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IS IT STATESMANSHIP?

In the row now on, over presidential appointments in Oregon and the disclosures incident thereto, a glimpse is obtained of what seems to be the Oregon idea of what are a United States senator's functions. The ado raised over the question of whether Bill Jones or Tim Flannigan shall be appointed to a petty office is apparently of greater consequence than the knottiest problem of state. In this instance it involves the president of the United States, two United States senators and an ex-senator of the United States. All are in newspapers, even the president himself, with statements of why they favored Bill or why Tim didn't get there, and in the wrangle over this petty office there is maintained a vigor, warmth and incrimination surpassing two football managers disputing over the issues of a late game.

It is easy to conceive of a senator of the United States whose conception of his duty would be not to look after the personal interests of Bill or Tim by getting him an insignificant office in return for political support, but who would devote his talents and time to solution of problems of government. It matters nothing to the general public whether or not Jones or Flannigan shall be fixed up with official pap, but it is important that, so far as law can order them, the relations of society shall be so adjusted that the greatest good shall come to the greatest number. There are, or ought to be, senators whose time and talents would be chiefly concerned with the glory and highest good of their country and without thought of petty offices and which of a number of rabble henchmen should fill them.

When, if ever, all senators and representatives measure up to the better standard, then, indeed, will it be well with all individuals. But a stream cannot rise higher than its source. So long as legislation flows from senators who fight like Tom cats over little places for little men, it need not be expected that laws will always be what high minded legislators might make them.

HENRY W. CORBETT.

When men like Henry W. Corbett die, it is only the wornout body that the grave gathers in. That other and best portion-the works that in life he builded, death does not reach. He was of Oregon and of Portland, and was an unusual part of each. The story of his career is a part of the story of how Oregon as she is today, was made, and so long as the latter is told: the memory of the dead financier will be perpetuated. Oregon has had few, if any citizens, whose names have been so completely and so beneficially associated with her material and social development and none whose philanthropy has been more liberally or more widely bestowed. His works, everywhere to be seen, are abounding evidence that he has been, from then till now, a foremost citizen.

If his biographer must write that in his last days, Mr. Corbett s political ambition was not gratified, he must also record that through long years such honors were not sought and when finally denied, it was perhaps because the applicant was of too large mold.

FOR THE SAKE OF PEACE.

Simon says the president promised to appoint Steel, but didn't. That's admitted. Simon says Dresser promised to vote for Corbett, but didn't. That's admitted. Simon says the president gave Dresser the job promised Steel. That's admitted. Then, for sake of peace, why can't Simon on his part, admit that if the president of the United States had a right to go back on his word, Dresser had a right to go back on his, too; and also, that if the president wanted Dresser for the job, Dresser had a right to accept. Why should Simon continue to stir the mess, when this is the whole story.

For Chief of Police,

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of chief of police of Corvallis at the election to be held May 18th, 1903.

Sam King.

Corvallis, April 1, 1903.

BOTH BID THE SAME.

But Figured Independently—The Big Clock not to be Repaired now.

It had been determined, for the present at least, to permit the big clock in the tower at the county court house, to keep time in its own peculiar way. The decision was reached at a session of the county court Wednesday, when bids were opened with reference to repairs that promised to so regulate the big clock that its indicated time would not start a business man home to supper in the middle of the afternoon or get him out of bed before daylight. The repairs proposed the removal of the machinery of the clock to the third floor. Its exposed condition in the tower is responsible for the irregularity in time It is also detrimental to the clockwork, and if continued long enough will wear the timekeeper out long before its time. That is what all the jewellers say.

The bids were submitted by Charles Heckrat and A. J. Metzger. Associated with Mr. Heckart was a jeweller and with Mr. Metzger a carpenter. The bid of each was $185, both being exactly the same. On account of the expense, the court decided not to remedy the trouble at present.

PETITION IN.

Looking to Construction of a Bridge for Ingram Island People.

A petition is pending in the commissioner's court, which has ultimately in view the construction of a bridge from the mainland of Benton County to Ingram Island. It is signed by all the residents of the island, and by many persons on the mainland. It asks for certain changes in the county road. It recalls a petition that was presented to the court last year. The latter proposed that if the court would supply the lumber the people of the vicinity would build a county bridge over the slough to the island. It so happened that no county road was available reaching the site of the proposed bridge. and on this account the peiition was denied.

The new petition is the effort of the citizens interested to provide for a road. It is supposed that if the road is secured, the petition for the bridge will be renewed. The bridge is asked for because the ford and ferry relied on for crossing the slough are dangerous, and have occasioned the loss of several lives.

The courts answer to the petition for change of road was the appointment of James Bruce, John Whitaker and Samuel Reader as viewers to meet at Monroe April 27th, make examination of the proposed road and report recommendations It is estimated that the lumber for the bridge would cost $500 or $600.

CHANCE FOR CHILDREN.

To Secure Prizes for Growing Flowers —Contest to be Held in Fall.

One hundred and fifty school children are wanted in Corvallis, who will promise to grow during the coming summer three corms of gladiolus. The corms will be furnished free by the City Improvement Association, and are to be returned to the Association in October. Not more than two children in one family may receive corms under this offer.

During September, it is planned to hold a gladiolus exhibition at which time twelve awards will be given for the best displays of flowers grown from the corms. The new corms formed will be the property of the cultivators.

Names may be given to the public school teachers. They will be handed to the secretary of C. I. A.

Distribution of corms will be made from the public school, Saturday, April 11th at 10 a. m.

AT STEWARTS HILL.

Contract let for new Bridge and Reduction of Grade.

In the commissioners' court Wednesday, a contract was let for the construction of a new bridge at Stewart's hill, north of Corvallis on the Albany road. The contract also provides for a heavy reduction of the grade at the north end of the bridge, and for an extensive fill at the south end. The latter will shorten the bridge from about 100 feet to 68 feet. The present bridge has been condemned, and while the renewal is in progress, the change in the grade to a permanent basis, and by which the bridge expenses could be materially and forever reduced, was deemed advisable. The contract was awareed to R. M. Gilbert at $825. The other bid was Henry Millhollen, $999.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

HOW HAVE THE MIGHTY FALLEN!

And Bob Says 'Twas Ever Thus From Childhood's Hour.

On Bob Johnson's homeward trip from California he became chummy on the train with a man named Russell who represented himself as a wonderful prize fighter, and all accounts agree that he is a perfect specimen of physical manhood. After Bob's arrival home he sung the praises of the fellow constantly for several days. He had gotten a few gilt-edged tips from Russell, too, and believed that money placed on his favorite would be as good as won in advance.

But Bob's idol has been knocked into all kinds of smithereens, not by an apponent in the ring, but by the Portland policemen's knowledge that Russel is a crook. Soon after his arrival in Portland he was taken into custody, and placed in jail until he was ready to leave the city. It seems, from accounts, that one of many shady practices which Russell indulges in is to board a street car and stand in the door. He is so big that no one can crowd past him, and soon the platform is jammed. An accomplice, standing on the crowded platform, quickly selects a few articles of value from the people on the car, and the two alight and go on their way rejoicing. Information in Wednesday's Oregonian settled Russell's character, and the fellows began mildly to take issue with Bob as to his man's admirable qualities; but he argued faithfully in behalf of Russell, not having noticed the accounts of Russell's misdemeanors. But Russell's detractors were hourly reinforced with stunning evidence, and finally Bob was compelled to surrender unconditionally. He now keeps moving to escape the good natured jeers of his friends.

Millinery Display,

A fine display of millinery today April 4th at Mrs. J. Mason's. Call and see the elegant line of hats of the very latest patterns.

Dry Wood for Sale.

Maple or fir in lots to suit. Leave orders with A. Hodes.

Frank Francisco.

Found.

A lady's belt. Call at this office and identify.

For Sale.

A choice lot of Scotch Collie pups at $5 each.

Spencer Bicknell,
Corvallis.

SOLD A RESIDENCE.

Men Abroad Want Water and Light Franchise in Corvallis—Other News.

Born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Cal Thompson, a son.

A force of S P. bridgemen arrived Thursday for the purpose of overhauling the turn table at this place.

Mrs. Casper Zierolf has been afflicted for some time, but a favorable turn in the course of her ailment is very satisfactory to her family and friends.

There is a story on the street that two young people in town were wed this week and that the bride left at once for the East while the groom remained here. Names were not learned.

J. W. Wood of Job's addition, has purchased the Frank Lilly house on Sixth street, The price paid was $900. The purchaser will occupy it after a month. The sale was made by W. A. Wells. Frank Lilly paid $800 for the property about a year ago.

What is known as the Rothel farm, in the north part of the county, has been sold to A. F. Luther, who recently disposed of his holdings near Granger. In the farm purchased there are 300 acres, and the price paid $9,000.

In retiring from the merchant tailoring business, Mr. J. Wrage wishes to express his appreciation of the patronage and kind offices of the people of this community, and hopes that they may bestow upon his successor, Mr. A. E. Wilkins, like favors.

Mrs. C. Armstrong of South Carolina, spent a couple of days in Corvallis this week, and was much interested in the college. During twenty years past she has been herself an educator in the South. In company with a grown son she expects in the near future to locate in Oregon or California.

Fire Chief Sheasgreen has received a letter from abroad, making inquiry about the water and light situation in Corvallis. The correspondents say that if they can secure franchises without too much delay. and the demands of the city are reasonable, they are in position to do business. They announce a willingness to purchase the present light and water plants.

Millinery Opening.

I will have on display Friday and Saturday, April 3rd and 4th, a fine line of pattern hats and trimmings. You are cordially invited to call.

Mrs. C. A. Gould.

Newest Wash Goods.

Many Exclusive Designs.

We have been selling wash dress goods for nearly a month, but our stock has not been complete. The shipments which have been received in the past week have filled in all the weak places and now the stock is complete in every detail. From low priced domestic fabrics to the high grade materials of foreign makes. We have many fabrics of the finer sort which are exclusive with us, and if you like materials and patterns that are out of the ordinary, come and see us.

Samples on Application.

Elegant White Goods and Embroideries.

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The Best Grade of Canned Goods on the Market Today.

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Something New.

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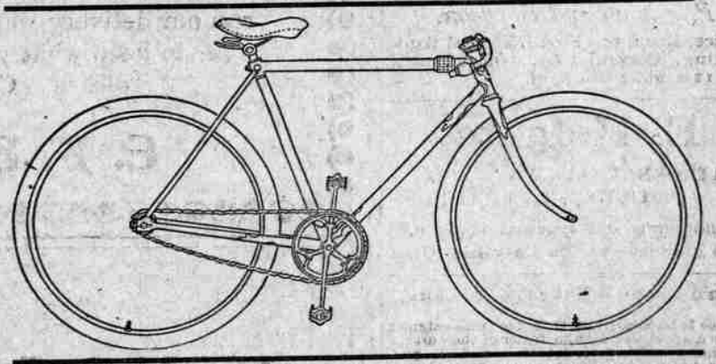

Bicycles.

If you want a Fine, Up-to-date High Grade Bicycle, go to Berry's.

If you want a Good Cheap Guaranteed Bicycle, go to Berry's.

If you want a Second-Hand Bicycle, go to Berry. He has them at any old price.

If you are thinking of buying a wheel, call on Berry before you purchase. He has them ranging in price from $5.00 to $200.00.

If your wheel needs doctoring, take it to the Bicycle Hospital. All work guaranteed.

If you need a new set of tires, go to Berry. He has them of all makes and prices.

If you want to rent a wheel, go to Berry's.

In fact, if you want anything in the line of Bicycles, Sundries, Parts, or Repair Work, go to Berry's.

Near Burnett Brick, Main Street,
Corvallis, Oregon.