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If expectations at the Whiteaker oil well are realized, there will soon be a hustling in this section of Oregon, such as would make a "Weary Willie" tired to dream of.

Supervisor Thomas Strain has been doing some good work on the highways in this district in the way of grading and supplying gravel. The Street Commissioner, backed by the city council, has also been at work and has supplied gravel to the streets in needed places. Keep the good work moving.

The Monmouth Improvement Company has had septic sewerage installed for the brick building, on the corner near the depot. This is the second improvement of this nature put in recently, as Mr. Robert Steel had his property on Main street provided with septic sewerage. These improvements are very commendable and much more of a similar character is needed.

According to news paper gossip Spokane is coming up with a proposition to build a monument to Adam and Eve. Mark Twain once proposed the same measure, but whether in jest or otherwise, who can say. Spokane however appears to be in earnest, but it is a late date for the enterprise, as Adam and Eve began building their own monument some six thousand years ago and the institution is still in progress. Of course Noah's flood knocked a big hole in the structure, but the foundation was left and the monument is still growing. Spokane may erect a pile of marble or bronze but it will look puny alongside of Adam's colossal tower. Spokane may as well give it up—She can't overshadow Adam as a builder.

Through the press, much is being said pro and con of the assembly method of selecting candidates, some contending that it is not a nominating machine, others maintain that it is. We are not much interested as we are pretty well through with partisan politics, but, if we were called upon to define it, we certainly should say that it is not a nominating institution as the law makes provision for nominations by primary election, but as nearly as we can size up the situation it is this: It is the same old political machine, and while it cannot nominate its object is to select the candidates and it fully expects the party to ratify its selection. The assembly looks upon its selections as the candidates who will receive the nomination, and that is about as close to the old process as they can get until the primary law is annulled.

Zook the Painter, will hang your paper.

Money Made by the Poison Route

It seems that the pure-food arm of the Government has reached out and grappled with the fellows who are manufacturing ice-cream cones out of poisoned material. Some people who have read of the circumstance may think that the word "poisoned" is a little strong, and that we should be content to call it "deleterious" and let it go at that. It is found, however, that chemists say that borax is injurious to the human stomach. So, all things considered, the stronger word is the better.

In the fact that the pure-food people are after these manufacturers, we have that which is encouraging. It is so different from what would have happened ten or a dozen years ago! Whether the cones be very poisonous or not, is not so much to the purpose as the fact that the Government, by virtue of pure-food sentiment and the legislation based thereon, exercises a watchful and protective regard for the people, and serves notice upon that brand of greed which would as soon sell poisoned food as not, that its business is dangerous.

It has not been so many years since the people of this country were entirely defenseless against this sort of thing. For a time, too, it seemed to be hopeless that we would ever succeed in so crystallizing sentiment as to bring about the enactment and enforcement of effective law, which would help to put the swindler and the poisoner out of business—as he was engaged in the manufacture of foods and drugs. The abuse complained of has not been wholly cured; but a great gain has been made in the fact that Uncle Sam has a watchful and reproofing eye on these fellows, and they know it.—Telegram.

The man who argues that a horse is man's best friend wasn't with a certain party on the beach when the tide was coming in. The rig with its human freight was not far from the water's edge when the horse which had heretofore refused to start, still remained obstinate. It was not until all the various means and methods to start a balky horse were resorted to before this gentle old animal made up her mind to change locations and took the rig to another spot more to the liking of her ambition to wait. Firecrackers were used as a last resort to move this trusty old animal, man's friend, and as long as the firecrackers held out reasonably good progress was made but it does seem ridiculous that a "man's best friend" should require a Fourth of July celebration to accompany it on every beach excursion.—Cloverdale Courier.

Church Directory.

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Evening service at 7:00 o'clock
Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.
Y. P. A. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
W. A. WOOD, Pastor.
Morning Service at 11 a. m.
Evening Service at 7:00 p. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

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