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WHAT IS NEEDED.

Oregon's government is in need of much purging, but the present situation is not particularly hopeful. The party which has given the state its best executive, as well as its best legislators, is in a minority, and nothing short of a miracle will prevent the republican party from putting in state power one of its two machines, and either one will continue the outrageous taxation which is now being endured. This year the property holders are called upon to pay nearly five mills of a state tax and in consideration of nothing but a decision as to whom would become United States Senator and some public improvements in the way of institutions which could more than have been dispensed with. Office holders, both state, county and commissioned are receiving too much remuneration for the services rendered and the political outlook really has but little to promise in the way of retrenchment—rather it is budding to bloom more extravagance.

In all probability the republican party is so well organized, that notwithstanding a serious difference on the money question, nothing will prevent it procuring control of the state machinery for another two years. If it does, no cutting down of expenses need be expected and every taxpayer knows it. Nothing but a blind following of what he terms his principles will impel him to vote for a continuation of abuse of public property.

Let the democratic legislative candidates pledge the people of Washington county that they will work to put all state officers on their constitutional salaries and do all in their power to cut down the high salaries which exist in official life at home. Such officers pay too well. It occasions too much strife and two-thirds as much salary would even be out of proportion to the services involved. The record of our democrats in the state service has been good to look upon. The people know this, and with this knowledge should support the candidates. Reform is needed in the salary business and tax-payers will vote against their own interests if they support the old regime.

IT IS EVER SO.

Love of party in politics is as biased as religion. The rank and file of humanity generally adhere to the early religious and political training and in the latter, will support it when self protection is imperilled. Here in Oregon the party which has its hand on the helm of state is in a minority and yet this minority rules. The same partisan blindness which keeps together this minority party, controls the majority. People are led to believe, and with some degree of reason, that in order to preserve good government in state circles, their respective parties must be at the helm in national affairs. This, in strictest reason, is not logic, but it has its effect and answers the purpose of retaining a minority in state officialism which never knew conservatism in public expenditures. As a matter of fact, in which not even suggestion is involved, if party lines were thrown down, an independent movement would let the majority rule in Oregon. Let men run for state and county offices on their respective abilities and the people might get reform. But as long as states elect their highest national officers by the present method, party machinery will control the people, and high rates of taxation will exist.

The republican party has control of the state machinery, practically in every branch, and the leaders can have free access to sacks of officials. They "won't do a thing," but spend some of it in the coming campaign and this will insure perpetuation of the present high salaries and prodigal appropriation. And the beauty of the whole thing is this: The tax-payers are not only bled through these high salaries and said appropriations, but they

are going to be foolish enough to vote them back again. But, you can't always sometimes tell!

The Argus is in receipt of a letter from Sherwood, which answers "Taxpayer's" article of last week. The letter severely criticizes "Taxpayer" and asserts that he is told those resolutions passed by the Middleton republican club were "railroaded" through. He resents "Taxpayer's" remarks about the Sherwood people kicking up musses in order to procure fees. The article is well written and would receive space were it not so lengthy. If the writer so desires he can condense his remarks to cover the ground in one-third the space and it will be published.

For the county offices The Argus hopes each political party will put up honest clean men. As for the legislative ticket this paper wants to see men sent who will make themselves heard on a reduction of state and county salaries. When a \$10,000 farm will hardly pay taxes it is high time the taxpayers take the matters in their own hands. Senseless high salaries and useless commissions should receive a knock-out blow in the 1897 session of Oregon's legislature.

High salaries in official life must come down—both county, state, and last of all, federal—as the temper of the people is ripe for a change that will mean a stoppage to conditions that breed caste and rank so far as pecuniary considerations are concerned. Every political party must take hold of this question as it is one of grave import. Take away the great incentive which impels men to spend money for office and we will have better government.

The populists cast less than two thousand more votes than the democrats of this district in the congressional fight two years ago. More than two thousand democrats voted for Hermann (not that they were not free silverites) as they were afraid of populism with its sub-treasury, good roads and government loans schemes. The democrats are not dead in the first district.

As The Argus stated last week, the republican state platform "straddles" the financial question and The Oregonian is kicking lustily. This is merely for effect as it knows that with three tickets in the field the ticket must be elected and the republican party will never give silver any more rights than it has at the present time.

SECRETARY of state Kincaid's paper, the Eugene State Journal, until last week very radically free silver, turned the switch and is as silent as those whom he formerly called "gold bugs." Kincaid's ideas may be policy but they are not honest. Another case of "parrot."

FREE silver sentiment represents a majority of Oregon's population, and is supported by many of the highest minds of the state. But the majority will not elect this campaign. They will simply pay heavier taxes by letting the minority take possession of Salem.

This congressional district is in a strong majority for free coinage of silver. Mr. Tongue may be thankful that the people of the district are fools enough to have three parties in the field. The foolishness of these fools will insure him a congressional seat.

It was Hermann's willingness to stand on a "parrot," gold standard, or free silver platform, that cost him his nomination. This weakened his free silver support and dropped him by the way-side.

The democrats were at least honest in their platform. No "parrot" there. The party had nothing to gain by equivocation and dodging the issue and honestly dealt with the question.

THE OREGONIAN

Breaks Bounds and for Once Tells It as It Is.

[Sunday Oregonian.] In order to "hold the silver vote," the republican state convention was made to vote down a resolution declaring against free coinage of silver. But every silver man knows, or should know, that to look to the republican party for free coinage of silver is to entertain a delusive hope. This shabby deception, therefore, employed to "hold the silver vote," should hold nobody. If you are silver men and want silver men to represent you, and desire to associate with a party that will endeavor to carry out your views, you should go to the populists or democrats. The politicians of the republican party who hold out expectations of free coin-

age to you are fooling you. All they want is your votes, and through your votes, political ascendancy for themselves.

CORNELIUS.

The Ladies Tea Club of this city met at the St. Joseph Hotel last Wednesday. About twenty five were present.

C. S. McNutt and wife visited with Vic Brown at Forest Grove Sunday.

County Clerk R. B. Goodin and family visited in this city Sunday last.

The Andrews Lumber Co. of Mountaine, will load several cars with lumber this week. We understand they have a contract to furnish one and one-half million feet to Portland parties.

Myron Beard of Hillsboro, was in our city Saturday.

Several of our young people attended the Good Templar lodge at Dilley Friday evening. They report a good time.

W. V. Wiley was in the city from Hillsboro Friday.

Constable Sappington was down from the Grove Thursday serving papers on parties.

L. V. Walker, of Gaston, was seen on our streets Saturday.

W. T. Andrews told us he would load about 200 cars with lumber for Portland. He has 12 teams hauling.

L. S. Fairchild has been granted a pension at last.

Several of our people attended the ratification at Hillsboro Tuesday night.

Albert Pennings is delivering wood to the railroad this week.

Jim Miller and C. M. Johnson went to the Grove on business Wednesday.

The newly elected city days were sworn in last Monday night and the city is now under populist rule.

A. S. Briggs was down from Cottage Grove Wednesday shaking hands with his many friends.

—Get some of those periodicals and magazines at the post office store. They are instructive and help to while away the long winter evenings.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the county of Washington.

Mary C. Flavel, George C. Flavel, Nellie Flavel and Katie Flavel, Plaintiffs.

J. J. Morgan and B. P. Cornelius as assignees of the estate of T. R. Cornelius, Insolvent, T. R. Cornelius, J. J. Morgan and Robert Imbrie, Defendants.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION, judgment, order and decree duly issued out of and under the seal of the above entitled court, in the above entitled cause, to me duly directed dated the 28th day of March, 1896, upon a decree rendered and entered in the said court on the 30th day of July, 1895, in favor of the above named plaintiffs and against the above named defendants, for the sum of thirty-eight hundred and forty-nine dollars (\$3849) with interest thereon from the 30th day of July, 1895, at the rate of ten (10) per cent. per annum, and the further sum of fifty-seven and forty-five hundredths dollars (\$57.45) costs and disbursements, and also the costs of and upon said writ, commanding me and requiring me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit:

That certain tract or parcel of land situated in the county of Washington, State of Oregon, and described as follows, namely: That certain lease and lease hold estate executed and granted on the 18th day of December, 1875, by the Oregon Central Railroad Company to T. R. Cornelius, for the term of ninety-nine (99) years from said December 18th, 1875, in and to the depot grounds of said company at the town of Cornelius, Oregon, which premises are more particularly described as a tract of land 1240 feet long and 250 feet wide, and designated and marked on the recorded plat of said town in the office of the Recorder of said Washington county, as the depot grounds of said company, said lease and lease hold interest conveyed the warehouse on said grounds and also the exclusive warehouse and storage rights at said town of Cornelius, as well as other privileges more fully described in said lease, which is recorded on page 774 of book "A" Miscellaneous Records of said Washington county, Oregon, in the office of the Recorder of said County.

Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, order and decree, and in compliance with the command of said writ, I have levied upon, and will, on the 4th day of May, 1896, at the hour of ten (10) o'clock a. m., at the front door of the Court House, in the city of Hillsboro, said County, and State, sell at public auction, for cash, in redemption, to the highest bidder, for United States gold coin, cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the above named defendant, T. R. Cornelius, has in and to the date of the mortgage to plaintiff herein, namely, the 1st day of April, 1885, or since had in and to the above described real property to satisfy said Execution, order and decree and interest and cost; and all accruing costs.

Hillsboro, Oregon, April 2, 1896.
H. F. FORD,
Sheriff of Washington County, Ore.
J. W. D. BRADFORD, Deputy.

Notice to Taxpayers.

The tax call for the year 1895 is now delinquent and the property on which taxes are as yet unpaid must, according to statute, be advertised and sold. The office of Sheriff is now preparing the list for publication and all who desire to save costs and interest are requested to call at once at the office of Sheriff and pay said taxes.

H. F. FORD,
Ex-Officio Tax Collector for Washington county.
Dated at Hillsboro, Oregon, this 16th day of April, 1896.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, ORE., Feb. 20, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Washington county, at Hillsboro, Oregon, on May 6, 1896, viz:

H. E. No. 7839, for the N E 1/4 of the N W 1/4 and N 1/2 S W 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 3 N. R. 4 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

John H. Kennedy, Amos E. Mead, John Lippert and Peter Stitt, all of Greenville, Oregon.

ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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H. E. No. 8298, for the N E 1/4 N W 1/4 and Lots 1, 2 and 3, Sec. 31, T. 3 N. Range 5 W.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, ORE., Feb. 25, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Washington county at Hillsboro, Oregon, on May 7, 1896, viz:

L. E. A. Benefield,
H. E. No. 8373, for the E 1/2 N E 1/4 Sec. 11, T. 3 S. R. 4 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

S. S. Prickett, A. H. Phipps, R. S. Bullock and B. L. Phillips all of Manning, Oregon.

50-4 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, ORE., Feb. 25, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office at Oregon City, Ore., on May 19, 1896, viz:

Joseph Miller,
H. E. No. 10324, for the S E 1/4 of Sec. 10, T. 3 N. R. 5 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Charles J. von, of Glenwood, Oregon, Albert Kathline, of Portland, Oregon, and Ambrose Cox and Jack Hobbie, of Mountaine, Oregon.

50-4 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

NOTICE.

City warrants up to and inclusive of August 7, 1895, are now payable at the office of city treasurer, Brock's Drug Store, Hillsboro, Oregon, and interest will cease on same after this date.

Dated April 16, 1896.
F. G. MITCHELL,
City Treasurer.

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Chas. H. Welch,
H. E. No. 10941 for the E 1/2 N E 1/4 and E 1/2 S E 1/4 of Sec. 13, T. 4 N. R. 5 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Thomas Berthoin of Keasay, Oregon, Palon Clarke
CH Wheeler Chatskanie
Geo Richwine Jr., of Santavilla

49-6 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Washington county.

G Melvin Thorne, Plaintiff,
Alice M Thorne, Defendant.

To Alice M Thorne, the above named defendant.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby commanded and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit in the above entitled court, on or before Monday the 26th day of July, A. D. 1896, the same being on the first day of the next regular term of said court next following the expiration of the time prescribed in the order of publication of this summons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said court, this 20th day of February, 1896.

Geo. W. F. JOSEPH,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice for Publication.
LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, ORE., Feb. 27, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the County Clerk of Washington county, at Hillsboro, Ore., on May 8, 1896, viz:

Henry H. Winter,
H. E. No. 8093, for the N E 1/4 Sec. 20 T 2 N R 5 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

M. S. Jaycock, A. A. Aycock, M. B. Laythrop and W. Venable, all of Vre, Washington county, Oregon.

50-4 ROBERT A. MILLER, Register.

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