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JANUARY 28, 1904.

REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING.

The Republicans of Roseburg and Douglas county are requested to assemble in the Court House at Roseburg, Saturday, January 30, 1904 at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of organizing a Republican club and transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Every Republican in Douglas county and especially Roseburg is urgently requested to attend.

K. L. MILLER,
Chairman of the Douglas County Central Committee.

RANDON REFLECTIONS.

By reading the grand jury report as published last Monday a man would be instantly convinced that "there is something rotten in Roseburg." Before the grand jury met we were convinced that a deplorable state of affairs existed but were unable to place the blame on anybody. The grand jury attempts to fasten the blame on the city officials and intimates in forcible language that the enforcement of the State law should be set aside, or rather superseded by city ordinances, the enforcement of which should be carried out by the city government. This is a most dangerous principle to inculcate for the welfare of the state at large for the reason that nine times out of ten city governments are in debt, and in order to obtain money, will allow the laws of the state and the city ordinances to be violated provided the violators of law will divide ill gotten gains with the city by paying a monthly fee or license. Then it too often happens that in a city the lawless element controls the elections and puts their own men in office from mayor down, and we have known of numerous instances where city officials have either openly placed where the law was daily violated or had an interest in, or took a rate off of the profits of vicious establishments. In such events it is dangerous to repose such criminal business in the hands of a city government. If the Mayor of Roseburg desired to see law and order prevail, he could easily have such desire filled, but we fear that the contrary is the object he has in view.

Now the grand jury mentioned the amount of money that Roseburg receives from the saloons, and intimates that the amount of money received should or ought to induce a spirit to prosecute for violations of law. This is a very excellent theory but in practice it never works that way. The city of Roseburg is paying the same amount of county taxes as any other part of Douglas county, and the taxpayers of Roseburg are just as much entitled to have grand jury investigations at the county expenses as any other place. The county taxes are paid for this purpose and the grand jury overlooked this fact that the Circuit Court and the officials belong to Roseburg just as much as to any cross road village too small to support a saloon. We are aware that the Roseburg Review talks about taxes and extravagance and all such rot and urges such base methods against the County Commissioners Court and holds up the court for expending money with a lavish hand. This is the usual democratic kick. Has the organ of democracy ever been known to utter a protest against the sinks of iniquity that caused the grand jury to be empaneled? The grand jury did well in showing up the corrupt state of affairs in Roseburg but it did more, it showed indirectly that the democratic administration of affairs in Roseburg has caused the county taxpayers to pay \$517.80 for witnesses summoned before that body and that the trial juries and grand jury cost the taxpayers \$518.90 more for the last term of court. The PLAINDEALER is tired of a political screed, the effort of which is to show that taxes are increasing. When the Review makes no effort to keep down taxation by the enforcement of law, and we ask this question: Has not the Review stiffled itself and the better element of the democratic party when it stands in

with criminals and crime and makes no effort to suppress crime? In fact, fails to publish the names of criminals or to give the proceedings of the courts because it fears the loss of a few dollars in work, a kind of hush-money to keep quiet and let crime and debauchery run rampant in Roseburg. What kind of a graft is that which depends upon the "hire of a harlot, the sale of a dog or the price of blood" for its support?

Now we do not know the law as it is interpreted by the Supreme court of Oregon, but page 686 Vol. I, of Bellingr & Cotton's Codes and Statutes says that the defendants in such cases as the grand jury had in view shall be fined up to \$500 and shall be imprisoned in the county jail until "such fine and costs are paid." Has the thug element got the taxpayers by the throat and compelling law abiding men to pay the costs of prosecution, witnesses, court proceedings and other expenses while the fine imposed alone is collected and that goes to the school fund? If the law mentioned is valid why not the courts sentence violators to jail until the fine and costs are paid? It has cost the taxpayers of Douglas county \$1,036.70 in costs to so far collect in \$950 in fines which goes into the school fund. Has the Review ever tried to correct such a state of affairs in its past history? We opine not. The only thing it does do is to attempt to cast reflections upon an honest and most conscientious body of men and then stand in the shadow of the swill tub for a hand out. We want it to be distinctly understood that we would sooner expose corruption in the Republican party than we would in the democratic party for we want to keep our own party pure and true to name and principle. At the same time there is no paper on earth that will support honest men and honest methods than the PLAINDEALER. There is a democratic administration in Roseburg and in the Circuit Court. If the Review, a professed democratic paper is in earnest about keeping down taxation, why does it not make some effort to suppress crime, the microbe of high taxation.

We are aware that some people will say, if the city fails to prosecute violations of law the County should not do so. This is a mistake. The Circuit Judge is paid \$4000 per year and the Circuit Attorney the same amount and their oaths compel them to look into criminal business. They are the servants of all the people of Douglas county—not those only who live outside incorporated cities. At the same time it was the brazen effrontery of violations of State laws that has caused an awakening of public interest and created a demand for the enforcement of law, order and good government. If Roseburg is renowned for observance of law and morality every citizen in Douglas county is benefited. If Roseburg is renowned for being a "wide open" "skin-in-action" and debauched city, there is not a citizen in Douglas county who does not suffer reproach to a greater or less extent. If our citizens want to increase the value of land or lots, farm property or that held for speculative purposes they would do well to bankrupt the county so that the criminal laws are enforced and the opposite—well the citizens have had enough of the old kind of lawlessness and vice, and the general awakening to the true state of affairs will bring about a permanent reformation, and especially so, if the Circuit Court for the next offense will impose the full fine and a jail sentence besides. In the late cases the culprits ought to congratulate themselves on the light fines imposed.

PANAMA CANAL ADVOCATED BY TEXAS.

The Rev. Sam P. Jones, the noted Georgia evangelist, writing from Texas says: "I find Texas is in favor of digging the canal. If I hear things right in Texas, Bailey's and Colburn's names are Dennis if they help to defeat the Panama project, for I repeat the fact, the South would rather have the Panama canal than a score of Democratic Presidents, and they will receive more good from the canal than they will at the hands of a hundred Democratic Presidents. Really, the business interests of this country are opposed to Democratic victory, anyway. Democrats seem to have sense enough to run states and cities, but the national government seems to be too big for them to run. Texas, like all the Southern states, wants the canal, and if the Democrats want to act the fool again let them make this an issue in the coming campaign. Then I can beat them with a Republican yaller dog."

Senator Bailey of Texas has said: "I will retire from public life before dishonoring my state and party by voting for the ratification of the Panama treaty."

The writer knows Senator Bailey well and while he is the fire eater of democracy in the south and all round political ass, he can eat crow better than any man we ever knew. In fact Bailey thrives on crow. We remember when the "crown of thorns" and "cross of gold" man was nominated for President by the Democratic National convention, Bailey had received in Texas the Democratic nomination for Congress and he opposed Bryan's nomination. He returned to Texas

and acted like a chump. He sent his resignation to the chairman of the congressional district and declared that he was out of politics. In a few days and before the delegates could be re-convened he cried and whined like an hound pup that had been whipped for sucking eggs and he caused a lot of political bums to circulate petitions in every town in the district comprising Cook, Denton and Montague counties, asking the chairman not to entertain Bailey's letter of resignation and after an hellaballo of a time Bailey took the stump to elect himself and friend Bryan. This is the kind of swashbuckler methods that the political dog of Texas loves to pose before the people as a patriotic. He is also the Senator who put himself on record to capture ya-hoo-votes by refusing to attend President Roosevelt's reception at the White House because etiquette required him to wear a dress coat instead of the round homespun and colored article he wore to set off his broad brimmed sombrero.

REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING.

Elsewhere will be found a call signed by the chairman of the Republican Central Committee of Douglas County for a Mass Meeting of the Republicans of Douglas county, and especially Roseburg, to assemble in the Court House, next Saturday evening for the purpose of organizing a Republican club. Regarding the call and without any desire to assume leadership or even credit for what has been done, we state: When we took charge of the PLAINDEALER about sixteen months ago, we were told the Republican party of Douglas county was split into factions and there was too much talk about rings within rings and charges about bad faith and bossism, but we have found that the live animal was not as fierce as the painted picture; and as every reader of the PLAINDEALER will witness to the truth of this statement: We have neither in published utter-

ances or private life sided with any faction or clan, have no candidates for office and have worked and talked solely for the unity of Republican action; and believing that many of the ills charged to various factions are to a great extent imaginary, we want harmony to prevail and have suggested that a Roosevelt Club be organized in Roseburg, and we trust that every republican of whatever kind or stripe will join and fill up on many enthusiasms for the sterling worth and typical Americanism which President Roosevelt has displayed since he assumed the Presidential office. Republicans of Roseburg and Douglas county—the past is past—it can never be recalled—let it repose in the grave of oblivion—the present is here and let us act, "act for the living present, heart within and God above" and put up such a political fight for our candidate for national honors that we will carry Old Douglas county by 1000 majority and with him every man on the ticket down to the dog pelt. In the organization of a Roosevelt Club there is a chance for all to come together on a solid foundation and a chance for every member to do honest work for the party. Let every Republican attend the mass meeting to be held in the Court House on Saturday night.

Claude Riddle was a caller at this office Tuesday. Regarding his trouble with the Chief of Police at Portland, he volunteered this statement: He as reporter of the Portland Telegram caught on to a scheme being worked by the parties interested in good government and civic righteousness cause in that city to oust the Chief of Police because of his connection with grafters. He, Riddle was badly in need of money, so he went to the Chief and told him if he would loan him thirty dollars that he, Riddle, would put him on the secret. The Chief turned upon Riddle and

told him that he would not pay blackmail. Just at that moment an enemy of Riddle entered the Police office and the Chief told him that Riddle made a proposition to blackmail him and the enemy, a reporter for the Portland Journal wrote up the affair with flaming headlines. The Police Chief lodged a complaint against Riddle with the editor of the Telegram and the Telegram's management sustained the Chief of Police. According to Riddle's account he desired to impart to the Chief information for protection for the loan of thirty dollars. We know nothing about the Chief's version of the little affair.

A Socialist club was organized in Roseburg last Sunday afternoon after the speaking of the Eminent Lecturer. There are eighteen charter members and Howard Martin was elected president and C. Hoffman, secretary and treasurer. What a time the human race will have when Socialism prevails if it ever does. Individual effort and enterprise will be sunk into an ill slavery. There will be a community of interests, we admit, but the Queen Bee, and there is a queen bee in every community of that kind, will do the ruling by the aid of a lot of drones and the common herd will be hewers of wood and drawers of water for controlling spirits. To a great extent this is true of every government that has existed on the globe, and until every human being's brain is of equal force and power, Socialism, as an ideal, can never become a reality.

It will be remembered that about one year ago the PLAINDEALER poked fun at the Barbers Board of Oregon, and said that the law would be declared invalid because it conferred powers on the board not contemplated by the constitution. Last Monday Judge George, of the Multnomah Circuit Court at Portland, declared the law unconstitutional. This ends the power of the board and should end all similar boards. The whole effort of such class legislation is to build mo-

The democratic mule is in a bad fix and at the present time has less heart to proceed on the journey to the White House than his progenitor—Baalam's ass—had while in the road with a wall on each side and the stuffed prophet beating him every step of the way. The democratic mule cannot even flop his ears, for Weary Willey holds him by the ears to pull him on the Kansas City platform, while Cleveland's friends are tugging at his tail to dam the Panama canal.

Yesterday at San Francisco the quarantine officers refused to allow a band of Greeks to land on the charge that they were gypsies. They obtained a hearing in court and produced \$10,000 in gold coin and proved that they were skilled goldsmiths instead of gypsies.

Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago has been released from custody for participation in the Iriquois theater disaster by failure to enforce the ordinances. The mayor had been indicted by the grand jury for culpable homicide or murder in the second degree.

A mine explosion at Pittsburg, Pa., on Tuesday killed 160 men. The explosion fired the coal and a score of men were burned to a crisp where fully one-half of the dead men could not be identified because the scant clothing was burned and the features distorted.

The President has appointed a white man in color—who was on the negro's bond as postmistress at Indianola, Miss., to the position to succeed the colored woman.

The Colfax policemen who were equally guilty with the toughs who assaulted the girl in a saloon, are to be tried for failure to put a stop to the outrage.

On Tuesday, at Victor, Colo., a cage containing fifteen miners fell 1500 feet to the bottom of the shaft. The bodies of the dead men could not be identified.

Burglars on Tuesday night tried to open the Grants Pass postoffice safe, but were scared away by the alarm raised by a dog.

Russia is playing a mean trick upon Japan by failing to purchase Missouri mules.

Macedonia has another revolution billed for March 1.

Russian and Japan continue to fight with hot air.

Mine A Big Tomb

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 26.—From all that can be gathered at this hour, between 180 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passageways of the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Company, at Cheswick, the result of a terrific explosion today. Cages after cages have gone down into the mine and come up again, but only one miner of all those that went down to work this morning has been brought to the surface. The rescued man is Adolph Guina, and he is still in a semi-conscious condition at the temporary hospital at the rude schoolhouse on the hill side above the mine. In addition to the miners who were at work when the explosion occurred, it is now believed by practically all of the men of the rescue party who have come up the 220 foot vertical shaft for a warming and a breathing spell that Selwyn M. Taylor, the Pittsburg mining engineer, who platted the mine, and who was the first to reach the bottom after the explosion happened, is also now among the list of dead. Of those in the mine all are probably dead.

Teck and Lowly Holy Rollers.

COVALLIS OR., Jan. 27.—That "Apple" Brooks is at the head of an independent colony of Holy Rollers, who make their home in the forest near Lebanon, Or., and gather their food from the lap of nature, is the statement made here by W. H. Harbert, a farmer of the Lebanon district, who visited in Covallis yesterday.

"Loos and wild honey is, figuratively speaking, their diet," said Mr. Hulbert. "Brooks has two others with him, and the three have put up a shack in the woods and live there, all by themselves."

It is claimed that Brooks declares he will strengthen his little colony until it becomes large enough to justify the effort, and then begin building a tabernacle in the wilderness. Following the tar-and-feathers operation at Corvallis, Brooks found temporary asylum with friends, later, however, he left the house where he had been staying and went into the woods where he now is. The names of those who are with him in his strange home are not known.

Typical American is Yet Unborn.

"Did it ever occur to you that you are an Irishman or a Swede because your father was a sinner?" asked Bishop J. W. Hamilton, of San Francisco, who spoke under the auspices of the Men's Methodist Social Union in Portland, at the beginning of his lecture, and this startling and original question served as a proper introduction for many of the novel things which the distinguished orator said during the evening. He recalled the dispersion of the human race and the confusion of tongues which followed the building of the tower of Babel, and said:

"Thus it was that the sons of Adam ceased to be a common race and because of the sin at Babel we have the myriad tribes and peoples of today. In the end it will be as at the beginning, all kindreds and all tongues will be brought together and fused into a com-

mon race. This movement has been under way for many generations, and in this age are hastening it as have none of the generations which have gone before. It may not be a happy thing to say, but we who are here tonight are to be the grandfathers and great grandfathers of the Chinese, the Japanese, the Austro-Hungarians and the Italian race. Yes, and the negro race. In the South last year 30,000 natiates were born of parents who are American citizens. The men who joined the coast, your fathers, many of them were Yale and Harvard and Dartmouth men, but they were squaw-men, the red race is a dying one, but it is dying into our race. Never was a more fraudulent statement made than that of many men that they are Anglo-Saxons. Who were the Angles? Who were the Saxons? They were tribes which existed when Augustine was a missionary, but they have long ago disappeared by this dying in process.

"Last year 1,000,000 immigrants came into this country to become citizens. Of this number by far the greater proportion were Italians—the despised 'dago.' Many were from the nations of Europe which speak what Byron called 'bastard Latin.' The immigration movement from those races which are more closely allied with us than any others, has practically ceased. The aliens who come to our shores are imperialists, anarchists, republicans and democrats. As we have well-nigh blended the blood of the Indian with ours and as we are rapidly blending the negro, so are we blending these other races into a dominant type which is American. As yet this dying-in process has not produced the typical American, and the typical American has not yet been born, but he is coming. As at the beginning there was unity, so in the end there will be oneness and we of America are bringing it about. God has a purpose in solidifying the race and, as are all his purposes, it is for good."

Weather Report.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU OFFICE, ROSEBURG, ORE.
Week ending 5 p. m., Jan. 27, 1904.
Maximum temperature, 53 on 21st.
Minimum temperature, 28 on 25th.
Rainfall for the week, 0.32.
Total rainfall since last month, 1.81.
Total rainfall from Sept. 1 1903 to date 15.71.
Average rainfall from Sept. 1 to date 23.42.
Total deficiency from Sept. 1, 1903 to date 4.71.
Average precipitation for 26 wet seasons 33.32.

THOMAS GIBSON, Observer.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Douglas county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at Roseburg, Ore., as follows:

FOR STATE PAPERS.
Commencing Wednesday, February 10, at nine o'clock a. m.
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, physics, civil government.
Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.
Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology.

FOR COUNTY PAPERS.
Commencing Wednesday, Feb. 10, at nine o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, Feb. 12, at four o'clock, p. m.

FIRST, SECOND, THIRD GRADE CERTIFICATES.
Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.
Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.
Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, sch. of law, civil government.
PRIMARY CERTIFICATES.
Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, reading, arithmetic.
Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, methods, psychology.
F. B. HAMLIN, Co. School Supt.

Revival Meetings.

The Revival meetings at the U. B. Church closed Sunday night with a full house. The meeting was a success in every particular: spiritually, socially, financially. We very much appreciate the christian courtesy of the church people of the town, especially Rev. Douglas and Rev. Allen and their people. We are also thankful to those people, business men and friends outside for their help financially. \$135.00 was raised for all purposes. During the three weeks meeting twenty-two came to the altar and most of them were saved, six joining the church.

J. H. MERRIAM, pastor.

Prohibition in the South.

The negro problem in the south is exerting influence in quite unexpected quarters. It may be the direct means of causing Texas to become a prohibition state. It is said the saloon interests there have agreed to close up and quit business. Prohibition has made wonderful gains in the south the last few years, and Texas is one of its strongholds. The negro problem is largely responsible. It has been found most necessary to stop liquor selling entirely if any effective work is obtained from the colored population. So local option by counties has been widely adopted. The counties adopting it prospered; those without it followed suit, and a movement for statewide, absolute prohibition soon developed. So fast have the prohibitionists gained ground that a compromise is reported, by which the saloons agree to quit peacefully and go out of business. Texas is only typical of the rest of the south in the development of prohibition or restrictive local option, and the moving cause is the demoralizing and destructive effect of intoxication upon the ignorant blacks. When done with intelligence and discrimination liquor drinking involves dangerous consequences; when indulged in by the bought elements that compose so large a portion of the population of the south the consequences may indeed be of a character to occasion very general concern.

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City Treasurers' Notice.
Notice is hereby given that all parties holding city warrants endorsed prior to April 1st, 1902, are requested to present the same to the city treasurer for payment, as interest will cease thereon after the date of this notice.
Dated Roseburg, Ore., Jan. 6, 1904.
H. C. SLOCUM,
City Treasurer.

Notice.
Stockmen who wish to graze stock within the Southern division of the Cascade Range Forest Reserve during the season of 1904, are requested to make application for this privilege at once to the Forest Supervisor at Roseburg, Oregon, as all applications for this privilege must be on file in his office not later than February 19, 1904.
S. C. BAILEY,
Forest Supervisor.

Marshals Notice.
All parties owning dogs in the city limits of Roseburg, Oregon, who will come to the City Hall and pay their license between this date and Feb. 1st, may have them for one dollar each. After that \$2.50 will be charged for each license, and there will be a dog catcher in the field. Take warning as this is your last notice.
All license tags must be attached to collar of dog, otherwise they will be taken up.
D. J. JARVIS,
City Marshal.