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TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1909.
That electric railroad from Eugene to the Siuslaw is again under discussion.
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A four million dollar appropriation bill may be required to satisfy the needs of the state during the ensuing two years.
Railroads make a big parade of expenses and arouse sympathy for their poverty. Farmers' expenses are concealed and they are envied for their wealth!

Members of the legislature should have a care about tinkering with the initiative and referendum. It may prove a veritable buzz-saw.
Prof. Starr of Chicago says the Filipinos are not lazy. All the same they seem ready to accept almost any office that is offered them.
"Greater Oregon" can never become a reality unless many of her great counties are cut up into many energetic, progressive new counties. The sooner the better.
This is the last week of January, and the legislature will be about half over when February comes. Our solons should create Nesmith county, take care of the good roads bill, pass a few appropriation bills and go home.
Those who violate the law against the use of offensive language in the hearing of women and children ought to be clubbed while in the act, put to work upon a rock pile for thirty days and then tarred and feathered and drummed out of town.
The proposed amendment to the initiative and referendum providing for the settlement of county division matters by the county interested only, will not receive popular favor from the fact that it curtails the sacred privilege of an appeal to a higher tribunal to settle local dissensions. Just as well attempt to legislate away the privilege of an appeal from the lower to the higher courts.



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The Portland Journal's Salem correspondent seems to have been subsidized by the Eugene and Roseburg county seat knockers against the creation of Nesmith county from the fact that his "Salem specials" are most erroneous and flagrantly unfair. For instance he says, Nesmith county would comprise a long, narrow strip from the ocean to the Cascades, while in fact Nesmith's western border is the summit of the coast range 30 miles from the ocean, and the new county is as well proportioned as any Oregon county. It also leaves Lane and Douglas with an average width as great as at the present time from the fact that it takes only that great southeastern "L" from Lane and only a little more than that great camel's hump in the Bohemia mining district from Douglas.

After paying thousands of dollars annually into the Lane county coffers and naturally expecting the return of a small per cent of this money in road and bridge improvements we are met with the very liberal (?) proposition from the county court: Let your district put up \$500 for the road improvement needed and the court will duplicate that sum." Therefore, after paying our full pro-rata tax we are required to again go down into our pockets before we can get any assistance from the county court for needed road improvements. Is it any wonder south Lane would create a county of its own?

"Unfair and unnecessarily aggressive" against south Lane county's division proposition, is the way many citizens of south Lane county brands the Eugene Register's campaign against us. The Register is an enemy of south Lane county.
Springfield is playing into the hands of the county seat ring. About the time that electric road is completed and Springfield dollars begin to pour into Eugene coffers, Springfield may have less regard for the county seat hog.
"Man is made of dust. Dust settles. Are you a man?"

JUST A COMMON BLACKGUARD
The speech of Representative Willett of New York, assailing the president, lost all its force by the nature of the arraignment. The speaker simply established that he is a natural blackguard of the vilest order of police-court billings-gate vendor. The house should have stopped sooner than it did, should have stopped him as it would had he been deformed physically and had insisted upon disrobing to show to congress and the world how hideous was his nakedness, only that a deformed soul is a more fearful thing to contemplate than a deformed body, says Goodwin's. Whatever he said will not much affect the president, but it showed that the speaker has no conception of his duty as a representative and it was a disgrace to the constituency that elected him their representative, for above all things, the house of representatives should be made up of gentlemen, and the speech of Willett makes clear that he has not the slightest conception of the constituent attributes of a gentleman.

TO FILL A LONG FELT WANT.
The Yoncalla Courier in its last issue announces that on March 12, it will move its office and business to Cottage Grove, where the paper will thereafter be published. Just what "long felt want" the Courier expects to fill here is not announced, there already being two good, live semi-weeklies published in this city. The business men have announced many times that they considered the limited local newspaper field decidedly well covered already, in fact, that one good live local semi-weekly, would meet all of the present needs and requirements of the town and community, so just from what source a third paper expects to derive its support, deponent sayeth not. G. A. Nichols of the Courier has worked in the local offices in this city at different times. He is a printer, but has had little experience in editing a newspaper, as his work at Yoncalla has demonstrated, and as to his brother, A. H. or "Gimlet" with whom he is

associated, he may be a pretty good mixer of high balls and cocktails, but as a writer of heavy editorials, society items or local brevities, his experience is limited. He is however, well known here where he held the position of bartender in Newt Jones saloon on the west side for a few years. In casting over the local horizon it would appear that Yoncalla, Drain, Creswell or even Goshen, offers better inducements for a local newspaper than is afforded at Cottage Grove for a third paper—unless the Nichols boys have received the tip that Nesmith county is a sure thing and that Cottage Grove is "it" in its county seat aspirations. Even then the field would be crowded for some years to come.
Those poor dupes in the Springfield Commercial club who are playing in the hands of the Eugene ringsters, recently "resolved and whereased" that the formation of Nesmith county would leave Lane more ill shaped, just as if this were possible, with the county at present about 50 miles wide for its west half and about 150 for its east half, and Douglas county's great camel hump running up into our Bohemia mining district. The creation of Nesmith county would greatly improve the shape of Lane county and only take away from Lane that remote south-eastern district not in the least tributary to Eugene. Springfield's Commercial club should take a primary course in geography.
If we remember rightly, taxation without representation, caused a little unpleasantness in this country some years ago and it is this self same condition which is causing much dissatisfaction just now in south Lane county. We have been submitting quietly to the Lane county tax levy, have paid our taxes without a murmur for aye, these years, but when we ask so little as representation at the county seat in the way of a county judge, county commissioner, coroner or road viewer, the county seat ring says, nay, nay, brother! We will take care of the county pie, just pass up the filling, please. And we pass it up.

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