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An American Internal Policy.

Trusts depend upon law for their existence and must fall of their own weight when the law ceases to uphold them. Therefore the trusts have a vital interest in politics.

Andrew Carnegie predicts a defeat for McKinley in 1900 if he does not abandon his imperial policy.

President McKinley will need the services of a strong political strategic board next year in order to secure a re-nomination.

"I speak of forcible annexation, for that cannot be thought of. That by our code of morality would be criminal aggression."—McKinley.

Algerism and Eganism, like Banquo's ghost will not down. The report of the best court is too rank a dose for many administration organs to swallow.

The old version: All just governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. The new version: Death or unconditional surrender.

It is generally thought that Egan is doing pretty well to draw full pay in retirement while charged with "colossal" errors "for which there is no palliation."

WANTED—A Philippine policy. Any old thing will do, just so it's a policy. Address, ALOY MCHENNA, Keep off the grass St., Washington, D. C.

Socialists welcome the trusts as the forerunner of a gigantic government trust that will take in all industry. An iron-clad despotism would soon follow.

Fourth of July orations will have to conform to the administration model this year in order that papers publishing them may be sent to our soldiers in the Philippine Islands.

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SUPPRESSED, EH.

A prominent Oregon City lawyer and politician wants the COURIER-HERALD suppressed for its free speech. This gentleman has a right, of course, to express his sentiments and those of his colleagues who are opposed to anything but political ring rule.

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A little Shelby (Neb.) girl at her prayers the other night, after the usual appeal for her loved ones, added: "And please Lord take care of yourself, too, for if anything should happen to you, we wouldn't have anybody but McKinley to depend on, and he isn't doing as well as papa expected."

We desire to suggest to the the President that watching the mails to prevent "seditious literature" being sent to our soldiers in the Philippines is not half as shrewd a political move as it would be to watch the mails from the Philippines that are bringing into this country accounts of the process of benevolent assimilation practiced by Otis.

The fellow who opposes direct legislation, says the people are not capable of governing themselves; and in doing this acknowledges either that he is incompetent himself, or that he doesn't consider himself one of the people who think we ought to have a war occasionally just to kill off some of the people, for fear the world will get over-populated.

A prominent goldstandard democrat stopped the COURIER-HERALD last week because we were too outspoken. This man is one of the "immortal 30" that voted for Palmer and Buckner and thinks he is a financier because he handles considerable money during the year for others.

Labor unions in their convention at Salt Lake last week passed a resolution making it incumbent upon all lodges to inquire into the political records of all candidates upon all tickets.

We still maintain that the government did not do right where it sacrificed our volunteer army for the sake of a few niggers in the Philippines.

Some of our readers seem to think that Sans Brownell, who had an article in last week's COURIER-HERALD, is in some way connected with our Honorable Geo. C., because, as they claim, he has been known to expound populist doctrine when there were votes to be gotten and our Honorable Geo. C. is just now figuring on "something" next spring and is loosing no time in patting our reformers on the back and saying, "good boy, them's my principles," and "I am wid ye," but mind you, he don't tell his Oregon City ring friends the same story.

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Legislated Value

The wheels of political fortune have taken another turn and the republican party is out on top this time, so there can be no excuse now, and if all there is between the people and prosperity is republican success, every obstacle is now removed.

This statement contains more than would appear at the first glance. Gold is the most staple value to be found, "and in order to make a good, sound and staple dollar, we have decreed that the dollar shall contain or be based on a certain number of grains of gold."

What is wanted among the people is a more lucid understanding of the fact that the fixture of the value is in the decree, as stated by the Oregonian; but what we are to look for now is to see who this "we" is, as from a statement made by the Oregonian that "ill-informed, demagogic congressmen" were not the safe ones to be considered as the "we" to fix these matters.

It is very certain from the foregoing statement that congress is not the "we" who can fix the value. Notwithstanding the fact that silver, prior to the time of unfavorable legislation, stood equal with gold and notwithstanding the statement made by them, "we have fixed that weight at 23.22 grains—not arbitrarily, for it is the result of monetary legislation," yet the power of congress to fix to silver anything else than a fluctuating, commodity value is persistently denied.

We have been going on voting for congressmen, supposing that they could express something of our wishes in regard to what the money of our country must be like, but we can only understand from the last statement that so far as their being able to "establish the value thereof" is concerned they are entirely impotent and that there is a greater power behind them that can render anything they may do of no avail if it should happen to displease its royal highness.

That this "we" whose "decree" is greater than the power of congress is much pleased with the success of the republican party is to be taken for granted, and by the time the "we" and the republican party have given us two years more of legislation, I doubt very much whether either the people or congress will have much power or authority left to them.

I think it would be a very good piece of work for the people while they are resting and allowing this "we" and the republican party to get in their fine work, to investigate and interview this all important "we," this great somebody, somewhere, a something that can hold gold so steady that congress cannot put anything alongside of it that could dare presume to compete with it.

By the people becoming better acquainted with this all consequential "we" they can act in the future with greater wisdom and advantage to themselves.

Forty-Five men have secured a small summer's job as "forest rangers;" and while they range their optics upon the far distant forests and wait for payday, they can congratulate themselves that they had pulled enough with Local Commissioner Hermann.

Coming Home.

Sound the bugle's brazen message From the distant tropic shore To the home beyond the ocean, "We are coming home once more!"

When the day shall bring them safely To our own dear native shore There are some who left it gaily Will return to it no more.

THE Ruskin Colony passed into the hands of a receiver April 29th. It has been tangled up in innumerable law suits and mortgages and internal dissensions for a long time.

There is nothing surprising in the above. A few people joining together for the purpose of bettering their condition and leaving the balance of man and womankind to get along as best they can. It's a very selfish motive.

The expansionist exclaims, "we want to lift them out of their benighted, half-savage state." I ask, what for, to drop them in our American sweat-shops? Expansionists say, "we want to cultivate their minds and get them out of their state of ignorance."

THE latest trust is called the "Patriotism Trust," and Alger, Hanna, Quay, Platt and Elkins are its principle members.

Special Sale...

The public is well aware already that what we say in print we are doing in our store. Prices on the Entire Stock will be Reduced During this Sale.

- Clothing: A Fancy Scotch Gray Tweed Business Suit regular price \$10, sale price \$7 00. A very fine summer all-wool Cashmere Worst-ed Suit, Albany woolen mills, regular \$11.50, sale price \$7 50.

Our store is open from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. and you are all invited to pay us a visit, and inspect our goods and prices.

The Star Clothing House

A. HECHTMAN, Manager. Harding's Bl'k, Opp. Com. Bank, OREGON CITY

New Disease.

Mr. Editor, you want to be careful what you say about how the Filipinos are being treated. Don't you see how you are causing certain individuals to swell up with patriotism? It is dangerous to the human anatomy to fill up with that kind of gas.

It does seem very funny to see a man swell up, pant, roll his eyes in an agony of despair and blow off great puffs of patriotic gas because a newspaper editor made a mistake and told the truth.

Don't all you things get up at once, you might scare me to see so many of you with that dreadful blot on, but some one of you please tell me what it would be if I were to go into one of my neighbor's houses whose skin was a little different color from mine, and who conducted his family affairs a little different from mine, and because he resisted the invasion of his house, I should shoot him because I wanted him to have the rules governing his house the same as mine, what would it be called? Now be honest, what name would you give it?

Now that the homecoming of the Oregon boys is assured, and thousands of hearts will be gladdened, let us in the hour of our gladness forget not the saddened hearts of the friends of those who never can return except in sweet memory.

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Correspondence.

Prairie City, Grant Co., Oregon, is an enterprising town in the John Day valley, with a population of about 20 souls, 58 miles west of Baker City and 14 miles east of Canyon City.

On Strawberry creek we met John Gutteridge, a Clackamas county boy whose father runs the big prune orchard at Springfield. We have met a number of people from Clackamas county at John Day City, situated twenty miles north of Canyon City.

One gets a good meal at Hall's hotel for a quarter.

Robert V. Officer, who is running the City Feed Stable in John Day City, is a Molalla boy and well known to the early settlers of Clakamas county.

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