



Burns Victorious.
THE VOTERS OF HARNEY COUNTY
LIVE THE PERMANENT COUNTY SEAT
AT BURNS.
JUSTICE.

We did not purchase THE HERALD for purpose of fighting for any citizen, corporation or sect. Our intentions were to publish a peoples paper. Our political views were clearly defined in our first issue and it has been a point with us and hope we will always be able to adhere to the principle, to do justice to every one and to every cause.

Notwithstanding the fact that we labored with all our energy, power and skill, at our command to elect the Democratic ticket—to which every man, woman and child in the town of Burns can testify—it does not necessarily follow that we should approve of every act of the officers,—elected—in their official capacity, whether or not such act be in accordance with our conception of right and wrong. A clause in the act creating Harney county, reads thus: "At the next general election, the question of location of county-seat, shall be submitted to the legal voters of said county, and the place receiving the majority of all votes cast shall be the permanent county-seat of said county." Clearly defining that if more than two places were candidates that the one elected must receive a majority of all the votes. We are fully persuaded if Gov. Penoyer, who signed the bill making Harney a county, were consulted as to his opinion of the meaning of the clause, his answer would agree with the statement we have made.

If the individual, or committee—as the case may be—who framed and wrote the bill, were asked, we believe their version would coincide with ours, and further, if the same body of men that composed the legislature of the State of Oregon, at that time were called together and a vote taken, we are sure there would not be one dissenting vote to the opinion we have given.

Taking these points and facts into consideration, we cannot see the action of counting blanks for Harney, and against Burns, in no other light than a clear case of envy, malice, hatred and pure wickedness. It is sometimes the case that the actions of persons, corporations or companies, justify a newspaper in making very pointed remarks. Had the shoe been on the other foot, and Harney receiving, instead of Burns, a majority vote, does any one think for an instant that the Pacific Live Stock Association, Harney, or the friends of Harney, either through their attorney or the "Press," would have acknowledged the fact, and made it known to the friends of Burns, that although Harney having received a majority of the votes cast, the blanks should be counted, and thereby leaving the permanent county-seat still a question before the people?

Do not understand THE HERALD to be an enemy to Harney, the Stock Association, or the friends of Harney, but we deem it our duty to condemn an action, which has upon its face—as clearly as the noon-day sun—an effort to perpetrate a wrong upon the people, in order to advance their own personal interest. This is probably putting it pretty strong, but all unbiased minded persons are bound to acknowledge the truth of the statement we have written. It is the duty of a newspaper, that has proper respect for

not matter by whom committed, whether it be stockman, corporation, or settler. The settler organization have it in their power to commit a wrong, and cannot always be depended upon any more than other organizations or monopolies. For example, Burns has been a friend to the settler, and helped through every case of emergency, when called upon; still a great many of these very individuals tried to leave Burns "out in the cold" by voting favorable to the very element which so bitterly opposed their interest.

If all the lawyers in the State and courts in the State, should decide to count the blanks, that is not conclusive evidence that there is any justice in it, neither does it effect the right or justice of the claim that Burns has a majority vote and should have the county-seat.

We have been asked whose duty it is to give the order for the removal of the county records? Not being a lawyer, our answer to the question cannot be taken as authority, ours being placed upon a plain common-sense view of the question. We claim, that immediately after it was shown, by the official report of the canvassing board, that Burns had a majority, that moment she had the county-seat, and official business transacted at any other point is illegal.

BURNS FOR JUSTICE.

Burns is not lagging on her hips, like a dead beat on the street corner, waiting for something to turn up, but she is alive to her interests, and when justice demands, it always "gets there" if there is any show for it.

"A majority of all votes cast." How should a court of justice—after reading the bill—or any man of sense, not interested, define it? Would such a court of justice decide that it should be a majority of votes cast for some candidate? For instance, county clerk, sheriff, or some other office? Or does it mean a majority of votes cast for county-seat? What was the bill passed for? The creation of a new county or the election of officers? If for the creation of a new county and the location of a county-seat, then the clause: "a majority of all votes cast," must have reference to that and cannot be otherwise construed by parties who are disinterested, and believe in honesty, truth and justice.

BEFORE censuring or condemning a man for some supposed injury, be sure you have evidence sufficient or what is better, put yourself in his place, and calmly view the situation from that standpoint, asking yourself what you would do if similarly situated; do not come to hasty conclusions, and censure a known friend through anxiety or fear that some pet scheme or cause might go by default on account of some mismanagement of that friend. Place yourself between two opposing forces of equal magnitude, then think and act in accordance with the prompting of your own conscience and decide the question impartially in your own mind whether or not your friend is to blame. For a man to talk justice, and then simply, upon his imagination or belief, stand up and censure or condemn another, is to be inconsistent, and shows plainly that justice could not be expected from him. That man himself, might be some day similarly situated; then he, undoubtedly, will want the sympathy and help of his friends, and would feel somewhat sore towards them, if—without a just cause—they deserted him in his time of trouble.

In our issue two weeks ago we urged the necessity of our citizens making preparations for protection, in case of accidental or incendiary fires. Unless we do attend to this our losses are likely to be heavy if such should occur. Burns, generally speaking, is alive to her own interest, but in respect to the probable losses by fire, we seem to be asleep. That fire will break out in our town, no reasonable man can doubt for a moment, and how soon none can tell, but its coming is a certainty.

THE Republican senators who favor a liberal silver legislation, say unless the conservatives come to their terms, they will go with the Democrats and pass a free coinage bill.

HERALD'S WASHINGTON LETTER.

Tariff, silver and politics are the topics of Congressional consideration at present, and are likely to remain the subjects of attention for sometime to come. Some man started a report that Congress would take a recess from July 1, to Oct. 1, but that is extremely improbable, as it would be difficult to keep a quorum here during the autumn season.

The solicitude of the members concerning their re-election is of more importance to many of them than the business before Congress; while those who do not expect to be re-elected will be altogether too indifferent about results to return before the next regular session. It is the general opinion now among Congressmen, and those best posted on the subject, that Congress will not adjourn before September 1.

The republicans of the House have determined to take the lead on the silver question, which the Senate has been wrestling with, to no purpose, all this season. They will pass under suspension of the rules what is known as the "Caucus bill," which provides for the redemption of silver certificates in lawful money or bullion, it is expected to be somewhat amended to meet the views of the President. The extreme silver men complain that a good many republicans are deterred from taking a bold stand for free coinage by their desire to stand well with the White House. They are beginning to feel a sense of the futility of passing a free coinage bill, now that it is not doubted that the President would interpose his veto. The constitution authorizes and encourages the President to recommend measures to Congress, and it seems that this would be an excellent time to issue this constitutional injunction in regard to the silver question. He ought not to be the subject in his message out said "at a later day I may communicate further with Congress on this subject." A message from him now would probably expedite a settlement of the long debated question. Many of the extreme silver men are still confident that they can pass a bill embodying their views, including free coinage in the Senate, but are doubtful of its passage in the House. They say that republicans in both branches of Congress are more concerned about retaining pleasant relations with the administration and the distribution of patronage, than settling a great economic question. One of the ultra silver men has said that they intended to make an effort in the Senate to have the certificates made legal tender, and further amend the pending measure so to make the bullion aggregate 4,500,000 ounces, instead of that many dollars worth monthly. They would follow this by offering a free coinage bill as a substitute. Should it pass, they will use their best endeavors to have the House follow their example, and take the chances of the President's veto. If the motion fails they will content themselves with the bill as amended.

The House republicans are more conservative and will endeavor to pass a bill of such tendencies, before the Senate can come to a vote on the subject.

As for the tariff the republicans can't agree. The McKinley and Allison divisions are as irreconcilable as were those of Randall and Morrison in the Democratic House of other days. Even the committee of the Senate that has the McKinley bill under examination is divided against itself, and will in the end substitute a measure totally different. This substitute bill, it is believed will be modeled on the lines of the Allison bill of two years ago, except that where changes occur, the duties will be lowered and not increased. It will probably be passed sometime in August. It is expected that when the Senate bill reaches the House the republicans will not concur. This will send it to a committee of conference when the different items will be fought over indefinitely. The more prominent Senate democrats don't expect a tariff bill to be passed, and believe that the republicans will pursue this course in order to occupy a negative position in the Congressional elections this autumn. When the campaign begins they can say to their friends who are dissatisfied with certain items in the McKinley bill that it is not proposed to pass that measure, but the Senate bill. A similar argument will be made to those objecting to items in the Senate bill.

The conference on Army Appropriation report, included a recommendation that no intoxicating drinks should be supplied in cantines, or trader's stores in states and territories where prohibition exists. This provision was adopted by the Senate; 35 yeas, 8 nays.

There is no probability that admission of Idaho and Wyoming will be considered this session. The silver and tariff bills, and National election bill will have to be disposed of before any attention is given to state-hood bills, but it is possible that political consideration may induce the republicans to admit the new state next session.

Must Hang.

Clinton Pennington the slayer, of Chas. B. Balcom, must hang. The decision of the lower court has been sustained by the supreme court. On the morning of June 5, he was brought from his cell to the court room, in Baker City, and Judge Clifford sentenced the doomed man to be hung, Friday, July 18th, between the hours, 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.

A Serious Matter.

When la grippe first manifested itself in this country there was a general disposition to regard it as something to be ridiculed, and the early sufferers from it were laughed at. But when the disease began to spread with such fearful rapidity and such alarming results, joking became too serious a matter for indulgence. An idea of the extent to which the disease prevailed, and its fatality, will be gleaned from the fact that American life insurance companies paid over one million dollars on policies held by victims of the epidemic. In Great Britain five million dollars, it is estimated, were paid out by the insurance companies.—Salem Statesman.

Sam Jones Latest.

I'd rather be a low-down chain-gang negro than one of your little fellows. You won't be in hell two minutes before you'll be hopping around the fire and yelling: "What a mistake I made." I have some respect for Bob Ingersoll, because he can get \$200 a night for his lecturing. But some of these little fellows are infidels for nothing, pay \$2 to hear Ingersoll, and board themselves. I understand you are running "society" here pretty lively. Society! A pair of 75 cent slippers and a \$1.25, wasp bonnet lets you into it. There is no manhood, no womanhood in it. The fruits of society, so-called, are dude and the dudine. If you don't like what I am saying, just get up on your hind-legs and slide out.—Ex.

Live Frog in a Rock.

Many well-authenticated stories of the finding of live toads and frogs in solid rock, are on record, and that such things are possible was demonstrated here on Thursday afternoon, when a workman engaged in Varley & Everill's lime rock quarry, north of the city which had been blasted out, and a frog hopped out of a socket in the centre of the stone. Of course, the occurrence created a tremendous sensation among the workman, and operations at the quarry were for the time suspended, and the movements of the frog were watched with great interest. The animal was somewhat smaller than the ordinary frog and was perfectly white. Its eyes were unusually large and very brilliant but the frog was perfectly blind. There was only a line where the mouth should have been, and on the feet there was a dark, horny substance. Mr. Everill at once took charge of the curiosity and put it in a tin can, but the frog died yesterday morning. He brought it down town and it was examined with interest by a large number of people, and afterwards it was presented to the museum, where it will be preserved in alcohol.—Salt Lake Herald.

Mr. F. A. Abernethy left last Thursday for Burns, Or., where he will accept a position in the United States land office. He has had many years experience in the land business and we know that he will give great satisfaction.—Wasco Sun.

A Double Tragedy.

A double tragedy occurred at Milwaukee, near Portland June 11 which resulted in the death of a mother and her son. Daniel Harvey, who has lived for many years with his mother, Mrs. Mary Bunnell, and his step father, Charles Bunnell, shot his mother through the temple, and then placing the weapon to his head, blew his own brains out. Both mother and son lived until about 9 o'clock, when death came to their relief. The family were living on a fruit farm about a mile east of Milwaukee. Harvey was about 35 years of age, and unmarried, while his mother was 65 years of age. The family always lived peaceably together and Harvey seemed particularly attached to his mother.

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