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### JUSTICE TO MR. TONGUE

We print today a communication from Hon. Thos. H. Tongue, and we recommend its careful perusal. It will go far to show that the feeling which has been more or less prevalent here, that Mr. Tongue was not doing as much for us as might reasonably be expected, was an injustice to that gentleman.

As he clearly points out, he has had the reports and recommendations of the engineers against him, and the fact that the projected depth on the bar has been attained and maintained for a number of years has also been in his way in his efforts to get an appropriation, even to preserve the work, especially when the engineers insisted so positively that the jetty needed no repairs.

We propose to print in our next issue some of the correspondence and reports from the engineers' department, for which it is impossible to find room today. The Mail has had no desire or intention of doing Mr. Tongue an injustice. The utterances to which he takes objection but voiced a sentiment which has been quite strong here, and as the Mail is for Coos Bay first, last and all the time, perhaps due consideration was not given to the other side of the question.

We take the greatest pleasure in presenting Mr. Tongue's statement of the case, and hope that it will do much to dissipate erroneous ideas as to Mr. Tongue's services.

### POPULAR VOTE ON SENATORS

The Salem correspondent of the Oregonian, writing of Governor Geer's candidacy for the U. S. Senate, just after the state convention, said:

To one looking at the present situation from the outside it would seem that the time is now favorable for the launching of the Geer boom. The only avowed candidate for Senator is C. W. Fulton. It has been Fulton's idea that the people should express their choice for a Senator, and to that end he believed the Senatorial candidate should be voted for in June. Now it happens that Geer counts his chief political strength in the ranks of the common people, far removed from the influences of politicians. It is quite in the cards, therefore, that Geer and Fulton will be opposing Senatorial candidates before the people at the general election in June. By an act of the last Legislature it is provided that names of candidates for United States Senator may be placed upon the official ballot the same as the names of candidates for state office, and that the result of the vote shall be certified to the Legislature for its information. The names be placed upon the ballots either by nomination in a convention or by petition. If Governor Geer's friends place his name on the Republican ticket in that manner Fulton's friends will almost be

compelled to take a similar course, in order to prevent Geer from being the unanimous choice of the Republicans. And then there would be one of the prettiest political fights Oregon ever saw. Both Geer and Fulton are good campaigners, and they would create so much interest in their own contest that the people would lose sight of the gubernatorial battle. The one who won would claim the right to an election at the hands of the Legislature. Should the contest not take place before the people in June, both Geer and Fulton would still be in the Senatorial race when the Legislature meets in January.

It now seems that petitions are already in circulation in several counties of the state for the placing of Geer's name on the ballots.

This is good. No one thing will go further toward clarifying the dirty pool of Oregon politics than to carry this new law into effect, give the people a chance to officially declare their choice for United States senator and leave the legislature to simply ratify that choice by electing the successful candidate according to the forms of the law.

If the United States senate is to indefinitely checkmate the overwhelming demand for election of senators by direct vote, then the people will be wise to get at the same point in some other way.

This new law will accomplish the same result, and will leave the legislature to perform in the election of senator, simply the duty now performed by the electoral college in the election of President.

The Hamiltonian idea, that the people "have" sense enough to vote intelligently, is out of date. Give them a chance to express themselves and they will settle this senatorial question and clear the Oregon political atmosphere at the same time.

Judge S. A. Lowell, of Umatilla county, unsuccessful candid to for nomination on the Republican ticket, has bolted the ticket, so far as governor is concerned, and has announced his intention of supporting Chamberlain the Democratic candidate. He claims to be a good Republican and to endorse the Republican platform, but intimates that Mr. Furnish bought the nomination, and that the issue is whether the office of governor is an article of merchandise. It remains to be seen how much influence he will have. He is said to have acted the same head on former occasions.

### Another Vessel to be Built

C. H. Merchant received a telegram Thursday morning, ordering a duplicate of the schooner now on the ways. The keel will be gotten out at once and work commenced as soon as possible. This will be good news for the ship carpenters who have been laid off since the completion of the Polaris.

### New Pastor

Rev. E. C. Strange, of Ashland, has been assigned to supply the pulpit of the Presbyterian church in Marshfield and may be permanently located here. He has been located at Ashland for 15 years and is a regent of the Pacific Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He will arrive on the return trip of the Arcata.

The steamer Empire arrived Friday morning from San Francisco, and went direct to the banters where she loaded with coal. Later she dropped down to the depot to discharge freight and take on about 100,000 feet of lumber from Johnson's mill.

### A Lawbreaker

Our marine reporter is up against it. He went out to a small creek last Monday morning and caught three small trout with his hands, after running them down. He placed them in the mill-pond which adorns the window of the Oel Billard Factors. Now he learns that it is unlawful to catch trout by any other means whatever than hook and line, and the penitentiary looms before him. He has a new release for the trout, however. He will take three small hooks and fasten them together back to back, with the points forming a triangle, and he thinks that his contrivance will be good for one large trout or three small ones, every day.

### I. O. O. F. Anniversary

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs last evening observed the 83d anniversary of Odd Fellowship in the United States with a social time in the lodge room. An enjoyable program and a sumptuous feast were included in the exercises, and every one had a good time.

### Vacancies Filled.

The Republican County central committee, which met at Coquille City yesterday, filled the two vacancies by placing on the ticket the names of J. T. Honser of North Bend, for Assessor, in place of George Beale resigned, and Dr. Kime of Bandon, for Coroner, in place of Dr. Mings, who also declined to run.

Julius Larsen brought 140 sacks of potatoes from South slough to Marshfield Friday, on his gasoline launch. The cargo weighed over 7 tons and the little boat was down in the water even with her decks.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW  
Office in the Bennett & Walter Building.  
MARSHFIELD, OREGON.

#### J. W. Bennett,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW.  
MARSHFIELD ORE

### Big Plank.

On her trip north, the Alliance had amongst her freight a clear redwood plank 3 inches thick 17 feet wide and 14 feet long. It was being shipped East by one of the Humboldt shingle manufacturers to advertise his business and had an immense sign painted upon it for that purpose.

### Teacher Wanted.

A School teacher is wanted in the South Slough district; School to begin first Monday in May, and last about 5 months. Address Mrs. A. M. Rowell, school clerk, or George Wilson, director, Empire City.

### Empire Hunters Bag a Bear

Marshfield and Sumner have no monopoly of the bear hunters. This was proved by the mangled remains of a she bear and two cubs which were on exhibition in Empire City Thursday, victims of the combined prowess of Chas. Magee, Henry Wickman, Andrew Peterson, Capt. Jas. Magee, two timber cruisers (names unknown) and several dogs. The three gentleman first named did the greater part of the shooting which laid the old bear low. The dogs killed one of the cubs in the woods and disabled the other so that it was killed after being brought to Empire. The timber cruisers helped the party to find its way out of the woods and Capt. Magee lent a nautical flavor to the whole affair. The bear was said to have been immense before she was dead, but shrunk quite a lot before she was brought in, and the cubs were very small.

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