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REPUBLICAN RALLY

Meetings Scheduled for Washington County.

Good Speakers Will Be Present—Remember the Days and Dates.

The Washington county Republican campaign is now on in dead earnest and from now until election day candidates will be on the move. The following meetings have been scheduled and first class speakers have been secured to deliver addresses on the political issues. It is hoped each gathering will be largely attended. Remember the day and date. The evening meetings will commence promptly at 8 o'clock and the afternoon meetings at 2 o'clock.

Gales Creek, Saturday afternoon, May 21.
Reedville, Saturday evening, May 21.
Buxton, Monday afternoon, May 23.
Greenville, Monday evening, May 23.
Scholla, Tuesday evening, May 24.
Cornelius, Wednesday afternoon, May 25.
Gaston, Thursday evening, May 26.
Bethany, Friday evening, May 27.
Beaverton, Saturday evening, May 28.
Tigardville, Tuesday evening, May 31.
Tualatin, Wednesday evening, June 1st.
Sherwood, Thursday evening, June 2nd.
Forest Grove, Friday evening, June 3rd.
Hillsboro, Saturday evening, June 4.

Two more Holly Rollers have been taken to Salem since our last issue. Rose Seeley age 28 and Attie Bray age 22, both of Corvallis. There are now six of the religious fanatics in the asylum.

The Oregon Christian Missionary Convention will be held at the camp grounds in Turner, June 24 to July 3. Rev. W. F. Richardson, of Kansas City, Mo., a leader in the church, will be the chief speaker. Accommodations may be had on the grounds for families.

John Seymour was Tuesday released from the state prison at Salem, upon completing his term and was immediately taken into custody by Federal officials who will take him to Washington, D. C., for trial on a burglary charge. Seymour was received from Multnomah County on an 18 months' sentence for larceny.

The Women's Lewis and Clark Club, of Oregon City, is to entertain the pioneers of Clackamas county (those who came to Oregon before February 14, 1859) Friday, May 20, from 2 to 5 o'clock p. m., at Willamette Hall in Oregon City. An interesting programme is being prepared and a short talk will be expected from each of the attending pioneers. Refreshments will be served and the pioneers of the county are invited.

Sunday's quiet in Independence was disturbed by an encounter in the saloon of L. Smith, that for a time created considerable excitement, and resulted in the injuring of Edwin Nichols, one of the participants. Oliver Smith drew a pistol and struck Nichols over the head repeatedly, inflicting severe wounds. In the struggle the weapon was discharged and the bullet imbedded itself in the wall. Smith stated that he saw Nichols put his hand in his pocket and thought robbery was the motive. Nichols, however, claims he was merely reaching his hand into his pocket to get peanuts.

The funeral of Jonathan A. Young, of McMinnville, who was second lieutenant in Company A, of the Second Oregon, U. S. V., held Sunday, was one of the largest in the history of the county. He was a member of the Macabees, the A. O. U. W., the I. O. F., and the Knights of Pythias, and the services at the court house were conducted by the Knights, while the Odd Fellows had charge at the grave. Remarks were made by Rev. Joseph Hoberg, H. S. Maloney and Charles Grisson, on behalf of the Knights of Pythias. About 20 of the members of Company A were present and "taps" was blown at the conclusion of the services by George Curtis Lee Snyder, Col. Owen Summers, the commander of the Oregon regiment, was also present.

According to information furnished by a native, a body of Russian infantry 2000 strong, occupying a hill near Tongue-shangHong on Sunday misook a detachment of their own infantry, about 200 strong, which was retiring, for Japanese troops, and engaged it in battle. In the fighting 110 were killed and 70 wounded and the Russian carts were stamped, leaving their loads of stores behind. According to the story told by a captured Russian officer, who participated in the battle on Sunday last, only five or six battalions of Russian infantry and two battalions of artillery were able to retire in order. The other troops ran away in a state of entire confusion.

Circuit Court.

Circuit Judge McBride came out Monday morning and held a short session of court. The following orders and decrees were made:

J. A. McCune vs. Gaston Co-operative Milling Company. Decree made foreclosing mortgage on mill property.
Patterson vs. Northrup. Sale confirmed.
Shevlin vs. Samelson. Judgment for plaintiff and debt, allowed 60 days in which to file bill of exceptions.
Wm. Lyda vs. B. H. Laughlin. Demurrer overruled and answer filed.
Christina Melzer et al vs. Adelheit Luhmann et al. Referee's report of sale confirmed.
Anna Witt vs. John Witt. Decree of divorce granted.
Demurrer overruled and answer filed in re. case of Hellman vs. Borchers.
Answer filed in re. Wm. Spence vs. E. H. Jeter.

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WOMAN'S LEWIS AND CLARK CLUB



The above is a picture of a cut the ladies of the Hillsboro Division of the Woman's Lewis and Clark Club have had made for their stationery. The Independent has just printed 5,000 envelopes with this picture on the front and the resources of Washington county on the reverse side, which the ladies are offering for sale at almost the cost of the bare envelopes. The cut is the same as used by the Lewis and Clark Club generally; but note the rose bud and stem. This is an addition belonging entirely to the ladies of the Hillsboro Club and is a vast improvement. No family should send a letter without this beautiful picture printed on the envelope, especially when they cost no more than the ordinary kind.

Portland's Big Fair.

Even at the very opening of the great Louisiana Purchase exposition the energetic people of Portland, Ore., do not propose to have it forgotten that there will soon be another great fair for the consideration of Americans, and especially the Americans of the west. It is promised that the Lewis and Clark exposition in 1905 will lose nothing by following so closely on the heels of the St. Louis fair, especially as the Portland show will in large measure be devoted to a field which is peculiarly its own. St. Louis may be said to be one gateway of the vast empire which Lewis and Clark opened to the world, and Portland is another. So vast was the territory covered by these intrepid explorers on their voyage up the Missouri and down the Columbia, that not one, but many expositions will be needed to fully exploit the resources of the great domain they threw open to civilization.

The Portland exposition will be notable chiefly in that it will draw the attention of the world to the possibilities of the expansion of American trade with the Orient. For years far-sighted men like J. J. Hill and other promoters of railway and steamship lines, have realized the possibilities of this trade, but it cannot be said that the country in general has been fully alive to the real significance of our Pacific ports. The exposition at Portland will do more to open the eyes of the American public to the advantages and possibilities of oriental trade than years of advertising through ordinary channels.

If for no other reason than this one bit of educational influence, the Lewis and Clark exposition will be worthy of generous support.

Probate Court.
In the matter of the estate of George B. Day, deceased. Executor discharged and the estate closed of record.
In the matter of guardianship of Harry and Adelaide McDonald, minors. Petition by the American Bonding Co., filed for release as surety on the bond of Frank A. Bennett, as guardian of said minors.
In the matter of the estate of M. A. Dauks, deceased. Petition filed by the A. B. Co., for release as surety on the bond of F. W. Cady, administrator of said estate.
In the matter of the guardianship of Mary J. Robinson, insane. Ordered

DEATH OF STANLEY

The Great Explorer Passes Away.

The Deadly Electric Light Wire Claims Another Victim News Notes.

Death of Explorer Stanley.
London, May 10—Sir Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, died early today. He passed away peacefully shortly after 6 o'clock. He was quite conscious to the last and able to recognize his wife. Before he died Sir Henry expressed a wish to be buried at his county seat, Farze Hill, Fribourg, Surrey. The question, however, is being discussed of burying him beside Livingston in Westminster Abbey.

Mr. Stanley had been ill for two weeks of pleurisy. Since Sunday he had been in a semi-conscious condition, and while the doctors had no hope of his recovery, they did not expect the end to come so soon. Heart trouble complicated the case, however, and their famous patient dropped off almost before they knew it.

Fred Olson, a street car conductor in the employ of the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company of Portland received an electric shock from a live wire at a point on the Oregon City line near Milwaukie, at 12:45 Tuesday morning, and died before he could be taken to the city for medical attention.

World's Fair Notes.

Nearly 5000 plates of apples, pears, oranges and loquats, embracing every known variety of these fruits raised in America, are on exhibition in the palace of Horticulture. Under the direction of Prof. John T. Stinson, superintendent of pomology, they have been carefully classified and are ready for the verdicts of the judges. California's exhibit is especially notable. The capitol building at Sacramento, reproduced in almonds, is one of the features.

The Igorrote, Bontoc, Tinganue and Suyoc tribes, which have been quartered in the Cuartel since their arrival at the Philippine section, moved to their village in the stockade just east of the Cuartel Sunday. In the village a modern house has been erected for the use of officers and headquarters of the Philippine board.

Twenty-three Pawee and nineteen Wichita Indians arrived from Oklahoma Sunday at the Indian reservation. They are building their houses east of the school building. They will follow their native industries of making moccasins, bows and arrows and bead work. Exhibitions to demonstrate the properties of radium and radio-active minerals will begin within a week or more in a theater now being installed in the palace of Mines and Metallurgy. Dr. George F. Knuz, an authority on the subject, will give the demonstration. Exhibit cars are now being unloaded at the rate of 200 a day. There were 601 cars in the Fair grounds at 7 o'clock Monday morning and over 200 have been unloaded.

Ten states and two foreign countries have completed their exhibits in the palace of Education. The work on the remaining exhibits is progressing rapidly and Chief Rogers thinks it will be finished before the end of a week. The states whose exhibits are complete are Colorado, Connecticut, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, New York, Tennessee, Virginia and New Jersey. The foreign exhibits completed are Great Britain and Sweden.

The Pasteur institute has become so successful in their experiments with microbes for the destruction of rats and other rodents that destroy farm crops that the French Minister of Agriculture has asked for an appropriation of 350,000 francs to destroy field mice in certain districts and also for a bill authorizing the formation of syndicates for the purpose of destroying rodents, insects and other creatures which are injurious to agriculture, by means of the Pasteur microbe. We hope the experiments will prove all that is claimed for them, as there are many sections of the North-west wanting something of the kind.—Lebanon Criterion.

The year and a half old son of Mr. and Mrs. Prather, of Newberg, drank poison from a bottle he picked up in the house, and expired in a few minutes, a day or two since. The Prathers had just moved into a house in which some bottles had been left in the back room and had not examined or removed them. Tuesday evening the baby boy in playing around got hold of a bottle, and when the mother reached him, the contents had been drained. The little fellow exclaimed, "Oh, mamma, it burns," and was soon dead in his mother's arms. It is not known just what the deadly poison was, though it contained some carbolic acid.

ALL OVER THE STATE

Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges.

Short News Notes for Busy People—Newsy, Short Crisp.

Instead of a carnival this fall, the business men of The Dalles have decided to hold a district fair and stock show. Really, a fair of this kind will be of more benefit and interest than a carnival.

The grand lodge I. O. O. F. will convene in Astoria on May 17, 18 and 19. It is expected that fully 600 delegates will be present. As there will probably not be sufficient accommodations for the delegates in Astoria, arrangements will be made with the Seaside hotels to accommodate them.

The Woodburn city jail, built 12 years ago by Bob Morris, was destroyed by fire, which started at 11 o'clock Friday night. Marshal Beach had locked in a tramp who was intoxicated, and as the fire started inside the natural supposition is that the prisoner was the cause of the conflagration. He said he was awakened about morning by smoke when the marshal arrived and liberated him.

An abledieled hall storm struck this vicinity on Tuesday afternoon. At Prineville only small hail fell, preceding a fair-sized cloudburst, but on the desert southwest of here the hail stones were as big as hen's eggs. In the vicinity of Powell Buttes, Walt Vandevort, who was bringing in the mail stage, had to drive to a sheltering juniper and unhitch his team, as the horses were terribly scared by the hailstones and were becoming unruly. No damage was done that we have heard of.—Crook County Journal.

Remember it was the desire of the people that the Lewis and Clark appropriation bill was passed by the Legislature and the belief was then, and is now, that the Fair would be an advertisement for the state and that as an investment it would repay the state for every dollar expended. Governor Chamberlain was an enthusiastic supporter of the bill, as was all of the leading men of the state, both Democrats and Republicans. Any attempt on the part of the Democrats to make campaign thunder out of the Fair appropriation should fall flat.—Lebanon Criterion.

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There is many a man who would be willing to walk the road of life if some one would go ahead of him and fix up the bad places and bridge the treacherous streams that sometimes seem almost impossible to cross. The road to success often seems strewn with carpet tacks and last years blackberry bushes, but therein lies a secret. If you are brave enough to walk over them barefooted, the victory is yours. But if you are a tenderfoot and have no courage about you, then the world at large will be afraid to risk you. It is human nature to prize highest that which is most difficult to win.—Yamhill Co. Reporter.

Over a year ago H. Hirschberg, of Independence, Polk County, sunk a well to a depth of about 1,000 feet boring for oil, on what is known as the Whitaker place, lying six miles from Independence. His machinery was inadequate to continue the boring and the matter was dropped for the time being. They reported they had struck a flow of salt, and that an investigation of the same had showed it to be a quantity sufficient to establish salt wells. Last week an incorporation was formed with the residence of the corporation at Independence, the incorporators being H. Hirschberg, president of the Independence National bank at this place, D. W. Sears, president of the Polk County Land company, also of Independence, Judge J. E. Sibley of Dallas, Charles E. Laird, of the Merchants National bank of Portland, and A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank of the same place. The capital stock is fixed at \$100,000. Shares at \$1 each. The name of the company is the Polk County Salt, Gas and Oil company. Thus considerable excitement has been aroused by the news and much speculation is being indulged in as to the probabilities of oil being discovered. Those interested and many who have looked over the territory state that they believe that oil will be found.

Rusty Mike's Dairy, May 13, 1904—Ever notice that when one feller runs every body else runs just to see what the first feller is running for—get a few people started to your store on the rest will follow. Advertising will do it.

"White Clover"

Safe Blowers at Forest Grove.

Robbers broke into the postoffice at Forest Grove Monday night and after dynamiting the safe, secured \$1,000 in postage stamps and cash and two registered letters. Officers are trying to locate the midnight prowlers, but up to the time of going to press, no trace of them has been found. Postoffice inspectors believe that the work was done by two men who were seen hanging about town for a day or two. A railroad velocipede was stolen from Cornelius during the night and it is thought the burglars used this mode of conveyance to get away. Investigation showed that entrance had been made by a window. Two holes had been drilled in the safe and the combination broken by a charge of nitroglycerin. From the thoroughness of the job it is evident that it is the work of experts. The robbers used a sledge-hammer and crowbar stolen from Cornelius. These were left inside the wrecked safe.

District Attorney Allen's Views.

Attorney General Crawford ruled a few days ago that the registration books would have to be closed on the night of May 14, but his interpretation of the law does not meet the approval of District Attorney Allen, who has advised County Clerk Clinton to keep open the books until 5 o'clock on the night of May 16. The clerk will act upon this advice and voters will therefore, have until Monday evening in which to register.

Mr. Allen assumes the opposite view from Attorney General Crawford. Mr. Crawford contended that the law provided for closing of the books on the night of the 15th, and that the books could not, except by act of the legislature, be kept open after that date. His ruling was that the non-judicial day, Sunday, which falls on the 15th, was not to be included within the time specified for registrations.

The district attorney takes just the other view. Practically all of Oregon's laws make provision for non-judicial days, but the registration law is deficient in this respect. Mr. Allen says the supreme court has ruled on the matter, however, and that, where a date specified in a law falls on Sunday, the following day is to be counted in the place of the non-judicial day. He has made thorough search into the proposition and is quite certain the attorney general's opinion is erroneous. Astoria attorneys all share Mr. Allen's opinion, and County Clerk Clinton will be guided by it.—Astoria Astorian.

A Good Old Age.

Thos. Corrigan, Sr., of Willbar, Wash., celebrated his 96th birthday anniversary last Monday. Mr. Corrigan, who is the oldest man in Eastern Washington, and possibly in the entire state, was born in Ireland and came to America with his parents when he was only 10 years old. In Baltimore, Md., at the age of 35 years, he was united in marriage to Miss Ellen Curry, then only 15 years old. Though now in her 78th year, she is hale and hearty and able to do a full day's work.

Andrew Carnegie is breaking into print with considerable regularity of late. A few days ago he was out with a statement that he would contribute \$1,000,000 to assist in electing Roosevelt, and now he is telling the Europeans how much good he is to derive from his \$5,000,000 fund for perpetuating the fame of heroes. Considering the manner in which Mr. Carnegie's wealth was obtained, it would be more becoming for him to parade it before the eyes of the world with a little more modesty. An exorbitant tariff tax which was levied on the American consumers enabled Mr. Carnegie to pile up his vast wealth, and when he talks about contributions of \$1,000,000 to a political fund, no matter how worthy the candidate he seeks to aid may be, he is certainly not displaying very good judgment. If Mr. Carnegie will spend some of his ill-gotten gains in bringing about a revision of tariff laws so that an American citizen can buy American goods as cheaply in America as a European can buy the same goods in Europe, he will have accomplished more good than will result from his heroes' fund or his million-dollar political contributions.—Ex.

The May number of the Pacific Monthly is the most profusely illustrated issue of the magazine ever published. It contains just 67 pictures—and they are full of interest, too.

The article on "The Battleground of the Russo-Japan War" is written by Dr. James Hunter Wells, who has just returned from a ten-years' sojourn in Korea. He writes most entertainingly of the Koreans. The illustrations are from his private collections, many of them being without duplicates in the whole world. The pictures of the Lake Chelan region reveal some of the marvelous scenery of "the American Alps." "Fort Myer" tells of Uncle Sam's military city, near Washington, D. C., and is illustrated by pictures of cavalry in their various skirmishes and maneuvers.

Lovers of flowers will be especially interested in the pictures of our common flowers, in the article "Pacific Coast Wildings."

Among the departments, "People, Places and Things," is a veritable mine of unusual pictures and instructive reading matter. All of the editorials are characterized by deep thought and painstaking preparation. Three extremely clever short stories cap the climax to a number of great variety and untiring interest.