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A Winding Wall.

A wall of anguish and deep down bitterness begins to be heard from every quarter as the work of the legislature begins to be known.

There is not so much complaint about what the legislature did not do as about what it did do.

It is now generally conceded that the best session of the legislature held for many years was that of 1897, the one that did not organize.

By the Bunch.

We might take up much space in our paper in the many evidences of the friendship and respect shown us by the daily social calls of friends at our office and our inclination is strongly in a direction to do so but then if we named one and ignored another we might be misconstrued as being "kinder" partial you know and so we say "gentlemen one and all by-the-bunch your visits are appreciated and come again."

SHH At It.

We notice that the Register continues to publish a statement of the allowance of the salaries of the county officials and many other items not required to be published, as proceedings of the county court and, puts in his bills of course for printing the same.

Also, we notice that Assessor Burton got another dig at the people's money for \$78, a few days ago. Well—all we have got to say in this connection, is in the language of Mother Means: "Oh son, while ye are a giten, git all ye can git for its the last chance ye'll git to git."

The price of the Silver-Knight is \$1.00 per annum, you can have it and the Axe for \$1.35.

We have been annoyed of late by complaints from some of our subscribers on account of failure of the paper to reach them. This is much regretted by us and must be so to our subscribers and we suggest to post-masters and mail carriers the use of more care in seeing that mail matter is duly delivered.

Correction.

From all we can hear Mr. C. W. Evans who brought in the report of the Mohawk meeting for publication made false representation to the Broad-Axe regarding what the Guard and Register said to him when he asked them to publish the resolutions of the Mohawk meeting. Mr. Ira Campbell and Mr. Edwards each conceals or pronounces Mr. Evans' statement incorrect.

We gladly make the correction altho there is not a great deal to it either way, only so far as it removes some impression as regards the fairness of those papers toward the people of Mohawk.

Faure, president of the French Republic, died of apoplexy on the night of February 19.

France and England are preparing to go to war with each other about some diabolical France has made with Turkey for a slice of territory which England claims she has a prior right to.

It is now announced that our Oregon soldiers now at Manila will soon be brought home and mustered out of service.

The subscription to the Weekly Oregonian is \$1.50 per annum. You can have it and the Axe for \$1.75.

From all accounts Millionaire Clark, senator-elect of Montana, a democrat, spent a quarter of a million dollars to secure his election. If this be so he should be placed alongside of Mark Hanna in the senate chamber and be ostracized from association with honorable senators, and go down in the history of the country like Arnold, his name a hiss and a byword.

Now that the senate has declared against imperialism, or the permanent occupation and control of the Philippines, and since the president has declared that the policy of the government regarding the Philippines is in the hands of congress, the question would seem to be to know how to let go—how to make peace—how to secure permanent commercial advantages and discharge our soldiers and come home and go about our usual course of peace on earth and good will to all nations.

About Road Supervisors.

We have now a list of Road Supervisors for the ensuing year for Lane county. In the main there has been but little change made and it is fair to presume that there will be but little change made as to improving the roads of the county and no changes in regard to claims brought in for work and expenses for the next year.

From this aspect the outlook is somewhat discouraging. It means an expenditure of thousands of dollars with but little or no roads in many portions of the county. It means that many road supervisors will spin out their work in their respective districts so as to get in as many days work as possible, so as to pile up their account against the county. It means that you, the supervisor, will appoint some friend as your deputy who will superintend the work in one portion of the district, while the supervisor will "boss" another portion, each having perhaps one team and a wagon and in other instances only one or two hands and the supervisor and his deputy drawing \$2.00 each per day for their services. It means further that some supervisors will be seen out on their roads with rake on their shoulders "working the road," by raking occasionally a cobble stone out of the way, and charging the county a days work for the service. It means that other supervisors will be seen in their buggies driving out to "see how my road hands are getting along," and when they get to "the scene of action" will not get out of the buggy but will simply light a cigar and puff a few whiffs, draw on his gloves, turn around and go home, saying as he starts, "Boys don't work too hard," and at the next meeting of court will bring in his bill for work on the road as supervisor, counting that buggy ride as a day.

It means more. It means that many supervisors will bring in bills like Mr. Eyder of District No. 58 for \$40 and like Mr. Wilson of the district adjoining will bring in

That Daddy Dollar.

How dear to my heart is the face of the dollar
When some kind subscriber presents it to view
It may come today or it may come tomorrow;
It may come from others, it may come from you,
The big silver dollar, the round silver dollar,
Dear delinquent subscriber present it to view!!

The round silver dollar I hail as a treasure,
For often expenses overwhelm me with woe!
I count it the source of an exquisite pleasure,
And yearn for it fondly wherever I go.
How ardent I'd seize it—that lovely round dollar,
"The root of all evil" tis commonly named.

Loving money is sinful, some good people tell us,
But the penniless printer can hardly be blamed,
The penniless printer, the hardworking printer,
Keeps sending out papers that interest you;
So hand in your dollar, the big daddy dollar,
Dear reader, now will you present it to view?

a bill for \$96 and that deputy John McMahon will bring in a bill for \$16 when the highest bills ever produced in either district hitherto never amounted to as much as \$20 per annum.

Now what the Broad-Axe and all good citizens want is good, honest faithful work done on the road and less speculation and floundering. It is the province of the Broad-Axe to keep a vigilant eye upon all our public servants and to handle without gloves their conduct irrespective of party considerations.

Now we do not mean by what we say above to say that any road supervisor for the present year will pursue a similar course to that of his predecessor. Rather that all may reform.

Cottage Grove Leader: I H. Veitch informs us that the recent cold weather has killed his fine young prunes and peach orchard. He says he would not be surprised if untold damage has been done to young orchards throughout the valley by the cold snap.

How does this agree with the Register's assertion that fruit was not damaged by the cold snap in Lane county?

Willful Lies.

The Register does not care to take time to reply to the malicious assertions of the Broad-Axe so long as that paper does not manufacture its false statements out of whole cloth, but when the editor of that paper states that the Register refused to publish the Mohawk resolutions in regard to the Booth-Kelley franchise either Mr. Amis or his informant, C. W. Evans, has lied.

The Register was not asked to publish the proceedings of the Mohawk meeting, but did publish them one week before the enterprising Broad-Axe published them. The Register well knows accusations that Editor Amis or Charlie Evans can make carry no influence, but nevertheless does not care to allow malicious lies to go undisputed.

We give place to the above from the Register that its proprietor may have the benefit of a denial before our readers before whom the charges were made. We assert that what we stated about publishing the resolutions were true. Mr. Evans stated in the presence of no less than four persons in our office that when he offered the resolutions to the Register man for publication that he "refused to publish them." With this statement we dismiss the subject and leave the editor of the Register and Mr. Evans to adjust the matter between themselves.

In this connection, we will also state that Mr. Campbell denies having told Mr. Evans that he, Mr. Evans, "should be cautious about what he published" when he requested the Guard to publish the resolutions. Mr. Evans made the statement attributed to him, in the presence of the same persons in our office, at the time, when speaking of the Register. We make this correction as due to Mr. Campbell. And now before closing we wish to say to the editor of the Register, that if he means to pursue the course in the future which the above clipping from his paper would indicate he intends doing, he will sooner or later be considered as out of the pale of decent journalism, and will be set down as a long, lean, lank, brainless, braggart, bombastic buffoon, unworthy the notice of any gentleman of self respect.

"Willful lies," "he lies" and "a liar" is the alpha and omega of all the Register's arguments on almost

all subjects upon which it disagrees with an opponent. It requires neither refinement, good manners, brain nor brawn to write a man down a "liar." If it did Edwards of the Register would never write any of his contemporary down as "liars." Refinement and good manners he never knew. As to brains he is innocent of ever having any, and as to brawn, he is too lazy to ever call it into use.

Clippings and Comment.

"A Hot Time In The Old Town To Night."

The Oregonian says: "The difficulty between Representative Whaley of Multnomah and E. Hoffer, editor of the Capital Journal, growing out of the scene created in the house Thursday during the discussion of the textbook bill, when Hoffer called Whaley a liar, has not yet been settled. Friday the two men met in a well-known restaurant and Whaley demanded that he retract his statement which he refused to do. Blows seemed about to be struck when they were separated, Whaley being escorted to the door by the proprietor. Whaley refused to discuss the trouble.

For the third time, the case of Young Jesse James, charged with complicity in the robbery of a Missouri Pacific passenger train at Leeds, September last, was called in the criminal court today. The question of a jury will be fought bitterly by both sides. A great part of the trial will be consumed in trying to impeach witnesses, of whom there are a large number. Frank James, the noted bandit and uncle of the accused, will attend the trial. Bill Ryan, a member of the old Jesse James gang and John Kennedy, both now in jail at Springfield, Mo., charged with robbing a Memphis train, are also implicated in the Leeds hold up.

Oregonian: The circuit judge-ship election fraud cases have been disposed of so far as the present grad jury is concerned, a report having been made just before adjournment of the circuit court this evening. Three joint indictments were returned against each of the seven defendants, P. H. D'Arcy, W. J. D'Arcy, S. T. Richardson, W. J. Rafter, H. T. Hayes, J. A. Carson and L. V. Eihen, ex-county clerk. Two of the indictments are for the alteration of election returns from Monitor and Mount Angel precincts shortly after the election last June, and the other is for the forgery of election returns of Butterville precinct.

No bill passes the legislative assembly on its own merits. Every bill that passes is traded and jobbed, on the allround graft.

In another place in the Broad-Axe will be noticed an account of the imprisonment of two women in the city jail for keeping a house of ill-fame in the city. At the trial it was stated by several witnesses that men were seen going to the residence of the woman at all times of the night, and it was through this testimony and the efforts of City Attorney Skipworth that the prisoners were found guilty. Now what the average reader would like to know is how it is that these frail sisters are punished for keeping a lawdy house, and the strong brother who helped to run that house are let go scot-free. Why will not our authorities go for the more guilty ones?

"A Funny Story" in this issue, by P. Frank & Son, of the Ninth Street Racket Store. Read it.

From Vida.

February 18, 1899.

To the Editor:

We haven't received the Axe for two weeks and we wish to know where the trouble is if possible. If we don't get something like the Broad-Axe to keep us company this wet weather will have to quit keeping house all broke up everything goes contrary and all in the blues for the want of the good keen edged Broad-Axe. Use this letter as you like.

J. H. Wade.

All O. K. friend Wade we "like" to print it. Have sent your paper regularly. There are to many people who read the Axe at other's expense.—Ed.

Teachers' Examination.

FIRST GRADE—3.
E. Mand, Howard, Hale, Florence Rogers, Cohang, Walter Holland, Crow.

SECOND GRADE—9
Nell Hickson, Eugene, Nellie Heller, Springfield, Myrtle Dodd, Springfield, Mary I. Wincoff, Cottage Grove, Sarah A. Whitely, Eugene, Carlotta C. Smith, Springfield, Bertha Whitaker, Eugene, Joe. Benner, Eugene, Cynthia Neet, Eugene.

THIRD GRADE—13.
Nellie E. Rice, Eugene, Susie Gibbs, Eugene, Marie V. Smith, Springfield, Ella Gross, Eltona, Alice M. Fisk, Hale.

Blanche Hunsaker, Dexter, Bessie Sargent, Eugene, Viola Gilchrist, Eugene, Eliza Farnham, Jasper, Winfield Bennett, Cottage Grove, Jesse Fountain, Hale, Manley Gilbert, Pleasant Hill, Jas. E. Martin, Eugene, Minnie G. Spang, Cottage Grove, Olive Knowels, Eugene, Earl L. McVatt, Waverly, Anna Wright, Eugene, Chas. A. Townsend, Creswell, Leslie Haggard, Eugene.

REMARKS OF SUTT, MILLER.

Whole number of applicants 59. Three for state diplomas, and 56 for county papers. We think that for many young persons should not apply, at least, until the eighth grade course in the public schools has been finished and carefully reviewed for at least six months, under the direction of a competent instructor either in school or out. A failure is very often discouraging and humiliating to a young person.

The tax-collector bill has been traded through. Votes were given and other votes promised by the majority of the Multnomah delegation for every prodigal and profligate job in the general log-rolling scheme that was in search of votes. The result of this and of jobs correlated with it will be the biggest appropriation bill ever passed at any session, and general condemnation of the results of the session by the people of Oregon.

The state tax, already in excess of any hitherto known, will be higher still, and local taxes, particularly in Multnomah, where they now virtually confiscate property, will be further advanced. The Oregonian has endeavored to do its duty in this whole matter, and can only regret, for the good of the state and of the party responsible for the results, that the effort is vain. This legislature, which it was hoped would be the best the state has had in recent years, is proving the very worst. Jobs of all kinds are being traded through it. Everything that carries an appropriation, or provides official places, is to go through on the log-rolling plan.

"The upheaval in the politics of the state will come in time. But at the present time no argument against the greed of politicians who want places, or against the avarice of individuals and of localities that demand appropriations, can avail. The combination has complete control of the legislature.—Oregonian."

The Indians have been bringing into Antelope wool and pelts, of which they sell tons every spring. They gather them from sheep that die on the ranges during the winter. It is not an uncommon sight to see 20 or 30 horses packed with wool and pelts, in charge of two or three old squaws, upon the streets in Arlington in springtime.

The Fun Makers Oddities.

Pack: Mr Grumble—I see by the paper that Mount Vesuvius is in eruption.
Mrs Grumble—Oh, I'm so glad!
Mr Grumble—There you are again, Maria. Now, why on earth should you be glad?
Mrs Grumble—Well, you can't blame me for it, that's all.

Chicago News: Some men are born great, some have greatness thrust upon them, but there seems to be a general disposition among the deadlocked legislatures to make their candidates for greatness pay the freight.
Chicago News: Lord Dedbrooke—Did Miss Packenham blush when you proposed to her?
Count Zubeim—No; she turned pale and said she was afraid her father might go into some bad speculation before she could get vert to him.

Chicago Record: Lady of the house—You have been out of work a long time?
Trump—Yes, mum for 35 years.
"Why, how old are you?"
"Thirty-five, mum."

Tommy—Did you do much fighting during the war, pa?
Pa—I did my share of it, Tommy.
Tommy—Did you make the enemy run?
Pa—Your're right, I did Tommy.
Tommy—Did they catch you, pa?

The following advertisement is from an Irish newspaper: "This is to notify Patrick O'Flaherty, who lately left his lodgings, that if he does not return soon and pay for the same he shall be advertised."
Judge: Rufus (who had visited a neighbor's hen roost with his father the night before)—I 'spects pa's los' his 'ligion, mammy, fo' sure.
Mrs Snoudrop(quickly)—What fo' you say dat, chile?

Rufus—Kase las' night, when he steal dat chick'n, he jes' hide his lantern under a bush; dat's what he done.
—When a man confesses to a skeleton in a closet he makes no bones of it.

Argued Monday.

The case of the state vs. Claude Branton was argued and submitted before the supreme court Monday, February 20. We are unable to state yet what the decision of the court is as we go to press.

Antelope Herald February 10.

During the recent heavy rains and melting snow which we hope is the advent of spring, our small streams took on the appearance of rivers and were not fordable in many places.
It Adjourned.
The legislature closed its labors last Saturday evening at 5 o'clock and 30 minutes. At present it is impossible to give in detail the result of the work of that body. Indeed we do not see anything it did for good of very much importance. What it did in the other direction will be felt rather than seen.
The passage of a registration law, the school text book law, the law of fixing the salaries of district attorneys, reapportionment of the representation of the state, the law to reduce loans of school money to 6 per cent are nearly all the general laws that were created.

The War.

We have advices from the seat of war at Manila up to Feb. 19. The outlook is anything but flattering at present. The rebels still hold the country in certain parts of the operations of our troops despite the efforts of the gun-boats to dislodge them from the jungles on both sides of the river. The heat is intense and increasing daily. It was impossible to provide shades for the troops in different parts of the line. A part of the line stretching from the beach at Camp Dewey to General King's right was reinforced by two battalions of Oregon volunteers and three troops of the Fourth Cavalry as infantry. So that henceforth we shall look for news of the conduct of our boys before the enemy. May good luck attend them. We fear not for their courage.
With the exception of the Ho Hop trade with Phillipino is still blocked.
The rebels are using guerrilla tactics and have the Remington and Mauser bullets, have the smokeless powder making it extremely difficult to locate individual marksmen.
The casualties as reported by General Otis for the last week from deaths and wounded were nine killed, died of sickness and wounds, and about the same number wounded. To the present we have beaten the rebels badly in every engagement but they do not seem to know it and are seemingly just getting ready for commencing to fight in earnest.
Our notion is that we do not appreciate the importance of and fearful condition of our army at Phillipino. That heat and the climate is intolerable and we cannot know what our troops are suffering.

JACKETS and CAPES.

New Goods Arrive
Weekly so you can
have a new Stock to
Select from at any
time. Prices always the Lowest.
S. H. FRIENDLY

The public will please
take notice that I am
still at the OLD STAND
on 8th St. Eugene, Ore.
with a variety of Goods for Eggs.
too numerous to mention.

Burg's Variety Store.