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### Dates of Local Events.

Thursday, April 7th, Polk county Republican primaries.

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.

### A LOVELY OLD-TIMER.

If you become a nun, dear, A friar I will be; In any cell you run, dear, Pray look behind for me. The roses all turn pale, too; The doves all take the veil, too; The blind will see the show; What! you become a nun, my dear, I'll not believe it, no!

If you become a nun, dear, The Bishop Love will be; The Cupids, every one, dear, Will chant, "We trust in thee!" The incense will go sighing, The candles fall a-dying, The water turn to wine, What! you to take the vows, my dear, You may—but they'll be mine. —Leigh Hunt.

### LET US BUILD UP SALEM.

The last city election was carried upon a distinctively progressive platform to build up and beautify greater Salem.

Those who charged that Salem was a wide-open town, run solely in the interests of the gamblers and the saloon keepers were defeated at the polls.

The proposition to spend large sums of money in prosecutions, litigation and moral-wave policies generally was not endorsed at the polls.

On the other hand, men were elected who were looking after the general business interests of the city, and who would build at least one decent street during the Waters administration.

If there are persons who care more for placing one saloon keeper or one gambler behind the bars than they do for the growth and upbuilding of the city, those persons are a minority.

Will the present city administration waste time, energy and public revenues in catering to this minority, or will they proceed upon the platform upon which they were elected?

The Journal believes they will do the latter. Go to work earnestly to make Salem a clean city.

**BUILD ONE DECENT WELL-PAVED DRIVEWAY.** Take a census of Greater Salem. Make the dead and unimproved property bear a share of the burden of public improvements.

**ADOPT POLICIES THAT WILL GIVE EMPLOYMENT TO LABORERS.**

Then the value of all property will increase, and Salem will become the best residence city in the Northwest.

### A WORD TO THE LABOR UNIONS.

In conversation with a carpenter yesterday, he stated that he had been out of work for six weeks.

He did not know when he would get employment, AS HE WAS WAITING FOR ORDERS FROM THE UNION.

Many people besides the carpenters, are waiting for "orders from the union."

It remains with the carpenters' union to say whether there shall be a

general era of building in this city or not.

The situation is this: The great bulk of people, who want to build, do not understand the union, and many of them distrust the unions.

There must be a better understanding, and all distrust of the Union must be removed, if there is to be general employment of men in the building trades of Salem this year.

The carpenters' union should, at an early date, take action to remove the misunderstanding, and destroy the prejudice that now exists.

Our city is suffering from this misunderstanding, and from this prejudice in many different ways.

**MANY OF OUR BEST MECHANICS ARE MOVING TO OTHER CITIES, WHERE THEY CAN OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT.**

Many people are hesitating about building, because they do not know what they are "up against."

If we are to have a general era of building prosperity, there must be an effort made to remove those restrictions from which our community is suffering.

**THE CARPENTERS' UNION SHOULD TAKE THE INITIATIVE.**

**THE VETERANS ARE FOR HERMANN.**

This does not refer to all the veterans of the Republican party, although they are almost a unit for Binger Hermann.

It refers to the veterans of the Grand Army, the Indian War Veterans and all who have faithfully served in the wars of our country.

Many of these have had a practical illustration of what it means to have an efficient man to represent them in congress.

There is Uncle Jesse T. Bennett, of Mehama, for whom a bill has just passed both houses of congress, and been signed by the President. It will give the old preacher and red-hot prohibitionist \$30 a month for the rest of his life.

As Binger is neither a lawyer, nor practicing at any other profession, he can give such little matters his personal attention.

The old veterans will be in the congressional convention which will be held in Salem, both as spectators and delegates.

They are not clamoring as loud for a young man in congress as some of the other politicians, but they are loyal Republicans, and will help elect the nominee of the convention.

**POOR MEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.** When President Hadley, of Yale, said that the public life of this country needs a large body of young men of independent means, he was influenced, it is to be feared, by the interests of his own hundreds of young men of independent means.

Theoretically the young man of independent means is the young man who can best afford to devote himself to the public service. But, in practical fact that is just the kind of young man which the public can least afford to have in charge of its affairs.

The young man without means, but with the right stuff in him sees little satisfaction for himself in the public service, even in the way of bare living: manufacture, commerce, finance, and the professions offer him far more glittering attractions.

And, yet, this young man, fresh from toil, with the inspiration that comes of empty hands, and with sympathies undefiled, is the one who through all history has held the pilot

wheel of the ship of progress with the steadiest hand and stoutest heart.

The man of independent means, be he young or old, is out of sympathy with the real emotions and environment of the masses. He views the common lot only as he looks into a house through windows. He knows the common life only as one who dwells in the hills knows the life of the valleys.

The great movements of human progress have seldom originated with men of independent means. They have sprung from the heart of common people. The great leaders of men have come up from the soil.

What we need in public life, and in private life, too, is not the man "rich enough to resist temptation," but the man honest enough to despise it, the too true in his sympathies to mistake public good and too quick in his intelligence to be misled.

Wealth confers many blessings upon its possessor, but it never yet gave him brains or morality, though it often robs him of both and much else besides.—Baker City Democrat.

### THE FLOWER THIEF.

The Eugene Guard says: "What sort of a heart is it that will permit the young boy or girl to sneak in premises, under cover of darkness, as if he were doing an act that he would be ashamed to commit in broad daylight, and strip a flower bed of its blossoms? A flower bed which, perhaps some aged or decrepit old lady has faithfully labored to bring to perfection that she might enjoy a few of the beauties of nature that age prevents her going out and beholding elsewhere than in her own yard. Shame on the youths who will and have committed such sneaking thievery. Why not come up in the light of day and ask for the privilege of taking what you are too indolent to cultivate, and thereby save yourselves from breaking the commandment, which says, 'Thou shalt not steal!'"

Less than 15 years ago General Dick, the newly elected Republican United States senator, was the proprietor of a feed store in Akron, unknown and poor. He is today one of the best-known political leaders in the country. He was accorded the highest honor in the gift of his party in Ohio, and that, too, without preliminary campaign and bargaining.

He is the first poor man elected to the senate in more than a quarter of a century, since the days of the old Riganan.

## X-RADIUMS

The politicians of the Coos-Curry district will know that R. D. Hume has been in the race for joint senator before he gets through with them.

That Japs are still a-japping, and the Russians are not a-rushin'.

Well, Malcolm Moody has the satisfaction of having carried a great many of the Eastern Oregon delegations.

John McCourt's friends in Marion county will appreciate the following from a Pendleton paper, on district attorney: "Rather than stand by John McCourt, a moral and conscientious man, whose principles are too sacred to be bartered away for a nomination, it is arranged to throw him down, because of his morality, and nominate a man who will bid for the gambling vote."

What sense is there, anyway, in breaking into the present Oregon delegation?

The Oregonian candidates for congress have been very strong in "the headlines."

Carrie Nation and Candidate Hearst seem to be rapidly disappearing from the public horizon.

The Marion county Republican ticket is a good one and it is only a question of majority. The democrats realize this and their nominations will be empty honors conferred on a few of the faithful.

The people of Salem want more factories and they will get them. Industries add to the wealth of the city more than any one thing to make a community prosperous and substantial.

The equanimity of some newspapers at all the trusts is completely upset when it comes to the paper trust. An advance on print paper of one-third in two years is "robbery."

There is still time to prune the political pumpkin vines after the first frost. Pruned too early, they are apt to sprout again.

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A man in Arkansas was recently tried for assault and battery with an intent to kill. The state brought into court as the weapons used, a rail, ax, gun, pair of tongs, saw and rifle. The defendant's council exhibited as the other man's weapons, a scythe blade, pitchfork, pistol, dog, razor and hoe. The jury decided the case as follows: "We, the jury, would have given a dollar to see the fight."

### Paid Double Taxes.

The most liberal man in Oregon has been found by Sheriff Worth Houston, of Linn county, says an Albany correspondent. A few days ago the sheriff received a letter from a resident of one of the smaller cities in this county asking as to the man's indebtedness for taxes. The sheriff sent in response to the letter a statement showing the inquirer's indebtedness in detail, the total amount due being \$42.05. Yesterday a second letter was received from the same taxpayer, returning the sheriff's statement, and enclosing a check for just double the amount of taxes due, \$84.10. This is the first case on record in Linn county that a man voluntarily paid more taxes than the amount assessed against him, the rule being that citizens complain at the rate of taxation, and think it ought to be much less than it is, and in many cases the sheriff is directly blamed with making the rate so high. Sheriff Houston thinks he has found a jewel, and declares the man who is so liberal in settling his taxes must surely be a good Democrat.

### Almost Commits Murder.

Reno, Nev., April 7.—Frank Golden,



Captain Burnside Winslow, of the Yale University baseball team. Yale plays the first game of her season with Georgetown, at Washington, March 31st.



Captain Walter Clarkson, of the Harvard University baseball team. Harvard will open the season April 9th with a game in Cambridge with the University of Vermont. Subsequently the Harvard team will meet Georgetown, the University of Virginia, Annapolis, West Point, Holy Cross, Princeton, Bowdoin, the Carlisle Indians and a number of smaller colleges, the season winding up with the annual contest with Yale.



A Victim to Duty. Discovery of a Russian outpost frozen to death on the Korean frontier.

the man who made a million in the Tonopah mine, and invested his fortune largely in Reno real estate, took a shot at J. G. Martin, lessee of the Golden lodging house late last night. He was arrested on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder, and was released on \$500 bail. Golden, after his release on bail disappeared, and all efforts to reach him were unavailing.

Golden met Martin on the stairway of the Golden block, and, after some words over a civil suit brought by Martin's wife, over the lease, he struck Martin over the head with a pistol and then shot at him without effect.

Julius L. Herron, secretary and business representative of Governor Sparks, appeared on the scene just as Golden's pistol was pressed against Martin's abdomen and Golden was about to fire. Herron bravely interfered and disarmed the millionaire.

The affair has created a big sensation here, for Golden is one of the best known and best liked men in Nevada.

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