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#### THE COMING OF THE WEST.

The college commencements, which this week are being held throughout our state, are calling attention to the fact that Oregon is taking rapid steps in educational advancement. In spite of hard times pressure and the feeling that a college education is a luxury not to be considered in days of depression, yet the rosters of our higher institutions show a general increase in students. Not only in the present satisfactory; the future is bright with hope. The day is at hand when Oregon and Washington are to rival their older sisters of the East in giving to their youth all the advantages of a liberal education.

Whitman college at Walla Walla, which was founded as a monument to the martyr, Marcus Whitman, is on the eve of a great advancement. Stimulated by the efforts of President Penrose, a young man born to lead, and possessed of an inspiration like that given to the prophets of old, an endowment of \$200,000 has been so nearly assured that it is only a question of a little time till the whole amount, and more, will be pledged. The citizens of Walla Walla have given \$50,000, and wealthy friends in the East will supply the remainder. Washington will have one institution that will stand in the front rank of the Christian schools of the West, and be what its founder, Missionary Eels, intended—a mighty monument to a noble, patriotic man.

#### NO LANDLORDS IN OREGON.

Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and some of the other western states are cursed by reason of the large holdings of non-resident or corporate land holdings. Farms covering many miles in extent are operated by one management. During the seeding and harvesting seasons an army of men is required and employed; during the remainder of the year a large part of these laborers are wandering from place to place seeking labor or begging for a living. The net profits of the business are sent out of the state, and are used out of the United States.

The unfortunate conditions incident to absent landlordism in Ireland and Scotland are being felt, and will be more felt in these states. The Creator has done much for those states which he has not done for Oregon; but in depriving us of broad level prairies, He has made it inconvenient, if not impossible, for one person or corporation to operate or control a large territory within our state. Our mountains, hills and canyons are inconvenient, but they are, after all, a great blessing. Our lands must, from necessity, be tilled by men who own small tracts only; and these must reside upon them. Thus the population will be permanent and will be home-builders. Cultivation by small tracts is always conducive to better cultivation and greater wealth; the profits are expended or invested within the state. Permanency of population tends to the building of homes; these require churches and schools, and these make a community contented, prosperous and influential.

Oregon will never be cursed with absent landlordism, and for this reason, as well as many others, it is a most desirable land for the home-seeker.

#### THE PRESS AND FREE SILVER.

Upon nearly every question of national interest the press of the country is divided, and the ablest journals are often upon opposite sides. This is, and long has been, true respecting the tariff, the banking, and revenue questions. Upon the silver question one is impressed with the unanimity of the leading newspapers North and South. Whatever may be said as to the motives and influences which mould the policy of a great newspaper, it must be conceded that their editors are men of brains, who give careful thought and study to all important questions, and the fact that the more influential papers of the country are opposing the free and unlimited coinage of silver, is a very strong indication that the nation will never adopt the plan.

Outside of silver producing states there is little life to the agitation.

#### DALLES CITY DEBT.

The bonded indebtedness of the city is now \$157,000, upon which is an annual interest charge of \$9,420. Of this

indebtedness \$100,000 will be paid in four annual payments of \$25,000 each by the revenues from the water system. Fifty-seven thousand dollars will become due at one time, twenty-five years hence. The semi-annual interest charge upon this latter sum is \$1,710, or \$285 per month.

During the past four or five years nearly this entire indebtedness has been incurred. Hence to overcome the deficit and meet the interest charge there must be a marked change in the management of the city's business. The men to whom this work is intrusted are capable of handling it, but it will require the closest attention, and no opportunity to economize can be overlooked.

#### ALTGELD'S SPECIAL SESSION.

Governor Altgeld has called a special session of the legislature of Illinois, one purpose being to pass laws regarding sleeping-car charges. We knew Altgeld was the friend of the laboring people; he proposes to have such laws adopted that the poor laborers of the country, the people who always travel in Pullman cars and have their boots blacked by colored porters, shall not be robbed by extortionate charges of this rich corporation. The iron workers, the carpenters, the brick-layers, the hodcarriers and common laborers of Illinois have much to be grateful for because of their governor's thoughtfulness for them.

If a special session costs the taxpayers a large sum, it don't matter; laboring people must have Pullman car accommodations at less cost.

#### Funeral of the Late Hon. T. S. Lang.

This morning all that was mortal of Thomas S. Lang was laid to rest in Sunset cemetery. The services were held at the family residence and were attended by a large number of the friends of the dead man and his bereaved family. Rev. W. C. Curtis of the Congregational church, read the beautiful words of the Episcopal funeral service and then the choir sang Cardinal Newman's touching hymn, "Lead Kindly Light." There were no remarks or sermon preached at either the house or grave, but the services were in keeping with the character of Mr. Lang—perfectly simple and sincere. The casket was borne by Charles Hilton, John Marden, N. B. Sinnott, Dr. Shackelford, B. G. Whitehouse and H. Herbring. A large number of carriages containing prominent people who had known Mr. Lang during his life in The Dalles and had admired his sterling qualities, followed the remains to the cemetery.

The services at the cemetery were of the simplest kind; no words of eulogy were said, but only the comforting truths of the burial service. The casket was covered in a profusion of beautiful flowers given by mourning friends.

Mr. Lang during his residence in The Dalles, by his unvarying kindness and courtesy, has made lasting friends of all with whom he came in contact. He leaves a widow and two daughters who mourn him as a kind and loving husband and father. His age was 69 years.

Thomas Stackpole Lang was born in North Berwick, Maine, on June 16, 1826. After leaving the Friends school, a Quaker institution at Providence, R. I., he engaged in business with his father, James D. Lang, who was largely interested in lumber and shipping, besides being an extensive wooden manufacturer. During many years of business success Mr. Lang found time to do much for his state and locality. At his own expense he imported from Europe cattle and horses, which greatly raised the grade of stock in his vicinity, and his methods of farming are still admired there.

He served several terms in the Maine legislature, both as senator and representative, and took a prominent part in republican politics. When the rebellion broke out, he was tendered a commission of colonel by Governor Washburn, but owing to private reasons he did not qualify. He has borne the title of colonel since that time. His close attention to business began to tell upon his almost iron constitution, and in 1867 he accepted the appointment of commissioner to the world's fair at Paris. After a considerable residence abroad he returned home much improved in health, and in 1872 on the liberal republican, or "Greely" ticket, he contested the congressional seat with James G. Blaine, losing by a narrow majority, and carrying his home county by a flattering vote.

At this time he had extended his lumber shipping to Cuba, and was engaged in trading with the West Indies. When the Cuban insurrection broke out in 1873 he sustained heavy losses in the island of Cuba, and through the failure of others in this country, lost a handsome fortune. This trouble, together with that brought about by the panic of 1873, so undermined Mr. Lang's health that in the following year he determined to move to Oregon and there engage in the stock business with a relative, Hon. J. W. Nesmith. The change of life agreed with him, and for a time his

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health returned; but four years later he was forced to abandon the stock business and remove to The Dalles, where he edited and published the Wasco County Sun for a number of years, and established a wide reputation as a forcible and convincing writer. His editorials on the tariff, as it affected Oregon's interests, attracted much attention. He was appointed receiver of The Dalles land office by President Harrison, and held the position during the administration.

For many years past Mr. Lang has held the position of special Indian agent in the matter of the protection of Indian fishing rights on the Columbia river. His unflinching stand for justice to the Indians won for him the admiration of all fair-minded citizens, and the gratitude and confidence of every Indian along the river.

#### Two Lives Saved.

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