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POLITICAL NOTES.

Hap-Hazards Mourn and the Democrats Refuse to Concede Them—In a Hard Row of Political Stumps.

The Astorian has had in its possession for several days a letter from Mr. Lyman in answer to the criticisms of this paper regarding his conduct in arranging the Tagalo guerrilla Aguinaldo, Mr. Lyman, however, tries to avoid recognizing the fact that it is the Astorian that is finding fault with him and his utterances, and continues to address himself to "my anonymous critics." For Mr. Lyman's benefit, as well as for the benefit of the voters of this county, the Astorian now plainly states to him that it objects to the election of any man to the office of county superintendent of schools who believes in "giving aid and comfort" to Aguinaldo, or who considers Aguinaldo a hero "killed" to the heroes of this country, or who has any sympathy to waste on the avowed enemies of the United States.

Now that Mr. Lyman thoroughly understands that it is the Astorian that is criticizing his conduct, which fact should have long ago been apparent "to any but the most obtuse or distorted mind," he may write another letter, and providing he avoids offensive personalities and confines himself to a defense of his conduct, if he can, in seeking to "give aid and comfort to Aguinaldo," it will be published. So far as Mr. Lyman's letter to the private citizen on the war in the Philippines is concerned, the Astorian has nothing to say. It is only the utterances of the candidate on the hap-hazard ticket for county superintendent of schools with which the Astorian cares to deal. By the way, the Astorian did not call Mr. Lyman a traitor. It simply quoted the statutes of the United States. They were explicit enough. If he is a traitor, it is the law which makes him so, not the Astorian.

Speaking of publishing Mr. Lyman's letter, what would the poor, lost, forlorn, hop-scootch candidates on the hap-hazard ticket do for newspaper mention if it wasn't for the Astorian? Not only are the so-called citizens candidates without a party but they cannot find a newspaper in Astoria that is willing to take up their cause. The Astorian has taken pity on the hop-scooters and mentioned their existence from time to time, not because they in any way menace the success of the regularly nominated republican county ticket, the only party ticket on the ballot or before the voters, but simply because this paper hoped that some of the hop-scooters might be made to see the ridiculous position into which they have been forced by a few designing democrats and be brought to realize the utter hopelessness of their being elected without party platform or pledges behind them. The Astorian is not vindictive towards its political opponents and it would like to save the time and money of some of the men on the headless and tailless ticket, if it could.

But what has become of the democratic press of Clatsop county, anyhow? The few old line democrats remaining who they do not know, and sorry to say it, they do not care. The hop-scooters won't admit that a democratic paper is ashamed to champion their cause. They have another reason they advance for the failure of their paper to support them. They say they have no money. Well, that is their misfortune. The average newspaper belongs to some recognized party and it does not ask money to support that party's candidates, policy or platform, other than is earned in a legitimate business way. A party newspaper feels that it is its duty, as well as its privilege, to support the party and does. That is what gives it standing and prestige with the people. Now the hop-scooters, being without a party, have no right to expect a newspaper to support them without pay, so they had better dig up.

But, looking at it from the hop-scooters' point of view, it is mean of the democrats to drag them into such a mire and then run away and leave them in the mud. Of course the Sim on pure democrats are sore, and have been sore ever since the failure of their convention to nominate a straight out democratic ticket. The old line democrats feel that they have simply been wiped out of existence in Clatsop county, and not even by fusion with the populists. They have simply been buried under a mass of people collected at random on the streets one afternoon, and who held a so-called convention and nominated a so-called citizens ticket, which the old line democrats were forced to accept. Then the law stepped in and refused to recognize a hap-hazard gathering, such as the so-called citizens convention was and denied it the dignity of a name on the ballot. It was then the democrats dropped out of sight never to rise again, the old timers fear.

If anybody thinks that E. P. Parker is not holding up his end of the string on the republican ticket, in his race for the coronership, let him call on Mr. Parker and corner him. The present coroner, who is rapidly fading away, being neither hop-scooter, republican, democrat or anything else, will get a job if anybody tells Parker he is not out to win.

The office of the county clerk was thronged yesterday with citizens who went there to register and when the books had been closed at 5 o'clock, exactly seventy-five new names had been

recorded on the list since the same hour on the preceding day. L. G. Stinson of this city was the last to go on the roll, and Sheriff Thomas Linville was the first to register after the opening of the books, several days ago.

The total registration in Clatsop county has exceeded, by far, the original estimates of the old campaigners. Only a few days ago, the most conservative of those who pay strict attention to the political situation freely expressed the opinion that the number of registrations in this county would fall fully 500 below the vote cast at the last general election. The result proves these estimates to be incorrect, as the difference between the vote and the registrations is only about 300. From this number must be deducted those who will vote on affidavits necessary because of failure to register. This will probably cut the total vote down to about 200 less than was cast at the last general election, or 255.

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Legislature—
F. R. SPOKES
J. T. YOUNG.
For District Attorney—
HARRISON ALLEN.
For Sheriff—
THOMAS LINVILLE.
For Clerk—
H. J. WHERITY.
For Treasurer—
H. C. THOMPSON.
For Assessor—
C. W. CARNAHAN.
For Surveyor—
R. F. C. ASTBURY.
For School Superintendent—
J. T. LEE.
For Coroner—
E. P. PARKER.
For Commissioner—
DAN. J. INGALLS.
For Justice of the Peace—
C. C. BROWER.
For Constable—
WM. CHANCE.

SUMMER RESORTS.

"To the mountains our people in increasing numbers yearly look for those days of relaxation and recreation necessary to maintain the human machine in fair working condition. The languorous sloth of the seashore proves very seductive while it lasts, but many have decided that the annual outing should provide not only radical change of air and surroundings, but also such stimulation of flagging energies as will provide brawn and vigor for the return to labor. For this they urge the mountain climb and ramble, the balsam of the mountain pines, and the clear, unadulterated mountain air.

In this direction the Shasta Route now affords a wealth of attractions. The entire line of road from Ashland to Redding is studded with charming and accessible hotels and camps, where are cheer and comfort and healing at reasonable cost, and where you can hunt, fish, ride, loaf, or play with equal facility.

"Or if you look for healing waters, none better can be found, hot or cold, than the springs of Ashland, Coletta, Anderson, Bartlett, Byron and Paso Robles.

"Before visiting Europe, the people of the Northwest should see the glories of Yosemite valley, and the wondrous groves of Mariposa and Calaveras; the Parisians are likely to make inquiries concerning these attractive resorts.

Send to Mr. C. H. Markham, general passenger agent, Portland, for new booklets on Castle Craig, Shasta Springs, McCloud river, Yosemite, and excursion rates thereto.

IMPROVED SERVICE AND EQUIPMENT.

The new schedule of the O. R. & N. which went into effect April 22nd, shortened the time to Chicago 12 hours, and gives a double daily service between Portland and Chicago.

Train No. 2, leaving Portland at 9:15 a. m. is known as the "Chicago-Portland Special." Its equipment is new throughout, making it fully the equal of any train now in service from the Pacific coast to the East.

The "Overland Express" leaves Portland at 5:20 p. m. and furnishes complete service both via Huntington and Spokane to the East, together with the best of service to all local points on the O. R. & N. lines.

A NEW TRAIN.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. will place in service April 23rd a New Train between St. Paul and St. Louis, called the "Flying Dutchman." The train will have through sleeping cars and be first-class throughout. Ask any ticket agent for particulars or address

C. J. EDDY, General Agent, Portland, Oregon.

ALGER THE SCAPE GOAT.

The Cuban Postal Frauds Charged Up to the Account of the Ex-Secretary of War.

NEW YORK, May 15.—A special to the Herald from Washington, says: Following the publication of Inspector-General Breckinridge's recommendations that army inspectors be permitted to inspect Cuba civil accounts, there has come a disposition in certain quarters to transfer to the shoulders of General Alger all the responsibility possible.

He is blamed first for the appointment of Director Rathbone and of the postal auditor and secondly because he ignored General Breckinridge's first cabled recommendation, permitting the auditor to continue alone the inspection of postal accounts. Friends of General Alger resent the attempt of the administration to shift the responsibility to his shoulders. They point out that he appointed Director Rathbone upon the recommendation of Secretary Gage. President McKinley and all the republican leaders are very anxious about the probable effect of the Cuban frauds upon the presidential campaign. The democrats point to the Neely episode as illustrating the argument that a colonial system is sure to lead to corruption. The administration leaders hope to minimize the bad effects of the frauds by vigorously following up the wrong-doers before the campaign has advanced very far.

One phase of the Cuban postal matter which has yet to be cleared up relates to the disposition of the amount paid to Mr. Rathbone on requisitions approved by Governor-General Brooke and Governor-General Wood, which he certified were necessary to make up deficits in the postal accounts. Deficits from January 15, 1899, until June 30, 1899, amounted to \$14,720, but the Cuban postal receipts always fell behind the expenditures and it was necessary for Director Rathbone to make quarterly calls upon the governor-general.

The published statements of the war department show that Captain E. F. Ladd, treasurer of the island, paid to Mr. Rathbone up to December 31, 1899, the sum of \$218,022 and \$420,928, when the postoffice department had no knowledge that a deficit existed. In making these requisitions directly upon the governor-general, administration officials say the director failed to carry out the original order which Secretary Alger issued.

The administration has a well matured plan of action, but nothing will be said now as to it. One matter that will be discussed is how the authorities expect to recover all the money wrongfully taken from the postal funds, but it is understood that they have reason to believe they can do this.

It is not improbable that more arrests will soon be made. Just who will be implicated the officials will not say.

KANSAS CITY EXTORTIONS.

Complaints That Hotel Keepers Are Holding Up Prospective Convention Delegates.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Senator Jones, of the democratic national committee, has been overwhelmed with letters from prominent members of the party complaining about what they characterize as extortion on the part of the hotel keepers of Kansas City, says a Washington correspondent of the Times.

It appears that the hotel men of the convention city are demanding that the delegates and the other visitors must submit to being placed in rooms containing five beds; that they shall pay \$5 a day for that accommodation, and agree to pay for four days. Members of the national committee, leaders of state delegations and democrats who contemplate going to Kansas City for the purpose of seeing the convention, have written letters of protest to Senator Jones, and today the chairman of the national committee wrote a long letter to Vice-Chairman Stone, of Missouri, requesting him to take the matter up with the local committees of Kansas City, and secure a readjustment of conditions. Senator Jones does not hesitate to declare that the hotel men are violating the pledge that was made to the democratic national committee before and after Kansas City obtained the convention, last February.

HERE IS A CURIOSITY.

Delegates From Expansion Territory Will Be in the Bryan Convention.

CHICAGO, May 15.—The Record says:

Hawaii and Puerto Rico will send delegates to the democratic national convention. Each island will be accorded six delegates if the wishes of the democratic leaders are carried out. Senator Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, recently received a letter from some Sandwich Islanders who said they were anxious to know if the convention would seat a Hawaiian delegation should one come to Kansas City July 4.

Sensor Jones replied that the convention itself would have to pass on that question, but it is said that he advised the Sandwich Islanders to send along their delegation and it might be seated. Democratic managers say there is some pretty politics in the idea of giving seats in the convention to a Puerto Rican delegation. They believe it will be a good play, in view of the fact that he democratic platform will contain an anti-imperialistic plank.

By seating a delegation from Puerto Rico and giving it six votes, the democratic convention would demonstrate in a practical way their contention that Puerto Rico is part of the United States and is a territory co-equal in all

things with the Indian territory, Alaska or the District of Columbia, which are unorganized territories.

OFF ON A CRUISE.

Grover Cleveland and Joseph Jefferson Going a Fishing.

GREENWICH, Conn., May 15.—The steam yacht Oneida, with its owner, E. C. Benedict, on board, will leave Indian Harbor today after a week of preparation for a two weeks' cruise.

The yacht will go to New York where Grover Cleveland and Joseph Jefferson will go on board.

GENERAL WHEELER RETIRES.

He Will Be Made Brigadier-General, and Will Leave Congress for Good.

NEW YORK, May 15.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: After a conference with the president, at which an understanding was reached by which he will be appointed a brigadier-general in the regular army, General Joseph Wheeler gave out a letter announcing that he would not stand for re-election to the house from the eighth district of Alabama.

After explaining the circumstances which determined the resignation of his commission, dated November, and its subsequent withdrawal, General Wheeler announces that he retires from service in congress now to leave the field clear for the nomination and election of a successor, not only in the present congress, but for the short term of the next one.

COLD IN EUROPE.

LEIPSI, May 15.—It has been snowing heavily here since early morning. The thermometer registers 26 degrees. There is also a heavy snowfall at Chemnitz.

SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS.

CINCINNATI, May 15.—The advance guard of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers is here.

Two hundred and fifty delegates are expected to arrive today and take part in the first session tonight at the Grand Hotel, where President Charles H. Morgan will occupy the chair and Mayor Taft will deliver an address of welcome.

THE WORK BEGUN.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Charles S. Wilbur, superintendent of the census, has begun to swear in the census enumerators.

There are to be about 1,043 enumerators scattered through the various districts of the city.

CAPE NOME STEAMER SAILS.

SEATTLE, May 15.—Seattle dispatched three more Cape Nome expeditions today. They were the steamer Corwin, the steam schooner Fulton and the sailing schooner Winslow.

A STRANGER'S GRIEVANCE.

ASTORIA, May 15.—Editor Astorian: Is there no other transfer company in your city except the one with the yellow wagons, that you can rely upon its manager and his employees; men who can tell rain from sunshine, especially when ordered to haul furniture?

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Astoria National Bank OF ASTORIA.

At Astoria, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, April 26, 1900.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$126,453.39
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	3,240.27
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	1,500.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	26,797.19
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	3,831.01
Other real estate owned	9,250.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	6,314.26
Due from State Banks and Bankers	5,778.11
Due from approved reserve agents	37,812.71
Internal revenue stamps	431.88
Checks and other cash items	1,060.54
Notes of other National Banks	1,530.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	955.25
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$42,566.45
Legal-tender notes	1,725.00
	44,291.45
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$282,416.99

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	9,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,422.29
National Bank notes outstanding	7,450.00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$129,586.36
Demand certificates of deposit	15,292.43
Time certificates of deposit	69,676.00
	214,544.79
Total	\$282,416.99

STATE OF OREGON, County of Clatsop, ss: I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of May, 1900.

G. C. FULTON,
Notary Public for Oregon.

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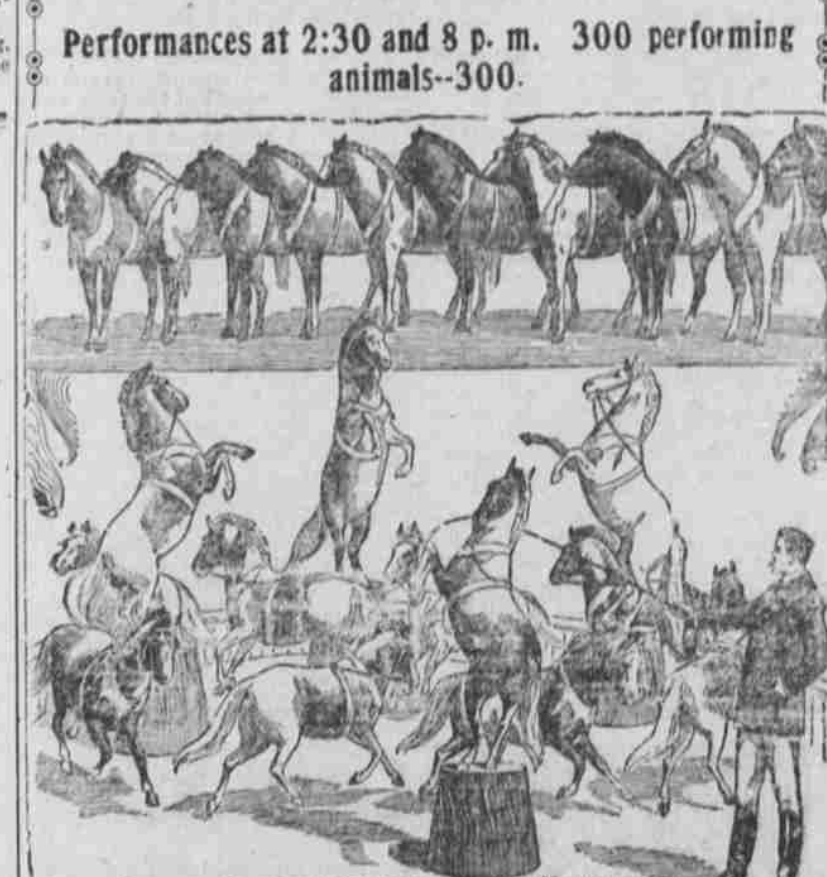
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