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FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1909.

The man who waits for some one to tell him what to do will have a long wait.

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The good pavements will do more to advertise Cottage Grove than any kind of literature. Let's have more. We need them.

The legislature should grant the wishes of 8000 people, give a big boost for a Greater Oregon, and perpetuate the name of a grand old pioneer Oregon soldier-statesman.

Sloan P. Shutt, the somewhat irate editor of the Drain Nonpareil, has shut up like an oyster on county division. Sloan P. must have heard of that great booster excursion to Salem from north Douglas and south Lane.

Over one hundred north Douglas and south Lane boosters for Nesmith county visited the state capitol in a body. Will editors Bates and Wimberly of Roseburg, please set up and take notice? "Handful of Cottage Grove office seekers," eh, boys? Nay, nay, Pauline!

The Oregonian, usually right in its editorial comment, displayed its woeful ignorance of the topography of Lane county in a brief editorial Wednesday advocating the division of Lane county by the very impractical north and south division line proposition, a hobby of the Eugene Register. Has the big daily been subsidized by the county seat ringsters?

The Tenderfoot Farmer

It was one of these experimental farmers, who put green spectacles on his cow and fed her shavings. His theory was that it didn't matter what the cow ate so long as she was fed. The questions of digestion and nourishment had not entered into his calculations.

It's only a "tenderfoot" farmer that would try such an experiment with a cow. But many a farmer feeds himself regardless of digestion and nutrition. He might almost as well eat shavings for all the good he gets out of his food. The result is that the stomach grows "weak" the action of the organs of digestion and nutrition are impaired and the man suffers the miseries of dyspepsia and the agonies of nervousness.

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The Register thinks "Editor Conner is unduly excited over the county division matter," and resent the Leader's contention that it is unfair in its treatment of the county division matter. The Leader is not alone in its conviction that the Register has been unduly aggressive in its fight against the wishes and demands of the people of South Lane, if the statement of a large number of our citizens are true, who inform the Leader that they have ordered the Register "stopped," as its utterances on county division matters were regarded as insults to citizens of South Lane. Oh, no! Not excited, Brother Gilstrap, just too plucky and self-respecting to be imposed upon.

The bill providing for the creation of new counties if passed would sound the death knell to the division of any of Oregon's mammoth counties and would therefore be nonprogressive legislation. With the opposition that invariably develops in the old, selfish county seat towns against county division and the prejudice created in the old counties by the county seat papers against such measures, it would be practically impossible to get a 25 per cent favorable vote outside of the territory proposed to be created into a new county. This bill should fail as it is a direct blow against a greater Oregon.

We always enjoy a visit to Salem, Oregon's beautiful capital city. We like the appearance of its buzzing street cars, its modern business houses, its pretty homes, university, churches and schools, its picturesque parks and the glad hand received from her courteous, genial citizens. There is a refreshing spirit of enterprise manifested on every hand and progress is the watchword. Salem is one of the Willamette valley's most sately cities, and an ideal location for Oregon's seat of government.

A delegation of about 100 men left Cottage Grove for Salem Wednesday to appear before the house committee on counties and make a strong effort in behalf of creating the new county. Men from the northern portion of Douglas and also from Creswell are at the capitol and will go on record favoring the new division. The whole delegation is wearing badges printed in large letters "Nesmith" the proposed name for the county.—Oregonian.

We wonder what the Roseburg papers think now about the Nesmith county "scheme" being backed only by a handful of Cottage Grove office seekers, since over 100 prominent citizens of north Douglas and south Lane appeared in a body before the committee on counties at Salem Wednesday evening and urged a favorable report from that committee on the Nesmith county bill. Gentlemen, you have not reckoned with the Nesmith hosts.

General Gomez was inaugurated president of Cuba Thursday and the American troops were withdrawn from the island.

The Eugene Commercial Club is out with a circular headed, "Why Nesmith county should not be created," which circular is being distributed before the legislature and the first assertion brands the whole Eugene bunch as knockers, not only against South Lane, but the rest of the county as well. The first reason presented is: "Because it would take the richest and best part of the valley out of Lane county; in fact, it would take the kernel and leave Lane county the shell." Cottage Grove and Creswell should be grateful for the unintentional compliment, and, intended investors and home seekers should take notice. How much of the shell do you wish to invest in? Come to South Lane and North Douglas—Nesmith county. The rest of the "because" are equally "funny" and the Leader will answer every one of them in its next issue. These old county seat rings are certainly having a hard time in their efforts to keep the country from expanding, and to arrest the state's progress and development. No greater Oregon for them.

Fruit growers of the northwest are cautioned against importing trees from France by Secretary Williamson of the State Board of Horticulture, who says the Gypsy moth and the brown-tailed moth have been found in recent arrivals of young trees at the port of New York. "Should these pests obtain a foothold west of the Rocky mountains there would be no such thing as eradicating them, and it would only be a question of time when the fruit and shade trees of the coast would be ruined," Mr. Williamson says.

The greeting received from Col. E. Hofer, of the Salem Capital delegation, one hundred strong, marched in a body into the state house at Salem Wednesday, gave every man the impression that their cause is recognized as just and right and is rapidly winning outside friends and supporters. Editor Hofer exclaimed: "Welcome boys, I am with you heart and soul and wish you success in your cause."

Nesmith county was given a big boost Wednesday afternoon when a delegation of the leading people of Cottage Grove and vicinity—fully 100 strong—marched into the state house in a body and took seats in the house. It is proposed to detach portions of Lane and Douglas counties and create the new county of Nesmith with Cottage Grove as the county seat.—Salem Statesman.

Amend that new county division bill, or strike out the clause requiring a 25 per cent vote in the old large, unwieldy counties, and it would become a reasonable bill and the Leader might possibly endorse it. Otherwise, never, as old counties fight these progressive county creation measures to almost a man, through selfish and jealous motives wholly.

Medford has introduced a resolution at Salem, entering the race with Portland for the removal of the capitol from Salem. It is amusing to read their respective claims for "the most central location" in view of the fact that one occupies a position in the extreme south the other the extreme northern part of the state.

It will not be manslaughter to shoot a human being for a deer in the woods of Oregon. This was decided by the senate when it indefinitely postponed the Abraham bill by a vote of 15 to 14.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
 U. S. Lane Office at Roseburg, Ore.
 Nov. 23, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that JOHN CHARLES RICKLI, of Saginaw, Oregon, who on Nov. 23, 1908, made timber or stone entry, No. 62431, for the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Section 18, Township 20 S, Range 2 W, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver at Roseburg, Oregon, on the 10th day of April, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: Henry Myers, Charles Phillip, Perry Casteel, J. O. Jarrett, all of Saginaw, Oregon.
 42-52 BENJAMIN L. ENDY, Register.

GREAT EXCURSION TO SALEM

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General and Hon. Henry E. McGinn of Portland were submitted and read stating that the legislature most certainly was invested with power to divide and create new counties in Oregon under the laws of this state. He also cited to minor opinions on the validity of the laws enacted through the provisions of the initiative and referendum, and stated that the question as to their validity was now under consideration by the supreme court.

Mr. Medley made a most eloquent, able and convincing argument and received the congratulations of his friends and members of the two houses present.

The Opposition.

Attorney C. S. Jackson of Roseburg, was the first speaker in opposition to the creation of Nesmith. He said all of these Nesmith county people are not as just as they are enthusiastic. They want one and a half millions of property to improve only eight miles of county road. Here he was called down and made to admit that there is more than 50 miles of rough mountain road to maintain in this territory. He was also corrected as to the statement that the miners of the south Bohemia mining district must come by way of Roseburg to get to Cottage Grove. It was shown that not even a trail exists from Bohemia down the North Umpqua to Roseburg, but that hundreds of dollars have been expended in completing a wagon road over the mountain by way of a gap, from the Bohemia railroad to the small mining settlement on the Douglas side, over which all of this travel must go. The statement that this mountain travel must go out by way of Roseburg and the former statement, that all supplies and the ballot boxes for the Douglas precinct in Bohemia were and are always sent out by way of Cottage Grove, are direct contradictions. Mr. Jackson became considerably warmed up over the corrections required in his statements and cut his address short, with the apology that his train was almost due and he could not tarry longer.

Burden of Attorney William's Talk.

Hon. J. M. Williams, another attorney, representing the county seat of Eugene, made the second opposing speech and also laid great stress upon the difficulty of the eight miners in the South Bohemia in reaching Cottage Grove by way of the North Umpqua and Roseburg, he too, overlooking the former statement that owing to the fact that no road or trail exists from Roseburg to the Bohemia mines the ballot boxes and all travel to that mountain precinct is forced to pass in through Cottage Grove—another flat contradiction. He also laid great stress upon the long, narrow appearance of Lane county should Nesmith be created, but forgot to say anything about the natural topography of the county requiring such a division and rendering such a division absolutely the only practical one. He also forgot to call attention to the fact that Marion county, in which is located the state capitol, in which this debate occurred, is as long and twice as narrow and more unshapely than Lane would be after the creation of Nesmith county, this being found necessary and practical owing to the topography of the country embodied in Marion county. He also tried to make capital against Nesmith by citing to the fact that County Judge Crisman, Dr. Scarbrough and Mr. Henderer, the two latter gentlemen being residents of the proposed Nesmith county, are named in our bill as a committee to make final adjustment of county affairs in case of division, this being unjust, he says, from the fact that Nesmith has two representatives to Lane's one on this committee. In view of the strict honesty and integrity of the three gentlemen named, his point or argument along this line fell decidedly flat. In fact, our friends, the enemy, done as well as could be expected of men who had no grounds for an argument to commence with and were on the wrong side of a fair and just cause. Eugene and Roseburg's paid attorneys certainly got up against the real thing. The preponderance of

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logic and sound argument being wholly on the affirmative side. It was evident that these county seat attorneys had intended to make a very strong argument upon the unconstitutionality of county division by the legislature, but the presentation of written opinions on this question by Attorney-General Crawford and Judge Henry E. McGinn of Portland, completely refuting any argument of this kind, took all of the wind out of the sails of the opposition and set them hopelessly adrift. If the committee's report is to be prompted by the preponderance of argument, a favorable report will be made at once.

Mr. Edwards, of Drain, said he admired the splendid organized effort being put forth by South Lane and North Douglas citizens for the creation of Nesmith county, but thought we were unjust in asking for any Douglas county territory, regardless of the fact that several of his Douglas friends had spoke in favor of the division and scores of people residing in North Douglas had petitioned to be admitted into this new county territory. He said they had no more assurance that Cottage Grove would be more fair, just and liberal in the distribution of county funds than Roseburg and Eugene have been. He maintained that a county should be created from territory south of Drain, making, of course, that town the county set. Thus the selfish motive of his argument was quite apparent.

It was all in all a decisive victory for Nesmith before both the House committee Wednesday evening and the Senate committee Thursday evening, which committees will meet in joint conference today, but their report on the bill may not be made for a few days, time being required to examine maps, petition remonstrance and other documents.

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