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For the next ten days we will close out our line of Ladies' Street Hats at and below cost. We need the room.
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VOLUME SIXTEEN

With this issue the LEADER turns its sixteenth milestone. The paper during the past year, under the present management, has met with unprecedented success. Its subscription list has been more than doubled, while its advertising and job printing patronage has increased at a similar ratio. We have endeavored to give our patrons and the town a good local paper, striving at all times to encourage every legitimate enterprise, promote the development of our great natural resources—the mining and timber industries, and aid in the upbuilding and advancement of our prosperous, and rapidly growing town. We have endeavored to merit the liberal patronage extended the paper and will continue in our efforts to give full value for whatsoever patronage is accorded the paper. In the future the LEADER will keep pace with the growth and advancement of the town and tributary country as it has in the past, and will endeavor to maintain its reputation for independence and fairness, and will pursue the same liberal policy which has characterized the paper under the present management. In conclusion we thank one and all who have contributed to the support of the LEADER during the past year and solicit a continuance of this liberal patronage.

The Lane county democrats met at Eugene last Saturday and nominated a county ticket, the proceedings of which convention is published in full in the LEADER today. This ticket seems to meet with the approval of the democrats throughout this part of the county and as far as the LEADER is able to ascertain is composed of good competent men. The socialist convention was also held at Eugene last Saturday, a report of which will be found in this issue of the LEADER.

It is related that a local member of the famous Second Oregon on arriving in Manila was stationed with his company at a nearby fort. At that time it was the custom to fire a gun at sunset. "An' what's that" inquired he, upon hearing its report for his first time. "Why! that is sunset" was the reply. "Sunset, the devil. An does the sun go down with such a bang as that in this God forsaken country?" was his reckless retort.

Four tickets are now in the field in this county, the Republican, Democratic, Socialist and Prohibitionist. This should afford every legal voter an opportunity to express his sentiments at the polls in June.

The LEADER is today presenting its readers with a fine relief map of the Russian-Japanese war territory, which will no doubt be cut out of the paper and reserved for reference during this great war, by our subscribers.

Placing your first advertisement is like laying the first foundation stone to a building—it is the beginning of what may terminate in a great enterprise.

A Bohemia miner claims that he recently saw a five foot snake swallowing another snake nearly equal its own size. Ah, the curse of strong drink!

The trouble with modern politics is that a two-dollar bill will go much farther towards changing some men's political views than sound argument.

Some people advance an idea that the souls of men progress even after death. If they didn't it would seem useless for some men to die.

It requires money to build good roads and good streets and it requires money to maintain them, but they are worth the expense.

Not only have Japanese women adopted the European costumes, but some even wear trousers.

Every time you help to improve your own town you help your own business just that much.

The newspaper man will be a pretty good fellow among the candidates until after election.

Red Men Hold Pow-wow.

On the 18th inst., G. M. Orton, Great Sachem, of the Order of the Red Men, arrived in the hunting grounds of Cottage Grove, on an official visit to Calappia Tribe No 26. The Braves responded to the call and at the 8th, ran, assembled at their Wigwams and received their Great Chief, after spending 3 runs of a long talk and pow-wow, with the Great Chief who emphasized the work of Red-men-ship, the Tribe adjourned to Willson's Restaurant where they all partook of the good things that is pleasing to the inner man. After bidding their Great Chief a fond farewell, the Braves returned to their own Teepee's feeling glad that they had had the pleasure of meeting the Great Sachem.

A Literary and Musical Treat.

Mr. R. W. Kelsey of Newberg, winner of the National Prohibition Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest at Chicago in June, 1900, accompanied by W. Eugene Knox, the inimitable impersonator, and supported in song by Messrs. Howard L. Hockett and Emmer A. Newby will hold a meeting at the M. E. church on Friday April 29th, at 8, p. m. The object of the meeting will be to stir up sentiment in favor of Prohibition and especially the proposed local option law. Every person interested in temperance work is cordially invited to be present. Boys and girls under 15 should be accompanied by parents or some adult person who will be responsible for their conduct. Admission will be free, but each person attending should not neglect the opportunity of contributing to the silver offering which will be taken. Pledges will be taken for the campaign.

TWO BIG CONVENTIONS.

Republican and Democratic State Tickets Named

Portland, April 14.—The state republican convention which met here today elected four delegates to the republican national convention at Chicago, who were instructed to support Theodore Roosevelt for nomination for President. Resolutions were passed endorsing the present administration.

The convention nominated Frank A. Moore (present incumbent) for supreme judge, J. W. Bailey, dairy and food commissioner. Delegates to the national convention are: Harry W. Scott and W. B. Ayer of Portland; S. L. Kline of Corvallis, and I. S. Smith of Malheur. For Presidential electors: J. M. Hart of Dallas; James A. Fee of Pendleton; Grant B. Dimick of Oregon City, and A. C. Hough of Corvallis.

Nominations for the Second Judicial district are, E. O. Potter, of Eugene, district judge; Geo. M. Brown, Roseburg, district attorney; R. A. Booth, joint senator for Lane, Douglas and Josephine. All nominations were made by acclamation. L. T. Harris elected state committeeman for Lane. B. F. Eddy, state chairman.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

Portland, April 29.—At the Democratic state convention here yesterday afternoon Lane county captured almost everything in sight securing the nominations for congressman from the first district, state dairy and food commissioner, joint senator from Lane, Douglas and Josephine counties, district attorney for the second judicial district, and one of the delegates to the national convention.

The nominations were as follows: For supreme judge—Thos. O'Day of Portland.

For state dairy and food commissioner—S. M. Douglas, of Eugene.

For congressman from the first district—R. M. Veatch of Cottage Grove.

For congressman from the second district—J. E. Simmons of Portland.

For presidential electors—John A. Jeffrey, of Marion; T. H. Crawford, of Union; W. B. Diller, of Columbia; J. H. Smith, Clatsop.

For joint senator from Lane, Douglas and Josephine counties—L. Bilyeu, of Eugene.

For circuit judge, second judicial district—J. W. Hamilton, Roseburg.

For prosecuting attorney, second district—L. M. Travis, of Eugene.

Delegates to the national convention were chosen as follows: Governor Geo. E. Chamberlain, Portland; W. F. Butcher, Baker City; J. D. Matlock, Eugene; F. V. Holman, Portland; C. E. Redfield, Heppner; James Gleason, Portland; T. R. Sheridan, Roseburg; S. M. Garland, Linn county.

The effort to pledge the delegation to Hearst failed and it will go to the national convention unimpaired.

Notice to Creditors.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the undersigned, will please call at Mrs. J. K. Palmer's store and settle before May 15, 1904 (m2) Mrs. N. E. Eisea.

Those wanting job printing should first see the LEADER. Prices are right and work guaranteed to please.

Dress Goods and Waistings

We are making offerings in many lines that will enable you to get just what you want. Here are a few: :: ::
 Wash silks, per yd. 35c Grecian voile, per yd. 25c to \$1.50
 Etamine, per yd. 20c to 50c Crepe raye, per yd. 25c
 Silk zepher, per yd. 25c to 65c Silk pongees, per yd. 40c to 65c
 All goods full width, and quality the best.

AT LURCH'S STORE

Committee Meeting.

Cottage Grove, Ore. Apr. 18, 1904. Pursuant to call by President Eakin, the following members of the Advisory Committee of the Oregon Co-operative Association met at the appointed place of meeting to talk over the affairs of the Association, and to attend to such business as might be necessary to be taken up at that time. T. K. Campbell, H. O. Thompson, A. B. Wood, C. H. Burkholder and B. Lurch. Meeting was called to order by Vice-President T. K. Campbell. Secretary reported satisfactory progress in the matter of signatures to petitions as well as having received many congratulatory letters from similar organizations throughout the state. Many invitations were reported on file coming from other towns throughout the valley, asking the Association to set a time when a committee could be present to outline plans of organization, with the assurance that the movement would be taken up and pushed vigorously. After discussion, it was deemed advisable to call a special meeting of the Association to meet at Martins Hall, on Tuesday evening, Apr. 26, at 8 o'clock, to take up all matters calculated to further the success of the Association, in detail, and to pass upon any measures that might be pending. Upon motion Committee adjourned.

HERBERT EAKIN, President.
 C. J. HOWARD Sec. O. C. ASS'N.

Fire at Eugene.

Johnson & Barbach's blacksmith shop and Troy laundry were destroyed by fire at Eugene Monday. A heavy rain and calm only prevented a serious loss as the burned buildings were located in the heart of a group of large wooden structures. The loss will aggregate \$5000 and adjoining building were damaged from \$300 to \$500 with little or no insurance. The fire was of incendiary origin, the motive being robbery. William and Harry Winigette, transients, were arrested on a charge of stealing clothes from F. L. Poindexter during the fire, and they are supposed to be responsible for the fire. They were given a hearing in the justice court Wednesday, waived examination and were bound over to the June circuit court to await trial. Not being able to furnish bonds they will languish in jail.

M. E. Conference at Los Angeles

Account above Conference, the Southern Pacific Co. will make reduced rates on the certificate plan from main line points in Oregon South of Portland. Passengers will purchase tickets to Los Angeles, for which agent will collect the highest one way rate, giving a special receipt. On presentation of this receipt duly executed by original purchaser, Southern Pacific Agent at Los Angeles, will sell return ticket at one third fare sale dates from Oregon points will be April 19th to May 7th inclusive, also May 9th, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, and 30th. The last day on which certificates will be honored for return at reduced rates from Los Angeles, California will be June 5th, 1904.

Notice to Fire Company.

A meeting is called for Thursday April 21, 1904, to complete business of importance in regard to entertainment and new fire building.
 Rescued Hose Co., No 1,
 W. L. Shausfelt, Sec.

COTTAGE GROVE FLOUR MILLS

Manufacturers of Flour, Feed, Graham Whole Wheat Flour and Germ Meal
 Extensive improvements are being made to our milling machinery. We aim to keep our flour proof against outside competitors. Being a Cottage Grove institution, we respectfully ask you to always order the home product when buying Flour. We have just installed a machine of large capacity for rolling oats and barley. Bring your oats and have it rolled before feeding. It will go much further. Feed and hay promptly delivered to any part of the city. :: ::

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..HARDWARE..

PLUMBING A SPECIALTY **Stoves, FIRE ARMS**
MINERS' SUPPLIES **FARM TOOLS Tinware**
PIPER & VANDENBURG

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 29, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

ERICK JOHNSON of Vida, county of Lane, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 666 for the purchase of the sec. 2 of Section No. 18 in Township No. 21, south of Range 1 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. J. Walton, U. S. Commissioner in his office at Eugene, Oregon, on Saturday, the 23 day of June, 1904. He names as witnesses: Carrol Harlow, John T. Sallee, Joseph Wickes, John E. Winters, all of Star, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 23 day of June, 1904. (M 2) J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 15, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

SARAH E. BLAIR of Cottage Grove, county of Lane, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 666 for the purchase of the sec. 1 of Section No. 28, Township 29 S., R. 2 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before J. J. Walton U. S. Commissioner at his office at Eugene, Oregon, Monday the 13th of June 1904. She names as witnesses: William H. Blair, Leo P. Lamirault, Robert L. Blair, Joseph E. Young, all of Cottage Grove, Lane County, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 13th day of June, 1904. (M 1) J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 25, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM H. H. ROBINSON, of Dorena, county of Lane, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 667 for the purchase of the sec. 1 of Section No. 24 in Township No. 24, south of Range No. 2 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. J. Walton, U. S. Commissioner at his office at Eugene, Oregon, on Saturday the 2nd day of July 1904. He names as witnesses: David Baker, Andrew Land, B. Land, William Arnold, all of Dorena, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 2nd day of July 1904. (M 2) J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, Mar. 3, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before J. J. Walton, United States Commissioner at Eugene, Oregon, April 23, 1904, viz: H. E. No. 9234, Grace Bennett, for the e. 1/4, sec. 6, T. 28 S., R. 2 W., M. 1, Township 28 South, Range 2 West. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jesse H. Truwell, William S. Keyes, John Hill and John Truwell, all of Cottage Grove, Oregon. (M 1) J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, March 17, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM H. H. ROBINSON, of Dorena, county of Lane, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 667 for the purchase of the sec. 1 of Section No. 24 in Township No. 24, south of Range No. 2 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before J. J. Walton, U. S. Commissioner at his office at Eugene, Oregon, on Saturday the 2nd day of July 1904. He names as witnesses: David Baker, Andrew Land, B. Land, William Arnold, all of Dorena, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 2nd day of July 1904. (M 2) J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

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