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THOMPSON FOR BOARD MEMBER.

The great Inland Empire country has an opportunity of obtaining representation on the board of directors of the reserve bank in the person of Will Thompson of Pendleton, provided united action follows and this section of country stands as unit for him, which without a doubt it will do.

Some of the strongest banks of Oregon and Washington have already endorsed him and each day brings encouragement to those who are anxious to have this country have a member of the board.

The qualifications of Mr. Thompson are unquestioned, his standing among bankers, as well as his standing among men, is of the best and his elevation to such a position will not only reflect credit on this section but will give the new board an active, energetic member who does things and whose judgment is known to be of the best.

Will some one please solve the Commercial club problem? Almost every city is confronted with the same condition of lethargy on the part of the organization, failure to pay dues on the part of the members, and as a result a deficit in the club's business end.

T. T. Geer has made his announcement for the republican nomination of governor, which makes the s'teenth favorite son who will carry the standard of the g. o. p. in Oregon against Doc. Smith, Judge Bennett, or perhaps against "Ossie."

From the police department's report of arrests for law breaking in La Grande it is apparent the blue coats are not all sleeping, and at least some of them spend their time in rendering the city service.

Judge Henry says it is no trouble to solve the saloon question in Cove, and since has been informed of the vote over there an order will be issued at the next term of court declaring Cove "dry."

Better not mention professional baseball for La Grande this season or Pat Foley will turn his two bears loose with instructions to do their worst.

Hoisting political lightning rods is now going on all over Oregon. Almost every candidate imagines the lightning is playing around his rod.

It is almost time for Walla Walla and Pendleton to begin their quarrel over the backaroo business.

CHICKENS AND FOWL.

Turkeys—25c@25c, retail.
Spring friers — 22c@25c, retail dressed.
Hens—18c@20c, retail, dressed.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lawson of Union, left for that place today after transacting business matters in the city for a day.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Richey left today for Walla Walla and Milton where they will transact business and visit with relatives for four or five days.

R. Young and J. Carrol of this city, left this noon for Pleasant Valley where they will be employed with the O.-W. for two or three months constructing a bridge for the railroad company.

C. E. Cole was among the passengers outbound on No. 6 this noon. He will be gone from the city for a week or more making the cities of Ontario, Vale, Baker and others in the interest of the threshing machine concern.

D. M. McDaniel of Cove, who is in the city attending sessions of court, paid the Observer a pleasant visit this morning, incidentally providing for the continued delivery of his paper. Mr. McDaniel is one of the enterprising ranchers of the famous cherry section and believes in home industries.

Dr. Tape, manager of Hot Lake, arrived in the city this morning on business connected with the famous health resort. Business at the Lake has become every brisk since the arrival of Dr. Tape and the many improvements made under his direction have added to the fame of the institution. External improvements will be begun as soon as the weather permits.

Martin King, an employe of the O. W., will leave tonight for the East. He will stop off at Alexander to visit with his sister, Mrs. Mary Costello, and then journey to Ames, Iowa, where his nephew is instructor in civil engineering in the State Agricultural college. He plans to go to Baltimore to visit with a nephew who is studying for the Priesthood in St. Mary's Seminary. He will be gone a month or two.

T. E. Jarvis, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the city on a tour of inspection. He has traveled over the entire northwest and had seen many things that would make the thinking man stop and ponder. Chief among these observations is the one relating to unemployed men in the cities on the coast. This is applicable to Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. Men begging on the streets for the price of a meal or the price of a night's lodging is an hourly occurrence. Mr. Jarvis will leave soon for Salt Lake and home.

Your job printing. Have it done at the Observer office.

Read the advertisements too.

HAVE DARK HAIR AND LOOK YOUNG

Don't stay gray! Nobody can tell when you darken gray, faded hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Grandmother kept her hair beautifully darkened, glossy and abundant with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

A well-known downtown druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, it is restored to its natural color and looks glossy, soft and abundant.

Adv.

Midnight Wager Won.

As the High School Glee Club was waiting at Hot Lake for the train to return home Ralph Winters decided that he could shatter all the walking records and was looking around for some one to get a wager with. Finally Piedmont Adams got a wager with him to the effect that Winters could not walk to La Grande in two hours. Winters pushed off his raincoat and left Hot Lake station at 11:39 P. M. The bunch came to La Grande on the midnight train and some of them waited to see if Winters could finish. About 1:15 A. M. Winters was sighted, walking, running, trotting, any way to finish on his own power. He finished at 1:18 A. M. in just one hour and 29 minutes. Tired, sweating and as-weary as if he had just come from the Mexican war. Piedmont Adams lost.

Million Dollars Saved In Equitable.

J. H. Currey, traveling auditor for the Equitable Savings & Loan Association of Portland, is staying at the Foley while in the city for a few days. Mr. Currey delivered several thousand dollars in La Grande and vicinity, which was accumulated on the monthly savings plan in the Equitable. The last statement issued by the Equitable shows that they have returned to investors more than a million dollars in a little over three years. At the last meeting of the stockholder of the Equitable Charles E. Ladd was elected president, and F. McKercher secretary.

PARKER'S TWO SERMONS.

And How He Got the Morning Congregation Back at Night.

A characteristic story of Dr. Parker was told me the other day, writes "A Man of Kent" in the British Weekly, by a minister who had it from an old minister who was much interested in Joseph Parker's early work as a local preacher. One Saturday he met Parker and asked him whether he had an engagement for Sunday. "Yes," was the reply.

"Are your sermons ready, Joseph?" asked the minister.

"I have the morning sermon," was the reply, "but I am not sure about the evening."

"Well, Joseph, what is your text for the morning and how do you treat it?" Parker went over his text and the outline of his sermon.

"But, Joseph," said the minister, "that is very clever, but it is not the real meaning of the text. If you will look at the commentaries you will see that you are wrong."

Parker thanked him and went his way. On the Monday the minister again met his friend.

"Well, Joseph, how did you get on yesterday?"

"Very well," was the reply.

"How did you manage?"

"Well," he said, "in the morning I preached my sermon and explained the text in my way, and at the close I said: This is how I understand it. But learned men understand it differently, and I will tell you in the evening how the learned men understand it."

They all came back in the evening and Joseph had a happy day.

MEASURING A RIVER.

How Napoleon's Engineer Found Its Width Without Instruments.

An engineer found himself summoned one day into the presence of his commander. Napoleon stood on the bank of a wide river gazing across it where the enemy had planted batteries which he desired to attack with artillery.

"How wide is that river?" was the question put to the engineer.

"Let me get my instruments," was the reply as he turned to go for them. "I must know at once," the emperor insisted.

The engineer went down to the level bank of the river and, standing erect, gradually bent his head forward till the edge of his hat brim just touched the line from his eyes to the water line at the opposite bank of the river. Then, keeping his head bent as it was, he wheeled a quarter turn till his eyes looked along the hat brim and met the land at a point on the same side of the river on which he stood. Here he noted a rock or tree near the point at which his eyes met the ground and, calling a soldier, directed that a stake be driven near that point as he should direct. Then, by motioning just where to drive the stake, he fixed the point at which the line from hat brim and eye reached the bank. Turning to the emperor, he said, "Your majesty, the distance from where I stand to the stake is the width of the river."

And so it was, as you can readily see. If the emperor did not promote that officer—why, then the story does not end as it should.—St. Nicholas.

Popular Prices Prevail
In Our Ready to Wear Dept.
Every garment in our large stock of spring styles is the best possible value for the price—and the prices are very low, considering the exclusive models, high grade materials and expert tailoring.
We offer the largest assortment
and the widest range of new fabrics to select from. Come in today and let us show you the new suits, coats, dresses and skirts. You will enjoy a glimpse of these bright spring styles whether you intend buying now or not.
SEE THE NEW Middy Blouses
More popular than ever for spring wear. \$1.25 to \$1.75
New Footwear
in all the popular lasts for spring. \$3.00 to \$5.00
Fashion demands a narrow petticoat with a close fitting hip.
THE NEW ELITE PETTI-COAT
is designed especially for the new style skirts and fills every need.
Elite Silk Petticoats.
Elite Mercerized Petticoats

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.
Coming Soon! Paul J. Rainey's Great African pictures. Cost \$200,000 2-27,6t.
Have you in mind an Easter Suit? See McLeod, The Wardrobe. 2-27ft
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Formerly New Oregon
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Portland, Oregon
CARL S. STANLEY, Manager
G. KIRKE DRURY, Asst. Mgr.

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DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. UNITED STATES POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITORY.
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