

# \$10 REWARD

We shall give \$10.00 in gold as a first prize, and \$5.00 as a second prize, to the boy or girl under eighteen years of age writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 P. M. on February 16, 1905.

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### Today's Weather.

Portland, Jan. 30.—Western Oregon—Tuesday generally fair north; occasional rain in the south portion.

### STEALING IS NONPARTISAN.

It is now apparent that the land frauds are far more extensive than had been assumed at the outset. It is apparent likewise that some attack will be made on the republican party because of the frauds. Instead of being confined to Oregon, as was at first supposed, the irregularities seem to have extended into Montana, Idaho, Washington and Wyoming. Possibly they will be found on investigation to have a still wider range. Most of them, or all of them, probably occurred in the past eight years. Therefore they have taken place during republican administrations. Most of the officials involved in them are probably republicans. This much will be conceded. The land sale scandals will take a place beside the irregularities in the post office department, which have been revealed in the past two years. As the republican party has been dominant while these speculations were going on, an attempt will be made to show that they have been a legitimate outcome of republican leadership and republican policy.

This pretense, however, will not deceive any sensible person. In the vast volume of transactions of the general government these days there need be no surprise that there are some irregularities. Some were discovered during each of Cleveland's terms. Democrats as well as republicans were involved in the postal steals. In the millions of acres of lands sold by the government every year it is not surprising that there should be some crookedness. The public lands are scattered over an area larger than several big kingdoms. They cover a domain nearly as large as all of Europe, exclusive of Russia. Necessarily the government has to select its appointees from all sorts and conditions of men. It can not vouch for the integrity of all of them. Some of the indicted persons in the land frauds have stood high among their fellow-citizens in their states for many years. They have received offices of honor and responsibility at the hands of the people among whom they resided, and who would be likely to know more about them than strangers could. They have deluded their old neighbors, and it is not surprising, therefore, that they have been able to deceive the general government. This has been so from the beginning of the country's days as a nation. It is the same in all civilized lands. Crookedness is of all parties, races, nationalities and ages.

But the republican party has always shown that it can expose and punish its malefactors. It did this in the star route cases. It did it in the postal frauds. The land grabbers will not escape. Far less frauds have been committed in the past eight years than were perpetrated in Jackson's and Van Buren's time, in proportion to the size of the country. No individual crook of Roosevelt's time has stolen as much as Swartout did in the Jackson-Van Buren era. Moreover, the exposure and the punishment are more prompt and effective now than they were then. Roosevelt is immeasurably more resolute in hunting down malefactors than Jackson and his successor were. It is well to bear in mind that indictment is not equivalent to conviction. Indictment does not always mean guilt. In

the land frauds indictment will enable the government to present its case in the courts, and this it will do with vigor and intelligence. There can no longer be any doubt that the irregularities in the sales of the public lands have been widely extended both in time and in area. They will involve many persons who have stood high in the community hitherto. But neither the national administration nor the republican party will be affected thereby. The administration will see to it that no guilty man shall escape, and guilt wherever existent will be promptly and resolutely exposed.

### STAND PAT.

The Astoria Democratic ring has crawled. It has yielded up the ghost, and the "wiggly-waggly" of the Commercial street church, again, "he-hawes." The democratic mule has kicked over the traces and the Jennie refuses to be comforted. An edict has gone forth from the "Brick" signed by the faithful, that after due and deliberate consideration the democratic-citizens contingent of a lost cause do not think any changes in the Astoria charter are imperative at the present time. Only a short time ago "reform was necessary," and the faithful gathered together in a bunch and framed a few amendments to the city charter that would retain the democrats in office, afford them an opportunity to purchase all the supplies for the city government, and perpetuate the oleomargarine element of the party in office.

Public sentiment was so strong against them that they had to weaken. They suddenly came to the conclusion vox populi vox dei was not a component part of the democratic party of Clatsop county and they wanted to let Representative Burns down as easily as possible. They framed a letter and sent it to the committee on cities and towns of the legislature, stating that after a careful review of the situation, it was the unanimous opinion of the democratic mule that changes in the present charter would be attended with great bodily harm, and they humbly beseeched the committee to withdraw both charters.

The republicans who were backed up by public sentiment, including a large majority of the better element of the democratic party were in favor of the changes proposed in the Tuttle charter bill. They resolved to stand pat. Not only were the republicans in favor of adopting all the amendments suggested by the common council committee, but insisted on having their own amendments adopted at the same time. The democrats crawled. The republicans are standing pat. The adoption of the Tuttle charter means the defeat of the democratic ring that has run politics in Clatsop county for several years with a high hand. They are opposed to a one-man police commission and a one-man boss.

Still, when the sun rises in the east and kisses the snow-capped peak of Saddle mountain, and the birds are warbling their lay on Coxcomb hill, ever and anon can be heard the plaintive wail of the democratic mule in the "brick," and the responsive "he-haw" from the democratic church on Commercial street. The democracy has given up the ghost. It has played a losing game. Its only salvation now is for "executive clemency" in the shape of a veto by a democratic governor.

### NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The Oregonian is opposed to a multiplicity of normal schools. So is a large number of the tax payers of the state. If the institutions that are declared normal schools by legislative enactment, were in fact, strictly normal schools, there might not be so much objection to them, but they are not. When one of Clatsop county's citizens was a representative in the legislature he was a member of the ways and means committee. That committee visited every institution of learning in the state, requiring about two weeks. It found that the normal schools at Drain, Ashland and Weston were simply public schools receiving an annual appropriation from the state. There were no high schools in either of those cities, and primary grades were taught in all three of the schools. In other words, the alleged normal schools at these three cities were public schools supported by the state. If Ashland, Weston and Drain are entitled to a public school supported by the state, why should not every city in the state be accorded the same privilege?

There is no necessity in Oregon for

more than one normal school. The one at Monmouth, being the oldest, might be retained, but it should be a normal school in fact. There are good public schools in every city in Oregon sufficient to accommodate all the children in the state. But the representatives from the various counties form a combination and virtually graft off the state for the support of common schools. It is a graft pure and simple and for the purpose of keeping a corps of inefficient teachers in a good, paying position at the expense of the state. Efforts were made by the ways and means committee to cut out the appropriation for three of the normal schools, but they were met with a threat, that if this was done, the representatives of the graft would vote against other measures, and the committee was compelled to yield to the grafters.

A very large proportion of the appropriation bill passed at each session of the legislature, represent a political graft. Men are sometimes elected with sufficient influence to secure legislation in the interest of some local graft. Combinations are formed, the grafters lining up against the minority and the treasury of the state is plundered and looted. Time was when several religious institutions were supported by the state. The members would hold a season of prayer for three weeks before the legislature convened, praying that the graft might strike their particular locality.

### Real Estate Transfers.

Trustees Concomly Tribe Red Men to Robert Carruthers undivided one-half of west half of lot 9, block 64, McClures.  
Robert Carruthers and wife to Concomly Tribe Red Men, undivided half of east half lot 9, block 64, McClures.  
A. A. Schenck and wife to Matthew Griswold, lot 11, block 8, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck and wife to Anna B. Griswold, lot 11, block 3, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck and wife to A. Josephine Jackson, lot 9, block 3, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck to Ella L. Schenck, lot 9, block 10, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck to Ella L. Schenck, lot 9, block 10, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck to William R. Waller, lot 11, block 18, Schencks.  
A. A. Schenck to Jane T. Waller, lot 20, block 24, Schencks.  
State of Oregon to The Astoria Exchange Co. tidelands in front of lots to 4, block 57, McClures.

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At Astoria in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, January 11, 1905.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$330,919 07
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9,834 58
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	750 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	50,138 87
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2,500 00
Other real estate owned	4,375 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	2,842 64
Due from state banks and bankers	22,823 99
Due from approved reserve agents	72,149 99
Checks and other cash items	2,345 00
Notes of other national banks	100 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	654 16
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$61,939 90
Legal-tender notes	61 00
Legal-tender notes	62,050 90
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	625 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$574,609 18</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	26,713 36
National bank notes outstanding	11,900 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$231,150 93
Demand certificates of deposit	33,503 11
Time certificates of deposit	211,341 78
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$574,609 18</b>

State of Oregon, county of Clatsop,

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 13th day of January, 1905.

A. R. CYRUS, Notary Public.

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