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Official Paper for the Farmers Society of Equity of Clackamas Co M. J. BROWN, EDITOR

Dan Malarkey says he is not a candidate for the United States senate and will not be, Jonathan Bourne is not quite so frank.

The express companies are squealing. The parcel post is digging into their dividends, but they have little sympathy.

Only a few weeks ahead is the annual city election, and it is a matter our voters should not let slip up on them without some consideration.

Washington state does not have the recall of judges, hence an unfit Judge Humphries, hangs onto his job and breeds a little more contempt for courts. The recent judicial acts of this man have been that of a lunatic.

It is interesting to see the Roosevelt boys fall back into line. Theodore waited too long for a comeback. There was a time when the American people begged of him to once more be their president, and he refused. And they will never beg again.

The tariff bill has passed both houses and been signed. It has taken about six months to pass it, and its successful passage is a splendid credit to President Wilson. Now if it will do half what is expected of it, Wilson will go up beside Lincoln in history.

"The Progressives are falling back in line" is a familiar statement in the newspapers these days. But into WHAT line? The Republicans who went out for Roosevelt will never go back to the old Republican party. They are falling into the Democratic line, they will follow Wilson and Bryan.

Frances Haney, who jumped from the Republican band wagon to ride with Teddy has now climbed back into the first rig and has rind enough to ask the Republicans of California to make him U. S. senator. I know what Oregon would do to this side-stepper, and I can guess what California will.

Secretary W. J. Bryan says the new tariff will raise wages, cut the cost of living and better the condition of the poor by reducing prices of food and clothing. Here is hoping Bryan is in right, but a lot of us will still register from Missouri. Naturally this would be the result, but things don't run naturally in this country. The proposition this new tariff law will determine is whether or not the trusts are bigger than the government, and for a time the Courier will give odds on the trusts.

"There is no justice in law," says Thomas A. Healy. "It has resolved itself into technicalities and formulas. A case will be thrown out of one court and carried to another, it will be sent back on writs and advanced on argument and banded back and forth more for the exercise of legal practice than for the attainment of justice. Where an important case might be settled in a short time by the use of common sense, it is prolonged for years through the technicality of jurisprudence, the whole course of which

Commenting on the proposal to cruise the timber of Marion county, the Aurora Observer says: The proposal to officially cruise the timber of Marion county is not popular with the county court or the people. Judge Rushey says: "It is not necessary to follow the lead of Judge Beatie of Clackamas county." It is not surprising that the Judge takes this view of the matter, after the unfortunate experience of the Clackamas county judge. Cruising the timber of that county cost that judge his office.

One after another the newspapers are seeing the light and are realizing that they can carry influence only as they get close to the people. The Statesman last week came out with this announcement: The Statesman's columns are open to all people on all sides of all questions, and always have been under the present management, and always will be. The Statesman management regards this newspaper as being in the nature of a public utility in whose columns a hearing may be had by any one, great or small, rich or poor, without money and without price.

And it is this kind of newspapers that are going into almost every home in the country.

HOW WILL YOU VOTE?

Only about three weeks away is the state election. It is not a highly important election, but "what the women will do" is a matter of considerable curiosity.

There are five measures, passed by the last legislature but referred to the people to be disposed of.

The state university appropriations of \$175,000 does not appear to be popular with the people, and the chances are it will get the axe in about the same spot it got a year ago. It is not that Oregon is opposed to education, but that Oregon is paying an awful price for small results at Eugene. When the university will get down to business and run the school in proportion to the many other schools of the state, the people will no doubt provide the means, and until they do it is my guess the people will kill the big appropriations as fast as the legislature plugs them through.

The sterilization act does not appear to be very popular, yet there is little said for or against it. What the voters will do with it is very much a question, but if we judge by the past, what the voters are not sure of they vote down, then this bill will be killed. The object of this bill is to give the State Board of Health authority to perform such surgical operations as the board may deem upon habitual criminals, moral degenerates and sexual perverts of both sexes. It is a great responsibility.

The county attorney act, the purpose of which is to provide a district attorney for each county in the state, is intended to supersede the present system of district attorneys, with deputies for certain of the counties. It is a bill the voters should sustain. It should never have been held up with a referendum. It gives every county home rule. It reduces the present salaries of district attorneys, does away with deputy district attorneys and every county has its attorney on the job all the time. There is every likelihood that the voters will sustain this measure.

The workmen's compensation act is another bill passed by the legislature that is a splendid law, and there is little doubt but what Oregon voters will sustain it. It creates a state industrial accident commission composed of three members, to provide a fund for the compensation of injured workmen employed in hazardous occupations, the fund to be raised partly by the state, partly by employers and partly by employees, the commission to determine the amount of compensation to be paid any employee on account of injury received in the course of his employment.

This bill is opposed by eastern bonding concerns and shyster lawyers who fatten on blackmail damage actions. The people should, and I believe will, sustain the legislature and make this a law.

These are the five measures, but nearly every county and city has local measures.

Oregon City has a license contest on. It is very much a still battle and it has the people guessing. What the women will do is the one question, but many do not think it is a question.

WHAT SORT OF GAME?

Many good people are worrying themselves grey-headed just now trying to figure out what sort of political game Governor West is playing for nearly everyone who has been following the course of political events and actions on the part of the Executive, believe he is playing a shrewd game. What it is, they do not know, and are not likely to know until the Governor is called upon to show his hand; then it will take four kings and an ace to beat him, for he knows the game and plays it like a professional—sometimes. There is a rumor abroad that Senator Chamberlain is doubtful of his ability to succeed himself as United States Senator, and if, at the proper moment the signs are not right, he will step aside and let West have the field. Another version is that he is carefully laying plans to beat T. B. Kay for State Treasurer or any other office to which Kay aspires. In any event the game is being watched with interest, not to say fear and trembling by many who have aspirations to occupy high places and draw big salaries.—Salem Messenger.

THE CORVALLIS EXAMPLE

(Portland Journal.) A gross income of \$25,000 a year from an investment six or seven years old of only \$75,000, is the splendid showing of the municipally owned mountain water system at Corvallis. The expense of operating the plant is about \$3,000 a year.

The success of the system is a message of encouragement to cities everywhere. Out of the extraordinary profits of the enterprise, there have been settlements of the system, betterments that in the past two years to the \$45,000. The big revenues have been the means by which the system has made the extensions of mains and other improvements to serve a population that has more than doubled if not almost trebled since the water system was installed.

Under the enabling act by which the system was authorized, the revenue next year must be reduced by readjustment of water rates so as to cover actual expenses, pay an annual interest of \$3750, and provide a sinking fund for the gradual retirement of the \$75,000 of five per cent 40 year bonds.

It is doubtful if there is a city in the world that can point to municipal investment more successful. The water comes from the rocky bottom of a deep and thickly wooded canyon half way up the sides of Marys Peak, 15 miles from the city. It has stood all the tests as to purity and is the sweet, wholesome beverage sought alike by brute and human.

Its splendid financial success is good tidings to mankind. It is a message of hope to civilization. It is unanswerable proof of the possibility of divorcing the distribution of water from the extortionate graft so often imposed upon it.

Who will be the first in Oregon City to pay that income tax? Don't dodge it. Just think of the social standing it will give you.

STAND BY THIS LAW

This matter of a district attorney for each county is one voters want to consider pretty thoroughly between now and November 4.

The last legislature passed the law, it was needed legislation, and it should never be held up.

It gives every county a district attorney to be elected by the people. It abolishes the office of the present district attorney, reduces salaries and does away with the deputies.

Today a district attorney serves three or more counties. That is he is supposed to serve them, but outside of the county he lives in, he is seldom seen. The deputies, poorly paid, do the work—what they have to do.

Under the present arrangement we see district attorneys and sheriffs fighting each other, and prosecutions being given the side track. We see politics and pull get in where it should not enter. We elect district attorneys who we seldom see.

Each county should run its own business and elect its own attorney. The expenses will be about the same and the efficiency will be 50 per cent greater.

Friends of the present office holding district attorneys held up this law through the referendum. It was too big a snap to let go of without a fight.

November 4, friends of good government want to set down on this holdup and make the bill a law. And they will.

BUNGLING

It seems as if the government always takes the longest way to get to a proposition—that it cuts, tries and bungles, where a business concern would at once take the short cut.

The parcels post is a fine reform, but what a lot of inconsistencies it is loaded down with.

For illustration a 20 pound bundle can be sent anywhere within 150 miles for 24 cents; two miles farther for the same weight would have to be divided into two packages, and would cost \$1.04 for transportation. If the sender mailed the 20 pound package to a friend 150 miles away and that friend remailed it to another person 150 miles farther on, the total cost for the 300 miles would be 48c, as against \$1.04 for the same distance if the sender weighed with the necessity of two packages under the weight limit instead of one, if mailed direct. Two packages would be more trouble to handle than one; and certainly two mailings and deliveries would be more work than one. It would seem that the government is taking the longest and hardest as well as the most expensive way round in this parcel post business.

THE MARRIAGE OF THE OCEANS

A few days ago an editorial writer on one of the big city dailies informed his readers that "soon the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific will mingle at the Panama Canal." Such is the misinformation given by a writer who must be densely ignorant.

The "marriage of the oceans" will never be consummated at Panama, nor will they ever come within thirty miles of meeting. That's only poetic license. Between the locks the water is fresh and supplied by the Chagres river and the channel for that distance is 85 feet above the oceans.

The Panama Canal is really a "fresh-water bridge" across the backbone of the isthmus made possible by wonderful engineering in the building of the Gatun dam, the cutting of the Culebra gorge, utilizing the Chagres valley and storing the flood waters of the river.

Josh Billings was everlastingly right when he remarked "It is far better not to know so much than it is to know so tarnal much which isn't true."

IS WORKING DOUBLE SHIFT

The Mann White Slave Act was enacted in June, 1910. A compilation of prosecutions under it published in the Congressional Record shows that up to March 31st, 1913, virtually five hundred convictions had been obtained under its provision and one hundred and forty cases were pending. The sentences imposed amounted to eight hundred and sixty-eight years in prison, with ninety-two thousands of dollars fines. This is an average of nearly a year and three-quarters in prison for each person convicted. It is an interesting fact that more than one-fifth of all the convictions, or one hundred and fifteen, were obtained in the Pacific coast states, and that nearly one-eighth are reported from the state of Washington alone. The Mann Act evidently is an effective expression of the new conscience toward an ancient evil.—Durango (Colo.) Democrat.

A Marvelous Escape

"My little boy had a marvelous escape," writes P. F. Bastians of Prince Albert, Cape of Good Hope. "It occurred in the middle of the night. He got a very severe attack of croup. As luck would have it, I had a large bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. After following the directions for an hour or twenty minutes he was through all danger." Sold by Huntley Bros.

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A COUNTY LIBRARY

ONE OF THE GREATEST BENEFITS TO THE COUNTY

Some of the Voters of the County Who are Working for It

To the Voters of Clackamas County:— The purpose of this letter is to offer to the voters of Clackamas County some reasons to justify voting for a county Public Library.

By the county library plan every country school district can have its delivery station to receive books and magazines from the main library for circulation in the district. Some responsible person would be appointed to circulate and care for the books and magazines. By this plan the people in the country can have as good public library service as those who live in the towns. They can either send to the library for what they want, or go and make their own selection.

Every town can have a branch public library, including some of the best encyclopedias, standard works and children's books. These would be properly catalogued and classified. New books, fiction, and specially ordered volumes would be supplied from the main library and often changed. The only local expense would be for the necessary room, heat, light and care.

Every branch library in the county could begin with at least 500 volumes and new books would be continually added. Current magazines and periodicals satisfactory to the people of the town would be supplied to every local branch.

By this plan every man, woman and child in the county can have the advantages of a good public library. Fifteen hundred dollars is more than the average taxpayers' assessment and the county library levy would be only 45 cents on that much property.

In 1910 the people of Oregon City voted for a library levy at the rate of 50 cents on each thousand dollars of assessment in the city. This is to help maintain and extend the public library. Last year the Library Association obtained a Carnegie building which cost \$125,000. This library is now free to all the people of the county.

A county library will of course be subject to the control of the County Court, but the Carnegie building, the librarian, and all the advantages of an established Library could be used

as a part of the county library plan.

Oregon City would need to continue the city levy to care for her own local part of the library work.

Multnomah, Hood River and Wasco have county libraries and Klamath has levied a county library tax. We respectfully suggest to you that a county library is a good business proposition for Clackamas County. The County Court will put the question on the ballot at the special election in November.

The undersigned hope it will receive your careful attention and favorable vote at the polls.

- Respectfully submitted by, William Andresen, Miss Myrtle Buchanan, Mrs. Laura B. Carter, J. H. Cary, C. H. Caulfield, E. G. Caulfield, Grant B. Dimick, J. E. Hedges, Linn E. Jones, D. C. Latourette, C. D. Latourette, A. J. Lewthwaite, J. Lewthwaite, John W. Loder, B. T. McBain, Dr. C. H. Meissner, Oregon City Woolen Mills, A. L. Price, William Sheehan, E. K. Stanton, Mrs. Mary B. U'Ren, W. S. U'Ren, Williams Bros., S. L. Casto, Carus, Oregon, Wm. Gristen, Carus, Oregon, Geo. H. Brown, New Carus, Oregon, J. W. Reed, Estacada, Oregon, Dr. H. V. Adix, Estacada, Oregon, Claude W. Devore, Estacada, Oregon, M. J. Lee, Canby, Oregon, John Miller, Milwaukie, Oregon, F. C. Harlow, Milwaukie, Oregon, E. D. Oatfield, Milwaukie, Oregon, E. D. Olds, Oak Grove, Oregon, B. Lee Fagot, Oak Grove, Oregon, H. W. Hageman, Logan, Oregon, John F. Risley, Oak Grove, Oregon, M. A. Deaton, Sandy, Oregon.

Preaching in the Country

Rev. E. A. Smith, the County Missionary, will make his rounds this week on the hurricane deck of a broncho. He will go to Highland, Alberta and Henri. There will be a cottage meeting at Wm. Rutherford's Saturday night, and services at the above places at the usual hours.

Accidentally Shot

William Critser of Willamette, had his left arm and shoulder filled with bird shot while hunting Sunday. Two of them were hunting pheasants, when several birds got up. Through the brush and fog Critser could not be seen by his partner who was close by, and the gun load struck him in the arm and shoulder. He was hurried to the hospital here, and Dr. Meissner says the wound is not serious. Forty-five shot were taken out.

The Mehr Licht Club, a club for the study of travel, of this city, met at the home of Miss Daisy Larsen Friday night of last week.

Election of officers resulted in the following corps of officers: Mrs. S. A. Olmsted, Pres., Miss Alice Larsen, Vice-Pres., Miss Florence Moore, Sec., and Miss Alma Moore, Treas.

After the business part of the meeting was over, a social time was enjoyed, and during the course of the evening light refreshments were served by the hostess.

Summons

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clackamas.

Harry De Vries, Plaintiff, vs. Evelyn De Vries, Defendant, To Evelyn De Vries, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in his complaint, to-wit: for a decree of absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the plaintiff.

This summons is published in pursuance to an order of Hon. J. U. Campbell, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered on the 13th day of August, 1913.

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Robert Scouler Attorney for Plaintiff.



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