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New Era, W. S. Newberry	
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Molalla, Annie Stubbs	
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The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

THE NEXT CHAUTAUQUA ASSEMBLY.

THE management of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association anticipate that their assembly for this year will be the most successful yet held. The prospects for more prosperous times in Oregon, together with the interest the people of the state are taking in the Chautauqua, now that they have become familiar with its scope and benefit, has made the management feel justified in securing a greater range and a higher class of talent than much of it has been which has appeared upon the assembly platform. Engagements are now being made with some of the brightest and brainiest men and women in the United States, persons whose names are known throughout the country, to take part in the work of the next assembly.

The class work to be made more of a leading feature than heretofore. Every line of study that can be carried on at an assembly will be taken up. Among the studies to be pursued will be sanitation for the home and public building, hygiene and physiology, painting and drawing, chemistry, music, history, civil government and political economy, geology treating of the mineral and soil formation of this state that we may know of its industrial and agricultural adaptability, astronomy, botany, horticulture and floriculture and several other studies not yet definitely settled on. The class work will be in charge of specialists in each study, the various colleges of Oregon furnishing the instructors who will be among the leading members of the faculty of these institutions.

There is no more picturesque, healthy and pleasant camping ground in Oregon than is the Chautauqua park. Its accessibility is another important factor in its favor, while the cost of living, owing to the nearness to the markets of Oregon City and Portland is but nominal. There were some thousand people camped in the park last year, and the management will offer such inducements this year, that it is expected this number will be more than doubled.

Reports from all over the state show that people are beginning to fully realize the importance of the Chautauqua movement and local circles have been organized in many of the towns and the course of study carried on in a most satisfactory manner. While enjoying the benefits of the local circles the people have found out that the Chautauqua assembly is the busy person's college, wherein one's education can be rounded out and a thorough knowledge obtained on subjects that are impossible to attain by a reading course alone. The management anticipates that the attendance at the assembly this year will be more than double that of last year, and they expect and intend to have the best assembly ever held on this coast.

A DENIAL BY U'REN.

Below is given a denial by Mr. U'Ren, of the statement made by the ENTERPRISE that the Portland Security, Savings and Trust Co., of which Senator Expected Corbett, is the principal stockholder, held an indebtedness against him. This denial is to be expected for Mr. U'Ren is a shrewd politician and he would not allow such a charge to go unchallenged, besides there is little likelihood of his making a blunder in this matter and leaving it so that there would be any outward appearance of a deal between himself and the powers that sent Mr. Corbett East on a pleasure trip, with his late complot, that arch-schemer Joseph Simon, as his chief adviser.

As to the correctness of the ENTERPRISE's statement, there can be no question, for the information came from one of the leading business men of Portland, a man of whose veracity there is no question. Mr. U'Ren may be able to show that he was under no obligation to Mr. Corbett, but the indications that such was the case were far stronger than those that gave rise to the populists charge that Representative McIntie was unduly influenced in his support of Mr. Dolph, two years ago. The least Mr. U'Ren has to say regarding the motives for his actions in the late hold-up, the better both for him and his party.

The following is Mr. U'Ren's statement and is published at his request:

"I am not and never have been under

any obligation, pecuniary or otherwise, directly or indirectly, to Mr. Corbett or to any of his banks, including the Security Savings and Trust Co. Your statement to the contrary last week is an error and I trust you will make the correction by giving this denial as prominent a position as the original mistake held."

THE EXTRA SESSION.

The extra session of congress, called by President McKinley, met last Monday and proceeded at once to business without any unnecessary delay. The president put the reason for calling the extra session and the duty of congress squarely before that body in his message and showed that the government had been running behind in current expenses for the past three years, while prior to that time it had been paying its debts and that the imperative demand of the hour is the prompt enactment of such measures as shall bring immediate relief.

Under the Cleveland administration the government, with unlimited means at its command, had increased the public debt in three years \$186,631,880.44, leaving us not only without a surplus in the treasury but increasing the amount of interest paid annually \$11,563,414.40.

The Dingley bill, which has been submitted by the Ways and Means committee, is a modification of the old McKinley bill, suggested by the changes that have taken place in the industrial condition of the country since that bill was passed. It is not a particularly high tariff bill, though the duties imposed are large enough to furnish ample revenue to run the government and at the same time encourage and foster our weaker industries.

The bill will probably pass the house without any difficulty but what will be done in the senate is a question, as the republicans have no majority there. The democratic leaders in the senate have advised the members of their party to make no factious opposition to the bill. It is understood that the populists and free silver republicans will oppose the measure, though their opposition will doubtless prove unavailing.

The country has now passed final judgment on this issue, and any party which proposes any longer to continue free-trade agitation to disturb business might just as well make up its mind to retire from politics.

JUDGE NORTHER of Multnomah county, has taken the initiative in a matter that is of the greatest importance to the taxpayers of Oregon. He has decided not to pay over to the state the taxes due on the state levy from his county. Many other county courts have this same subject under consideration and it is probable that an agreement will be reached, whereby all the counties will unite in resisting the demands of the state treasurer. There is due the state on this year salary about \$600,000 and an equal sum will be due next year, which as there is to be no session of the legislature for the next two years, will lie in the hands of the state treasurer for him to lend out and make a fortune from, for it cannot be paid out except on appropriations by the legislature. The state's expenses though will go right along and will be paid by warrants which will draw 8 per cent interest. The plan is for each county to use its state tax in paying off its indebtedness and thus stop its interest charges which will thus balance each county's share of the interest on the debt the state will incur. This will make it so that there will only be but one interest charge to pay, and it will keep the money in circulation instead of its being locked up in the state treasurer's vault, or getting into some Portland or San Francisco bankers hands, to be used elsewhere. The Clackamas county court should, at their next meeting, order the treasurer to retain the state tax and use it, in calling in warrants with. If this arrangement is not satisfactory to the governor, he can call a special session of the legislature and thus force the counties to pay, otherwise the counties should retain their money.

THE long expected took place Wednesday, when a boy had his leg ground off under the wheel of a freight car at the depot. A score or more of boys have been making it a practice of jumping on freight cars that were being moved about on the switches and stealing rides, the boy that was injured having been recently carried to Canby on a freight train, which he had boarded. These boys have been repeatedly warned of their danger, and the parents have been cautioned both by the police and newspapers to look more closely after their boys, but it was all to no purpose, for despite the best efforts of the trainmen and the police, the boys would continue to jump on the cars. This shocking accident should be fair warning to other boys what they may expect if they continue to board moving cars, while it will doubtless stir some indifferent parents to keep a closer watch over their boys.

THE ENTERPRISE has verified the fact that there is not a single boy or girl from Oregon City or vicinity attending a common school in any other town in this state, while in each of the five schools in this city there are from two to ten outside pupils in attendance. Three-fourths of the country schools in this county can make equally as good a showing, proving that in educational advantages, Clackamas county is in the front rank. With a county school fund of \$32,000 and the state apportionment of \$9,000 together with a local tax levy in most of the districts, no county in the state is more liberal in the support of its schools than progressive old Clackamas. It might be well to add that this county is also doing something in the line of good roads; in fact Clackamas county is setting the

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pace for the whole state in educational and industrial progress.

THE PORTLAND CHRONICLE of last week had a full page picture of Mr. H. W. Corbett with the laurel wreath of victory surrounding it, while beneath was the legend, "Oregon's New Senator. Another Victory for the Chronicle." It may be the Chronicle made Mr. Corbett a senator, but it was generally supposed up here that Mr. Simon had something to do with the effort, while our own illustrious U'Ren, whose weary vigil for forty days and forty nights outside the bar of the house in the interests of Mr. Corbett is thus ruthlessly ignored by this little East Portland paper. But memory reminds us that it has ever been thus, that when a Clackamas county man did do something worthy of commendation, some six-by-nine newspaper man, or cross-road politician had to step in and claim all the glory.

UPON the convening of congress last Monday, Senator McBride, presented the credentials of Mr. H. W. Corbett, from Governor Lord, appointing him senator to fill the vacancy made by the legislature failing to elect. By a unanimous vote the credentials were referred to the committee on privileges and elections. It has been practically decided, according to the reports of Thursday, that Mr. Corbett would not be seated, the majority of the senators declaring that the legislatures should be held responsible for all senatorial vacancies.

THE railroad and all the other commissions are continuing to exercise their duty and will do so until they are abolished by an act of the legislature, and they will be sure to collect their salaries and expenses from the state. Thus are the taxpayers made to continue to suffer by the perfidy and cussedness of the Simon-Bourne-U'Ren hold-outs. The next election will witness a woeful thinning out among the populists-silver Simon members for the next legislature.

EX-SENATOR J. H. MITCHELL left Portland Monday, for Washington, where he has a case in the U. S. supreme court. The insinuation that he is going to use his influence in the U. S. senate upon the Oregon senatorial question is hardly borne out by the facts, for if that had been his intention he would hardly have delayed his arrival there until after the possible settlement of the question.

WITH John Myers chief of police, Dr. John Welch, a member of the board of fire commissioners, Prof. Frank Rigler, city superintendent of schools, and a number of other former residents of this city holding responsible positions in the city government and schools of that city, it looks as though Oregon City was in a fair way to absorb Portland, bag and baggage.

OREGON CITY has a pay roll of \$30,000 per month. This is all cash, no time checks or delayed pay days. For a town of 5,000 population this showing cannot be equaled by any town west of the Mississippi river, and the next five years will see this pay roll doubled.

FOR AN ELECTRIC ROAD.

VIOLA, March 8th.—(To the Editor).—Knowing you to be interested in any movement to build up our country, I beg the privilege of space to advocate the building of an electric road in the eastern part of our county. It is a well-known fact that this part of our county is practically isolated during six months of each year on account of impassable roads, although several thousand dollars has been expended on them. The building of good wagon roads has become a serious problem which seems as far from solution as ever. Probably no part of our county is more difficult of access on account of the rough character of the country traversed by wagon roads. At the same time an electric road from Gladstone to the Hatchery and from there to Eagle creek, Currinsville and Garfield, tapping the finest portion of Eastern Clackamas county could be easily built and no serious obstacles encountered; thence from the Hatchery up Clear creek to Viola gives a practically level road from Gladstone via the Hatchery to Viola. This route would follow the Southern Pacific survey, which demonstrates this to be the most practical route to the Molalla country. This would tap Springwater, Highland and Viola, and give access to one of the finest bodies of timber in the state.

Our people would be greatly benefited by increased mail facilities, which would also be a source of considerable profit to the road. At the Hatchery is a large and very fine deposit of building stone, which has already been tested at Portland.

The whole country to be traversed by this proposed road is as fine an agricultural region as any in the state, the land being well adapted to growing hay, fruit and potatoes. Stock raising is carried on to a considerable extent and the dairying interest would be no small factor as our country is well watered and adapted to this branch of farming and as fine hay is grown here as in any part of the world.

On Clear creek are two flouring mills, the one at Viola is a roller process mill, with a capacity of about 50 barrels per day and has an established reputation for the finest grade of flour. At Harding is one of about the same capacity and we note its flour is quoted among the best. The wheat raised here has always been considered of superior character.

A road over this proposed route would be welcomed by all our people as it would give us market facilities equal to any part of the state and we think some inducements would be offered. It is probable power could be gotten at the mouth of Little Clear creek to assist materially.

At this time when money is so plenty at the East and at so low rates of interest, it seems that some attempt should be made to induce a company to build such a road as is here outlined. We would suggest that prominent men at every point of this proposed route be requested to write up their immediate sections and give their resources. This would show the interest of our people in the proposed road and might interest capitalists and induce them to investigate which would surely result in building the road.

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This is proven every day by the number of farmers, who are to be seen on its streets selling their produce, who, until just the last few years, sought the markets of other towns. The system of macadamized roads that is being built into all parts of Clackamas county, will enable all the people of this county to share in the profitable market that Oregon City affords. If, as it is sure to do, the demands of Oregon City increase in the next five years as it has in the past five years, this city will rank next to Portland as a market place for

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