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OREGON'S DAY TO JUBILATE.

The State of Oregon will be fifty years old tomorrow, having been admitted to the Union on February 14, 1859. Exercises commemorating the semi-centennial were held in the State legislature and today the celebration is being continued in various forms throughout the Commonwealth, especially in Eugene. Especially notable are the celebrations arranged by the State Historical Society and the University of Oregon.

Oregon feels that she has every reason to be proud of the record of her progress and development during the half century that has elapsed since her admission to statehood. Her early history is identified almost wholly with the fur trade. Astoria, the great center of the fur industry in early days, was founded in 1811. It was mainly settled by immigrants from New England, and from that section of the country many settlers have continued to come even up to the present day.

In its natural resources Oregon is almost without a rival among the states of the Union. Minerals abound in great numbers and variety while one of the greatest sources of her wealth is in her forests. The gigantic and valuable yellow pine is exported to all parts of the world. In the catching and canning of salmon, Oregon leads the world. Farming, stock raising, fruit-growing and dairying are conducted on a large scale. Manufacturers have been of recent but rapid development, promoted largely by abundant waterpower.

Oregon, at the time of her admission to statehood, had a population of about 50,000 white people. At the present time her population is estimated at 700,000, and the total assessed valuation of property is close to \$100,000,000.

The state printer has issued a report, printed, of course, at the expense of the state, in which he shows that the regular appropriation of \$60,000 for the expenses of his office, made two years ago, is not enough by over \$25,000 on account of "new work." This means that the state printer's bills have aggregated over \$85,000 in two years, of which it is safe to say fully \$50,000 is net profit to him, as he admits in his report that the rates established in 1878 are unreasonably high. No wonder the present incumbent is willing to quit at the end of his term, because with two years more of this rich picking he will leave the office a rich man and probably have influence enough to sell his plant to the state for more than it is worth. A legislature, which claims the right to raise the salaries of officials at will during their terms of office, has altogether too much regard for the technical legal points involved to cut off the state printer's graft before the expiration of Dunniway's term, although the latter was aware when he accepted the office that the people had voted, under the initiative system, by an overwhelming majority, to put the state printer on a flat salary.

The unique idea of placing temperance upon a commercial basis, of considering the difference between the actual cash value of a man who drinks and the man who abstains, is carried all through Professor Hopkins' latest book, "Profits and Loss in Man," which has just come from the press of Funk & Wagnalls Co., a New York publishing concern. Professor Hopkins claims that each man twenty-one years of age represents to society a cost of two thousand dollars. Since there are in this nation two and a half millions of drunkards of that age, the stupendous sum of five billions of dollars invested in failures—men who are not qualified to earn enough money over and above living expenses—is the result. The professor's idea is quite new, and for that reason no doubt his book will be read with considerable interest.

The funny paragraphs who perpetrate alleged jokes regarding the bad aim of the gentler sex when handling firearms or throwing stones at a marauding hen in the back yard, can write any amount of funnyisms over the incident of the wife of the Oakland (Calif.) detective who shot her husband in the back of the head the other night in an effort to save his life from the attacks of a highwayman. Of course the thug got away while the husband is in the hospital, and it is said to be doubtful if he will recover.

Anyway, that movement toward the building of state railroads may hurry up some of the private corporations, and we predict that if nothing is done to relieve the situation within the next two years another legislature will take positive action. Oregon is far behind Washington in railroad development and the impatience of the people cannot be much longer curbed.

Eugene draws the people. The town is filled continually with men and women who come from the East to buy some little tract of land and make their future home in the mild climate of the Willamette valley. Many of these people will lead out from Eugene to the smaller towns. Incidentally Harrisburg will get a few of them, says the Bulletin.

The Guard is receiving many congratulations upon its splendid legislative report, which gives a complete resume of the proceedings every day. The first news concerning legislative ac-

tion of importance received by the people of Eugene comes through the Daily Guard, and they appreciate this fact in a substantial way.

Commonwealth day in Eugene is likely to become a great annual event, as it was auspiciously inaugurated today. It is an idea conceived by the faculty of the State University and is in all respects a good one.

Newspapers and magazines are showing what a strenuous time the Lincoln scrap books have been having. Yet, not even Roosevelt has been more abused than was Lincoln when he was President.

All the other states are becoming panic-stricken for fear that Nevada, the giant of the Union, may take a notion to give them a spanking, instead of merely taking their money for mining stocks that forget to pay dividends.

A lady writer says "Americans should visit Europe to gather wisdom." Perhaps they should, but the evidence shows that they visit it to scatter good money mostly.

Some men will never be convinced that \$33 per capita is right, until the Secretary of the Treasury backs up the official statement by giving them theirs.

Sure; let the eagle scream. Native Americans beat the world—even in law-breaking, according to the court statistics of New York city for 1908.

Chauncey Depew has told us of Lincoln as he knew him, but, alas, Lincoln cannot tell us of Chauncey as he knew him, if he ever did.

- "THIS DATE IN HISTORY."**
- 1760—Samuel W. Dana, who served eleven years as U. S. Senator from Connecticut, born in Wallingford, Ct. Died in Middletown, July 31, 1839.
 - 1776—Americans defeated the British at battle of Moore's Creek, N. C.
 - 1795—University of North Carolina opened.
 - 1805—David Dudley Field, eminent lawyer, born in Haddam, Conn. Died in New York City, April 18, 1894.
 - 1826—The American Temperance Society founded in Boston.
 - 1851—Not establishing the University of Minnesota passed.
 - 1862—Assault on Fort Donelson, Tenn., began.
 - 1873—Four lives lost by the falling of a bridge into the James river, Richmond, Va.
 - 1883—Alexander H. Stephens delivered the oration in Savannah at the 150th anniversary celebration of the settlement of Georgia.
 - 1890—Oklahoma Territorial bill passed by the Senate.

"THIS IS MY 47TH BIRTHDAY."
Denis T. Flynn, for many years prominent in public affairs in Oklahoma, was born February 13, 1862, at Phoenixville, Pa. His boyhood was spent in Buffalo, N. Y., and he received his education in the public schools of that city. In 1880 he removed to Riverside, Iowa, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar. Later he removed to Klowa, Kansas, where he engaged in the practice of law and at the same time edited a newspaper. He went to Oklahoma in 1889, locating at Guthrie, and for several years he was postmaster of that city. He identified himself with the Republican party and soon became an acknowledged leader in Oklahoma politics. He was elected delegate from Oklahoma to the Fifty-third Congress and continued to serve eight years.

MONROE ITEMS.
Scarlet fever is said to have broken out in Monroe and school has been closed for a few days.
Mrs. Conger and Mrs. Frazer, of Eugene, visited their sister Mrs. R. H. Hewitt, who has been seriously ill for some time.
A daily train in Monroe is now an established fact. Several car loads of freight have been brought over the line for A. Wilhelm & Son and several loads shipped from there.
Mr. Studley and family from Kansas, have moved on the Claude Huggett property which they have just purchased for \$2,500.—Junction Times.
By a vote of 17 to 6 the Idaho senate has passed a local option bill providing for county elections on the question of prohibiting the sale of liquor. The bill differs materially from that passed by the house. The house committee on the whole has recommended for passage the direct primary law.

THE SLEEPING SICKNESS WHICH MEANS DEATH
How many readers have heard of this terrible disease? It prevails in that far-away country—Africa—especially the Congo district. It is caused by the bite of the tsetse fly. When it bites a person, the sleeping symptoms begin and finally the sufferer sleeps until death occurs.
Contrast this with the peaceful, balmy sleep of health. Is there anything more wearisome than to lie awake at night, tossing about, nervous, with cold feet, hot head and weary knees what else? Short of letting the tsetse fly bite us we would do almost anything for relief. How can we prevent it? Mr. George Hayes, of Union City, Pa., writes: "I had lost my appetite, was all run-down, could not sleep nights. I had tried everything without relief. Vinol was recommended, and to my surprise, it helped me once; gave me a splendid appetite, and now I sleep soundly."
Why Vinol did for Mr. Hayes, it will do for every run-down, nervous and overworked person who cannot sleep.
Vinol is sold in Eugene by the Rex Cross Drug Company.

NESMITH COUNTY BOOMERS WILL FIGHT

The Cottage Grove Leader discusses the county division situation and expresses the sentiment of its city in the following editorial, which will be of interest to our people:
"The Saturday Eugene Guard contained a very well written conciliatory editorial, counselling Cottage Grove to forget it, contending that we had lost in our county division contest and should take our bitter dose without making an ugly face about it. The Guard reasons well but it is wasting its sweetness on the desert air, as it were. We are not licked yet! We are only sparring for wind. The scrap has only just begun and as Lawyer Williams and other esteemed Eugene citizens told the committee on counties at Salem, "it is a fight to the last ditch," and as we are not up yet to the last ditch, we can only regard the Eugene Guard editorial as a kind of a flag of truce. The paper says we are trying to engender a hatred that is sure in time to be reciprocated. That is alright, Eugene can't hate us any harder than we can hate her. That paper also lays great stress on "fighting fair." Aye, there's the rub! Does the Guard regard the curt and discourteous manner in which the Cottage Grove Commercial Club's county division conference with the Eugene club was brought to an abrupt close, fighting fair? or the numerous misrepresentations to the legislative committee; Bean's attempt to intimidate his colleagues in the house, who showed a disposition to favor county division and the creation of Nesmith county, we ask, is all this "fighting fair?" No, it looks more like "anything's fair in war" campaign and as that is what Eugene seems to have been seeking from the first, for the next year and a half, we will try and accommodate her. In the meantime, we do not care to read any more rose-water obituaries for Nesmith county, nor select prose about what a gallant fight we put up. Wait until the fight is over. We object to flowers and sweet incense until such time as we are all down and out. Brother Fisher, the campaign for Nesmith county is still on, the fight waxeth warm, and we are going to lead our hosts to



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It is alleged that the state of Oregon passed last session the law declaring victory in 1910. It has been well said that Oregon would be the better and greater with the creation of ten new counties. We will endeavor to start the ball to rolling in this direction by the creation of Nesmith.

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