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DALLAS, OREGON, JULY 19, 1910.

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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES.

Recommended for Nomination by the County Assembly, held in Dallas, June 25, 1910.

- Representative. IRA C. POWELL. Clerk. E. M. SMITH. Sheriff. W. L. BICE. Commissioner. JOHN B. TEAL. Treasurer. JOHN L. CASTLE. Coroner. R. L. CHAPMAN.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Does the assembly plan appear pleased to apply the term 'conventions' to the recent Republican gatherings which have been held throughout the state...

It is a fact worthy of note that the Republican assemblies held in the several counties of the state have placed strong men before the people for endorsement at the polls...

Another noteworthy feature of these county assemblies was their freedom from machine methods...

Day after tomorrow, the state assembly will be held in Portland. The gathering will be made up of representative Republicans from every county in the state...

As one of the original assembly newspapers in the state, the Observer rejoices in the fact that there is everywhere evidence of an earnest desire among the Republicans of Oregon to reform their party...

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AN INTERESTING CASE

Salem Water Company Sued for Death from Typhoid.

Alleging that during the month of November of last year, and also for some time prior thereto, there was a great quantity of filth and typhoid germs distributed through the mains of the Salem Water Company, that his wife drank from the water, contracted typhoid fever and on the 15th of November died, and that 'the use of the filthy water was the direct cause of her death,' and further alleging that this filthy water was sucked in through a broken intake pipe where it crosses a slough in the Willamette river from the company's pumping station to its crib, and that the company negligently, carelessly, wantonly and knowingly permitted the intake pipe to remain broken, and fraudulently failed to notify him of its condition, James E. Dorrance today in the circuit court is seeking to recover damages to the amount of \$7,500 for the death of his wife, Della S. Dorrance.

Slough Water Was Foul.

Frank Holmes is the attorney for Dorrance, and the main allegations of the complaint are prefaced with the allegation that when the city granted the company a franchise on April 16, 1891, it was conditioned upon the fact that the company would provide the people with pure and wholesome water.

It is then alleged that the company in order to secure pure water for its distributing mains built a crib on a small island in the river, and connected it with its pumping station by means of an intake pipe which crosses a slough and that this pipe was represented as being so constructed that it would suck up none of the slough water.

Into this slough, it is alleged, the sewerage from Mill Creek empties itself, and just below its mouth sewers from other portions of the city empty their filth, and by action of the water an eddy is formed, and the filthy sewerage is carried over the intake pipe, and hereby makes the slough water stagnant, filthy, impure and full of colon bacillus and typhoid bacillus.

Intake Pipe Was Broken. Then comes the allegation that for some time before and at the time of the death of Mrs. Dorrance the intake pipe crossing the slough was broken and the filthy and impure waters of the slough was sucked into it and distributed through the mains to the residents of the city, and that Mrs. Dorrance having been only a resident of the city for five months, and not knowing the conditions of the water, contracted typhoid fever and died. It is alleged that the company's officials negligently permitted the pipe to remain broken, that they were aware of its condition, and that they failed to notify its water users, and that it is therefore liable for damages.

Case is Unique.

The case is unique in that it stands out practically alone so far as precedent is concerned. The court reports reveal but two cases which can be designated as being similar in character. Attorney Holmes takes the position that the company under its franchise agreed to supply good and wholesome water; that the user had every reason to expect that it would comply with those terms—that it failed and neglected to notify the users, though aware of the existing conditions, and that it is therefore liable in damages—Salem Journal.

How About This, Uncle Jim?

James J. Hill, the great railroad man who is said to have made several hundred millions by promoting railroads, did not know how to take care of himself, as the incident which occurred before his marriage shows. His wife was then a waitress in a St. Paul hotel where Hill lived. A little donation was suggested for this most efficient waitress by the boarders at her table. When the bill was handed her she picked up the list of fifty cents or thereabouts, and put it down by writing in a bold hand, 'James J. Hill—One Hundred Dollars.' It set the other boarders a good example, which some of them followed. The next day Hill and the waitress were married.—Northampton, Mass. Gazette.

Rifle Team Returns.

The members of the rifle team of Company H, O. N. G., returned Thursday night on the train, on which they range at Camp Benson, near Clatskanie. The personnel of the team was different from that of last year's team and several new men were taken along. The showing made was not so good as that of last year's team, but Company H still succeeded in securing a place high up in the list of teams. The twenty-eight teams that competed. The meet was won by Company M, of Salem.

Era Meeker Reaches Greeley.

Era Meeker, one of the few surviving '48ers and who attracted attention by driving an ox team across the country to New York last year, is in Greeley, Colorado, in the interest of having the old Oregon trail appropriation for this is now pending in Congress. Mr. Meeker is traversing the old trail which began at Kansas City and ended at Tacoma. He is 89 years old.

Big Order for Brick.

Managed Edwards informs the Times that the brick company has the promise of two orders in Tacoma that will aggregate considerable over a million brick and will amount to about \$4,000. They will be used for the construction of a Commercial Club building and a large hospital. He reports the demand for brick active and stated that many orders are being received.—Williamina Times.

Arm Fractured.

Mark Dashiell, a resident of the Perrydale neighborhood, met with an accident Tuesday in which he sustained a fracture of the left arm. Mr. Dashiell was working with a hay-baling crew and was injured by the breaking of a doubletree. He came to Dallas and had the broken bone set by Dr. Holtman. He will be unable to resume work for several weeks.

Archie Rendered A Solo.

Archie Markes was in attendance at a party given by the Misses Foster at Monmouth last week. He rendered a vocal solo.—Forest Grove News.

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of shoe store service isn't tolerated here; first, we're shoe-fitters—second, a questionable shoe cannot find a place in our stock We specialize



The Varsity 3 eye tie, high arch and heel.

The Florsheim SHOE

because we know it's the best all-around \$5 shoe on the market.

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We carry the famous DIAMOND "W" brand of Extracts, Spices, Coffee, Tea and Canned goods. Fresh bread daily. The very best of fruits and vegetables can always be found at our store.

Simonton & Scott Dallas, Oregon

Clell Hayden Marries. Miss Helen H. Simon became the bride of Mr. Clell Hayden last evening, the ceremony being performed at the Evangelical parsonage by the pastor, Rev. G. F. Lanning.—Sunday Statesman.

Have Dr. Lowe relieve your head and eye ache with a pair of his superior glasses. They cost no more than inferior grades. Scores of Polk County references; 19 years' experience. He will be at the Hotel Gail, July 27 and 28.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Fine large boarding house for rent, newly furnished and plumbed throughout. One half block from business part of town. R. L. Chapman, 7-19-tf.

Boarding House Keeper Wanted. Wanted, some one to run boarding house at the Moulton Hill Farm during hop picking. For further particulars write G. W. Carroll, Riekréal, Oregon. 715-1m.

Salesmen Wanted. Energetic salesmen wanted to sell reliable nursery stock; expense money advanced weekly. No previous experience necessary. Can make \$50 per week. Write Albany Nurseries, Inc., Albany, Oregon. 6-19-1m

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Get Baby's Picture Now. The first is important. It may be the last. Anyway, a little delay makes a lot of difference. Go to Cherrington's. F4t.

For Sale or Trade. Good work horse, 3 years old, weight 1550. Will sell, or trade for brood mare. T. R. Crooks, Mutual Phone S. P. 521, Polk Station. 75-tf.