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This is the season of the political platform, which may be expected to be as platitudinous and formal as usual.

Loss railroad mileage was constructed in 1915 than during any other year since the civil war, and it's about time to protect the cringing corporations from the predatory public.

The G. O. P. convention is not quite so conventional as usual, and even the bosses do not seem to know what is going to happen.

Rev. J. E. Snyder of Pendleton presents the view that communities the size of Weston should have but one church—a consolidated institution—and that community amusements, including dancing, should be promoted and regulated under municipal direction. He pointed out in his forceful address here Saturday that it is better for the young people to dance under proper restrictions, since most of them are determined to dance in any event, than to indulge in this pastime without restraint. Recognizing modern conditions, he would have them dealt with in a modern way.

Here's an extremely personal personal from the Saturday Evening Allibi that will at least be read with approval by the itinerant medicine fakir:

"Dr. G. W. Tape, who used to be at Hot Lake, was here Thurs. A. Toxen Worm of N. Y. was here last wk. We wish Mr. Worm had staid over so as to meet the doctor. They would make a great team."

The Progressive convention cheered the name of Roosevelt for an hour and a-half, which we fear is about the most cheering news the Colonel will get out of Chicago.

It will be found that the Democrats are not afraid to nominate a man who isn't satisfactory to Colonel Roosevelt.

Justice Hughes is evidently acting upon the prudent principle that what ever he doesn't say cannot be used against him.

#### BUNCOMBE IN PLATFORMS.

Government attempts things that are beyond its powers—for example, maintaining an obsolete system of unlimited competition in business. It thinks almost any situation can be adequately dealt with by printing some words about it in the statute book. There is a scarcity of shippings due to the war; but shipyards are turning out vessels to the limit of their capacity and are engaged for a long time ahead. Government cannot possibly add a single bottom to the world's merchant fleet, but thinks it is dealing with the scarcity of shippings when it passes a law about it. The effect of government action in other respects is problematic, incalculable. For instance, it passes a low-tariff act and other factors almost immediately cause the sharpest rise ever known in commodity prices.

But some very simple things are entirely within the power of government. It can stop wasting tens of millions yearly in pork-barrel appropriations. It can adopt a broad, intelligent, non-partisan scheme of watershed improvements and reorganize the executive departments. By really achieved reforms, wholly within itself, it can save millions, or hundreds of millions, of public money. There is nothing uncertain or problematic about the result of these lines. The result is sure; the national gain unquestionable.

No need to tell you the political platforms, which you will be reading about now, contain much of buncombe. But notice how they deal with these simple tangible, indubitable reforms. By noticing that you probably will be able to judge, in a rough sort of way, how much buncombe they contain.

#### HARLAN ON BASEBALL.

L. K. Harlan, sporting editor of the Pilot Rock Record, has this to say with regard to the collapse of the late lamented Blue Mountain league:

"Now comes the Pendleton baseball team with the announcement that it is still in the Blue Mountain league, and is ready to play ball again. In face of this announcement, we must say that it is certainly too bad that the Pendleton aggregation didn't make a permanent decision one way or the other and then stick to it. After the Pilot Rock-Pendleton game of two weeks ago it was announced that Pendleton was going to withdraw from the league on account of being unable to raise sufficient funds to pay its players. When this became known both Weston and Pilot Rock accepted the decision as final and consequently these two teams disbanded. Now Pendleton has decided to stay. So far it hasn't been ascertained who is going to stay with them, for it is almost a dead clinch that it will be impossible to get either Pilot Rock or Weston together again. Still, there isn't much occasion for serious thought, for it may be that Pendleton will decide again in a few days that it will not stay in the league. We shall see what we shall see. In the meantime we would like to have a little information as to what disposition has or will be made of the \$50 deposit put up by the different teams as a guarantee for each to remain in the league and finish the season."

### PIONEERS REUNION A HUGE SUCCESS

The Program and Delightful Weather—347 Automobiles Counted Saturday.

That the twenty-fourth annual reunion of the Umatilla County Pioneers Association was the most successful ever held—which is saying a good deal—was the general opinion of those familiar with these enjoyable recurring events.

Friday and Saturday were both of them beautiful days, and the weather gods having for once smiled kindly, thousands of people thronged the pretty little city which has become celebrated throughout the Inland Empire for the uniformly efficient way in which it handles these association gatherings. Saturday, a Franklin agent from Walla Walla is said to have counted no less than 357 automobiles in Weston at one time, and the crowd is variously estimated at from three thousand to five thousand people. Doubtless, no one day of past reunions has shown a larger attendance.

Hundreds of old-time friends met each other again who seldom meet but once a year, and then on these occasions; the programs in the large auditorium were delightful, the sports interesting, the order good—although so much chatting while the exercises are in progress could be dispensed with to advantage. Two able and scholarly speakers were provided. The address Friday by Dr. Stephen B. Penrose, president of Whitman College, was retrospective and historical. Saturday, Rev. J. E. Snyder of Pendleton looked into the future, and strongly presented his views as to what is needed to promote the moral, spiritual and material progress of Oregon in general and Umatilla county in particular. Both addresses were among the best ever heard in this city on any similar occasion.

The reunion was also fortunate with respect to its readers and singers. Beautiful, inspiring and humorous program numbers were provided by Adah Leah Rose and Walter Rose of Pendleton, Winifred McKenzie of Walla Walla, little Ruth Douglas of Weston, Laurel E. Davis of Prescott, The Musical Fitchers of Pendleton, Lela G. Saling and Lois Porter of Weston, Lilla Simpson and Carl Genzel of Walla Walla, the Gilliam quartet of Pilot Rock and Zola Keen of Athens. A piano solo was brilliantly played Saturday by Lella Garfield of Athens, and splendid singing was heard from the Athens male chorus under the direction of Dr. W. R. Scott. The programs both days were enlivened with chorus singing by Weston voices under the direction of A. W. Lundell, and humorous numbers staged in costume by the Weston quartet met with pronounced favor. As reunion accompanist, Mrs. F. D. Watts admirably fulfilled her exacting task.

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Miss Lucile Fell of Pendleton won the gold medal contest given at High School auditorium Friday evening under auspices of the Umatilla County W. C. T. U.

Music by the Weston Concert band during both days of the reunion was accorded much praise. Not a few visitors found it hard to believe that this band has been in practice less than three months, so snappy and spirited were its musical offerings under the direction of Professor Lundell.

Athens took both ball games from Weston, Friday by a score of 16 to 4, Saturday by a score of 3 to 0. Pat Henderson, a Milton boy enlisted by the visitors, pitched the shut-out. Brill of the locals smashed out one of the longest home runs this Friday ever seen on the Weston lot. Saturday he again sent the ball over the fence, but was caught at the plate. After the games the people were entertained by lively street sports.

Chartered as usual by Jim Barnes, the old fiddlers appeared Saturday afternoon in what has become one of the time-honored features of the picnic. They were eight in number. Prizes were awarded by the judges: H. J. Taylor, E. W. Ritter and A. W. Nye of Pendleton—to the following contestants, in the order named: John Davidson of Umpine, George Llesalle of Athens, W. A. King of Athens and J. M. Ashworth of Weston.

Officers of the association were elected Saturday as follows: George D. Peebler of Pendleton, president; A. L. Swaggart of Athens, vice president; J. H. Price of Weston, secretary; Mr. Peebler came to Oregon in 1852 and has lived for forty years in Umatilla county. Mr. Barnes and Mr. Price are incumbents.

The Sons and Daughters of Pioneers elected the following officers: Frank Price of Weston, president; Mrs. W. O. Read of Athens, vice president; Mrs. W. S. Price, secretary; G. W. Winn, treasurer.

A Window of Pioneer Relics.

The interested gaze of hundreds of people was attracted during the reunion to one of the large display windows of the Weston Mercantile Company, which was devoted to an exhibit of pioneer relics and curios. They recalled memories of the camp and trail to the old pioneers themselves, and to their children were an earnest of what living meant in the west before civilization brought the then luxuries that are now regarded as necessities.

A list of the exhibits follows:

Chair in use 50 years—Mrs. H. N. Shank.

A stand that came around the Horn in 1855—Mrs. Polly J. Furcell.

A quilt, "Prairie Rose," 65 years old—Aunt Fannie McBride.

Bad iron, 100 years old, and shawl, 70 years old; also a purse 75 years old left by the late Uncle William Llesalle—Mrs. Ranom Llesalle.

Bake oven used in crossing the

plains in 1845—Porter Graham, sr. A quilt for which the mother of Mrs. N. Lovridge sheared the sheep, carded the wool and spun and colored the yarn; manufactured on a hand loom in 1857.

Spinning wheel and cards brought from Sweden in 1872—M. J. NorDean. Dog iron and pot hooks, 75 years old—S. A. Barnes.

Flint lock rifle more than 100 years old, in use with Daniel Boone in Kentucky—A. A. Keen.

Powder horn and gun about 100 years old, left by the late Uncle Tom Price.

Foot lock, brought across the plains—Mrs. John Head.

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Fish Exhibit Emotions.

We are accustomed to think that only we humans become pathic with fear or agitated with joy, but some of the percutants with perch in the artificial pond show that when their repose is suddenly disturbed their response is the glass fish visibly tremble, and the bars which are characteristic of this species actually disappear for the time being, only to reappear when the disturbance is removed and the equality of the fish is restored.

Sometimes a pike that is rapidly advancing on his prey becomes suspicious about the latter's character. The pursuer will suddenly stop in an attitude of doubt, his back will arch, and he will remain suspended as though studying the cause of his suspicious. Only when he is thoroughly reassured does he become rigid, to advance to the goal he drops to the bottom of the pond or swims off in disappointment.—Popular Science Monthly.

Success.

"One night at Lady Jeune's house Joseph Chamberlain said to me that he believed any man of even moderate endowment could attain any given aim which he set before him with unremitting effort and 'enduring to the end.' To my question, 'Why, then, do so many men fall short of their ambitions?' he answered, 'They come to the place where they turn back. They may have killed the dragon at the first bridge and at the second, perhaps even at the third. But the dragons are always more formidable the farther we go. Many turn back disheartened, and very few will meet the monsters to the end. Almost none is willing to have a try with the demon at the last bridge, but if he does he has won forever.'—Princess Lazarovich in Century.

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