

Electing United States senators by direct vote of the people might sometimes be capricious, but would be far removed from the methods of slyful and flagrant corruption that are being exhibited and have been exhibited, in numerous legislatures.

I fear by the time we have gotten ready to leave here we shall be obliged to give away to the Regulars. Now will be sorry, though, I am sure.

Very truly,  
FRANCIS WOOD.

The accompanying illustration shows his holiness blessing his Noble guards. He is seated in his laudan, in which he is wont to spend day for an hour among the flowers of the Vatican gardens. As the pope's feebleness increases, he is unable to be absent in his carriage where in his younger days he always preferred walking.

BORN.—At the residence of the family near Irving, Feb 8, 1899, to the wife of B C Spencer, a daughter.

Sidney Brooks.....	5 60
T J Blakely supervisor road district No 65.....	20 00
B F Russell keeping paupers.....	171 86
J G Callison juror State vs H Jones.....	1 00
Robt Butcher juror State vs H Jones.....	1 00

Junction City Times: The firemen on the overland passenger now change at this place. This being the destination from both Portland and Roseburg while the engineers make the through run. This change is a very desirable one, as it was always considered too hard on the firemen to make the through run.