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THE ABOLITION OF POLITICAL PARTIES.

Oregon is demonstrating to the world the futility of political parties. What is a party? Supposedly, it is that portion of American citizens who are agreed upon certain expressed principles of government, expressed in and by what is known as its platform. But these certain expressed principles are only a fragmentary selection of a completed system of government. Many vital matters are not included in a platform, and upon these the members may be at variance. Their representatives in office, by acting on these questions as they personally desire, frequently oppose the wishes of a great majority of the party. Again, the office holder may even personally disagree with some planks of the platform and naturally neglects such parts or may even work against the expressed principles of his party.

Let each candidate stand upon his own platform for election as well as for nomination. Then we would do

able to elect officials with intelligence. We would do away with much political corruption, the great expense of nominating elections, and much that is artificial in our present government. We would establish a high personal standard for our officials and would provide a rational basis for justifiable lobbying in legislatures that would be made up of representatives of the people instead of a single party.

These beautiful sunshiny days should prove a boost for the real estate men. Who doesn't long to go "back to the soil" on days like these.

Vague rumors of a baseball team are going about. Let Forest Grove have a good team this year, but let the good be realized by the local boys.

It is quite evident that either the next legislature or the people through the initiative will abolish several state commissions. The general idea of tax reduction is causing a general review of public matters and economy is going to be demanded from every possible source.

We understand that not a few women in the county are not registering for the primaries, but expect to register and vote at the November elections. They doubtless fail to realize that unless the proper nominees are nominated we cannot expect to elect the proper officers later.

HILLSIDE NEWS

At the request of the educational committee of the West Dairy Commercial Club, L. Maris, State Organizer for Farmer Boys' and Girls' Clubs, organized a club at the Hillside school last Thursday. Lawrence Bamford was elected adviser, Chester Williams, president, James Bamford, vice-president, Edward Lewton, secretary, and Naomi Arthur, treasurer. Mr. Maris has also organized clubs at Fairview, Thatcher and Lyda schools. A. E. Wescott and Thomas Williams were in Portland Friday and signed up a contract with the Portland Pure Milk and Cream Co. for the Gales Creek Dairy Association for another year.

J. E. Lewton has been in Portland for the last two weeks having his eyes treated.

Ernest Quick jumped over a rail fence Friday night and fell and broke his leg. Dr. Kauffman, of the Grove, set it.

The Hillside Congregational church has set next Sunday, the 15th, as "Go to Church Sunday," and invites every man, woman and child within the boundaries of Washington County to be present.

James A. Bamford is having the ground prepared for setting out 2000 loganberry plants.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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property owners while they did not sign up, would not renege; but they would not pay a bonus to a company although there are only two blocks to pave. Mayor Goff said that he would take the matter up with the Linden Kibbe Company and see what they would do the work for.

A resolution was passed accepting the plans of survey of A. A. Kirkwood establishing a grade for the sidewalks and street improvements on Third Avenue from the west line of Second Street to the east line of Seventh Street; and instructing the recorder to inform the property owners of a council meeting March 24 to hear remonstrances or objections to the establishing of said grade.

An ordinance re-establishing the fire limits providing for the construction and removal of buildings was passed. The limits defined in the ordinance are as follows: Beginning at the corner of First Avenue North and College Way, at the Rogers' Library, and running thence north 200 feet; thence west to a point 200 feet west of the west line of Main Street; thence south to the south line of First Avenue; thence east to a point 200 feet east of the east line of First Street; thence north to the north side of Pacific Avenue; thence west to the southwest corner of the campus of Pacific University; thence north 469.5 feet to a point due east of the place of beginning; thence to the place of beginning.

This fire limit ordinance states that all buildings constructed within these limits shall be of brick, stone, concrete, cement, or other non-combustible material, and that any one wishing to erect a building within the

limits must get a permit from the city. The ordinance further states that no wooden building shall be moved from any place within the limits, and that no factories or shops requiring a steam boiler shall be located within the limits.

Woman's Rights Worker Honored by Photograph in Autobiography

Last week Mrs. E. H. Coleman received a request from Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway to send her photograph for use in the Autobiography of Oregon's grand old lady, who has for many years been an active worker for women's rights. Mrs. Coleman who has also taken an active part in such work for many years, has always been a close friend of Mrs. Duniway.



The DeVoes—The DeVoes, a company of four entertainers, will appear at the Star in this city this Thursday and Friday night. Reports from other places

Excursion to Albany for the Oratorical Contest

The Intercollegiate Contest will be held at Albany Friday evening, March 13, and Pacific University will be represented by Howard Taylor. There are eight different colleges represented in this contest, and Pacific feels that this year they have about as good a chance of winning the prize as they had last year when Mr. Grathwell won the "Laurels." There has been a good crowd of students that have said they were going and Pacific will be well represented.

London's First Bank.

Banking, seeing that it flourished in the ancient world—in Greece, at Rome and at Babylon—must, so far as England is concerned, be regarded as a comparatively modern business.

During the so called renaissance banking reappeared in Italy.

From Italy the business of banking spread to France, then to Holland, and it was introduced into England by one Francis Child, who established the first bank in London in 1693.

Hitherto London merchants had deposited their cash in the mint of the tower of London. But when Charles II, took it into his head to borrow traders began to lodge their superfluous cash with the goldsmiths in Lombard street.

Francis Child was one of these, and in a few years Lombard street became full of banks. The Bank of England was founded in 1694.—London Globe.

Mrs. Graddy Dies—

Mrs. Helen Graddy died this morning at her home in Caples' addition, after an illness of several months, from cancer. She was born in Germany in 1867. The funeral will be at the Buxton undertaking parlors tomorrow at one o'clock, with interment in the Forest View cemetery. She leaves a husband and children.

George H. Himes, the historian, gave an address before a very enthusiastic audience at Pacific University last night. It was illustrated with the stereopticon, and pictures were shown of many Oregon pioneers and scenes of the early days of Portland and other parts of the state. He showed the first log cabin ever built in Forest Grove, and said that it was the starting point of Pacific University.

Two greatest feminine terrors, "Mice and Men." Hear about them at Marsh hall on March 20.

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Maine's Highest Point.

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Seek not proud riches, but such as thou mayest get justly, use soberly, distribute cheerfully and leave contentedly, yet have no abstract contempt of them.—Bacon.

Purely Personal

Earl L. Miller, a sailor boy of the U. S. S. Charleston, is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Miller, and his wife, who makes her home here. Mr. Miller enlisted at Brementon and re-enlisted at Philadelphia. He has been around the world several times and has had some very interesting experiences.

Miss Edna Hanson, of Hillsboro, attended the speaking at the Christian Church Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. Emerson went to Portland Tuesday to stay with a daughter for some time.

James Baldwin received his keg of salmon from Wilson River, which he caught last November.

Mrs. John Anderson went to Portland Tuesday.

The Adventist Working Society met at Oscar Peterson's this week.

Miss Celia Fitch quit work at the Condenser this week, where she had been for several months.

George Haynie made a trip to McMinnville Wednesday.

Ruth Stamp was out of school a few days on account of sickness.

Mrs. Harley Peterson has been down to Portland a week to visit her folks.

Mrs. Loren Bogan, of Independence, is visiting at the Bunton and R. Stevens homes. Dr. Bogan, the dentist, has recently located at Independence.

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