

JULIAN BYRD

Two-sevenths of the legislative session is spent in the weekly recess at Portland. Perhaps there ought to be a law against it, but no legislature would enact one except in the closing hours of the session, and then there is no time. The only permanent remedy for this interruption would be removal of the capital—an unpleasant topic which is, however, pointedly suggested by the inspection of the Washington legislature is now making of Tacoma as a possible substitute for Olympia. The removal question is dormant in Oregon, but nobody knows when it will be raised. In its favor could be mentioned the superior railroad and hotel facilities of Portland, its greater ease of access from most parts of the state, the fact that the members have more or less business in Portland anyhow, and none in Salem proper, and the advantages that would accrue to the state government itself in being located directly at a business, social, educational and trade center. On the other hand, must be reckoned with the spirited resistance of Salem, and the expense and loss through removal. This last item is not considerable, or would not be if Portland were to offer land and buildings with the same spirit now shown in Tacoma—Oregonian.

Now you're shouting. What's the use of having anything in the state outside of Portland but the people to pay excessive taxes to keep up public institutions. Portland should also have the only normal school, agricultural college, university and the whole business. No other town or section of the state should be considered when it comes to appropriating money. Mr. Corbett should be elected U. S. Senator for no other reason than that he is a Portland man. What has Eastern Oregon ever done for Portland, or an Eastern Oregon man? No one east of the mountains is entitled to anything. No one should be elected to the U. S. Senate but that great man Corbett, who has done so much for—Corbett and Portland.

Eastern Oregon only pays about one-fourth of the state taxes; has two-thirds of the area of the state; raises three-fourths of the wheat and produces practically all the livestock and wool. Still this section is not entitled to any recognition whatever, for any purpose, except for her taxes. Yes, Portland is the only place worthy of recognition by the legislature.

"We take it that Portland has long ago given over all hope or expectation of and transcontinental railroad undertaking in alliance with the Columbia river. The delight which men like Hill Hariman and Mellen take in Portland and its trade know no bounds, but as for trans-Pacific routes they have other plans. If they have connections and terminals at Puget Sound or San Francisco, they are content. If not they make haste to acquire them. Mr. Hill is certain that Seattle is the only Pacific Coast port worth while. Mr. Mellen thinks the Nehalem country is a natural tributary of Tacoma, and Mr. Hariman, agent for the Vanderbilts, thinks it so important to avoid Portland that a little matter of \$70,000,000 is cheerfully dug up to get into San Francisco. The railroads will not refuse our money for freight bills, passenger tickets, and what is not needed for terminals at Seattle and Tacoma, or trackage traffic arrangements to Puget Sound or San Francisco, they will devote to our welfare in fighting the Nicaragua Canal and keeping independent men out of the Senate, says the Oregonian.

So it seems. Who is to blame for it, the sleepy business men of Portland, the Oregonian, or what? If the people of that town don't wake up, a railroad from the south will tap southeastern Oregon and what trade they get from this section will go to San Francisco and other points. Should this be done, it would be next in order to divide the state, using the Cascade mountains for a boundary line, then the Portland people and the "money-backs" of the Willamette

Valley would be well rid of the troublesome Eastern Oregon people who persist in asking some little return for their money.

The law compels children of a certain age to attend school so many months each year. The government maintains Indian schools all over the west, but it seems does not compel the Indians to attend. The commissioner of Indian Affairs in reply to Representative Moody's inquiry as to what could be done for the Pit River Indians, says:

"The Pit River Indians referred to in the petition have the privilege of attending the Indian school at Fort Bidwell, which can easily accommodate 150 pupils, there being only about 50 in attendance now; the Greenville school with a capacity of 100 to 125 is only about half full; the Carson school can also accommodate probably 50 or more."

If the proper authorities would visit Burns and vicinity and take in the situation, they might find 50 or 60 pupils for the Fort Bidwell school. It is not right to allow them to grow up to manhood and womanhood as ignorant as cattle when it can be prevented. All the ambition they have is to get enough to eat to keep from starving, and they prefer to beg or steal that rather than do an hour's work. The Plutes of this section have all been allotted some of the best land in Harney valley, and if they are allowed to go on as at present, the land could lay for 100 years without being touched so far as they are concerned. The Plutes have never worked nor are they going to work or try to better their condition unless something is done in the way of schooling. They should be compelled to attend school and the sooner such action is taken the better.

Instead of establishing a Normal school at Burns, Oregon could with less expense, transport all the young people of Harney county to Ashland, Drain or Mouth, and there pay the cost of their maintenance and education. Likewise it could convey the young people of Union county to Corvallis and keep them there for less money than it would cost to establish an Agricultural College at Union. Oregon needs not more schools, for it has enough, but better ones. If we had only one Normal School, we could make it an efficient and creditable institution and a source of pride to the state. The mistake of several Normal Schools is apparent enough without more experiments to show that our highest educational system is too elaborate for our resources. Experience should deter creation of another Agricultural College and of more Normal Schools.—Oregonian.

Of course that paper as usual, misrepresents things in order to do as much damage as possible. Burns is not asking for a normal school. It merely wants a school where branches will be taught that are not included in our public school system, in order to educate our young men and women who cannot possibly attend state institutions so far from home. Many young men and women in this and surrounding counties cannot spare the time nor expense of a full year at school, while could they have an institution near where they could attend with out losing a month's time going and coming, three or four months each year would be spent in study. It is folly to argue the matter, however, as the Oregonian always has fought and always will fight anything that Eastern Oregon wants, no matter what it is.

The cow ordinance recently passed by the city council is simply a farce. Loose stock can be found within the city limits every day, especially horses, roaming the streets and running over sidewalks at night, breaking into corrals where hay is kept and making of themselves a general nuisance. Of course it is different when a milk cow that helps to sustain a family gets out. No doubt she would be "cubbed" in 5 minutes, for the owner would soon take her out of the pound.

Sheriff's Sale.

Under and by virtue of a Warrant issued out of and under the Seal of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Harney, to me directed and delivered, commanding me to levy on the goods and chattels of the delinquent taxpayers named on the delinquent Tax Rolls of said County for the years 1895, 1897, 1898 and 1899, thereto attached, and if none is found, then upon the real property as set forth and described in the said delinquent Tax Rolls, or so much thereof as shall satisfy the amount of taxes charged therein, together with the costs and expenses, I have duly levied, having been unable to find any goods or chattels belonging to the respective delinquent taxpayers hereinafter named, upon the following tracts and parcels of real estate as set forth in said tax lists, lying and being in Harney County, state of Oregon, and described and assessed as follows:

Table with columns for year (1899, 1898, 1897, 1895), taxpayer name (J.C. Buckland, C.G. Frye, Hugh Harris, Geo. Sizemore), and amount owed.

Notice is hereby given that I will on Monday, the 11th day of March, A. D. 1901 at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Front door of the Court House, in Burns, Harney County, Oregon, sell the above described real-estate at public auction to the highest bidder for cash subject to redemption, to satisfy said Warrant, costs' and accretory costs.

Dated this 9 day of February, A. D. 1901. Geo. Shelly, Sheriff of Harney County, Oregon.

Bought a Newspaper. A recent dispatch from Baltimore, Feb. 2 says: "The Daily Capital and the Capital Job printing establishment have been sold by George J. Lewis to C. H. Fisher and R. S. Sheridan, of Roseburg, Ore., the consideration being \$15,000. The new management will take charge Monday. It is the intention, it is said, to organize a joint stock company. It was stated that the demerits have agreed to subscribe \$10,000 of the capital stock of \$25,000."

Messrs Fisher and Sheridan have been residents of Oregon for years and are well known, especially in politics. Mr Fisher has been editor of the Roseburg Review for the past twelve years and his success in this state will no doubt continue in his new field where he has a large scope. Mr Sheridan at present holds the position of chairman of the state democratic central committee and was register of the U. S. land office at Roseburg under Cleveland's administration. He is a brother-in-law to H. C. Levens of this place. We wish our friends every success in their new business venture.

Additional Locals. The several stages all arrive in good time these days. Another delinquent tax sale appears in this issue. We are now having some real winter weather. The body of the late Queen Victoria was laid to rest last Saturday. It is reported that Tax Kruger, president of the Transvaal Republic is dangerously sick in Paris, and will probably die.

A recent letter from H. M. Horton states that he expects to be home some time next month.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunter, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Byrd, went to Harney today to visit relatives.

Messrs Swartz & Biddleman, the gentlemen who made arrangements to buy the mercantile store of Geo. Fry, have returned from Portland and no doubt the trade will be completed immediately.

Sportsmen of Lake county ask their representatives in the legislature to secure an amendment to the game law giving a three months' open season in that county for quail. The Examiner says these birds are numerous and as they are being killed anyway by non-observers of the law, it is right to give the true sportsman a chance.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Harney county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state papers at Drowsey 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.

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

Estray Notice.

One yearling steer spotted red and white branded, as near as can be made out, the letter K backward and A connected. Come to my place in December. Owner please call at my ranch, 6 miles east of Burns, prove property, pay expense and take steer. FRED DEMSTRET.

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 Blauvelly Paton: Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Thomas Fitzgerald Arnold, Executor of the estate of Arthur Blauvelly 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.

Notice.

The firm of I. S. Geer & Co. having disposed of its interest in the Burns Milling Co., the accounts of that company must be settled at once. All outstanding indebtedness will be paid by I. S. Geer & Co. and all accounts due are payable to I. S. Geer & Co. Dated October 1st, 1900.

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in low Shades, or anything carried in a first class furniture store, call and examine my stock and get prices before purchasing elsewhere. Picture Frame Moulding, in variety, always in stock and fitted to any picture. C. S. Biggs, Burns, Ore.

The Red Front Livery, Feed and Sale Stable.

Fine Turnouts, Courteous Treatment, Hay and Grain Always Kept On Hand. McCULLY & BERDUGO, PROPS.

The "Star" Saloon.

CLAUDE McGEE, Proprietor. First Class. CHOICE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS. FINE BILLIARD AND POOL TABLES. COMFORTABLE CLUB ROOM. Old Robinson Building.

The Burns Brewery

LOCHER & PANKRATZ Proprs. Beer 5 cents a glass, 15 cents a quart, 50 cents a gallon, 5 gallon keg for \$2.80 gallon keg for \$3.50. 1 dozen bottles for \$1.50. Beer delivered any place in the city.

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