

Announcement

Owing to the bad weather we are going to continue sale of the Geibel Stock until February 19th.

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La Grande, Oregon

ELGIN BOARD ONE OF LADIES

NOVEL FEATURE CONCERNS CITY ELECTION

For First Time an Entire Election Board Consists of Ladies

(Elgin Recorder) Local singers met at the M. E. church and under the direction of L. Chapman, pastor of that denomination, formed a choral union, which promises to become prominent in local music circles.

On the night of organization 22 members were enrolled and this number is expected to be doubled by the end of this week.

The original intention was to close the membership roll at a meeting to have been held last night, but owing to the inclement weather the meeting was called off, and as a result the membership roll will be left open until Sunday evening, and anyone desir-

ing to enroll can do so before that time arrives, and a cordial welcome is extended to all. As the membership stands at this time it includes most of the best vocal talent of the town and it is hoped soon to have a club of 40 voices.

As previously stated, the union will be directed by Rev. Chapman, who is an able instructor in that line and the organization will be conducted with practically no expense to members.

Mrs. Mary Hug, pioneer resident of Pumpkin Ridge, who has been ill for several weeks, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stettin of La Grande, was taken worse again the fore part of this week, and some apprehension is felt as to the ultimate outcome. For several days her condition was improving and an immediate recovery of her usual health was expected, and it was with regret her many friends obtained the news of a relapse.

Her eldest son, R. A. Hug of the Flat, went to La Grande Monday evening to be at her bedside, and her son, Chas., who arrived several weeks ago from Nevada, is also with her.

Members of Election Are all Ladies.

For the first time in the history of Elgin, and perhaps of the state, an

election board and special officers will conduct the annual city election. At the regular meeting of the city council Wednesday evening, clerks, and judges of the city election to be held Monday, March 11, were appointed as follows:

Clerks—Mrs. Nellie Crum and Miss Pearl McNaughton.

Judges—Mrs. C. E. Reiber, Mrs. H. L. Willis and Mrs. J. R. Weaver.

Special Officer—Mrs. Sophia Austin.

For the past two years the boards have been composed partly of ladies, but this is the first year that they have been given full sway. It is not known whether or not all will qualify but it is thought they will.

As yet candidates for city offices are as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth. Those whose terms of office expire are: U. F. Weiss, mayor; H. A. Thomas, marshal; Jesse Crum, recorder; R. L. Shoemaker, treasurer; Geo. O. James, J. C. Hug, Columbus Fisher and C. E. Reiber.

Whether any of the retiring officials will again become candidates is not known with the exception of Jesse Crum, city recorder, who has announced that he will not become a candidate to succeed himself.

The caucus will be conducted on March 4th.

NURSE LOSES LONG FIGHT

Minneapolis, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Agnes Orner, said to have been a trained nurse in Minneapolis until she went to Texas seven years ago, has lost a five year fight for her liberty and must go to the Texas penitentiary for life for the alleged murder of her own daughter, according to a dispatch received from Austin Tex.

The crime of which she was accused was committed February 19, 1911. She was arrested, tried and convicted, but the Court of Criminal Appeals reversed the decision of the lower court and a new trial was ordered. Four trials in different Texas cities ensued in all of which the jury disagreed. The sixth and final trial took place in El Paso recently and resulted in conviction. The sentence has been affirmed by the Criminal Court of Appeals.

Mrs. Orner met Orner soon after going to Texas. He died a few months before his daughter. A chemical analysis of the exhumed bodies showed poison in both, according to chemists. Mrs. Orner's expenses in the trials were borne, it is said, by a Minneapolis Swedish society, but officers of Swedish societies here and nurses denied knowledge of the case.

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