

THE WEST SIDE

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After the scenes at Kansas City, the less the democrats say about bosses the better.

Pekin should have had an efficient chief of police who would have prevented the use of giant crackers and dynamite torpedoes on the Fourth of July.

Oh, no, the farmers are not on the fence this year. Not on your life. They are too busy working in the fields.

Exports of provisions from the United States during the past fiscal year averaged half a million a day breaking the record for all the years past.

Uncle Sam imported fifteen millions worth of goods during the past fiscal year. He is evidently bound to cut a shine in the world.

Chicago is kicking because some of her big men were not counted twice by the census man.

Tea is going up on account of the Boxer troubles, and the women of the country are beginning to learn that they have some interest in the politics of the far east after all.

It is officially stated that the British have lost 48,000 men in South Africa since the war began eight months ago, and the Boers seem nearly as full of fight as ever. During June the British losses were some 4,000.

Grover must feel somewhat blue when he sees that 16 to 1 was inserted by the vote of Hawaii and remembers that he did his best to exclude those islands from the United States.

War nowadays is in a way civilized. That is, its horrors are minimized as far as possible. But war with China will be a very different thing, and will revive the old days of poisoned wells, tortured prisoners and outraged women.

Through the courtesy of the Secretary of State—F. I. Dunbar—the West Side acknowledges receipt of a copy of the official directory of state officers, state boards, commissions, schools and colleges, state institutions, circuit judges, district attorneys, and county officers, compiled by the secretary of state on July 1st. The directory is complete and will prove useful for frequent reference.

The President has acted in regard to China at exactly the right time. His declaration that no war is intended against that country, although Americans will be protected to the fullest extent, and that the United States will endeavor to "maintain the territorial and administrative entity" of the empire, joined with the dispatch of additional troops, shows to the world that he proposes to maintain American interests despite greedy self-seekers abroad, and cavaliers at home.

The United States Government is soon to establish three stations at widely separated points for the scientific study of magnetic currents and electrical phenomena. These are to be fixed at Washington, Sitka and Honolulu. The construction of these stations and the adjustment of their delicate instruments will require a degree of skill and a nicety of discernment that can only be acquired by the most careful study. Magnetic storms and their correlation to sun spots and the phenomena of the aurora borealis are discussed upon the basis of theory, mainly, and it is in the hope to bring demonstrated fact to this discussion that these magnetic observatories are to be established. This field of investigation is an entertaining one. So close is the connection between magnetic disturbances, meteorological phenomena and human affairs, that it could not be otherwise. It may require years to obtain any appreciable result from the minute study of the forces of the air, but such results as are likely to be obtained will prove ample recompense for tedious and baffling effort.

The household of Minister Conger at Pekin, consisted of himself, his wife, his daughter Laura, and his niece, Miss Mary Pierce, of Des Moines. Other attaches and residents at the Legation were Miss Payne, of Chicago, French teacher; Mr. Squires, First Secretary of the Legation, his wife and three children; Mr. Bainbridge, Second Secretary of the Legation, and his wife; Mr. Chesire, interpreter, and Miss Mary Condit Smith, a sister-in-law of Governor-General Wood of Cuba.

While there is every reason to think that these people have fallen victims to Chinese atrocity, there is a slight hope, pending definite information, that they may still be living. If living, however, without power to protect themselves, their fate is even more deplorable than that of the German Minister, Von Ketteler, whose life was destroyed within a few minutes after he was set upon by the mob in the streets. Suffering that ends speedily in death is the lightest phase of the horrors incident to falling into the hands of unrestrained savages. We may hope that our people have escaped or been spared the latter fate, even at the expense of sudden despatch.

The State Board of Agriculture is making a great effort this year to make the state fair a representative agricultural and live stock show. The premium list is out and is being thoroughly distributed throughout the state and personal efforts are being made to attract the attention of farmers and stockmen to the very liberal premiums offered.

Several counties in the state are preparing a county exhibit for the fair, for they realize it will be a good opportunity to advertise their county in a most practical way. Each exhibit will be a lecture room and an object room for the home seeker, where he can get information, along intelligent lines, and will be worth many dollars in advertising the county's resources.

The live stock show will undoubtedly be the best ever held on the coast. Breeders all over the country are preparing to exhibit at the fair this year. There is an opportunity here in Oregon for the farmers who have been running into debt raising wheat, to turn their attention to the profitable production of beef, mutton and pork, or engage in dairying which has already taken its place as a leading paying industry in this state. There is a demand for the best specimens of all breeds which will continue to grow for years to come, and there is nothing that will encourage this industry so much as stock shows at state and county fairs.

The board of regents of the state Agricultural College at Corvallis, have passed a resolution prohibiting inter-collegiate athletic contests.

Considerable discussion, pro and con as to the merits of the resolution and the effect its adoption would have upon the future of the college was indulged in. The resolution reads as follows: "Whereas, inter-collegiate games have passed the bounds of reason and developed into a form of mania that is demoralizing to the moral, mental and physical well being of college students, and

"Whereas, the records of all educational institutions show that the standing of those students engaged in athletics compare in nearly all cases unfavorably with the standing of other students, and

"Whereas, the same overtaxing of strength and endurance in dumb brutes that is visited upon athletes is made a misdemeanor, punishable by statute law, and

"Whereas, the doings of the few athletes absorbs the attention and demoralize the studies of the whole body of students for long periods, to the utter prostitution of the purposes for which colleges of agriculture and mechanics were beneficently endowed, therefore be it

"Resolved that the board of regents hereby prohibits the students of the Agricultural college from engaging in inter-collegiate athletic contests, or contests with any other college, school or club; but the faculty should encourage as much as possible all healthful athletic or other sports upon the grounds of the college."

PARIS EXPOSITION LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Paris, France, July 9. What the Paris exposition most needs is condensation by elimination. I shall continue to call it the Paris exposition and not as it calls itself—L'Exposition Universel et Internationale. The nations have been "taken in," squeezed and absorbed, but considering the boasting bigness of France in this great advertising scheme and the comparative pettiness of all others there is no reason why we should help the deception by calling it universal or international. France needed money, Paris needed money, and they said: Lol let us invite all the peoples of the earth to board with and buy from us for a season. And they built great structures and towers and wheels and assembled their merchandise and made a great fair and established within it, and around it, booths for dancing girls, and dives and joints and fakes, and blagues and loud was the roar and great was the villany and humbug thereof. Unless these abominable fakes and side shows can be abated, and unless an exposition of what is genuine and meritorious can be condensed and put in reasonable space, they ought to be discontinued. Here in mid summer it is yet impossible to see what is worth seeing, either because it is not ready or because you have to walk around acres of the baldest of fakes and humbugs, ravenous to "take you in" or to sell you something. Lime and dust fill the air and make sight seeing uncomfortable if not unsanitary. There are many guide books and they are no doubt in a way helpful, but in buildings covering many acres and filled with miles of show cases and machinery of great height, a compass is of convenience and many have them.

I find the United States exhibitors situated here and there, apparently without system in the main Champ de Mars building. Their location is always indicated by the stars and stripes, and these are given over the U. S. pavilion; in many places in Champ de Mars; in a number of annexes; and at Vincennes, which place is about two hours out of Paris, a most inaccessible locality, but here most of the United States machinery is to be found. It was way out on this frontier that I found an American pioneer. He told me that his exhibit, the Reliable Incubator and Brooder Co., of Quincy, Illinois, was the first exhibit that had been set up at the exposition. He has a handsome independent pavilion and is turning out machine chickens right along. As an additional advertisement, the little chicks are of all the colors of easter eggs with some tints of the rainbow thrown in. Medals from many fairs in the United States and two European countries are shown, and he appeared to be without competition or hors concours, as the French say.

Seeing the flag in an unexpected place yesterday, I found that it marked a very interesting exhibit of greater New York. It consists of a map 27x33 feet. Undoubtedly the finest and most expensive map in Paris or anywhere. Nothing better has been accomplished on such a scale. Twelve men worked constantly on this map for one year before it was completed. It lies on the floor surrounded by a brass balustrade. Every hill, house, elevation and depression of the city and surrounding country and water in minutest detail, is shown. In order that it may be seen at greatest advantage, a platform has been built, giving about four feet elevation, and this platform is supplied with opera glasses. The platform is, as it were, off Sandy Hook, and the visitor who will study the map for five minutes from this vantage, will get a broader and milder impression of the future greatest city of the world than in any other way. The gentlemen in charge at this exhibit begged me to state that the map was the work of the municipality of the State of New York, and that the state had nothing to do with it. Its object is to impress the world with the present greatness and the future greatness of New York, and its desirability as a location for business or residence.

Last night there was a special illumination of the Champs de Mars, the fountains, the cascades, the Eiffel tower and other architectural attractions. The price of four tickets was charged for entrance, which made the crowd select. It was, nevertheless, very large, and seated in chairs rented for two sous each, thirty or forty thousand people, many of them in evening dress, sat for an hour or two enjoying the brilliant illumination. The scene was one of rare splendor, and for the time the fake shows in and around the exposition ceased to attract.

I attended a tea yesterday, given in the Palace of Congresses by an organization of French, American and English educators. They all hold professorships in colleges or universities of their countries, and have formed a kind of peripatetic educational band or organization, the object of which is to make the Paris exposition and future expositions more helpful to the visitor. The plan is to help him see with minimum expense of time and money, what is best worth seeing, and to protect him from what is worthless and frivolous. This is done by furnishing as guides, educated specialists in the various classes covered by the exposition. The guides will accompany groups of visitors who will set out with a defined objective and thus avoid the waste of time and the fatigue of aimless wandering in a wilderness of exhibits, which seen in this way are no more instructive than shop windows. The guides who are experts in their special classes and some of them famous will explain as they go in a familiar, untechnical way.

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Mr. Jones, of Akron, O., has arrived, and will soon commence the manufacture of hard rubber goods. Mr. Jones is an experienced workman in this line.

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The time for the educated farmer is at hand. But this does not necessarily mean that every farmer must have a college education, though this would do no man any harm, whether he worked or owned a farm or followed some other occupation. The most valuable education is gained through experience; notwithstanding that it is often said that experience is the dearest teacher. But the intelligent and progressive farmer is educating himself all the time. It has been said by some of the writers of the Department of Agriculture that every farm should be an Experiment Station. And it is coming to this more and more. This is the direction of modern methods of agriculture. And it is a direction that will make life on the farms of this country more desirable. Its tendency will draw people from the towns to the country, instead of driving the boys from the farms to the city, which was all too common a generation ago.

BUENA VISTA.

Serva Moore and Harvey Nash visited Oregon City and Portland last week. Mrs. D. S. Nash has gone to visit her son at Eugene. Sam Baldwin has decided to remain here until after harvest instead of going back to Washington. Miss Nellie Stevens came up from Oregon City on her wheel Thursday. Miss Tilla Steele visited friends in Albany last week. Miss Dorrell Shives has gone to Salem to attend summer school. Eight or ten of the Woodmen of this place visited Airie camp Saturday evening and all report having had a fine time. Mrs. Frank Snyder has gone to visit her brother, Al Horabackle, at Seio. Miss Mary Shives went to Salem Sunday. Frank Wells has gone to San Francisco where he will attend school. Mrs. F. A. Dooty of your city, and Miss Mattie Lee of Monmouth, were guests of Mrs. S. E. Baldwin Tuesday. Mrs. Kiger, of Corvallis, is visiting Mrs. J. Powell has gone to Dallas where he will be employed building a fruit dryer.

Rather Severe.

We are in receipt of the first number of the Western Rural Press published at Salem, Oregon. It is not—as its name would imply—a farm or farmer's paper, but an incongruous mixture of wild-eyed populism, bear-eyed socialism and red-eyed anarchism. It is the exponent of pessimism. It can only live on distress and woe and discontent. We predict for it a short life in prosperous Oregon.—Redlands (Calif.) Citigraph.

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WEDNESDAY—Penmanship, history, spelling, civics, reading, school law.

THURSDAY—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book keeping, physics, civil government.

FRIDAY—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, general history, English literature, psychology.

SATURDAY—Bookkeeping, general history, English literature, psychology.

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First, Second and Third Grade Certificates.

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Los Angeles..... 1:20 p. m. 7:00 a. m.

St. Paul..... 6:00 p. m. 6:00 p. m.

Fort Worth..... 6:30 a. m. 6:30 a. m.

City of Mexico..... 4:00 a. m. 4:00 a. m.

Houston..... 6:25 p. m. 6:25 p. m.

Washington..... 6:45 a. m. 6:45 a. m.

New York..... 12:45 p. m. 12:45 p. m.

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