

A NEW ERA.

The Oregon Agricultural College has been divorced from politics. The institution, grand in its conception, finely equipped, richly endowed and great in possibilities, has entered upon a new era of usefulness.

In President Gatch, the college has at its head a gentleman whose success as an educator has been fully demonstrated. With his unquestioned executive ability, personal popularity and with former students, who admire and revere him, scattered all over the state, he will be an important factor in the upbuilding of the school.

In his selection, and in other action taken at its recent meeting, the board of regents evinced its determination to secure for the college the grand success that the government's liberality makes possible. The citizens of Corvallis, who have a strong interest and pride in the Agricultural College, have reason to think well of those members of the board whose firmness has lifted the institution from the mire of politics.

Those unversed in political matters can hardly understand the enormous pressure brought to bear upon School Superintendent Irwin, to induce him to support Governor Lord's political policy relative to the college. But Mr. Irwin has done his duty and loyal Oregonians will not forget it. Messrs. Hillary, Apperson, Yates, Nash, Keady and Weatherford have proved their deep interest in the school and their desire to advance its welfare.

CLIMBING DOWNWARD.

Governor Lord's political de generation dates from the time of his affiliation with Simon. The appointment of Henry McGinn as circuit judge for Multnomah Co. was the first visible step. Since then the descent has been rapid. He has no popular following, and he has deserted the only political friends whom he could trust.

Lord's debauchment of the state's educational institutions can never be forgiven. It was in spite of him that the Agricultural College has escaped. Lilly was intended for the college, but a majority of the regents was opposed to him and he was forced upon the state university. Lord used every possible effort to retain Miller, but Miller smelled of politics and the governor fled.

Senator Mulkey, of Polk county, has been a devoted friend of the state's educational institutions. He was recently given a professorship at Monmouth. In all this prostitution of educational institutions, Lord has exhibited no delicacy. His actions have been coarse, palpable and brutal. He has disgraced and betrayed his friends, his party and his state.

This paper's interest in the selection of a president for the Agricultural College was prompted solely by the desire to advance the institution's welfare. It urged no candidate, but only asked, on behalf of the people of Oregon, that whoever was elected, be elected on account of his educational and executive fitness, and not for political reasons. The GAZETTE has endeavored to be vigorous but always fair. That for which it has contended has been accomplished and we share in the general feeling of happiness.

Regent Hughes, who asked for the appointment as botanist of Prof. Moses Craig, is naturally happy over his success. Prof. Craig is a student and as a botanist has few equals on the coast. He has many personal friends in Corvallis who are glad to hear of his return here. Messrs. Hughes and Church were recently appointed regents by Governor Lord, and felt under obligations to support his candidate for president. They are intelligent men of affairs, good business men and thoroughly practical.

Our government appropriated only \$10,000 for the expenses of our representation at the Queen Jubilee in London, and the English press sneers at "American stinginess." The American people are very complacent under the less strictures. With Victoria's subjects in India starving and plague stricken, the millions spent in celebrating her "jubilee" did not exhibit liberality, but supreme and cruel selfishness.

College professors and instructors should learn that as long as they do their duty and perform ably the requirements of their position without intriguing for advancement or making faculty combinations, they have all necessary influence with the board. The teachers are anyone else, who puts his nose where it doesn't belong, is liable to have it tipped.

THE U. OF O.

The action of the board of regents of the state university on the 29th ult., resulted in a miserable whitewash, and that noble institution must face the future under influences, inviting certain death. Kalsomining may cover much rottenness, but it will not remove the disease. A state institution weighed down with Chapman at its head, Lilly in its bowels and general strangulation in its corpus, is most nauseating to the public. Lying can never be successfully beautified as an art for emulation, nor be recognized a healthy adjunct, as an educational factor. Specific charges presented by the most reputable citizens branding its president for an utter lack of truth and veracity, are quietly relegated to the waste basket unworthy the attention of the regents; and Lilly injected into the seething mass as a disinfectant, if not a purifier. As a white-wash restulant health is expected to break out all over the U. of O., but it won't. The young men and women of this state have no hankering for inoculation by this kind of virus, which will be made painfully evident in the near future. Independent of the rottenness the taxpayers of the state are in no condition to see their substance wasted in big salaries on small creations. We shall see.

Boies, of Iowa, who, but for Bryan's speech, would doubtless have been the democratic candidate for president, has declared, recently, that free silver at 16 to 1, will never be a political issue again. Those who have watched the trend of politics since the great campaign of last year, think the ex-governor is right, and believe he would have been justified in not using the 16 to 1 limitation. The free silver combination is rapidly disintegrating, and while the several segments may still profess belief in the financial delusion, free silver will never be the rallying cry that will draw them together.

Abraham, gone to glory, manifested a perfect understanding of human nature when he said, "They will not believe, though one arose from the dead." The other day Senator Pettigrew was stricken dumb while making a tariff speech, and yet the report says, "but little progress was made on the bill afterward." Providence seems to be as helpless as the press in hurrying the bill along.

Mr. Corbett, who has a certificate from his lawyer, W. P. Lord, that he is a United States senator, has found the national senate unresponsive to his wavings. There were no \$80 U. S. Reus there—no Mulkeys to be bought with profuse soporifics. His case will not even be considered until the next session of congress, and then—well, Mr. Corbett's present visiting cards will answer for all his social purposes.

After the tariff, finance, such is the McKinley programme, and such is the course of wisdom. That our currency system needs revising is patent, and the plan of gradually retiring the dangerous "greenbacks," which have proven their power for evil, is one that commends itself to all sensible students of political economy.

"A protective tariff and sound money" is the republican platform. "Sound money and a tariff for revenue, with incidental protection" is the national democratic platform. The first is the platform of McKinley. The second is the platform of Cleveland and Wilson.

FROM OUTLYING DISTRICTS

Old Soldiers' Meeting at Philomath. X. Y. Z. Sees a Sunset.

DUSTY.

Jennie Buckingham is, on the sick list.

Mrs. Hill is having a serious time with heart trouble.

Miss Leona Cain has gone to Peoria to spend the summer.

Floy Hawley had a severe attack of croup Saturday night.

Aunt Margaret Howell is visiting her son John at Portland.

Uncle Jimmy Edwards has been quite poorly for the past ten days.

Mary Richardson, of Brownsville, is visiting relatives in this place.

Dr. Taylor, of Junction City, is visiting friends and relatives in this place.

Elsie Banton, of Cottage Grove, is again in our vicinity, on business we presume.

Miss Laird, of Pleasant Hill, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. T. Briant, of this place.

Quite a number from this place attended church at the McFarland chapel Sunday.

The family of Mr. Boyd, our village blacksmith, moved into the Minton house last week.

C. S. Tharp and wife, of Albany, were visiting relatives in this vicinity the first of the week.

Al and Clyde Tharp would like to have their gloves returned that

MONROE ITEMS.

Mrs. Ida Foltson and children, of California, are visiting relatives near town.

Don't forget the dance to-night in the new hall. Four hundred square feet of floor-room will be ready for the affair.

The picnic given by the Daisy band at Bellfountain, was well attended on Saturday, and a great time is reported.

Mrs. Schneider and her brother, John Wiltse, returned from the Wolfe creek springs last week, where they had been in quest of health.

John Wigle and family, of Medford, are visiting relatives west of town. They report plenty of rain in their section of the country.

Henry Schuette, the carpenter, has just remodeled the Kinley warehouse, done a good job on fixing up the Finley residence, and is now employed in building a large granary for Hugh Herron.

The new hall was not completed in time for the "16 to 1" club meeting, so the silver advocates were compelled to use the school house Saturday evening. Those present enjoyed themselves immensely.

John S. Baker, once a resident of Benton county, proprietor of the Junction City hotel, suffered a severe stroke of paralysis last Thursday, from which he died on Saturday at 11 a. m. He leaves quite a family to mourn his departure.

Last Thursday evening a genuine Alpine sunset was displayed for the benefit of Willamette valley citizens. Although the sun had, to all appearances set, a beautiful rainbow was seen in the east, and the clouds above were one mass of billowey pink and red, such is rarely seen, even in this land of beautiful sunsets.

This is the season for pleasure-seekers. Last week a crowd of young fellows from Yamhill county passed through on their way to Grants Pass on a hunting and fishing. A wagon load of people camp-meeting-bound were also on their way to Turner, where a meeting is progress.

Tommy Fullington is a premium squash raiser. On his ranch west of town he has nearly an acre of those vegetables, which bears anything we have seen this season in that line. The vines are from 7 to 10 feet in length, and the young products are as large as a quart cup.

Mr. DeMaris, employed by A. Wilhelm & Sons, in hauling wool to Corvallis last week, had the misfortune to break his leg Friday just above the ankle. Last year he broke the other leg, and when he fell this time he tried to prevent another accident of the same kind and threw all his weight on the sound limb with the result as stated above. The attending physician claims that an amputation will likely be necessary, since a large splinter of bone half way around the limb and an inch long, had to be removed.

PHILOMATH NEWS LETTER.

Bishop Castle arrived here Wednesday.

Born, June 22, a son, to the wife of Chas. W. Davis.

Mrs. Bettie McLain, of Roseburg, is here visiting her relatives.

J. W. Luge has repainted his residence and built an addition to his barn.

Rev. N. W. Allen and Elder Stewart are attending U. B. quarterly conference at Woodburn.

Mrs. Felger returned from California and has opened up a boarding house at the old stand on College street.

Agent Buoy has gone to Summit to take charge of that office for a season, leaving Herbert Boles in the office here.

Major Dixon, Recorder Spaulding, Marshal Davis, Nat Dixon, Frank Ferris and Douglas Davis visited the peak last week.

The Philomath baseball club played with the Lincoln county boys at Newport last Sunday—result, 10 to 2 in favor of Philomath.

The Benton county Sunday school convention will convene in the M. E. church next Saturday evening. On Sunday morning the convention will assemble at the camp ground when Bishop Castle will deliver an address. In the afternoon there will be an experience meeting. Good music and an interesting programme will be presented.

The veterans will hold a grand reunion at the camp grounds on the 6th day of July. Hon. Willis Vidito will read the Declaration of Independence. Rev. E. J. Thompson will deliver an address. Picnic dinner at 12 o'clock, after which short speeches. Singing by the junior endeavor, stories of camp life and election of officers will be in order.

OAK GROVE NOTES.

Crops are looking better since the present rain.

Nellie Young, of Albany, was a visitor at Sunday school Sunday.

Farmers are patiently waiting for dry weather so they can begin haying.

J. N. Hoffman expects to arrange his store building during the coming week.

Our school's winter wood was sawed Saturday afternoon by Emmet and Grant Williamson.

Pete Karstens, who was so severely kicked by a horse a few weeks ago, is up and around again.

Mrs. Viola Woods has accepted a position as cook in the ladies' dormitory at the O. A. C. for the summer.

Sunday school officers were elected last Sunday for the ensuing quarter and stand almost the same as they did last quarter.

Lumber is being hauled for the Fairmount lake bridge, and the construction is soon to be commenced. This is something that will be appreciated by all who travel over this part of the country.

Grant Williamson has rented his new residence and farm to Arthur Beamis for five years. This will no doubt remove suspicions from Mr. Williamson, but place them still more strongly upon Mr. Beamis, as regards their marrying soon.

BLDG. NEWS.

Some of the farmers have begun their hay cutting.

Miss Christian has just returned from a trip to Polk county.

The Blodgett picnic of last Saturday was a success and enjoyed by a large crowd. No doubt the attendance would have been still larger had the weather been settled. Miss Mimie Mason, of Shotpouch, was the winner of the ciphering contest, and the prize, consisting of a history in four volumes, was awarded her district.

Miss Carrie Kiger, as salutarian of the graduating class, did her part well. Other members of the class read essays, besides exercises furnished by surrounding schools.

NEWS BOX.

WELLS ITEMS.

Most everybody is preparing to celebrate the 4th.

C. P. Hodges called on friends in Albany last Sunday.

Everybody is busy haying. The hay crop is not as good as usual.

W. L. Eastman has gone to his mountain place to put up his hay crop.

Mrs. J. L. Tomlinson, of Albany, is visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. Fowler, of Kings Valley, is visiting her brother here, D. H. Vanderpool.

Mrs. O. M. Vanderpool starts to Dufur this week, where she goes to meet her husband, who has been visiting friends in Missouri.

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