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ON THE DEFENSIVE.

A political party, unlike an army in battle array, is always at a disadvantage when on the defensive or called upon to apologize for its record. It is best, if it finds that it has made an error, to frankly admit it and acknowledge it a mistake. If not prepared to do that, aggressively advocate the policy as being in the interests of the people.

There are thousands of honest populists in this state who take the view of the Clackamas committee-man. The way to accomplish a thing is not to run away from it. The party has been weighed in the balances and found wanting.

During the discussion of the tariff bill in committee of the whole on Monday, Bland wasted fifteen minutes in which to discuss silver. What he wanted to take up the time of the house for in the discussion of a question that was, as the lawyers would put it, "irrelevant, incompetent and immaterial."

Goods that are likely to be materially affected by the new Dingley tariff are being rushed into the country at a great rate, not only supplying present demands but stocking the market. Presently, when the new bill is effected and no results are noted, because for a time there will be no importations, every popu- latic paper will immediately howl of the failure of the Dingley bill to raise the revenue promised.

General Rivera, the Cuban leader in command of the troops at Pinar del Rio, has fallen into the hands of the Spaniards, with his chief of staff and other officers. The Spaniards will likely make short work of him. Insurgent leaders find no mercy at the hands of their captors, more is the shame.

The gold reserve still remains above the \$150,000,000 mark, a pretty good evidence that confidence is restored at least, and all that remains to be required is business to be done under. This once settled, the wheels of industry will receive an added impetus.

BRO. LEMMER AGAIN.

On the first page of this issue we have given space to a letter from M. Lemmer, an enthusiastic populist of this county. This is done, not because there is much in the letter but because we are ready at all times for an open and fair discussion of matters of public concern.

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Wool is selling in Eastern Oregon at 7 cents a pound. In '95 with the "free trade" Wilson bill in full force and effect it was in demand at from 12 to 14 cents and last year it ranged from 8 to 11 on account of the election uncertainty.

Governor Lord prepared his biennial message to the legislature, but did not have an opportunity to deliver it. It was published in full in the Oregonian yesterday. It is an exhaustive document. Therein the governor advocates the abolition of all the boards composed of the governor, secretary of state and treasurer, and those of the two former with the superintendent of schools, and vesting all authority in the governor.

The recommendation of the governor for the relief of the supreme court, in limiting the character of the cases that may be carried up and in requiring opinions to be written when judgments are reversed should be acted upon the first time a legislature can be caught in session. The supreme court is now two years behind with its cases and the members are the hardest worked of our state officials, and it might be added, poorest paid.

If the troubles in Europe will precipitate a general war it would cause many a throne to totter and materially advance the cause of the higher civilization that sets at naught the theory of the divine right of kings.

HOW THEY LIVED.

It has long been a question in the public mind as to how the representatives in the last legislature managed to get along without pay and still keep on good terms with their boarding houses.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1, 1897.—The tariff bill passed the house yesterday by a vote of 205 to 122. All the republicans, five democrats and one populist voted for the bill, and it is provided that it shall go into effect April 2, if it passes the senate without amendment.

NEWS NOTES. The senatorial deadlock in Kentucky still continues. The senate is still considering the arbitration treaty.

Over one thousand deaths in one week are reported from Bombay, India. Five lives were lost in a New York apartment house fire on Tuesday night last.

The people of La Grande have subscribed \$500 in cash for a beet sugar factory. Party feeling ran high in the house during the discussion of the tariff bill Tuesday.

Archbishop Begin has gone to Rome to discuss the Manitoba school question with the Pope. Stephen Ware of Mitchell, Crook county, committed suicide because of a quarrel with his wife.

A brutal Italian by the name of Bersardelli, backed his wife to death at Santa Fe, New Mexico. Heavy wind storms visited portions of Kansas Tuesday and tornado signals were out at all the stations.

It is rumored that Gen. Sangulivul will succeed Rivera in command of the Cuban troops at Pinar del Rio. The Crown Paper Company of Oregon City will improve its facilities and increase its output 40 per cent.

The floods in the Mississippi continue. Levees are giving way, and much damage and loss of life is reported. Bert Coblenz, a youth belonging to the Salvation Army at Lodi, Cal., went violently insane there a few days ago.

The situation in Europe is critical. Troops are massing and Vassos, the Greek leader of the Greeks, wants war. Russian public sentiment is stirred up against England and the blame for the Cretan troubles is laid at the door of the English.

The United Press has gone to the wall and the Associated Press now has a monopoly of the field in the gathering and selling of news. Again the reports from Washington are to the effect that sentiment among the senators in favor of the seating of Corbett is growing.

Patrick Crowley, chief of police of San Francisco, resigned yesterday. He has been in the police department of that city for 37 years. Priests and ministers of the gospel must be citizens of the United States in order to be qualified to perform marriage ceremonies in Missouri.

There is considerable fighting between Greeks and Turks along the borders and unless terms of peace are agreed on soon fighting will be general. The ordinance prohibiting expectorating in public places in San Francisco has received the approval of Mayor Phelan, and is now a law.

Nelson, a democrat from Ohio, in the house of representatives on Tuesday, referred to ex-President Cleveland as his "preparing obesity and ponderous ponderosity." Fifty thousand pounds of hope of the crop of 1897 have been contracted for in Washington county, at 7 cents per pound, and 3 1/2 cents are to be advanced at picking time.

The authorities at Honolulu are having trouble with the Japs, who are endeavoring to get into the island, contrary to law, 555 that recently arrived having been ordered deported. A special from Geneva, N. Y., says Charles A. Houghton, principal owner of the Corning Glass Company, reputed to be worth half a million, shot and killed himself Tuesday.

The Mississippi river has again taken a turn for the worse. The former rise was the result of the Ohio snow, the northern tributaries are pouring in floods from the melting snows, and the levees are giving way.

General Weyler, commander of the Spanish forces operating in Cuba, is accused of stealing over \$15,000,000 out of the \$80,000,000 sent to the island for the maintenance of the army during the past thirteen months. He has reported that half the deaths among his men and draught pay and rations for the balance of the dead.

President McKinley may send W. R. Day to Cuba to attend the inquiry into the death of Gen. Consul Lee. Day declines to attend, first, because he had no confidence in it, and, secondly, because he was not a lawyer. He suggested that it might be well to have one of the state department lawyers present in Havana at the time, especially as he himself expected to be relieved shortly.

Passengers arriving at Jacksonville, Florida, from Havana say that a rumor is in general circulation there to the effect that the crew of one of the Spanish gunboats maintained a few days ago and took possession of the ship, turning it over to the insurgents, who have already begun to make captures of small Spanish war vessels of the coast guard. The Spanish officials deny the story, but it has received corroboration from other sources.

It is probable that Colonel Mosby, the guerrilla chieftain, will ride side by side with General Dodge at the head of the Grant monument parade in New York as aide-de-camp, representing the late Confederate. Colonel Mosby was a close friend of General Grant after the close of the war, and when he became president Grant appointed Mosby to a Chinese mission. He became a republican leader in Virginia. He now lives in California.

The Huntington Herald says that its office stands upon a bar that is rich in placer gold; that way back yonder in the past two prospectors sank a prospect hole in front of the office and struck gold in paying quantities. The difficulty of getting water upon the ground confronted them, and finally a quarrel arose as to how best it could be accomplished. Words led to blows, and the fight ended by one drawing a gun and shooting dead his companion, the body falling into the hole. The mine was never worked.

When the lumber season ends at Newcomb, Ariz., the community of loggers enjoy a dance which is the social event of the season in that locality. The terpsichorean event is held at a place named Dogtown, near the creek. A report comes from Dogtown, that the final question was held Friday night. There were but four belles present and any number of bewhiskered loggers. Dance broke up in a free fight before morning, and one of the women had a leg broken in the scrimmage. Several of the men were badly used up although they had no limbs broken. The names are not to be had, but the affair is the talk of the social circles of the logging camps.

The change in the policy of Great Britain has assumed definite shape. The recent massacre of Armenians at Tocat, the danger of further outbreaks at Anatolia and the action of the porte in semi-officially pointing out to the Turkish press and provincial officers that the blockade of Crete by the fleets of the powers and the support given Turkish forces by foreign powers, a triumph for the policy of the sultan, have had the effect of showing that Christians of Armenia are in danger of extermination. Consequently, says a dispatch from Constantinople, it is semi-officially stated that the British admiral in Cretan waters has been notified not to send any of the warships of Great Britain to take part in the proposed blockade of the ports of Greece. At the same time, however, in order apparently to avoid an open rupture with the powers, Great Britain will acquire in the blockade of the Greek ports.

Terrific Cyclone. A terrific cyclone passed over the town of Chandler, O., on Tuesday and nearly demolished the town. The list of fatalities is something dreadful. Many wrecks took fire and burned themselves out, several being still smoldering when morning broke over the town. It is believed that many missing persons were killed by a train that was derailed by the storm.

Ann Eliza Sanders Halcomb, belle of the Long Tom, is again in trouble, says the Corvallis Times. For a couple of months she has been under bonds to await the action of the grand jury on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, and now a Monroe justice has placed her under \$100 bonds to keep the peace. Ann Eliza has, it appears, threatened to do bodily harm to Clarence Mansfield and Joseph Congie, two Monroe teamsters. As a Monroe correspondent puts it, she declared she would "cut their hearts out and shoot through their respective livers." Eliza's new rampage is the outgrowth of the trouble over the county road for which A. Wilhelm and some 60 or 70 other persons petitioned the county court to be opened from the Monroe state road to the Wilhelm warehouse on the Willamette.

There must be many hundred cases in town, fully two-thirds of the children of age from infants to ten years are afflicted. Some are quite sick and are confined to bed, but no dangerous cases are reported. One of our most prominent physicians says it is the greatest epidemic of the kind ever known, and is no doubt attributed to the crime of '73.—Baker City Republican.

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The Air Ship Again. OMAHA, March 21.—The mysterious air ship was seen last night for the third time by a number of reputable citizens. It was in sight about the time that church was over, and in half an hour had traversed the heavens, and had once more disappeared. It was seen by a people in all parts of the city. This time the air ship came into view in the southeastern portion of the horizon. It showed a big bright light, too big for a star, and glowed steadily. It sailed over the city to the northwest, and there disappeared behind the houses and bluffs. It moved very slowly, and seemed to be quite near the earth. Nothing but the light was visible.

Notice. I will sell at my place near Glendale, April 20, 1897, at 10:30 a. m. an excellent action, one pony, saddle, bridle and surcingle to pay for pasturing of the same. Property of James Armstrong. Dated March 20, 1897. O. F. ROHMER.

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