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THE OREGON PIONEERS.

LL PARTS of the country had one after the other their ploneers, first settlers, foundation layers; but those of Oregon were peculiarly adventurous and interesting in that they journeyed so far, across such a wide waste of country, and remained so long separated and isolated from the more thickly settled and rapidly settling parts of the country. The Oregon donsers were not only the greatest of American pioneers, in the journey made from old to new homes, and the hardships and perils encountered on the way, but they remained plonears longer and did more work strictly as such than any others. For these and other reasons their annual meeting here is one of much interest to all our people, and Grewill have lost something precious, sentimentally at least, when all the genuine pioneers have passed away. Happfly, many of them are yet alive and able actively to enjoy their annual meeting.

These old men and women form distinct, visible, vibrant, pulsing human link, or bridge, between the present and the past; between the Oregon of today, with its Portland and other hustling cities, its rallroads and electricity, and manifold expressions of modern development and the Oregon of 50, 60, 65 years ago-the great, splendid wilderness Oregon, to penetrate which was to lose oneself indeed. Distance glids that time and the Oregon of the ploneers with the hues of romance, but it was a pretty stern and unpoetic reality that they had to face. There ere many deprivations and some compensations; surely if slowly they did ploneers' work, and did it well; and it is one of the privileges of the present generation, that future genrations cannot enjoy, that we can see and talk to these sturdy old forelopers face to face, and entertain them and be entertained by them, and hear from their own lips many true stories of old Oregon during the earliest days of its transformation from a terra incognita into great and prosperous states. Welcome, most sincerely and heartily welcome, dear old pioneers. We of later advent upon these scenes appreciate what you did, and love you for what you were and are. You are yearly passing, must pass; but some will be left for a goodly number of years yet; and for them the continually greater Portland will always surely have a most respectful and kindly welcome.

LETS ALL GET TO WORK.

FTHE QUESTION of paramount importance in the development of this state and the growth of this city is that of transportation facllitles. As matters stand it will serve no useful purpose to con-

demn this one or berate that one for not doing what would appear a plain duty.¹ It is a condition that we are called upon to deal with and it is now time that something be done to open up to settlement the vast interior of this state. A brief review of the state's growth in population in the last 10. years and the result of depending upon others to do what we should have done for ourselves presents the necessity for action more forcibly than any argument.

A fair test of increase in population is the vote cast. At the June election of 1898 the vote cast in the state for supreme judge was \$1,-046, of which number 15,270 were cast in Multhomah county. In 1908 the vote cast for the same office in the state was approximately 100,-000 and in Multnomah county 30,000. In other words, basing the population on the usual percentage, it would appear that the population of the state has increased in 10 years more than 120,000. Based on the vote cast, at least 75,000 of this number is accounted for by the growth of Portland alone.

This showing after 10 of the most prosperous years the country has ever known should excite grave concern and even incline us to hear these disagreeable facts. Our pride should not prevent us giving the matter careful consideration, to ascertain, if possible, the cause.

This state has magnificent natural resources of every kind. It has the greatest area of merchantable timber and of unoccupied agricultural land of any state in the union. It produces the very best of all kinds of agricultural and horticultural products. The livestock industry is important. Its fisheries, mines and other resources are well known. It has water powers in abundance, a progressive population and a splendid climate. Yet with all these our neighbor state across the river on the north, with not more than two thirds our area, has in the 10 years under review far outstripped us in population, and now has three representatives in congress with a probability of a fourth after the next census. Is it not time some attention should be given this subject? The reason is not hard to find nor far to seek. It is lack of transportation, caused by the absolute control that one system, one man's domination, has had in Oregon.

This fact is absolutely demonstrable. A glance at the map of the two states will show the difference in this respect. In 1898 the six counties, which together form central Oregon, comprising an area of over 40,000 square miles, cast 5,478 votes, showing a population of about 27,500. In 1906 the vote cast was 7,042, or a population of about 35,000. There was not even one inhabitant to every square mile. This great country, far greater in area than many of the states in the union, is absolutely without transportation facilities. Much the greater part of the state lying west of the Coast Range mountains is also without transportation. Consider what it would mean to this state and city if all this territory was properly served by railroads.

We want immigration, we want the settlers, but where shall we put them when they come? The home builder ordinarily is not looking for nor can he pay for the high priced grain land of Umatilla or the higher priced orchard land of the valley. What he is seeking is unoc-cupied land out of which he can make a home. Show him that and a way to market his products and he will come. This was proven beyond question when even the rumor of a railroad extension south from Shaniko caused every acre of land on Agency Plains in Crook county to be taken up and cultivated. And those deluded people raised last year alone on that one tract over 1,000,000 bushels of wheat which they could not market because of the lack of transportation.

We have the land-we lack the transportation. With the latter this state in five years' time would have a population of 1,500,000, and Portland would be a city of half a million people.

Have the railroad interests entrenched in this state shown any inclination to open up the state and make its opportunities available, or have they shown any disposition to let others do something?

In 1898 the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company passed into its present ownership and control and a few years thereafter the Oregon & California railroad was absorbed, so since that date, substantially all the transportation interests of this state have been under one management. Ten years gives a very fair perspective and is time enough to furnish a fairly accurate test of the policy toward the state and its development. Repeated efforts have been made to 'interest those in power in building new roads and opening new territory, but without all and today the mileage is substantially the same as it was 10

Small Change

No need for an almanac now Long may they happily linger with us

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popular than ever.

those who aim at an impossible and needless mathematical accuracy." What the people of Oregon want in representation is approximate justice, and the next legislature would do well to look for simplicity which in law, re-ligion and mechanics is the "acme of perfection." FRED C. DENTON. The traveling men of the country met in Boston this week, and next month the women's clubs will hold their convention in the same city. It would be interesting if these two organiza-tions could meet together and swap yarns and gossip.

What the Farmers Did.

Ballston, Or., June 6.—To the Editor of The Journal—The result of the late election confirms the opinion I have held that the Oregon Tax Reform associa-tion, in bringing the single tax to a vote, was years ahead of the intelli-

intangible property cannot be reached uncess if is owned by banks or involved in the probate courts, ste." Maybe, however, the rural intelli-gence of Oragen can device some plan to prove the Kansas farmers are fools in tax ethics. Having rejected the sin-gle tax, it is up to em to propound some more perfect plan of reforming the present tax system which all admit is unjust in fits operation. WALLACE TATES.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Approximate Justice Wanted.

The Journal-The people have indersed

Portland, June 8 .- To the Editor of

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Expresses Regrets.' Fortland, June 8.-To the Editor of The Journal-I must express my regrets at the reactionary leaning which The Journal is assuming of late; that arti-le indorsing Judge Lowell's insidious suggestions of curbing the power of the people under the initiative, for instance. I would like to know when Judge Lowell ever became a safe guide to follow for any one believing in pure Democracy or the rule of the people. If just occurs to me that it was but a short time since that this same Judge Lowell was out with a long let-ter arguing the evils of Statement No. . Of course he doesn't believe in the rule of the people, and would put on the shackles he could. But as to the Journal: one reactionary puper in portiand is a great plenty and T am sure you will make nothing trying to ate the oregonian's thunder, and you or your friends. There is not the slightest ground, is a prest of the election is past or any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-tor any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-than four or six questions at a . The bour the popular understanding, it

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The REALM FEMININE

Hot Weather Housekeeping. HERE are some easy ways of

adapting the family meals to the warm weather which has come upon us rather suddenly, and the

health and happiness of the famly may be thus improved. Another consideration which must appeal to every mother is that if the refreshing, cooling beverages and more easily assimi-

ing beverages and more easily assimi-lated food are to be had at home there will not be so many calls upon mother for nickels to be spent for ice cream or soda fountain drinks at the oparest dring store. We do not always realize that the oblidren feel the heat even more than the grown people do. They are so ad-ive, so close to the ground and so well covered with adipose that the hot weather seems to will them. Hot weather meals should omit large-ly meats, faits and the starches. They should include the nitrogenous foods and the fruit juices.

and the fruit juices. Besides the decided sain of having the children find their happiness and their greatest pleasures at home look-ing upon home as the choices! and best place on earth, there is a gain in hav-ing these cooling foods and drinks there rather than at some corner drug store, that the mother knows what they are getting and can prevent their con-suming a large amount of adulterated syrups or artificially colored stuffs. The value of lemons as a food is in their cleansing action upon the diges-tive organs. The fruit juice acts di-rectly upon the liver and kidneys. attimulating them and cleansing them of impusities.

stimulating them and cleansing them of impurities. Let the children have plenty of pure lemonade mades at home. A half lemon to a glassful is a good proportion for children. For the weak or anaemio child a whole egg beaten into it is valuable and supplies both food and drink at the same time. For a pleas-ant change currant, strawberry or rasp-berry juice may be added, and if the small seeded fruits are thought linjuri-ous the fruits may be passed through a sleve before adding to the lemonade.

Neither adults nor childran cars for pastries, meats or hot soups in the hot weather. Instead let the meals con-tain plenty of easily dirested foods like rice and legumes, such as peas and beans; tapicca, milk, fruits and nuts, with the fats supplied by butter, cream and chocolats. Some good dinner menus for hot weather dinners for children are these: Nut butter sandwiches

Nut butter sandwiches. Cornstarch blanc mange with strawber-berries.

Walnuts. Orangeade. Milk chocolate.

Boston brown bread and butter. Currant jam. Tapioca cream. Milk,

Minced ham sandwiches. Boston crackers with strawberries. Cottage cheese. Lemonade

Fresh pineapple, or, what is almost as good, the canned, may be made an agreeable addition to the menu, either alone or added to the lemonade or made into a gelatine dessert. It is no more expensive than meat, and the children like it far better.

all the shackles he could. But as to The Journal; one reactionary paper in Portland is a great plenty and I am sure you will make nothing trying to ate verp apt to disappoint very many of your friends. There is not the slightest ground, either in the axperience of the election just past or any other which has taken place for the implication that the elec-torate is unfit or incapable of deciding more than four or six questions at a time. About the popular understanding, it seems pretty good, and if our däily papers would spend one-tenth the time they do in writing up candidates, in a consolentious discussion of these in-

chocolate or coffee, or any flavor de-sired. Another good recips for mousse is this: Boil a cup of sugar and a cup of water until the mixture threads. Beat stiffly the whites of three eggs and slowly pour the syrup over, beating steadily. Beat till all is cold, flavor and fold in a pint of whipped cream. Put all in a covered pall and cover with ice and sait for four hours. The mousse may be served with fresh fruits around the mold, with crushed macaroons mixed in, or with nuts and fruits in any com-bination liked. It is a very pretty des-sert colored a light green with pis-tachio and served in long-stemmed glasses, the ice surrounded, if liked, with pink rose petals. In-

"PRINCIPLES" - AND VILLAINY.

THE CORVALLIS REPUBLICAN in what little it says editorially is enjoyable-up to a certain point. It so gravely warns Republicans of Oregon that they are allowing factionalism to "bear the party along to destruction." This is comical, with 40,000 Republican mafortty, 75 out of 90 members of the legislature, and nearly all the other offices in the state except a few sheriffs. Aren't the 30,000 Democrats entitled to a little something? As to senator, that was largely a fight outside of party lines, and properly so. But the Corvallis newspaper has some hope still that the Republican party will yet be saved, for it says, "Republicans are yet as one on all the principles of the party." This is naive. "What principles? Nothing on earth can be mentioned that Republicans, or Democrats, agree on except the desire to get the offices. Do Roosevelt and Cannon agree? Or Platt and La Follette? This word "principles" is being greatly overworked. Nobody, attempts to define or even montion them any more.

formed person believes the party will people merely to elect a man of a now see. do this. A Republican legislature little different opinion from the man will choose a Republican for United chosen by the people-and fust be-

Democratic legislature under like ciples"! But of course this per- a majority of the voters of the state conditions would and should choose verted editor is mistaken; if a party would not have it now if they could a Democrat. All will then join in has no principles, these men have help it .--- Indianapolis Star. This mirth over such things as Statement some principles. We venture to information must have come from No. 1-the Republicans at them- predict that not one of them will some of the sick and sore politicians. cives for being so beforded and the act in accordance with the "prin- "The chances" are altogether the Democrats for themselves that they tor. What a fine sample of political other way.

years ago.

In 1903, five years ago, the building of a road into central Oregon was definitely promised, but not a spade of earth was ever turned. The building of this road was abandoned through local influences under the specious plea that a road from the south would be more serviceable and better located. Five years have passed and that section has neither a road from the north or the south or the east or the west and is as securely bottled up as it was before the promise was made. A start was made toward Coos bay and Tillamook, which in time no doubt will be built. Not content with not building themselves, the interests dominating the transportation of this state have bitterly contested the building of roads by others in "their territory." They would not build themselves and others should not if they could prevent it. To add to the difficulties and to still further discourage development, about three or four years ago the land grant of the Oregon & California Railroad company was withdrawn from sale and the development of the Williamette valley badly handicapped.

Some new lines have been projected into southeastern Oregon from California, the building of which will attach that portion of the state commercially to the latter state.

During the past 10 years no new country in the state of Oregon has been opened up to settlement by the building of railroads. In short, g dog in the manger policy has been adhered to.

These are statements of fact known to all. After 10 years of experience, have not the people the right, are they not bound to assume these acts are the result of a settled, fixed and defined policy, or do they want to wait 10 years longer? Portland cannot grow as it should unless the population of the state increases. With the state's growth the city's follows. If Portland were not so situated as to get the benefit of the development of Washington and Idaho how much larger would it have been in 1908 than in 1898? The answer can be found by looking. at the other cities of the state not so fortunately located.

There is but one remedy. By some means transportation must be furnished to those portions of the state now without it. The rivers must be opened and improved. The time for relying upon promises is past. No more important work is before the people of this city than the securing of independent transportation lines and the opening of waterways within and throughout the state of Oregon. Not a single resident of this city but what will receive the direct benefits therefrom. and there is not a person in the state but what feels the lack of it. One independent transportion line across central Oregon would be of greater benefit to the state than a number of lines controlled and operated as they have been in the past. . What are the business men and propertyholders, the people of this city and of this state going to do about it?

They have the means and resources to provide themselves with needed transportation. They should not look longer in the direction of Mr. Harriman. All we have to do is to get to work-depend upon ourselves-God helps those who help themselves-self-reliance is a great virtuel

had so long been able to fool Re-| morality that is, by the way, to dispublicans and avoid fooling many ciples" of the Corvallis commentaplay in a college town, where sev-Democrats." eral hundred young men are being

The editor who could write this educated. is pitiably foolish, of course, but

But the Corvallis paper betrays its think of the abominable political If the pioneers could have looked reprehensible political nature, when morals which possess him. He de- ahead and foreseen Portland they It goes on to say: "The ensuing clares that three dozen Republican might all have become rich by get-January it will not commit political members of the legislature will might all have become rich by get-united States sension which possess mint the dozen Republican might all have become rich by get-ting a slice of Portland's site-but then if all had done that there would United States senator. No well in- and covenant with half a million have been no such Portland as they

Oregon would have a primary elec-States senator just as surely as a fore he had been talking of "prin- tion law, but the chances are that

A Sisters young man has trapped six bears this spring.

In the recent election 584 votes were cast in North Bend.

Oregon Sidelights

Even Lake county went about half

In the East Cottage Grove precinct votes were cast.

The Hermiston public school will employ five teachers next year.

Out of the 234 votes cast in Fossil not a single ballot was spolled. The county seat vote in Wallowa

county was: Enterprise 987, 864. Wallowa Wallowa

The wheat crop of Morrow county promises to be a little above the aver-age. . . .

A proposed new electric railroad will run through Jacksonville if that town raises \$2,500.

Already most of the Grant's Pass wa-oon buildings have been rented for other purposes.

The prolonged cold weather last month made strawberries and cherries ather scarce in portions of the Wil-amette valley. ra thre

A rauchman near Wedderburn with his dog killed a bear weighing 300 pounds that had destroyed many sheep.

A South Dakota buyer has bought 65,000 sheep lately in Crock county. For one lot of 15,000 yearling wethers he paid \$2.25 per head.

Cdttage Grove Western Oregon: The rose show has come to stay and it is a fitting annual celebration for Oregon and should become a state holiday.

A ranch of 560 acres on the Umatilla river east of Echo has been sold for \$25,000 that a faw years ago was sage-brush waste worth only \$2.50 per acre.

Climatic and soll conditions are such as to make the Rogue river valley al-most proof against peer blight, which has ruined pear orchards in California and other sections.

Work at good wages for at least 100 able-bodied men is now to be found at the wood camps of Kamela and Meacham. Wood dealers find it im-posible to secure men to gut wood for the winter market.

A Bonanza saloonkeepar will hereaf-ter run a billiard room and eigar and soft drink store and announces that people who are expecting that he will do a "bilnd pig" business will be dis-appointed; he will sell no drinks in vio-lation of the law, and expects to make more money and do it more pleasantly than heretofore. .

Prineville Review: The break in the big dam last week washed thousands of trout down the creek and as soon as the water cleared fishing began, many fine catches being made, until the trout left for their homes up the creek once more. Even the irrigation ditches made good flycasting streams, and by turning the water off for a short time, one party made a haul of 290 in 20 minutes. minutes.

CONCERNITY NO AND IN SUIZ ...

Ininutes. Lakeview Examiner: Strangers are coming into the country by the dosens, there seems to be a powerful force at work in the interests of Lake county, and nature offers the chief reason for this great influx of homeseekers. Not only homeseekers are looking toward here county, but men looking for busi-ness locations are enger to get a foot-hold here. Not a day passes that does not bring inguiries from men in pursuit of business locations. The lack of rall tansit has ever kept this country, back but now that we are assured of one or two railroads through the cen-ter of this caunty investment-seeking capital is turning this way.

actentious thative measures as they came up, there would then be no possible ground for saying the people are not able to decide more than four to six questions at a time. H, DENLINGER.

vote, was years ahead of the intelli-gence of the great majority of Oregon farmers. It was held by the agricul-tural brain to be a scheme to exempt the "rich city fellows" from taxation. So bitter was the prejudice against the single tax that I have serious doubts whether we got a fair count in districts solely under control of farmers. In this precinct, while"I was in the poll-ing booth, two of the election judges-"honest farmers"--from their seats on the board were arguing with the voters against the single tax! And mine was the only protest against these proceed-ings. Aged Man Left Behind.

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fegislative candidate to travel who listens to the rusty creakings of the machine. . . Now is the time to swear off run-

The Columbia river sulmon have a little better show now. The Rose City has roses, even if the season was a little to slew in leaving the frozen east. The last Republican congress stood for the Standard Oil courrency bill like patriots. If the Standard Oil crowd want the capital building in Washing-ton for an oil tank, give, it to 'cm. California Republicans are still hop-ing they have not been swallowed by

ing they have not been swallowed by the railroad octopus. Some people do not know when to lie down in their coffins and stop quarreling with the

ndertaker.

are great compensations, however. Promises of the old machine Repub-licans that no Statement No. 1 candi-dates will run next time, are made with-out consulting the rank and file. It is a bad habit the old guards have of as-suming to speak for the voters. The voters will say who the United States senators are that represent Oregon, and they will make it a rocky road for any

with pink rose petals. Plain ices are variations of the fol-lowing formula: Boll a cupful of sugar and two cups of water to a smooth syrup. Add fruit juices and lemon (the lemon is hecessary with almost all fruits to give body), strain, cool and add the waites of two eggs (unbeaten); freeze. Orange, currant, strawberry and peach are all good additions to water lees. For ice cream, which is a good and wholesome dessert for children as well as for grownups, if made of pure ma-terials and in a sanitary manner, the following is an easy formula: Beat two cggs and mix with a quart of milk and a pint of cream. Add sugar and flavor-ing and, if wated a little smoother and richer, a tablespoonful of gelating soaked in a portion of the milk and ing and freese. Tor grown-ups as for the children, keep the meals simple, having only a few dishes at a time, keep the house as cool as you/can, and keep your temper all the time.

The Daily Menu.

he DERLY AST. BREAKFAST. Strawberries Wheat Bread Toset. Coffee

Whole Wheat Design Berambled Eggs Cold Baked Beans LUNCHEON. Icod Tea

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A Check to Greed.

A Check to Greed. From the Pittaburg Dispatch. If our waterwars were all improved the railways might be a little less con-tident about putting up raites because the country does not furnish traffle enough to Bult them. Immigration to this part of Grant county is slow, but is now siving prom-ise of becoming much larger, says the Prairie City Miner.

San Diego is having several railroads

no doubt make the grab elements in that democracy sit up and take notice. The feet of the English aristocracy are said to be increasing in size be-cause of the number of American heir-esses introduced during the past two generations. The American millions are great compensations, however.

It is Taft against Bryan-that's sure nough for a bet. enough for a bet. Like wilted grass in August the fa-vorite sons are being cured. The people voted on the amendments and laws to suit themselves.

Oklahoma has some referendary and initiative propositions before the people for next November. Some of them will no doubt make the grab elements in

Running Shots Written for The Journal by Fred C. Denton.