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Patronize Home Industry.

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Trusts are increasing at a rate, if kept up, in three or four years place all of the nation's industries in the hands of about 300 men.

A REPUBLICAN contemporary calls attention to the senatorial bribery scandals in the legislatures of California and North Dakota. Well, what of it? Both of these bodies are strongly republican and as long as that is the case, just so long will scandals be in vogue.

THE COURIER-HERALD is in favor of township organization. Brownell's bill for the election of road supervisors is good, but it does not go far enough. Let each district elect its own road supervisor and assess and spend its own money as it sees fit.

The republican bosses have before the legislature a bill redistricting the state, which should be promptly killed. It increases Multnomah county's number of senators and representatives at the expense of the balance of the state. In event of this bill becoming a law the Clackamas county joint senator will always be from Multnomah county, because they can outvote us every time.

The mechanic is taxed on his tools of trade, the farmer is taxed on his pigs and pumpkins, the poor sewing woman is taxed on her sewing machine, and the common unskilled laborer is taxed on his scanty household belongings—but the millionaire bondholders are not taxed a cent on their bonds—and that's a sample of what is called "equality before the law" in this gold-plated age when trust only thrives and honest industry is withered.

Does the election of the United States senator now going on in several states look much as if the people had a voice in the matter? Most senators are chosen on account of the size of their "bar" not their brain; or because they are pledged not to interfere with the arrangements of the great combinations of capital, commonly called trusts—and the gold trust is the sore that breeds all the other trusts. Is it not about time to call a sudden halt on this great octopus?

Our Eastern Oregon friends are having an object lesson just at present on the tariff question. The tariff on wool is 12 cents per pound, and yet the highest prices now offered are 9 and 11 cents. The campaign howl of the republican spellbinder that a high tariff on wool makes high prices for wool is not borne out by the logic of events. At the same time we should not forget that Tom Tongue, our distinguished congressman from the first district, had a similar experience with his prune tariff. Like the old fashioned bell-muzzle shotgun, it is a habit of kicking backwards. By the way, the reform forces predicted that trusts would flourish as never before if McKinley was elected. It's something to know that we were right, after all. There is an ominous silence on the part of the great republican dailies on the tariff question. Why? Is it because the Oregonian has the free trade jimjams again?

It is as utterly impossible for a gold-plated newspaper to tell the truth regarding silver, as it is for the molten wind jabbler of a "fashionable church" to preach a christian sermon—and hold his job. As a little sample of how the johnnybull press will lie, when referring to silver, The Saint Joseph, Missouri, News, of recent date is a case in point. In an editorial it quote the wages of skilled and unskilled laborers in India, which ranges from \$1.80 to \$4.20 a month, and then winds up his silly harangue with this sentence: "What do the workmen of America think of the condition of labor in that silver country? And what reason is there in the cry of the damogogue that the laboring men of America are downtrodden and have no chance to rise above abject poverty?" Now, the facts are, as every school boy in this country well knows, that India is not a silver country, but is only a colony of England, that Queen Victoria is the empress of India, and that John Bull, zildherath is the financial dictator of India the same as he is of America, which easily accounts for the low wages paid to skilled and unskilled workmen. It cannot be that the News is ignorant of these facts, and it can only be excused by its presuming its readers to be ignorant—and they certainly must be if they swallow such driveling rot—but it is the best the tory press can produce in favor the single gold standard.

ENDORSED SILVER.
 The Monticello Club, of Chicago, is one of the strongest democratic clubs in this country. Last Saturday at the regular weekly meeting at the club, the following resolution was introduced and passed by an overwhelming vote:
 "Whereas, the claim has been extensively published through the subsidized gold press that this club is in favor of abandoning the fight for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, which report has resulted from the expression of the personal views of some one of the members, and is being used with the evil purpose of injuring the cause of free silver.
 "Resolved, by the members of this club now present, that we are cordially and enthusiastically in favor of the adoption by the national democratic convention of 1900 of the whole democratic platform of 1888, including the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the historic ratio of 16 to 1, independent of the action of any other nation."

FACTS AND FICTION.
 Your attention is respectfully called to the "hog" item in the correspondence. It is a life-like application to a certain editor in this city.

Not since the court house contained a White Bear and a Moehke have we had such a combination as at present. As Strange as it may seem, while the Cooper is holding a post-mortem examination on the Dedman in the Shade, the Cooke is feeding the Jack and the Porter is watching Eli get the Stout man's place and Lawyer Marks is looking for his father.

The citizens of Oregon City will be compelled this year to pay a tax of 41 mills on the dollar.

The war department has called for bids to take the Spanish soldiers home. Why not take them on the American warships?

The COURIER-HERALD is down on the hand-shake habit. It is rather senseless, but a very necessary adjunct to the leg-pulling graft.

With the Oregonian and Gov. Geer advocating rank populism, the question is, what will become of the g. o. p. ?—Salem Journal.

Bills for the protection of all kinds of birds, fish, animals and reptiles have already been introduced, but everybody seems to have overlooked the bed bug—and the people.

As a joke a bill was introduced in the house for the protection of anglerworms. It was just about as sensible as several bills that have actually been introduced.

Did the deficits under the Dingley bill kill Dingley? What would its effect have upon the Republican party but for the Spanish war?—Salem Journal (rep.)

A stranger on coming to town asked a resident what paper to subscribe for and was told to take a certain back number. He afterward took a trip in the county and at every house he stopped at he saw the COURIER-HERALD. He immediately subscribed for that paper on returning to town.

Road Bosses.
 Too many men working on roads like to be boss and still it is so much trouble to get one. I think we have a very poor road system. I for one would like to see the people elect a road supervisor in each district and let him have full control of the roads in his district, and not the county court. I believe township organization a good thing and that the men elected will work for the best interests of their district.
 Now comes senate bill No. 68, introduced by Mr. Bates, a great reform bill, to make more salaried losses, one loss in each county with a fixed salary and a state road boss appointed by the governor at \$2500 a year. I believe it is a crime to pass such a bill and make the people "fork up" and say nothing. We have tried a similar system before and it did not work. We cannot make \$10 worth of roads for \$100 if the boss gets it all. Two many engineers and bosses will not make good roads. It takes work. AUGUST KANNE, January 30.

IN MEMORIAM.
 Rheman H. Renner, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Renner, died January 12, 1899.
 Mamma's arms are empty,
 Rheman's gone to rest,
 Lay away the toys,
 His spirit is with the blast,
 His laughing eyes no more we see,
 Nor the baby form on papa's knee,
 His smiling lips, his precious face
 Now from our minds we must erase.
 With sister in the hammock
 Was his chief delight,
 Swinging there from early morn
 Till late at night.
 Many hearts were sad to see him die,
 The night the angels took him away,
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 That'neath the sod now slumbering lie.

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COMMENTARIES.
Matters Concerning Local Everyday Affairs Noticed by the Courier-Herald Reporter.

There was such a demand for the industrial New Year's number of the Oregonian, that a third edition was issued during the past week. The management deserve great commendation for getting out such a valuable compendium of Oregon's resources and possibilities. Henry Reed did some good work in his compilation of industrial facts and figures.

No reflections were intended to be cast on ex-Mayor Caulfield in the squib on the Seventh street stairway and the Singer hill road. That old rag gossip, whose stock in trade is telling Mr. Morey, Caulfield and the paper mill people all sorts of imaginary things, when he wants to pull some one's leg, wanted to make it appear so in a private way. Of course, somebody is to blame for these things, but a mayor cannot be held responsible for the acts of the city council. Mayor Latourrette advocated expansion in his message, but the council did not vote that way. Ex-Mayor Caulfield was out of the city when the Singer hill rock wall was laid, and no one ever thought of making him responsible for the removal of the Seventh street light. The fact of the business is, the Sixth street arc was first ordered moved, but Councilmen Latourrette and Koerner had the matter reconsidered and the light was allowed to remain at its present location. The council then without the intention of discommending any one and to give the Singer hill road more light, had the Seventh street arc removed. The result, however, was unexpected, and the Seventh street stairway was left in partial darkness—and the howls, the groans and the lamentations of the people went up.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.
 The banquet given the members of the Association at the Baptist church last Friday evening by the ladies, was a great success. About 300 people were present. Addresses were made by J. A. Dummitt, state secretary, and George W. Swone, L. C. Hornschuch and Miss May Case, each sang songs, and the Presbyterian church choir gave several selections, all of which were well received.

A contest for subscriptions to the building fund was organized Tuesday night under the direction of State Secretary J. A. Dummitt. J. E. Jack and L. C. Hornschuch were elected captains. Chris Kelly and Reynard Bernier were elected junior captains.

A meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be held next Wednesday night to consider plans of raising money for the building fund.

A grand entertainment will be given at Shively's opera house Saturday night for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. building fund. Twenty of Portland's star actors will take part in the entertainment, and will be one of the greatest events of the season. For further particulars see bills. Admission, 25 and 35 cents.

The Chautauqua Assembly.
 The Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association has engaged some stars of great magnitude for the next meeting of the assembly, which will be held at Gladstone park from July 18th to the 29th, inclusive. Among them are Sam Jones, J. Dewitt Miller, Frank Beard, and Camden Coburn, all platform entertainers of national reputation. This is the strongest array of talent ever engaged for this assembly, and it was only through the combined efforts of the assemblies at Ashland and in California, that made it possible to secure these celebrities. In fact, arrangements are perfected to make the coming assembly at Gladstone park a greater event than any kindred organization in the United States, except the parent Chautauqua in New York.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company has signified a willingness to run excursion trains on the great days of the assembly, thus giving people living at a distance an opportunity of hearing and seeing the world's greatest celebrities.

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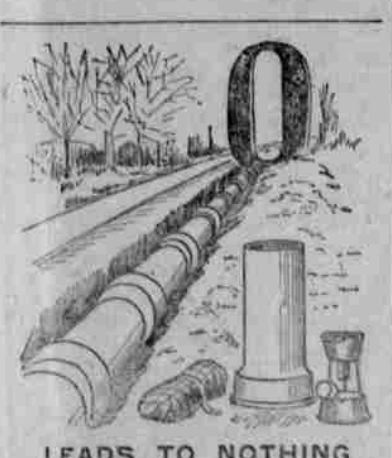
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