

**Corvallis Times.**

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**SENATE AND GOVERNOR.**

There is deep and wide significance in an incident that happened Tuesday in the Oregon senate, then in extra session. After adjournment of the legislature last year, Governor Chamberlain returned a number of bills with his veto. The senate is overwhelmingly republican and the governor is a democrat, by reason of which it might have been expected that at the first opportunity the senate would have been swift to pass the bills over the vetoes.

In spite of this difference in political opinions, the senate, in the incident referred to, refused to take up and consider the vetoes. In short, though composed of 24 republicans and five democrats, the senate deliberately elected to let this democratic governor's vetoes stand, rather than pass the bills over his head. The senators unquestionably believed the position of the governor to be sound, and by a public refusal to take up the vetoes was willing to acknowledge it. It is a frank and manly indorsement of the governor by politically hostile legislators, and is alike creditable to the governor and senators.

By the vetoes \$100,000 in appropriations, was saved the people of Oregon. The result shows that it is a most wholesome situation when a legislature is of one and the governor of another political party. It also shows that the present governor of the state is sound in his business judgment as well as vigorous and honest in his administration of affairs.

**THE SESSION**

By limiting the period of the extra session to three days, the Oregon legislature has done well. In the time, several important measures were passed, and at adjournment time the legislators and the people had the satisfaction of knowing that the entire cost of the session was but \$7,500.

The result, shows what legislatures can do when the assembling is for business and the effort to attend to that business is sincere. It would doubtless be fortunate for the taxpayers and for the official records of members, if the constitution named a few instead of forty days for a legislative session. Even more fortunate would it be for all, were United States senators elected by direct vote, instead of by legislative assemblies. All this, with a governor who would have the courage and the capacity to confront members with the cold necessity of a brief business session, as was the case in this special session, the whole arrangement would be as perfect as the hand of fallen man could make it.

At least for the brevity and its business industry, the late session is in a class by itself, and on these accounts deserves commendation.

**FOR SALE.**

Vetch seed at Corvallis Flour Mills

**For Sale.**

Bright cheat and rye grass hay, vetch, spelt, timothy, and rye grass seeds, Poland China hogs, Shropshire rams, Good, bright vetch straw, fresh from the barn, for sale at reasonable prices. L. L. Brooks,

**Came to my Place.**

A stray white sow, December 5th, 1903. T. A. Logsdon.

**Rates for Christmas Holidays.**

The Corvallis & Eastern R. R. Co. have made a round trip rate of one fare between all stations on account of Xmas holidays. Tickets will be good going Saturday, Dec. 19, 1903, to Jan. 2, 1904 and for return at any time up to and including Monday, Jan. 4, 1904. No ticket less than 25 cents.

We are capturing the gift makers. Our line of diamonds, watches, rings, and silver novelties, is full of quality and merit. F. M. French, the Jeweler Albany,

**ABSENT CHINAMEN**

Must get Back Quickly, or Their Coming Will be Costly.

Will his Corvallis friends ever see Chinaman Sorbin again, is a query that the latter wonder over, and will they see the other four or five chinamen that went a year ago to China with him, is another question.

Jim Sing, the cook, says they will not, unless they go over to the Flowery-Kingdom, and search for the absent Corvallisites among heathen compatriots. The claim is that the missing Corvallis laundryman and his friends are in China without credentials that will readmit them into the United States. The exclusion law is very strenuous now. The main source of ingress to the country is via Victoria B. C., and thence across the border line by secret routes into Uncle Sam's dominions. January 1st, however, the Canadian government puts into operation a law that exacts a duty of \$500 per head on Chinamen entering Victoria. That means that Sorbin and his colleagues must arrive meantime, or pay in fare and duty \$600 each for the privilege of a return, and Jim Sing, the cook, says they haven't the money to do this. "Spend em heap money China; ketchee wife, ketchee house, givem money fader and mudder; quick go bloke" said the culinary artist. "Cost 'em \$600 get back now heap money; heap trouble Sorbin soon be old man. Hab stay China."

**FORNINSTE THE DOG.**

"Taxpayer" Trains his Batteries Upon the Dogs and Dog Laws.

Citizen, who pleads in The Times for the lives of Corvallis dogs upon which the lawful tax is not paid, or which have no owners is respectfully invited to spend a night in the north end of town. It would perhaps be the best argument that could be brought to bear upon one who is so superfluously endowed with humanity. The law in fact is subject to just criticism in that it is not as severe as it ought to be. A law which licenses a pack of curs to make life miserable to a community ought to be unconstitutional if it is not. In a city the number of valuable dogs is all out of proportion to the number of worthless creatures that bark a howl at nothing all through the night, and if our laws are intended to conserve the interest of the greatest number, our city ordinances should prohibit entirely the keeping of dogs within the corporation. At any rate it seems to me to be a gross imposition to license any dog to chase about the streets of the city. A dog of any kind which habitually runs at large should be subject to the legal provisions governing those now unlicensed, and if the officers are unable to take the dog the owner should be impounded and unless within forty-eight hours he gives satisfactory evidence of a change of heart as regards the rights of others he should be despatched and buried in the manner as provided for the disposition of impounded dogs. Possibly this arrangement might be satisfactory to Citizen. It would in a measure insure to the safety of the dog.

Taxpayer.

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Just a Few of Our Many Bargains.

No. 34.—460 acres adjoining R. R. town, all tillable, fine improvements. Only \$25 per acre.

No. 37.—87 acres 7 miles from Corvallis and one and 1/2 miles from R. R. station, two good houses, fine barn, 125 acres out to grain. A fine place \$45 per acre.

No. 21.—300 acres all fenced 160 acres cleared more could be, 100 acres to grain now. Price \$25 per acre.

No. 20.—60 acres, good 9 room house, good well and orchard, all fenced; also 10 head of cows, team, harness and wagon; some hogs and chickens all for \$3000.

No. 18.—30 acres, 25 in orchard mostly prunes, good house and barn, good well and running water. Price \$2400.

No. 15.—160 acres, 4 1/2 miles east of Corvallis, eight room house, barn 40 x 60 20 acres of prunes, balance good forest land. Price \$35 per acre.

No. 26.—House and two lots on Main street \$1,500.

No. 27.—22 foot front on Main street good location for business. \$500.

No. 25.—A fine lot on Third street \$135.

No. 31.—Two fine lots nice location. \$500.

No. 35.—Undivided half interest in business lot on Main street, good two story brick 50 x 75 feet, a snap. Price \$4,500.

Space will not permit of further details, but if you want a good investment call and see us. White & Stone. First door south of Reading Room.

**SING ON'S LEASE**

Makes him Master of a Farm—Heckarts Houses—Rennie's Dead Horse.

After negotiating for some weeks a contract has been signed by which Henry Gerhard leases his Kiger island farm to a Chinaman named Sing On. The term of the lease is ten years. Aside from a cash rental, Mr. On agrees and stipulates that during the first year he will set out thirty acres of hops and yearly increase the average until sixty acres have been planted. The lessee is to build an adequate hop house, and all these improvements are to go to Mr. Gerhard at the expiration of the ten years. Sing On, not long since, purchased or leased for 99 years an island farm formerly owned by George Henkle. Upon this there are already 30 acres in growing hops. Among our Chinese population we already have Hop Sing and if Sing On is successful in his plans he may finally become known as Hop King.

A faithful horse, owned and used by Alex Rennie, died Thursday. That was the day the news came from Salem that the legislature had passed a law prohibiting the killing of China pheasants. The two master, and equine, had been on many a pheasant jaunt together. That the animal died from natural causes may be possible; but many think that after hearing the news from Salem, he simply thought of the dreadful and monotonous blank that it will be when the good old summer time comes again, when the China cock crows defiantly and undisturbed in the meadow, and that thereupon he moaned a Merry Christmas and a farewell to Alex and gave up the ghost.

The extra session failed to give the city of Corvallis an amendment to the charter authorizing an ordinance to punish other than saloon men for giving liquor to minors. Such an amendment was prepared and sent to Salem, but it was addressed to Senator Daly who seems not to have been at the capital. The letter failed on this account to get into the hands of the legislature in time to secure passage of the amendment. However, a very strict state law is available for the punishment of any who choose to supply intoxicants to minors, and the authorities are certain to invoke it for the punishment of any and all transgressors.

W. O. Heckart was in town Thursday shaking hands with old friends. He and Mrs. Heckart are to remain at the Barclay home until Monday or Tuesday Mr. Heckart was recently awarded the contract and is laying the foundation for a new residence in Eugene. It is for Mrs Parks, and is to cost \$6,000. The contract calls for its completion June 1st, but Mr. Heckart expects to have it finished long before that date. In all, Mr Heckarts contract work in Eugene the past season has aggregated something over \$30,000.

Samuel Bane of this city, has left, after his season's sale, fifty five Chinese pheasants. He has had abundant opportunities to sell the remainder, being constantly in receipt of orders for pairs of the birds but he intends to keep them as parent stock for his campaign in the business next season. After filling up his incubators in the spring, he will have pheasant eggs to sell by the setting. During the past season, Mr. Bane sold over five dozen pairs of the birds.

Since his removal from Benton a few weeks ago, Jack Hall claims to have put in 75 acres of grain, built a smoke house and barn, cut nine cords of wood, built a quarter of a mile of fence, erected a family ash hopper, traded for a mule, killed 16 head of hogs, to have made three trips to Corvallis, and to have done a variety of other work, all with only 14 days of hired help. Jack believes the story.

**Cheaper Rates.**

Commencing Jan. 1, 1904, we will sell lights per metre in residences at 10c per 1000 watt hours with a minimum of 7 cents per month. Should you use 7,500 we will charge you 75 cents. In Albany or Portland the same amount would cost you \$1. Should you use 15,000 we will charge you \$1.50. The same amount in Albany would cost \$2.25; in Portland, \$2.70. Should you use 20,000 your bill will be \$2. In Albany you would have to pay \$3 and in Portland \$3.60. Hereafter you will have to furnish your own lamp renewals. Corvallis Electric Light & Power Co.

Make your friend a Xmas present of a stiletto pocket knife. For sale by Berry & Carl.

Go to Zierolf's for fresh Yaquina Bay oysters.

Nothing makes a more appropriate gift than one of those detachable handle "Hull" umbrellas, \$1.50 to \$20. Ladies and gents sizes. F. M. French, Jeweler, Albany.

**WHAT THEY SAY.**

Few Bad Spots, but a General Improvement—Repairing County Roads.

The winter is giving opportunity for testing some of the road work of last summer. More or less discussion of the subject is on throughout the county. Though there are a few bad spots, the general statement is that the work of the past two years has made a vast improvement in the entire road system of the county. In places where new grades have been made without being heavily coated with gravel or rock, traveling is attended with some difficulty. The experience in this particular has convinced most observers that only as much work should be attempted by supervisors as can be entirely completed, with respect to both gravel and drainage, the latter item being fully as essential a factor to success as is the gravel. If the drainage does not remove the water from the road, it is useless to put on gravel for the latter, being heavier, immediately settles into the soft mud.

Another fact of importance that the systematic study of the situation has developed, is that road work should be commenced as early as possible in the season. Grades should be completed early enough to permit the late rains to pack the loose dirt.

Though it is attended with much difficulty, wherever it can be economically and satisfactorily done, the county court is having winter work done on the bad spots. Whenever it is dry enough, rock is being placed on the grades between Judge Moor's place and Jackson's on the Mountain View road. In other parts similar repair work is in progress whenever possible. It is generally agreed that the new grades are all well planned, and that with a surfacing of gravel they will be among the best roads in the county next winter.

Leave your orders for oysters at Zierolf's on Tuesday.

The finest engraved souvenir spoons in the city are to be found at E P Grefoz, the Jeweler.

P. M. Zierolf, grocer, will keep open after 6 p. m. from this time until January 1st.

My store will be open evenings from this date until after Christmas. C. A. Gerhard.

Sterling silver novelties of all kinds at the lowest prices. E P Grefoz, the Jeweler.

Fresh Yaquina Bay oysters received at Zierolf's every Saturday

Cut glass of the finest designs at prices that any person can afford to purchase at E P Grefoz, the Jeweler.

**Holiday Gifts.**

Come and see my display of holiday gifts in burnt wood, leather and paper, also in water colors, oils and pastels. On display at my home on south Eighth st.

Laura F. Pratt.

**Wood Wanted.**

The Oregon Agricultural College will receive bids for supplying wood for the ensuing College year commencing next July. Call on the Purchasing Agent for specifications.

Corvallis, December 22, 1903. T. H. Crawford, Purchasing Agent.

**Groceries for The Holidays**



**WHEN SUPPLIED BY P. M. ZIEROLF**

Insure the utmost satisfaction to guests and host. Large, luscious raisins, citron, currants, orange and lemon peel, as well as all kinds of relishes—olives, sweet and sour pickles in bottle and bulk.

**Great Annual Reduction Sale.**

Our Great Annual Reduction Sale of Winter Merchandise will begin Monday, December 28th and continue 30 days. Every article in our big stock will be reduced except W. L. Douglas \$3.00 and \$3.50 shoes, Hawes' \$3 00 hats, Monarch white shirts, spool cotton, and Our Own overalls.

Great Slaughter on Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats, Ladies' Tailor-made Suits, Cloaks, Wraps, Jackets, Furs, Walking and Dress Skirts.

Everything must move. We want the room for our New Spring Stock, and want to get the money out of winter goods. Remember the date, Monday morning at 9 o'clock, December 28th. Store closes at 6 o'clock, sharp.



January 5, 1904, is the Date

For Opening after the Holidays.

**CORVALLIS BUSINESS COLLEGE.**

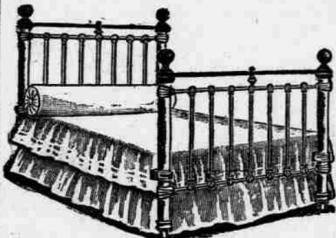
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The Holiday Rush is now on in earnest.

Go to Pratt's for a large and choice variety from which to select your gifts.

**Gifts for Ladies.**

Cut Glass, Rings, Silverware, Sterling Novelties, Ebony Toilet Pins, Fancy Clocks, Watches.

**For Gentlemen.**

Watches, Hat & Clothes Brushes, Stick Pins, Cuff Buttons, Fountain And Plain Gold Pens.

Come early and secure your choice from the largest assortment of its kind in the city. Open night and day until January 1st. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I am Yours for Xmas Gifts,

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The Jeweler and Optician.

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