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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER
 Pythian castle hall is being painted and decorated both inside and out.
 Numerous flocks of wild geese were flying over the city last evening, northward bound.
 At Skippoon next Monday evening at 8 o'clock, Rev. G. W. Gramis will hold religious services.
 Ladd and Child were yesterday awarded the contract for P. J. Goodman's new store, the amount being \$4,137.
 About 33 head of cattle were brought down on yesterday's steamer for Christmas & Co. They cost 45 cents a pound on foot.
 Numerous strangers wandering over the adjacent additions and townships, bespeak a return of an improvement in the real estate market.
 The average catch of a Columbia river fishing boat last season is set down at but little over 400, a meager contrast with the figures of former years.
 Things look quiet on the river. The usual bustle and business made by active canner operations is absent, and but few boats are seen along the Columbia.
 P. J. Goodman yesterday let the contract to Ladd and Child to build his new store building a substantial structure with plate-glass windows for \$4,137.
 Ben Young's building is getting along nicely, the corner store is now being plastered and when finished will be occupied by I. L. Osgood with a large stock of clothing, boots and shoes, etc.
 Occupants of stores will greatly enjoy their customers and the passing public by driving the heads of protruding spikes, in the planks of sidewalks, in front of their respective places of business.
 All the men employed by Charles Wand, superintendent of the Pacific Construction company, quit work and came to town yesterday on account of not being paid the wages promised them by the 15th inst.
 A strip of sidewalk on Sixth street between Olney and Genevieve is in a dangerous condition, and causes a little complaint from people who are obliged to traverse it. The attention of the proper officer is directed thereto.
 This evening at the court house the Democratic county convention will assemble at 7 o'clock, to elect seven delegates to the state convention, and will probably select a county central committee for the coming year.
 A fine dapple-gray Percheron horse, weighing about 1,800 lbs., came down on the steamer last evening, the property of Josiah West, who will stand him for the season at his place at Clatsop. Considerable fine blood in the way of cattle and horses, is being brought into the county.
 At Warrenton, yesterday, the men were busy drilling through the rock they had struck the previous day, and there was no gas. When the gas has passed through the rock, it is expected that there will be a good flow of gas. Time will tell. Eighteen inches of sandstone have been passed through.
 Last night at 10:30 o'clock, E. Pearson was arrested on First street, near the way to the station when near the corner of Second and Cass, he became very ugly and noisy, refusing to walk Officers Bensley and Kirby, however, soon persuaded him to change his mind, and he walked to the police office.
 Wednesday afternoon Ben Strobel, a nephew of engineer Hubersham, and a member of the engineering corps of the Pacific Construction company, while crossing the south fork of the Lewis and Clarke, fell and struck his head, injuring himself quite seriously. He came to Astoria yesterday for medical attention.

The grading for the bay motor line is being done in a substantial manner, and with its trestles, its stone bulkheads and newly leveled stretches of roadway, it looks like business. A switch is about completed, from the main line out to the dock, where several tons of iron and a hand car are awaiting the continuation of the track laying.
 In Justice May's court yesterday, Harry Whalen was examined on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, and held to appear before the next grand jury, with bail fixed at \$200. Wash. Yen, the Chinaman charged with larceny of a ring, was discharged, the prosecuting witness withdrawing the charge and paying all costs.
PERSONAL MENTION.
 J. R. Clinton, who has been confined to the house for a day or two past, with a severe cold, is around again.
 Mrs. Harris, of eastern Washington, is here on a visit to her brother, constable Welch. From here she will go to southern Oregon to visit other relatives.
 The Rev. O. B. Whitmore, former pastor of the M. E. church in this city, came over from Gray's river yesterday and will leave for his home in Eugene to-night.
Will Arrive Next Monday.
 Dr. Franklin Jones, the old reliable California specialist, late of San Francisco, now head physician and chief surgeon St. Louis Medical and Surgical Dispensary, will be at the Parker House for ten days on and after Monday next. The doctor is one of the oldest specialists in America in the cure of all chronic, nervous and private diseases and female complaints. Consultation and examination free to all. Don't fail to call upon this grand old man.
For Rent.
 Four nice large rooms. Inquire of Thompson & Ross.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.
Their Harmonious and United Deliberations.
NOMINATING STATE OFFICERS.
 About 4,000 words of description of the Republican convention's proceedings would have been in yesterday's ASTORIAN had the line kept up, but as usual, when any special news is being reported, the connecting link gave way. But that couldn't be helped.
 The convention was the largest in point of numbers ever assembled in the state, it was harmonious throughout, and indulged in no by play, transacting all its business swiftly and steadily.
 Some little time was consumed in getting under way, but when the delegates reassembled at 3:30 in the afternoon and listened to the platform, the unanimous expression was "now let us make the nominations."
 First came that of congressman. Herrmann's name, when uttered by Stearns, of Douglas county, was greeted by rounds of applause, and when the present representative of Oregon was nominated by acclamation the hall rang with cheers.
 Then the convention buzzed like a gigantic hive, for the nomination for governor had come. Some of the delegates were puzzled by receiving little squares of paper on which was printed

For Governor,
 RICHARD WILLIAMS
 Of Multnomah.
 Thousands of these were circulated through the hall and on the stairs, and they were only "flyers," and announced nothing.
 Gov. H. Williams, once attorney-general of the United States, and who came within one vote of being elected chief justice of the United States supreme court, was the man delegated to nominate P. Thompson for the governorship.
 He rose and started his speech, but couldn't make himself heard above the noise of "Platform! Platform!" The honorable jurist, after a few moments' delay, appeared by Chairman Tongue's chair and made a neat speech, placing personal feeling subservient to party zeal, and eulogizing the man he nominated in a way that kept the delegates applauding at the close of every few sentences. When Judge Williams sat down, the building was filled with a tumult of cheers.
 Then Mr. Ellis, of Morrow, rose; a gentleman of gigantic frame and an expert on some day represent Oregon in congress. In a speech that disappointed many who were expecting "something fine," he nominated the same man, in a plain, stolid way, and sat down. The nomination was received with a lesser degree of favor than that awarded to his competitor.
 The tellers then gathered the ballots by counties, the chairman urging them to speed, and in a few minutes 218 ballots were piled on the secretary's desk. When the 10th vote for Thompson was announced there was a big burst of enthusiasm. The vote stood, Thompson, 132; Moody, 59; scattering, 7. Then M. A. Moody, a son of ex-Gov. Moody moved that the nomination be made unanimous. Then there was a low feast, and all hands raised the roof in a figurative sense for two or three minutes.
 "Speech," speech" was then shouted and H. P. came from the back of the hall and stood on the platform.
 He made a speech characteristic of the man.
 He thanked the convention for the nomination and said: "I am not in the habit of undertaking anything and failing. I propose to be elected, and don't you forget it. I began a good many years ago as a blacksmith at Oregon City. After a while I worked at surveying; then I went into the banking business, and the people interested in the affairs intrusted to me have always been satisfied with the way I managed their interests. I think the application of the same principles that make a man successful in private business is a good thing in public life. I propose to be the governor of this state. There will be no power behind the throne. Withdrawing my name, I shall use my own judgment, but will receive and listen to advice from any source. During the next few weeks I shall visit several portions of the state and expect to see many of you again.
 As Mr. Thompson sat down, ex-governor Moody advanced with outstretched hand and smiling face, and tendered his successful competitor his hearty congratulations.
 The ex-governor does not consider his chances for political success at all marred by the events of Wednesday. He will be heard from again, but for a different and more valuable, though no more honorable office—U. S. senator.

SOME FURTHER NOMINATIONS.
 F. A. Moore, of Columbia county, in a brief but brilliant eulogy of Geo. W. McBride, nominated that gentleman for four years' further service as secretary of state. He, also, was nominated by acclamation, and Chairman Tongue, who was evidently in no mood to delay, announced that nominations for state treasurer were in order. Then came in the name of his neighbor and came blushing forward with a myriad of candidates. Portland had the governor, northwestern Oregon the secretary of state, southern Oregon the congressman, and what was the matter with eastern Oregon having a slice of the pie?
 So argued the delegates from the more arid portions of the commonwealth, and geographical considerations were urged as much as personal fitness in support of their claims.
 Baker county came first with the name of J. P. Faulk, then Umattilla put J. C. Leasure in nomination. To those conversant with existing circumstances Leasure's nomination was looked upon as a joke in questionable taste, but the man who struggled with the English language in nominating him meant well. This was placed in nomination W. J. Snodgrass of Union Co. J. W. Cusick, of Linn Co., was placed in nomination and was fortunate in the man who nominated him, and who made a fine speech in putting his man before the convention. The Phil Metcalf, C. M. Cartwright, W. T. Wright, and E. H. Mix, also of eastern Oregon, were successively placed in nomination, and J. G. Gray, who was the only candidate outside of the eastern section of the state.
 Few of the nominators helped their man by anything they said, and it was evident that in Oregon as elsewhere, the day of oratory is past.
 On the first ballot Metcalf led all his competitors with 62 votes, on the second, he had 94, and on the third, they had all dropped out but three, the ballot standing: Metcalf 141, Faulk, 28, Cusick, 37.
 Amid loud calls for Metcalf, that

gentleman arose from his seat among the other delegates from his county, and blithely stated his intention of "getting there."
 The hall was dusty and noisy, and it being then 5 o'clock, several motions were made to adjourn, but were lost. "Let's go ahead and finish up," was the cry of the majority, and they outshouted and outvoted the tired minority.
 There was a lively time over the nomination for supreme judge. W. R. Willis was the first nominee, with the usual laudatory speech, then J. F. Balleray, J. S. McCain, and J. F. Watson.
 H. H. Hendricks of Gilliam, with a voice like a siren and a man that carried conviction, put in nomination Hon. R. S. Bean, of Lane. "Hooray for Bob Bean," roared fifty voices. Hendricks went on eulogizing Bean, a native Oregonian, a clever judge, an honest man, etc., and when he had done it looked as if everybody there wanted nothing but a chance to vote for Bean.
 C. H. Humphrey, of Eugene, got the floor long enough to say that at Judge Bean's special request he, the speaker, was authorized to withdraw that gentleman's name. "No! No!" roared the delegates, and amid the shouts of E. L. Eastham of Oregon City, jumped in and said Bean had to be nominated; that he (Bean) had told him that if nominated by any degree of unanimity that he would not accept.
 Humphrey said Bean wouldn't accept; that he was now judge in the second judicial district, and if he accepted the nomination for the supreme judgeship he would have to resign his present position and then Governor Penoyer would appoint a Democratic judge in his place.
 But even that dire threat had no terrors for the convention; Eastham, who had his auditors with him, declared that Bean was the very man; he was so good that the second judicial district didn't want to lose him, but that the interests of the commonwealth were paramount to his own; any section or district of the state; that Bean was a man of and for the whole people, and that the whole people, or that majority represented by the Republican party would have just such a man as Bean on the supreme bench of this state. They wanted the best, and in him they had it.
 Humphrey kept on insisting that Bean wouldn't, and shouldn't, and so did several others, but their voices were drowned in cries of "Ballot! Ballot! We'll soon settle this thing!"
 And the ballot did, for in a few moments after the tellers had collected the tickets the secretary announced the following vote: Bean, 137; Watson, 18; Balleray, 26; Blackburn, 10; Willis, 8; McCain, 17; Whitley, 1. To Williams' joke, Humphrey rose and opposed the candidacy as an impossible thing, moved that the nomination be made unanimous, which was quickly done.
 After two more ineffectual attempts to secure an adjournment, E. B. McElroy was unanimously nominated for state superintendent of public instruction, and Frank C. Baker for state printer. Both gentlemen are the present incumbents of their respective positions.
 It was now 6:30, and a motion to adjourn to 8 o'clock was carried.

THE EVENING SESSION.
 Promptly at eight o'clock chairman Tongue brought down his gavel. The seats were full; every delegate was present and ready to go on; various district nominations were announced, among others that of Hon. Thos. A. McBride, the present able incumbent, for prosecuting attorney of the fifth judicial district. Each county delegate, in the interim, selected the delegate to represent him in the state central committee, and as the roll of counties was called, the following names were announced as constituting the state central committee:
 Baker, J. P. Faulk, Benton, J. H. Nicholas, Clackamas, E. L. Eastham; Clatsop, J. Tuttle; Columbia, M. Pomery; Coos, J. R. Lightner; Crook, A. E. H. Gates; Clatsop, A. H. Crook; Grant, G. W. Darr; Gilliam, J. B. Lucas; Grant, G. W. Darr; Harney, J. B. Huntington; Jackson, W. H. Lee; Josephine, H. E. Miller; Klamath, C. S. Moore; Lake, A. Snider; Lane, H. C. Humphrey; Linn, S. A. Dawson; Malheur, G. L. King; Marion, H. W. Cottle; Multnomah, James Lotan; Morrow, W. R. Ellis; Polk, J. H. Hawley; Sherman, E. O. McCoy; Tillamook, H. W. Umattilla; F. A. Wood; Union, J. K. Romig; Wallowa, F. D. McCully; Wasco, M. A. Moody; Washington, T. H. Tongue; Yamhill, Peter D. Gates.
 The convention ratified the nominations and a motion to adjourn was made. But it was only 8:15, and now that the work was done the delegates wanted a few exercises of a different nature. It didn't every day, and something more than the usual Sarsaparilla creates and sharpens the appetite, assists the digestive organs and regulates the liver, and is a sure remedy for Sarsaparilla this season. Sold by all druggists.
Ten Dollars Reward.
 The undersigned will give the above reward for information that will cause the arrest and conviction of any person found mutilating the bills on any of my bill boards or stands.
 L. E. SHELLO.
Do You Like a Good Cigar?
 Call at Charles Olsen's, east of C. H. Cooper's. He will suit you. A fine stock of cigars to select from.
 Two choice lots in the Columbia First Addition for sale very cheap, as owner is going away. Inquire at this office.
Notice.
 The Democratic County Convention will be held in the county court room over the east, on the first floor, at A. W. Utzinger's Cosmopolitan saloon.
Fine Table Wine
 Delivered at 60 cents a gallon, to any part of the city. A fine line of pure California wines, low prices, at A. W. Utzinger's Cosmopolitan saloon.
Ludlow's Ladies' \$3.00 Fine Shoes; also flexible hand-turned French Kids, at P. J. Goodman's.
To the Ladies.
 Mrs. Bowman has secured the services of a competent dress maker from the east, and has reopened her dress-making parlors. She invites her old friends and the public generally to call at her establishment on Third street, near Main. All work done with neatness and dispatch and at prices within the reach of all.
 For a first-class article of coffee buy "Purity," a blended roast of Java and Mocha, just received from Boston and sold only by Thompson & Ross.
 Try Star Whittaker sugar cured hams and bacon, and pure kettle-rendered lard, sold by Thompson & Ross.
 Eastern cream cheese, best Oregon dairy and California fresh roll butter at Thompson & Ross.
Third Saturday Surprise Sale!
 Men's all wool pants, worth \$4.50 to \$5, for Saturday only \$3.15.
 HERMAN WISE,
 In Occident Hotel Building.

lean convention of 1890 had passed into history.
AFTER THE CONVENTION.
 Immediately after the convention, about 30 of those who had been selected as the state central committee, came on the platform and organized. Jas. Lotan was elected chairman; a proposition to appoint an executive committee of five didn't meet with any favor, one member saying he didn't believe in having a committee within a committee. It was finally decided that the chairman should appoint the secretary.
 "What do you think of the ticket?" was the question asked at all the hotels and public places after the adjournment of the convention. The unanimous verdict was that it is a good one; this was not from the makers of the ticket, but from friends and foes alike. Objection was made in a few instances that it might have been better to have nominated somebody else than "a Portland man" for governor, but that objection, if it had any cause for existence, is obviated by the equal distribution of the nominations in all sections of the state, and the acknowledged efficiency of the gubernatorial nominee. Besides the Democratic nominee will be "a Portland man" also, so that upon this point honors are easy.
MILITARY BALL.
 A Delightful Gathering at Fort Canby.
 On Wednesday evening the Fort Canby Social club gave a ball in honor of the troops stationed there, who are soon to leave for the Atlantic coast, in accordance with orders from headquarters.
 Fine music was furnished by the Western Amateur orchestra and the occasion was one of the most enjoyable. Visitors were present from Fort Stevens, Irwaco, Astoria and surrounding towns, and merriment and pleasure reigned supreme.
 The bright uniforms of the officers and the elegant dresses of the ladies showed to good advantage in the well-lighted ballroom, and also at the supper, which was served in the large dining hall.
 The reception committee consisted of Captain A. T. Harris, W. Burns and hospital steward Twig, and the floor was under the direction of R. Turk, J. Gordon, Charles Stewart, W. McKenney, Keller. The hall was tastefully decorated and the national colors seemed to shine more brightly than ever, as if they felt uncommonly secure while hanging over so many brave defenders.
 The members of the social club were unremitting in their endeavors to please their guests, and are remembered gratefully by all who were fortunate enough to be present on the happy occasion. Among those in attendance were the following:
 Captain James Anderson and wife, T. Broemser and wife, J. H. Gold and wife, Sergeant Sutherland and wife, Sergeant Price and wife, J. H. Meech and wife, Sergeant Kelly and wife, A. McLean and wife, C. Broemser and wife, F. Clark and wife, R. O. Stone and wife, Captain Thomas Parker and wife.
 Mrs. Carruthers, Mrs. L. W. Hill and Miss Grace Carruthers of Astoria. Misses Rounds, Gerie Parks, L. Johnson, Jennie Sutherland, Elsie Ward, Maud Ward, Ella Markham, Hawks, Hawkins, Colbert, Massey, and Mollie Hughes.
 Mrs. Brenner, Mrs. Howerton, Mrs. McKnabb, Mrs. Dr. Parks.
 Major John Egan, Captain A. T. Harris, Dr. Walker, Lieutenant Van Dusen, Sergeant Dempster, Corp. Keller, Sergeant Steinback, John Grover, C. B. Allen, Frank Marden, Fred Marden, Jas. Hughes, Thos. Hill, Andy Gordon, Chas. Stewart, W. McKenney, James Burns, Cyrus Eibenberger, W. Martin, Ed. Ward, A. Markham, Ed. Peoples, J. C. Moreland, J. Riley, E. W. Lebeck, S. Pierce, H. Marr, W. Wood, B. Miller, N. Hughes, H. Rapier, Otter Hall, W. S. Marshall, Bert Moor and L. J. Butler.
 Found Dead in His Bed.
 Yesterday Peter Curry, a fisherman living in Upper Astoria, was complaining of feeling sick, but was not considered seriously ill. Last night he retired as usual to his bed, sleeping in a large room with some fifteen or twenty others.
 About midnight some of the men who were then retiring looked at Curry, and observing his singular appearance, they went to him with a light, and to their surprise and horror, found that he was dead.
 Word was brought down town about one o'clock this morning, and an inquest will doubtless be held tomorrow. The deceased was a young man, a Russian Finn.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS, APRIL 17.
 As Filed in The County Recorder's Office Yesterday.
 W. S. Kinney to H. F. Prall and John Murray, lots 11 and 12, blk 149, Shireley's Astoria, \$1,500
 L. C. Kinney to Emma Warren, lots 7 and 8 blk, 28 Alderbrook, 1,000
 M. J. Kinney et al to Fred Rief, lot 1 blk 23, New Astoria, 100
 Previously reported this year \$1,196,145
 Total to date 1,198,745
MARINE NEWS AND NOTES.
 Among the Reef's cargo yesterday were 1,000 cases of oil for the government buoy depot.
 The little steamer Rival came over from Gray's river yesterday, bringing nearly forty passengers.
Severity of Fat Beef.
 The weather continues unusually cold and backward, and is greatly retarding farmers in their spring work of seeding and planting. Vegetation comes along very slowly, especially to the men who have to buy feed for their stock at the present high prices of hay and mill-feed, and one of the effects is that fat cattle fit for market purposes can scarcely be had and are held at very high prices, 5 cents to 5 1/2 on foot being easily obtainable, which, dressed, would mean 10 to 10 1/2 cents. A prominent cattle dealer, in speaking with the writer, said that it would be away into June before fat grass-fed cattle would be obtainable.
The Palpit and the Stage.
 At St. Louis, manager Love's Funny Folks Combination, writes: "After a thorough trial and convincing evidence I am confident Dr. King's New Discovery cures every form of consumption, coughs, colds, and cures when everything else fails. The cure of thousands is to be seen in the thousands of testimonials from Dr. King's drug store. Regular sizes 50c and \$1.
ADVICE TO MOTHERS.
 MRS. WISLON'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind, colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.
Meals Cooked to Order.
 Private rooms for ladies and families; at Central Restaurant, next to Ford & Stokes.

Immense Importations
OF
Domestic and Foreign Dry Goods
 Received During the Past Two Weeks at the Leading House of Astoria.
SPECIAL
 Novelties in Dress Goods in the Latest Fabrics--Fashionable Shades
 Pythian Building **C. H. COOPER,** Third Street.
MORGAN & CO., The Leading Shoe House
WE ARE SUCCESSFUL.
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 Next Door to Ford & Stokes,
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LARGE STOCK. LOW PRICES.
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 Negotiations for the lease of a fine brick building now in course of erection in the city of Portland, it becomes necessary for me to close out my business here, and in order to accomplish this speedily I offer my enormous, well selected and superior stock of goods,
 Regardless of Cost!
 To all who have befriended me during my almost uninterrupted stay of ten years, I will always have the kindest of feelings, and an ASTORIAN shall always find me "AT HOME" in my new field—that is to be—and it shall always be a pleasure to me, to be able to do an Astorian any favor within my power.
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