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COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER, WAS THE GAME WORTH THE CANDLE?

Senator Mitchell's home coming was rather a funeral affair compared with those of past years. He will now have an opportunity to count his real friends, and it is just possible that as he looks back through the past he may envy many a humbler man whose domestic life has been his main source of happiness. Whether he loses or wins in his contest with the law officers of the Government, he has endured a moral defeat from which he can never recover. He is old, broken down both mentally and physically, and it is impossible that he should ever lead his political friends to victory again. He has been a great force in the politics of Oregon for over a third of a century. He has made and unmade men. His will has controlled the caucus and the convention, and his influence has been felt in even the Senate Chamber of the United States. And now the end. At least, a successful attempt to evade the meshes of the law; at worst, a verdict of guilty, the loss of his high office, and the contempt and neglect of his former associates. In place of sycophants fawning for favor he will have ingrates who will turn their backs upon him and their faces toward the rising sun. Bereft of power, wealth and prestige, nothing remains but the remnant of a life to be spent in obscurity and loneliness. Had he died when at the zenith of his power the nation's representatives would have united to do him honor and all the pomp and glory of a Senatorial funeral would have been his. The Congressional Record would have been filled with eulogies of his character and the rising generation would have had him pointed out as an illustrious example for their emulation. As he reviews his long and arduous career he may well wonder whether the game was worth the candle and whether he has not overlooked the true blessings of life to sate himself upon Dead Sea Apples that turn to ashes upon his lips.

PRACTICE WHAT YOU PREACH.

Rev. Dr. Gladden, the General Conductor of the Congregational Churches of the United States, is a religionist who believes Christians should practice what they preach and he has no fear of nor favor to show rich criminals. In discussing an offer of \$100,000 made by John Rockefeller, the Standard Oil magnate, to the American Board of Foreign Missions, the Conductor said: "The money proffered to our Board of Missions comes out of a colossal estate, whose foundations were laid in the most ruthless rapacity known to modern commercial history. The success of this business from the beginning until now has been largely due to unlawful and outrageous manipulations of railway rates. "The United States Government is now engaged in a strenuous attempt to ferret out and punish this injustice. And the people of the United States have a tremendous battle on their hands with the corporate greed which has intruded itself in this stronghold and has learned to use the railways for the oppression of the people. And now, on the eve of this battle, they are asked to accept a great gift of money from the man who more completely than any other represents the system that is being unmasked to fight. "I hope they are not mean enough to take his money and then turn around and fight him. I hope they are not so faithless to their obligations as to take his money and shut their mouths or become his apologists. We do not want this man's money. To accept it would be to merit the contempt of millions of honest men; to reject it will strengthen our character in the affection and respect of millions who are inclined to doubt whether the churches love God more than Mammon."

Dr. Gladden evidently believes the receiver to be as bad as the thief. Rockefeller's money does not look good to a sincere Christian and he refuses to endorse the millionaire's crime. Between Dr. Gladden and Professor Harper, of the Chicago University, there appears to be a wide divergence of opinion. Harper has nothing but words of fulsome praise for the great financier who has contributed his millions to the building up of that institution, and utters fervent prayers that his life may be spared at least until he drops another \$50,000,000 into the college funds. The two men take exactly opposite views of the matter. Professor Harper believes that nothing contaminates gold and that the money of a Rockefeller is just as good as though it had been proffered by honest means. Dr. Gladden thinks that to accept a gift of money from an impure source would be to condone his crime, and would be a disgrace to a great Christian body.

A great deal has been written about the Gobel murder case in Kentucky, but it has all been done from an ignorant partisan standpoint. The first attempt to consider it from an impartial position is made by Mr. David Graham Phillips in the April "Cosmopolitan." The amazing and fascinating drama is reported fully and with true judicial impartiality; and many thoughtful readers who have been unable to form any definite opinion on this remarkable political crime will find Mr. Phillips' article of the greatest usefulness and help.

Competition is the life of trade, therefore two newspapers at Rainier will do well.

AN INCONSISTENT GROWL.

The Evening Telegram complains loudly that the Congress of the United States wastes the people's money, but it would probably have trouble in pointing out consistently with its past utterances, just where the waste occurs. The people favor the construction of the Panama Canal, and the administration insists upon the enormous increase of the Navy. These things take money by the hundreds of millions, yet they are generally believed to be worth all they cost. We have managed to sustain the dignity and prestige of the country without an overgrown navy, and could still do so; but the Telegram agrees with the administration in this respect, and therefore will not suggest retrenchment along that line. Never in the recent history of the country have the appropriations for rivers and harbors been more carefully scanned, and it has been only by the hardest kind of work that necessary improvements have been secured. The Telegram charges that the money goes "to improve some creek that would hardly float a scow," but it offers no proof in support of its assertion. Oregon asks a great deal from the National Congress, and it is in bad taste for an Oregon paper to criticize the appropriation for rivers and harbors. If more is needed, as is claimed, then the tax upon beer should be raised one dollar per barrel. This tax was lowered that amount after the war with Spain, and no one was benefited unless it were the big brewers of that beverage.

SHORT BITS.

Mr. Mitchell's exposure of the methods adopted by the manufacturers of road implements to sell their wares is very complete and convincing. The attention of the grand jury should be called to this matter.

When it comes to putting up a good bluff that man Castro away down south in Venezuela is right there with the goods. He just dares the United States to tackle him and his grand army of 30,000 halfbreeds.

If you want to see Columbia County's exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Centennial succeed, do your share. Grow something worth exhibiting. Knocking never yet helped build up a county. The knockers have all arrived at an age when they should be Olerized.

Oregon apples were selling in Great Britain during the month of February for twenty-six shillings a box, or about \$6.50. We can raise just that kind of apples in abundance in Columbia County.

Mayor Williams, at eighty-two is an active candidate for re-nomination. Is it time for him to take a short rest preparatory for the long one?

The London papers seem very anxious for an alliance between England, Japan and the United States, in order to protect their mutual interests in the far East. This country is amply able to protect its own interests in any part of the globe, and is just as likely to be called upon to protect them against Japan or England as against any other nation. We do not need any entangling alliances.

And now the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad intends to build to the Pacific Coast, at the expense of over one hundred million dollars. There are just three terminal points on the Coast—San Francisco, Portland and Puget Sound. That means the unlimited development of those three points, of which Portland is naturally the greatest and is destined within a few years to be a city of a million inhabitants.

The Commissioner to the Lewis and Clark Centennial reports progress. We hope this will satisfy Mr. Mitchell. Any friend of the exhibit can have a full report of what has been accomplished by writing to the Commissioner or by calling at this office. As to the knockers, we care nothing for them.

The Scasile Signal, Vol. 1, No. 1, is the latest manifestation of the fact that the desire to embark in the newspaper business overcomes all obstacles.

ARE DEFENDING MISS DECKER.

Eugene Business College Students Sign Statement.

To Whom It May Concern: We, the undersigned, do truthfully and gladly declare that we believe the allegations regarding Miss Maude I. Decker, as per daily paper, to be absolutely groundless and untrue, and we voice the sentiments of many others when we gladly recommend her to the public as an honest, moral and upright young lady. Miss Decker's life in Eugene during the past year and a half has proven this beyond a doubt.

From those who know: Signed by students of the Eugene Business College.

K. E. Long, E. Moffit, P. F. Gilbert, May Haswell, Claude Bond, Maude Dray, Wayne Yarnall, Edna Yarnall, Mary Debus, S. B. Davidson, D. H. Jackson, Herbert Smeed, Ella Cleaver, G. G. St. John, T. B. Holeman, Fred Peterson, Peter Johnson, T. S. Ohlsen, Jas. Anderson, L. A. White, Hulda Peterson, Clyde Puseell, Merle Briggs, Henry Haswell, Mark Trunnell, Frank Withers, Henry A. Mitchell, Ben Blair, Geo. H. Turner, R. C. Serling, M. R. Wegner, J. Winger, J. A. Christensen, Mabel Haggard, W. B. Neal, Mabel Miller, M. M. Maljan, Phoebe Partridge, Inez Somers, Berth Skumway, V. J. Berntzen, Anna L. Mack, A. G. Knowles, Charles Jennings, J. M. Soverns.

Syrup of White Pine and Tar, the old reliable cough remedy. For sale by A.J. Fleming, druggist.

ROAD LAW.

See page 271, section 28, of 1903 session road laws.

The supervisor shall open, or cause to be opened, with any funds in his hands available for that purpose, all public roads which may have been or may hereafter be laid out and established according to law in any part of his road district, and shall keep the same in good repair, and he shall have authority to enter upon any lands adjoining or near the county road and gather, dig, and carry away any stone, gravel, or sand, and cut down and carry off any tree or wood necessary for the making or repairing of any public road, and to purchase and use for any timber, plank or other materials necessary for making or repairing any public road in his district.

Sec. 29. If any person shall feel aggrieved by the act of the supervisor cutting or carrying away material, as aforesaid, he may make complaint thereof, in writing, to the county court, at any regular meeting within six months after the cause of such complaint accrues, and such court shall proceed to assess and determine the damages, if any, sustained by the complainant, and cause the same to be paid out of the county treasury.

The above, while a new law, is in keeping with the spirit of the old law. See Hill's Code, secs. 4082 and 4083. For Supreme Court decisions along this line see Kendall v. Post, 8 Or. 144; also Cherry v. Matthews, 25 Or. 481, and Branson v. Gee, 25 Or. 402.

R. S. HATTAN, County Judge.

WE LOSE.

Decision of the Supreme Court in the Boundary Case.

Thomas Allison et al. appellants, v. R. S. Hattan, Sheriff of Columbia County, respondent; from Washington County; T. A. McBride, Judge. Reversed. Opinion by Justice Bean.

This was a suit brought by taxpayers in the northern part of Washington County to enjoin the Sheriff of Columbia County from selling certain property for taxes in Columbia County. The land is in a strip of territory claimed by both counties.

The facts are that section 281 of Hill's Code defined the boundaries of Columbia County. In 1808 the Legislature passed an act amending that section so as to transfer to Washington County a strip one mile wide and eleven miles long. In 1901 the Legislature passed an act designed to add to Columbia County a small tract of land that had not been included in any county. In doing this the Legislature amended section 251 of Code, but followed the original description except where variation was necessary to include the tract not previously in any county.

The fact that section 251 had been amended in 1808 was overlooked and the boundaries of Columbia County, as described in the act of 1901 included the strip that had been added to Washington County in 1808.

The question presented was whether the act of 1901 operated to restore to Columbia County the strip taken away in 1808. The lower court held that it did, and entered a decree dismissing the suit brought by the residents of Washington County. The Supreme Court takes a different view, however, and says that there was no intention to repeal the act of 1808. In the absence of such an intention it is only the change or additions incorporated in the sections amended that are to be considered enacted. The strip therefore continues a part of Washington County. Justice Moore, who is a resident of Columbia County, took no part in the decision.

Aliens are pouring into this country by tens of thousands every week. In the face of this tremendous flood of people, ignorant of our governmental method, our language, our laws, our customs of labor and of living; dissatisfied, many rebellious, and all of them requiring a full and strict term of probation preparatory to becoming good citizens of a republic, it is imperative our naturalization laws be revised, and, pending this revision, that the present laws be rigidly and intelligently enforced. This is a simple demand of the first law of Nature—self-preservation. This is not the call of alarm, but of prudence of the type commended by the wise man in the declaration, "A prudent man foreseeth the evil and hideth himself; but the simple pass on and are punished."—Oregonian.

SQUARE PIANOS WANTED.

We would like to hear from any one who has an old square piano. We are now fixing up all that we can secure, and shipping them to Central America where there is now a great demand for them.

A liberal allowance is made by us upon these old squares in part payment for fine new up-to-date, upright pianos, or we will pay cash for them. Elora Piano House, 331 Washington street corner Park, Portland, Ore.

Miss Evelyn K. Clark, grand-daughter of former Governor William Clark of Missouri and a lineal descendant of Geo. Rogers Clark and Meriwether Lewis, will be a visitor at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. Miss Clark is prominent in New York society circles.

Cured Consumption. Mrs. B. W. Evans, Clearwater, Kan., writes, "My husband lay sick for three months. The doctors said he had quick consumption. We procured a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, and it cured him. That was six years ago and since then we have always kept a bottle in the house. We cannot do without it. For coughs and colds it has no equal." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by A. J. Downing.

Ventura county, (Cal.) famous for its marvelous production of beets, beans and United States senatorial aspirants, will make a thorough and distinctive exhibit in the California building at the Fair.

Incredible Brutality. It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. E. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he wrote, "cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye. Good for burns and ulcers, too. Only 25c at St. Helens Pharmacy."

RAINIER

At Rainier, this (Thursday) morning at 5:45, the freight office of the I. R. da caught fire, and an alarm was given before the fire had gained headway. Fortunately it was extinguished before any damage was done. Mr. Kistler, who slept in the office, discovered the fire from sparks falling from the burning roof to his bed.

Mr. Dixon, our new station agent who has taken the place of Mr. Porter, is getting "broken in" to his duties. We are all pleased with him as he pays good case to his work.

While chopping wood Ralph Williams had the misfortune to cut his foot. Ben Reed, of the big sawmill, went to Portland Tuesday morning, returning Wednesday eve.

We are sorry to hear of Jos. Brown's failure in business. Mr. Brown has left for parts unknown, while Mr. Deitz has charge of the shop. We are very glad that Mr. Deitz carries Union Meat Co's eggs.

Ms. W. D. Newcom and sons Lewis and Ira went to Portland Saturday morning. Ira returned home Sunday night but Mrs. Newcom and Lewis went one better returning Monday night.

Mrs. L. Sweet and daughter Margaret took the Potter to Portland Thursday, and returned on Friday's p. m. train.

Mr. Soule of Soula Bros. Piano House was here on business Monday. He represents one of the best piano houses in Portland, carrying the sole agency on this coast for the famous "Steinway" pianos.

We are sorry to learn that Mariona Fowler has to have a finger amputated above the joint.

Mr. McDonald, book keeper for Reed's mill, went to Portland last week.

Here is to the success of the new newspaper the "Rainier Register." It is edited by T. J. Murphy, former typesetter for the Gazette.

L. Sweet went to Portland Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Girt and daughter Mrs. Staamen, took the steamer "T. J. Potter" for Portland Thursday.

Wm. Bazzard, our "handy man" is doing some carpenter work on his house. There is a saying that the dressmaker goes shabby, the shoemaker unshod, etc. but Bill shows us that this does not always apply.

Mr. Jameson, of the Wilson Case Co., went to Portland this week on business.

L. Sweet has a fine new awning in front of his store, made by the Pacific Tent and Awning Co. of Portland. They also received the patronage of J. T. Lenard, Doctor McLaren and Cap Newman.

Monday and Tuesday nights, the best troupe of performers ever in Rainier, delighted the hearts and opened the eyes of the people of Rainier. Robert and Hazard, the world renowned performers, gave us more for our money than any performers we have ever witnessed. When we entered the K. of P. hall our eyes were greeted by a beautiful new oil painted curtain, the handiwork of Mr. Dibble of San Francisco. We had no sooner fastened our eyes on the lovely piece of art than our ears were greeted by beautiful overtures on the piano. The music in itself was worth going to. It carried us on, on, on, we knew not where we were till the opening telephone rang. The musical direction was handled so simply and so laugh until the tears rolled down our cheeks, and we had no time to dry them for each character presented appeared funnier.

In the next Lew Miller performed a miracle before our very eyes. Eight men, John Hoffman, Mr. Dixon, Al Lee and other, were called from the audience up to the stage. Heavy ropes, pulleys and hand cuffs, which were passed around through the audience and given them to examine as to their strength. The eight addressed men bound, tied and handcuffed Mr. Miller, who with Al Lee as witness, in three minutes was free. Mr. Hazard made the boys whistle and the girls scream with his talking, singing and performing rag babies. He played the horn beautifully, and sang in two voices at once and imitated a laughing coon to perfection. Little Mrs. Miller enchanted all with her singing of Lammie in her sweet young voice. Last but not least came Roberts—Roberts from Russia, the great animal trainer. He appeared with his two pet bears which did wonderful stunts and must have required much patience and diligence on the part of Mr. Roberts. Mr. Roberts is tall and slender, and of prepossessing appearance. He uses only kindness mixed with firmness in training these quadrupeds to do feats beyond the power of most humans. Tuesday night an entire change of performance was given with a grand ball as a finale to the best playing company's stay in Rainier. The Roberts and Hazard company is well known having played in New York, Montana, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California, Mexico and other places. It recently performed at the Star Theatre in Portland where it received highest press approval.

Advertisement for Oregon Journal featuring a cartoon character and text: "MONEY FOR BOYS... Oregon Journal... MONEY FOR BOYS... Buy at least one in every town, large or small, in the Oregon country... THE DAILY AND SUNDAY JOURNAL... THE SUNDAY JOURNAL contains ALL THE NEWS, and many special features of interest to men and women, and besides, has all the children's comic pages... \$25 IN CASH... as extra price, will be divided monthly... Address: THE JOURNAL, Portland, Or."

Advertisement for ROYAL BAKING POWDER: "IT IS A MATTER OF HEALTH ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE". Includes an image of a tin of Royal Baking Powder.

A feature of the Government Fisheries exhibit at the Exposition will be a miniature reproduction of the Columbia river, illustrating the various methods of catching and spawning salmon.

Miss Eliza Warren, the oldest living white child who was with the famous Marcus Whitman expedition and a survivor of the Whitman massacre, will visit the Exposition.

Gives Health, Vigor and Tone. Herbine is a boon to sufferers from anemia. By its use the blood is quickly regenerated and the color becomes normal.

REMOVAL SALE. I am building a concrete store building in St. Helens and when it is completed will occupy it as a general merchandise store.

Advertisement for Northern Pacific: "Ask the Traveler He will Tell you That the NORTH COAST LIMITED". Includes the Northern Pacific logo.

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Enumeration and Military Enrollment, Election Precinct, City or Town. Table with columns for Name, Street or Postoffice address, Color or race, Age, Liable to military duty, Married or unmarried, Legal voter, and Place of birth.

Table with columns for Name, Place of business, No. of acres under cultivation, No. of bushels of wheat raised, No. of bushels of oats raised, No. of bushels of barley and rye raised, No. of bushels of corn raised, No. of bushels of potatoes raised, No. of bushels of apples raised, No. of tons of hay raised, No. of pounds of tobacco raised, No. of pounds of wool raised, No. of pounds of cheese and butter raised, No. of horses, No. of mules, No. of cattle, No. of sheep, No. of hogs, No. of barrels of salmon, No. of thousands of feet of lumber.

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