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BRIEF MENTION.

Leaves From the Notebook of Chronicle Reporters.

Farmers everywhere report roads in splendid condition.

The excess in the number of males over females in Oregon is 48,253, or more than 13 per cent.

Rev. Roland D. Grant announces his intention of resigning the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Portland.

Word received this afternoon announced the death of Bill Nye, which occurred at Asheville, N. C. this morning.

The Stars and Stripes floated fore and aft from the Regulator this morning as the boat gracefully steamed down the river.

In February six years ago, the farmers, as they now are doing, got their crops in early and reaped a bountiful harvest.

In answer to Mr. and Mrs. Farley's invitation through THE CHRONICLE, seventeen ladies called yesterday to see the baby.

The Republican state convention meets Thursday, April 9th, at Portland. There will be 236 delegates, of which Wasco county is entitled to 7.

George Runyon's boy, 10 years old, proved himself a hero the other night, when a burglar tried to enter the house. The boy awoke by the noise of a window being very cautiously raised, and instead of shouting to his papa or pulling the clothes over his head, made a break for the closet, where the gun was. The burglar became alarmed and fled in the darkness, but if Master Runyan had got a bead on the prowler he would certainly have been shot.

Thirty-five Conversations.

A Fairfield correspondent, a locality on Dutch Flat, speaks of the beautiful sunshine, etc., and continues:

But sunshine, and good weather and bright hopes are not all that the people of Fairview have been blessed with in the past ten days, for the majority of them, young and old, have been blessed with sunshine in their souls and now have bright prospects of a glorious reward which is promised to all who will follow the precepts of their blessed Redeemer. Religious meetings have been carried on for ten days under the direction of the Holy Spirit, and through Mr. and Mrs. Wilder, three members of the Salvation Army, Joseph Miens and many other Christians, and the result has been that some thirty-five sought mercy from the living God. An eye witness speaking of it, said surely this is a miracle. "In the last days I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh," saith the Lord.

Republican Central Committee Meeting.

The meeting of the Republican county convention was called to order at 1:30 this afternoon by Chairman J. M. Patterson. The first business before the committee was choosing the time for holding the county convention. On motion of Mr. B. S. Huntington the date was set for March 28th at 10 o'clock a. m. The motion was seconded by Mr. C. E. Bayard and unanimously carried. Mr. Bayard also moved that the time for holding the primaries be fixed at Saturday, March 21st. It was also decided that the time for holding the primaries outside the city be fixed at 2 o'clock. Within The Dalles precincts the polls will be open from 12 o'clock to 7.

On motion of Mr. B. F. Laughlin, seconded by Mr. A. S. Roberts, it was voted that the apportionment of the delegation to the county convention be one delegate at large for each precinct and one delegate for each twenty-five votes cast for Governor Lord at the election of 1894, or fraction thereof greater than one-half.

The following gentlemen were appointed judges for the primary election in The Dalles precincts:

West Dalles—T. A. Hudson, H. H. Leonard, C. L. Schmidt.

Trevitt—C. L. Phillips, Frank Vogt, Sr., Thomas Haelam.

Bigelow—Hugh Chrisman, Fred Bronsen, J. E. Barnett.

East Dalles—F. D. Creighton, Horace Rice and W. H. Butts.

At this juncture the matter of allowing the representation to Ramsey precinct came up and on motion, the question was left for decision with a committee consisting of Geo. W. Johnston of Dufur, C. R. Balch of Ramsey and Alex. McLeod of Kingsley. Mr. W. H. H. Dufur of Ramsey made an earnest speech upon this matter, after which the committee retired for deliberation. It had not reported at the time of going to press. The following is the personal of the committee in session today:

Chairman, J. M. Patterson; secretary, H. H. Riddell; Committeemen—West Hood River, M. P. Isenberg by E. S. Olinger, proxy; East Hood River, E. S. Olinger; Baldwin, Albert McCamey, by W. R. Winans, proxy; West Dalles, Geo. Runyon; Trevitt, C. E. Bayard; Bigelow, J. M. Patterson; East Dalles, L. L. McCartney; Columbia, H. Gilpin; Eight-Mile, W. J. Davidson; Deschutes, A. S. Roberts; Nansene, E. A. Griffin, by J. M. Patterson, proxy; Dufur, C. P. Balch; Kingsley, A. McLeod; Tygh Valley, C. J. VanDyke, by B. F. Laughlin, proxy; Wamic, P. W. Knowles; Oak Grove, O. L. Paquette, by F. Gabel; Bake Oven, H. C. Rooper; Antelope, W. Bolton, by B. S. Huntington, proxy. Absent: Falls—E. P. Ash. Mosier—A. C. Fisher.

LATER—The committee made a report allowing two votes to Kingsley, two votes to Ramsey and three to Dufur. This closing up the business before the committee the meeting adjourned. The representation for each precinct in the convention will be as follows:

Falls, 5; West Hood River, 6; East

Hood River, 3; Baldwin, 2; Mosier, 3; West Dalles, 5; Trevitt, 6; Bigelow, 6; East Dalles, 7; Columbia, 2; Deschutes, 2; Eight Mile, 2; Nansene, 2; Dufur, 3; Ramsey, 2; Bakeoven, 2; Tygh Valley, 2; Oak Grove, 2; Wamic, 3; Kingsley, 2; Antelope, 6.

URGING ON THE WORK.

The Dalles Commercial Club and the Cascade Locks.

The Commercial Club was called to order at 8 o'clock last evening at the club rooms by President J. S. Schenck, who stated the object of the meeting to be to hear the report of the delegates sent to Cascade Locks on February 11th, and take suitable action thereon. Thereupon Mr. A. S. Mac Allister, chairman of the committee, presented a report, clear in expression, complete in detail, exhaustive in information, and altogether a careful and painstaking paper, embodying as well a resolution, the wisdom of which was made apparent by being adopted by the club without opposition.

The report, which is quite lengthy, stated that "on Feb. 11th the committee met J. H. D. Gray, of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce, and James Crawford, of the Vancouver Board of Trade, and together called on Messrs. Day and Lieut. Taylor. They came to the following conclusions: That the contract work will be completed by March 1st; that the bulkheads at the upper and lower ends of the canal will be removed so as to allow the passage of boats within six weeks; that it is uncertain if the locks can be successfully operated without additional work be done in the middle locks, in which there is no way to prevent the loose rock and dirt from washing down, and thereby interfering with the operation of the lower gate by choking the valves. If this should happen, the operation of the locks would be suspended until such time as suitable walls could be built to prevent such a condition.

"Lieut. Taylor, in explanation to the committee, said that the examination of the character of the rock was originally made by boring, and that it was thought the rock was of sufficient firmness, but since the excavation it was found that it slacks when exposed to the air, making it necessary to protect the banks with concrete work and masonry on both sides. The concrete work could be put in at an estimated expense of \$6,000, which would be sufficient to protect the locks and gates until masonry could be put in.

"Still another important feature is the protection of the locks, which are now endangered by any ordinary high water. It was recommended by the engineers to the special session of congress of last year that a further appropriation of \$413,000 be made by congress to riprap the entire north bank of the river between that and the locks, setting forth that any ordinary high water is likely to wear away the bank, composed of loose rock and dirt, and sweep away the labor of years. That of this amount \$179,597 could be profitably expended during the

fiscal year ending June 30, 1897. That there is an unexpected balance of \$3,893.90, which with the 413,000, would be sufficient to make the locks durable forever."

In conclusion the committee offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we, the Commercial club of The Dalles, Oregon, an organization composed of business men, representing every interest and social faith, believing in the importance of this great work and the necessity of its early completion, join and invite the co-operation of all the chambers of commerce, boards of trade and commercial clubs of the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho in a memorial to congress, and urge through our senators and representatives the immediate appropriation of at least \$179,597 asked for by the chief of engineers, and that it be made available and at once, and that a committee of five members be appointed to carry out the objects of this resolution."

A. S. MAC ALLISTER, EMIL SCHANNO.

"What will you do with the committee's report, gentlemen?" asked President Schenck.

Mr. Whealdon promptly moved that the report be received and placed on file and that the resolution be adopted. The motion carried.

The memorial to congress by the Astoria chamber of commerce was then read. This memorial calls attention to the uncertainty of the opening of the locks, that agricultural, horticultural, wool, lumber and transportation interests are involved, involving the loss of thousands of dollars daily, and urges the urgent need of the appropriation of \$179,597, which can profitably be expended for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1897.

This led to a general discussion, participated in by Messrs. Bradshaw, Whealdon, Mac Allister, Laughlin and Schanno. Mr. Bradshaw believed that in the light of the report it was important to do the work at once for which \$6,000 estimate was made, and that the amount should be secured with the least possible delay. He believed that a com-

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