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OF THE HIGHEST GRADE.

It is a joy and a satisfaction almost beyond expression to know that La Grande talent is capable of giving such a remarkable concert as the one of last evening in L. D. S. tabernacle.

Such an entire evening's program has never before been heard in this city. No highly paid company of artists has ever given such a meritorious event here.

All who took part were home folk, except Mrs. Cornelia Barker-Carse, violinist, and La Grande has all but adopted her as a citizen, which in a broad sense makes the event of last evening purely La Grande talent.

Besides the unmistakable natural talent, each of the participants has studied long and hard under the best instructors that this country affords. The efforts of last evening might properly be mentioned as a delightful climax to continuous work on the part of energetic women, and that effort was abundantly appreciated by the large La Grande audience. This was evidenced by the enthusiastic applause, by the exquisite floral remembrances, and by the pleased expression on every face in the audience.

We, as a people, are proud, very proud, of the ladies who gave such a magnificent program last evening.

NO TIME TO BE TECHNICAL.

Will R. King has been national committeeman for Oregon in the Democratic camp, and he is yet. A man by the name of Easterly secured that honor by election, but Mr. King said in substance, "Nix on this people's choice business in Oregon; I am the Democratic committeeman," and with that position he began his defense.

It was settled yesterday, the committee continuing Mr. King in his job and turning the cold shoulder on Easterly, the people's choice.

But, with all these diplomatic questions, announced nuptials and preparedness staring us in the face, Mr. King and the rest of the committee evidently thought this is no time to be technical.

SHIVERING PAT.

Congressman Pat McArthur was seized with the chills in Washington when a delegation of the Simon Pure suffragettes made one of their official calls on the congressman. Just as well get in the band wagon, Pat, before it is everlastingly too late. It is not what you think about the matter, it is what the women think that counts.

The big steamer Minnesota became disabled in mid-ocean and the cause is unknown. This is the second time for the Minnesota and it would seem there is an Ethiopian hidden somewhere.

Champ Clark is speaker of the House, which is just as much of a surprise as President Wilson being a candidate to succeed himself.

This is the week of Plummer's live stock at Portland. Here's to Plummer and his beef steers.

PENDLETON'S ELECTION

No town west of the Mississippi is like Pendleton. She has a distinctive swing all her own.

Yesterday we happened to be in Pendleton during the city election at which time Johnnie Montgomery and Dr. Best were contesting for the mayorship, and it was a heated event.

Tammany never had a better organization that each of these candidates had. Every citizen was card indexed. Emergency calls were numerous when it was found that some one had taken sick and needed medical aid so he could go to the polls. Young girls who had just reached the voting age were carefully considered not by the old weather beaten war horses in city politics, but young gallants were detailed to see to the every want of the ladies, showing remarkable head work on the part of the organizers.

By nine o'clock in the morning the election was in full swing. People showed the excitement in the way they walked, they showed it in their conversation, they showed it in their anxiety to know if some friend had voted.

The usual amount of betting which Pendleton is always accredited with did not appear, possibly because of a change of principle along those lines and possibly because of an election which each side thought was going to be close.

The whole setting and proceeding was enjoyable. At one precinct it was reported that Dudley Evans challenged over 200 voters. At other precincts calls were sent in to the district attorney's office for opinions on what constituted a violation of the Corrupt Practices Act. And so went the day.

But, the refreshing thing is, that when the election is over, the votes counted and the result announced, both sides will join in singing favorite Round-up tunes, will form a hallow square and join hands for the common good of Pendleton. The people there are extraordinary fighters, but they do not let that interfere with their general worship of Pendleton.

Another thing that was noticeable. The Oregon System had a bouquet due it. There was no "rough stuff" during Pendleton's election. One old wheat rancher who has resided in Umatilla county for forty years left his ranch and came to town to see the fun. He said "this is tame, why, an election as hot as this one twenty

years ago would have meant fight after fight, spilling of blood and a jail full of men before the day was over.

So it must be admitted that the Oregon System has done some good. (The above was published yesterday)

LATER—Since the above editorial was written news has reached us telling of the aftermath of the election, which consisted in a near-riot, several fist fights, police being forced to use their clubs on citizens of high standing, and in fact the reigning of pandemonium after the votes were counted.

All of which goes to show that Pendleton has punctured the Oregon system in a thousand places, crumpled and tramped on the Corrupt Practices act, and finally elected a man for mayor who was opposed by the business element of the city, the two banks, the newspapers, the ministers, the woman's clubs and all factions in politics—for the Furnish faction and Lowell faction clasped hands against Dr. Best. Yet he won by a distinct majority. Yep, the people do rule in Pendleton, Oregon.

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