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"The principle of the single tax

Mr. Shields declared that the single

Shields answered U'Ren's questions

No Candidates File For Places on City Ticket

Primary Nominating Election Called for Next Monday Goes By Default and Candidates Will Seek Places on Ballot by Petition -- Prefer to Run Independently of Party Lines

How to hold an election without, has been considering the advisability any candidates is the question which of putting up candidates at the prinow perplexing City Recorder mary election. At a recent meeting, Notices have been posted however, the matter was thorough-Howe. and all legal steps have been taken ly discussed and it was decided that to hold a primary nominating elec- it would be unwise to attempt to tion next Monday, Nov. 4, but the run candidates under the party time has expired for the filing of tickets. It was the sense of the orcandidates' petitions and not a single ganization that the law requiring aspirant has made known his desire that a primary nominating election to secure a place on the ticket in this be held in cities the size of Hood River is ill-advised, inasmuch as it manner.

Officers to be elected at the regular injects party politics into the city city election in December include the affairs. The club adjourned until mayor, three councilmen, city re last evening, when it was the purcorder and city treasurer. Any of pose of the organization to select a these might have secured a place on list of candidates to be placed on the the primary nominating ballot by ballot by petition. It was further filing a petition, properly signed, dedided to cooperate with the reprevious to 15 days before the pri- cently-organized Home Protective mary election. Under the law, how- Association in the selection of these ever, it would have been necessary proposed candidates for them to have filed as either Republicans or Democrats. It was this requirement which prevented the NERVES UNSTRUNG; filing of petitions, candidates preferring to wait until after the primary election and secure a place on the regular ticket by petition as independent candidates. Consequently the 21st passed without a single petition being filed with the city recorder. quently visited Hood River as official The city having fulfilled all the le-

gal requirements and having given candidates leaves it in a somewhat jull in Portland the last of the week perplexing situation, but there is nothing to be done under the circumstances except to permit the election to go by default.

The Heights Improvement Club

LAND HERE MOST VALUABLE IN STATE

Hood River county can boast of having the most valuable and therefore the highest priced land in the state, and Wheeler county has the lowest, according to data assembled members of his family. The police by Labor Commissioner Hoff for his tried to reach the saloon before Dublennial report, which will soon be fur left, but failing in this Police completed and ready for publication. Multnomab, with an average value the judge's residence, 857 Clackamas of \$230 per acre, comes next to Hood street, for the remainder of the night. River. According to the report, the In the morning Dufur was found

Election Returns Will Be Received

The News will be the first newspaper to publish the election returns in this county.

In the regular issue published next Wednesday morning will be given the result of the national, state and county elections so far as they shall be known up to a late hour Tuesday evening.

The News has made arrangements whereby it will co-operate with the Commercial Club in securing a complete series of bulletins through the Western Union Telegraph Company. This will be an exclusive service in this community and it will insure Hood River receiving the promptest and most reliable service to be obtained.

The News will keep its forms open as late as possible and will be in the mails as usual the first thing the next morning, several hours before Portland papers carrying the returns arrive in Hood River and a whole day before they will reach residents in the valley,

Returns will be received over a special leased wire which will be installed by the Western Union Telegraph Company in the Commercial Club auditorium. There will be a special operator to receive the returns hot off the wire and they will be read to the audience by Secretary Scott, through whose enterprise arrangements have been made for giving this public service under the auspices of the club. Everybody is welcome.

The returns will probably begin coming over the wire from the Eastern states about eight o'clock or soon after, when the service at the club will begin.

The News will receive the bulletins in conjunction with the Commercial Club and they will be placed in type as fast as received.

In order to serve its subscribers in town and valley, the News will also be prepared to answer telephone calls and give out such information as it may receive. There will probably not be many definite returns to give out over the telephone until about ten o'clock or later.

Economical Managemeut Frees County From Debt

Deficit of \$34,644.17 Carried Over From Last Year Is An insanity complaint was issued Wiped out and County's Financial Condition Is Excellent -- Figures Show Businesslike Administratiou by Present County Court

> Although an attempt is being free from debt and has a balance in serted in the News last week by in Commission Fund, but he declared a law. made to make political capital out of the general fund of \$22,282.51. The terests who are attempting to secure that there were bundreds of individ- U'Ren then denied that the single ffice show that the county admin- half of this amount-\$17,500-is still stroy the purpose of the initiative,

DECISIVE VICTORY FOR DRYS FORESEEN

Speaking at the U. B. church Sonday evening, Professor Gibson predry city would be four to one. He based this prediction upon canvassing which he has done on the Heights. He declared, however, that every person in the city who is in favor of barring out the saloon should vote and thus make the victory, so decisive that no such attempt would ever be made again. The latter statement was greeted by applause. There was a large attendance at Heilbronner Hall Friday evening. the meeting, which was held for the discussion of saloons. Rev. J. B.

Would Hurt Business

speaker

Mr. Hall told some of his own experlences and undertook to show that saloons would hurt every legitimate business by decreasing the effilaboring men. He said local mer- of increasing the tax on the farmer it declared Mr. Shields. "It is fundachants have told him that men who industry and sobriety, especially sobriety, and made a strong appeal to from the degrading influence of in-toxicating liquors.

keeping the city free from saloons these corporations as estimated from ress and Poverty." should make it a point to vote and their earning capacity would be tax. The speaker took exception to Mr. a dry town to do likewise. In the course of his remarks Mr.

the citizens of the state should let fic instances. Governor Westknow that they are behind him On Professor Gibson's

mously adopted.

est menace of the day. He then called on A. I. Mason.

Initiative Is Threatened Mr. Mason called attention to a re-

cent editorial in the Glacier reflecting is being waged in behalf of single fund were Portland capitalists who,

Big Crowd Hears Debate on Single Tax Measure

dicted that the vote in favor of a Heilbronner Hall Is Packed to Limit of Its Capacity When Shields and U'Ren Discuss Proposition to Be Submitted on Ballot -- Many Lively Tilts Make Debate One of Intense Interest

Before a packed house, W. S. U'Ren | bitter fight against the tax and that and Charles H. Shields debated the they were doing so. He charged proposed graduated single tax at that Mr. Shields came from Seattle to perform his "missionary" work The hall filled early, many persons for a substantial consideration. having come in from the country and Mr. Shields Attacks Measure Parsons introduced E. O. Hall, con- from the valley towns to hear the de-Mr. Shields opened his speech by

tractor and builder, as the first bate. All the seats were occupied declaring that the present system of when A. I. Mason opened the meet- taxation has been evolved as the reing and standing room was at a suit of centuries of experience. He

premium, many persons standing up declared that there would be no justhroughout the two-hour debate. tice in taxing land and exempting all Mr. U'Ren made the first 40 minute other possessions. speech. He explained the purpose of ciency of a large proportion of the the single tax and said that instead has been repudiated the world over,"

would materially decrease it. He mentally unjust and economically always owed them when the city was said that the idea of the graduated unsound, having no place in the ecowet, paid their bills promptly after it single tax was to decrease the tax on nomic consideration of a sane, intelwas voted dry. Mr. Hall said he at- improved and productive land and lectual and self-governing people, tributed his own success to honesty, to increase the tax on lands held for such as those of Oregon." speculation and unimproved. The speaker said that the tax roll tax measure was not the result of

all young men present to keep away of Clackamas county had been ex- any public demand, but that the tended on the basis of the single tax Fels Fand Commission was attemptin order to show what the effect ing to foist it upon the state of Ore-Professor Gibson spoke in behalf of would be. He showed that water gon and that its supporters are ania decisive victory for the drys. He powers, franchises of public service mated by the spirit of single tax as said that every citizen in favor of corporations and the property of set forth in Henry George's "Prog-

to to get all his neighbors in favor of ed. They are now exempt. With U'Ren's allegation that the single the tax roll of the county extended tax was a success in British Colum-

under the single tax he said that the bla. Mr. Shields declared that it Gibson highly commended the reform farmer would pay from about 15 to was not the Simon pure single tax, work of Governor West and said that 50 per cent less taxes. He gave speci- He further declared that many of the communities have banded together U'Ren said the single tax had work- in an attempt to rid themselves of

ed successfully in British Columbia the single tax. He declared the resuggestion, resolutions expressing and read a number of letters received suit of the single tax was to destroy the confidence of those present in from city and county officials where the selling value of land. Governor West's reform policies and the tax had been tried. They enpledging their support were unani- dorsed it. Mr. U'Ren contended that about who was paying him by de-

it was not an experiment, but that claring that he was only being reim-Mr. Parsons made a few remarks, it had been given a thorough test bursed to the amount of what his declaring the saloon to be the great- and proven successful. He declared salary would be during his absence, that it was one of the factors which and also his expenses. He mainwas causing the big emigration to tained that he was sincere in fighting British Columbia from this country. the single tax in Oregon and admit-Touching upon the campaign that ted that those who had raised the

upon the initiative and also to a tax, Mr. U'Ren admitted that it was he said, would suffer the greatest inpaid advertisement (so marked) in- being liberally financed by the Fels justice should the single tax become

alleged extravagance in the conduct only indebtedness which must be passage of the Majority Rule uals who had contributed small tax would confiscate land or reduce of the county's affairs, acturl figures met from this fund is that levied for Amendment. He said that an or- amounts. He said they were not at- its value- He said that the tax was obtained from the county clerk's state purposes. The unpaid one- ganized effort is being made to de- tempting to conceal who was back- levied in such a manner that the tenng them in their fight. He then dency would be to break up large

average value of land an acre in the asleep at his residence. He made no state is \$35.23, the highest being \$340 demonstration during the night. an acre in Hood River county, and Dufur formerly lived at The Dalles. the lowest \$9.12 an acre in Wheeler county.

The report shows the total farm acreage in the state to have been 12,390,383 acres on August 31. The average size of an Oregon farm is shown to be 252 63 acres, and the average value of an Oregon farm, including buildings, livestock and machinery, 1s given as \$631,317.255. The number of farms is given as 38,000, and the farm acreage as 12,399,283. Of the 38,000 farms, 25,000 are free from mortgages. The average value per acre of potatoes is three times that of hay and forage, and of hops, River. eight times. Gilliam and Umatilla countles grow two-fifths of the barley crop, and Clackamas, Marion and Multnomah countles produce one-half of the potato crop in the state.

The number of manufacturing establishments is given as 2378, the value of products per capita at \$139, and the number of wage-earners at 29,563.

WOMEN'S CLUBS ARE **TO BE ENTERTAINED**

At the next meeting of the Woman's Club, to be held Wednesday, Nov 6, a reception will be tendered to the Four Leaf Clover Club, the Frankton Woman's Club, the Choral Union and to the teachers of the schools. The social program to be given will be in charge of Mrs. F E. Ferguson.

At the meeting of the club last week Miss Milam gave an Interesting talk on social economics. Mrs, Henney delighted the club with a vocal solo, while Hans Hoerlein gave some selections on the plano which were greatly enjoyed.

To Vote for Grange Bills

To vote for the Grange road bills, which have been approved by the Hood River Commercial Club, vote 324 and 326 Yes and vote no on all other proposed road measures.

WOULD KILL JUDGE

Douglas S. Dufur, a court stenog-

rapher of Portland, who has fre-

court stenographer for Judge Brad-

shaw, was examined to determine

his mental competency at the county

after having made a threat to kill

Circuit Judge Gatens of that city. It

was decided not to send him to the

asylum at Salem, but to grant the

request of Mrs. Dufur that she be

allowed to take him to a health re-

sort for a long test. His condition

is ascribed to extreme nervousness

will restore his mental equilibrium.

and it is believed that rest and quiet

against Dufur, following the report

that while in a semi-intoxicated con-

dition in a saloon he displayed a re-

volver and announced his intention

of killing Circuit Judge Gatens and

Captain Keller kept a guard around



Robert Walstrom, 40 acres in Mid. levied is evidenced by the fact that spite the additional expense of \$3,000 dle Valley.

Tie and Timber Company, 39 acres in out and as yet no warrants have Last year the levy for road pur-Belmont district.

cus, ten acres in Barrett district. lot 3 and half of lot 4, block 3, Hood year will not exceed \$5000.

Sumner D. Cameron to A. C. Pierce, not supported by the facts. At the

lot at Odell, \$700.

istration during the present year has payable, but not yet due. If it were and showed the practial impossi-River became a county.

This was only five tenths of a mill current expenses, with only a com-

Anna Lenz to W. H. Simpson and clous expenditure of the sum thus the end of the year. This, too, de-

Warren E, Davenport to Columbia over from last year has been wiped new steel bridge at Tucker's.

Myrtle A. Gillam to Mary C. Zillia- the record made so far this year, The sum thus raised was \$45,921.56. Sherman J. Frank to Anna Frank. the deficit at the end of the present poses in excess of this amount was

present time the county is absolutely

John A. Hammond to his wife, lot that the county is laboring under a beginning of the present year for 6, block 3, Stranahan's first addition. heavy indebtedness entailed by ex. road purposes alone, in addition to Bessle Margulis to J. Margulis, un- travagant methods and that a which there was a deficit in the gendivided half of 40 acres near Tucker's. change, should therefore be made, is eral fund of \$16,781.31.

This year the levy for road pur-(Continued on Page 3)

The general county levy for all the current income of the county, ure submitted under the initiative. salary, purposes this year, exclusive of this sum will be sufficient to pay

larger than last year, but the judi paratively few unpaid warrants at an indebtedness of \$34,644.17 carried entailed through construction of the

been registered. Judging from poses in the county was five mills, there is every reason to believe that The amount expended for road pur-\$17,862,86, which constituted the

been the most economical since Hood 'paid this month there would remain billty of securing a majority of all He strongly urged the defeat of the "323 No."

> SUFFRAGIST WILL **MAKE SPEECH HERE**

Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman who is said to be one of the most eloquent woman orators of the East. River on the subject of equal suffrage Attempts to give the impression deficit that the county faced at the at the Commercial Club Hall next Saturday, Nov. 2, at 8 o'clock. The address will be given under the auspices of the Hood River Woman's Suffrage League. All are invited.

> A voter's first duty is now the study of proposed laws.

confronted Mr. Shields and challenged holdings of unimproved land held him to announce who had employed for speculation by raising taxes, but on hand a balance of \$4,702. With votes cast in favor of any one meas- him to fight single tax and at what that the tax on improved lands would not be increased, nor their In this connection Mr. U'Ren made value lessened. He said that land

special district levies, was 10 8 mills, outstanding warrants and to meet Majority Rule Amendment by voting the allegation that Mr. Shields and had not been confiscated nor values other opponents of the single tax reduced in communities where the were being employed by the big cap- graduated single tax has been used. Italists of Portland, who, he said, "But I will tell you in a word would be forced to pay thousands of what my object is," he continued. dollars increased taxes on their prop- "I intend to help make such laws in erty holdings under the single tax. Oregon that no man can get a dol-He said they could afford to make a (Continued on Page 10)

> will address the people of Hood COUNTY TEACHERS GO ON RECORD IN IMPORTANT EDUCATIONAL MATTERS

> > Felicitating each other upon living | Children's Fair held this year and and working in an ideal rural com- urge that it be made a permanent munity and declaring their opinion institution.

> > upon several matters of special im- V. That we thank our instructors portance to the educational life of and entertainers for the knowledge the county, the teachers in session at and inspiration brought to us and the institute last week adopted be- invite them to visit our community fore adjournment the following res- often. olutions:

Be it resolved by the teachers of Hood River county:

harmony with the one idea empha- tion should replace this present plan. sized during these sessions, namely that the school should be made closely responsive to the needs of the inpreclative study of Literature, Music the county, and Art.

An Ideal Rural Civilization a community in which social status eration in his educational plans.

IV. That we have profound faith in the lasting benefit to the school children resulting from the School

omic justice to all classes.

VI. That we place ourselves on record as opposed to the present plan of Eighth Grade Examinations, that I. That we declare our hearty we telleve a system of local promo-

Practical Training Favored

VII. That we favor the adoption dividual, the home and the commun. of some plan of union by which Doity. That we believe vocational mestle Science and Manual Training training may be blended with an ap- may be taught in all the schools of

VIII. That we tender Mr. Alderman our sympathy in his accident: II. That we felicitate each other our regret in his inability to meet that we live and work and grow in with us and assure him of our co-op-

is determined by true merit; a com- IX. That we feel that this, the munity in which the farmer, his wife first county institute held in Hood and their sons and daughters are the River county has been a complete highest type of citizens; a community success; that we commend onr counin which college men and women are ty superintendent, Professor Thompmoulding an ideal rural civilization. son, for his efforts, which have made III. That we extend our sympathy such a result possible, and that it is and pledge our support to the world our desire that Hood River county movement to secure social and econ- hold its next annual fastitute apart from any other county.

L. B. Grason, DELLA RUSH. GEO. TONKIN.

Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt was shot by a maniac named Schrank while on his way to make a speech in Milwaukee. The **News Snapshots** bullet entered his breast, but did not touch any vital part. The colonel was removed to Chicago, where his recovery was rapid. The Boston Red Sox defeated the New York Giants for the world's baseball championship by four games to three. Wood of Of the Week Boston and Marquard of New York won the majority of games for their teams. The state finished its evidence in the Becker case, and the defense began. Turkey declared war against the Balkan states, and fighting was reported all along the border. Abdullah Pasha is leading the Ottoman troops Felix Diaz, a nephew of former President Portirio Diaz of Mexico, began a revolution against the present administration.

