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THE STRAIGHT TICKET.

The Legislature, as has been its practice for a number of years, is now devising schemes to fool the people. The present Australian ballot law gives the honest intelligent voter too great an opportunity to have some voice in elections. Therefore a corrupt gang of machine politicians have taken it into their heads to doctor the law to the end that they may corral the scum and rabble and vote it after the manner of olden times.

At the last session of the Legislature the gang got a bill through both houses permitting a voter to vote a straight party ticket by making a single cross at the head of the ticket. Governor Chamberlain promptly and very properly vetoed the measure. A determined effort is now being made to pass the bill over his veto.

Such measures as this are foisted on the people from the basest of motives. The result intended to be gained by the new law is simply this. The henchman of the boss is in power can stand around the polls and "but-hole" the voters as they appear for the purpose of casting their ballots. A promise is wrong from the voter to "vote straight." A few seconds in the election booth is sufficient time to make a single mark on the ballot and the voter knows that if he carries longer the fact that he has "scratched" his ballot will be detected. Every body knows that there is a large element that for one reason or another will not cast the ballot of its choice when it ceases to be a secret ballot. It will promise to vote the straight ticket under pressure and "sounders" will keep watch to detect any breach of the promise.

Under this law, the gang, of which a large number are now fretting under indictments of the Federal grand jury, could nominate men of their own stripe for public office and could not only nominate but invariably elect them. When a man is so unfit and so corrupt that he cannot be elected to office in a state that is thirty thousand majority Republican, our Legislature is in fine business in attempting to remodel the election laws so as to enable him to buy his way in. It seems to be paving the way for men of the Furnish stripe to take another whirl, when their money may more certainly buy an election.

The "Courier" will take the pains to announce the names of the members of the Clackamas county delegates who support this measure.

THIS WE COMMEND.

Public opinion, agitated, has even to this day and in these corrupt times, some weight in directing the course of public affairs. But the acts of our public servants do not have to pass the Master's inspection these days—that of sovereign people. There is individual watchfulness, individual detection of dishonesty and imposition on the people and individual denunciation. But there is lacking the unity of thought and action that follows a moulded public opinion.

Discussion of matters of public interest tends to shape the sentiment of the people toward correct conclusions. A more general exchange of ideas is expected through discussion and suggestions published in the county papers. If there is one thing that should be scattered far and near as free as the leaves of the forest, it is the best thoughts of our best citizens. The man who honors his gold warps only his own withered soul, but they who hoard golden ideas that would brighten the world and lighten its burdens, commits the sin of omission that helps to blight the generations to come.

In last week's Courier was a communication from Wm. A. Starkweather. Such articles as this have great weight and carry conviction, not alone by reason of their outspoken and convincing style, but also because the reading public recognizes at once the public spirited motive that inspires the article.

No doubt every member of Clackamas county's delegation in the Legislature will read Mr. Starkweather's article. As a result the delegation will in all probability vote solidly against the payment by the state of a private corporation's debt. This communication is worthy of the highest commendation.

There are not enough of these letters from representative citizens. Pass your ideas around.

The wonderful strength of the Socialist party grows out of the unity of thought and belief of its followers. They exchange ideas. They argue and reason and meet on a common ground. We do not say that they have reached the right conclusions; on the contrary we think them wrong. But who doubts the efficiency of the letters of W. W. Myers in fortifying the position of socialism.

If the best men will speak up and agitate questions that concern the people generally, the best men will have more to say in the conduct of county affairs than they have had in the past enjoyed.

WISHING THE BOYS SUCCESS.

The Young Men's Christian Association has commenced a campaign for raising money to build the association a home at the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis. The boys will succeed for they never fail in any thing they undertake. They should succeed the more in this, for it is a commendable undertaking.

There has been great intolerance and prosecution exercised in the name of religion. Agnosticism has been equally cruel and unrelenting in its abuse and disregard of personal rights and mental freedom. But these were the tyrannies of an intolerant age. This narrow conception of religion has given place to a faith founded on the broad foundation principle of morality and brotherhood of man. The Young Men's Christian Association, as an organization, is an exponent of such a religion.

The associations power for good is inestimable. It creates the moral atmosphere of school life. It studies the steps of youth, faltering, uncertain, hesitating in the hour of temptation. It lightens the way that would otherwise be dark. It comforts the disconsolate and its influence is ever present, cheering and encouraging.

The Y. M. C. A. building will be built by private subscription. A donor to such an enterprise has only to acquaint himself with Y. M. C. A. work and methods to know how far reaching and truly charitable is his donation.

HIDE YOUR LITTLE HAMMER.

If there is any chance to boom business, boom it. Don't be a knocker. Hope a bit. Get a smile on you. Hold up your head. Get a hold with both hands. Then pull. Bury your hatchet. Drop your tomahawk. Hide your little hammer. When a stranger drops in tell him this is the greatest town on earth. It is. Don't get mulish. Don't boast. Be jolly. Help yourself along. Push your friend with you. Soon you'll have a whole procession. No man ever helped himself by knocking other people down. No man ever got rich trying to make people believe that he was the only good man on earth. You can't climb the ladder of fame by stepping on other people's corns. All men are not alike. If you don't like their style let 'em alone. There is no end of fun minding your own business. And it makes other people like you better. Better have others get stuck on you than get stuck on yourself. Nobody gets stuck on a knocker. Don't be one. Cut it out.

Odd Fellows at Molalla.

Molalla Lodge, No. 184, I. O. O. F., was formed last Saturday night and nearly 30 Odd Fellows went from this city to participate in the institution of the new lodge. Visiting Odd Fellows were present from Aurora, Needy, Canby, Silverton, Scotts Mills, Oswego, and other towns, and following the instituting ceremonies, a banquet was served to about 125 members of the order. The following officers were elected: G. J. Case, N. G.; W. O. Vaughn, V. G.; Harry Rastall, secretary; W. J. E. Bick, treasurer; Frank Everhart, R. S. N. G.; R. Davidson, L. S. N. G.; T. S. Stipp, R. S. V. G.; C. A. Gibson, L. S. V. G.; J. J. Clark, R. S. S.; L. W. Robbins, L. S. S.; M. Boyles, O. G.; E. L. Trullinger, I. G. Those attending from Oregon City were: Thos. F. Ryan, W. H. Howell, J. R. Shaver, E. J. Noble, J. Shannon, G. A. Brown, J. J. Cooke, C. E. Ramsby, A. L. Beattie, C. W. Risley, E. W. Scott, L. Feaster, C. Putman, A. McCord, D. McArthur, L. Waldron, B. Shepard, J. Morris, A. C. Beaulieu, J. B. Fairclough, O. Tonkin, E. D. Olds, J. C. Bradley, H. Allen, A. Lewis and McArthur.

A Grim Tragedy.

is daily enacted, in thousands of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or pneumonia. But when coughs and colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley, of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1 by Howell & Jones, druggists. Trial bottle free.

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The Cause of Many

Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney

kidney allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell. Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

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County Court.

At a regular term of county court of State of Oregon, for the county of Clackamas, held at the Court House in Oregon City in said county, on the 4th day of Jan., A. D. 1905, and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.

Present: The Hon. Thos. F. Ryan, county judge, presiding; Hon. T. B. Kilin and Hon. Wm Brobst, commissioners. Among others, the following business was transacted:

In the matter of the petition of Addie Hodgkin and Frank Hodgkin for the vacation of a part of river street in Jennings Lodge; ordered that petition be granted.

In the matter of a petition of Elmer Veteto for telephone franchise; ordered that same be continued until February term.

In the matter of the petition of S. W. King for permission to pay part of mortgage tax; ordered that upon payment of \$65 petition will be granted.

In the matter of the petition of John McNamara for county aid; ordered that petition as presented be denied.

In the matter of the petition of J. M. Tracy and others for county road; ordered that viewers meet at place of beginning on the 16th day of January, 1905.

In the matter of proposition of Wm Mortensen to furnish lumber for repairs to roadway, ordered that the offer of Wm Mortensen to donate to county lumber for repair of road near his sawmill be accepted and supervisor be instructed to lay and spike the same.

In the matter of the petition of J. M. Stone and others, with subscription list, for the improvement of Molalla Creek road at the intersection of Molalla road, ordered that same be accepted and supervisor instructed to take out stumps and gravel same.

In the matter of the selection of jury list for year 1905, following names were drawn:

- Samuel Jones, Park Place
- I D Taylor, Oregon City
- W J Rauch, Gladstone
- C H Dauchy, Gladstone
- E J Maple, Parkplace
- Jos Meindl, Parkplace
- J W McNulty, Oregon City
- Lorenz D Mumpower, Parkplace
- Wm H Faubion, Parkplace
- Patrick Harris, Gladstone
- Wm A Blount, Gladstone
- Louis Hall, Gladstone
- C U Barlow, Barlow
- Chris Kocher, Barlow
- A B Cole, Barlow
- Patrick H Mulloy, Barlow
- Henry Hedges, Barlow
- Rudolph Zimmerman, Barlow
- David O Freeman, Barlow
- W H Seward, Barlow
- G A Schuebel, Shubel
- Frank Jaeger, Canby
- Edwin E Howard, Canby
- Charles Spangler, Canby
- Thomas Duffy, Beaver Creek
- Allen Edwards, Beaver Creek
- Joseph Wilson, Beaver Creek
- E W Horoschuh, Beaver Creek
- D F LeFevre, Canby
- Thomas J Lewis, Beaver Creek
- Thomas Davies, Beaver Creek
- James Shannon, Beaver Creek
- Thomas Daniels, Beaver Creek
- John G Epperson, Borings
- John Richie, Borings
- Morris H Wheeler, Borings
- Silas E Card, Borings
- Andrew Vetch, Borings
- Bert C Palmer, Colton
- George Foreman, Colton
- Preston E Bonney, Colton
- Joseph Arquette, Colton
- Jose Jarl, Sandy
- S J Landon, Sandy
- Wm F Roberts, Sandy
- James Bell, Sandy
- Joseph Hall, Sandy
- James Phelan, Sandy
- James Adkins, Canby
- Heman A Lee, Canby
- Henry Knight, Canby
- John Molzan, Canby
- Frank Zollner, Canby
- C W Corby, Clackamas
- S J Garri on, Clackamas
- Robert Witz, Clackamas
- Willis Inel, Clackamas
- C F Zinser, Clackamas
- C F Street, Clackamas
- Charles City, Clackamas
- Spencer Thomas, Ely
- Robert Kelland, Oregon City
- A W France, Oregon City
- W L Midam, Oregon City
- E E Kellogg, Oregon City
- A H Finnegan, Oregon City
- J Y Humphrys, Oregon City
- W A Hedges, Oregon City
- A Warner, Oregon City

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We have farms in all sections of this county for sale at all kinds of prices and many good bargains. **We Sell Land.**

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40 Acres in Julia Ahn Lewis Claim, 2 miles from Oregon City, all good, level land, at \$50 per acre.

128 Acres, level, living water, on Molalla, 60 acres in cultivation, rich soil, on main road, \$40 per acre.

344 Acres on O. W. P. & Ry. line, 160 acres in 4 1 cultivation, small house, large barn, orchard, living springs, two million feet timber, \$30 per acre.

100 Acres, level, 60 in cultivation, good buildings, 1 1/2 miles from terminus of O. W. P. & Ry. line, at Springwater, \$40 per acre.

160-Acre Stock Ranch in Sec. 17, T. 4 S., R. 5 E., two acres cultivated, small house and barn, two million feet fir and cedar, land mostly good, range immense, \$5 per acre.

225 Acres at Logan, 100 acres in cultivation, 50 more nearly ready to break, house, barn, fruit, good neighborhood, \$30 per acre.

120 Acres on Milk Creek, 40 acres in cultivation, new house, 7 rooms, cost \$650, good out buildings, fruit, 6 cows, bull, span horses wagon, harness, 10 ton hay, all farming implements, \$2600.

145 Acres, 100 fenced, rolling land, 35 in cultivation, 40 acres heavy timber, living water, orchard, fair buildings, 1 1/2 miles to school, 13 head cattle, 2 horses, all farming implements—binder, plows, etc.; \$3000 cash.

45 Acres 4 miles from Oregon City, 1200 cords wood, over-half good land, improved farms on three sides; wood will pay for the place; \$20 per acre. Will trade.

349 Acres, 220 in A 1 cultivation, orchard, buildings, 7 acres hops, 6 miles from Hubbard, \$35 per acre.

90 Acres on main plank road, 45 acres in good cultivation, large frame barn, no house; land rich; \$3000.

30 Acres, 2 1/2 miles from Oregon City, 16 in cultivation, orchard, all varieties of fruit, splendid little place, on main road; \$2800; terms.

313 Acre stock farm at Colton, 300 acres level good soil, 20 acres in cultivation, living creeks. 3 acres orchard, large 5-room house, good out buildings—good stock farm; \$2700, cash.

160 Acres on Mill Creek, 30 acres nice cultivation, black loam, 80 acres level land, 130 acres fenced and cross fenced, acre fruit, 7-room new dwelling cost \$1000, barn 52x53 mower, rake, wagon and all implements and crop. Price very low, \$3000.

160 Acres, between Barton and Eagle Creek, on O. W. P. Railway line, level, rich soil, 6000 cords wood, will pay for place. Speculation at \$20 per acre.

80 Acres at Highland, level, good soil, 30 acres nice cultivation, fair buildings, fruit, water, a fine little farm at \$1250.

Something Doing!

I. Buckman to G. Bluhm, 25 acres,	\$1,000
E. M. Howell to J. F. May, 30 acres,	3,500
A. W. Cheney to W. S. King, 25 acres,	1,800
A. Walker to Jas. Fee, 2 1/2 acres,	500
Conrad Howaldt to W. C. Schultze, 50 acres,	5,500
I. Buckman to F. Bluhm, 60 acres,	2,400
O. T. Kay to Hall, 70 acres,	1,000
Total,	\$16,100

The above are our last month's sales. Don't you think it a good showing for the middle of winter? We get results. This is the ground on which we bid for your business, and not on long standing acquaintance or intimate friendship.

If you think we can give you the best service, list your property with us. We have a number of customers, now, for whom we are in need of suitable farms.

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