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ONE RESULT of the elections recently held in most of the states, at which a majority of republicans were elected to the house of representatives and republican legislatures were chosen in a sufficient number of states to make it certain that that party will control the next senate, is to make it sure that the legislation for the country during the next two years will be carried on in accordance with the principles of the republican party.

ONCE MORE has Thanksgiving day come and gone. From the first time that day was observed, nearly 400 years ago, by a little band of pilgrims on the shore of Massachusetts bay, the custom of observing a day of thanksgiving each year has spread until now it has become a holiday for the people of this great nation and it is looked forward to with pleasure by old and young in all parts of the country.

THE BEST way to build up a town is to stand by every man in the place who does right. Whenever a man is doing well, do not tear him down. All residents should be partners, not opponents. In all livelihoods the more business your rival does the more you will do.

"COIN" HARVEY proposes that all who voted for Bryan shall contribute a dollar each a month for the silver cause during the next two years. The resulting campaign fund would be \$150,000,000. They will probably have some little trouble in raising the sack, but if they do it would make a very lively campaign.

THE SECOND regular session of the fifty-sixth congress will open at Washington D C a week from Monday.

OUR EUGENE MAIL.

E. Bangs to Carry a Daily Mail Between Eugene and Mapleton.

IT WAS a cause for much rejoicing among the people of Eugene, Acme, Point Terrace and points along the road to Eugene, when intelligence was received the first of the week that arrangements had been made to resume the daily mail service between Eugene and Mapleton.

Since the above was written Mr Bangs has informed us that his mail contract for the above named route is only temporary.

THE BUSINESS SIDE OF ANNEXATION.

S. F. Chronicle. The annexation of Hawaii is going to make an appreciable difference in the commerce of this port. Under the existing laws foreign bottoms cannot do coasting trade, and the traffic between Hawaii and the mainland belongs, or will belong as soon as Congress declares the islands a part of the United States, in that category.

Naturally this demand for American bottoms will stimulate shipbuilding, which, in turn, must vitalize many contributory trades. It ought also to add strength to the cause of the Philippine annexation, because, if those Asiatic islands are annexed, the effect upon shipbuilding will be the same in kind, but much greater in degree.

It is a prospect worth working for, and, fortunately for the Coast, there were plenty of the right kind of men elected to Congress the other day from the Pacific States to make the work effective.

URGED TO GIVE UP.

Madrid Nov 17.—Almost all the papers deprecate the dilatory proceedings at Paris, expressing their belief that the United States will decline arbitration, and urge the government to yield quickly, since it is impossible for Spain to renew the struggle or to expect European assistance, and furthermore, because it would be better to cease wasting money and to concentrate attention upon Spain's domestic affairs and the restoration of her finances.

FROM MANILA.

The law courts have resumed business with the Spanish judges to hear civil cases and American judges to hear criminal cases. There is a leper scare in Manila. Through neglect of the Spanish officials, nearly 200 lepers escaped from confinement. Orders have been issued for all lepers to be sent to the uninhabited island southeast of Luzon.

THERE COMES a great roar from some of the patrons of public school on account of the suspension of pupils from school for a day or so as a punishment for breaking rules. Better try a club next time and keep the children in school. That's what school taxes are paid for.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The Story of the Philippines" by Mural Halsted, commissioned by the Government as official Historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the Pacific, with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deck of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the rear of the battle at the fall of Manila, Bonasas for agents. Brimful of original pictures taken by government photographer on the spot. Large book. Low price. The profit. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy unclassified war books. Ours free. Address, F. T. Barber, Sec'y, Star Insurance Bldg., Chicago.

MR. WARREN WRITES.

Equality, Wash, Nov. 13th, 1898.

Editor West: As per agreement, I will through your paper, let the people know of my safe arrival at, and the prospects of my future home.

I found things a little further advanced than I expected. They have the finest piece of land when cleared that can be found, they have a good saw-mill, shingle-mill, a fine barn and the apartment houses are fine large buildings; you must understand that this colony is but one year old and has been heyed out of the timber where there was nothing but a "shake shanty" to mark the spot. They have got a very nice school house with a basement, and they voted last night to fix it up for athletic exercises. They have good wholesome food; all eat at the same dining room; all are well dressed and well behaved and are as intelligent a lot of people as you can find any place on the globe and furthermore they are all happy and contented—laughing, singing and cracking jokes the whole time—with never a frown to mar the happiness of any, they work together like brothers and sisters.

I have sent a great many of my friends a copy of our paper which will tell more than I can, without taking too much of your space. I have also sent you a copy of the paper, after this they will exchange with you, if you wish it. I have worked two days in the printing office and I will say that I am well pleased, so far as I have seen, with the prospects before me. I will try in the future to let you hear from me. With best wishes to all.

Yours truly W E WARREN. P. O. address: Belfast, Washington.

A NOVEL IDEA.

Kansas City Star:

A Michigan man proposes the use of a kind of paper money which can be transformed immediately into a check, payable only to a designated person. The purpose is to facilitate the transmission of small sums through the mails. These proposed new government notes are to be called post checks, for two reasons: One, because they are to be used through the post office, and the other, because a man named Post invented them.

The proposition, in brief, is for the United States government to issue several million of paper currency with blank spaces on the faces of the notes for writing names and addresses. These notes, so long as they remain blank, are to circulate as money, just as greenbacks, treasury notes and silver certificates do. When occasion arises to send 25 cents or any other sum through the mail one of these notes can be taken out of the pocket the name and address of the proposed recipient of the money can be written on it, together with the signature of the sender, and a postage stamp affixed—one cent for sums of \$1 or under—in the place provided. Then the note, which a moment before was a piece of paper money, available for all currency purposes, becomes an order payable only to one designated person. When that person receives it he has only to take it to the post office and obtain a new note in its place. The stamp put on the note recompenses the postal department for its services. Of course, the notes must be enclosed in a stamped envelope when sent through the mail.

These proposed checks would be of advantage to everyone who uses the mails for collecting money. Newspaper and magazine publishers, the manufacturers of all small, cheap articles, and merchants generally would profit by them, and they certainly would be a great convenience to the public generally. Moreover they would increase the revenues of the postal department. The fees collected on money orders amount to \$670,000 annually. The stamps used on these postal checks would amount to many times that sum.

About \$175,000,000 are transmitted through the mails by means of money orders in a year. It is not unlikely that more than \$500,000,000—possibly \$1,000,000,000—would pass through the post offices if this new plan was introduced.

The originator of the checks, Mr O W Post, of Battle Creek, Mich., has submitted his plan to Secretary Gage and other financiers, and has prepared a bill, providing for the issue of post-checks, which will be introduced in congress at the coming session.

WANTED—SEVERAL TRUSTWORTHY PERSONS in this state to manage our business in their own and nearby counties. It is mainly office work conducted at home. Salary straight \$200 a year and expenses—definite, bonafide, no more, no less salary. Monthly \$3. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Herbert K. Hess, Pres., Dept. M. Chicago.

What Shall We Do.

A serious and dangerous disease prevails in this country, dangerous because so deceptive. It comes on so slowly yet surely that it is often firmly seated before we are aware of it.

The name of this disease which may be divided into three distinct stages is, first kidney trouble, indicated by pain in the back, rheumatism, lumbago, frequent desire to urinate, often with a burning sensation, the flow of urine being copious or scant with strong odor.

If allowed to advance, this reaches the second stage, or Bladder trouble, with heavy pain in the abdomen low down between the navel and the water passage, increasing desire to urinate, with scalding sensation in passing, small quantities being passed with difficulty, sometimes necessary to draw it with instruments. If uric acid or gravel has formed, it will prove dangerous if neglected.

The third stage is Bright's Disease. There is comfort in knowing that Dr Kilmer, the great kidney and bladder specialist, has discovered a remedy famous for its marvelous cures of the most distressing cases and known as Dr Kilmer's Swamp-Root.

It is sold by all druggists. As a proof of the wonderful virtues of this great discovery, Swamp-Root, a sample bottle and book of valuable information will be sent absolutely free by mail on application to Dr Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing kindly mention that you read this liberal offer in THE WEST.

PASS THE IMMIGRATION LAW.

Tacoma Ledger:

The immigration into this country last year amounted to 228,299 persons, largely of the illiterate and undesirable classes from Italy, Austro-Hungary, Poland and Russia. Immigration from these districts increased from 52 to 57 per cent over that of the previous year, while the immigration of the educated and desirable classes from England, Germany, France and Scandinavia fell from thirty-eight to thirty-two per cent.

But 1314 immigrants were debarrred from landing during the year, and of the lot who came in nearly forty thousand could not read or write their native language, twenty-three per cent. of the whole being illiterate, and therefore undesirable.

If the Lodge immigration bill had become a law, the twenty-three per cent. of illiterates, mostly of the lower classes from Italy, Poland and Russia, would have been kept out. They are undesirable in every respect. Ignorant, they know no law, nor respect any except that of force. If they work they accept reduced wages, living like beasts, and thus depriving Americans of work, for there are corporations which will employ these cattle because of the low wages they will accept, unmindful of the fact that they are dangerous and expensive in most cases in the long run.

It is to be hoped that the educational immigration bill, which was intended to protect American labor and keep out this ignorant and dangerous element, vetoed by President Cleveland and defeated at the last session largely through the efforts of Senator Turner, will become a law very soon after the republican majority is seated in the senate.

GLENADA NEWS.

By Reporter.

Not seeing any Glenada news in your paper for some time, I will send you a few items.

Ed Furnish has about recovered from his recent illness.

Mr Bailey has returned from his visit to Maple creek.

Mr Holden has gone to Coos bay on a business trip.

Mr C R David is preparing to teach a class of young folks in vocal music.

Our school now has 30 scholars enrolled and several more are expected.

Mr Lawton and Mr Lacy have moved from the Craven building to Mr Houghton's cottage.

Harvey Nighswander has been suffering with a very bad hand, but it is better now.

Arthur Johnson came in Saturday from his ranch on Sweet creek to visit with his family a short time.

J M Young of Fiddle creek is stopping in Glenada while canvassing for the history of the war, and several other books.

W T Carle expected to move his family in from Maple creek to attend school but owing to the storm have not arrived yet. They will occupy the Fisk house.

A few weeks ago we fully expected by this time to see a beautiful new flag proudly waving from a stately flag-pole at our school house, but alas, the old saying, "The best laid plans of mice and men will oftentimes gang a-glee" is true in this case, and we still have no flag we are sorry to say.

ALPHA CLIPPINGS.

By EYEN CHANGE.

Nov. 21st, 1898.

We are having a light touch of Alaska, some snow Sunday morning which melted away as soon as the sun came out; still we can go out and pluck nice roes from the bushes.

Rev I G Knotts delivered an extra good sermon at this place Sunday afternoon. Alpha should have a church building.

Mr Chas Ackerson leads in the pork business here, killing three hogs, one of them dressing 300 lbs; all being fattened from home products.

It is rumored here that the mail service between Eugene and Mapleton will not be cut down to three times a week. Certainly no one who was ever used to a daily mail could have the gall to say that it cannot be carried on, or that it is useless because certain contractors failed to bid enough to properly equip themselves. This government does not ask anyone to work for nothing. So lets scratch a little of the moss off our anatomy and believe in progression.

Lane county should have a good wagon road from Eugene to its only seaport—Florence—letting it by contract to the lowest bidder, a portion of it each year, on a good wide grade. With the steamboat running from Eugene to Portland Lane county generally would have cheaper transportation.

Our mail contractor has a lame horse and has got another so as to have a change—Owing to there not being a bridge at Dealwood he was compelled to walk 26 miles last Saturday as the creek was past fording.

PERSONALS.

E Bangs was in Florence Wednesday on business.

J M Young made a business trip to Gardiner yesterday.

Mr Gibbs and son arrived Wednesday from a trip to the valley.

Keeper Hall of Heceta light house was a Florence visitor Monday.

Will Johnston of Siletz is visiting his sister Mrs E A Evans and family.

Fred Butterfield returned home Sunday after an absence of over two years at Siletz and eastern Washington.

John I Butterfield and City Marshal Compton left for Eugene on Monday's boat having been summoned thither as witnesses in the examination of Fred Funke in regard to his sanity.

A POSTOFFICE ON WHEELS.

Farm and Home.

Is being tried in a Maryland country town. It distributes and collects mail at post boxes along roads, issues or pays money orders to those who meet it for the purpose, and is proving quite a convenience. It may help to solve the problem of giving rural districts the postal advantages that the cities now enjoy. We rejoice at the progress of the American postal league (Box 2361, Boston, Mass.) that is being organized to induce congress to give decent postal service to rural towns, and to provide a parcel post, a postal currency, etc. No one branch of government can do so much for the people, at so slight a cost, as the postoffice.

MANILA PRINTERS.

Eugene Register: Horace Burnett Company C, Second Oregon Volunteers at Manila, is one of the printers who went from this city. He has visited several of the "shops" in Manila and says five or six daily papers are published there. The native Philippines do all the typesetting, and he says some of them are pretty "swift." The "cases" of type are about the same as ours, but the "sticks" only hold two lines whereas our "sticks" hold from 12 to 20 lines.

CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to thank the people of Mapleton for their kindness in fighting the fire and thus saving the steamer Marguerite from total destruction.

O W Hurd.

COST OF BRANTON CASE.

In figuring up the cost of the Branton case, it is found that the county was put to an expense of \$2200 in running down and convicting the murderer of John Linn.

An Old Soldier

His Story of What Hood's Sarsaparilla Has Done

Whole Family Greatly Helped by This Medicine.

"I am an old run down soldier, my whole system being out of order and my right side partially paralyzed. I have tried various remedies and realized only temporary relief. I have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills, and have derived more real benefit from them than anything I have tried. My wife has been greatly helped by Hood's Sarsaparilla. She was all run down and her system much out of order. My two little boys recovered quickly from the effects of diphtheria by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which rid them of troublesome sores and symptoms of the croup. They are now well and hearty." W. F. BURNETT, Starkey, Oregon.

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