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## A CAMPAIGN OF MIS-REPRESENTATIVE AND ABUSE.

### Unable to Defend their Extravagance and Mismanagement, The Republicans Resort to Misstatements and Half-Truths to Mislaid the Public.

The Republican ring that has mismanaged the business of this county for so many years, cannot defend their gross carelessness and wilful extravagance by an appeal to facts, and have been compelled to resort to the grossest misrepresentation in their efforts to retain their hold upon the offices. They know that none but an expert book keeper can quickly arrive at the amount expended on the various accounts, and have carefully avoided giving the figures for periods covered by the official reports. They hope thus to be able to make it impossible for the people to learn the truth.

Among the various partial and false statements made, may be cited the one wherein it is claimed that the Clerk's and Sheriff's offices are conducted more economically than when these offices were held by Cooke and Cooper. This is absolutely false, as has been proven. It is also claimed that the present Assessor has saved money to the county, as compared with his Republican predecessor. The fact is, that under Assessor Williams, the county court ordered that "ownership" maps be prepared. This was properly charged to the assessor's office, but it was in the nature of an investment and not an expense. Mr. Williams must feel greatly indebted to his successor for this false showing that he (Williams) was wasteful of the county funds.

Another false statement is to the effect that the county court has practiced rigid economy, and thereby reduced the annual expenses. The actual amount of county warrants issued during the past year is less than that of preceding years, but how has the reduction been effected? By cutting out road appropriations, while the expenditures on the court house and county offices have actually been increased.

There has also been an attempt to fool the people into believing that taxes have not materially increased during the past two years. As proof, they cite the number of mills levied in different years. Those who pay the taxes know only too well that the doubling of the assessment without a corresponding lowering of the rate, has made the burden of taxation heavier than ever. It certainly calls for the greatest effrontery on the part of officials to state that "the burden of taxation has been greatly overstated by the Democratic press," when, in fact, it is the whole people who have that burden to bear and know full well the weight of it.

Even the county superintendent cannot be satisfied with fair and impartial statements, but must seek to obtain credit for work that he has not done. He has also failed to state to the people that he issued for the sake of corraling the German vote, a teacher's permit to a German preacher who could not speak good English; and that when he was informed that mandamus proceedings would be instituted compelling him to revoke the certificate, he revoked it instantly, thus virtually admitting that he had wilfully violated the law.

With a campaign conducted on such lines; with the burden of taxation already next to unbearable; with the specific statement of the Republican campaigners that taxes must be still higher next year; with the roads neglected, and the county officials provided for; with the odium of Congressman Hermann's record to bear; and with their pitiable attempt to attach all this mass of mismanagement and corruption on the tail of the Roosevelt kite, it does not seem possible that a majority of the voters of Clackamas county will be able to swallow the pill that the Ring is attempting to force down their throats.

## General News as Gathered From Various Sources.

### Brief Resume of the More Important Happenings of the Week in Oregon and Elsewhere.

#### Senator Quay.

Matthew Stanley Quay died Saturday of what the physicians pronounced chronic gastritis. His illness was a recurrence of the trouble that beset him the latter part of 1900 when he was undergoing the strain of a desperate fight for re-election to the Senate.

Matthew Stanley Quay, without question the most prominent and forceful man in the politics of his own State during the last two decades and second to but few in active influence in the national arena, was born at Dillsburg, York County, Pa., September 30, 1833. Quay was a ready student and attained great proficiency in the natural sciences, history and logic. On leaving college he began the study of law, but his health failing he spent some time in traveling in the South, engaging in various enterprises to make his way, lecturing on astronomy, publishing a newspaper and teaching school.

In 1865 he entered political life as Representative in the State Legislature, and in the political field he remained more or less actively engaged until his death. He held many important appointive and elective State offices. In 1886 he was elected to the United States Senate and in 1888 was a member and chairman of the National Republican Executive Committee, winning by his masterful ability the election of President Harrison in the face of almost certain defeat. For many years before he had had a large hand in the political campaigns of his state. After his election to the Senate he was one of the great leaders in the councils of his party.

#### Two Million For a School.

Mrs. S. G. Reed, a pioneer of Portland who recently died in California, by the terms of her will, leaves a sum which will approximate \$2,000,000 to be used for the establishment and endowment of a school in Portland to be known as the Reed Institute. In general, the school will teach the arts, sciences, manual training, and will be conducted with the view of equipping young men and women with the means of earning a livelihood.

#### Cashier Robbed.

W. H. Aurelius, cashier of the Pullman Car Company, reported to the Portland police yesterday that he had been robbed at noon of \$2500. He states that two negroes walked into his office at a time when no other employes were present and with drawn revolvers forced him to hand over the amount on hand.

The detective thus far have failed to find any clue to the robbers. One detective expressed himself as suspicious of the story.

#### May Use Electricity.

A plan is being considered by the officials of the Southern Pacific Company for electrifying the road from Portland to Forest Grove. The reason for the proposed change lies in the fact that more frequent communication is needed with the country lying along this road and because of the grades requiring helper locomotives. The point being considered, and on which the decision to make or not make the change rests, is the kind of motive power will be the more economical.

#### Williams Found Guilty.

Norman Williams, who has been on trial at The Dalles charged with the murder of Alva Nesbitt, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. The case has attracted a great deal of attention because of its being a particularly peculiar and cold blooded one. Williams enticed Alva Nesbitt and her mother to come West and file on a claim near his own in Wasco county. Later the women disappeared and Williams' conflicting stories as to their whereabouts led to his arrest, although about four years has elapsed since their murder. The bodies were carefully disposed of, but a few gray hairs and some blood-stained socks helped to complete the chain of circumstantial evidence that led to Williams' conviction.

Judge McGinn, of Portland, conducted the defense and did it in a very able manner, but the case against his client was too strong.

#### Oregon Notes.

Another mean man has been heard from. He broke into a Lian county schoolhouse and destroyed a \$75 set of encyclopedias and a fine wall chart.

Albany has granted a franchise to an independent telephone company, which will connect the farmers with the business houses. A representative of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company was present and lent his influence against the passage of the ordinance.

Two more reserves have been recommended for Eastern Oregon—one known as the Blue Mountain reserve, to contain about 3,000,000 acres and the other to be known as the Maury Mountain reserve, to contain about 60,000 acres. Commissioner Richards will make a personal investigation of these lands before definite action is taken.

Thirty-six flat cars were shipped from Portland Saturday to Kobe, Japan.

A forest fire, started by sparks from a logging locomotive, raged three days near Columbia City. No great damage was done.

The contract for building a survey steamer for the United States engineering corps will probably be let to a Portland firm.

Silverton is endeavoring to get a Sunday train service

The people of Vale, Oregon, are anxious to co-operate with the government in adjusting conflicting water right claims that may tend to delay the completion of irrigating plans for that section. They have written the chief engineer of the reclamation service stating their position.

Within the past few days five prisoners have escaped from the Portland city jail. Two of them managed to get out of new \$4500 cells.

The latest in the way of a trust is a local combination of threshing machine men in the Waldo Hills country. They have decided to equip all machines with weights, fixing 38 pounds as the standard for a bushel of oats and 64 pounds for a bushel of wheat. The rates are left open to be fixed later. There is considerable dissatisfaction among those who do not own machines.

#### General News Notes.

Jeffries is training at Harbin Springs, Cal., for his coming match with Monroe. He now weighs about 215 pounds but will enter the ring at about 220 pounds. Besides his other exercises, he takes about 20 miles on the road each day. Monroe is also in training, but not so much is known of his methods.

A log from a tree in Ohio which an outlaw was hanged, was taken to a saw-mill to be cut into lumber but it was so filled with bullets and nails that it had to be cast aside.

A man in Ohio bored a well nine feet deep for water but struck oil instead.

A new protection against burglars has been devised by an Indiana man. It consists of an apparatus which scatters noxious fumes that will cause instant death.

General Bell, Adjutant General of Colorado, says the reason for his resignation is that the National Guard of Colorado is used to enforce the law against workmen and to shield corporations that defy law.

Prince Pu Lun, heir apparent to the throne of China, prefers American clothes to the garb of his ancestors. He wears a double breasted sack coat, peg top trousers, a black Derby, oxford tan shoes. He has had his queue amputated and will try to introduce the new fashion into his native land on his return.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has appointed a committee to cooperate with municipal, state and federal officials in determining causes and means of prevention of fire.

Hobson of Merrimac fame, is getting into politics. Failing to get a nomination for Congress, he is now working for election as delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

R. H. Platt, of Macon, Georgia, committed suicide in order that his creditors might realize on his life insurance. He carried over one million dollars insurance in eleven companies.

The sultan of Fer, a country in northern Africa, caused the murder of a German newspaper man who dared report the truth about his majesty's doings.

It is reported that a boy in the leper's home in Louisiana has been entirely cured of leprosy by Dr. Leodore Dyer of New Orleans.

It is said that between April 15 and June 10, 75,000 employees of the Vanderbilt railroads will have been discharged. This is by reason of the sweeping wave of economy which the system has adopted.

James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, does not believe very much in ship subsidies. He holds more to the sensible idea that when we have the goods and the markets the ships will come as a matter of course. Speaking of his own experience with ships, he says that he would rather build 1000 miles of railroad than to build two ships.

The Methodist church at its general conference at Los Angeles, and the Presbyterian church at its general assembly in Buffalo, have taken some strong stands on the divorce question. The former refuses to recognize but one cause for legal separation, while the latter in a way refuses to allow its ministers to marry persons who have been divorced.

In the suit brought by W. R. Hearst against the Coal Trust, the testimony of the latter's officers showed that the increased cost of producing the coal was 15 cents per ton and that the advance in price was 50 cents per ton. President Baer said there would be no reduction in the price of coal until the Reading Iron & Coal Company paid \$50,000,000 a year profit, four per cent on watered stock.

Following a defamed policy in vogue for the past ten years, the postal authorities will, whenever complaints are made investigate proprietary medicines, and if they are found deleterious to health or palpably catch-penny fakes, fraud orders are to be issued forbidding the use of the mail service by the promoters of the nostrums.

An international tuberculosis Congress is in session at Copenhagen. The parliament house is being used for the meetings.

Fire in a logging camp near Columbia City, Wash., burned over about 300 acres of logged land but did no great amount of damage.

Selling a gold brick to a rural citizen has been a common occurrence, but passing one on a business man is somewhat rare. Nevertheless Cohn Bros. brokers of San Francisco, invested in one to the amount of about \$18,000 and did not discover the trick until they tried to turn it over to the mint.

The "poison squad" has been disbanded. It consisted of twelve young men, who under the direction of a Government chemist, have eaten nothing but adulterated foods since January. All of their food contained more or less of salicylic, sulphuric, or benzoic acid. The health of all the men was affected.

Andrew Carnegie has decided to give an additional \$20,000 to the Seattle library fund.

#### DEATH OF C. W. GANONG.

Pioneer Dies at His Home Near Canemah.

In the death of Charles W. Ganong, which occurred last Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Clackamas county loses one of its most prominent and respected citizens. "Uncle Billy," as he was called by everyone, was a man of business ability, sterling integrity, and broad-minded liberality. Mr. Ganong was born in Toronto, Canada, on December 25, 1837. With his parents he moved to Missouri at an early age. In 1852 he crossed the plains to California, and came to Oregon seven years later. In 1862, he married Miss Elizabeth Allen, daughter of Dr. W. R. Allen a native of Kentucky and a pioneer of '50.



THE LATE C. W. GANONG.

Mr. Ganong and his wife have lived on their farm south of Oregon City during the past 38 years. In 1890, "Uncle Billy" was a candidate for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket, and was defeated by only 27 votes. Two years later he was the successful candidate for the same position. His administration was marked for its honesty and efficiency. The funeral services were held at the Episcopal church at 2 o'clock last Tuesday, Rev. P. K. Hammond officiating. Mr. Ganong leaves a wife, Elizabeth Ganong, and four children, Joseph W. Ganong, of Portland; Richard Clark Ganong, Mrs. Annie Howard and Mrs. Matilda Miller, all of Oregon City.

#### POOLING PROVES PROFITABLE.

### Success of Pooling of Wool Clips Leads Wheatgrowers to Believe That Pooling of Harvest Would Be Profitable to Them.

There is a movement now on foot which, if carried out, will result in the pooling of practically the entire wheat crop of Umatilla county for this year. F. L. Smith, the well-known implement dealer and one of the most extensive wheatgrowers in the county, is the father of the idea and says that he has had it under consideration for some time and is convinced that it can be made a big success. The plan which Mr. Smith proposes, and in which he has the hearty cooperation of a number of prominent wheatgrowers, is to form an association or wheatgrowers of Umatilla county for the purpose of controlling the sale of the wheat raised by the members of the association. With the association formed the members would pool all their wheat or any part of their holdings. The association would then agree upon a certain day upon which their wheat would be offered for sale to the highest bidder. The sales day would be advertised sufficiently so that all buyers who might wish to bid for the pool could be present. Mr. Smith firmly believes that a far better price could be secured for the wheat through this method than as at present.

The success of the pooling of the wool clips of the county by the sheepmen under the auspices of the Woolgrowers' association is what set the wheatgrowers to thinking about the advisability of pooling their harvests. They contend that if the wool can be disposed of to an advantage by the pooling of the clips the result will be the same with the wheat. And this is made more plausible and possible by the fact that the fluctuations of the speculative markets, such as Chicago and New York, do not affect the price of wheat in the Pacific Northwest.

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## BINGER'S DEFENSE FAILS.

### His Supporters in Oregon City are not Overjoyed at the Reception Accorded Him Last Tuesday Night.

Chagrin is depicted on the countenances of those who felt assured that Binger Hermann would be able to satisfactorily explain his conduct in the Roseburg land office as well as in the General Land Office. Not once during his address was any enthusiasm manifested. The few Republican leaders on the platform with the speaker tried by stamping and hand-clapping to start the applause, but it refused to be started. As the speaker proceeded, the audience became, if possible, less responsive, and soon began to file out of the hall. When he concluded, but few were left.

The remarks of Geo. C. Brownell were met with some show of approval, and the Maccabean Quartette was roundly applauded. But "Our Binger" was left to console himself with the thought that if he has lost the confidence of the people, he still has the land and money with which he has enriched himself at their expense.

Hermann's money and political pull may land him in Congress; but if so, it is only because there is a sufficiently large number of purchasable voters in the district to hold the balance of power. Honest men of all parties are disgusted with his record, and would willingly retire him to private life. Some however, will vote for him because they have been led erroneously to believe that a vote for him is an endorsement of Roosevelt. Others will support him because they always vote a "straight ticket." Still others will vote for him thinking thereby to put him in a position where he may be of service in protecting them against prosecution for their share in the public-land frauds. Another contingent will be furnished from those who can be bought outright; and a small number will support him because they really believe him to be the best man for the place. But the latter number is small, and for the most part unformed. It does not seem possible that a man with Hermann's record can obtain the endorsement of a majority of the people of his district; it is impossible that he obtain the support of a majority of the respectable, honest, law-abiding citizens. Even if elected, he knows that he does not carry with him the confidence of the people, but that he is favored by a combination of circumstances that can not long maintain in office a man whose record is one of graft and rascality.

#### Decoration Day Observed.

Meade Post, G. A. R., and Meade Relief Corps, of Oregon City, observed Decoration Day in a manner befitting the memory of the dead heroes of the Civil War. The day was an ideal one, and nature seemed to vie with the "Boys in Blue," in doing honor to the soldiers and sailors who have passed to the great beyond. For two days, friends and relatives of the dead who sleep in Mountain View cemetery, had been decorating the graves with a profusion of flowers such as only Oregon can produce. On Monday, the streets were lined with crowds of people, most of them carrying bouquets of roses and other flowers, so that the city put on almost a gala day appearance. And why should it not? Those in whose honor the services were held, are no longer called upon to take part in life's battle, no longer do they struggle against foes within or without, no longer are they called upon to sacrifice the dearest things in life for the sake of humanity and principle. They are at rest; and while we reverse their memory, while their nearest friends can never wholly cease to grieve for them, it is but fitting that we should feel more pleasure in contemplating the nobleness of their lives and the success that crowned their sacrifice, than sorrow in realizing that they have joined the "innumerable throng" whose sorrows have ceased. It is not the dead, but the living, toward whom our sympathies should go out.

At 8:30, the members of the Post assembled at Willamette Hall, marched to Barclay and St. John's schools, and headed by the Parkplace Band, escorted the pupils to the Willamette Hall, where short exercises were held. Then reforming, the column marched to the suspension bridge, where was performed the beautiful and touching ceremony of strewing flowers on the waters in memory of the dead sailors of the Civil War. The column then marched to Shively's Opera House, where the principal exercises of the day were held. After a few remarks by Dr. Carl, the president of the day, the general orders of the national organization were read by Adjutant C. A. Williams. Post Commander Jerry Doremus delivered an address, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Wood. Recitations by Miss Gertrude Oswald and Miss Dorothy Cross, and vocal solos by Miss Imogen Harding were highly appreciated by the audience.

The oration of Dr. E. S. Bollinger, on "The Remembrance of the Crimison in Our Banner," was full of beautiful thoughts and noble sentiment. It would be difficult to make fitting extracts from it, as it sparkled with gems of truth and beauty from beginning to end. It is well worthy of publication in its entirety.

The usual exercises were held at the cemetery. The response to "Our Unknown Dead," by Rev. P. K. Hammond was an able address.

After the short ceremonies by the Relief Corps, the roll of honor was read, the bugler sounded "taps," and the soldiers and their friends departed, feeling that the day's services not only did honor to the dead, but that it will promote patriotism among the living.