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Citizens of Benton county, irrespective of past political affiliations, who believe that the best interests of the nation demand the election of McKinley, are asked to meet at the court house Friday evening, for the purpose of organizing a McKinley club. The call for the meeting is signed by about 100 voters, and a large attendance is expected.

LEGALIZED COUNTERFEITING.

The counterfeit is dangerous. His is the most despicable kind of theft. He is the secret business enemy of the common people. The government at great expense maintains a corps of men to ferret out and bring to justice those who counterfeit the coin of the land. The counterfeit strikes at the life blood of commerce, and he is accounted the most dangerous of criminals.

In counterfeiting silver coins, the coiners now use the same amount of silver as in the legal dollar—about 53 cents—and their only difficulty is in imitating the mechanical appearance. They thus make a profit, not considering labor and tools, of about 110 per cent on their bullion investment, and unmolested would soon grow wealthy at the expense of the general public.

The government, however, pursues such enterprise with unrelenting vigor. It traces out the source of the spurious coin, although it is intrinsically worth as much as the government dollar, destroys the tools and sends the counterfeiters to prison for long terms. These criminals have no sympathizers among honorable men. Where is the honest man that upholds their crime, or denounces the severity of the government? The government is protecting its citizens, and maintaining confidence in the money bearing its stamp. Farmers and working men do not applaud, nor advocate counterfeiting because bankers are especially interested in fighting it. They need protection even more than the bankers for they are not expert in detecting the false money as are those who handle large sums daily. Counterfeiting is a crime against everybody.

Would not the man who boldly proclaimed counterfeiting to be a virtue, and advocated the repeal of the laws forbidding it, be looked upon as a public enemy? Suppose that he ran for the presidency of our nation upon the sole issue "counterfeiting must be legalized." Could eloquence rally a respectable following to his support? Would farmers vote for him, thinking that in injuring the bankers they would benefit themselves? The supposition seems too monstrous for even imagination.

And yet is there any real difference between that issue and the policy that the voter of America are now asked to endorse? Mr. Bryan goes further than our supposed candidate. The latter would simply allow private parties to coin 53 cents into what would purport to be a dollar of United States money, unmolested by law. Mr. Bryan would give this privilege and have the government pay the expense of coining. Can youthful eloquence win the American people to support such a proposition? They are in a desperate financial condition and anxious for relief, but surely when they seriously reflect, they will never attempt to regain prosperity by voting to legalize counterfeiting.

If it is possible, as the Times asserts, for our government to raise the price of commodities by legislation, why should this power be exercised only for the benefit of silver. Our farmers certainly need the benefit of this extraordinary law-making for their products. They produce real wealth but are forced to sell their grain below the cost of production. In truth the government cannot artificially raise the market price of any commodity unless it taxes someone for the means. If the profits of the silver mine owners are to be doubled the farmers may be assured that it will be at their expense. What the government gives away, it must take from the people, and farmers are usually "the people," when it comes to taxation.

ITS OWN CREATION.

With labored words and ponderous sentences, that breathes out a vague feeling of exultation, the Times proceeds to show that free silver would not bring the American people down to the moral and intellectual level of the Mexicans and Orientals. It is a convincing editorial and may be considered a knock out for the free silver side. The Times as free silvers, doughty champion is entitled to a medal of straw, for its victim was a straw man of its own manufacture. Has any opponent of depreciated money ever claimed that an unfortunate change in our monetary system would have a serious effect on the morals or intelligence of our people? The Times chooses and easy task in disproving a proposition that no one ever believed or advanced.

To say that the adoption of free silver at the present ratio would sink us to the commercial level of Mexico and Japan is quite another matter and when people thus argue they speak from the dictation of common sense. Business is done on a money basis and if we drop down to the monetary basis of those countries, our business will follow suit, and there will be a crash when we fall.

The free silver remedy has plenty to do if it answers the grave charges that are really advanced against it, without defending itself from attacks that exist only in the imagination of its champions.

As Others See It.

Mr. Miller is a capable, scholarly gentleman, and will make an excellent president of the college. —Albany Herald.

The Corvallis GAZETTE strikes right out from the shoulder in its comments on the political election of Harry Miller to the presidency of the Agricultural College. —Yamhill Independent.

Herbert Condon has been elected private secretary (a useless position) to H. B. Miller, the new president of the Oregon Agricultural College, at a salary of \$1,000 a year. —Roseburg Review.

The election of Hon. H. B. Miller to the presidency of the State Agricultural College at Corvallis was a wise action on the part of the regents and gives bright promise for the future of that useful institution. —Washington Hatchet.

The board of regents of the Agricultural College have elected H. B. Miller to be president of the school. This is a departure from ordinary methods in that it places business management of finances above literary attainments. It is somewhat of an experiment. —Hillsboro Independent.

In Oregon every public institution is in a measure a political machine. This is illustrated by the election of H. B. Miller to the presidency of the Oregon Agricultural College, that gentleman having never given any indication of a fitness for such a position. However, as a political wirepuller his services were well worth of recognition. —Roseburg Review.

Corvallis papers make savage attacks on the appointment of Mr. H. B. Miller to the presidency of the State Agricultural College. They allege that this connects the college with politics. Nevertheless, it may be predicted with certainty that there will be nothing at all political or partizan in Mr. Miller's administration of the college. He is a man of sense, and a practical man, and will soon show that there is no ground for this criticism and opposition. —Oregonian.

H. B. Miller, of Grants Pass, has been appointed president of the Oregon Agricultural College for the ensuing year. This appointment does not meet with the approval of the people around Corvallis, who say Miller is not an educator but a politician, and that he is therefore unfitted for the place, says the East Oregonian. This appointment is an unfortunate blunder. Miller is no more qualified for the position than a chimney-sweep is for the ranks of swill society. —Heppner Gazette.

The selection of H. B. Miller as president of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis is a compliment to Mr. Miller, but not to the state; not that Mr. Miller is not a gentleman in every sense of the word, but because he is not a practical educator, a qualification absolutely indispensable to a successful college president. The schools of the state and especially the colleges should by all means be under the direct guidance of an experienced educator. The salary that Mr. Miller draws in this new position is that much money thrown away. —St. Helens Mist.

Mr. Miller, a "business man," but one apparently out of a job, known chiefly as an extremely partisan politician, has been made president of the Oregon Agricultural College. It is impossible to banish the supposition that he, like McElroy, was given a position because he is a political worker, not because of any sufficient merit. Two of the leading educational institutions of Oregon, supported largely by the state, are thus made a dumping ground for selfish and impudent place-hunters. Such appointments are scarcely less than scandalous. —Portland Welcome.

It is unfortunate that political manipulation is so often crowded in to the most sacred institutions of the state. It is unfortunate because such manipulations result only in injury. Politics had a great deal, in fact, too much, to do with the recent official election at the Oregon Agricultural College, where a man who is neither a person of letters nor even a practical agriculturist, has been elected chief executive. Owing to the known unfitness of this man for the position, the faculty is handicapped, and many of the former students refuse to return to their studies at this institution. —Dufer Dispatch.

Now that Mr. Miller has been elected, whatever the means used may have been, we must give him a chance to show what metal he is made of. The Democrat believes a college president should be trained for the position; but if Mr. Miller can demonstrate his capacity, without such training even of an agricultural college we shall be glad to learn of the mode. It is a position that takes executive ability and we shall watch with interest how he executes things. Perhaps he will prove a college ruler. President Chapman of the U. of O. is built up for the work, and yet the Democrat is informed that there is considerable dissatisfaction over his retention among some of the students, displaying the fact that even "college" men do not always take with everybody. —Albany Democrat.

President H. B. Miller is well known throughout Oregon, having resided in the state since 1876, selecting Eugene as his first residence place, being at that time in the bridge building business. He afterwards took up his abode in Grants Pass where he operated a large factory. He served one term in the state legislature, having been elected a member of that body from Josephine county, and from that time on has been more or less identified with the educational institutions of the state and enjoys the acquaintance of a large circle of the most prominent educational men throughout Oregon. He is an excellent speaker, a polished scholar, a deep thinker and a thoroughly practical, upright and honorable business man. His hundreds of friends will be pleased upon learning of his appointment. —Eugene Register.

The action of the board in the selection of Mr. Miller as president, does not give satisfaction to friends of the school in this county. Mr. Miller has many warm political friends here, and is esteemed as a gentleman of honor and integrity, but there is a firm belief that he has no qualification as an educator. There is also a strong belief among the friends of the O. A. C. in this county that there should be an absolute disavowal of the school from politics, and the selection of Mr. Miller is generally looked upon as a political deal. This belief is reinforced by the very recent resignation of Mr. Miller as one of the regents, and the appointment of Mr. Hughes, of Washington county, to fill the vacancy. Mr. Hughes cast the decisive ballot for Mr. Miller, as the vote would have stood six and six had Mr. Miller been one of the regents and not voted for himself. —Lincoln Leader.

Hon. H. B. Miller was elected president of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis at the meeting of the board of trustees on Tuesday. The resignation of President Bloss some weeks ago was followed by the announcement that the board which consists of Governor Lord, Secretary Kincaid, the state superintendent, and appointed regents, would place at the head of the institution a man well versed in business affairs as well as fitted from a literary point of view for the important position. Several applicants were mentioned, including Ex-Supt. McElroy, but Mr. Miller was chosen as the most acceptable. Mr. Miller has been a resident of Oregon since 1876, has been prominent in the manufacturing interests in Josephine county, prominent in politics, ambitious, a good speaker and possessed of considerable ability as a speaker and writer. —Ashland Tidings.

Harry Miller, the well-known Southern Oregon politician, who has been training for Hermun's place in congress for these many

years has at last got a berth, which he fits like a square peg in a round hole. This week he was elected president of the State Agricultural College of Corvallis. It is not claimed that Miller has educational qualifications for the position, but he is known to be a good bricklayer and contractor, and a first-class politician, and the board considered that these qualifications were ample for the job. Probably this is the only college in the United States in which a mechanic with a common school education is president over a lot of college professors. After this we shall not be surprised to hear of a good bricklayer or hod carrier being elected to the presidency of Yale or Harvard at the next vacancy. No time should be lost in conferring the degree of M. A., L. L. D., X. Y. Z., on the new Oregon college president. —Fossil Journal—Republished in the Prineville Review.

The final selection of Hon. H. B. Miller as president of the O. A. C. has stirred up a feeling of dissatisfaction that is wide spread. Mr. Miller no doubt possesses energy and some ability such as is required in the management of an institution of learning. The mere fact that his appointment is based on political influence rather than educational qualifications is a matter of very serious import to the growth of the Agricultural College. No college, much less one devoted to the instruction of our young people in agricultural pursuits, should ever be placed under the control and head of a man whose life record is tainted in the least with political scheming. We predict the mistake has been made that will greatly impair the usefulness of the O. A. C. Those who supported Mr. Miller instead of a man of educational attainments and entirely free from political intrigue, have deliberately eliminated the sympathy and active co-operation and support of the farmers of Oregon. This is a sad blow and one that Lincoln county feels as deeply as our sister county, Benton. —Newport News.

The State Agricultural College, one of the leading institutions of learning in Oregon, has unfortunately been drawn into politics. This grand institution, magnificently endowed by the general government, has been made a vehicle by which the politicians who burden the state have rewarded a political henchman, or rather by which the chief executive has shelved a possible future rival. By a brazen-faced trick he has placed at the head of that great college, one unknown to educational life, with everything to learn within the scope of his duties as president of a school. He has elevated to the position of president of the Agricultural College Hon. H. B. Miller, of Eugene, a man who has no experience whatever to fit him for the position, except that he is a successful politician, and possibly might become a successful rival for gubernatorial honors two years hence. It was through the planning of the state house ring, the governor, secretary of state, state superintendent, and lieu land commissioner that the cause of education has thus been prostituted, and Mr. Miller made president of the Agricultural college. —The Dalles Times-Mountaineer.

Now Miller has his reward. His appointment, like McElroy's to the state university, was really to pay old political debts. What do we Americans care for education of our youth anyhow, compared to rewarding our old politicians? Let us be patriots and the children can grow up in the streets with the dogs! So long as our convention packers have soft places provided for them, under pressure of wealth. Kick the conscientious educators out of colleges and vote down resolutions defining duties and requirements of college presidents. What business has a college president with scientific attainments and college experience? * * * The challenge is thrown down that he is not a man of scientific attainments, broad culture or practical experience fitting him to be the head of a great institution of learning. * * * But when are we to stop this business? Why not elect a sailor for state printer, a printer for attorney-general, a black-mith for supreme judge? Just as well select a bridge builder for a college president. Let to the people none of these outrages would be committed. The politicians alone commit such rapine upon common sense. —Salem Journal.

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ALSEA JOTTINGS.

Rev. S. Longbottom left Alsea for Scio where he was to preach last Sunday.

Mrs. McGee, mother of Rev. W. B. McGee of Texas, is on a visit in Alsea with her son.

A gentlemen from Corvallis is canvassing Alsea this week for enlarged portraits and free silver.

Rev. W. B. McGee preached the morning and afternoon sermon in the C. P. Church Sunday.

The Hayden Bros. thrashed their early grain Thursday and Friday. They report a fair crop.

Coleman Rainwater and family arrived in Alsea Saturday morning on a visit to Mrs. Rainwater's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvie Stepow.

A young man from Independence passed Alsea and Lobster on a wheel selling needle threaders, scissors sharpeners and advertising free silver.

Miss Hattie Sapp, of Lobster, leaves for Corvallis Wednesday, where she is to begin work for Mrs. F. M. Johnson of that place. Good-bye Hattie, good-luck.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Risley returned from Monmouth Thursday. Mrs. Risley and her baby were quite sick after the trip. Both are improving at this writing.

A number of young people attended a party at N. W. Gay's Saturday night. It was a farewell party in honor of Miss Georgia Gay, a niece of N. W., who started on her return trip home to California.

Several of our young men have gone to the Willamette to work in harvest. Namely, Bob Vidito, Ezra Hammersly, Wm. Warfield and Henry Howell. We wish the boys a good run and will welcome them back most heartily.

Rev. Badger, of the Christian church, began a revival meeting Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Pretty good for Alsea. A sermon at 11 a. m. and 4 p. m., by the C. P. minister, then at 8 p. m. the same day our Christian brother begins a revival.

Rev. W. B. McGee and family, of Sodaville, arrived in Alsea Friday evening and expect to remain a couple of weeks visiting old friends. Mr. McGee was pastor of the C. P. Church of Alsea, during the past year, and is a teacher in the college at Sodaville. We bid him and his family welcome.

Jesse Thorp had quite a bad brake down last week while on his way to Corvallis with a load of grass seed. In passing over a narrow grade the hind wheels rolled off the grade, upsetting the load and breaking the coupling pole, allowing the hind wheels and load to roll off the bank freeing the horses with the front wheels, causing them to run away. They ran about a mile before they were stopped. One of the horses was considerably hurt and was not able to go home until Sunday. Jesse was thrown from the wagon but was not hurt, the only damage to him being a torn shoe. His foot was caught some way in the wheel bursting his shoe across the top.

OLD INFLUENZA.

W. A. Wells will operate Phlebotomy, Wren and Blodgett warehouses the ensuing year, as well as the Cauthorn warehouse in Corvallis. Storage on oats 2 1/2 cents per bushel.

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From Our Exchanges.

Says the Boston Advertiser, and it says truly, "the hope of the country lies in the wage earners who must be made to see that striking down the standard in which their wages are paid will bear more heavily on them than on any other class in the community."

The Springfield Union is afraid that when Bryan is president, Watson vice president, Altgeld secretary of state, Tilman secretary of war, Peffer secretary of agriculture, etc., the Eden Musee will have to go out of business.

Down in Mexico if you buy half a dollars worth of goods and tender a United States standard dollar in payment you will receive back in change a Mexican dollar containing six grains more silver than the dollar you have just paid. That is because the United States dollar can be exchanged for 100 cents in gold and the Mexican dollar cannot. Is there any good reason to believe that the same thing would not happen in this country if we were to adopt the Mexican coinage system? —Telegraph.

Administrators Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that D. B. Farley has been appointed by the county court of Benton county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of James Baird deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified as required by law, with the proper vouchers, to the administrator at the office of Yates & Yates, Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from this date.

Dated Corvallis, Oregon, July 21, 1896.

D. B. FARLEY, Administrator.

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EDWIN STONE,
Manager, Corvallis, Or.

Corvallis, Or., June 15, 1896.

Proposals for Gravel.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the street committee of the city of Corvallis, Oregon, until 7 o'clock p. m., of August 22, 1896, for the delivery upon the south end of Third street from "A" street in the city of Corvallis, Oregon, of two hundred cubic yards of good, clean gravel. It shall be stipulated that said gravel shall be delivered within 30 days after any bid is accepted. Bids will be opened in the council chambers of the city of Corvallis, Or., at 7 o'clock p. m., on the 22nd day of August, 1896. The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated at Corvallis, Or., this 12th day of August, 1896.

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