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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1903.

Lu Beigh, of Willowa county, has proven himself an equal in debate to Eddy, of Tillamook, who is the spokesman of the republicans in the house.

Mulkey's bill to leave the issuance of liquor licenses to a vote of the people of incorporated towns, is not wanted by the people. Municipal expenses are great enough now, without adding the cost of a liquor license election to them.

The Weston Normal School is the pride of Eastern Oregon and its steadily increasing attendance is proof of its worth. The grounds and equipment should be improved in every possible manner, in order to reap the fullest reward from its efforts.

The scalp bounty law has been abused, it is true. It is beneficial to but very few people and as most of the counties suspended payment of scalp bounties when the expenditure became so great as to be a menace to the public good and economical government, it should be repealed or modified to meet local needs.

As a coincidence worthy of note, a democratic governor will welcome the president to Oregon this year. The episode connected with the last presidential visit to this state, has become a household story throughout the nation. Both Harrison and Penney have joined the non-partisan majority. Their eccentricities are kindly remembered, but will probably not be imitated.

The labor of the railway employees has not been in vain. The polished attorneys of the corporations have been turned down at last, by the legislature, and the fellow servant law passed. It will be a happy day for Oregon when a legislature can make laws in the interest of the common people with utter fearlessness of the powerful combines that have self-interest as a creed, a platform, an argument and a plea.

President Roosevelt is said to favor a uniform anti-trust law for all the states. If this uniform law is no more efficient than the legislation against the trusts, passed by congress, it should not occupy valuable space on the statute books. There is need for anti-trust legislation, but Mr. Roosevelt must confine himself to saying who shall be postmistress in Mississippi and who shall not be senator in Utah. He must not take all the prerogatives away from the people.

The leading papers from one end of the country to the other are discussing the increase of socialism in the United States. The subject is all absorbing, inasmuch as many leading thinkers of the country agree upon it as the surest remedy for the evils of capitalism. John Pierpont Morgan says he is preparing the country for socialism. The trusts, he holds, will soon have the utilities belonging to the people concentrated under one management and a simple transfer of these possessions to the government will be the only ceremony necessary to the full adoption of the theory of socialism.

Oregon cannot expect perfect harmony in a territory containing such widely diversified interests. Eastern and Western Oregon follow different vocations. They are divided by the barrier of local needs, and at best, can hope for only partial satisfaction. The fisherman of the coast and coast stevedore cannot understand the class legislation, as he terms it, which is passed for the interest of the short grass stockman, and vice versa. There is necessarily much class legislation, viewed from local standpoints, yet all this local color to the code, is necessary to the life of the innumerable occupations that are found in the great states of the West.

The idea seems to prevail among the young members of the house that the more bills they can present the better they serve their constituency. They are flooding the desk of the clerk with masses of typewritten phrases and technicalities that will never get out of the committee rooms. The best part of a legislator's work is that which is confined to correcting old evils, instead of creating new ones. "De-legislation" is what is wanted. There are too many laws now. Simplify those we are now trying to obey but do not want the list. Clean up the existing code; prune it down to the plain facts; trim it of its legal flourishes and make it a book of rules understood by all.

### REPEAL OF LAND BILLS.

Senator Hansbrough, chairman of the public lands committee, has laid before the senate a letter from Secretary Hitchcock, strongly recommending the repeal of the timber and stone act and desert land law, and mildly suggesting the advisability of repealing the commutation clause of the homestead law. Under the two former laws the secretary says, private individuals and corporations are enabled in a perfectly lawful manner to acquire large tracts of public domain, contrary to the policy of congress when these laws were framed. Such dealings cannot be stopped as long as these laws remain on the statute books, and, if they are not repealed, says the secretary, the most valuable government lands will soon be completely taken up.

Speaking of the timber and stone act, Secretary Hitchcock says that in the past 10 years 25 per cent of the entries under this act have been canceled for fraud. He recommends the repeal of this law on the proposition that the act as it stands, when legally observed, affords such facilities for the acquisition by individuals and corporations of vast bodies of public land that it is the greatest menace on the statute books today, and against the avowed policy of the government for reserving its lands for actual settlers.

He shows that about 30 per cent of the entries under the desert land act in the past 10 years have been canceled because of fraud.

### RAISE PRICE OF SCHOOL LAND.

Senator Steiwer has secured the passage of a bill raising the price of Oregon school land from \$1.25 per acre to \$2.50, and also to raise the price of lieu lands from \$2.50 to \$5 per acre.

At last the school children of this state are to receive the fruits of the magnificent gift of the government. The state of Oregon has sold the school land area at the low rate of \$1.25 per acre, when a great portion of this land would have brought from \$10 to \$20 per acre.

This priceless heritage has swelled the coffers of land sharks, offered temptation to trickery and has been parcelled out with a lavish hand, as if the limit of its area would never be reached.

Now that nothing but the ragged edge remains, the legislature seems willing to awaken to the interests of the state.

The schools of Oregon are in need of the interest on the proceeds of these land sales. In many country districts the term is shortened on account of a lack of funds. Low wages are paid to teachers in order to make the fund last as long as possible and the land grabbers, fostered and petted by the legislatures of the past, have grown rich on the magnificent public school tracts, which might have been sold at four times their ridiculously low price.

The state of Oregon has sold her school land at the second lowest price of any state in the Union. Texas, alone reached a lower figure, having sold her school land at \$1 per acre. This school land issue has been before Oregon for years. The people have asked time and time again for relief; the land grabbers have dominated the land deals and the school children of Oregon have suffered.

It is high time politicians halt for an instant in the manipulations of the school land of the state. It is shameful that the record of past transactions are among the state's historical annals. They cannot be undone.

A cleaner, more economical administration in the disposal of the fragments of a once magnificent tract, will partly atone for the rottenness of the past.

Every human being must give vent to the sporting proclivity of his nature. A man devoid of a thirst for excitement is only half a man. The gambler finds his ideal in that sport; the old race horse man finds his keenest moment of delight in the speed contest; the golf player, the theatergoer, the literary crank, the football expert, the social entertainer, the card party fiend, the traveler, the sportsman, the pugilist, are all following the call of their natures for excitement, for recreation, for stimulant and elixir that keeps the wheels of life moving.

The republican members of the United States senate are now discussing Mormonism in New Mexico and Arizona, as being a barrier to statehood. If the Mormons will convert those territories into garden spots equal to Utah, it would be policy to encourage them to settle there and to marry and give in marriage with greater rapidity than ever. The industrial phases of the religion of the Mormons are excellent. They are

home builders, desert conquerors, tree planters and alfalfa raisers without equals.

The publication of a daily newspaper on board an ocean steamer, by means of the wireless telegraph, borders on the miraculous. A wireless station in Central Oregon, is badly needed to furnish an occasional news item, to be "sandwiched" in between the monotonous land notices in several esteemed exchanges.

Lane county has an unfortunate and sorrowful affair upon her bosom. The murderer of Sheriff Withers will not be long at large. The world became a mirror in which the bloody handed criminal is seen at every turn by the vigilant eye of the law.

Deliver us from the friend whose defense of our acts is so periculous and ridiculously weak that its very excesses become more hurtful than open condemnation.

Caracas can stand a perpetual revolution, but a threatened coal famine brings her to her knees.

### NOT CLASS LEGISLATION.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 8. (To the Editor.)—The editorial entitled "Class Legislation" in the East Oregonian of Feb. 4, does an injustice to both Dr. Smith, of Multnomah, and Dr. Smith, of Umatilla. S. B. 129 was not introduced by Smith of Multnomah, but by W. Tyler Smith, of Umatilla, neither has it passed the senate as was stated but is in the hands of the committee on Medicine and Pharmacy.

The correspondence of the Portland paper, who quite appropriately signs himself "Quack" and whose letter is quoted in the editorial referred to, displays a total ignorance of the subject he attempts to deal with. S. B. 96 introduced by Smith of Umatilla, is a copy of the present statute passed by the legislature of 1895, with the simple addition of a provision authorizing the board of medical examiners to issue a license to practice medicine to applicants who shall produce a certificate from the board of medical examiners appointed under the laws of any state of the United States, and recognizing license from this state, certifying that the person presenting such certificate is qualified to practice medicine and surgery, and that said board has subjected the applicant to a thorough examination to ascertain this fact. This, as will readily be seen, makes the law more liberal than at present. The bill is indorsed by the Medical Associations of the state, of Eastern Oregon and of Marion county. J. N. S.

### CAUSE OF SOCIALISM.

Popular discontent may turn to wrong directions for relief, as it did in 1896; but it does not arise out of nothing. It has grounds in actual conditions of needless hardship or abuse. Unfavorable conditions always produce discontent, and it is the duty of citizenship to diagnose the cause and prescribe the remedy. To expatiate as Harper's Weekly does upon the patient's temperature and respiration is the act of the incompetent physician. It would be more to the purpose to inquire what unnatural and unjust conditions have produced the abnormal situation, and seek to apply the cure.

The socialistic discontent of the American people is due to the inordinate accumulation of wealth and power through special privileges. The right way to reduce the complaint is to remove the offense. If this is not done, socialism is the certain but inferior remedy. You can cauterize and amputate the limb at leisure. The special privileges enjoyed by corporate wealth in the various forms of needless tariffs, secret transportation rates, stock jobbery under cover of statutory protection, and combinations in restraint of unrestricted and competitive trade, can be reached by law, and if they are not so reached, if organized, they prove to be greater than the powers of statutes and courts as now existent. There is no escape from the extreme remedy of government acquisition and control.

The will of a part of the people cannot be suffered to dominate the will of the bulk of the people. If the corporations prove stronger than the existing laws, the laws will be revolutionized so as to make the government, in law as in reality, stronger than the corporations.

The cause of the French revolution was not the passions of the Parisian populace. It was the hoary abuses of the imperial regime. The cause of the Reformation was not the rebellious sprits or recalcitrant priests. It was the pressure of the established order upon the lives and consciences of men. The cause of the American revolution was not the misrule of the Stuarts. The cause of the American independence was not angry colonists over here, but parliament and king over there. Whatever measures in antagonism to entrenched power and wealth become necessary in the United States will be the product of abuses which have stirred a long patient people at last into revolt.—Monday's Oregonian.

### MONUMENT TO THOS. H. TONGUE

The act for which Salem people will always hold Thomas H. Tongue in most grateful memory was the securing by him of the federal building on the block east of the Marion county court house.

Some sneer at the selfishness of a community remembering a man long dead for securing them a public building, but his act was one that stands out boldly to the public eye for all time, and to all the state.

Hon. Tilmon Ford is longest remembered for securing the establishment at Salem of the state insane asylum, and if the people of Salem ever have opportunity of showing their gratitude they will do so with interest.

So the securing to the public of a beautiful postoffice building, now nearing completion is the one act that locally the people of Salem and all who have business at the state capital will remember their late congressman most kindly for.

Oregon never had an abler member of congress than Mr. Tongue, a man of more enduring qualities, who with well with the great mass of the people, who resorted to least demagogic cry, who least pleased the arts of personal insinuation. It may be years before Oregon has another as able.

### GENERAL NEWS.

A coal famine exists in Caracas and the city is without illuminating gas.

The Brazilian government has decided to annex the military occupation of Acre.

As a rule, gray horses attain a greater age than those of any other color.

Louisville, Ky., still holds first rank among the tobacco markets of the world.

The total cost to Germany of the China expedition will amount to over \$60,000,000.

The Kansas legislature is investigating the cause of the coal famine in that state.

J. Edward Addicks, of Delaware, has retired from the senatorial fight in that state.

Mark Hanna has proposed a bill granting pensions to all ex-slaves freed by President Lincoln.

Torchon lace of any pattern can now be made by one machine, owing to a recent invention in Vienna.

The strike testimony is all in favor of the anthracite commission and next week will be devoted to arguments.

The German customs controversy, regarding American wheat, has been settled and the extra duty has been remitted.

Memorial services were held Thursday in the East Oregonian Chamber of Commerce in honor of the late Abram Hewitt.

Cress is the quickest growing of plants. Under perfect conditions it will flower and seed within eight days of planting.

Trouble in Uruguay over the election of a new president is becoming serious. The national party threatens to rebel.

Five copper smelters at Tucson have shut down owing to a strike on the narrow gauge railroad which hauls the ore.

Lee Hall, a negro, who shot and killed a sheriff at Dublin, Ga., last Wednesday, was taken from the jail and lynched Saturday.

According to the Iron Age, the largest weekly orders in the history of the steel trust were made last week in the iron market.

The United States quarantine officials have declared Manila to be free from cholera. It is still epidemic in other parts of the island.

William Hooper Young, the Mormon on trial for the murder of Mrs. Pulitzer, was declared sane, Saturday by a commission in lunacy.

Serious rioting among the students of the Naples (Italy) university, are reported in consequence of an unpopular government regulation.

The heirs of Captain Daniel O'Keefe who was long known as King O'Keefe of Yap, have sent a representative to the island to look after his estate.

The Manitoba potato crop amounted to 3,459,322 bushels and the root crop to 3,250,955 bushels. There are 1824 threshing outfits in the province.

Because Minister Bowen stoutly defended Venezuelan rights the allies now declare that they want President Roosevelt to settle the matter for them.

William Minnick, who was shot by the raiders on his sheep ranch near Cheyenne, Wyo., Monday, is dead. A sheriff's posse is in pursuit of the gang.

The South Carolina legislature has passed a law prohibiting child labor in textile manufactures and mines. After May 1 the age limit is to be 10 years.

The rumor that the empress dowager of China is dead is confirmed. The news is being concealed until after the Chinese new year observances.

British county court judges have received a circular from the Incorporated Law Society approving of solicitors being desired to wear gowns in court.

It is said that the profitable hen egg business six times her weight in a year. Her eggs are six times her own weight and worth six times the cost of her food.

It is estimated that over 100,000 farmers in the West Central states will settle in Canada this year, drawn there by the excellent and cheap wheat lands.

A head-on collision between two Rock Island freight trains near Tebbets, N. M., Thursday, resulted in the death of five men and the injury of several others.

The railway strike in Montreal has settled Saturday. The company granted the men's demands, i. e., an increase of 10 per cent in wages and to permit the organization of a union.

In a fierce battle between United States deputy marshals and a band of horse thieves at Blue Jacket, I. T., Saturday two of the band were instantly killed and another surrendered to the officers.

Rogue River was the destruction of the salmon hatchery near the mouth of Elk Creek.

The supreme court has decided to appoint a law student of Salem as court bailiff, to succeed P. C. Perrine, deceased, who held that position for several years.

F. A. Bancroft, Portland's new postmaster, was presented with a gold watch by his associates on the Southern Pacific, on his retirement from the service of the road.

The aged mother of Lyons, the horse thief, who murdered Sheriff Withers, of Eugene, is under arrest for complicity, but is too feeble to be removed from home.

Frank L. Clifton, of Albany, has been arrested for burglary. He had stolen articles in his possession belonging to the Albany lodging house robbed Monday night.

M. B. Grilley, aged 96, died at his home in Salem, Thursday morning. Mr. Grilley was the oldest man in Marion county. He came from Kansas to Oregon in 1850.

No free mail boxes will be furnished by the government on the Western rural delivery routes. The government furnishes a box of approved design, but the patron must pay for it.

W. D. Witter, an inmate of the Seattle city jail, committed suicide Thursday by hanging himself with a rope made from the bed clothing. Witter was suffering from delirium tremens.

The estate of the late Thomas H. Tongue has been admitted to probate at Hillsboro, and is unofficially estimated at \$38,000. E. B. Tongue, a son, has been appointed administrator. There is no will.

A free fight between citizens of Pullman and students of the Washington Agricultural College, was indulged in Sunday over an article which appeared in the college paper, criticizing the commercial club.

It is estimated that trains will be run in New York's underground system inside of a year.

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