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MAY BE A LIVELY MEETING

The Republican County Executive Committee will be in Session Tonight

There will be a meeting of the executive committee of the republican county central committee tonight at rooms in the Bollinger Hotel. Some surprise was manifested in republican political circles when the announcement was made some time ago that a meeting was to be held. All kinds of rumors were afloat as to the object of the meeting but members of the committee have been reticent concerning that which was to come up with the exception of a few minor matters. It is known that the committee will be increased from five members to seven and two members will be appointed from the district recently annexed to this county, comprising South Shoshone county. It is also known that several postoffice appointments will come up for consideration where two applicants have been recommended for the position and there being conflicting interests. One of the matters will be the Cavendish postoffice where factions have recommended two applicants for the position.

It has been persistently rumored that the old factional differences of the party in this county is to be threshed over at the meeting. Chairman Stearns would say nothing concerning the matter neither would any member of the committee speak on the subject. The rumors afloat are to the effect that Governor Gooding has ceased to recognize the organization in its endorsements of candidates for state positions on the ground that applicants for similar positions have been endorsed by other members in the county thereby creating a conflict. No instance of this character has as yet been made public in any case but such is the fact as stated by persons believed to be on the inside. The question that will come up will likely determine the course of the organization in its policy during the next campaign in this county. From information obtained it would appear that Governor Gooding will be asked to recognize the organization and his refusal will probably mean that he will not secure its support for re-nomination. It is known that Governor Gooding will be in Lewiston shortly and it is understood that he will go in conference with party leaders relative to the differences alleged to be worrying the party in this county.

FROM THE ELK DISTRICT

Big Creek Mining Property Has Been Attached.

Elk City, April 24.—The News says: Deputy Sheriff Blackburn passed through town this week on official business. He went to Big Creek, near Dixie, to post notices of attachment on the Big Idaho company's property in that district.

The property was attached for the non-payment of labor.

J. A. McEachron, manager of the Elk Gold mining company, reports an important strike on the Albertas No. 1, one of the company's claims. While prospecting the surface of this claim a four foot ledge of high grade ore was encountered. Later work along the strike of the vein thus far shows the shoot to exceed 100 feet in length.

G. W. Bailey, a prominent mining broker of Lewiston, passed through Elk last week on his way to the Hump, Orogrande and the Four Mile country.

Mrs. D. D. McFarland, of Orogrande, is visiting friends in the metropolis this week.

Clark and Schofield's outfit arrived in camp this week loaded for Elk City and Orogrande.

Orrin Lamb returned to the district Wednesday with his pack outfit after wintering in Lewiston.

Messrs. Kincaid, Harsh and Corkoran returned to Grangeville Tuesday after spending several days in camp.

Rene McPherson, Grant Litchfield and Louis Fitting, forest rangers, were ordered to report for duty at Elk City this week.

Miss Anna McLaughlin spent Sunday at the Brundage ranch on Red river, the guest of Miss Besle-Brundage.

T. J. Hauck, who has been here a couple of months looking for a dredging proposition, left on Sunday's stage for Delta, Idaho.

Judge Steele has refused to grant a divorce to Eliza W. Thomas from her husband on the grounds that her removal from his home being voluntary on her part she had no cause of action against him for wilful neglect or non-support.

DEEP DUPLICITY IN RUSSIA

Secret Orders to Rojstvensky to Stay in French Ports.

Chicago, April 22.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Chicago Daily News says:

"Russia welcomes international complications in the far east as likely to aid her in getting out of her difficult position without loss of prestige. Rojstvensky has received orders not to heed protests, but to remain in French ports. The Black Sea and fourth squadrons are being fitted out simultaneously."

Commenting on the foregoing, the News says editorially:

"While this cable in a certain manner contradicts the Associated Press reports on the same subject, it comes from a correspondent of the Daily News who has shown himself in touch with the highest authority in St. Petersburg and who, through long residence in that capital, has a thorough understanding of Russian ways. It is altogether likely that Russia, being in desperate need of ports in which to coal, clean and repair the Baltic fleet, will take advantage of every tendency in her favor; will strain the complacency of her French ally to the utmost and defy international law, which is an uncertain quantity in any case."

"Bearing this in mind, it is to be understood that there may be two sets of orders from St. Petersburg—one to muddle the international public, and the other of vital significance to Rojstvensky."

Held 15 Prisoners at Bay.

Portland, Ore., April 22.—Fred Selee, aged 15, a trusty at the county jail, today held fifteen prisoners at bay with a revolver until his shouts attracted deputies to the scene. Selee's attention was attracted to the intended escape by seeing one of the prisoners run through a door leading from the corridor to the street. Suspecting about what was to occur he secured a revolver and returned to the corridor as the others were about to escape in the same manner.

BELIEVE IT'S A GOOD THING

Prominent Portland People Look with Favor on Electric and Boat Line Project

Portland, April 24.—The Telegram says:

Portland commercial bodies are unanimous in support of any enterprise that looks to development of more trade territory tributary to this city. Chamber of commerce and board of trade transportation committees have both been making investigations of projects for new railroads or branches of the present lines to tap sections of the state at Portland's doorway that have remained in primeval state until now. Naturally therefore, great interest has been manifested in the project for an electric line from Lewiston to Grangeville, with steamers plying the Columbia to Cello, for that projected road which the people of Idaho propose shall be constructed without delay would bring into immediate production of wheat and other products of the soil, an immense area capable of maintaining large population.

Views of representatives of the various commercial organizations were sought by The Telegram, and reveal the unanimity of these leaders in commending any transportation enterprise that will develop new territory and increase the population of the country with resultant commercial growth to Portland.

"Portland should give emphatic approval to transportation enterprises calculated to increase production and create commerce," said Secretary J. D. Lee, of the board of trade. "This Idaho enterprise would connect Portland with a very fertile district that for many years would continue to improve. Because of lack of information as to details, I cannot say much as to the desirability of the Idaho project for investment, but it seems to me to be good. Lewiston being at the head of river navigation, this independent road would not, as I understand it, be at the mercy of transcontinental roads that might at any time assume an unfriendly attitude."

"It is a great enterprise," said president Wheelwright, "and as I understand it, the money necessary for the road is to come largely from the people of Idaho. Portland interests have been instrumental in securing the construction of the state portage railroad, and in what has been accomplished for maintaining an open river, and it is very desirable that the company that

GOOD WORK STILL CONTINUES FOR ELECTRIC RAILWAY PROJECT

Committees in All Parts of the Country Now Working Diligently Securing the Necessary Stock Subscriptions

Progress in the work of securing stock subscriptions for the Lewiston, Nezperce and Grangeville electric line project is rapid and encouraging and the enthusiasm displayed over the possibilities of the culmination of the project at its infancy has not abated in the least. The committee in charge of the subscription list in Lewiston has been untiring in its efforts and the \$100,000 mark has been practically reached. O. A. Kjos, D. J. McGilvery, R. C. Beach and Chas. Dowd have gone to the Waha and Tammany country and are now engaged in soliciting stock subscriptions from the farmers along the proposed line, and information received from the party this morning at Waha is to the effect that they are meeting with abundant success. Not alone is subscriptions being generously offered but farmers are signifying their willingness to give the necessary right of way. The news is thus encouraging and the whole country between Lewiston-Clarkston and Grangeville is working as a unit to the end. In addition reports have been received from the outlying districts that committees in charge of the work are meeting with excellent success. From Portland and intermediate river points much confidence is being expressed in the ultimate success of the electric railway and boat line project and last week at Portland steps were taken by individual members of the open river association who formed a stock company to erect steamers to ply on the river between Cello portage and Lewiston. The Portland Evening Telegram in speaking of the company says:

Articles of incorporation of the Open River Transportation company will be signed today for filing tomorrow, which will formally launch the project of the

builds the new railroad should also put on a line of boats connecting between Cello and Lewiston which would bring the realization of the open river for which Portland has so long been striving.

"It seems to me that Portland could well afford to invest in any transportation enterprise that brings new trade territory into commercial communication with this city," said C. H. McIsaac, secretary of the Manufacturers' Association. "Although I have been away from home for some time and very busy with other matters since returning, and have had opportunity to learn very little concerning the Grangeville-Lewiston enterprise, I know that the region to be traversed by this road is rich in agricultural resources, and that Portland already enjoys considerable trade in that territory that would be multiplied with the railroad in operation and boats plying the open river from Lewiston to Portland."

That Lewiston people propose to have upper river transportation as soon as the road at Cello is complete is confirmed by W. F. Kettenbach, who says that the Mountain Gem, now at Lewiston and a steamer built especially for the upper river, owned by Lewiston people, will be placed in service running between Lewiston and Cello just as soon as the road is finished.

AFTER EASTER BALL

Will Be Given by Eastern Star Order Friday Night.

What promises to be one of the great social events of the season will be the After Easter ball which will be given under the auspices of the Laurel Chapter No. 13, Order of the Eastern Star, next Friday evening. Elaborate preparations are now being made for the event by the ladies of the order and the dance will be given at the beautiful dancing hall of the Masonic Temple. In addition to the dancing on that evening a most interesting vocal and musical program is being arranged and tables will be set for "500" the card game of the evening. Prizes will be given for the best player as well as for the poorest. Keller's orchestra has been engaged for the evening to render music for the dancing. During the evening refreshments will be served to the guests and altogether the affair promises to be one long to be remembered. The receipts derived from the sale of tickets will be devoted to the purchase of new paraphernalia to replace that belonging to the lodge and destroyed last winter by the fire which burned the old Mas-

sonic Temple. The object is a worthy one and those who are able should not neglect to secure their tickets which are now on sale at the Owl Drug store or may be obtained from any of the ladies who are members of the order.

Incorporators of the new company are J. A. Smith, president of the Open River association, Henry Hahn and A. H. Devers, and the authorized capital of the company will be \$100,000, shares of which will be offered to the public. The company will be empowered to build, purchase or lease steamboats and river craft for operation on the Columbia and its tributaries. J. N. Teal, attorney for the incorporators, states that the filings will be made tomorrow, and that it is the intention to acquire only the best class of boats, which will be built especially for the service on which they will be utilized, with particular regard for needs of that traffic.

A committee will be appointed by the trustees of the project to go to Portland to take up the work of interesting the business interests of Portland which has been lately brought to the attention by Mr. W. F. Kettenbach with such excellent results.

O. R. & N. OFFICIALS AT WALLACE

Possibility of Road into Murray Mining District.

Wallace, Idaho, April 23.—A special train of three cars, carrying B. A. Worthington, general manager of the O. R. & N., arrived here last night. This morning the party proceeded to Burke, back to Wallace and then down to Wardner, from the latter place continuing on to Moscow.

Besides General Manager Worthington, there were P. J. O'Brien, of Portland, general superintendent; W. W. Cotton, of Portland, general attorney; R. B. Miller, of Portland, general freight agent; D. W. Campbell, of Tekoa, division superintendent; W. H. Buske, of Portland, chief engineer.

E. P. Spaulding, general manager of the Monarch mine at Murray, met Mr. Worthington last night and discussed with him the advantages of building a branch line to the north side mines and he explained that the mines were there, and the recent disclosures clearly demonstrated that there would be sufficient traffic from the silver lead mines to justify the construction of the road.

The officials said there was no significance attached to their visit to the Coeur d'Alenes, the trip being simply one of inspection.

COTTONWOOD GAVE LIBERALLY

At the Meeting Saturday Over \$33,000 Was Raised.

Cottonwood, April 24.—With nearly \$40,000 already subscribed by the people of Cottonwood and vicinity it is now believed that there can be no doubt concerning the success of the electric line project. At the meeting held here Saturday the city was crowded with people who came to assist in organizing this community into a working force for the success of the project and before the speech-making was completed over \$33,000 was subscribed by persons present. Since then a committee has been appointed which has been at work and it is believed that the stock subscriptions will be raised to over \$50,000 before the end of the week.

At Keuterville a meeting was held Saturday morning and from \$12,000 to \$15,000 pledged for the new line.

ABSTRACT SHEET

Reported by the Commercial Trust Co., April 24, 1905.

DEEDS.

William W. Green to Ernest T. Green; land in Nez Perce county.

T. O. Hanlon to C. J. Miller; lot 3, block 2, lot 4, block 2, Cuddeback. Consideration \$6.50.

Seneber S. Brooks to Cornelius Schwandig; lot 20, section 12, township 33 north range 2 west. Consideration \$600.

Lot 8, Kober to Susan L. Dickinson; lot 9, block 1, town of Melrose. Consideration \$50.

Justin H. Clear to George H. Kester; east half of southwest quarter, southwest quarter southwest quarter and northwest quarter of southeast quarter of section 17, township 32, north range 3 west. Consideration \$500.

Sarah C. Thompson to George F. King; lot 11, block 5 of Mrs. S. C. Thompson's second addition to the city of Lewiston. Consideration \$200.

Fountain H. Walker to William H. Sawyer; northeast quarter of section 3, township 34, north range 2 west. Consideration \$1.

Alfred T. Walker to William H. Sawyer; northeast quarter of section 3, township 34, north range 2 west. Consideration \$800.

James A. Long to Harry S. Martin; one third interest in lots 1 and 2 and south half of northeast quarter of section 1, township 37, north range 5 east.

PATENTS.

United States to Martin Connor; northeast quarter of northeast quarter of section 30, and north half of northwest quarter and northwest quarter of northeast quarter of section 29, township 40, north range 4 east.

Vladivostok Cruisers Ready to Aet

St. Petersburg, April 22.—Private dispatches say that the Russian armored cruisers Rosala and Gromobol and the protected cruiser Bogatyr are cruising outside of Vladivostok ready to make a diversion in favor of Admiral Rojstvensky at an opportune moment.

INDEMNIFIED AGAINST LOSS

Sum of \$3,000 Deposited with the Mayor to Protect City in Delinquent Tax Matter

At the session of the city council last night a full membership was present with the exception of Councilman Kjos who is absent from the city. The matter of the alleged shortage of S. L. McFarland, former city attorney and ex-officio collector of delinquent taxes, as shown in the report of Expert Victor M. Smith, was brought up for consideration and Mr. I. N. Smith appeared before the council stating that he did so not as an attorney but at the request of W. B. McFarland, of Coeur d'Alene, a brother of S. L. McFarland, and that he was there to deposit with the mayor three drafts aggregating the sum of \$3,000 to indemnify the city against any loss should it be shown that there was a shortage after a proper examination of the books by Mr. McFarland. The amount was in excess of the sum stated in the report of Mr. Smith, the expert, the amount being \$2,788.83. The money to be held by Mayor Kress is a trust fund which terminates Monday night, May 15, at which time Mr. McFarland is to make a report and show proof why the full amount of the alleged shortage should not be paid into the city treasury and if such proof can be shown a refund is to be made by Mayor Kress of the difference.

Little if any other business was transacted in the council. Expert Smith was present as well as a number of the heads of departments to discuss matters with relation to a systematic line of bookkeeping to be inaugurated by the city for each department, a report of which Mr. Smith is now working on. From information gleaned last night it developed that Lewiston as a municipality has assets amounting to \$330,000. The water plant is valued at \$170,000. Mr. Smith is now making diligent inquiry into the various departments with an idea of placing the city clerical departments into first class condition. He is ably fitted for the work owing to his long and successful career in the public offices of Spokane.

Mr. O. C. Green, superintendent of telegraph for the Northern Pacific, was in the city this week inspecting the company's lines. He is traveling in his private car and left yesterday for the Clearwater country.

NEZPERCE AFTER THE MONEY

Soliciting Stock Subscriptions for Electric Line—Fair Dates set in October

Nezperce, April 24.—The work of the soliciting committee for the proposed electric railway between Lewiston, Nezperce and Grangeville is now thoroughly organized and the committee in charge of the subscription list started out this morning for a thorough canvass of the country.

The whole population in this section is enthusiastic over the proposed line and there is no question but that the stock subscriptions will be liberal. Already \$62,000 has been actually subscribed and it is expected that fully a like amount will be forthcoming. The committee in charge of soliciting the subscriptions is composed of T. M. Mockler, B. J. McRae and E. A. Johnson.

Nezperce is to have a bigger, better and more successful fair than last year and the association has been re-organized and new officers elected and the work of arranging for the event is now in progress. The dates for the fair week have been set and will be from October 3 to 7 inclusive. The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows: K. G. Osterhout, president; W. L. Lyons, vice president; Z. N. Swift, treasurer; P. W. Maloney, secretary; R. H. Wallace, manager. The latter is a well known attorney here and is qualified to take the management of the coming fair. Mr. Wallace states that he will endeavor to make the second annual event a record breaker and the money to be expended for purses and premiums will be liberal and judicious.

At the meeting held here Saturday night the directors determined on plans to be carried out and it is stated that more attention will be given to making the fair a local success. About \$5,000 will be expended for purses and premiums and the races will probably be limited to local horses. An effort will be made to have a first class livestock exhibit and liberal premiums will be set aside for this feature. The fair grounds and race track will be thoroughly overhauled and many new improvements will be added. The dates set for the fair have been placed at a time of the year when it will be most convenient to the farmers of this vicinity. Harvest will be over and a great deal of the grain hauling will have been completed thus giving everyone an opportunity to participate in the big annual event.

Lee Kendrick and wife were arrived Monday from Lewiston. They were accompanied here by Hugh Kendrick and L. M. Graham, brother and cousin of Mr. Kendrick. These gentlemen are from Springdale, Arkansas, and will look the country over with a view of locating.

William Eastwood was up from Clarkston last week visiting relatives and friends.

C. W. Felt returned last Friday from Missouri where he was called some days ago by the death of his mother.

Mrs. E. H. Post, who has been in attendance at the hospital at Juliaetta for the past month, returned to Nezperce last Saturday.

A letter was received last week from Frank Clark, at Boise, Idaho, owner of the Clark House, here in Nezperce, stating that himself and family are enjoying good health and are well pleased with their home in that section.

Z. A. Johnson last week purchased the Chas. Larson farm southeast of Ho. It is Mr. Johnson's intention to establish a stock farm in that locality.

DEAL FOR WHALEBACK FLEET

Syndicate May Ship Wheat from Chicago to Europe.

Chicago April 24.—The Tribune says: It is reported that the ore fleet of 10 whaleback steamers has been sold to eastern capitalists, believed to be John W. Gates and his associates. The May wheat deal, the plan was to ship the wheat direct from Chicago to Europe.

The fleet, which has been operated by the Pittsburg steamship company, one of the subsidiary corporations of the United States Steel corporation, is now in drydock at Detroit, being remodeled for ocean voyages. Some of these vessels have already crossed the ocean with cargoes of steel rails.

Mr. Gates declined to be interviewed. T. J. Hyman, secretary of the Illinois Steel company, said he had not heard of the deal, but did not deem it improbable.