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HEARST ROASTED

The San Francisco Star (Democratic), of the 20th, contains a short biography of William Randolph Hearst, which concludes as follows:

As a Congressman, he has been a total and laughable failure. Thus far, he has not cast a single vote in the House, nor made a speech, nor made a point of order, nor moved to adjourn.

He has never made a ten-minute political speech in all his life. He has never written ten lines on a political speech in all his life. He declines all invitations to speak, and sends out letters in reply, written by his clever hired men, but signed "William Randolph Hearst."

He talks of himself in his papers but cannot talk for himself anywhere.

Hearst does not exist, except on paper. He is talked of because he is never seen. Bring him to the open, and force him to scarp with the world and he would go down and out in half a round.

His chief distinction since boyhood has been his open and brazen public association with degraded women, whose influence upon him has been superior to that even of his ambition. And in the White House he would present such a spectacle of indecency as would cause the nations of the earth to jeer.

When California is to have a President, let him be a man—one whose whole biography may be published without too grossly violating the laws concerning the dissemination of obscene literature.

On the 14th inst, the U. S. Supreme Court rendered a momentous decision in the great Merger case of the Northwestern Securities Company, Justice Harlan presenting it. The court-room was crowded with Senators, Congressmen and Lawyers. The decision is against the defendants and declares the merger to be in restraint of competition and illegal. The company was declared to be a trust, and it was prohibited from exercising any control over competing railways. The decision will have a far reaching result.

The first complete inventory of Uncle Sam's money that has been taken in 12 years has just been completed at Washington. The work of counting and weighing the money required the services of 130 experts for two days, and the balances are found to be exactly correct. This is simply wonderful that business aggregating into the hundreds and millions of dollars can be transacted and exact balances secured. It is quite creditable to the system in force that such is the case.

The most beautiful time of the year will soon be here and many a farmer will be to busy to look up or about, oblivious to daily pleasures, toiling for comfort and enjoyment by and by, only to leave it all just when he is getting ready to enjoy life. The wise man enjoys life as he goes along by taking time to lift his eyes above his work.

The legislative branch of our government has had a shocking and salutary lesson. It has been investigated and exposed. One-half of Congress has been engaged in indefensible practices! Don't be startled, we have all known this all the time,—have known it and endured it so long that

we have come to regard it a natural and incurable condition. Men who have been elected and paid to deliberate and decide in matters of State, have been acting as attorneys and agents for prominent constituents, their relatives, or themselves, in filching money from the public Treasury. Call it by whatever name you please it is wrong, and to pilory the practice and the men forever, is of far more importance to the United States than the political fortune of one or of all of them. The stability of our government is far more dependent upon purity within than battle ships without.

It is now more apparent than ever that the Panama canal will have remarkable powers of postponement, but the officials think it will pay. The Commissioners are to have a salary of \$12,000 a year each, and \$15, for every day they are on the Isthmus. Some 40,000 Chinese and as many Jamaica negroes are to be imported to do the work. Colon and Panama are to be destroyed and rebuilt, a quarantine forty miles long will be filled up, water will be piped from the Andes, and various other little things will be done.

No heathen god or goddess has ever had more zealous devotees than fashion, or a more absurd and humiliating ritual, or more mortifying and cruel penance. Her laws, like those of the Medes and Persians, must be implicitly obeyed, but unlike them, change, as certainly as the moon. They are rarely founded in reason, usually violate common sense, sometimes common decency, and uniformly common comfort.

The Mormons wanted publicity, and they got it. Congressmen wanted the Bristow report, and they got it. A few days ago Publicity was the all-healing ointment, but now it is only what the philosopher called "the curse of a granted prayer."

Our idea of solitude is either the store of a man who does not believe in advertising or the spacious chambers in the peace tribunal at The Hague, just now.

When you hear some people abusing a man you can write it down that he is possessed of some good qualities that his traducers can never hope to have.

The man who advocates higher salaries to cure graft should also advocate leaving the safe unlocked to prevent safe-blowing.

The man who skips the primaries has no moral right to criticize the men who use it for base purposes.

France naturally hopes that Russia will win. Russia owes France \$1,000,000,000.

More candidate than offices. All good men too.

Politics sometimes makes strange cell-mates.

A Birthday Party.

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Markley, Wednesday of last week, it being the birthday of Mr. Wm Cary and Miss Nellie Culp. The evening was spent with fitch and music. Mr. Chas. Culp rendered some very beautiful pieces on the guitar. At a late hour refreshments were served by Mrs. E. C. Lockwood and Mrs. E. Underwood. After refreshments the hosts wished many happy returns of the day and departed for their homes. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Markley, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Culp, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lockwood, Nellie Culp, Miss Jenny Salaway, Misses Flossie and Mildred Lockwood, Mr. W. C. Wallace, Wm Cary, Mr. John Barker and Paul Markley.

Millinery Opening.

Jas. Thomas announces that the grand millinery opening of the fine stock of spring hats and general millinery which he recently placed in the room at the rear of the new bank will take place Saturday, Mrs. Frederickson being in charge of the opening. The ladies of Cottage Grove are given a cordial invitation to call and look over the new styles,

POLITICAL.

Purchased applause has a hollow sound.

The reason some men never get along in politics is because they take their own advice.

In Wyoming almost the first law that was passed after women were enfranchised was one giving all women in governmental employ, equal pay with men for the same work, including public school teachers.

General Miles' name is being mentioned for the presidency with increasing frequency. It has been claimed that he is the only candidate capable of heading off Hearst in the Democratic convention, and now the Prohibitionists are shouting for him and want him for their own.

The prohibitionists were liberal toward Cottage Grove in their county convention at Eugene Wednesday. S. B. Morss was nominated for senator and Geo. Lea for treasurer. The cause is just and the ticket should succeed, but the party and its sympathizers don't all vote as they pray.

Prof. W. M. Sutton of the Springfield Public Schools announces himself a candidate for County School Superintendent, subject to the action of the republican county convention. Mr. Sutton has had 12 years experience at teaching in this state. His qualifications are on questionable. He is a son-in-law of W. H. Lincoln of Cottage Grove.

Hon. Schiller B. Hermann, Coos county representative, and son of Hon. Binger Hermann, is a candidate for the nomination of joint Senator for Coos and Curry county in opposition to R. D. Hume. Mr. Hermann made an enviable record in the Oregon legislature and there is no doubt but what he will be nominated and elected joint senator for Coos and Curry counties, he being very popular in those counties.

The Blue River republicans are in line for the coming battle of ballots, having organized an L. T. Harris republican club. A representative number of local republicans assembled at the postoffice building last Saturday evening and affected the organization. Cleo Powers was elected president, C. D. Edwards secretary, and L. J. Beebe treasurer.

A certain congressman sent seed to one of his constituent, who fed it to the pet canary with the following dire results:

"Dear Mr. Glad-Hand: I want to thank you very much for the seed you have been sending me. Please do not send any more, as our canary died ten days ago. The bird did not seem to thrive on the seed you have been sending."

COTTAGE GROVE MAN.

A Candidate for County School Superintendent.

The Eugene Register of Wednesday said: "J. I. Jones, republican central committeeman for the East Cottage Grove precinct, is in town and in discussing the political situation in his part of the county, says that Prof. A. L. Briggs, principal of the Cottage Grove public schools, has finally yielded to the urgent request of his many friends in south Lane to enter the contest for the republican nomination for county school superintendent, and Mr. Jones states that while the Cottage Grove delegations may be unable to unite on a candidate for Representative from that part of the county, they can be depended upon to stand as a unit for Prof. Briggs in the county convention. Prof. Briggs is now serving his fourth year as principal of the Cottage Grove schools, which under his able instructions, have forged ahead rapidly, until they have taken rank with the leading schools of the county. A class has graduated every year from the high school department, and thorough work is reported in each of the nine grades, regardless of their crowded condition during the past year. He, has through a prolonged series of lectures and otherwise, succeeded in building up a fine library for the schools, and is said to be a thoroughly up-to-date educator, as well as a very enterprising, wide-awake and public-

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spirited citizen. He has been foremost in the agitation for an additional public school building at the Grove, for which purpose \$10,000 bonds were recently voted."

Ladies Hatter.
Miss Ada Hanson will conduct her grand Easter opening next Tuesday and Wednesday at which time the finest display of the latest creations in spring millinery will be on exhibition at her store ever seen in Cottage Grove. Miss Hanson extends a special and cordial invitation to the ladies of Cottage Grove and vicinity to call and examine her fine stock of millinery on these opening days—Tuesday and Wednesday, March 29th and 30th. In the building formerly occupied by Welch & Woods.

To Whom it May Concern

We have several inquires from the east regarding the price of farm lands and have decided to send several thousand circulars for distribution. If you want to sell give us the price and description, we do the rest. Phillips & Wheeler.

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