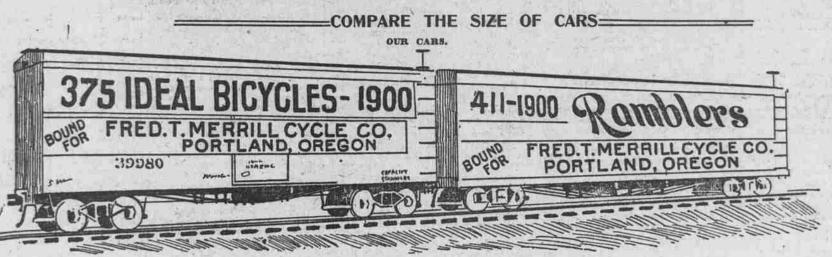
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The Precinct Primaries Were Set for March 24, and the County Convention for April 7.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 27.-The democratic county central committee, at a meeting this afternoon, set the precinct primaries for March M, and the county convention for April 7. The apportionment of dele-gates to be voted for at the primaries will be based upon the vote received by Ramsay, candidate for supreme justice two years ago, and will be made by Chairman Bayne, of this city, and Secretary Fenzer, of Woodburn, who were instructed to notify each member of the committee of the result when they shall complete their task,

The meeting was very harmonious, and was well attended, nearly the whole com-mittee being present. There was little or no discussion of the political situation. county, state or national, but there seemed to be a tacit understanding that in the coming election democrats should not subject themselves to an alliance with their old populist campaigners. It is the gen-eral opinion that the democrats of this county are firmly in favor of a straight ticket, whatever be the outcome, and that a majority of the party in Polk, Linn and Lane counties are of the same inclination.

TAX LEVY IN COLUMBIA COUNTY. State Tax to Be Greater Than Last Year-New County Surveyor.

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 27 .- The county issioners at an adjourned session esterday fixed the tax levy at 28 mills. his is 4 mill lower than last year's levy. A bleycle tax of \$1 25 each was levied upon bicycles; also a tax of 1 cent per head upon sheep and goats.

The scalp-bounty tax will amount to \$376.38, which, with \$9138.22 state tax. gives a total to the state of \$9514.60. The amount paid to the state last year was \$7957 66, or \$1655 94 less than it will be necessary to pay this year. Special school levies have been made in the various districts as follows:

Rainier, 9 mills; Mayger, 24 mills; Fish-hawk, 5 mills, and Vernonia, 10 mills. Vernonia also levied a city tax of 5

A. B. Little was appointed county surveyor, vice George Hayes, deceased.

School Taxes of Forest Grove.

FOREST GROVE, Jan. 27 .- A district meeting to vote a tax for the support of the public school for the coming year was held at the schoolhouse here this afternoon. Last year 4½ mills were voted, but on account of the low assessment a levy of 6 mills will be needed to raise the same amount this year. While the district was behind through having missed a levy two years ago, still it caught up several months ago, and the gain since then will about offset the \$400 shortage which will occur in the receipts from the county school fund in the current year. The 5-mill county tax prescribed by law will this year yield less to the public schools of the county, as there is about 21,000,000 less on the assessment roll. This will mean about \$1 per child less to be ap-portioned in the county school fund. At the school meeting today Benjamin Schofield was elected a director to succeed E. A. Hyde, resigned.

Tax Levy in Eugene. EUGENE. Jan. 27.—The annual school meeting of district No. 4, comprising the city of Eugene, was held at the courthouse last night. The board of directors made their report of the work of the past year, showing considerable increase in attend- is improving morally."

This is 2 mills greater than las year, but was voted without opposition. The total tax for all purposes will reach 36 mills in this city.

Hillsboro School Taxes.

HILLSBORO, Jan. 27.—The city school district today voted a 10-mill tax on a property valuation at \$315,330. This will conduct a nine months' school, pay \$500 interest, and reduce the bonded debt about \$1600. A motion was also carried to authorize the school board to refund the \$9000 bonds due in March. The board has the option of bonding, lesuing warrants, or notes, but must get the lowest possible rate of interest. The district expects about \$1600 from the state fund.

MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE. Should Be Chosen With Other Ob-

jects Than Election of Senators.

Pendleton East Oregonian. Were some mortal to drop from the moon and observe the course of political events here in this state, he would conthat the entire structure of the state government was framed with but one object in view—the selection of United States senators. In only about one instance out of ten is comment made on an issue which is not related to the United States senatorial aspirations of the various candidates. The whole sum and substance of the political scheme seems to be to send another man to the national capital to sit in the upper house and draw the \$6000 a year and the "perwhatever they may be, and which are always determinable by the degree of thrift on the part of the incum-

Why, in the name of free institutions, should every interest of the people of a commonwealth be subordinated to the desires of certain men to go to the United States senate? Are there no other matters worthy the attention of the people? Are there no questions of taxation and economy and improvement in state government to be considered?

St. Helens Republicans.

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 27.-At a meeting of the McKinley Republican Club held in St. Helens last evening an organization was effected by electing J. K. Blakesley president, and George A. Hall secretary. The following were elected delegates to attend the republican state league in Port-land February 6: W. W. Blakesley, George A. Hall and E. E. Quick,

Delegates From Sheridan.

SHERIDAN, Or., Jan. 27.—The Phil Sheridan Republican Club held a meeting and reorganized by electing C. B. Lafollett, president, and M. T. Henderson, secretary and treasurer, and chose the follow-ing delegates to the state meeting in Port-land: C. B. Lafollett, J. R. Evans, George City. W. Bibee, W. Tyler Smith and A. S. Fogg.

Two More From Forest Grove. FOREST GROVE, Or., Jan. 27 .- The Mc-Kinley Club's membership here has in-creased since its former election to entitle it to two more delegates to the conven-tion which will meet in Portland. At the

meeting last night, David Smith and Will-A Candid Democrat's Creed.

Salem Sentinel. We do not believe in the cowardly doctrine of sitting on the fence and watching the fruit with hungry eyes, ready to pounce upon it as soon as it falls to the ground. We are going to get in and help shake the

The Ontario lyceum, after earnest de-bate has resolved that "the human race

Probably a Southern Pacific Branch -Will Accommodate the Heavy Timber and Mining Interests.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Jan. 27 .- Information has leaked out that a company is being formed to build a railroad from this place to the Bohemia mines, a distance of 25 miles, and it is said that men of large means are behind the enterprise. It has been known for some months that such a project was seriously considered, and men have been at work during the past summer and fall examining the Bohemia mines and the vast belt of timber that is available. It is estimated that there is 50,000 acres of timber land that can be reached by building a railroad up Row river and Sharp's creek, and it is said that 12 sawmills will be erected at various places to cut this timber.

But one serious obstacle confronts this

enterprise, and that is the Cascade timber reserve, which extends to the foot of the mountain, about 25 miles from here. This, however, does not include the 50,000 acres that the company is figuring on, though in this reserve the area of timber

can hardly be estimated.

It is known that the Southern Pacific had its timber agents closely inspecting this region last year, making surveys and estimates, but to what extent it is allied with the enterprise is not known. That company owns a large amount of this timber land, and wishes to place it on the

A big scramble is now being made for timber claims. Men are searching the forests for claims, and many persons are paying \$50 to \$100 for a location. The Bohemia mines have grown to sufficient importance almost to justify a railroad. Last year 30 four-horse, six-horse freight to and from the mines, and de-velopment is hindered to a great extent by the want of freight and passenger fa-cilities. and eight-horse teams were busy hauling

OREGON POULTRY SHOW.

Annual Election of Officers-Next Meeting to Be in Portland.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 27.—At a business meeting of the Oregon State Poultry Association, held this evening, after the close of a very successful show, lasting a week, the following officers were elected for the

ensuing year:

President, R. F. Robinson, of Portland;
vice-president, D. O. Woodworth, of Albany; secretary, E. Wenwich, of Portland;
treasurer, Frank Lee, of Portland. Executive committee—E. Carlise, E. J. Ladd,
G. W. Downs and B. Lee Paget all of

Portland was chosen as the meeting place next year, receiving 61 to Corvallis' 58. The date of meeting will be selected by the executive committee. Mr. Hitch-cock, of Denver, was recommended as judge for next year, having given satis-

faction in the present show.

In the state poultry show the work of Judge Hitchcock was completed in a sat-isfactory manner, though he is said to have cut heavily in his scoring. L. W. Ross, of Albany, carried off the honors of the show, receiving the silver tray for exhibiting the 10 highest scoring birds, White Plymouth Rocks, held last year by D. O. Woodworth and in 1898 by William Divon. The score was 98% U.S. iam Dixon. The score was 928%. E. Carlisle, of P. riland, for the second time received the silver bell cup for the 10 highest ecoring Light Brahmas; score, 9334. A. W. Blackburn, of Albany, for the second time obtain d the teapor for the highest scoring coop of Black Langshans; score, 1881-3. L. D. Mulkey, of day,

house, could now wend his way to his Walla Walla home, were it not for his frightful appearance produced by eryslpe-las. The lice have all left him, and he has been decently clothed, at the expense of the public. Now, if he isn't too lazy to oc-casionally wash himself he may, in time, become comparatively respectable. He himself is to blame for his lousy loath-someness, when he was taken in charge as a pauper.

Large Pension to Salem Man. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-Senator Simon has securred the allowance of a pension of \$72 a month for Levi P. Adams, of Salem, Or. This pension dates back to October 24 1889. The senator had some difficulty in securing this allowance, because of its extent, and it is seldom that an allow-ance of \$72 a month is now secured, except by special act of congress, and if pending legislation goes through it will be impossible to secure this amount, even by

Astoria Notes. ASTORIA, Jan. 27.—The county court will meet next Tuesday to receive a report from the county attorney as to the legality of levying a special tax of 5 mills for road purposes. If the report shall be favorable it is likely that the levy will be

A large number of Native Sons and Daughters came down from Portland to-day and were this evening entertained by the local cabins at a banquet, with appropriate exercises.

British Columbia Afraid of Smallpox. VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 27.—In view of smallpox in Washington, extreme precau-tionary measures have been adopted by the civic authorities, Mayor Haward today proclaiming that general vaccua-tion was imperative. Chinatown is also to be thoroughly overhauled. All mail for Kootenal will hereafter fo via the Canadian Pacific, instead of by Puget

Walla Walla Postoffice. Receipts and expenditures at the Walla Walla postoffice for the past four years have been as follows:

ditures. \$8,222 72 8,230 90 8,928 81 8,306 00

To Establish Oriental Trade. TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 27 .- S. D. Emerson and F. F. Mead, of Denver, have arrived here en route to the Orient. They state that they represent an Eastern syndicate, which intends to establish trade relations on a large scale with China, Japan and the Philippines.

Two Penitentiary Sentences. NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 27.— Judge Davidson this afternoon sentenced Tom S. Martin, colored, to 16 years in the penitentiary for the murder of Tom John-Mendenhall, the swindler, was sentenced

Victoria Still Champion. VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 27.—Victoria to-day defeated Vancouver in the final and decisive game of the Rugby championship series, winning by a score of \$ to 0. This is the third season in which the champions have not lost a game.

SALEM, Jan. 27.-Clara M. Talmquist, aged 28, and Mrs. Anne Eliza Mason, aged committed from Multnomah county, at the hospital for the insane to-

FATE OF YOUNG MAN GOING WITH

She Left Home a Week Ago-After Shooting Lover, Father Mounted Horse and Fled.

LA CROSSE, Wash., Jan. 27 .- At 7 o'clock last night Samuel R. Clemens shot and killed George Boland, the bullet strik-ing the center of the nose and penetrating the skull. Clemens then mounted a horse and escaped. Officers have not obtained a trace of his whereabouts.

Clemens is a farmer near here, and had a young daughter, who ran away from home a week ago. Last night, while she was on the way to a masquerade ball, in company with George Boland and two others, Clemens waylaid them and shot without warning.

DEAD MAN IDENTIFIED.

Tenderloin Saloon-Keeper Arrested, Charged With the Murder. SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 27.—The man who was killed at Lake Union last night

was today identified as Charles Marbacher, a waiter in a downtown restaurant. Charles Shomo, owner of a saloon in the tenderioin district of Seattle, was arrested this afternoon, charged with the murder. It is alleged that Marbacher has been annoying Shomo's wife by unseemly attentions, within the last few weeks. It is further claimed that Marbacher is the man upon whose trail the police have been for several weeks for indecent exposure towards little girls. The description given by the little girls tallies with that of the dead man.

When Shomo was arrested a rifle of the

same caliber as the bullet which dealt the fatal shot was found. Shomo protests his innocence, and says he was asleep at the time at which the shooting is said to have occurred.

BURGLARS IN JEWELRY STORE. Took Property Estimated to

Worth \$1200 to \$1500. JUNCTION CITY, Jan. 27.—The jewelry store of F. W. Crain was burgiarized last evening between 5 and 6 o'clock, while Mr. Crain and his brother, Horace, at supper. They left the light burning, and as the thieves entered through the back door, they were not detected. The burg-lars took 60 gold watches, estimated at an average value of \$30 each, and 30 of which belonged to customers; 65 to 70 gold rings, worth \$1 to \$7 each, and a miscellaneous lot of other jewelry, the value of which is hard to estimate. The total value would probably reach \$1200 to \$1500.

JUDGE M'DONALD'S LETTER,

Recites His Own Virtue, His Contem poraries' Perfidy, and Withdraws. COLFAX, Wash., Jan. 27.-Judge Mc-Donald, of the superior court, has issued in open letter to the voters of the peo ple's party of Whitman county, in which he announces that he is not a candidate for re-election, and then proceeds to give the reasons why he has been moved to make this announcement; but first he ives his own idea of what his record has been as superior judge of Whitman county during the three years of his incumbency. According to the judge, he has tried more important civil cases than any of his predecessors, and has been have the superior of th almost always sustained by the supreme court. Court expenses have been reduced \$1600 a month by him, and by the use of the discretion vested in him, foreclosure proceedings have always been held up to enable the farmer debtor to harvest and market his crop, and either pocket the

He asks himself the question, "Do you think you could not be re-elected if nomi-nated?" and, answering, says: "No; a man with such a record can be elected

in any country."
The reason for not being a candidate he says, is that he is disgusted at the dishonesty and malfeasance in office of 20 to 30 per cent of the efficials elected on the same ticket with him. These dis-honest officers he has endeavored to have punished, and, failing in this, has been traduced and vilified by them and their friends. He alludes to the fact that in 1898, with the consent of the prosecuting attorney, J. W. Mathews, a detective was employed to shadow him, with the avowed purpose of gathering testimony that would convict him of bribetaking or some other felony that would warrant his removal. Continuing, he says:

"And this is what it means to enter polltics in Whitman county. I am sick and tired of such perfidy, and will retire to private life at the end of my term." This open letter has been commented on very freely by members of all parties, the populists dealing with it the most severely. One man, prominent in that party, stated that McDonald had issued the letter with the evident intention of forcing his own nomination from the oulists, to keep him from opposing the

Democrats Take Oakesdale Sun. OAKESDALE, Wash., Jan. 27.—Leading democrats of Oakesdale, headed by R. L. Nottingham, have organized a company for the purpose of conducting the Oakes dale Sun in the interest of that party The Sun has been established 10 years, at first being conducted as a republican paper, but in 1896 swinging into the ranks of the silver-fusionists, and in 1898 turning populist.

NORTHWEST DEAD,

Funeral of Mrs. Burt. HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 27.-The funeral of Mrs. Caroline E. Burt occurred here today, the remains being interred in the Masonic cemetery, under the auspices of the ladies of the Red Cross.

William Mason, Ploneer of 1852. MONMOUTH, Or., Jan. 27.—William Mason, one of the early ploneers of the Willamette valley, died at his home in this city this morning. He was 87 years old the 15th of last December. He came from

SEATTLE VERSUS TACOMA

Queen City Takes Three Games From

the City of Destiny. SEATTLE, Jan. 27.-The second interstate bowling championship match sched-uled for Seattle was played tonight, the Seattle Bowling Club team taking three games from the Union Club, of Tacoma, and tying her for the fourth. Gillette, of the Seattle Bowling Club, did remarkable work, as the following scores show:

Union Club. 165 Parsons 155 Tuling 185 Griggs ..1062 Total

Basket-Ball at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 27. - The second of the series of basket-ball games between the Vancouver Amateur Athletic Club and the Vancouver volunteer fire-men took place at the Auditorium last evening. The score was 14 to 4 in favor of the V. A. A. C. There was less rough play than at the first game last week, and the game was characterized by much bet-ter team work on both sides than the for-Mont Smith, of the V. A. A. C. team,

wen first laurels for individual plays, six of the seven baskets scored by his side being credited to him. Complaint Against a Log Boom.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Jan. 27 .- A com-

plaint has been filed against the North river boom by two North river settlers, on the ground that it blocks navigation.

The boom is a co-operative affair of practically all the settlers on the river. and was built because no individual or corporation could be induced to do so, A boat tramway was built around it to accommodate skiffs, etc., which must pass while the boom is in use. This week the last of nearly 6,000,000 feet of logs be-longing to the settlers was taken out, and the river is now open. The boom has paid for itself in two years, at the rate of E cents per thousand for boomage and rafting. This is less than one-half the usual rate. A corporation was formed by Montesano parties some months ago to build a boom on the river, and Henry Hewitt, the Tacoma lumberman, was supposed to be back of them, but no further steps

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