There apparently never was an event nor a time when the Recorder was satisfied. It always sees calamity in the air and whines and whimpers without cause. La Grande did everything possible to make the fair a success and it was a success—the greatest ever known in the history of the valley. But the Recorder imagines things should have been done differently. As a final grouch it takes the people of Pumpkin Ridge to task for placing their exhibits in the Summerville division at the fair. Now, that is a matter of no concern to La Grande, only that this city is delighted to have the exhibit and is perfectly willing that the people who produce them should place them un-

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der any name they saw fit. Summerville people have no hesitancy in stating that Pumpkin Ridge is in their district, that they neighbor back and forth and have many things in common. If Elgin people would but teach the Recorder how to look pleasant and get in the great game of building up this valley rather than continually putting it up that Elgin people are dissatisfied when they are not, they would confer an act of kindness on the entire community as well as be doing themselves a righteous act.

Charley Fisher, editor of the Eugene Guard, is about to have a spasm because Jay Bowerman stands for Statement No. 1 and all other measures adopted by the people. It is an old game with non-partisan editors like Charley to start a scrap so that a democrat can fill the office. By the way "non-partisan" when properly translated means democrat in this glorious state of Oregon. Of course, Bowerman is straight up for Statement No. 1 and he is for all the other measures adopted by the people. He believes the people the jury to decide these matters and if they draw a bad law they will see it and repeal it. Bowerman is the kind of a friend to the people who does not howl himself hoarse on one point and then pack the state with thousands of dollars of useless expense in order to make offices for his friends. Watch him and see if we are not telling the truth, for Bowerman is the same as elected governor today. Bear that in mind.

There is to be a high school fund election in Union county this year and it is important that everyone take a deep interest in the matter. Do not think that any one city or town is to profit alone by the undertaking, for any place having a high school shares the benefits. This includes Union, Elgin, North Powder and La Grande. It is a good thing. Anything in the way of education is a good thing for what you put in the child's head cannot be taken from him. Union people ought to realize this statement's importance and quit quarrelling over their school.

One of the reasons why prohibition falls lies in the fact that a normal American is never a spy nor an informer. To search a neighbor's house or to divulge information as to his use of liquor is repugnant to the American spirit. Even the most ardent prohibitionist balks at serving as a detective.—Portland Oregonian.

The statement that Bowerman is a railroad candidate is another democratic move. Some of the hardest cases he has ever fought in the courts have been against corporations. He believes corporations have rights as outlined by law, but when they step over these rights he is in favor of making them be good.

Union county is putting on the finishing touches to this fair in a way that will long be remembered. Great

is the county, great is the fair, and greater still are the earnest, loyal hardworking citizens who have labored day and night to make it the glittering success it has been.

How about sending that apple display to Chicago? It is time that a trick or two was turned if the Grande Ronde is to be represented.

Open "Kindness" Exhibition.

Washington, Oct. 11—The "kindness" exhibition held in connection with the international humane conference was opened to the public today and was viewed by thousands. All varieties of human devices are displayed, and also pictures photographs, models, diagrams and descriptions of model child shelters, anti-cruelty inventions and allied exhibits. The anti-bull fight campaign now being waged in Spanish-speaking countries is the subject of a special exhibit, which includes many interesting examples of bull ring paraphernalia. Humane killing devices for slaughtering animals are shown in a wide variety of models, including some of the celebrated new devices now used in German abattoirs.

Models of lethal chambers for killing dogs and cats and various phases of pound work are shown. There are also models of improved stock cars for shipping cattle, sheep hogs and horses, and inventions for the humane street feeding of horses. Women who take lap dogs with them on their travels will find new models of hand bags for such purposes. Fire escape inventions for animals and safety appliances for barns and kennels are also shown.

Today's session of the international conference was devoted to the instruction, care and protection of children, especially in relation to child labor laws.

Hear Big Cases in January.

Washington, Oct. 11—The Supreme court today resigned the Standard Oil, the American Tobacco cases for hearing on January 3 on motion of the Attorney General, Wickersham. These cases attracted nation wide attention as they were brought by the government to dissolve the two corporations under the charges that they are trusts.

Langford vs. Jeanette.

Boston, Oct. 11—Sam Langford and Joe Jeanette, the colored aspirants to the title now held by Jack Johnson, are matched to fight another battle before the Army Athletic Association tonight. They recently boxed a fifteen-round contest at the same club and as the bout was one of the hardest ever seen in the city of beans and culture, Matchmaker Pierce arranged to bring them together again. Jeanette alleges he was not in good shape when he met Langford before, but says he will be fit tonight and will show up his opponent. Sam has also dropped a few remarks to the same general effect.

Cholera in London. London, Oct. 11—It was learned to-

day that a man taken from the slums at London under contagion and it is highly probable he will die of virulent cholera. Every effort was made to suppress the news. Physicians assert there are no other cases. It is feared however that they may be wrong.

They are still saying that "Loeb did it," and if any one asks, "What has Loeb done now?" the answer is: "Haven't you heard? Shaved off his mustache." Fact! If you don't believe it, look at the picture. This is William Loeb, Jr., up to date.

The fell deed was done on a very hot day. When a smooth faced man, with classical features, wearing eye-glasses, entered the custom house the next morning the uniformed attendants in the outer office of the collector jumped to their feet and asked the seeming stranger what business he had within. They told him the collector had not arrived yet for the day.



WILLIAM LOEB, JR. American Press Association.

"I am Collector Loeb," he said quietly and with a smile after some deliberation, weighing what he should say. He then entered the inner office, where he surprised two deputies and a secretary. When Collector Loeb was asked why he had shaved off his mustache he replied, after a little thought that he did it because it was hot and he wanted to be cooler.

Your achievement will never rise higher than your faith.

Sure. "She has a good head for business." "Has she? I never noticed it. I thought her quite stupid." "She may be, but her head is good, as I said, for business." "What business?" "The business of any first class, high priced milliner."

Proof. "How is your house finished?" "Everything is up to date." "Modern plumbing?" "The most modern they may make. You can judge for yourself. We have a call in a plumber every week to fix it."

Cheerful Side. "Jones has broken his leg. Isn't it awful?" "It might be worse." "How could it?" "Hasn't he two legs?"

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