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#### A POLITICAL ANOMALY.

This coming Fall will see the selection of a postmaster for Grants Pass. At the present writing there are a number of citizens of our city who are actively canvassing for the position and pulling all the political strings they are able to get hold of. In our Democratic form of government the appointment of postmasters by the Federal Government seems to be an anomaly and is more like the system in vogue in France where the central government appoints the mayors of all the cities. Following out our Democratic ideal, the people served by the postmaster should be the ones to have the chief voice in his selection but at the present time the people directly interested have the least to say. Postmasterhips do not come under the Civil Service Law and consequently it is one of the few remaining strongholds of the spoils system. The position of postmaster is generally given as a matter of political reward either for past services or some to come. Often the fitness of the candidate has the least of anything to do with it. The appointive part would not be so bad if everything was under civil service for that would enable young men of ability to work up from inferior positions to ones of greater trust and would be an incentive to greater merit. Very much depends on what you have done for your party and whether the Senator or Representative who has the picking of this particular plum thinks that you can get him votes when he needs them. This is more or less demoralizing to the best interests of the public served.

#### A RISE IN PRICES

It is a fact in American history that there was a great rise in prices in the early '50's caused as it is claimed, and no doubt truly, by the newly discovered gold in California which was coming into circulation in large quantities. You can say that money is cheaper in such cases or that products are dearer as you choose, but the latter is more logical as products do not follow money in equal ratio. There are other factors in each case of products while money has only one i. e. its quantity. The rise of prices in the '50's has remained and increased in some things notably in things which cannot be increased in quantity. Good Oregon farming land and such things, also in products that are produced by much manual labor and whose production does not lend itself readily to labor saving machinery—butter for instance. There is no milking machine. Products that can be produced by machinery though affected somewhat by other causes are much cheaper than in the past. The first steel needle to an Equimaux woman was of more value to her than a sewing machine is to an American woman. We are told that prices are rising. We don't need to be told in the newspapers. We learn the fact whenever we buy anything from a

dimes worth up. Ever since the beginning of the Twentieth Century the search for and the production of gold has been pursued with enormous results, not only in production but in the discoveries of new fields of vast extent. If the solitary gold mines of California could produce such financial and industrial changes as we had at that time, what will the gold production of the present day do? To judge the future by the past is as true as much now as in the days of Patrick Henry. So if you judge of the future by the past you will make good guessing on what is a good place to put your savings in. Many years ago a man in Massachusetts concluded that the Creator would not make any more sea beach in the vicinity of Boston at least for a long time and he bought all he could pay for. Results good. So let us look for something useful, the quantity of which cannot be increased and monopolize all we can pay for. As a matter of fact it makes no difference what values are whether one-tenth of what they now are or ten times as much; in the last analysis it comes to a swapping of days works. The men in the fields and vineyards of Palestine in the time of the Saviour were as well paid with the penny (about 15c) as the two dollar man today. The one attained his living according to the customs of the country, the other does no more. But we are not going to go back to the modes of the first century. As we stated in the beginning, prices are rising so govern yourself accordingly.

Local politics are beginning to stir up and several of our citizens have been in their bonnets.

John D. predicts a panic. Well, if there is one individual in the U. S. capable of producing one that person is John D.

The lumbermen have stared an endless chain racket on Jim Hill and he has already received more than five thousand letters.

The flogging of runaway convicts at the state prison and the justification of the same by Gov. Chamberlain has stirred up a hornets nest.

A stove wood trust seems to be among the impossibles but yet Portland is in the grip of such a proposition. They will corner air next.

Oregon seems to be long on freak religions. The latest cult to get before the public is the Tongues of Fire that are holding forth in Portland.

The new comet is not a very considerate visitor. It only shows up about 3 o'clock in the morning and that is entirely too early for any respectable citizen.

The passengers on the S. P. see factories as they come into town and also as they go out. Thus is the prosperity of Grants Pass advertised to all the world.

Ezra Meeker and his ox team have got as far as Broadway, New York. It must have been something of a novelty for the Knickerbockers to look at transportation of this kind.

Grants Pass does not seem to be alone in having bursted water pipes. Chicago had one recently where the water spouted sixty feet high and several horses were drowned before they could be got out of the basement stables.

The Courier force has received a valuable addition in the person of W. E. Willis, of Medford, a newspaper man with years of experience in every branch, and we can promise the readers of the Courier the whole news. Mr. Willis will have sole charge of the news and editorial columns of the paper and will receive advertising and orders

for commercial printing. This will give the proprietor a much needed helper, which will be appreciated by the readers in that a better paper will be published. It is a physical impossibility for one man to continue the work as we have been endeavoring to do in the past few months.

### CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.

WANTED—A saw mill, capable of cutting 10,000 feet daily, top and bottom saws, 3 to 5 foot logs. Send full particulars to G. W. Mauler, Crescent City, Cal., P. O. Box 48. 8-23 1t

ORGANIZERS WANTED—The Stoppers of the World desire competent and reliable men in every locality. Top salaries paid to right parties. Address the Stoppers of the World, 303-304 Commonwealth Building, Portland, Oregon. 8-23 1t

WOMAN to care for two children—no cooking. Inquire at Western Hotel or P. O. Box 401. 8-23 2t

BULL—Black, Jersey blood, about 3 years old, right ear cropped, left ear undercut. Came to my place about February, 1907. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. C. C. Gilbert on Van-Noy place. 8-23-04

Horse—One work horse, work mare one 1200 lbs. one driving and saddle mare for sale. D. W. Hearn, six miles N. E. of Grants Pass. 8-23 1t

#### FOR SALE.

ENGINE—For sale cheap, one 300 horse power Corless Engine fitted with four sterling water tube boilers of about 500 horse power all complete and in good condition; have been used but very little. For further particulars address Clarence Cornutt, Riddle, Ore. 8-16 4t

WOOD—Phoebe Moody, No. 434 for dry wood.

MILK cows for sale, five fresh, will sell with or without calves. Inquire of A. Morris, box 322. 8-2-1f

COWS—Two first class milk cows for sale. J. F. Burke, foot of 5th street. 8-2-3t.

STOCK for sale—7 first class milk cows, also two 2-year old bulls, one Jersey and Durham, the other Poil and Herford, five 2-year old heifers of the best milking strain. Call on or address C. A. Wallace, box 15, RFD No. 1, one mile east of Pleasant Valley school house. 8-2-4t

THOROUGHbred Poland Chinas. Six unrelated strains in stock. J. H. Robinson, R. F. D. No. 2, Grants Pass. 7-26 6t

LARGE Refrigerator for sale cheap, adapted for Hotel or Restaurant. White House Grocery. 7-12 1f.

A. F. PIERCE—Registered Angoras. Flock headed by one of the famous bucks of the "King Arthur" and other bucks of different strains of breeding. Does of the noted strains; bucks for sale, Merlin, Ore. 7-5 1f

40 ACRE FARM for sale or trade for city property. Mostly bottom land, 15 acres under fence, seven acres in cultivation, plenty of running water for irrigation, 5-room cottage, barn, small orchard, one half mile from school house, post office and railroad station. Price right—easy terms. Inquire of W. C. Henry, Hugo. 6-28 1f

#### FOR RENT.

SEVERAL fine suites of office rooms centrally located, STEAM HEATED and well lighted and ventilated. These are the only office rooms in town that will have steam heat this winter, so get in early and get first choice. W. L. Ireland, "The Real Estate Man."

ROOMING house snap—A good sized rooming house with bath and water, on large lot Main street close to mill guaranteed good title. Cheap for quick sale, terms to suit. Apply Mrs. E. Gauge, Crescent City, Cal. 8-2-1f

RESIDENCE—On account of going East wish to rent my furnished residence on North Sixth street for three months from about September 1st. John Summers. 7-26 1f

#### WANTED.

COOK—Good short order cook wanted for night work. Mrs. Susie McManus, Mountaineer Restaurant, Phone 218, P. O. box 218. 8-16 1f

HOP Pickers—300 pickers wanted about August 26 at the Cornell & Flanagan yard (old John Ranzau yard). Horse pasture free. Apply G. P. Grocery, W. H. Flanagan or at yard. 8-9-3t.

HOP Pickers wanted at the Ang Rehkopf yard. Address John McCallister, Provolet. 8-9-3t

HOP pickers wanted—Inquire at the Red Blacksmith Shop. 8-2-4t

WANTED—Organizers, either sex, on salary of \$100 a month and expenses for an up-to-date Association, paying weekly sick and accident benefits and furnishing free medical attendants to all its members. Liberal contract will be made with producers of business. American Sick & Accident Assn., Buffalo, N. Y.

GIRL to do housework in small family. Mrs. W. S. Murray, North Sixth St., Grants Pass.

WANTED—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grown on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Tappanish, Washington.

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Read the classified Ad columns if you want to buy a cow or if you want to pick hops.

Quick delivery—The Weekly Oregonian.

Pickle put down in salt or delivered to any part of the city by C. C. Russell, Call phone 1174, Farmer. 8-23 1t

## SOUTHERN OREGON STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT ASHLAND

Has received the largest appropriation ever granted a Normal School in the history of the State. The State has set the seal of permanency upon this deserving institution.

The improvements being made are sweeping ones. The faculty, already a strong one, has been increased to 15. Mrs. Catharine Sloan of Portland, author of the Sloan Readers, is among those added.

Tuition has been reduced to \$12 per year.

Stenography and Typewriting are now a part of the course. Teachers from the Normal School are in demand at good salaries. School opens September 18th. Send for catalog.

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