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Dates of Local Events.

Saturday, March 26, Marion county Democratic primaries.

Monday, March 28, Marion county Republican primaries.

Thursday, March 31, Marion county Republican convention, Salem.

Monday, April 4, Jefferson Democratic banquet, Salem.

Wednesday, April 13, Congressional convention, first district, Salem.

Thursday, April 14, Marion county Democratic convention.

Thursday, April 14, Republican state convention at Portland.

Tuesday, April 19, Democratic state convention at Portland.

June 15, 16 and 17, Department of Oregon G. A. R., in annual reunion at Hood River.

THE OREGON ROADS LAWS.

In some parts of the county taxpayers are being misled by the opponents of Judge Scott, who are representing that he will plunge the county into debt, and impose high taxes for good roads.

Of course, the debt accusation answers itself, by the fact that the county is not only out of debt, but has a large cash surplus, and is in the best financial condition of any county in the state.

The county court, as now constituted, has made a record of reducing the county levy each year, and the figures speak for themselves, and have been published over and over.

The policy of Judge Scott and the commissioners, who have labored with him to get the county in this admirable condition, has been and will be to levy a moderate tax for roads.

Under the present law any road district that desires to become enterprising can levy a tax for roads in addition to the county tax, and some districts are availing themselves of this privilege.

Judge Scott has done a great deal to get neighborhoods to help themselves by raising subscriptions to build roads, and then extending county aid. That has given the county two dollars for one expended out of the public treasury in the way of improvements.

The more the people dispassionately examine the record they will see the good work done to develop sentiment for good roads and realize that **THERE HAS BEEN NO PLUNGING IN TAXES OR CREATION OF DEBT.**

Let us give any good honest public official credit for what he does and sustain progress along these lines, and we will not only have a good county government, but will get the greatest prosperity.

MARION COUNTY SHOULD SUPPORT HERMANN.

There are many reasons why Marion county and all the seven-counties of this district should favor the return of Hermann to congress.

Reasons can be found for any man's candidacy, but they are not always good and sufficient reasons. Any politician would like the honor, but that is not of any interest to the general public.

So far as Marion county's interests are concerned, politically and from a financial standpoint, they are bound up in Mr. Hermann's candidacy.

It is not his fault that he could not get onto the rivers and harbor committee, and this county has no special interest in that matter.

This district lost half a million annually by retiring Hermann for Tompa, although Tompa developed into a very able congressman.

The district would lose again by displacing Mr. Hermann at present. His position on the committee on Indian Affairs alone is worth more to Marion county than a new congressman from our county would be.

Politically speaking, it would be simply suicidal from the standpoint

of influence for Marion county to take up a new candidate from Lane county or any other county, so long as Hermann is in the field and to be had. Let Marion county stand for **Blinger Hermann first**, last and all the time, and it will be time enough to consider who is the ablest and strongest man in the district next to him, when that becomes a necessity.

That line of political action is not only good business, but it is good politics, and the best politics is the best morals at all times. The friends of Mr. Harris can trust a Hermann delegation to do the fair thing by him or any other candidate. If the rest of the district does not want Hermann.

This may be a style of frank and outspoken politics that is not practiced by many politicians, but it is the truth, and the truth should not hurt any man.

Marion county Republicans should not make the mistake of breaking into the present delegation in Washington who are serving Oregon more effectively than any set of men we have had there for many years.

X-RADIUMS

"I care not who makes the laws," says J. J. Hill, so long as I am permitted to do the dodging.

The attorney-general is Knox, and J. J. Hill is Erebus—the fellow who knocks Nox.

J. J. Hill agrees with the supreme court that the merger is a bad thing—so he just emerged and changed its name. It is still in business at the same old stand, same officers, same conditions, same effects.

Sheriff Storey, of Multnomah county, it is said, will make the race for sheriff on the independent ticket. A sort of an automobile race.

Kuropatkin must have been sent out to Fort Arthur C. O. D., and the folks have forgotten to call for him.

Undertaker Rigdon is a man into whose hands we do not want to fall. He would embalm his best friend, if he was called upon to do so. In such a case it is better to be preserved from our friends than by them.

With seven wives and 42 children, President Smith's family is just half a hundred.

Has anybody heard anything about Reed Smoot recently?

The people may still petition under the provisions of the constitution, but it is the congressmen and senators who dictate the appointments.

Primaries next Monday—that is where the nominations are generally made—the conventions, as a general thing, only ratifying them.

Rocketeer is being exploited by the politicians. They expect him to pour oil on the troubled waters.

The Fumker-Dick controversy in Ohio has assumed the proportions of the war in the Far East.

The factious fight among Republicans in New York is settled—Platt stays in the lead, with O'Sell in second place.

The ever beautiful Easter hat is now rapidly getting ripe enough to be picked.

The czar has sent the most sacred relic in his possession to protect his torpedo boats. Unless it is encased in



Harvynized armor, he is liable to lose it.

The prettiest shapes in Easter bonnets this year are—Salem girls, of course.

The Wheeling Intelligence says: "Hoarst is no longer a joke," so much the more reason the Democratic party won't take him.

The small boy has a kick coming. Spring is here, but there is no chance to play marbles.

That Masonic god would have never stood for Grover, only he had got used to the work by degrees.

Just the right weather for a big fruit crop in Western Oregon.

We can't all wear diamonds, but we can come pretty near getting all the news with the best headlines and outspoken editorials for our dollar.

Silverton will hold a good roads meeting and encourage building better highways in that live town.

It is a serious matter to joke with an undertaker, but more serious to employ him.

The young and the old Republicans will take part in the primaries next Monday on equal terms.

Because a man in Ohio nearly starved his children to death, being poor, the village boycotted him. As this prevented him earning anything to feed the youngsters with, wherein was his offense different from that of his neighbors?

An English expert figures out that it will cost Russia \$10,000,000 a week to keep 250,000 soldiers in Manchuria. As this would amount to \$40 per week, the expert has another guess coming.

The Hon. Grover Cleveland, rode the Hon. William Goat in a Masonic lodge room a few nights ago. The goat is old, and in this case he had to carry weight for age.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease. And giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY, & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Ducks Stuffed With Gold.

One of the greatest mining excitements ever occurring near Salt Lake is now on.

A great number of wild ducks have been found dead near Basin City, and investigation proves that the fowls had been killed by eating small gold nuggets which lodged in their crops. Soon after the discovery dozens of citizens began to hunt ducks. The new scheme of mining was profitable to more than one of the hunters. Dr. Walker of Hyattville found a nugget in a duck's crop worth \$11.85.

Other finds were made, and the gold fever is on. The nuggets swallowed by the birds were picked up on the shore of Palmt Rock creek. Prospectors are already on the ground staking claims.

Trial of Senator Burton.

St. Louis, Mo., March 22.—The cast of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas, was called for trial today before Judge Adams, in the United States district court. A panel of 60 jurors were drawn for the trial, which is the result of the indictment charging Senator Burton with accepting money for using his influence in preventing the issuance of a grand order against the Riato Grain and Securities Company, of this city.

March 21st. Spring Begins.

Hail! Gentle Spring,
If hailing phrases,
Or anything,
If you'll agree
While on your jamboree,
To cut the breezes,
Long may you reign.

But, oh! be careful how you spell it
Lest us poor mortals longer must
Umbrle' it.

Hail! sweetest damsel of the sun-
wood South,
With eyes of violets and the red-
rose mouth.

Light tripping, fragrant as the breath
of morning
With shirt-waist suit of mist, your
form adorning,

So dainty, yet immodest. Hoyden
Spring,
You make the forests blush like
everything

Because their limbs are bare,
And you—you stare
You naughty, romping, brazen, flirt
thing.

You go round prying
And on Dame Nature, naked, do your
spying.

Its time you stopped that prinking
Also cut out those goo-goos, and that
winking.

But say!
If you are here to stay,
Give us some token of your good in-
tentions,

Reduce the rain's dimensions.
For surely of your tears we've had
enough.

Give us a smile divine,
One day of sun and shine,
That's the stuff.

Don't get so everlasting gay,
There's other things to do besides to
play.

Come, wake that rebulsh dimple
in your chin
Ere the mosquito tunes his mandolin;

Come to us as you later must, Oh,
Sweet

While daisies star the green slopes at
your feet.

Tangle your wind-blown hair on
bush and vine
And hear the whispered love tale of
the pine—

Kiss the bleak orchard till its bloom
confesses
In petals blush, the warmth of your
caresses.

Come with your velvet carpet for
the hills.

Come with your music for the moun-
tain rills.

Come crowned with roses
Or sweet will posies
Come, clover-chained from out the
flowery meads.

Festooned, where little Aggie wore
her beads.
Purple the lilac, make the poppy
gay—

Open the pansies' eyes to light of
day,
Lift the sweet violet from its bed
of mold,

Make the white lily show its heart
of gold,
Wake the whole world to fragrant
blossoming.

Its up to you—you loitering, lazy,
Spring.

Come on, don't be so awful slow about
it.

And please, you darling, don't go
blow about it. J. H. C.

Suitor Talks Business.

The young man invaded the old man's office briskly.

"Mr. Ballines," he said, "I have come—"

"Oh, I can guess what you've come for," broke in the old man warmly.

"That's good," said the young man. "It saves time. I never was much good on those rigmarole speeches about trying to give her a happy home and all that. I'll do it, of course, to the best of my ability, but I'm more of a business man when it comes to talking business with men. Do I get her?"

"As a business man, sir, I will give you a direct reply. You do not."

"That's what I expected you to say," remarked the young man.

"Well, I thought we might talk it over as business men and get together—figuratively speaking, of course. When it comes to getting together in reality I prefer your daughter to you every time, and I'm not saying anything against you at that."

"That's nothing to talk over, sir."

GOT HIS HAIR BACK.

Was Perfectly Bald When He Started to Use Newbro's Herpicide.

Frederick Mansell, Maryland broker, Baltimore, bought a bottle of Newbro's Herpicide, April 5, '98, and began to use it for entire baldness. The hair follicles in his scalp were not dead and in 20 days he had hair all over his head. On July 2 he writes, "and today my hair is as thick and luxuriant as any one could wish." Newbro's Herpicide works on an old principle and with a new discovery—destroys the cause and you remove the effect. Herpicide destroys the germ that causes dandruff, falling hair, and finally baldness, so that with the cause gone the effect cannot remain. Stops falling hair at once and a new growth starts. Sold by leading druggists. Send 25c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich. Daniel J. Fry, Special Agent.

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insisted the old man. "You have my answer."
"Then you must take the consequences," said the young man.
"Do you mean to threaten an elopement?"
"Certainly not. But I suppose you know that I'm an oculist?"
"What has that to do with it?"
"I've been looking into your daughter's eyes on an average of three nights a week for nine months."
The old man turned pale.
"Lovers are proverbially reckless in the matter of eye examination," the youth went on. "Of course, if I am accepted as a lover I can make no charge; if not—well, sir, other people pay me good fees for doing that, and I don't see why you shouldn't. I can get \$5 for a five-minute examination in some cases, but even allowing ten or fifteen minutes, I can run up a pretty good bill in an evening."
"I never engaged you, sir," protested the old man.
"But your daughter did," returned the youth, calmly, and she is prepared to pay with herself, and if you interfere with the payment of that, of course you'll have to assume the bills. But I give you fair warning of one thing."
"What's that?" asked the old man, weakly.
"I'll take her in payment, but I won't take you—not in a thousand years. With you it's cash at the top rate."
The old man—well, what else could he do when he had a chance to get such a son-in-law?—Brooklyn Eagle.

Threw His Rider.

John Simpkins, who resides near Lincoln, met with an accident last Saturday evening, which might have resulted seriously. Mr. Simpkins had ridden a young horse to this city that afternoon, and was returning home in the fierce storm that was raging. In

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