## OREGON CITY COURIER

Published Fridays from the Courier Building, Eighth and Main streets, and en tered in the Postoffice at Oregon City, Ore., as second class mail matter.

OREGON CITY COURIER PUBLISHING COMPANY, PUBLISHER M. J. BROWN, A. E. FROST, OWNERS.

Subscription Price \$1,50.

| Telephones, Main 5-1; Home A 5-1

THE NEXT STEP

The trusts are bigger than our government—that is the reason.

When eggs were admitted free the

egardless of duties.

the people to pay any price.

t has got to go into business in com-

pletion, and give the whole country

what it has given the canal zone-

food at far less price than the com-

NOT A BIG PROBLEM

Recently the Courier showed how

even counties of the state, pulling

off a mutual appropriation deal, dom-inated the legislature and forced six

and a half million dollars onto the taxpayers of Oregon, to which the Oregonian says in part:

The Courier lays the whole burden of large state taxes on the system of back-scratching

and log-rolling in the Legisla

ture. It is not true; but enough

of the charge is true to make it

necesstry to agree that log-roll-

ing for appropriations to benefit various localities is the curse of

any Legislature. We are prepared to hear from Oregon City that the way out is

commission government for the

state and the single tax. The single tax is, indeed, a panacea.

Under it nobody would have any taxes to pay but the landowners, which includes the farmers.

out a mind reader's license?

conian to drag in single tax.

hould be broken up.

Since when did the Oregonian take

The Courier has never said that a commission government was the re-medy, and it is silly for the big Ore-

The Courier holds that there should

We have the same curse in our

rational capital, and we will have it

in any big or little capital so long

ar the present system is tolerated. One head should introduce all op-

propriation bills, and the people should know that head, and it should

be where they could use a club on

Let that head be the governor, a rommission, the house speaker, the senate president, but let it be a source

that men cannot hide.

And when we get some such a sys-tem we will break up the spenders'

WHAT WOULD FOLLOW INTER-

Here follows a part of an editorial from The Public on the Mexican situ-

man fond of notorioty and seek-

ing personal aggrandizement, A word

e can

be direct responsibility for appropri-ations and that this combination

played on wheat.

bines give it.

Eggs, beef and lumber went onto

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

It was current gossip that George C. Brownell would announce as a can

didate for governor at McMinaville Sunday night. Whether he wanted to spoil newspaper tips or think it over a little more, is not known. However he did not announce.

A continuation of gambling in eggs and other foodstuffs by use of cold storage is liable to precipitate public ownership and operation of cold storage plants.—Portland Journal.

This seems to be the only remedy The government is the only competitor these big fellows can't get to.
And not only the cold storage plants need competition.

Salem will present the managerial plan of city government to the people and a charter commission is working out a new charter that will place the state capital under the most progressive and responsive of governments. When will Oregon City take this matter up? The people are almost un-animous for a change to either a commission or managerial plan, yet we only talk it. The quickest way to start it would be by petition, then a public meeting and a commission to go ahead with the reform.

The National Conservation Congress should be abolished. It is becoming socialistic and un-American. Here is its last record, that-

Hereafter no water power now owned or controlled by the public should be sold, granted or given away in perpetuity, or in any manner remove from the public ownership which alone can sound basis of assured and per-manent control in the interest of the people.

This congress is dead right, and we all know it. It is deplorable that the country has already lost the most of these great water powers that nature provided, but we should hold onto

### THE PLUNDERERS

There are plenty of men in business who would not think of holding a man up at the muzzle of a revolver and robbing him, yet they have no hestitancy about plundering the people if they can do it within the law.
That is what many of the trusts are organized for. They are composed of rich men who have no other purpose in combining their interests, except to extent from the result the cept to extort from the people the greatest amount of money possible. By stifling competition they hope to keep prices up to the highest possible limit and reap enormous profits at the people's expense. The method differs from that of the holdup man, but is none of the less robbery on that account. Morally the principle involved is the same, for it is just as dishonest to rob because it can be done by practices that are not prohibited by law, as it is to rob them by force. Not all trusts are engaged in this pergricus business but that this nefarious business, but that some of them are is too well known to admit of denial. They are holding the public up for the last cent it is possible to extort. They are plunders possible to extort. the of the people and nothing else.

Editor Wescott of the Aurora Ob-server, refused the free publication of the county teacher's examination writing a letter to the superintendenexplaining why the paper could not give the advertising free, and showing the Observer had during the past year published thirty-six columns of free advertising for like public purposes.

Trom The Public on the Mexican situation. Will the Oregonian please copy:

"Suppose a belligerent had occupied the White House at this time, a man fond of notoricty and seek-

Mr. Westcott sent a copy of his letter to the newspapers of the Will-amette Valley for opinions and com-

amette Valley for opinions and comments.

Here is ours.

We have seriously contemplated issuing one Courier giving every public concern that asked for it the free advertising they solicited. While there would be little in the paper but this line of stuff, yet it would be the best argument to turn down this free advertising that could be devised.

Day after day goes into the waste basket columns of all kinds of dodges to pay. Week after week every newspaper in Oregon is asked to give away its goods to help some charitable or public concern get its goods. Every kind of scheme is hidden under some public pretext to avoid payment of what a business man has to come thru with.

The Courier would much rather come thru with a cash contribution.

The Courier would much rather come thru with a cash contribution for these needed causes, and be dealt with likewise. Never ceasing demands swept away by the greed and selfor free publication are the hoodos of newspapers.

### LEGALLY BUNCOED

Judge Galloway of Salem, says every local option election in Oregon held on November 4 is void, because the day in a tecnical sense was not a general election.

It was a state wide election, gener al to every precinct in Oregon. Every voter in the state had an opportunity to vote, and the virdict of the voters is just as fully representative as if it was held on a day when a president was elected

But there was a "tech" and Judge Galloway saw it, and according to his ruling, only a half of the voice of the people November 4 should be listened

Isn't it petty, unreasonable, ab-

the free list, and prices have advanc-The people had a full and legal ight to pass on several referendum They should not have advanced. they should have lowered in price. neasures of big importance on this Letting articles into a country free of cuty should never have raised the

ay, and these virdicts stand.

But on the matter of deciding hether or not liquor should be sold n certain localities in 1914—this is llegal, the voice of the people shall The election should have packers hid a half billion in cold storage—cornered the imports and been held on another day, when there would have been more expense. put the price where they wanted it,

Here's another. The supreme court of the state has declared our recent expensive regis-The same game is being played on declared our recomment supplies—the same game that tration law void.

Sully played on cotton and Patton Under it thousands of people reg-istered, and that registration is just Control it, hold it out, and force as good as if the United States Supreme court had held it valid-because The government has got to own or control these trusts and combines, or the object was registration and the people registered.

The Supreme Court holds that the act is invalid because it is not contitutional, and at the same time the court's decision becomes unconstitu-tional, for under it thousands of voters were practically disfranchised in many Oregon cities because the At-torney General declared the only way they could vote would be by swear

ing in.
The supreme court knew months go what the law was. They could pots and saved the State of Oregon housands of dollars. But no, they

If they had declared the parts of the law void that butted into the conand the registration stand, but little harm would have been done. But they dumped the whole kettle out. Now we can register again, and the again will be no more a registration than the one dumped out, for both will be registrations. However, one will be a distinctive registration. And once more. Up at Woodburn J. R. Landon was

elected a dry mayor. For forty years he had held public office more or less and had sat on many juries. But after the election as mayor, ome person discovered that sixty or eventy years ago Landon's father

ame to this country and was never nturalized.

lared mayor. The virdict of the people was set

aside because Landon's father neglected to become naturalized back in Wisconsin seventy years ago and the "drys" had to accept a "wet" mayor. It is said law and court decisions are based on reason. If you can find

The people are very tired of courts defeating their expressions on technical points. The registrations at the county

clerks' office were good and you know

any reason in these three cases show

The decision of the attorney ger eral, that because of the obeying of the registration many people were de-prived of their votes in the recent

lection was bad and you know it. After the people of Oregon had expressed themselves with secret ballot at a state wide election, Judge Galloway should not have declared the expressions void because in his construction of the law the day was not technically a "general" election day.

### LOOKING 'EM OVER

Closing an editorial on the way it sees the governor situation to date, the Salem Messenger writes:

"There is Mr U'Ren of Oregon City who knows more about the different forms of popular government than any man in Oregon or anywhere else Then, hailing from the same town is Grant B. Dimick, principally dis tinguished as a defeated candidate for the Republican nomination in 1910

but who 'made a good run.' 'So far, Oregon City has but three candidates out for the Governorship the latest being George C. Brownell, a reformed Republican who is lying awake nights considering the mat ter. His platform will be, in the event he is a candidate, 'using the State militia to keep out the Hindus.' He also believes in prohibition. If Clackamas county has any other candidates they have not yet reported.
"Portland also has three men who

ave pointed out the unconstitutional are anxious to become public servants.. One of these, T. T. Geer, held the job once upon a time, though only a few can tell the exact date without iet it go, let the thirty-four counties of the state put in the expensive card system and let the thousands of people be to the trouble to register, and then they declare the registration invalid.

If they had declared the parts of that no once can serve the people so well as a Democrat, and no Democrat so well as Col. Miller. But the Colonel is going to have some opposition, for the Hon. John Manning, ex-prosecuting attorney for Multnomah County, has openly and above board declared that he will be in the race for a chance to become a servant of all the

people of the great State of Oregon. But it is almost six months until the primaries; so if any of the gentlemen here mentioned are objectionable to any, there will probably be plenty of others, for up to date, the surface only has been skimmed."

Suit was brought to oust him and Circuit Judge Kelley held that he was technically not a citizen; P. A. Liveslay, defeated by Mr. Landon, was dethere was strong enough sentiment

From which we take it that if a petition with enough signatures was presented, Governor West would presented, Governor think it his duty to get in.

The Democrats of Oregon will look long for a candidate who can come down to the polls with more votes than West.

The criticism against him is that he gets too busy, that he tackles too many things he can't get away with, but many will reason that it is bet-ter to have tried and failed than never to have tried.

In the Courier's judgement there is not a Democrat in Oregon who can poll the women vote West can, and if he is a candidate for re-election he'll give his Republican opponent a run

### "MUST TOGETHER STICK"

Banks Equity Man Says Members Must Follow German Proverb

In an article of your boosting pa-per of Nov. 28th, I saw a suggestion from Mr. W. S. Daywalt, where he is starting out in the right direction. Keep right on, Brother, and don't stop until you get to your destina-

If all the locals that have to go to Oregon City for their necessities of life, would combine and build a warehouse and store in Oregon City, they would then realize the benefit and the meaning of Equity. But as long as you are only members in name, you an not accomplish much.

Clackamas County has about 25 ocals, but we never can see that they de any business.

Mountaindale Local has bought thru the Equity Warehouse Co., in the last six weeks, \$1,563.00 worth of merchandise. And other locals have lone the same. We saved from 15 to 25 per cent on a dollar and that is only the beginning.

If you members in Clackamas would come through how long would it take until we would be able to get our stuff direct from the manufacturers and producers?

We need no wholesaler to buy our coffee from Brazil, and other foods just like it, and pay a middleman's price. Our warehouse manager can do the same thing and save us all kinds of money. This will not be hard to do. "Germans must together

Rt. 3, Bx 36, Banks, Oregon.

#### Maple Lane Local

The Maple Lane Local of the Far-mer's Society of Equity met in regu-lar session Nov. 19th, with 3 officers and 14 members present.

The reports of delegates were read

and accepted. The motion was made and carried, that Otto M. Hunzman be accepted as a member of this local. The following articles are for sale by the members:

All sizes and ages of hogs, F. E. Parker; one Jersey bull calf, registered stock, H. M. Robbins; S. C. R. I. cockerells, G. F. Mighells, This local also wishes to purchase

about 1,500 lbs .red clover seed. If you have any clover seed for sale, please notify the secretary, also

G. F. Mighells, Sec. Oregon City, Rt. 3.

# The Fact Remains

No amount of misrepresentation by the peddlers of alum baking powders, no juggling with chemicals, or pretended analysis, or cooked-up certificates, or falsehoods of any kind, can change the fact that

Royal Baking Powder has been found by the official examinations to be of the highest leavening efficiency, free from alum, and of absolute purity and wholesomeness.

Royal Baking Powder is indispensable for making finest and most economical food.

FOR SALE-work horse, also one 9x12 rug and one 8x10 nearly new J. H Bellan, Route 6, Box 64 on Pacific Highway on South road.

Taken up—Black mare, about five years old, weight about 700, taken up Wednesday, Nov. 26. J. S. Goulds, Oregon City, Rt. 2.

Lost—Red leather purse, containing something like \$17.00 in gold and silver; a money order receipt for \$7.15. Finder please leave at Courier

office. Reward

FOR SALE-5-room house and two lots; good well; fruit; barn and wood shed. Terms reasonable. Enquire at 507 Mt. Hood street, city.

SALE CHEAP-Fine grade Jersey cows and heifers. Two miles south of Oregon City on river, Phone Main 2013. J. H. Zan Meter

For any pain, burn, scald or bruise, Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil—the household remedy. Two sizes, 25c and 50c at all drug stores.

## Special Announcement

WILLIAM GARDNER

the well known JEWELER of Oregon City announces to his many patrons that

> he has succeeded in procuring the services of

## Um. A. Schilling

EVE-SIGHT SPECIALIST OF PORTLAND

Every Monday and Thursday, beginning Monday, December 1, 1913

> from 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 p. m. PRICES REASONABLE

Full Holiday Line of Watches, Diamonds, Jewelry and Silverware Columbia Records

# Fill this Out, It Will Pay You

Postoffice Address .. ...miles from ..... I live

.....against the property due on ..... I would like to borrow \$......for .....years, giving this property as security. Do you want to sell your farm?..

There are ......acres under cultivation. There is an incumbrance of

If you have a mortgage on your farm, or if you wish to borrow money for development purposes, or if you want to sell your farm, it will be to your advantage to fill this out and return to us at WILLAMETTE VALLEY MORTGAGE LOAN COMPANY Aurora State Bank Building Aurora, Oregon



Officephones: Main 50, A50; Res. phones, M. 2524, 1751 Home B251, D251

## WILLIAMS BROS. TRANSFER & STORAGE

Office 612 Main Street

Safe, Piano, and Furniture Moving a Specialty Sand, Gravel, Cement, Lime, Plaster, Common Brick, Face Brick, Fire Brick



posted in the NEWEST STYLES.

MASONIC TEMPLE BLDG.

Bannon & Co

## Where You Waste

11 cents a day you are throwing away what would amount to \$11,600 by the time you are 70 years old. In saying this, we assume that you are twenty now. If so small a start will make you independent, why not open a savings account with this bank NOW, and lay the foundation for future prosperity.

The Bank of Oregon City OLDEST BANK IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY