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THE PIONEERS OF OREGON.
IT IS but a weak, trite and insufficient expression for the occasion to say that the pioneers of the Oregon country...

There have been many pioneers. Central and western New York was pioneered by men not so very long passed away. Indiana and Illinois and Kentucky and Michigan—all the country when it comes to that—were pioneered...

It took quite a little stock of good, thick, honest, red-blooded courage too when you come to think of it, to make that five or six months' journey across deserts and mountains, with lurking and savage Indians all along the way...

THE PIONEERS fought everything to fight—and there were several hard propositions—in the early Oregon times. Indians—the settlers went away for months at a time and left these mothers and grandmothers and gray-haired men and women of today—then almost thoughtless children—to keep various kinds of wolves from the log-cabin door...

There was the foe of the "continuous woods," the foe of the lurking panther on almost every limb, the foe of Distance from anywhere; if one raised anything he could only eat it up; the foe of Absence from all that the grown-up people had been used to; the foe of Separation, Division from the rest of the country; uncertainty—for the earlier pioneers—as to whether they had or ever would have a country or what country it was; toil, privation, struggle, battle, danger—and yet there were compensations, and these forelopers and banner-bearers and real pioneers gloried in it all—in all the sacrifice and privation and peril—would not if they could have missed an hour or an instant of it.

THEY were men and women with faults common to mortals, of course; the men were not all saints nor all the women angels; it was a time of less education and enlightenment in many ways than now; but taken all in all, viewed from the perspective of the present, they were as a whole a noble and notable band or aggregation of people. They will be respected and honored while any of them remain on earth, and some day, when all of them are gone, their descendants will erect a great monument to their memory.

SELLWOOD AND ST. JOHNS.
IT IS REPORTED that the Sellwood section of the city will soon have a far larger mill and perhaps several other mills too—than the mill that was burned there last year and afterward rebuilt on an enlarged scale in St. Johns. No doubt the Sellwood section of the city will develop in a few years into a fine and important manufacturing district of the big city that surely is to be here; yet St. Johns and the river front of the peninsula generally will really lose nothing on that account; will gain rather; for one big mill or manufactory that succeeds invites and attracts others, and each helps its predecessor to greater success.

A Spokane View.
From the Lewiston Tribune.
An unusual editorial discussion appears in a Spokane paper in connection with the Seattle Post-Intelligencer's expression that the railroad construction in the Clearwater country would "considerably alter" the railway situation in this state.

Cheerful Up in Lake.
From the Silver Lake Central Oregonian.
The people of Lake county were never in a more cheerful mood than they are at present. The grain and alfalfa crops are looking up in fine condition, the outside ranges are covered with green grass, stock is fattening and the markets for all their products are at the tip-top standard.

large and important mills and manufactories, and will surely have many more. It has now quite an army of workers living there and building or improving homes and raising families there, and these will be greatly increased, even multiplied, within a few years. St. Johns and the contiguous territory occupy a point of vantage that can no longer be ignored, despised or overlooked—a peculiar place, that some of the best of the world's manufactory are looking on with favorable eyes.

THE STRIDENT SHRIEK OF PARTY.
The Tribune will recognize no difference between Republicans and Democrats in the elections next fall. The men to be elected have no party duties to perform, and it is unimportant whether they belong to one party or another or to no party.

THE ABOVE plain remarks are from that excellent Republican newspaper, the Chicago Tribune. That is, the Tribune is Republican in national and generally in state politics. Circumstances might possibly arise among which it would not be so. It would not support Bryan for president, for instance, because it fears him on account of his own views, but it might support Folk or Douglas or Jerome against some Republicans that might be named. But however that may be, it has no politics in municipal elections or as to the judiciary.

AN IMPORTANT TRIP.
THE TRIP which the representatives of the Harriman interests in this city will make out along the line of the Lytle road for the purpose of presenting a report whether or not from the standpoint of the railroad an extension into the Bend country is warranted, puts a new and seemingly promising face upon the whole project of needed extensions. It is apparently getting the question down to a practical basis. Reports have been forwarded hitherto, many of them backed by the most substantial evidence of the advantages to be derived from the invasion of new territory and nothing has come of them, but in this particular case the authorization comes directly from Mr. Harriman himself and the report will go direct to him. We present elsewhere in this issue a summary of practical information which the investigators will discover for themselves on their trip, if they are not already aware of them, and believe that they make out a case for the country such as cannot fail to meet every reasonable requirement that Mr. Harriman is entitled to demand.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS.
Fruit canneries getting busy.
Great crops in Gilliam county again.
All sections of Oregon are all right.
Big stock sales in southeastern Oregon.
Roads leading to Newberg are being graded.
Morrow county farmers are jubilant over crop prospects.
Deposits in Heppner banks are much larger than ever before.
Electric line from Union to Cove is to be completed by October 1.

The Common Explanation.
From the Toledo (Or.) Leader.
That the long and honorable career of Oregon's "grand old man" should thus end in defeat at the polls by a Democrat, in a strongly Republican city will be regretted by many friends and admirers throughout the state. Several reasons may be pointed out for Mr. Williams' failure to draw the necessary votes. Mr. Williams himself was probably the chief factor. Although a man of good reputation and much ability he was undoubtedly in bad company. His cause was not helped any by the argument of the Oregonian that his defeat would mean that the people of Oregon are not in sympathy with the national administration in its method of conducting the land-fraud cases.

Doesn't Tell It All.
From the Springfield (Or.) News.
A man stopped on the street the other day and said we didn't publish all the things that happened. We should say we don't. In the first place, there's somebody else depending on us for a living. If we published all that happened we would soon be with the angels. In order to please the people we must print only the nice things of them and leave the rest to gossip. Yes, it's a fact that we don't print all the news. If we did, wouldn't we make it spicy reading? But it would be for one day only. The next day you would read our obituary and there would be a new face in heaven.

All in the Name.
From the Columbia Dispatch.
This said the city chap who was wailing influence of the Portland Oregonian it was furnished by the election in that city last Monday. Mayor Williams, his candidate, notwithstanding his long and honorable career, and supported by the Republican machine, was defeated for reelection. The Oregonian is on the wrong side of the question and is in danger of becoming stranded along the shore.

On the Wrong Side.
From the Milton Eagle.
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SMALL CHANGE.
And again the pioneers—God bless 'em.
The Glaciers are beginning to compel respect.
There are cases where cutthroats can be ably defended as a sensible thing.

From the Outlook.
Philadelphia has at last responded to the rising national tide of civic conscience and consciousness. In a word, that city has smashed its machine and dethroned its boss. Much if it stood for the achievement of a still more as part of a national civic and political awakening.

Some papers are offering advice to graduates. Isn't this inexcusable presumption? What are graduates for but to give advice to all the world themselves?
Some women go bareheaded on the streets and put their hats on in church. Wouldn't that shake up a saint? Albany Democrat. Do you pretend to be the shaken-up saint?

King Alfonso is said to have literary aspirations. If he can't be spanked by his mamma any more, seem stout relative or friend should say "Don't" to him with a club if necessary.
Summer isn't officially or officially here yet, but for some days it has looked like summer, and felt like summer, and some people ready to declare that, h'gosh, in spite of the almanac, it is summer.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS (continued).
There will be something doing on the Albany racetrack this year.
It will take till October to clear the Beaver Hill mines of water.
Some Yamhill county cherries are hauled 20 miles to a cannery.
Milton persists in remaining dry and yet is prosperous and happy.
Some Polk county Cootswold ewes sheared fleeces worth \$4.30 each.
Nearly all Corvallis will be here—at the exposition grounds, tomorrow.
Damage to the crops around Condon by a hailstorm was greatly exaggerated.
Heppner continues to be one of the largest sheep and wool centers in the Pacific northwest.
A two-story stone building 100 feet square, the upper floor for a theatre, is projected in Corvallis.
A Sherman county man has a new breed of red hogs, which he claims means more pork and less feed.

THE RISING TIDE IN CIVIC RULE.
The urban peril of today is the allegiance of the public service corporation and the political machine. Ten years ago the alliance governed every great American city without challenge, aided by graft in the political machine and stock manipulation in the corporation. The battle, it is now, is between the public and the machine. Philadelphia is weaker and the popular will stronger. In each some boss has been convicted or some corporation brought to account.

From the national capital to the smallest township the needs for reform are clear. Visible to each individual responsibility and such machinery of law and administration as brings results, good or bad, home to the householder in tangible shape.

WASCO MODESTLY SPEAKS.
From the Wasco News.
Wasco is the center of a large and prosperous farming community from which it draws an immense trade. It has a general merchandise store constantly employ a large force and are always busy. One firm alone sold last season between 20 and 30 combined harvesters. The streets are always lined with business men. The large surrounding the town is of the best and can be had at very reasonable rates compared with other farming sections.

Hired to Kill Seals.
From the Clatskanie Chief.
The necessary funds have been subscribed to employ two hunters to go down to Tillamook rock and vicinity to kill seals, and yesterday C. W. Loughery and E. D. Brooks took their guns and 1,000 rounds of ammunition each and went down to exterminate the seals, they having been employed by the contributors to the fund. About 4,000 seals are killed every day by the seal and sealers. It is estimated that the sealers will keep the two men about two months. There have been more seals in the river this year than ever before, and they have destroyed an immense amount of salmon.

GOES MERILY ON.
From the Milton Eagle.
The defeat of Mayor Williams of Portland, and the consequent victory for temperance and civic righteousness, is almost as gratifying to the people of this section as was the result of the election here. The cause of municipal reform goes merrily on.

ST. LOUIS AFTER THE FAIR.
From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.
The vital strength and expansive energy of this city, as shown by existing conditions, are a matter of a certain sense to its own people. It was supposed, as a matter of course, that for an indefinite period after the world's fair there would be some receding in the tide of business. What has come is not a lull, but the greatest boom in general the city has ever known. This is no vain boast. The figures are all solid, demonstrated fact. Any one who looks over the city can see it, and any one who examines the official figures of current business can prove it. It is no vain boast. The figures are all solid, demonstrated fact. Any one who looks over the city can see it, and any one who examines the official figures of current business can prove it.

When the hour struck he acted, and, as if all men who act, the city rose to him as one man. Make city maladministration visible, bring it home to every householder like a gas bill, make responsibility and power visible to every citizen, and the city and man will come together and smash any machine. These are the conditions of civic consciousness and civic conscience. Suddenly, in a week, Philadelphia knew itself. The dumb, driven city became a sentient thing. Councils, which had passed the lease once, collapsed. This machine was smashed. The boss abdicated. The campaign began is certain to go to the streets for the motor.

LEWIS AND CLARK.
En route up the Missouri river from Fort Mandan, near the site of Bismarck, North Dakota. The party is now nearing the Rocky mountains.
June 15. The men were again sent out to bring in game killed yesterday and to procure more; they also obtained a number of fine trout and several small catfish, weighing about four pounds, and differing from the white catfish lower down the Missouri. In the morning, Captain Lewis found a large rattlesnake coiled on the trunk of a tree under which he had been sleeping. He killed it and found it like those we had seen before, differing from the others but in the form and arrangement of them; it had 174 scutes on the abdomen and 12 half formed scutes on the tail. There is a heavy dew on the grass about the camp every morning, which is a sign of a plenty of rain in the fall as it takes place nowhere in the plains nor on the river except here. The messenger sent to Captain Clark returned with information of a having arrived five miles below us, and that he had seen a prairie dog, which would lead to the Missouri. A party of men would visit Captain Lewis and his party rejoined him.

A People's Victory.
From the La Grande Chronicle.
Dr. Harry Lane, the Democratic candidate for mayor of Portland, was elected over his Republican opponent, Judge G. H. Williams, by a plurality of 1,214 votes. The Democrats, as voted by the Oregonian, charge defeat to Republican soreheads, apathetic stay-at-homes, with a big sprinkling of Republican traitors who look for new alignments of leadership after the land fraud trials and have allowed their political activities in the municipal campaign to be a mere diagnosis from the Republican viewpoint is no doubt correct. The patent fact is that the Democratic candidate was elected because the people of Oregon had a better administration than they have had. It was the same way in the state when the people elected George E. Chamberlain governor. In either case it is a victory for the people.

Fears Being Bunkoed.
From the Pilot Rock Record.
Elmer E. Parker expects to leave for Portland in a few days to attend the fair. Mr. Parker will take the precaution to stop in Pendleton for a day or two on his way to the big show to rid himself of part of the rust he has accumulated while in Pilot Rock. He has not been outside this town for nearly a year and fears he will be bunkoed. He will go armed with a electric gun, a watch, his rifle and his pocket watch. He will therefore not have to depend upon the clock in the Oregonian tower, and thus hopes to keep from being run over by an electric gun on a highway while his eyes are turning heavenward. If Mr. Parker makes the trip without being robbed or run over it will go far toward swelling the crowd to the Rose City on this day.

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