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ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER.

- Registration books for primary election close April 10.
- Primary election April 20.
- Registration books again opened April 25 and close May 15.
- Last day for filing names for state and district offices March 30.
- Last day for filing names for county offices April 4.
- Canvassing votes for nominating state and district candidates May 5.
- Last day for filing nominating petitions for county offices May 19.
- Last day for filing certificates of nomination May 5.
- General election June 4.

THE PEOPLE WILL PAY THE BILL.

This paper will try to assist in the election of a United States senator by the direct vote of the people.

THERE IS NO HOPE FOR ABOLISHING GRAFTS AND HAVING AN ECONOMICAL SENATOR OF THE LEGISLATURE ON THE OLD LINES

If the senator is to be elected by the legislators, the men who want the prize will go to buying votes with appropriations just as always has been done.

We do not blame a county having a normal school trying to get appropriations, and if the senatorship is put up at auction to the highest bidder, why should they not get big appropriations?

There is nothing but a few federal offices and appropriations to buy votes with for United States senator (Always excepting Colonel Mazuma).

The nearer we can force the people to nominate and elect a senator by direct vote of the people, THE CLEANER AND MORE ECONOMICAL WILL BE THE LEGISLATURE.

With clean men aspiring to this nomination, under the direct primary, and willing to go before the people for the election, why not take them at their word, and elect the senator in that way?

If men like Stephen A. Lowell will make a campaign before the people for that high office, there is no reason why a senator cannot be chosen in that way as well as any other office.

THEN WHY NOT GIVE THE PEOPLE A CHANCE TO GET RID OF GRAFTS, get out from under paying enormous appropriations in violation of the constitution, and let us have one clean, honest session of the legislature!

While there is some difference among citizens as to how to get at it, all voters of all parties believe that United States senators had better be chosen by the people direct.

That the favored candidates are ready to buy this office in the good old way, no one can doubt. THAT THEY SHOULD NOT BUY IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING.

The Journal advises the voters of Oregon to closely scrutinize the names and records and sentiments of the men who want to go to the legislature, and elect only such men as will stand up for the principle of electing senators by the direct vote of the people.

THE GOOD ROADS MOVEMENT.

If there is any section of the county that can build a road under the provisions of the Tuttle law, let the work go ahead.

The danger to the good roads movement is greater from stalling work under an unwise law that will react against the cause.

But let us not discourage anyone who wants to give that law a trial, even though it seems to work a hardship on some citizens.

A far more just system would be to

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divide the burdens between the state and county and road district, in an equitable manner.

A fine road should be built from this city to the state fair grounds, but it would not be fair to charge it all to the abutting property.

The city would be benefited, the whole county would use it and the state would be enriched thereby.

Let all the interested be assessed. Let us deal justly with all who are to be benefited when a public highway is constructed.

THERE ARE YET HEROES

Gallant Effort of Sailors to Save Their Brothers Partly Successful

Here is one of those stories of the sea that does honor to the stout hearts that beat beneath many a sea jacket, and makes one blush for shame of humanity when comparing it to those who "stood by" when the Veronia victims went down:

Suffering, mental and physical, and numerous acts of heroism in saving life rarely equalled in records of tragedies of the sea, attended the loss of the Phoenix line steamer British King, which on Sunday last, in a raging Atlantic storm, foundered about 150 miles south of Hable Island and carried death to 27 members of the crew.

Thirteen were rescued from the sinking vessel by the Leyland liner Bostonian, bound from Manchester to Boston, and 11 by the tank steamer Mannheim, Bostonian for New York.

Five others who had been drawn into the vortex in which the British King sank, were picked up by the Bostonian from a frail bit of wreckage which they had grasped after a desperate struggle for life in the whirpool. The Bostonian arrived here this afternoon and the details of the disaster became known.

Captain James O'Hagen of the British King died on board the Bostonian from the effects of terrible injuries sustained in trying to save the ship.

The rescued who were brought here today include James Phannagan, the second officer; J. D. Bradford, the chief engineer; Adolphus Brew, the fourth engineer, and William J. Curry, the steward. The others were coal passers and sailors, mostly Belgians, and one stowaway from New York.

Two lifeboats from the Bostonian were crushed to fragments, and their volunteer crews which manned them were thrown into the high-rising sea while engaged in the work of rescue, but all were safely landed on board the steamer.

When the first life boat was lowered from the Bostonian the small craft was swept against the stern of the big ship and destroyed, and several of the women were bruised and maimed. Yet, despite the hoisterous seas, the volunteers were rescued by lines thrown from their own steamer.

A second attempt to reach the sinking ship was successful, and 13 men, including Captain O'Hagen, were taken from the British King to the Bostonian. They again a great sea carried the lifeboat against the side of the ship and destroyed it, and the lifeboaters were thrown into the sea, to be rescued only after an hour's work by their comrades.

Volunteers from the Mannheim after a heroic battle with the waves had taken off 11 from the British King, but after this neither of the steamers in consequence of the increasing gale and oncoming darkness could make an attempt to reach the foundering freighter. Soon afterward the British King, which was then waterlogged and helplessly plunged to the bottom.

The British King sailed from New York last Wednesday, bound for Antwerp, with a miscellaneous cargo and 150 cattle. Previous to the appearance of the rescuing steamers every small boat of the King had been demolished and there was no way in which the crew could leave the ship.

The British King was built at Newcastle, in 1891. She registered 4717 tons gross and 3042 tons net. Her dimensions were 405 feet long, 47.5 feet beam and 27.9 feet depth of hold. She was owned by the British Ship Owners' Company (Limited) of Liverpool.

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LAND BOARD BUSINESS

State Land Agent West Replies to Criticism

A Good Disposition Made of Some of the State's Property

Salem, Oregon, March 19.—To the Editor: The following appears in the editorial columns of your Saturday's issue:

"Publish Land Board Proceedings. "One law that should be passed by the next legislature should be to require publicity of the transactions of the state land board."

"Valuable farms and property and large transactions were disposed of THAT THE PUBLIC ARE ENTITLED TO KNOW ABOUT."

"A valuable ranch was sold in Coos county the past week for \$1040, and there was little or no advertisement of the same."

"Like the grafts that were stopped by publishing the county court proceedings, publicity of the land board would stop many steals."

"The transactions of the state land board are a closed book to the public, and frauds could be stopped by complete publicity in the newspapers."

"This is one of the greatest and most needed reforms required in the state government." Had you been familiar with the facts in the case I know you would not have written the above, for I know you to be too fairminded. If anyone is to be criticized in the matter it should be the undersigned, and not the state land board.

Your editorial evidently refers to the sale of two state farms in Coos county recently made. These places are known as the D. Ritzman and Matt Mattson places. The state has owned the former over four years and the latter between one and two years. Repeated attempts have been made to sell these farms for the amount of the state's claim, but without avail. Considering it good policy to sell them as soon as possible and realize what I could for the state, I advertised them for sale to the highest bidder. The notices of sale (a copy of which I enclose you) were published once each week for four weeks in the Coast Mail and Coos Bay News, papers published at Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon.

Bids were opened last Tuesday and the Ritzman place brought \$4520. The state had loaned \$1800 on this place and the interests and costs at the date of foreclosure amounted to \$1926.20, making a total cost of \$4283.20. This means a profit of \$1638.80.

On the Matt Mattson place the state loaned \$600 and the unpaid interest and costs amounted to \$194.67, making a total of \$794.67. The place brought \$1000, which means a profit of \$245.33.

These places brought far more than I ever dreamed they would; all of which goes to show that it pays to advertise. The state has about 20 more to dispose of and they will be advertised and sold to the highest bidder as were the above mentioned places.

OSWALD WEST, Comment on Above. The Journal especially referred to the proceedings of the state school land board, not to the business of the state land agent.

State Land Agent West has been a vigilant officer, and the work he does is above criticism so far as we know. We are not criticizing the work of the school land board of which George G. Brown is clerk.

Mr. West's letter proves the value of publicity. He says the two farms he advertised in the newspapers brought the state more than he "ever dreamed they would."

Publicity of the proceedings of the state school land board would reveal abuses that the people have never dreamed could exist.

In 1895 the editor of this paper in the Oregon legislature opposed an expensive whitewashing investigation of the state school land board. Time showed he was right.

The very investigation that was then conducted, costing the state about \$1200, covered up the George W. Davis defalcation of \$36,000 unwarped a few years later when it was too late.

When a land speculator appears with ten or twenty or fifty false entries, and proceeds to grab public lands, a little publicity would let the people know what was going on and protect the school fund.

When a man applies for a loan of more money on lands than the prop-

OPEN PUBLICITY THE BEST GUARANTEE OF MERIT.

When the maker of a medicine, sold through druggists for family use, takes his patients fully into his confidence by frankly and fearlessly publishing broadcast as well as on its bottle wrapper, a full list of all its ingredients in plain English, this action on his part is the best possible evidence that he is not afraid to have the search light of investigation turned full upon his formula and that he will bear the fullest scrutiny and the most thorough investigation. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for the cure of the weakness, periodical pains and functional derangements of the organs distinctly feminine, is the only medicinal roots, from native American pine put up for sale through druggists for women's special use, the maker of which is not afraid to take his patients into his full confidence by such open and honest publicity.

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It is assessed for, a little publicity would be a good thing. When men carry for a year a trifle of a balance to escape paying taxes, publicity would be a good thing.

There is no publicity now until the fraud is committed, the lands gone, the taxes dodged. We lock the stable always after the horse is stolen. We kill the dog after he has dismembered the flock of sheep.

Publication of county court proceedings has saved the counties of Oregon hundreds of thousands of dollars. Publicity of the school land board proceedings would save the state millions of dollars in the same manner.

Doctors Are Puzzled. The remarkable recovery of Kenneth Melver of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of this case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the throat and congestion of the lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and I am happy to say it saved my life." Cures the worst coughs, and colds, bronchitis, tonsillitis, weak lungs, hoarseness and la grippe. Guaranteed at J. C. Perry's drug store, Salem, Oregon. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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