

South.	July, 1896.	North.
9 20 a. m.	Lv. Portland	Ar. 3 15 p. m.
10 20 a. m.	Oswego	2 55 p. m.
10 25 a. m.	Tusitlan	2 55 p. m.
10 45 a. m.	Smocks	1 30 p. m.
10 50 a. m.	Nidleton	1 25 p. m.
11 40 a. m.	Ar. Newberg	Lv. 12 35 p. m.
11 55 a. m.	Dundee	2 25 p. m.

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The alliance craze has struck Oregon sure enough.

\$80,000 is the sum appropriated for the completion of the capitol at Salem.

A LIGHTSHIP, to cost \$70,000 will be built this summer for the mouth of the Columbia.

The Ohio state farmers' alliance has declared in favor of the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

This is not a true republic until every position from president to post master is filled by men elected by popular vote.

Congress has been asked to appropriate \$200,000 to assist the colored people of America in giving an exhibition of their products at the world's fair.

It is said, that a company of California capitalists are about to try an experiment of fruit growing in Alaska, with the hope of becoming a competitor of Oregon and Washington in the raising of such fruits as cherries, apples, pears, etc.

IT MATTERS NOT SO MUCH to the legislators of Washington that there is no law against bigamy, adultery or any kindred crime, but the great question to be settled is what shall be the name of the mountain called Ranier or Tacoma.

The Oregon National Guard appears to be very near and dear to some of the great papers in this state, nearer and dearer, we think, than to the majority of the people, who would much prefer to see appropriations made for much-needed internal improvements than to furnish a few hundred men with high-sounding titles, brass buttons and free lunch at the expense of the state.

GOVERNOR PENNOYER'S reason for vetoing the wagon roads bill was, that it provided for the payment out of the state general fund of several thousand dollars for purely local improvements, and he argued that it would be establishing a dangerous precedent. In other words, the governor appears to think that if any section needs a wagon road the taxpayers of that section should foot the bill, and not depend upon the state for help.

The usual number of bills have been introduced into congress to grant the wife of Admiral Porter a life pension. This thing of granting unnecessarily large pensions to the widows of officers, while the wives of thousands of privates are in actual want, smacks too much of toadyism tinged just a little with inhumanity. Justice, with special privileges to none, ought to apply to the granting of pensions as well as to any other department of political affairs.

As an evidence of what this whole country is coming to unless the utmost care is exercised, and something be done for the people as well as the bootlers, we call your attention to the condition of Unasilla county, this state. The mortgage indebtedness of that county is \$2,941,372, and it is estimated that to pay the interest on this vast amount would take the wheat product from 24,000 acres each year, reckoning 25 bushels to the acre, or an aggregate of 600,000 bushels.

It is said that the Sioux Indians, who recently created such a disturbance in South Dakota, were legal voters, while the wives, mothers and sisters of the men they killed, had no voice in political matters. It is also said that the worst thing or outbreak in Portland, as long as he can evade the law, can directly and indirectly vote a tax on every intelligent and refined property-holding woman in the city, while she has no voice in such affairs. This is getting it pretty close to home, and it might be well to examine into the reports and ascertain if they are true.

The fund created by the 5 per cent of the net proceeds of public land sales in this state, now amounts to over \$70,000 and is increasing at the rate of \$500 a month. There has been no provision made for the use of the money, and this is the fund that the job lot of wagon roads appropriation was to be drawn from if the governor hadn't vetoed the scheme a second time. This fund should be turned over to the support of the public schools of the state, as it would thus benefit more impartially all sections.

The Miller bill, which claims to give the board of railroad commissioners greater authority and broader scope for work, will be found to be a first class nuisance on the first attempt of the board to regulate rates. Very little authority attaches to, and very little attention will be paid, to the demands of any commission that has to look elsewhere for power to enforce its requirements. It is to be hoped nothing will be allowed to interfere with the board in the matter of drawing their pay, which after all is a very important part of their official duty.

The State of Oregon now has a normal school all its own. It ought to be at Salem, the capital, but isn't. It is the old normal at Monmouth painted over with a state appropriation. We trust that as a state institution it will be improved in some respects.

Portland politicians are rejoicing not a little over the fact that the governor sat down rather solidly on the wagon roads appropriation bill. Portland got all that her representatives could agree upon asking for, and has very little interest in a wagon road down Rogue river or elsewhere.

Messrs. DIMICK and MATTHEW are engaged in complimenting each other over their morality and that of their respective parties through the columns of the Woodburn Independent. They should have selected the Sunday Mercury as being better suited for the particular line of work in which both these gentlemen appear to excel.

The subject of the election of U. S. Senators by a direct vote of the people is being pretty freely discussed at present, and a bill has been introduced into the national senate to so amend the constitution as to admit of such election. In our opinion such a measure is to be commended, as the dollars now wasted on lobbyists and weak-kneed legislators would thus find their way into the pockets of the people. But seriously speaking, it is in our opinion dangerous to establish any system of election whereby the voter is excluded from the exercise of his right to cast a ballot for his choice. It furnishes, besides, both a temptation and an opportunity for unscrupulous politicians to take advantage of the cupidity of unscrupulous legislators, and buy, either with money or promise of appointment, a seat in the highest legislative body in the land. This is an age of great political corruption, and nowhere may be found more striking evidences of it than in the senate of the United States. There are notable exceptions, of course, but in the main this body is composed of men who by shrewdness in political joggery, or the use of money, have attained to the position they now hold, and who, as long as present opportunities offer, will retain their positions until they see fit to die or go into a contest for the presidency. They care as little for the interests of the people they are supposed to represent as if they belonged to an entirely different race of beings. One might be led to think from the expressions of some great papers, that with the fall of Ingalls the star of political corruption had gone down, but Ingalls, while one of the most brilliant in this collection of corruptionists, was by no means all of it. And as long as present conditions exist there is small chance of improvement in this direction.

IOWA LETTER.

EDITORS GRAPHIC:—I have thought that a few lines from here might be of interest to your readers. Chariton is in the southern part of the state, on the main line of the C. B. & Q. railroad, in a rich farming and stock raising country. The farmers are making money and are generally well-to-do. The farmers of this Lucas county, a county not as large as Yamhill, with as much waste land, have one hundred and eighty thousand dollars on deposit here in the First National Bank, are generally clear of debt, have good improvements and are generally thrifty. To a person who has lived in Oregon as long as I have, and taken note of our slipshod ways, it does not seem strange that they are doing so much better than farmers who are much better situated in Yamhill. They are all what we would call rustlers. They will not have scrub stock of any kind, and they see that their stock is kept fat the year round, and when they are raising a crop they don't leave it and go off to the coast, or off on a pleasure trip anywhere. It is the same with all the details of stock raising and farm work—everything gets attention when it should have it. If we in the Willamette valley, with the advantages we have in soil and climate, would but exercise the same energy and enterprise that they do here, we could certainly get ahead fast.

WHISKEY BLASPHEMY.

We publish below a circular that was issued and widely circulated by the Calumet Distilling Company, of Chicago. OUR THANKSGIVING. WE THANK THEE, O Lord, for the Spirit of Independence which Thou hast infused into our veins. WE THANK THEE for having kept our enemies at bay—teach them, O Lord, that the CALUMET is built like unto a tomahawk, and will cut in either direction if tampered with. WE ARE ALSO THANKFUL for Thy great goodness, in permitting the Calumet to produce goods that have NO EQUAL IN THE MARKET. It is indeed a weapon that is powerful and invincible. WE FURTHER THANK THEE for Thy beautiful trade. Thou hast showered upon us. We have been a favored child, and are humbly proud. In our just pride we promise Thee, O Lord, in the future to care for that trade with even GREATER DILIGENCE than in the past, and keep them from all harm—Trusts or otherwise. With bowed heads and full hearts, we thank Thee. CALUMET DISTILLING CO.

This is one of the most shockingly indecent and irreverent documents that we have ever seen that was put out in the interest of the whiskey business. Bon-forts Wine and Spirit circular and other liquor journals condemn the shameful circular. The whiskey power is getting more blatant and defiant from day to day and we believe that the final conflict that must come sooner or later, in which the sober element of society will be engaged on one side, and the whiskey power combined with the scum of society on the other, is hastened by just such articles as the above. A resident of our town was heard to remark the other day that our town would be greatly benefited by allowing a saloon to do business here. We have but little time for argument with this class, but will say that if this individual desires to put himself on a level with the Calumet Distilling Company he can do so, but he is wasting his breath trying to convince our people that we need a saloon. If he wants to live in a saloon town why don't he leave Newberg? The poor fellow could start in any direction and in a few hours travel reach a village where saloons flourish like a green bay tree. Why remain in Newberg when all your longings could be so easily satisfied?

CHANGE IN VALUES.

Ten years ago Jesse Hobson sold a piece of land laying a half mile north of town for \$15. per acre and the class of people who are always anxious about other peoples business spent considerable time censuring brother Hobson for swindling the buyer so outrageously. This same land, sold a short time ago for \$60. or \$70. per acre and the party buying remarked to us this week that he would hardly care to take \$100. per acre. This man is not a boomer either but a man who is going on the land to make a permanent home and intends going into the fruit business. We simply give this to show the change in values around Newberg in the past ten years. Changes have taken place in other parts of the country also but not in nearly so marked a degree. There are two principal causes for the change here. One is the very favorable locality we have for the cultivation of fruits, having a soil

peculiarly adapted to this growing industry and being as warm, protected on the north, east and west by high hills which break off the chilling winds. The other is the reputation we have gained as a town where first class schools without saloons, is the watch word. There is no getting around the fact that the latter is largely the factor that makes the high prices on our land, notwithstanding the fact that a "sap head" is occasionally heard to say "it takes a saloon to make a town." A prominent real estate man of Portland came up here a short time ago wanting to buy a large tract of land within two miles of Newberg. A gentleman he fell in with told him he did not know that he would be able to fit him out with what he wanted here, but at a neighboring town he could fill the bill exactly. "But," says the Portland man, "I don't want your land elsewhere; I came to buy land at Newberg and here is where I want it." He said further that people here were turning their attention specially to the fruit business and that the places had an enviable reputation, and this was the kind of a place he desired to invest his money in. This man hunted until he found what he wanted and bought a large tract of land and says he wants more. With the natural advantages we possess and with the large majority of our people who are determined to maintain the high moral standing of the community; and with our splendid system of public schools, coupled with the fact that we have an academy second to none, east or west, which is soon to be changed to a college of a high degree, our prospects for the future are indeed bright.

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