

THE OREGON SCOUT.

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THE COMING ELECTION.

Only a few days more and an election will be held at which, among other amendments, will be one on the increase of the salaries of state officers. It is a well known fact that the salaries of the state officers are unreasonably low; that it is not good economy for a state to be so parsimonious in the matter of paying its servants. We believe it to be the almost universal belief that if we desire to secure talent, ability, sound judgment and inflexible honesty we must pay for it. First class ability and talent are not generally purchased for a song, but that is about the price paid by our own state to most of its public servants. Fifteen hundred dollars a year for the Governor of the great and growing State of Oregon, and for that it is expected to get the best in the market. It may get the best offered, but competency and fitness will, at this age of our state, a prosperity, stand aside and let some ambitious mediocre step up and seat himself upon the gubernatorial rostrum.

There was a time when the present salary of state officers was sufficient for the times; when the state was first organized and for years afterwards it would not have been good economy to have larger salaries. Now the state has grown in importance and has assumed a rank among her sister states of which we, her people, have a right to justly feel proud. Oregon is becoming more prosperous as a state every day, and in the ratio that her prosperity increases, so does her importance, and measures which affect the whole state in the same ratio will arise and demand thorough executive ability, and based upon broad and liberal views. This, in the natural course of things, will call for broad, liberal minded men, seasoned with sufficient acuteness to stay the wheels at the proper point. This class of men will never seek the honors of office for the paltry inducements held out by the state. We are aware that there are some objections to the legislature of the state being given the power of voting these salaries to suit themselves; but a remedy might be made to this by an increase in the pay of senators and representatives, making their salary eight dollars per day instead of the pitiable sum of three dollars. The same reasoning will apply to those who would accept legislative honors as to those who would accept the position of our state officers if pecuniary inducements were sufficiently great to make it a source of income. Men whose time and ability are worth \$3,000 or \$4,000 a year are not going to sacrifice their business and accept honors and a large amount of responsibility for half that sum. We hope the election on this amendment will be in favor of it.

Upon the amendment for the time of holding elections, changing the time from June to November, we think it also should carry. It is a large expense every four years to hold a separate election for president. Both elections could be had at the same time and the greater portion of the expense of the election be saved. We do not believe that county and state interests would be so completely swallowed up in the presidential race, that the welfare of either state or county would be placed in such jeopardy as to the render the amendment if carried an objectionable feature in the election laws. We believe the working in this respect would be the reverse of this, and we hope to see the amendment carried.

GRANGE WORK.

The State Grange of California is composed of influential and strictly practical body of men. Their annual session was recently brought to a close and their action in one direction called forth the following remarks from the Alta. It says: The State Grange has made an exceedingly important recommendation that the U. S. Geological Survey be called upon to classify the public lands. Such classifications should be made by some definite and reliable authority. There is no more useful guide to legislation than an accurate physical survey of the public domain. For lack of it settlers are misled in locating homesteads and pre-emptions in pastoral regions where there is no globe land, and by reason of climatic features agriculture will be impossible. Driven by these necessities they try to perfect and sell their claims and so voice the suspicion of collision. Actual collision is also frequent in such regions to secure title under laws which do not apply to the conditions of the soil. A physical survey will define the limits of mineral, agricultural, pastoral and timber

lands, and will greatly guide the Land Bureau in preventing the fraudulent acquisition of title. It will do more than that. It will help Congress in such amendments to the land laws as will permit private ownership of lands and devote each region to its best use, preventing further waste of its wealth-producing capacity and adding to the property of the country.

Our State Grange has dealt with many practical issues in a sensible way and upon none has it been more nearly right than upon this.—VIDETTE.

DECISION REVERSED.

The Supreme Court of Oregon, in an opinion delivered by Judge Strahan in the case of W. W. Sweeney vs. L. J. McLeod, has given a decision for which the people of the State ought to be truly thankful, more especially as the circuit court of Multnomah county is thereby reversed, and a most dangerous doctrine reprimanded by the highest State judicial tribunal.

Briefly, Sweeney sued McLeod for services as a lobbyist in the last legislature, and was awarded the sum of \$281. The jury which rendered such a verdict, and the judge which allowed it to stand, must have had a very low estimate of the people of this State, and of the obligation of the legislators; but on the other hand all people of any moral perception whatever have, let them be assured, a very poor opinion of that judge and jury. But Judge Strahan has done this State great service in reversing so mischievous a verdict and judgment. He says: "If the terms of the contract required any services to be rendered, or if the party employed, in furtherance of the general purposes of his employment, rendered or designed to render any services either to cause or prevent any legislative action, otherwise than by publicly presenting the subject before the Legislature or some of its committees, such contract cannot be enforced in this State."—E. O.

An ice-man was arrested in New York city for breaking the Sabbath last Sunday by selling ice. The judge discharged him. Two men arrested for selling a pair of shoes and a pair of slippers were held to bail. Another merchant sold a collar worth fourteen cents and was fined.

The United States court, Chief Justice Hays presiding, meets in Blackfoot, Idaho, on Monday, the 31st, and the session will be an interesting one. President Budge and about thirty other mortals will have a chance to answer to indictments under the Edmund's law, and the grand jury is liable to furnish a number of other cases.—Daily Democrat.

When the Southern Pacific railroad is completed, and draws off from Portland much of the Willamette valley trade, by shipping south to San Francisco, and the Oregon Pacific draws its share of patronage, taking it to Yaquina Bay; the N. P. R. R. unloading on the sound, and the Astoria projected railroad, when completed, unloading at Astoria, what effect will it have on Portland as a shipping point? We can draw our own conclusions, but prefer to let time settle the matter; still we think Portland will feel as though she was losing ground.

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LAND OFFICE AT LA GRANDE, OREGON, J. Oct. 13, 1887.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at La Grande, Oregon, on Nov. 30th, 1887, viz: JOHN M. BUCHANAN, D. S. No. 7024, for the E 1/2 NE 1/4 SW 1/4 and NE 1/4 SE 1/2 Sec 12, Tp. 8 S. R. 46 E. WM. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: O. S. Stewart, William Edwards, H. J. Baker, and F. M. Oiler, all of Pine Valley, Union county, Oregon. HENRY RINEHART, Register.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE.

To whom it may concern:— Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an order of sale made and entered by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Union county, on the 7th day of July, 1887, the undersigned, administratrix of the estate of George Beck, deceased, will, on the 20th day of November, 1887, at the hour of one o'clock P. M., on the premises hereinafter described in Union county, Oregon, sell for cash in hand, to the highest bidder at public outcry, the following described real estate of the estate of George Beck, deceased, to wit: The E 1/2 of NE 1/4 Sec 23, T. 9, S. 11, R. 4 E, W. M. Union, Or. October 13th, 1887. ELEANOR BECK, Administratrix.

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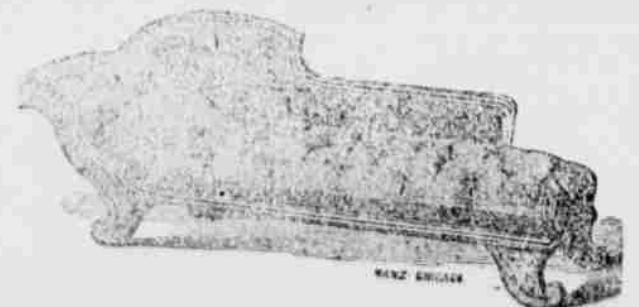
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