

Corvallis Times.

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GRAFT, OR VETO—WHICH?

Some of those struck by the governor's vetoes are protesting in the newspapers. This was to have been expected. After a lobbyist or a solon has worked his measure through the vicissitudes of two houses, it disappoints and enrages him to have it killed by the executive. It is but natural that he should lift his voice in lamentation, and descant upon the great loss the state is to suffer because of the untimely and cruel taking off of his pet measure.

But there are others. The good old taxpayer, who has all these grafts to pay for, is not in tears. From his standpoint, it is a good thing to have an executive who is not afraid to be governor. It is essential that a governor shall not be servile to the other departments of the state government. It is a governor's prerogative to veto bills. A part of the legislative power is vested in him, it is contemplated by the constitution that one-third of the power in legislation shall be wielded by him, for it takes a two-thirds vote of both houses to pass a bill over his veto. Failure to veto a bill that he believed bad, would be a fault, and the executive who so failed would be recreant to his duty, that duty his official oath binds him ever to perform.

It is unfortunate that Oregon's executives in the past, have not more frequently exercised the power of the veto. Legislators in the swirl, bustle and excitement of a legislative session, have much to contend with. Many a difficult problem confronts them. The importunings of a greedy lobby, the requests of fellow-members, the devices, fair and foul, of those interested in pending measures,—all these, are brought to bear, and it is indeed a strong legislator that is not occasionally swept off his feet and his vote given to a bill that his better judgment and more sober moments would not approve. It is impossible not to have bad measures occasionally run the gauntlet of both houses, and it is a wise governor that does not hesitate to use his veto and a wise people that sustains him therein.

In some of the measures killed, there were possibly good provisions. If so, it will not hurt them to wait two years, when if they are deserving, another assembly can re-enact them without the objectionable features. This is true of the \$63,000 appropriation bill, which comprised \$14,500 for an executive mansion. It is true of the \$20,000 appropriation for a bureau of mines, which mining men did not want, and of which it is said that its ultimate cost would have been far more than the original amount. It is true of the land graft bill that would have cost the state anywhere from \$100,000 to half a million, and true of the Newport normal school, which never ought to have passed. So, with graft after graft knocked out by the vetoes, and thousand upon thousand of public money saved, let the disappointed howl. It was to have been expected. But the governor is right, and they know it. So does everybody else.

Miscellaneous.

Don Holgate has a position as stenographer with the O. R. & N. Co. in Portland.

Jacob Wrage has arranged to engage in business there, and expects to leave for Portland the latter part of April. His Corvallis business is for sale.

A purse lost, cows for sale, dairy to rent, a dissolution notice, reduction of water rates, a warning about debts contracted, and other things are among many interesting ads in this issue. Read them all.

An entertainment and basket social will be given by the Independence Young People's society at Beulah church, Saturday March 7th. There will be music, dialogue, recitations, etc. Admission 15 cents; children between 10 and 15 years, 10 cents. Ladies bringing boxes admitted free. The proceeds are to be used for the purchase of an organ for the church.

ONE ROUTE GOING.

Free Rural Delivery Begun at Corvallis—Something About it.

Rural free delivery route number one went into operation at Corvallis at noon Monday. The carrier left Corvallis at half past twelve and returned from service on the route at half past six, six hours of time being allowed by the established schedule for the trip. The carrier is Miles Starr, Jr., son of M. T. Starr of the fruit and candy store. He receives for the service of himself and team, fifty dollars per month, which is not a very generous emolument. The route leaves Corvallis via the Wells road, going as far as Blake's place, returns to the Mountain View school house, crosses to the Albany road and thence returns to Corvallis. The distance is 25 miles, and eighty families are served. Up to the present only about 25 boxes have been put up.

The mail is carried in a natty new rig, built expressly for the purpose. Its interior is conveniently arranged for handling the mails, and also for carrying packages, for which the carrier is allowed to collect a fee, which he retains in addition to his salary. The person served, pays the fee for delivery of such packages.

The rig might be mistaken for a patent milk wagon of small size. The carrier sits on a seat in the back end, just as a milk man does. In front of him there is a desk with pigeon holes and other convenient arrangements. It is in fact a miniature postoffice, except the lock boxes, the girl at the delivery window, and the man after his mother-in-law's mail. It is painted red, white and blue and conspicuously displayed is the legend, "U. S. Mail, R. F. D." The rig looked so natty as it went out of town Monday, drawn by a swift little team that every maiden who saw it pass, sighed and longed for a ride. Inside of it, with a new bonnet on and her hands full of stick candy, any town girl would have been a dream of perennial bliss.

As hitherto noted in the TIMES persons along the route must use the service, or in time it will be abandoned. A record is kept of the mail carried, and if at the end of a proper period the volume is too light, the route is promptly eliminated. Once abandoned, its reinstatement is attended with great difficulty.

The new arrangement makes things lively at the Corvallis postoffice at noon time. The arrival and departure of the C & E mail, of the Westside mail, and the Monroe mail, all at noon time has always made quick work essential at the office during the midday hours. The addition of the present rural free delivery route with two or more to come in two or three months, and all leaving at noon will, in order to make all connections, require all the great agility and speed that the devoted postmaster at Corvallis has so often manifested, including the day he beat a train that didn't leave for twenty minutes after he reached the station.

FOR LARCENY.

Bound over to the Circuit Court—Richard Fawcett.

Richard Fawcett, who came to Corvallis several months ago and has since held a place in the steam laundry is in the county jail awaiting the circuit court. He had a preliminary yesterday morning in Justice Holgate's court on charge of larceny from a dwelling and was committed in default of \$250 bonds.

The offense of the accused is the alleged larceny of two stoves, a dresser and other articles from the unoccupied house of J. W. Jory, near the saw mill. The Jorys were employed on the Johnson Porter farm, and when they returned to their home a few days ago the articles were missing. The matter was referred to the officers, and Sheriff Burnett made the arrest Monday afternoon, after finding the missing property in Fawcett's house. In a subsequent search of the premises, a Winchester shotgun and blankets recently stolen from Joseph Bryant were also found.

Fawcett has a wife and two children, and much sympathy is expressed for the latter. The lowest penalty for the offense is two years in the penitentiary. Court meets on the fourth Monday.

Dissolution Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between Homer Lilly and Oliver Wicks is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Wicks retiring from the firm. The business will be continued at the old stand by Homer Lilly, to whom all accounts are due and payable and by whom all debts of the firm will be paid.

Dated at Corvallis, February 28, 1903.
Homer Lilly,
Oliver Wicks.

PREPARING FOR IMMIGRANTS.

Meeting Held at the Court House—What was Said There—Col. Drake.

Col. F. V. Drake, superintendent of the Oregon Information Bureau with headquarters in Portland addressed the Citizens League and others at the Court house Saturday evening upon the subject of united effort and the importance of permanent exhibit.

He explained at some length the organization at Portland which has contributed \$16,000 to furnish quarters and provide suitable attendants for a permanent exhibit of Oregon's resources at the great central depot in Portland.

This bureau now asks that each county send an exhibit of its resources, together with such literature as it may have to be placed in the space, set aside for its use in this great display room.

There are to be no charges, no brokerage, no rebates, no commissions, and no real estate boomers or agents connected with the exhibits.

The attendants are to be intelligent persons who can direct visitors and prospectors to the various localities that offer inducement along the line the latter are investigating.

One of the greatest features of this movement is the effort that is being made to publish a series of scale maps showing the timber, pasture, fruit, oil, coal, wheat, orchard, vineyard and mineral lands in each county with a series of colors, each representing a type of resource of the country.

This exhibit room is to be uniformly furnished with desks, tables, and shelves for each county's display, and no advantage is to accrue to any county except such as it may acquire by the merit of the material displayed.

All the county is asked to do, is to make the original map showing its varied resources, and prepare the exhibit. Transportation for exhibit will be provided by R. R. and Steamboat Cos. The map, after being copied to a common scale adopted for all the counties will be returned to the home county.

Col. Drake noted a fact that the recent legislature passed a bill authorizing the county courts to expend not more than \$1000 on the displays at fairs, state, county, and district and at this bureau in Portland.

Following an informal discussion of the subject after Col. Drake's address a committee consisting of Messrs. Curran, Harper and E. E. Wilson was appointed to report at the regular meeting of the Citizens League.

It appeared to be up to the county to do something now, if it expects to get the benefit of the vast amount of literature being distributed throughout the east.

Drake was emphatic in his praise of the Benton County pamphlet and said we should certainly display this if nothing else, but he sincerely hoped Benton would follow up such a creditable piece of work by a good display of our products in timber, minerals, fir, clay, birch, and other manufactured products as well as the raw material from our tilled fields.

THEIR WEDDING DAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Spangler—Injury of Mrs. John Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Spangler, Mrs. Porter and Miss Lulu Spangler, accompanied by Darwin Nash, left yesterday to attend the Spangler, Raymond wedding to occur at Salem today. The nuptials will be solemnized at the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry H. Raymond. Miss Spangler is to be bridesmaid and Mr. Nash best man. The couple are to leave at once for San Francisco, which is to be their home.

An ugly wound in the ball of her foot near the joint with the great toe gives Mrs. John Reeves serious discomfort. It was made Saturday evening by a rusty nail. The latter penetrated the sole of the shoe and entered the foot to a considerable depth, requiring much force in removing it. The member has since been much swollen as well as painful, and some anxiety has been felt on account of complications that sometimes accompany such injuries. Mrs. Reeves was much easier yesterday morning.

A good many people have been busy the past week putting in early gardens, and the movements of our people generally indicate the approach of spring.

To All Concerned.

Be it known, that I will pay no debts contracted, except contracted by myself or on my order after this date.
March 4, 1903.
M. George.

THINGS HE SAID

About Jefferson and the Declaration—Dean Hawley's Lecture.

Thomas Jefferson was eighteen days writing the Declaration of Independence. The Continental Congress at Philadelphia cut out 18 clauses, changed 10 and added six, and might have made further changes but for the following incident. It was a hot afternoon, that fourth of July, 1776. The windows of the two story brick building in which the congress sat were all up. Horse flies by hundreds swarmed about the equines in a livery stable across the street until the owner lighted smudges whose smoke drove the flies away. The latter swarmed into the congress while the debate was on, and attacked the members. The slaps and whacks of the buzzing flies as the latter shoved their beaks through silk stockings and into the legs of the dignified congressmen, created such a diversion that consideration was interrupted and the remainder of Jefferson's document accepted and adopted as good enough. Jefferson afterwards said that he didn't know what the members might have done with his work, if the flies had not taken a hand in the debate.

The above and many other interesting matters connected with the making of the immortal Declaration were told by Willis C. Hawley in a most entertaining lecture at the Methodist church, Friday night. The character and exploits of Jefferson from the time he heard Patrick Henry's fiery and immortal speech in the Virginia House of Burgesses until the Declaration of Independence was adopted, were attractively woven into the warp and woof of the lecture. The whole closed with a beautiful period, recounting the influence the Declaration has exercised on the world, and its political history, as well as on the condition of peoples. The large auditorium of the church was well filled with an audience that enjoyed every moment of the address. Four other lectures by able lecturers are to follow in the same place.

Georgia Harper Coming.

Colusa Sun:—Miss Harper in the title role of Lady Isabel sustained that difficult character in a way that is rarely if ever sustained in a popular priced company. She is an actress of ability and her emotional work was simply grand. The gowns worn by Miss Harper were dreams of loveliness and have never been excelled on a Colusa stage.

As Archibald Carlyle, Joseph Detrick was a success, and as Sir Francis Levison, the cold-blooded villain, J. G. Harper would have been hard to improve on.

Miss Harper will be at the Opera House March 10.

Reduction in Water Rates.

We are proposing to reduce the rates on water, and to arrange with all consumers so that all may be treated the same. To do this we must insist on all bills being paid in advance or by the 10 of the month as our rules and regulations call for, and as all other cities require. We have no desire to have any trouble with any consumer, but to treat all alike. Our rules must be enforced. If anything should happen that the water is not used after being paid for, the money will be refunded.

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Corvallis Water Co.

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E. E. WILSON,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Office in Zierolf Building, Corvallis, Or.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executor of the estate of John Barnett, deceased, has filed her final account in said estate in the County Court of the State of Oregon for the hour of ten o'clock a. m., April 6th, 1903, at the County Court Room in the Court House in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, is the time and place fixed by the Court for hearing objections, if any, to said final account and settlement thereof.
Lartha Burnett,
Executor.

To Land Buyers.

I can sell you any kind or size of farm, stock or dairy ranch, with or without stock; also city properties, acreage near town, business propositions, etc. Farms and ranches \$10 to \$40 per acre.

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1903—SPRING—1903

Our New Spring Stock is Now Arriving.

THE FOLLOWING HAVE ARRIVED:

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If you are having trouble with your eyes or glasses and have tried all the so-called traveling opticians without success, come and see me, get a fit that's guaranteed and by one who will always be on hand to make good his guarantee.

Notice—After Feb 1st the store will close at 6:30 p. m. except Saturdays.

PRATT,
The Jeweler and Optician.

