

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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OUR SENATOR AGAIN.

A little late, but at work to protect the people from the press.

Senator Driver cannot keep quiet, and go along and draw his mileage and per diem, like the good senators, but finds great matters of public import and concern that demand timely legislation. And he is the boy to formulate that legislation, and attempt to pass it through the legislature, even though he waits until the last day to set the ball rolling.

From personal experience he believes newspapers occasionally become personal in their remarks, and as the reverend gentleman is noted for his mildness of spirit and correctness of speech, except when he gets mad, he is of the opinion that the freedom of the press should be curbed; that more stringent laws should be enacted to prevent or punish it for taking undue liberty with the sacred reputations and characters of the citizens of this great state. At the eleventh hour of the special session the senator got the idea through his wool with the result that the report of legislative proceedings comes to us with this bit of information:

"Driver, Senate Bill No 70—To protect citizens from scurrilous attacks from the public press."

It is not every county that affords a senator like the one who represents Lane in the state councils.

CLEVELANDISM AND MCKINLEYISM.

The Dingley bill is not a revenue producer and has had to be supplemented with an inconvenient annoying stamp tax that costs the poor man a great deal more than it does the rich in proportion. And all this time the treasury is full and overflowing with silver that could be coined and paid out thus increasing the circulating medium. But not McKinley, true in his pledges to Wall street and the money influence that elected him, issues more gold interest bearing bonds. There seems to be some sort of a partnership between this government and the bondholders. And there is no difference between Clevelandism and McKinleyism.

The men who voted against the former supported the latter, while the men that voted for Cleveland have repudiated the old traitor and washed their hands of all taint acquired in his support.

OREGONIAN ARGUMENT.

The Oregonian is anxious to know if the voters of Washington next month will vote for the "silver standard of China and Mexico." The Oregonian conveniently forgets about gold standard Russia with its millions of serfs and India whose depreciated hoards of silver wealth have reduced many of her people to poverty through England's forcing of gold standard values upon her.

The Oregonian should supplement its plea for gold votes by quoting the gold standard figures enjoyed for wheat. The Washington farmers who are selling wheat from 40 to 50 cents a bushel, according to location, and paying 8 to 10 per cent interest in gold must experience great joy when they think of the manifold blessings they experience through the demonization of silver and consequent rearing of all credits and financial transactions on a half supply of money metal.

Great is gold—for the man that owns it! But the Washington farmers are not in a position to

sing paeans of joy over the enthronement of the yellow metal at the expense of other property, labor and the products of that labor.

THE IMMORTAL COLUMBUS.

The remains of Christopher Columbus have been removed from Havana and are now enroute to Spain for reinterment. The bones of the great explorer have never been allowed to rest in peace. Columbus died at Valladolid, Spain, in 1507, and was buried under a convent there. Seven years later, by order of the king, they were removed to a monastery at Seville, where his eldest son, Diego, was buried beside him. Twenty-three years later they were transported to Santo Domingo, an island of the West Indies discovered by Columbus on his first voyage. Here they rested for 260 years, until Spain lost sovereignty over the island, when they were again moved, this time to Havana.

Here they rested for 102 years, and now that Spain has lost all of her possessions in the Western hemisphere, the tomb has again been invaded and the remains will be once more deposited in the land from which he sailed and gave to mankind a new world.

A NEW TRIBE.

A heretofore unknown tribe has been discovered on the Asiatic borders of Russia. According to reports, the village lies snugly enclosed in the valley of a group of lofty mountains in the almost impenetrable Ural range. The people speak a language of their own, which bears no resemblance whatever to the seventy or more languages which prevail in the vast regions of the great White Czar.

The travelers who chanced upon this community have been unable to elicit any information regarding their antecedents. Their dress consists principally of animal skins and their huts are constructed of twisted boughs.

Illinois has a tragedy, with desolate homes and wailing widows and orphans, all on account of coal mine owners arming guards at their mines to overawe white miners whose places had been supplied with negro labor imported from the south. The coal company meant business. After the tragedy the state authorities disarmed the guards and confiscated 125 Springfield rifles and 2500 rounds of ammunition. The men who are responsible for arming an irresponsible body of men with such an armory outfit should be prosecuted for murder.

It will be but a short time until the United States will rank third among the naval powers, England and France standing at the head in the order named. And our ships are thoroughly modern while many of their vessels are of old design and would not stand before guns and ships of present construction.

Governor-elect Geer has the sympathy of the people in the loss of his estimable wife.

SAURDAY, OCT 15

POULTRY SHOW.—The Lane County Poultry Association held a meeting in the court house this afternoon. It was voted to hold a show in Eugene December 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1898. The breeders of poultry in Lane county will have a grand exhibit this year.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.—The property belonging to the estate of Maria A. Belshaw, deceased, was sold at administrator's sale at the court house today. The 117 acres were bid in by C. H. Baker for \$750 and the home and one acre by the same person for \$200.

LOT SOLD.—G. O. Holman has sold his residence on Eleventh street, Shaw and Patterson addition, to R. Livingston, for the sum of \$1 and other valuable consideration.

SNOW.—Snow fell to the depth of about 14 inches on Gold Hill in the Blue River district last week, but the warm weather since soon melted it.

MARRIED.—At the M. E. parsonage, in Cottage Grove, Oct 12, Mr. George M. Miller and Miss Arvilla Genetta McKibben, Rev. M. O. Brink officiating.

The streets around the new First National Bank building have been cleaned up. A decided improvement.

GUARDING THE MINT.

HOW THE PHILADELPHIA INSTITUTION IS PROTECTED.

Little Chance For Any One to Get Rich Quickly by Helping Himself to Uncle Sam's Treasure—Patrols, Revolvers and Winchester in Plenty.

Probably not one person out of a hundred who pass by the Philadelphia mint, that grim looking edifice at Chestnut and Juniper streets, after nightfall realize what is going on inside. There is nothing mean about Uncle Sam, but he is determined that any one who gets his money shall get it honestly and by process duly laid down. Therefore he has taken all kinds of precautions to properly protect, especially at night, the millions upon millions piled up in the vaults.

The doors of the mint are closed every weekday promptly at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. After that hour no one but mint employees have any business within the walls which include so much money, and no one can either stay in or get in without a special permit from the superintendent. Needless to say, this is difficult to obtain.

Simultaneously with the closing of the doors at 4 o'clock the first shift of the night guard goes on duty. The shift is composed of the captain of the guard and 11 stalwart men. As the man file out to begin their round each one is handed a big Colt's revolver of the most approved pattern and loaded with big cartridges.

From then on till midnight seven of the 12 guards patrol without cessation every floor of the inside of the mint, from the corridors of the gloomy vaults where, away down in the earth, are stored eighty million dollars in silver and almost as much gold, to the top floor, where there is nothing more valuable than machinery. Placed at frequent intervals throughout the corridors are electrical devices for enabling the captain of the guard to keep tabs on his men. Each of these little machines communicates with the rotunda opposite the Chestnut street entrance to the mint. Here it is that the captain is stationed all through the long hours of his shift. Every two minutes and a half the central machine in the rotunda denotes the presence of some one of the guard at some particular station in the building. If it doesn't, then the captain knows that something is wrong, and he immediately proceeds to discover what it is.

But it has been a long time since the little machine failed to send forth its announcement at the proper time, for the night guards are patrolling up and down outside the big building, carefully watching that no suspicious characters approach too near the vast treasure left in their care.

Promptly at midnight the second shift of the night guard puts in an appearance to relieve the early shift. It is also composed of a captain and 11 men, and they are split up, as the other squad, into inside and outside details. From midnight on until 7 o'clock in the morning they follow in the footsteps of the first shift, with every faculty alert to catch an intruder.

The big revolvers are not the only weapons upon which the guards have to rely. On each side of the main corridor leading from the Chestnut street entrance stands a vault case. Through the polished glass front of one from 20 Winchester rifles. The other contains as many ugly looking carbines. To grab these disposers of death would be but the work of an instant for the guards, and then they be unto any man or men upon whom it might be found necessary to turn them.

For the revolvers there is kept constantly on hand in the mint 500 rounds of ammunition, and for the rifles and carbines 2,500 rounds. Each of the guards is an expert in the use of both the pistol and the gun, and each is endowed with a plentiful stock of courage; hence a combination capable of successfully resisting almost anything less than a regiment.

The superintendent and assistant custodian both talked to the reporter about the methods in use to protect the mint and its contents. Both smiled significantly when the possibility of one getting away with a portion of the vast treasure was suggested.

"It would be folly for any one to try it," was the superintendent's early comment. To it the assistant custodian nodded emphatic assent.

"I have been here for a good many years," the latter said, "and no such attempt has ever been made. It is practically impossible for any one to break into the mint from the outside, and no one could secrete himself in the building during the hours when it is open to visitors and hope to avoid discovery. We search every nook and corner of the structure carefully as soon as the doors are closed for the day, and you may rest assured if any one who had no business within these walls was found he would regret the day he was born."

In addition to the two shifts of night guards, the superintendent and assistant custodian have a habit of dropping in at the mint at odd hours of the night to see that everything is going on all right.

The mint is connected with the central telephone station, and should there be trouble the captain of the guard could communicate with police headquarters in a brief space of time.

"If you come across anybody who thinks he can get rich quickly by helping himself to our coin," remarked the superintendent in parting, "just advise him to think it over carefully first."

In compliance with the superintendent's suggestion the advice is hereby given.

And it is pretty good advice to follow too.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The population of Antwerp includes 20,000 Germans, who, it is said, buy their goods of German merchants only.

HORSES' ACTIONS IN BATTLE

Some Keep Their Heads in the Mad Rush, Some Lose Them.

A man seldom cries out when hit in the turmoil of battle. It is the same with a horse. Five troopers out of six, when struck by a bullet, are out of their saddles within a minute. If hit in the breast or shoulder, up go their hands and they get a heavy fall; if in the leg or foot or arm, they fall forward and roll off. But even with a foot cut off by a jagged piece of shell a horse will not drop. It is only when shot through the head or heart that he comes down. He may be fatally wounded, but he hobbles out of the fight to right or left and stands with drooping head until loss of blood brings him down. The horse that loses his rider and is unwounded himself will continue to run with his set of fours until some movement throws him out. Then he goes galloping here and there, neighing with fear and alarm, but will not leave the field. In his racing about he may get among the dead and wounded, but he will dodge them, if possible, and in any case leap over them. When he has come upon three or four other riderless steeds, they "fall in" and keep together, as if for mutual protection, and the "rally" on the bugle may bring the whole of them into the ranks in a body.

A horse which has passed through a battle unwounded is fretful, sulky and nervous—the same as a man—for the next three or four days. His first battle is also the making or unmaking of him as a warhorse. If the nervous tension has been too great, he will become a beller in the face of danger, and thereby become a danger in himself. If the test has not been beyond him, he will go into the next fight with head held high and flecks of foam blowing from his mouth as he thunders over the earth.—Washington Post.

HE SQUANDERED MILLIONS.

The Wildly Reckless Financial Career of Baron Albert Grant.

One of the most dramatic if not actually one of the largest failures, so far as the liabilities were concerned, was that of Baron Albert Grant of "Emma mine" notoriety. Grant was the uncrowned king of the financial world of his day and generation. He made millions almost as deftly as the late Mr. Barney Barnato, and he spent them right royally. He bought Leicester square and presented it, a free gift, to the people of London. He gave a dinner to nearly a thousand city magnates at a cost which was popularly reputed at the time to have exceeded 100 guineas a head, and which, in any event, undoubtedly established a record in extravagant dinner giving which has yet to be beaten.

And he started out to build a palace in Kensington which should "knock spots off" all other private residences, past, present or to come. Everything was got up regardless of expense. The ballroom walls were inset with panels of pink Italian marble, costing 800 guineas each. In the entrance hall were four pillars of porphyry, worth 41,000.

The building was scarcely finished when the crash came, and it remained for long a brick and mortar white elephant in the hands of the trustees in bankruptcy. Eventually most of the interior fittings and decorations were disposed of piecemeal. The grand staircase, which had cost to build some £10,000, being acquired by the representatives of the late Mrs. Tussard for a trifle over a fourth of that sum. It now forms the main approach to the upper and principal suit of rooms of the new exhibition buildings in the Marylebone road.—London Mail.

Cats of Other Days.

The lot of the average nineteenth century cat does not compare favorably with that of its ancestors. Everybody knows that the early Egyptians held the cat sacred, and any one injuring a sacred animal was liable to severe punishment. Among the ancient laws of Wales was a statute which prohibited the slaughter of a cat under a curious penalty. The owner of the slaughtered animal held it by the tip of the tail, with its nose touching the floor, and the slayer had to give him, by way of compensation, as much wheat as would bury the entire animal out of sight. The grain was supposed to represent the amount that the owner would lose through the depredations of vermin by being deprived of the cat.

Saxony, Switzerland and other European countries also had laws enacted for the protection of cats, which were regarded of economic value. Now, however, pussy is simply a decorative domestic adjunct.

Palmerston's Joke.

In 1861 the repeal of the paper duty was moving the political world. The budget speech was preceded by a rumor that the basis of the scheme would be the repeal of the tea duty and that this would upset the government. Just before Mr. Gladstone rose to make his statement there was handed to Lord Palmerston on the treasury bench the following note from Lord Derby: "My dear Pam—What is to be the great proposal tonight? Is it to be tea and turn out?" "My dear Derby," wrote the premier in reply, "it is not tea and turn out. It is to be paper and stationery."—Gesta Typographica.

In For It.

"How do you do, Miss Leslie? So awfully glad to see you again. So very sorry you weren't at Lady Brown's dance last night. There positively was not one pretty girl in the room."

"I am not Miss Leslie, but I was at Lady Brown's dance last night."—London Punch.

It is an old saying that those who were born in the last six months of the year will have a great change of experience every seventh year, and their dreams will have significance during the fall of the moon.

Commissioners Court

Table listing various court proceedings, including W W Withers sheriff stamped envelopes, S R Piper deputy sheriff, Fred Fisk deputy sheriff, C M Denmore, insurance premium, SR Williams insurance premium, Geo F Crow insurance premium, S B Eakle insurance premium, J M Howe deputy sheriff, J D Cox supervisor road district, No 41, Pres Conneys deputy sheriff, J S 8015 marshal railroad fare for pauper C C Grider, Alice Miller railroad fare for pauper Alice Miller, L L Marsters keeping of pauper, Toney, James Parvin supplies for paupers Thomas Gossage and Edward Cain, F E Dunn testing for Bohemia road, G C Whitbeck cougar scalp, James Seal cougar scalp, I A Smith cougar scalp, E U Lee & Co drugs for Herbert boys, Horn & Paine digging grave for pauper squaw, C F Croser sprinkling for one-half month, E U Lee clerk stamps and expense, E F Chapman lumber, E M Wait gravel, A A Foster deputy sheriff, J C Parker, L A Paterson, O F Callison insurance, B F Bond, John M Williams, register printing, W A Rennie enforcing quarantine obtained \$15 allowed, W T Bailey commissioner, R G Fowler special deputy sheriff, F L Chambers hardware, A V Peters merchandise for pauper, Lane Sisters paint for ferry, Griffin Hardware hardware etc, G C Fleeman constable fees state vs Charles Komp, G C Fleeman constable fees state vs Jesse Moore and Bessie Roe, G C Fleeman constable fees state vs Mary Rose and Jane Doe, E Bangs livery, Varlen E Forleigh rebate for 1897 and 1898 taxes, Albert Hager road in see 26 tp 19 s r 4 w; established as viewed and surveyed, Trunnell road in sees 34 and 35, tp 19 s r 2 w; ordered established as viewed and surveyed, Application of Martha E Howrsd for damages in the sum of \$150 for gravel taken from her premises. Ordered that the clerk draw a warrant in the sum of \$26.70 to cover same, O W Hurd, supplies for pauper, W A Mead, Chas W Lyons road work, Wm Sutherland road work, W L Houston deputy sheriff, L Baring road work, Portland General Electric Co, lighting court house, W T Campbell superintendent of court house construction, John Schmidt road work, E O Potter judge, stamps, expense and expressage, Lewis & Dryden Co, treasurer's receipts, J T Inman rebate on tax, E F Chapman indigent soldiers, Sheriff Withers notified the court that he had appointed J H Carer a special deputy said appointment to cease Oct 5th, At this time the court appointed L Baring constable for Glentena precinct. Application for a rebate of the costs in the assessment of Annie Gardner, it appearing that her intentions were to have paid the assessment in full; application allowed, October 10th, I L Campbell printing, I Slayton pauper supplies for J W Cantrell and wife, E F Chapman lumber, L T Harris district attorney fee and expenses state vs Eugene Doty, James Dunn witness fee and mileage state vs Frank Hughes, Lawrence Fadree witness fee and mileage state vs Frank Hughes, Duke Knox witness fee and mileage state vs Frank Hughes, W W Scott justice fee state vs Frank Hughes, Albert Hake road work, M C Davis road work, Moise, Kiekner & Co rubber stamps, J W Christian sawing wood, The court appointed J A Isbam Justice of the peace for McKenzie precinct, October 11, Gordon Bros hauling wood etc, H D Edwards county commissioner, W McFarland making road scraper, John Cronthers road work, W T Bailey Commissioner, Court adjourned until October 31st.

WHO IS "REGENT?"

Hon S H Friendly Repudiates the Correspondence.

Re-statement

Daily Journal Oct 14

In yesterday's Oregonian appeared a communication dated at Eugene October 12, 1898, and signed "Regent" pretending to give the attendance upon the university by cities, towns, counties, etc, and stating the aggregate attendance was 183 on March 4th, which had been increased considerably, when the communication was written.

On October 12th, 1898 the only regent in Eugene was Hon S H Friendly, Mr Howe being in St Vincents Hospital Portland where he had been for a number of days prior to that. Mr Friendly desires the GUARD to state emphatically that he did not write said communication and had no knowledge of its existence until he read the same in yesterday's Oregonian.

The article is false and misleading. Chapman claimed on October 4th that 183 students were in attendance upon the University while in fact there were only 127 as the books of the secretary of the Board of Regents will prove.

Today at 100 students it is registered and the fee required by law, three old students having arrived during the past few days.

It is evident that "Regent" is some creature of Chapman's who is trying to bolster up the inescapable head of a noble institution that has been practically wrecked by a man who is generally labelled as a "sniffer by students and citizens alike.

How long are we to be compelled to endure his dictatorship?

R F Scott special constable fee and expenses State vs John Rice 10.40

W W Scott Justice fee and expenses State vs John Rice 6.20

A Wallace constable fee State vs John Rice 5.90

Alfred Strong witness fee State vs John Rice 3.50

Maggie Rice witness fee State vs John Rice 1.90

Lawrence Brown witness fee State vs John Rice 1.90

Warren McFarland witness fee State vs John Rice 1.50

H Nell witness fee State vs John Rice 1.90

C Vestoh witness fee State vs John Rice 1.90

R F Scott constable fee State vs Frank Hughes 1.00

C E Stanton constable fee State vs Frank Hughes 3.10

A Wallace constable fee State vs Frank Hughes 2.00

Warren McFarland, witness fee State vs Frank Hughes 1.50

C Pulmon witness fee State vs Frank Hughes 1.50

L D Seabrough witness fee State vs Frank Hughes 1.50

See also.

Jackson county has a debt of \$128,699.

W Sanders is shipping a car of children bark to the East.

District Attorney Brown is back at his Roseburg home from attending court in Coos and Curry counties.

Oregon City Courier: Ira Baker, of Cottage Grove, Lane county, who was visiting his daughter, Mrs Susan McKee, for several days, returned to his home Tuesday.

Brownsville Times: "Mrs G A Dyson and family came down from Blue River Monday, and will remain here a couple of weeks before returning to that place, where they expect to remain during the winter"

Klamath County Republican, Oct 7: "John Loosley and two sons, B F and P S Loosley, last week sold to B J Pengra 350 head of stock cattle, reserving the dairy cows, at \$20 per head.

The Jacksonville Times of Thursday says: "Mrs Roscoe Cantrell of Applegate, is quite ill with fever. Dr Hines is in attendance." Mrs Cantrell was formerly Miss Nannie Ankeny, of Eugene, and her many friends hope for her early recovery.

Condon Globe: Miss Anna Oglesby, who got out a very creditable number of the Fossil Journal last week, during Editor Stewart's absence at Portland, was a passenger on the stage Monday on her way to her home in Lane county, after a very pleasant visit with friends in Fossil.

Portland Dispatch: "The question for Rev-Senator I D Dryer now is, who is running the republican party? How did it come that he surrendered to the inevitable? The result has cooled the old gentleman down. Ben Hayden has offered to sit up with him and do his praying for him. He needs the condolence of all good people."