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(Special Correspondence) Portland, Oregon, August 24th, 1908. Fifty thousand souvenir postal cards showing the magnificent Oregon State Building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition have already been circulated...

Owners of famous horses, as well as breeders of fancy stock, are coming to Portland daily from all parts of the country to see the marvelous grounds and track of the Portland Country Club and Live Stock Association.

Los Angeles, Aug. 27.—For the purpose of making final preparations for the trial of the Oregon land fraud cases, which are set for trial in Oregon October 10, Tracy V. Becker, special assistant to the United States Attorney-General arrived in Los Angeles yesterday.

The Coos Bay Times of last week says: The Breakwater reached Coos Bay from Portland at 4 o'clock last night after one of the most pleasant voyages of the season.

The State Fair of Oregon for 1908 will be held at Salem during the week beginning September 14. The Oregon fair is the leading agricultural exposition on the Pacific coast that is acknowledged by all other States.

Attorney-General Boneparte and U. S. District Judge Sims have just filed a lengthy petition in the U. S. Circuit Court asking for a rehearing in the Standard Oil case, in which they had Judge Grosup such a vigorous cast, that one is inclined to the conclusion that these attorneys' respect for the Courts is not overmastering, to say the least.

Mr. A. Decker, one of the best known of American magazine writers, is making a tour of Oregon in behalf of the "World today".

CURRENT TOPICS

Editor Tribune—The article copied in your last issue which had appeared in the North American of Philadelphia, an able Republican paper, about the Wall Street "Emergency Currency" act, ought to make common people sit up and take notice that that Government has been prostituted to the interests of a gang of financial pirates.

W. H. Cress, a great banker but apparently not in sympathy with all of the movements of the "Street", said in a late bankers convention up in Maine that certain of the Wall Street gamblers had made millions of dollars on the result of the prevailing panic, and that it was greatly to the interest of such as being an occasional squeeze.

The Manufacturing Association, backed by a fund of \$1,500,000, issues an appeal to business men to buy the Democratic party this fall so deep that it will never be heard of again.

A cargo of men in search of work in harvest fields, lately arrived in Wisconsin in cattle cars and were hidden to stop as there were already an over supply of harvest help in that part of the country.

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A new paper in Chicago called the "World," which was confessedly started to combat Socialism, pointing to the fact that the Daily Socialist had called upon its friends to come to the rescue, insists that faith proves the incapacity of Socialists to manage the Government.

The Oregonian insists that no person who ever favored silver coinage can be safely trusted with official position. That paper forgets that Wm. McKinley was a free coinage advocate and that its present friend and backer Fulton was, not so very long ago, a noisy free silverite.

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Of course there can be no doubt that Geo. E. Chamberlain will be elected U. S. Senator by the Legislature the coming winter. To argue otherwise would be to argue that the Republican party of Oregon is prepared to commit suicide.

Mr. Filton and Harvey Scott who will commit political harikari, the Republican party.

When we consider that K. at whose usual Democratic majority in Oregon, is a late elected a Republican Governor and a Republican U. S. Senator there ought not to be anything astounding in the contemplation of a Mr. Chamberlain to the U. S. States Senate.

After all, the people may think them lives the best changing Mr. Chamberlain who has just restored order out of chronic chaos in school and school fund matters, from the Governor's chair to a seat in the U. S. Senate, for like the "emigrants" who flocked back to France in droves upon the belauding of Robespierre, may not the "school base" vultures reestablish themselves in the State Capitol when Mr. C. is gone?

J. H. Urick, Langlois, Oregon.

Brief and Breezy.

The railroad presidents are unable to agree on the questions of raising freight rates and the matter has been postponed, probably until after the election.

John R. McLean's Washington Post is opposed to Bryan. John McLean's Cincinnati Enquirer is for Bryan. That is what is called riding two horses in opposite directions.

"The silly season is on, as every body can see by the ravings of the democratic editorials," says the Pittsburg press. And if a Democratic sheet isn't handy, you may find in a Republican organ some thing just as good.

The Saranton, Pa., who recently married a cook may now be happy until he discovers she doesn't know anything about darning socks.

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Mr. Bryan says that "LaPolna" is his favorite tune. This will surprise folks who thought that his favorite tune was "Waltz me around again Willie", with the words and music by Miss Democracy.

The Richmond, Virginia, Times Dispatch, who opposed Bryan's nomination is now supporting him as enthusiastically as Bryan supported Parker in 1904.

Kentucky is mistaken in claiming the only donkey that chews tobacco. There are plenty of them in other states.

(Coos Bay News)

The Fished took a cargo of 665,000 feet of lumber from the Smith mill last week, sailing Friday. She looked like a bunch of lumber as she passed down the bay, her deck being 16 feet high. She was drawing 13.8 feet of water.

Prospecting for oil in the vicinity of South Slough was conducted last week by E. C. Crittenden and Dr. O'Hay, of North Bend. Indications which practically insure the existence of oil were found, and it is the intention to organize a company immediately and sink a shaft.

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C. D. McFarlin, the pioneer Cranberry grower, died suddenly at his home on North Slough, Saturday morning, aged 73 years. Mr. McFarlin was born at Carver, Mass. Feb. 19, 1835, and came to Coos Bay in May, 1855. He decided that conditions for cranberry culture were ideal on the marsh lands of North Slough, where he purchased property and made a cranberry bog, which proved such a decided success that many others in that vicinity have followed his example.

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Our Wahington Letter.

Washington, D. C. Aug. 23.—The campaign is now beginning to assume definite shape but there is evidence that it is going to be an unusually quiet one. In fact, when the substance is boiled down, there are but very few points of difference between Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan, and thus far the campaign has been almost devoid of bitterness and mud slinging.

On the other hand the democrats are assuming the aggressive and are asking the republicans to "name the trusts" that Roosevelt has "busted" and to state what relief they mean, that the republicans have afforded from the grasping power of these giant monopolies.

The democrats are also making an attack on the administration departments in Washington. They claim that the great and ponderous machinery of the Department of Justice has accomplished absolutely nothing and that the trusts are as powerful today as they were when Roosevelt entered the White House seven years ago.

They are also making a ferocious attack on the management of the Pension Office, the Patent Office, and the Land Office. They are claiming that the examiners in the Pension Office are refusing pensions to meritorious applicants on flimsy technicalities and on the other hand are allowing pensions to many who have "never smelt powder".

They are also making an attack on the management of the Patent Office and they claim that there are many officials in the Patent Office who seem to think that the Patent Office is designed to prevent people from obtaining patents, and point to the fact that from 18 to 25,000 are pending all the time, owing largely to the fact that these officials take up the time of the inventors in rendering trifling, frivolous actions instead of hastening the cases to conclusions.

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