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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Aurora Lodge No. 62—Meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows hall, St. Helens, Oregon. Transient brethren invited to attend.

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ST. HELENS, OREGON, AUGUST 31

If Columbia county gets a railroad her people will have to build it, and if so they should build it on their own right-of-way, and where it will serve them best.

The free-wool clause of the new tariff bill was characterized by Cleveland, it will be remembered, as "an outrageous discrimination" against the farmers; and they will certainly pool their votes against the party that wronged them.

The farmers of Iowa reckon their loss from the hot wind at \$125,000,000. This is a large item, though not to compare with the damage from the wind that has been blowing from every quarter to nowhere in Washington during the past year.

The tariff bill became a law last Monday night without the president's signature. The bill is not exactly a free trade measure, but as near to it as the democrats dare go and not make it absolute free trade. If tariff taxes are such a burden on the people we ought soon to begin to prosper under this new mongrel law.

"How can we face the people after indulging in such outrageous violations of principle?" Cleveland asked the democrats in his letter denouncing the tariff bill which they afterward passed. The answer to this pertinent and significant interrogatory will promote the gaiety of the pending campaign throughout the East.

An exchange says: "Every town has a liar or two, a smart Aleck to make remarks about women on the street, more loafers than it needs, a woman or two who lattes, streets given over to weeds, an old fogey it would be better without, and a young man who laughs an idiotic laugh every time he says anything, a score of men with the caboose of their pants worn as smooth as glass, men who can tell you all about the finances, the weather and how to run other people's business, but who have made a dismal failure of their own."

One of the first measures that should receive the attention of the next legislature is one creating a maximum freight rate to be charged by the railroads of the state. Such a measure, if framed in the interest of the people, would be conducive of much good, to the farmers first, and, secondly, to all other shippers. The law, if properly incorporated, would not cripple the railroads and would put a stop to discrimination in favor or against certain individuals and localities. It costs more to ship a pound of freight from Corvallis to Portland than it costs from San Francisco to Corvallis. The former is 100 miles and the latter 400. Such a discrimination can be successfully handled by our lawmakers, and their constituents should urge prompt action in the premises.

If the next legislature would re-enact the mortgage-tax law, and then make the assessment roll the only evidence of such debt, the wealth of the country would all bear its pro rata of taxation. If a non-assessed note was made non-collectable the assessor would have no trouble in finding notes and mortgages, neither would the tax-gatherer have any serious trouble in collecting. Until our tax laws are amended so as to tax every evidence of wealth, just so long will the people be subject to unfair and unequal discrimination in taxation. And just so long as there is no way to force a man to give in his money, notes, and accounts, correctly, there is urgent need of a law making such papers null and void unless they appear on the tax roll. Stringent measures is the only remedy for this evil.

WHERE IS YOUR BUSINESS?

Those who read the resolutions in another column of this paper, regarding the proposed Vernonia railroad cannot fail to see, upon reading closely, that the proposition therein embodied is not for the best interests of Columbia, but mainly for Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah counties. In the first place the people of the Nehalem valley want an outlet to the Columbia river on the shortest route; they would not be materially benefited by a road leading out by way of Burton and down the Tualatin river to Oregon City, a distance of more than fifty miles, when they can reach deep-water navigation and rail connection at a distance of twenty miles, and in direct line with their business interests as well. It makes little difference to them at this time whether or not the interests of the Oswego iron works, the Portland General Electric company, or the Southern Pacific railroad company were served or not. That is not the question. Columbia county people are not able to build roads for other sections unless sufficient benefit could be derived, and they certainly could derive very little benefit from any other than a river outlet; in fact, the proposition referred to seems to us wholly impracticable, and we believe serious consideration given it would at once dissolve the unanimity of sentiment now prevalent, and in the end cause the defeat of any feasible plan which might be carried forward to successful termination. Columbia county should build, own, and operate the road, within its own borders, and to take it out of our own borders means nothing short of absolute failure. We do not pretend to say at what point it should reach the Columbia river, but by all means it should come to the river, and if St. Helens should be selected as the point we will be all the better pleased.

Plans for raising funds have already been outlined in these columns, and also in the Sentinel, at length, which we believe would be successful if pursued. Whatever plan seems best to a majority the minority should concur in and join hands for the promotion of the enterprise, provided always, that it is to be a Columbia county affair. We have no hesitancy in saying that we do not believe the Dell plan will meet with the approval of one single individual on this side of the mountain. The reason needs no further explanation.

The assassin who respects neither the laws of God nor the claims of man is of all ages and of all countries. From the murderer of the Czar of Russia to that of the mayor of Chicago; from the murder of the president of the United States to that of the president of France, he has been with us this latter half of the nineteenth century. In the first half he struck down a prime minister of England and a royal duke of the house of Bourbon. Every century has had him and always the same mean, squalid, dastardly creature—half crank, half demon, whether known as Louvel, Guiteau, Bellingham or Prendergast or Santo. Even as far back as Ravillac, the assassin of Henry IV, of France, we find the characteristics; the same unreasoning ferocity; the same vile personal traits and habits; the same stealthy and cowardly methods. And the victims of these brutal murders have, as a rule, been singular amiable and inoffensive men. The monsters of history have been proof against the malevolence of the demons. But yesterday France mourned with America, today America mourns with France. Who's turn shall come next?—Corvallis Times.

THE COMMISSIONER'S BUSINESS has gone to such an extent in this state and has proven of so little good that it should be rooted out root and branch. Concerning it the Statesman says: "Oregon's voters should elect their own railroad commission if it is deemed for the best interests of the commonwealth that the state have such a board of commissioners. The legislature ought never to assume the power to elect any state official. Already the fight for place on the next board of railroad commissioners is receiving more attention than any item of proposed legislation. The whole commission business (when the commissioners are elected by the legislature) is demoralizing—in fact one of the most demoralizing influences of the session. It has a close connection with a great deal of legislation. Votes for commissioners are traded for votes for bills that would otherwise be buried where they belong."

CONGRESS HAS AT LAST adjourned. The rash act was committed Tuesday. The sigh of relief was noticeable on every hand. The country will have a rest until December. What a pity it has not been resting since last December. The people may well say: "Your last act was the noblest of the year, pass thou through the portals to everlasting obscurity, and may God have mercy on your misguided souls."

LOOKING BETTER.—The Steamer Vulcan passed up Tuesday morning with a raft of logs containing nearly 1,000,000 feet. The lumber business is said to be improving by those who are in a position to know.

CLATSKANIE.

E. S. Bryant is at Portland this week.

Rev. Moore and wife left on Monday evening for the Willamette valley to visit friends.

Miss Abbie Bryant was elected to teach the primary school here for the coming term.

Mrs. M. Shearer and child were over from Deep creek the first of the week. It was the baby's first trip.

M. O. Bryant and family, with a few others, left on Friday evening for the hop fields to test their ability at hop picking.

C. A. Himpel is moving his family and some household effects out to the mill near the summit, this week, where sawing is to be done for a short time.

The principal social feature of the week was a benefit social on Saturday evening, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Moore, who have completed their sacred year of work on this circuit. E. W. Conyers very kindly donated the use of his hall for the occasion, and a large gathering of people old and young were present to testify their respect for the minister and his wife, and their wishes that success might follow them in their labors wherever the church authorities might send them for another year. The exercises of the evening were opened by an instrumental musical selection by Miss Lou Barr whose ability and willingness to entertain a company are well known here and highly appreciated. Recitations by Ada Stevens and Miss Abbie Bryant, with a song by Miss Cora Blackford and a duet by Ida Blackford and Florence Fabrique were followed by a brief statement by Dr. Hall, of the object of the gathering, and a request for a few words from Rev. Moore. This request was heartily responded to by the pastor, who gave a very pleasant statement of his work here, and his enjoyment in it. Following this Mrs. Moore was presented by the Junior League with a bed spread, and gave a brief and very graceful acknowledgment of her thanks for the kindness. After these exercises the Clatskanie orchestra favored the audience with instrumental selections as a prelude to a general attack on some ice cream and cake that had been prepared for the occasion. Here is where the benefit came in, and something over twenty-five dollars was realized as a result, which was given the pastor and his wife with the best wishes of those present. The pastor and his wife are held in universal esteem in this community.

Death of Senator Gates.
HILLSBORO, Aug. 29.—Word reached here this evening that Hon. Peter B. Gates, of Lafayette, was instantly killed last night while on a hunting trip to the Coast range mountains, at the headwaters of Gales creek, commonly known as Salmon Berry creek, 45 miles west of this city. In company with J. I. Knight, of Hillsboro, and two other gentlemen whose names are not known here, Mr. Gates left Sunday morning for a two weeks' outing. About 12 o'clock last night a violent wind storm swept over the vicinity of their camping ground and carried their tent away. Almost immediately afterward a huge limb fell from a tree, and striking Mr. Gates on the head smashing his skull and killing him instantly. The other members of the party were not injured. The scene of the accident is over a rough trail 12 miles from Nehalem, and after consultation the members of the party decided it would be impossible to carry the body out without assistance. They accordingly dug a temporary grave and placed the body in it for preservation, while Mr. Knight started for McMinnville to obtain help. He arrived here tonight, and several friends of the dead man started for the camp immediately. Mr. Gates was about 50 years of age. He was very prominently known in Yamhill county and also in Portland, where he had many personal friends. He was elected to the Oregon state senate from Yamhill county in 1888, and served with credit during two sessions of the legislature. In politics he was a stalwart republican. He was ex-grand master of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows of Oregon, and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He leaves a widow and three children.

BOY DROWNED.—Wednesday afternoon a 10-year-old boy named Biddy, living in Albina, was drowned in the Willamette river. The body was recovered within 18 minutes, but after an hour's effort to restore life without effect, the coroner was notified.

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FIREMEN'S ATTENTION.—A meeting of the St. Helens Fire Department will be held at the courthouse tonight at 8 o'clock for the purpose of electing a delegate to the State Volunteer Fireman's Association which meets in Oregon City on September 3rd. A full attendance is desired.

RAILROAD MEETING.—Mr. E. E. Quick, member of the Nehalem road committee, called a meeting of the citizens of St. Helens and all others interested in the project to build a railroad to Nehalem valley, to meet in the court house last night for the purpose of getting the sentiment, publicly expressed, in regard to the matter. The meeting went to press before the close of the meeting, hence cannot say what the final conclusions were, but no doubt some favorable action will be taken and this side of the county represented at the meeting at Vernonia tomorrow.

For the Propagation of Salmon.
The people of Ilwaco have a scheme on foot for the extensive propagation of salmon, and whoever desires to go to the legislature from Pacific county will probably be asked to lend his influence and energy to the furthering of the project. It is proposed that a tax of say 10 per cent. on the sale of all fish taken be collected and used to establish and operate fish hatcheries on the most approved plans. It is estimated that this plan would yield a revenue of at least \$100,000 per year, and it is thought that in four years' time salmon would have so increased that all restrictions might be removed and fish be taken at any time.

PERSONAL.

Judge Blanchard was in town Monday.

Rev. M. Judy preached in St. Helens last Sunday.

Dr. Cliff was down to Mount Coffin last Saturday.

Commissioner Frakes was at the county seat Monday.

James Quinn, of Quinn's landing, was in town Monday.

W. T. Watts, the Scappoose sawmill man was in town Monday.

E. W. Potter, of Kalama, Wash., was in town Wednesday.

John W. Vanblaricum, of Vernonia, was in town Monday and Tuesday.

W. D. Connell, of Deer Island, spent Wednesday afternoon in the county seat.

Senator-elect, J. H. Smith, of Clatsop county, was in St. Helens on Friday last.

W. W. West, of Scappoose, was here consulting with the board of equalization Monday.

Miss Minnie Willis, of Hillsboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Beegle, at present.

E. E. Quick and S. Saulser were over at Vernonia Friday and came home Sunday.

Mr. W. B. Dillard is mingling with the festive trull at South Scappoose creek, this week.

Edwin Merrill and Albert Seffort, of Deer Island, were at the county capitol Monday.

Mrs. N. E. Dolman has returned from the mountains, where she has been for several weeks.

Miss Mary Conyers, of Oregon City, was in the city Wednesday on her way home from Trout lake.

Mrs. James Young, of Portland, was in St. Helens this week the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. G. Muckle.

County Treasurer Wharton and family are home again from a few weeks camping out near Mount St. Helens.

Avon Lodge No. 62 K. P. will hereafter meet on Tuesday instead of Wednesday night. Knights please take notice.

The Mist offers an apology. It neglected to mention that across the front of the butcher shop are written the words "Meat Market," recently placed there by an artist in that profession.

C. H. Newell and Wm. Palmer took passage on the Mascot last Monday morning for Union Ridge from where they will journey eastward to the Spillee county, in Clark county, Wash. The gentlemen are out on a rascating tour.

A merry camping party consisting of Thos. Cooper and wife, Misses Lou and Bernice Crouse and W. I. Sweetland, left town Monday morning with full camping equipage, for Scappoose creek, where they spent the greater part of the week.

A great writer once said the way to make money was to attend to your own business, and let other peoples' alone. But there are some people who have none, hence they must look after the affairs of others. This is not meant for anyone it does not fit.

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