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The horse-selling season did not wait for spring to open this year, but has already started in, owing to the heavy demand for good draft horses for the logging camps, says the Oregonian. Quite a number of animals are being bought for the British Columbia market, and these are shipped north, subject to 30 per cent Canadian duty. Those who live to buy horses now think they are rather at the wrong end of the bargain, as a well broken pair, weighing 1600 to 1800 each, readily sell at from \$300 to \$400. Heavy horses, however, are scarce and purchasers will have to content themselves with the lighter animals, purchasing more of them. According to experienced dealers the horse range of Eastern Oregon were pretty well depleted of their best animals last year, and so very few of those to be bought in this season will reach the desired standard in weight. "Horses are high here" a dealer said yesterday, "but they are worth nearly double Portland prices in the woods of British Columbia, and a team selling for \$300 here will bring \$600 across the British pipe."

Six of the committee of Indian war veterans have gone to Washington, where they will render the Oregon delegation whatever assistance they can, in securing relief legislation for those who defended the Northwest against the murderous savages, between 1846 and 1857. Governor Geer last week appointed T. A. Wood, of Portland; Jacob Wheeler, of Albany; H. D. Mount, of Silverton; G. W. Riddle, of Astoria; W. D. Stillwell, of Tillamook; J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville and O. Summers, of Portland, on this committee and the sum of \$2000 has been set apart to defray the expenses of the trip. General Summers stated he could not act and tendered his resignation. The General feared that little could be accomplished in behalf of the Indian War Veterans at this time, as this congress will expire March 4, and so what work was done by the Oregon delegation and friends of the Veterans in the meantime would all have to be done over again. The General, however, volunteered his hearty services in whatever he could assist the delegation and he wished them godspeed on their errand.

The bill introduced by Representative Geer creating the office of assessors and state board of equalization, provides for a four years term for assessors instead of two. The date of assessment is also changed to begin the first day of January each year. The state board of equalization shall be composed of the county assessors, all of whom shall meet at the state capitol the second Thursday of September each year. After organizing, electing a president and secretary, six are elected from their number who, in connection with the president and secretary, shall constitute the board of equalization for one year. The compensation shall be \$3 per day and mileage fee sufficient to cover actual traveling expenses to and from the capitol. The county count of each county pay all claims for their respective assessors.

House bill No. 13, introduced by Colvig, provides for the election of assessors for four year terms and disqualifies an officer to serve a second term next succeeding.

National irrigation has been discussed in congress a great deal of late and members of congress seem averse to committing the government to it. They appear to think it is not a proper field for government enterprise and gov-

ernment money. Congressmen, however, are quick to spend \$100,000,000 a year on a standing army \$77,000,000 a year on a navy and \$150,000,000 on pensions, all of which have a tendency to burden producers and workers, but are slow to spend one cent for something that promises to increase production, create happy homes and put people in a way of doing for themselves. Congress is such a gang of parasites and tax-eaters that they favor anything that is destructive, because it pertains to their environment, while opposing anything that is productive of good to those who are not of their class and kind. The fact is, congress is narrow between the eyes and is growing narrower all the time.—East Oregonian.

The act providing for a levy of a tax of 1 mill on all property in Oregon, to apply on the 1900 assessment, for the purpose of paying off the scalp bounty warrants, has passed both houses and been signed by the governor. It provides that all money heretofore collected on the old scalp bounty tax and turned over to the state treasurer shall be returned to the various counties. This will in no way interfere with the new law proposed by Senator Williamson, which provides for each county to pay the bounty and the state to reimburse the counties two-thirds of amount paid out.

The bill to relocate the county seat of Malheur county introduced by Representative Geer provides for a special election to be held on the 1st day of June, 1901. In case no town receives a majority of votes cast at the special election, the names of the two towns receiving the largest and next to the largest number of votes shall be placed upon the ballots for the general election to be held in June, 1902.

Natural gas has been discovered near Culfax, Wash., says the Salem Sentinel. There are indications of it in many places in Eastern Oregon. One day oil and gas will be struck east of the Cascades—then took out for one of the biggest booms Eastern Oregon ever dreamed of.

Either one of two things has been done, the "city dads" have either been bailed on their new fire bell, or it has been put in a barrel where it will not sound. The curfew alarm each evening cannot be heard over two blocks unless one is out on the street listening for it.

A bill has been introduced for the purpose of establishing school libraries. The intention is to levy and raise in each county a tax equal to ten cents for every child of school age, and apportion it among the school districts, proportionately.

The value of vaccination is shown by the fact that most medical authorities place the mortality of smallpox among the unvaccinated at something over 35 per cent, and among those who have been vaccinated at 8 per cent or under.

Still no election of U. S. Senator by the Oregon legislature. The people of this state have been proud of that body for the past several years. Keep it up. Nothing draws more attention to a state than a legislative deadlock. It is perhaps a benefit after all.

A. L. Craig, assistant general passenger and ticket agent of the Northern Pacific, has been appointed general passenger agent of the O. R. & N., in the place of W. H. Hurlburt, who resigned January 15.

Congress seems to be moving right along in spite of the fact that Senator McBride is not at Washington. From present indications they will have to do without him next session too.

John Minto is again in print, talking state division. Burns is not ready to have the state divided yet. Just wait till we get about a half dozen of those railroads leading this way.

What about the cow ordinance, is it a farce? What's the use of a "cow" ordinance without it is enforced? Does it include horses too? If not, why not?

Still the railroad talk goes on about tapping Harney Valley. All this will finally culminate in a road being built right into Burns.

An exchange suggests that Mrs. Carrie Nation, the joint smasher in Kansas, change her name to Hellen D. Nation.

To Appense Eastern Oregon.

Salem, Or., Jan. 29.—That Eastern Oregon does not have benefits equal with those of Western Oregon in the location of public institutions, every one will admit. How this difference can be equalized without injury to the institutions located in Western Oregon does not so readily appear. The members from Eastern Oregon are demanding appropriations for state institutions in eastern Oregon, and as is to be expected, the friends of western Oregon institutions are opposing the measures. One of the chief demands of eastern Oregon is for an Agricultural College to be located on the land purchased a few years ago for a branch insane asylum. The claim for the location of an Agricultural College in eastern Oregon is founded principally upon the injustice in requiring the people of that section of the state to pay the large transportation expenses of sending their children to Corvallis, while western Oregon patrons of the institution have but small expenses of this kind to meet. It has been suggested that the inequality in this respect might be eliminated without making an appropriation for an additional school. The suggestion is that every student who enters either of these institutions be required to deposit a certain sum in what would be known as the transportation fund, and each student be allowed to draw from the fund the amount of his traveling expenses in journeying to and from school.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Harney county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state papers at Drewsey as follows: Commencing Wednesday, February 13, at nine o'clock A. M., and continuing until Saturday, February 16, at four o'clock P. M. Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, composition. Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, English literature, civil government. Friday—Physiology, geography, physical geography, mental arithmetic, school law. Saturday—Botany, plain geometry, general history, physics, psychology.

Truly yours, J. C. BARTLETT, County School Supt. Harney County Oregon.

The Third House of the legislature was organized tonight, says the Salem correspondent to the Oregonian, with J. B. Eccle speaker, and Frank Davey chief clerk. The principal bills introduced were those providing bounties for cockroach scalps, establishing a barber's college, and creating a capitol dome commission with power to employ as many clerks as possible. The house declined to admit prominent men from abroad, but extended the usual courtesies to the representatives of the Cider Press, and instructed the sergeant-at-arms to supply each member with 5000 cigars. The best joke of the session was cracked when Speaker Eddy asked: "Mr. Clerk, are there any more bills on the table?" Clerk Davey promptly replied: "Here is your wash bill."

Someone says "slang is a menace to language." It is also a menace to the public peace, if the object of its utterance happens to be someone with a temper—and muscle.

Terse and Timely.

Kathryn Kidder strongly urges young girls not to go on the stage, even if they have to get married as an alternative. How awful the stage must be.

Somebody broke into the Internal Revenue Office vault at Peoria last week and stole a million or so's worth of stamps. Must be intending to go into business somewhere.

A little while hence how Imperial William, of Germany, will enjoy giving points from the storehouse of his riper experience to his royal "Uncle Ned" on how to act as a real, simon-pure sovereign.

Late dispatches indicate that Mrs. Nation has concluded to stop wrecking saloons and to take to lecturing. In other words, she drops the ax for the tongue—with many women a much more effective weapon.

The Pits to Join the Klamaths.

The Indian Agents at the Klamath Reservation have interested themselves in the Pit River tribe, which originally inhabited Shasta county, and where many of them yet remain, says the Redding Free Press. The plan on foot is to transfer all the remaining members of this to the Klamath Reservation, where they can have school advantages and government assistance. The Indians themselves, whose principal home is now in Modoc county, have petitioned the Indian office for relief. They say that in early times the Klamaths, Modocs and Pitues carried away many of their children as captives and made slaves of them. The United States soldiers, they allege, chased them from place to place and killed many of their number, which was followed by the confiscation of their lands, for which they were never paid a cent, while other tribes have been well paid for theirs.

It seems there are 225 children among them who are of school age, but are without opportunity for obtaining an education, though they are anxious for an opportunity. The Fort Bidwell school, some forty miles away, is totally inaccessible, and is in the land of the Pitue, the deadly enemy of the Pit River Indians. In cases where Pit River

Indians have attended this school, it has been much friction and satisfactory results are not obtained.

Today's Vote on Senator.

Considerable progress was made in the vote for U. S. Senator today. It is a foregone conclusion that those now being balloted on cannot be elected and as there was a falling off in the vote, we consider it progress. The vote today was as follows: Corbett, 22; McBride, 19; Perman, 8; Smith 15; scattering, 5; absent and paired, 20.

Our city election will be held next month. It is time the matter of new officers was being thought of.

The local nimrods are watching to see what disposition is made of the bill introduced by Representative Grace, of Baker county for the protection of sagehens.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that I the undersigned administrator of the estate of John Murray deceased have filed my final account with said estate in the office of the County Clerk of Harney county Oregon; and that, Monday, the 11th day of March 1901, is the day fixed by the Court for hearing objections thereto and reading a decree allowing or disallowing the said account. All heirs, creditors and other persons interested in said estate, desiring to file objections thereto shall do so on or before that date, F. S. REIDER, Administrator.

Notice to Creditors.

In the county court of the State of Oregon for Harney county. In the matter of the Estate of Arthur Blackley Paton:

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Thomas Fitzgerald Arnold, Executor of the estate of Arthur Blackley Paton, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased to present the same with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice to said Executor, at the office of Hayes & Saxton, in Burns, Harney county, State of Oregon. Dated this 23 day of Nov. 1900. THOMAS FITZGERALD ARNOLD, Executor.

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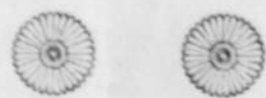
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