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TRIBUTES TO A GREAT AND GOOD MAN.

While Professor Thomas Condon laid down the burden, after a well-rounded life, ripe with honor, and secure in the consciousness of work well done, there is regret among the Oregon people that the era had to come. Thomas Condon was a character that had grown reverend in high service to his fellows. His life was the manifestation of full living, not for the dross which most men pursue, but in search for the joy and beauty of truth, that he might impart these to others.

Men of the Condon type confer singular honor upon the community in which their lives are spent. It is a proud distinction for those who remain to say that such and such an one, of achievement in which there is genuine worthiness, lived here. There is a tribute of respect in the very modesty of this boast that is a fine commentary on the character that becomes the subject of it. Thomas Condon was amply deserving of this tribute. The state of Oregon is honored in his worthiness and will bear it in memory with pride and reverence.—Portland Evening Telegram.

Oregon has lost one of its most beloved citizens in the death of Professor Thomas Condon of Eugene. Of course his demise was not unexpected. He had reached the age of 84 years, and his useful years, which were long in the land, could not be expected to be much longer extended. Mr. Condon was the deepest student of geology in the West, and he has left to Oregon a mine of valuable information on this interesting subject. He had gathered a large and magnificent collection of fossils, shells, rocks and other deposits in which the history of centuries is written in legible characters for the scientific student. The work of Dr. Condon is not for yesterday, today or tomorrow, but for the education of ages yet to come, and will be most highly appreciated as the future unfolds itself. Mr. Condon was kind, gentle and agreeable. He was a student of nature and a friend of all its creations. He was a good man in every sense and his mourners will be world-wide.—Salem Daily Statesman.

Having sneaked its own 50 per cent salary grab, congress now talks of dodging the demands of the other federal employes by providing for a commission to look into the salary question. How's that for bravery?

King Ned must have felt rather queer doing Paris with his wife, instead of the gay girls of his more youthful visits. Nothing like age for making men sedate and good, whether king or commoner.

A corset factory is to be located at Albany. Factories of all kinds are a good thing for a town, especially those that come to stay.

If Texas officials are on to their jobs, somebody will be locked up for perjuring themselves in their testimony in the Balfour case.

A Story With a Moral.

Recently a church congregation in a little Kansas town built a new church. To pay for it they were obliged to call on the merchants of the community for a donation. The merchants responded liberally, and \$390 was raised from this source. The last man asked to subscribe was John Smith, a furniture dealer. "I will give you \$20 if you will let me add something to the subscription list," he said. The permission was accorded him and he wrote at the foot of the list: John Smith, furniture dealer... \$20

The Portland Telegram special correspondent tells of the railroad victory in the lower house of the legislature Monday as follows: The pessimistic prophecies made by the friends of the Chapin bill days ago that the measure would never get through the present legislature, and that the session would adjourn without real corporation-regulating legislation being enacted, was justified by the house yesterday afternoon when 29 members changed the railroad commission bill by a majority of one so that it would not jibe with the Bingham bill, which is favored by the entire anti-railroad sentiment in the senate, and is probably the only kind of a bill that will pass the senate. "Not openly will the railroad commission bill be fought," was the promise of the pessimistic, "but it will be fought just the same." It was.

Petty politics, personal treups with state officials who wanted a hand in the appointment of the commission, personal jealousy over defeated railroad bills, will be replaced by the Chapin bill, peanut politics, and the railroad puppets in the house—to all these is charged the virtual defeat of the Chapin bill. The charge was made thinly veiled under courteous guise on the floor of the house. It was made directly with profanity by the disappointed members of the Multnomah delegation after the afternoon session, when these men thought they saw the railroad bill dead, hatched on the cold doorstep of the first Oregon legislature ever elected directly by the people. It may be that a railroad commission bill will be passed by the legislature, and one that will work, but the advocates of the Chapin bill say that if this is accomplished it will be because the senate takes a different course from the house, burles petty bickerings, gets the best of the railroad influence, and buries petty politics—something the house could not do.

Since the Oregon legislature has declared its intention of assisting in the upbuilding of a great modern university here, it is up to Eugene to make a city that will be a fit location for such an institution. Paved streets, cement walks, street car system and all the best civic improvements are in order now just as fast as they can be made. The appropriation of \$125,000 a year for the university should mark a new era in the progress of Eugene, and we believe that our people will rise to the occasion and make the city the pride of a splendid, growing state—a veritable show place for educational work and modern progressiveness in municipal affairs.

That steamships need advertising, as well as subsidies, is shown by a thrilling story of running into a mammoth whale and the "busting" of a big water spout by one boat, all in a single trip, without the slightest damage. Now is the time to buy tickets.

Senators Spooner and Beveridge might modestly pass the question of which of them is the senatorial Solomon up—or down—to disinterested persons—say Fairbanks and LaFollette.

Backward, Turn Backward (Exchange.) If you should turn backward, O Time in your flight, and make me a child again just for tonight, would my mother draw me once more over her knee and with her slipper put kerbosh on me? Would she take her fine comb and examine with care this old cocoon that used to grow hair? Would she plow up my scalp, and plow it for keeps, and if I objected slap me to sleep? Turn back to the time when I was too young to vote and the bank was not pushing that sixty-day note. When I didn't have to hustle to pay grocery bills, and my little bosom filled with gosling's love thrills. Take from my muscles this rheumatic pain, take it and give back my childhood again! I have grown weary of dust and decay, weary of sowing for clink bugs to reap, but I don't need anybody to rock me to sleep.

Souls of the Children. "Who bids for the little children— Body and soul and brain? Who bids for the little children— Young and without a stain? Will no one bid?" says England, "For their souls so pure and white, And fit for all good or evil. The world on their page may write?"

"We bid," said Pest and Famine, "We bid for life and limb; Fever and pain and squall; Their bright young eyes shall dim. When the children grow too many We'll nurse them as our own, And hide them in secret places, Where none will hear their moan."

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By Captain TERBER, in Charge of Aerostatics in the French Army

HUMAN mastery over the air is VIRTUALLY ACHIEVED. None of the startling achievements of the past, neither steam, electricity nor the telephone, can compare with what the future now holds in store for us. Not only will the life of individuals be revolutionized, but governments will be compelled to devise in almost every department new methods to meet the changed conditions. This change will come with AMAZING SUDDENNESS, and France is taking the precaution to meet it.

In the customs service present methods of watching the frontiers will be obsolete. AERIAL PATROLS will be necessary to prevent the smuggling of contraband across the border. The police of all cities will have to be provided with flying machines to protect the people from the NEW OPPORTUNITIES OF CRIME which aerial locomotion will place in the power of criminals. It would seem that flying machines would enable anarchists to achieve any end by threats against not only rulers, but whole cities; but, with the police sailing about in the air, it will be no more difficult to frustrate their plots than it is NOW on solid ground.

In war the intelligence service will be entirely consigned to the aerostatic divisions, and armed airships will guard the bivouacs of armies.

A Poem for Today

MY COUNTRY By James Montgomery

HERE is a land, of every land the pride, Beloved by heaven o'er all the world beside, Where brighter suns dispense warmer light And milder moons impart the night; A land of beauty, virtue, valor, truth, 'Tis the interest age and love-exalted youth. The wandering mariner whose eye explores The wealthiest isles, the most enchanting shores,

Views not a realm so bountiful and fair Nor breathes the spirit of a purer air. In every clime the magnet of his soul, Touched by remembrance, trembles to that pole, For in this land of humankind's peculiar race, The heritage of nature's noblest grace, There is a spot of earth supremely blest— A dearer, sweeter spot than all this rest— Where man, creation's tyrant, ceases aside His sword and scepter, patriotism and pride, While in his softened looks benignly blend The sire, the son, the husband, brother, friend. Here woman reigns; the mother, daughter, wife, Strew with fresh flowers the narrow way of life; In the clear heaven of her delightful eye An angel guard of love and graces lie; Around her knees domestic duties meet And broods pleasures gambol at her feet. "Where shall that land, that spot of earth be found?" Art thou a man, a patriot? Look around! Oh, thou shalt find how'er thy footsteps roam! That land thy country and that spot thy home! Man, through all ages of revolving time, Unchanging man, in every varying clime, Deems his own land of every land the pride, Beloved by heaven o'er all the world beside; His home the spot of earth supremely blest, A dearer, sweeter spot than all the rest.

Give Us An University. (Salem Journal.) If the state university is ever to amount to anything like what an university should be it should have a medical and legal department.

These departments are now kept in a back room somewhere in the city of Portland, while in all real universities they are the real departments.

The legal and medical professions are sadly in need of culture and general development acquired by attendance at a regular university.

Those professions absorb the brains and intellectual energy that are most needed to make any university a success. They should be at Eugene.

Now if parents want a son or daughter to enter these professions and the advantage of university associations and culture they must go out of the state to spend their money.

A large city is a dangerous place to send any young man or woman to undertake a professional education.

It might interfere with some one's little graft to take these departments away from Portland, but it would be the making of the university.

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The Oregon university should not be deprived of the benefit of having these departments moved bodily to the city founded by Skinner.

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Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, physics, civil government.

Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, algebra.

Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English, literature and school law.

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