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THE JOURNAL STANDS FOR PROGRESS, DEVELOPMENT, GOOD GOVERNMENT, AND NO DEGRADED LABOR.

THE BLITHESOME BARD.

Washington (D. C.) Herald.

Oh, the optimistic rhymester is a joy forevermore! He can warble forth a carol when the wolf is at the door. Wicked men may corner foodstuffs and necessities of earth, But the poet isn't bothered, for they cannot corner mirth.

Oh, the optimistic rhymester is a boon to have around! He can lip in cheerful numbers when his feet are on the ground. Greedy trusts may try to crush us; they may harry and annoy. But the poet isn't bothered, for they cannot corner joy.

CAN HE BE AN OFFICE SEEKER?

One Oregon editor is staying at the state capitol and editing the legislature as it unfolds and unravels itself. That record will finally be laid before the people and EVERY ROLL CALL WILL BE SCRUTINIZED BY THE VOTERS.

Now what is the use of any man with brains telling the people that all that is done is excellent? If they would pass a bill to hang his grandmother's remains on a dead tree HE WOULD SAY IT WAS A GOOD MEASURE.

There is nothing that meets with his condemnation. If the legislature would orders his ears cut off and sealed up and his eyes closed HE WOULD SAY AMEN!

Before we would run such a rosewater sheet we would go to sawing wood for a living, and we would at least be earning an honest living. IF WE HAD A YELLOW DOG THAT HAD NO MORE SENSE OF DISCRIMINATION that that we would sell him to the sausage-maker.

Of what use is any newspaper but to give the people the benefit of its columns and the critical faculty of the editor TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN RIGHT AND WRONG?

Such a newspaper has no more effect in this world than wall paper pasted on the back side of a woodshed.

Let a man be a man or a mouse or a long-tailed rat or something or other besides an emasculated opinionless pollywog.

We cannot see for the life of us what the good Lord LET SOME PERSONS GET HOLD OF A NEWSPAPER FOR ANYWAY, unless it is to prove that good government can get along and exist without the aid of a toadying newspaper.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR WORLD'S FAIR.

The state of Washington has stood sponsor for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, which will be held at Seattle in 1909 by appropriating \$1,000,000 for it.

Seattle citizens raised in one day, October 2, last, \$650,000 for the exposition and THE STATE DID NOT HESITATE WHEN ASKED FOR ONE MILLION.

The people of the Pacific northwest firmly believe in the exposition, which will be held primarily for the exploitation of Alaska, Yukon and the countries bordering upon the Pacific ocean, as an agency that will confer material and everlasting benefits on the country.

Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, and several of the OTHER WESTERN STATES HAVE SIGNIFIED THEIR INTENTION OF making appropriations for exhibits this winter so that they will have plenty of time to devote to the collection of displays.

Washington's appropriation of one million is considered an exceedingly liberal one from the young but sturdy state.

WASHINGTON'S POPULATION IS ESTIMATED AT 1,000,000, making an average of \$1.00 for every man, woman and child in the state.

The next step in the work of creating the exposition will be the securing of the participation of the United States government. A bill has been introduced into congress asking for \$1,200,000 FOR THE EXHIBITS AND BUILDINGS OF ALASKA, HAWAII AND THE PHILIPPINES. This will probably pass this session.

Many of the eastern and middle western states are preparing to make appropriations for the adequate exploitation of their resources and advantages.

THE REBUILDING OF CALIFORNIA.

The first month in the new year has been one of progress in California and reports received by the California Promotion committee show that all parts of the state are feeling THE INFLUENCE OF IMPROVED CONDITIONS.

There is continued shortage of laborers in many lines, all over the state, and this especially noticeable in ordinary laborers in the lumbering industry, and in female help as operatives in mills and factories.

STORE HELP, TELEPHONE OPERATORS AND DOMESTICS ARE IN ENORMOUS DEMAND.

Office men, clerks and bookkeepers are called for in all parts of California.

Conditions in San Francisco, so far as building operations and commerce are concerned, are eminently satisfactory.

More than \$39,000,000 expenditures is called for by the 7734 building permits that have been issued since the fire.

It is estimated by architects and contractors that fully \$100,000,000 WILL BE EXPENDED IN BUILDINGS DURING THE COMING YEAR.

One hundred and fifty buildings are now being erected or have been completed and occupied since the fire that are between five and twenty-two stories in height, and the total number of permanent buildings erected or in course of construction is more than seven thousand.

California's hop and raisin crops have been exhausted AT THE LARGEST PRICES PAID IN MANY YEARS, and it is estimated that the orange crop will amount to thirty thousand carloads, which bring top prices in the eastern market.

The following summary shows San Francisco's condition:
January building permits issued, 787. Value, \$6,522,000.
Total building permits since the fire, 7734. Value, \$39,621,845.
JANUARY PERMITS FOR PERMANENT BUILDINGS, 540.
Total permits for permanent buildings since the fire, 3459.
January real estate transfers, 770. Value \$4,000,000.
January postal receipts, \$149,392.69.
January customs receipts, \$752,253.31. Jan. '06, \$606,734.02.
January bank clearings, \$199,352,126.14. January, 1906, \$180,177,193.67.

LOS ANGELES BANK CLEARINGS, \$55,746,930.24. SAME, 1906, \$41,641,586.25.

Oakland bank clearings, \$15,279,703.73.
San Jose bank clearings, \$3,387,544.88.

AT THE THEATRES.

"At Cripple Creek," Liveliest Show Ever Produced in This City.

If melodrama is a good thing it has long puzzled dramatic people why it would not be better to crowd an unlimited lot of blood and thunder into one production, and thus have a still better thing.

The playwright who compiled "At

Cripple Creek" has solved the problem. In this lively production, which held the boards at the Grand Opera House last night, the acme of melodrama was reached. The entire gamut of blood was run. Something was doing every minute. Every stereotyped climax and dramatic situation that has been accepted as standard was thrown in. The expected happened every time. The

play was witnessed by only a small audience, but those who were present enjoyed the production heartily. For the most part the characters were well taken and the scenery was well arranged and appropriate.

"Caught in the Web."

Salem people are awakening to the fact that Eckhardt's Ideals compose one of the best stock companies on the road, and that first-class performances are being given each night at the Klinger Grand.

A large and appreciative audience was present last night to see the first appearance of "Caught in the Web." There were 17 characters presented in the play, and, with the excellent specialties by Frank Howard, the clever comedian and dancer, and Miss Vera Browne and the moving pictures, the show was both fascinating and instructive.

SENATE MONDAY AFTERNOON.

After Sustaining the Vetoes of Governor Much Routine Business Was Transacted.

In the senate yesterday afternoon, the vetoes of the governor were sustained in one two three order and but little time was occupied. In most instances the bills were read by title only and the vote taken by acclamation. The only contest on senate bills was on that of Senator Kuykendall to create a board of control and take the control of the penitentiary from the hands of the governor. Senator Miller, of Linn, moved to indefinitely postpone and an aye and no vote was taken.

The house fertilizer bill was enacted over the governor's veto. Beach stood sponsor for bill and Johnson spoke in favor. Senator Miller, of Linn, said the bill was vicious, created class legislation and made the agricultural college do police and detective duty. Smith, of Umatilla, also spoke briefly against the bill. The six democrats and Senator Malarkey voted against the bill. Malarkey explained that when the bill was enacted two years ago there were only three votes recorded against it and that they were Republicans and there was no politics in the measure.

Under a suspension of rules the senate passed the house resolution memorializing congress to increase the pay of the rural mail carriers.

A petition was read from the Portland Open Air sanatorium asking the legislature to investigate their plans with a view of establishing a state institution of the kind.

The special committee reported adversely to the formation of the county of Clark.

The committee on railroads recommended the adoption of their report recommending that congress be asked to compel the Oregon & California railroad to comply with the terms of the land grant made them by the United States.

Under a suspension of the rules the resolutions were adopted.

The report recommending that penal institutions on S. B. 80 and S. B. 114 relating to the penitentiary was adopted.

S. R. 20 regarding making appropriations for a fair in every county was indefinitely postponed.

The report of the committee memorializing congress to take steps to have senators elected by a direct vote was adopted. All voted aye except Wheelodon who voted no.

The report recommending that S. C. R. 16, regarding to printing reports of the food and dairy commissioner pass, was adopted.

The report that resolution requiring all bills to be turned over to the

governor six days before adjournment do not pass, was adopted.

The following new bills were read for the first time:

S. B. 175, Kay (by request), regarding ditches, etc.

S. B. 176, McDonald, appropriating \$15,000 to pay salaries at experiment station at Union.

S. B. 177, Beach, regulating the work of bank cashiers, etc.

S. B. 178, Coke, amending the code regarding the boundary between Coos and Douglas counties.

S. B. 179, substitute for 67, regarding the railroad bridge at Oswego.

S. B. 180, substitute for S. B. 164.

S. B. 181, Johnson (by request), requiring stock food to be labeled.

Third Reading of Bills.

S. B. 11, Beach, to amend code relating to compensation and duties of county clerk and deputies in Multnomah county. Passed.

S. B. 31, Hedges, to amend code relating to suspension by death. Passed.

S. B. 39, Bingham, relating to clerk for school superintendent of Lane county. Passed.

S. B. 96, Johnson, to create a state highway commission. Made special order for Wednesday at 2 p. m.

SIXTY DOLLARS SAVED

Flat Salary Low Already Begins to Show Effects

The first meeting of the new board of trustees for the reform school, under the new administration, took place Monday afternoon. There was nothing of unusual or extraordinary interest in the report of Superintendent Looney except that the payroll for January amounted to \$906.83 or \$69 less than formerly this amount having formerly been divided among the board members as extra perquisites now cut off by the flat salary act.

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OFFICIALS TO TRAVEL ON FACES

But Will Not Be Allowed Mileage--Judiciary Reports Compulsory Pass Bill Favorably

The house committee on judiciary yesterday reported favorably upon house bill No. 231, by Freeman, of Multnomah, to regulate the appropriation of land for corporate purposes, and to acquire the grant of personal right during their term of office to public officials to travel over transportation lines as a condition precedent to the right of action for the condemnation of land. The favorable report of the committee with amendments was adopted and the bill passed to the third reading. If the bill is enacted into a law it is estimated that it will bring about a saving of about \$20,000 to the state annually in the free transportation of public officials.

The bill prescribes that it is compulsory on the part of railroads and transportation companies to grant free transportation to state, district and county officials during their term of office on any and all lines within the state, in consideration for the right to condemn lands and other corporate property. The transportation companies must file a certificate of intention to exercise the right of easement and the filing of this certificate obligates the company to grant the right of free transportation to officials. The official badge or certificate of election is sufficient evidence of the right of an official to demand transportation which the conductor is compelled to recognize. The bill is amended to declare railroads and transportation companies

common carriers within the meaning of the act, and no state, district or county official will be entitled to collect mileage under its provisions. The general appropriation bill now stands, provides from \$100,000 \$2000 additional allowance to the state officials, under the salary law, and, in case this bill comes a law these funds will naturally revert to the general fund of treasury, whereas now all or some of the state officials, including the governor, now travel upon

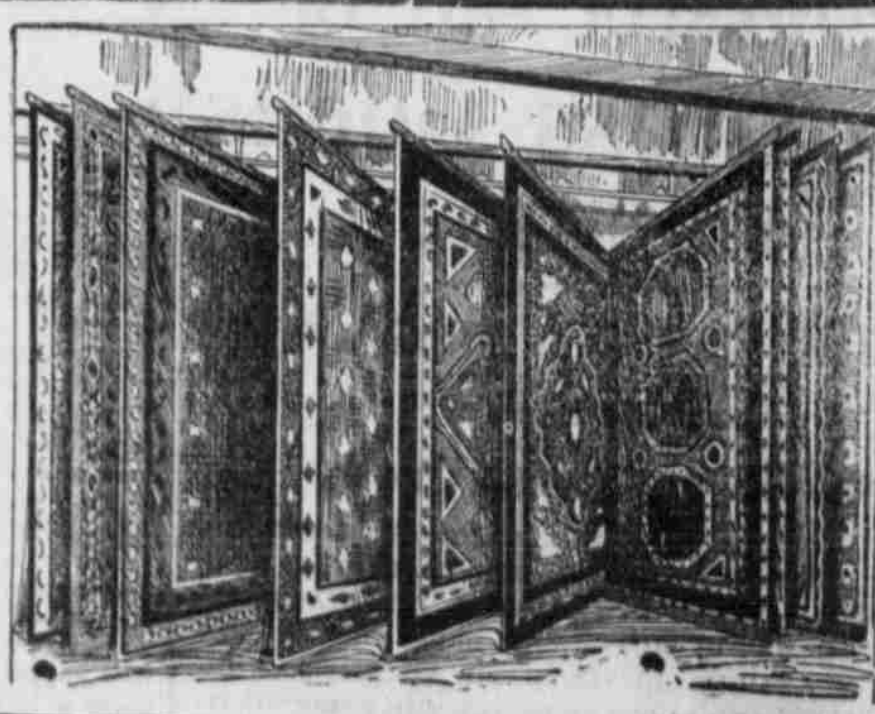
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