

# The Democrat

Liliuokalani, former Queen of Hawaii, is keeping house in Washington. She has abandoned all hope of regaining her throne and says she is a thorough American.

Daunt T. Moody, the evangelist, prides himself on the fact that there is not one expert shorthand reporter or fifty who can make a verbatim report of his sermons.

The King of the Belgians travels as Count Rivenstein, putting up at his hotel in Paris with far less bustle than that which the arrival of an ordinary foreign count would entail.

John R. McClure, the democratic nominee for governor of Ohio, is a strong candidate for the place, and will make a campaign conspicuous for its aggressive character.

When it was finally announced that Thos. B. Reed had filed his resignation to take effect Sept. 4, a great sigh of relief went up from the administration. But Amos Allen, his probable successor, will continue the fight against expansion.

If Capt. Carter's counsel should decide to remain in Europe for another year, Attorney General Griggs would apparently be content to let the case wait his convenience. Meanwhile, the Captain is drawing interest on the money he has stolen from the government.

Gov. Bradley of Kentucky, was conspicuous by his absence at the opening of the republican state campaign, although the strongest pressure was brought to bear to induce him to speak for the ticket. The republicans have troubles of their own in that state.

The Mississippi democratic state convention endorsed the Chicago platform and Wm. J. Bryan as the "greatest exponent of those principles." Three states have spoken for Bryan during this month.

Congressman B. A. Caldwell has started a movement to organize the democrats of Illinois outside of Chicago for W. J. Bryan in 1900. The friends of Bryan are not going to allow the gold democrats to control the next national convention.

The associated press correspondent at Manila says: "The censor writes stereotyped official phrases and adjectives into the dispatches, tending to magnify the American operations and to minimize the opposition." This explains why the reports appear so one-sided, and yet the war does not end.

Gov. Stone of Missouri, denies that he is backing the movement to call the democratic national convention for February. There should be no scramble by the democrats to see who will nominate Bryan first. Everything should be done regularly and in order.

It is a queer state of affairs when this administration has to acknowledge to a foreign power (China) that its subordinate is allowed to keep it in the dark regarding his action in such an important matter as the exclusion of Chinese from the Philippines.

Gen. Otis may find that by keeping the administration in the dark regarding his proceedings, he has stirred up trouble for himself. As long as it was only the people who were flouted and hoodwinked the administration did not care.

The plan of ridiculing Mr. Bryan down will not work. The fact is that he is stronger today than ever before. His record is proving a clean one that cannot be torn to pieces. Had Mr. Bryan been elected four years ago the United States would not now be troubled with a government by the trusts and monopolies.

Alabama republicans do not seem to appreciate the removal by Circuit Judge Shelby of a faithful worker of 20 years service and a native of the state, to make a place for a resident of Ohio who happens to be a relative of President McKinley. It is believed that this bargain was made before Shelby received his appointment.

O. H. P. Belmont of New York, now that Croker has punctured Van Wyck's boom, is being actively pushed for the second place with Bryan. His wealthy beliefs the silver question is one of Congressional rather than Executive action, strongly favors an income tax, and is against expansion.

Chairman Jones now in Europe recuperating, has ordered the removal of the Press Bureau of the National Committee to Washington, and has authorized Gov. Stone of Missouri to engage a new editor. Mr. Devlin, who placed the bureau in opposition to Mayer Harrison of Chicago, will be out as his successor is selected. Reports from abroad show that Senator Jones will not relinquish the chairmanship.

Lord Brassey is going to England at the end of the present term. His term of office as governor of Victoria expires in October, 1900, but in all probability he will not serve quite the full term.

A recently arrested Washington murderer says that if the court assigns a "k d or a quack" to defend him he will plead his own case. This makes the Washington bar feel a little uneasy.—Ex.

And now it's the Mexican soldiers who are accused of inhumanity to prisoners. It's very hard for so many soldiers in active service to succeed in giving satisfaction all around.—Ex.

The British pension rolls will soon include the name of the readin clerk of the house of lords, who will retire on \$4,000 a year. Another proof that it pays to be a well read man.—Ex.

If some one with the power of looking into the future will tell us what the weather will be during the next four weeks a great favor will be conferred, but as Mr. Pague with all his instruments and the use of the telegraph can only hit it part of the time in a critical period, it is not probable that any one else will be able to do better.

Mr. Pague should not be abused for not making correct prognostications when they are needed most. He does as well as any one could under the circumstances. It is a fact that when a storm comes from the southwest as our fall storms generally do, there is no way of forecasting it any length of time ahead, as it is off the ocean and on us in jiffy. Anybody can predict weather a day ahead under average circumstances.

It is a funny idea some have that loyalty to the flag consists in wanting to plant it all over the world on our own territory. Sensible people know there is nothing in anything of the kind. There is as much loyalty to the flag in desiring to keep our country within reasonable limits and from all entangling alliances as there is in trying to involve our country in interminable wars and strife as the acquisition of new territory by force always has and always will involve any country. Now really, which displays the most loyalty to the flag, a desire to have it continually in strife, or a desire to have it crowned with the laurel of peace and good will. The people are capable of judging for themselves and are not going to be bulldozed by silly cartoons and subsidized editorials.

Who wants the United States to haul down its flag where it has been raised for good? The fact that our government is bound to keep our flag over the Philippines until peace is restored and a settlement had with the Filipinos doesn't change the right and wrong of the policy involved in getting such white elephants on our hands. The Democrat has no use for the Filipinos, and never has believed there was any excuse for them to have gone to war in this case, there being strong evidence that Aguinaldo has been merely a birling, and that he precipitated the war according to instruction. But this doesn't change the fact that the policy involved in acquiring such territory is a wrong one and not advisable, and that the proper way will be if the Filipinos can ever be brought to their senses, to have a provisional government under our protection, of a semi-military character, looking to their eventual freedom. As it is now we are in for it and must make the best of the situation.

Cleveland Leader: One of the leading newspapers of Berlin sounds a loud warning of impending panic in the financial world of the great and prosperous German empire. It admits that trade and industry are flourishing and that the wealth and strength of the country are increasing as they never did before. Nevertheless this journal predicts a great crash in the business in Germany and urges its readers to be ready for a tremendous financial storm.

The reason for such predictions of trouble of the gravest sort is the fact that in the past six months new stocks and bonds have been issued in Germany to the amount of about \$400,000,000. The average output of such securities has been only \$67,000,000 a month. And that is considered such a dreadful bubble blowing that a great explosion must follow!

It is well for the peace of mind of the German editors that he does not live in the United States. Here the capitalization of the new corporation formed in six months of what he considers Germany's recklessness is not less than six or seven times the total for the German empire. The German figures for half a year have often been beaten in the United States in a single month. In May the New Jersey trust bill ground out stock bonds to the face value of nearly a billion dollars.

The prediction that all the 35,000 volunteers, authorized by congress would be enlisted, has been almost verified. An order for the enlistment of one more additional regiment which will bring the number of volunteers nearly up to the limit, has been issued by Secretary Root, and the new regiment will be composed of negroes. The officers will, of course be white men.

## SATURDAY NIGHT THOUGHTS.

Another week has gone by with the harvesting of the cereal crops first in the minds of the people. Even the Philippine war and the Dreyfus trial have had to take a seat in the rear end of the public mind in Oregon. During the week five days have been gotten in of hard fourteen hours work and the result has been the saving of an immense sight of wheat probably one hundred thousand bushels a day. It transpires that notwithstanding the soaking it got the wheat is in good condition. Modern machinery for cleaning wheat comes in where it belongs greatly aiding the producer. The farmer this year will get paid according to the weight of the wheat. That is if it weighs less than the required sixty pounds he will be doctored according to the shortage and the wheat passes as first class, which is fair. The recent rains cleaned the hops as thoroughly as the boasted soars in the magazine advertisements and the raiser this year will have a fat take, and as well the picking it is said will be a little easier than usual. All is well that ends well, but it is not ended yet, and it will take two more weeks of good weather to finish the job of saving our crops. At this writing it is probable that it is half done.

Victoria and Kruger have not crossed arms, though there has been enough in the dispatches for several wars in Transvaal. It doesn't take much to make war on paper, a few rounds of ammunition and several guns purchased and placed convenient for use. The matter will probably end in smoke with no one hit except by paper words shot by enterprising newspaper men.

Everything in Albany is as full as a tick, and yet our city is not drunk. In fact our people are keeping their heads pretty well. Things will be fuller after college and the other schools open, for they will bring in more families, and yet there will be places found for all the newcomers. If necessary one house will be used for two families. If this keeps on many new houses will be necessary to meet the demands. Isn't there plenty of money in Albany for the purpose.

In the face of the constant cry of prosperity in Portland it is stated that the assessment of the city will be decreased twelve million dollars. The two don't go together any better than a Chinaman and an Indian. Prosperity is as fine a thing to have as a new spring boater, but what is the use of everlasting yielding prosperity just for political effect regardless of the facts. Anyone with half an eye knows that the principal prosperity is with the trusts and monopolies, and that the only other people having it are those who work and scheme like Ty Jans.

Men ought to be law abiding even in small things. No one should intentionally violate any law though some of them are very foolish and unnecessary and might be much better off the books. The game laws particularly should be respected. True sportsmanship demands it, and then when they are in season there is a further demand for birds to be hunted according to law and with the rights of property owners in view. All these things may restrict the hunter until he has a narrow path to travel in but it is business and correct.

Two designs for the new \$5 silver certificate, one having upon its face a vignette of Washington, and the other one of Jefferson have been submitted to Secretary Gage. It is said that a republican senator heard about this and at once hurried to see Secretary Gage to tell him not to adopt the Jefferson design, because if he did, it might become a democratic note. Be that as it may, Treasury officials say that the Jefferson design is not likely to be adopted.

Men who at the beginning supported the expansion policy of the administration, are now severely criticising the results obtained by following the policy. For instance, the Washington Post, which has so far at intervals and purposes been an expansion sheet, says editorially: "Either we have not the genius and the temperament for successful colonization, or we have been grotesquely unfortunate in the selection of our agents. It is impossible to see at this moment where and in what respect we have accomplished anything important either in Cuba or in the Philippines. In the latter we have undertaken to set up the regime of law and order and civilization, and we have failed utterly. In the case of Cuba we have undertaken to give the people self-government, or at least to test their capacity in that line, and we have done neither. In the Philippines we have for six months or more been engaged in a petty and perfectly fruitless war with the natives. In Cuba the government consists of a military autocracy, little if any more beneficent than that conducted by the Spanish Governor Generals in times of peace. In Luzon it is actual war we have upon our hands. In Cuba, it is smoldering discontent, turbulence in various parts of the island, and a fatuous and feeble tyranny at Havana."

D. Miller's threshing crew yesterday threshed 2400 bushels of grain, and a great many are doing more than two thousand bushels.

## Misc.

The mist which Pague predicted for today is principally Pague, who wears glad to say mixed it again.

The poems of Sam Simpson will be published, and Oregonians generally should show their appreciation of Oregon's ablest poet by having the volume on their center table. There will be some gone in it that will compare with some of the best in literature.

Farmers who had wheat out yesterday afternoon were with good reasons on the anxious seat, and naturally got excited when the threshers did not arrive. One thresher had twelve farmers after him, some of them threatening to sue him for damages if he did not attend to their wheat at once. He was a happy man when he saw the sun in the morning.

The Socio News gets sarcastic as follows: By the way, it is our opinion that the so-called country sportsman is just about as apt to keep within the bounds of the law as are those "city snaps," from Albany as well as other cities, who "shike" over a man's farm with a band of dogs and do not pay any more attention to a trespasser notice, than if it wasn't there. A man can be a pretty good law abiding sportsman even if he don't belong to some "rod and game club."

These are days when a falling barometer send the cold shivers up the back of all interested in seeing the crops saved.

An Astoria paper says that when Mr. Hammond gets control of all the Tillamook timber he will build a railroad into the country. Astoria papers are great arithmeticians.

Every day of good harvest weather means from 50,000 to 100,000 bushels of grain saved. About fifty threshers are now running day and almost night. It is well, and those cutting spring wheat should cap it as a precaution.

Some one says the farmers always look on the dark side of things and always see disaster in every big cloud. As a matter of fact farmers are just like other people in this respect. Some do and some don't. Some of the biggest optimists we have are among the farmers, who take everything good naturedly and as it comes.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Zan, of Portland, are doing their best to bring about a reconciliation, and the Judge is giving some excellent advice himself. Having taken the case into court and allowed it to be tossed about on the tongue of the goosips of the entire state, it will be a very difficult thing for them to be reconciled. A husband and wife not willing to bear and forbear will never get along very well together.

From the Transcript: That wheat speculators in the cities will seek to make a "fat thing" off the farmers through the unfavorable harvest weather, there is no denying. That some of wheat has been injured is known to be true; but this does not signify that it is all of an inferior quality. In order to create an unfavorable impression in the minds of the people, all kinds of schemes are worked and without stopping to examine the grain, the big dealers will tell smaller dealers "it is no use; we can't make you an offer." A little circumstance is related to us in this line that shows to what extremes they are working this thing: A gentleman from a neighboring town was going to Portland, and just as a tester put a good sample of last year's crop, that was known to be a first-class article, in his pocket. Shoving it to one of the "kings" he asked him what he could offer him for a lot of it. After examining it closely he said "Well, sir, I can't make an offer for that wheat at any price; it is in bad shape, as is the entire crop of wheat this year."

BIG CLUBBING OFFER.—ALBANY WEEKLY DEMOCRAT one year and the Farm Journal, an excellent farm paper five years, for the price of the DEMOCRAT, \$1.25. Daily subscribers can have advantage of it by paying in advance a year. Now is the time to subscribe. Order early as the number is limited to one hundred that can be taken.

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The Shirley Co., who were so well liked in Albany, will be in Corvallis during the week beginning Aug. 25. On account of the smallness of the stage at the army the manager writes that the company will probably not come to Albany on this tour.

GEN CLUB MEETING.—Business of importance tonight, at council chambers, 8 o'clock.

BORN.—CAMPBELL.—In Albany, on Friday evening, Sept. 1, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Campbell, a girl, their seventh child. All doing well.

PARKER.—On August 27, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Parker, of near Alb any, a daughter. All happy but the grandfather who is considerably agitated because it is not a democratic voter.

DIED.—SHAW.—In Albany at the home of John Shaw, of typhoid fever, on Wednesday evening, Aug. 30, 1899, Daniel Shaw, at the age of 17 years. His death is generally regretted by a large number of friends.

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Usual Result. MANILA, Aug. 31.—Dispatches from Cebu announce that the American troops under Colonel Bayless, with two hundred pieces, sailed Monday into the island, accompanied by a band of natives who recently annihilated four of our soldiers, and who have been generally troublesome. The Americans found the natives entrenched and drove them from their trenches further into the hills.

The Transvaal Trouble. PRETORIA, Aug. 31.—President Kruger today announced to the volksraad that he received a telegram from the governor of Mozambique saying the detained ammunition would be forwarded immediately.

To Come Home. MANILA, Sept 1, 8:30 A. M.—Of the troops about to return to the United States, the Kansas men will leave on board the transport Tartar, the Washington regiment on board the Pennsylvania, and the Nevada cavalry on the Ohio. All these departures will occur within the next week.

In San Domingo. SANTO DOMINGO, Aug. 31.—President Figueroa has resigned. The minister will continue at the head of their various departments until a provisional government has been formed, after which elections for president and vice-president will occur.

Mexicans Whipped. HERMOSILLO, Mexico, Aug.—A company of volunteers went from here this morning to Pitaya to join Colonel Pienzo's command and arrest the Yaquis who had destroyed the telegraph lines to Potam. The troops met a band of about 80 Yaquis, and a short fight occurred, in which one soldier was killed and the Mexicans routed.

The World's Harvest. VIENNA, Aug. 31.—The Hungarian ministry of agriculture has just issued its annual estimates of the world's harvest. This points to a considerably deficiency. The wheat yield is 110,000,000 hectolitres below last year's yield, and about 34,000,000 short of the entire world's demand.

War Inevitable. LONDON, Aug. 31.—The Pretoria correspondent of the Morning Post says: The Boer officials, after reading the cable reports of Mr. Chamberlain's Birmingham speech, consider that war is inevitable. The speech has undoubtedly inflamed the war spirit here. The Boers are now all armed, except those in Johannesburg. Their commissariat is fair-sized. All the forts are amply victualled. President Kruger does not hesitate to express the view that war is almost inevitable.

Around Manila. MANILA, Aug. 31.—It is reported that Aguinaldo has ordered the rebel generals in the province of Cavite to close in on and attempt to take the town of Imur, and it is added the troops are concentrating around the town from the lake country. The rebels, it is further said, have an outpost of 700 men on the Damarah road, and an equal force in the town of Anabo.

McLean Nominated. ZANESVILLE, O., Aug. 30.—The democratic state convention closed today, after a day of dramatic plays. While there were a half-dozen other candidates for governor, the McLean men claimed everything with such confidence that they undertook to be magnanimous in minor parties.

Fatal Fire. YUMA, Ariz., Aug. 30.—The most disastrous fire in the history of Yuma broke out at 3 o'clock today in the second story of E. E. Sgnetti's merchandise establishment, resulting in the loss of six lives and total destruction of the store building and stock of goods.

Patrol Accident. ASTORIA, Aug. 30.—Fred P. Stackpole, who has been engaged at Saldren's logging camp at Gray's river was killed this afternoon. He was bringing a trainload of logs down a steep grade when his engine got away from him and ran away. On a turn the engine jumped the track, and before he could jump, the logs from the first car pushed the water tank on him and crushed him to death.

The President. CANTON, O., Aug. 30.—For the first time in nearly a year President and Mrs. McKinley are among their relatives, neighbors and friends in Canton for a few days rest. At the Barber residence Judge Baldwin extended to the president the hearty welcome of the friends and neighbors.

W. W. Curtis, president of the Curtis Mill Co., which is to build the big mill at this city, Mr. W. H. Hammond, brother of A. B. Hammond, and Mr. R. P. Habersham, the civil engineer, arrived in Albany this noon on business connected with the preliminary arrangements. It will be necessary to make a survey of the land before the water arrangements can be completed. Bonds for the deeds to the property have been given the company.

## An Old Relic.

From the Newport News: A few days ago George Loomis found embedded in the sand in the rear of S. A. Logan's barn on front street the remains of a ship's cutlass of the style in vogue during the 17th century, consisting of a brass handle and guard, and about 12 inches of the very rust eaten blade, the whole was intact in length when found but broken off its own weight when lifted. Near the same spot some time ago were found some human bones, and later a copper coin known as an "English trade token" bearing the date of 1728 thus being one hundred and eleven years old, this coin is now in the possession of Mr. Charles Loomis, and is a good state of preservation.

The finding of these old relics would indicate that the place was visited by whites at some very remote period; possibly by a landing party from some vessel, and that fighting with the natives had taken place. There appears to be more connect with the history of Yaquina bay than the present generation are aware of.

## The Oregon Regiment in the Philippines.

Capt. H. L. Wells will soon start on a tour through the state giving illustrated lectures on the work of the Oregon Regiment in the Philippines. His views are all carefully selected to fully illustrate every phase of the work done, giving a clear idea of trenches, roads, riflefields, rivers, swamps, nipa huts, manners and customs of the people and general characteristics of the country. Capt. Wells was for 14 years a member of the O. N. G., which with his record as Commander of Co. L, 2nd Ore. U. S. V. gives him a military record equalled by few volunteer officers. During the war the Captain established a national reputation as special correspondent for the New York Evening Post, Chicago Chronicle and St. Louis Globe Democrat. Those who read his fair and impartial reports of military operations and general condition of affairs in the islands need no further assurance that his lecture will be a rare treat to all interested in the Philippines and the work of the regiment. Date and further announcement of the Albany lecture will be given later.

## After a Man.

Several days ago Miss Langley came to Albany from Silverton hunting for one M. C. Menlo, a young man about 24 years of age, who had been with a circus performing fire eating and magic tricks and feats of strength. She placed the matter in the hands of Chief of Police Lee who traced him up to Spokane, where the chief of police of that city telegraphed he was last night. Miss Langley had returned to Albany and upon learning Menlo's location left on this morning's overland. She refused to state what she wanted of Menlo, but she wanted him and badly. It is to be hoped she gets him.

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