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EDITORIAL

HERMANN FOR CONGRESS

Every one in Coos county ought to be gratified at the prospect that ifon. Birger Hermann will receive the nomination for congressman from this district to succeed the late Thos H. Tongue No other selection could please Southern Orbbon so well.

Mr. Hermann's record is too well known to need any review here. in all his long years of public service no charge of neglect of duty or of any dishonorable ant had ever been brought against bim.

Without reflection on the abilities of the other gentlemen who aspire to the place, it may be said that Mr. Hormann's services would be of infinitely more value in the place than theirs.

This district never had a representative in the halls of congress who accomplished so much, and it will be a piece of rare good fortune if his services are again secured.

THE OREGONIAN ON PUBLIC UTILITIES.

If reiteration is good reasoning, the Oregonian makes a good case against municipal ownership of public utilities. In the course of a short editorial it aseures us that the tendency is to make "the rich grow richer and the poor grow poorer"-"the rich minority increases its riches and the poor majority ingrow richer, the poor will grow poorer' -"the rich will become richer and the poor will grow in numbers"-and finally "such burdens surely tend to 'make the rich richer and the poor poorer' ". Yet, "in these remarks the Oregonian has no idea of trying to arrest the tendency"

The Oregonian's argument is that the tendency of all taxation is to wipe out the middle class, dividing the people into the two classes of the extremely rich and extremely poor, for the reason that the burden falls heaviest upon the middle class.

If true, doesn't this indicate the need of a resdjustment of the burden of taxation, rather an abandonment of the yublic utilities?

The Oregonian's utterance is directed especially against the proposal for a new bridge and two new ferries at Portland, If they are needed, what is the alternative? Private ownership? Let the bridge be built and the ferries established with private capital and let a few individuals reap fortunes from their exploitation of the public. Isn't it exactly that sort of work which has a tendency to build up private fortunes at the expense of the general public?

The truth is that "public ownership" is a bugbear, not to those who honestly fear the extinction of the "middle class," but to those who fear the curtailment of opportuntties for the accumulation of private fortunes in furnishing these utilities to the public.

It is somewhat amusing to see the editorial in question immediately followed by a strong plen for the Lewis &

benefit to the state in the way of materhow much poorer tile poor, by the time Badge could be placed on the coat

BRYDSCHOOL STREET

NEW CLUB NEEDED.

While we are waiting for the organization of the new Chamber of Commerce, there is another matter nearly if not quite as important which might be attended to. There is another organization needed as badly as the Chamber of Commerce is needed, and that is an Anti-Knockers Club.

Nearly if not quite every stranger who comes here gets up against the knocker proposition before he has been here twenty-four hours, and if he be not a person of pretty strong nerves he will be decidedly shaken up. He will be discouraged and made to believe that there are no inducements for settlement or investment on Coos Bay.

The Man may be running counter to the sentiment of the community in protesting against that sort of thing, but if so the fault is with the community and not with the In fact we refuse to ! elieve that the unjority of the people of Marshfield are mossbacks. We believe it is a case of

pernicious activity on the part of a very small minority. It exemplifies the old saying that "Satan finds mischief still for idle hands to do." It is mostly persons who have nothing else to do who make a business of waylaying the newcomer, and filling him up with tales of the abortive boom of years gone by and the imaginary ruin resulting therefrom; of the folly of the Great Central project and the general cussedness of Major Kinney, its promotor; of the iniquity North Bend proposition; of the entire hopelessness of any investment of time or money on Coos Bay.

A few there are, of course, who have a method in their madness. There are reasons why they do not want to see an influx of new people. They fear some interference with the advantages they now enjoy; competition in their own line of business; a curtailment, in some way, of their profits. Or they are embued with the notion that a rail road makes hard times. But the great majority of the kickers are such simply from a deficiency in their mental equip- North Bend, \$500. ment. They are knockers because to knock requires no brains. It is a simple matter of sneering and slurring everything, human or divine, that attracts notice; a parrot-like repetition of the talk of street corner loafers.

But, whatever the cause, there is too much of this sort of thing in Marst field. It is the first thing the stranger comes in contact with, and it stays with him throughout his waking hours. The people who think differently, who have faith in Coos Bay and its future, are busy about their own affairs, or they have a delicacy about obtruding themselves upon strangers.

These conditions make it almost imperative that something be done to offset the effect of all this senseless anti agitation. It is useless to appeal to the knockers. They are perrennially wound up, and there is probably no way of stopping them. The only way is to drown their drivel in a chorus of another kind. Let every one who has the day." interest of Coos Bay at heart and wants

Clark appropriation of \$500,000 on the to see this country take the place to Westerland, of William Westland & ground that it will be of "Immense which its natural advantages entitle it, resolve himself into a committee of one ial progress and development." How to see that every stranger of the right can the Oregonian see a benefit to the kind who finds his way here is made to state in such a long stride toward the feel that he has reached the best place obliteration of the middle class in our on earth, that he is is welcome, and glorious commonwealth? Just think that the very best he can do is to join how much richer the rich will be, and his fortunes with ours. If a Boosters that added burdon of taxation gets its every second man in the community, i would be worth more than the \$1000 or more which it is proposed to raise for the new chamber, and would supplement the work laid out for that organisation, in a manner much needed.

And it wouldn't cost a cent.

Real Estate Transfers

Sarah Coats and hus to Jas. Pearson lot in Bandon City, \$65. J. C. Laird and wf to Sarah A Coates ot in BandonCity. \$75. L J Simpson and wf to Sweedish

Lutheran Courch of Marshield lots and 5, blk 23. North Bend \$1. Marie L Brown and has to Martin Breen lots 16 and 17 blk 26 North Bend.

John Morris to Geo W Pembroke, 21acres in sec 2 t 28 r 13 \$450. E. W. Jones and w! to U. S. Bushnell -2 acre in Sec 25 t 29 r 13 \$10. W E Baines to Wm S Denning lote 37

39 and 40, blk 14, Railroad add Marshfield. Great Central Land Co to N E Aver lots 23 to 32 inclusive, Plat A Batgor. \$1. Great Central Land Co to Henry C Bowers and Robt Smith, lots 7, 10, 8 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 blk 15, Plat A

Bangor. \$1. Andrew Stambuck and wf to Wm Bonebrake \$2 of se4 sec 8 t 26, r 12 also 214 75 acres in w2 of net lots I and 2 and part of lots 3 and 4 sec 17 and s2 of sel sec 8 t 26 r 12 \$3200. U S to Geo W Martin nw4 of nw4

sec 26 t 27 r 12. 120 scres. E W Kardell and wf to L D Smith aw4 sec 2 t 27 r 10. 160 gcres \$10. L J Simpson and wi to W U Donglas. lots 11 to 20 inclusive, North Bend. 500 U S to Angus Campbell se4 sec 32 t 28). 160 acres.

Eugene O'Connell and wf to Sarah Wickham lots 2 and 3, blk 5 Original tween said 2 lots and Second Street.

Chas F Dillman and wf E B D:an and w! and E W Dean to Dean Lumber Co. All real property belonging to firm of E B Pean and Co. \$10

Jesse Haskins to B H Haskin, nw4 o nw4 s2 of nw4 sec 26, tp 27 r 12. \$300. U S to Wilbur A Hoover. e2 of sw4, awi of nei nwi of sei, sec 14 tp 28 r 11 160 acres. D S Gordon & wife to L . Simpson lots 22. 5, 6 & 7, blk 14, North | pects to come to the coast in charge

lats 1 2 set of net of set sec 5, nwf nw5 sec 9 tp 26 r 11. \$10638.96.

Great Central Land Co to I Kanfman, truttee 160tlots in Bangor. \$1. O T Bender and wf to Jacob and Barbara Secriet blk 15 Border and Benders extensive Myrtle Point. \$600. LJ Simpson and wf to J B Johnson

lot 4 blk 18 North Bend, \$100. J B Johnson and wf to Anders I Witick lot 4 blk 18 North Bend, \$100 Port Summers and wf to school dist 64 1/4 acre in sec 5 t 30 r 14. \$1. Theodore H Shaw and wife to school dist 64 1/2 acre in sec 6 t 30 r 14. \$1. Henry Sengstacken and wf to Sarah Blake part of ue4 sec 5 t 25 r 11 which ies north of east fork of north fork of

Coos river 3 acres \$350, LJ Simpson and wf to E S Gordon lote I 2 3 4 and 5 blk 48 lote 8 9 10 and I blk 25 lots 10 and 11 blk 19 North Bend. J H Koltes & wife to Z D Brown

wf to Frank Ayotte lot 1! block 48, Franke Ayotte & wf to Lafayette Crouch lot 11 block 48 North Bend \$500. Thos F Ryan & wi to Morris Brown lot 1, sec 15 lot 3 & n2 of lot 4 sec 15 t 25 r 13 lot sed sed sec 8 n2 n2 of w2 of sw4 w2 of se4 sw4 of sw4 sec 6 nw4 w2 of ne4 sw4 w2 of se4 se4 sec 10, nw4 nw4 of ne4 sw4 sw4 of se4 sec 11, sw4 os sw4 sec 13

n2 e2 of sw4 w2 of se4 ne4 of so4 sec 14,

n2 of nw sec 14 lot 1 ne4 of ne5 lot 3 ne sec 24, w2 of nw4 sw4 of ne4 sec 24 lots 1 2 and 3 ne4 of sw4 w2 of se4 sec 24 s2 of set sec 32 lot 1.net of sw4 sw4 of sw4. sec 34 all in t 25 r 11. \$10. W Gage sheriff of Coos Co to Thos E Ryan lot 1 sec 14 lot 3 n2 of lot 4 nw1 of ne4 sw4 sec 11 n2 e2 of sw4 w2 of

sec 15 125 r 13. lot 7 se3 sec 8 w2 ne4 w2 of set, sec.9 n2 set e2 of sw4 sec 10, w2 se4 of se4 cec 14, n2 of nw4 sec 15 lot 3, net of nws net of net lot 1 sec 23, sw of sw4 sec 13 w2 of nw4 w2 el set net of sw4 aw4 of net lots 1 2 and g sec 14. #2 of sw4 scc 32 sw4 of sw4 lot 1 sec 33 t 25 r 11. \$44209.88

GREAT INFLUX OF SETTLERS

About 300 Dally in Next Four Months

(Portland Journal)

"It is my opinion that at least 50,000 people will come to Oregon within the next four months. They will come in at the rate of between 200, and 300,a

The above is the statement of William

locate somewhere in Oregon. Some of Southern Oregon.

"Since February 15, when the excursion season started," said Mr. [Westerand, "we have sent out to Oregon between 200 and 300 settlers a day. The little money to invest in property, and who are not afraid to work. These come from the Middle West-from the States of Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Miscouri, Kansas and Nebraska."

"How do you get a parly to go West?"

"We round them up. We have agents located all through the Middle West, who talk of nothing but Oregon and Eastern Washington. Then, we send out at the rate of between 3,000 and 4,000 pieces of literature to settlere every day."

"Everything in the Middle West is for the West," continued Mr. Westerlund. "The sole topic of conversation among the farmers there is about the West. The people look mostly for improved property. They want farms that they can go to work on at once. Yes, sir; we expect to bring many thousands of people to Oregon by June 5, when the excursion season ends."

Mr. Westerlund not only acts for Oregon, but for Eastern Washington town of Cognille City, also land be: as well but he states that the people are mostly interested in Oregon, and not in Washington. Mr. Westerlund has had considerable experience in immigration work, having for ten years been conducting parties to the south. Since February 15 he has been connected with the Pacific Coast movement. He exparties of settlers. He states that son lots 8 & 6 blk 25 North Bend. \$5. more people would come to the Pacific E Kyan lot 4 sw4 of nw4 w2 of sw4 sec 4. the property which they own at the present time. As soon as they can get rid of their property there will be rush of settlers into Oregon.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

Eggs are only 15 cents in Portland. T. P. Pendall is the new postmaster

in Oregon City nee Geo F, Horton. The state Grange is in session in

at the Lewis & Clark Fair.

A new \$25000 dormitory for the boys has the contract.

Chas Russell and Bert Ulm of Gaston, who were arrested on charge of holding up the Greenville Postmaster were dicthem with the holdup,

It would appear that Multnomah county was well up in swine indurety and she has all kinds of pork within her border.

Representative Eddy tells the Tillamook Headlight man that he will not be a candidate for the nomination for congress. This is good news to some others who will be.

The South Linn county Stock Protective Association has been organized at Brownsville. The organization is protect their stock from coyotes. Every Utah will be brought to Portland. covote killed by the league will cost a member 25 cants. The coyotes have become so numerous in this part of the country that some steps had to be taken to destroy them.

All corporations in Oregon must Co., Chicago, land and immigration pay an annual license hereafter as agents of the Harriman system, Mr. follows: Where the capitol stock does Westerlund, who is accompanied by his not exceed \$5000, a fee of \$10; from brother, came to the Coast in charge of \$5000 to \$10,000 fee of \$15; from \$10,000 120 immigrants, whom he will help to to \$25,000 fee of \$20; from \$25,000 to \$50,000 fee of \$30, from \$50,000 to \$100, these he has already located in Baker 000 fee of \$50; from \$100,000 to \$250,000, and other counties of Eastern Oregon. to \$500,000 fee of \$100; from \$500,000 to The rest he will endeavor to find homes \$1,000,000, fee of \$125, from \$1,000,000 for in the Willamette Valley. Mr. to \$2,000,000 fee of \$175; while the capi-Westerland and party arrived last night tal stock exceeds \$2,000,000, fee of \$200. and will leave temorror morning for The annual license fee must be paid in advance, so that as the law goes into effect May 21, all domestic corporations doing business in the state must filed their reports during next June, and must pay their license fees before persons we send or bring here are of August 15, for the ensuing year. Failthe hardy settler variety, who have a ure to report or pay is punishable by a fine of \$100.

> County court of Pouglas county finished its work and adjourned Saturday Before adjournment the court awarded F. Gorrell damages in the sum of \$1050, for injuries received in the accident caused by the collapse of a small county bridge spanning Hubbard Creek. The accident occured July 6, 1902. Mr. Gorrell's claim was for \$10,800, for per-Gorrell failed to appear before the county physician for examination, as storage purposes. ordered at the last term of court, the board decided that it would allow only for personal injuries and loss of proper-

A prohibition league has been formed at Pacific University.

Louis Romeo, a halfbread Indian was killed at the Rainier Mill & Lumber Company's sawmill, at Rainier this afternoon. He was working on the log deck at the time. The last cant had just been sawed and the dogs removed and the cant rolled off onto the live ball. Romeo was about 35 years of age and unmarried.

W. E. Martin, of Astoria, who recent-W W Gage, sheriff of Coos Co to Thos Coast this season, but they cannot sell ly had trouble with his wife in kidnap. Applegate River of Josephine County. disposed of all his interests in Astoria danger of his mother again getting possession of him.

Roy McClellan, who reently escaped California will have a \$20,000 building officers have received word that the ed a note pinned to a stump: "Have Out of 46 cases in the Lynn county the expense to take McClellen back to George F. Armstrong. As all Arms Circuit Court this term 14 are divorce jail, as he was serving only 60 day's sen- strong's offairs and family relations tence, so they have set him at liberty.

Anton Olson, a miner in the St. at the Chemawa Indian school will be Helens district, met with a peculiar built this summer. C. A. Gray of Salem accident recently. While warming of Portland, to March 7 an insome giant powder at a camp fire a cap fell from his hand into the fire and charged for want of evidence connecting to badly that he was unable to see for several days, but otherwise his in uples fiscal year 1902, ending June 30, the rewere slight.

> Every town in Columbia county of any importance wants to be the county seat and the battle for supremacy will soon take place

> The case of Oregon vs. William O Tycer and Thomas Vennum, charged with larceny because of alleged robbing of the Bank of Brownsville, was dismitsed by motion of the District At-

Utah will give \$10,000 to the Lewis d among the farmers and its object is to Clark Fair. The St Louis exhibit of

The city engineer of Portland receivedone of his own notices which that are held, for the puspose of filling the office sent out, The notice was to forth-

The Sheriff of Baker county is down with small pox also his two deputies. The State Barber Commission met at Salem Monday and elected the following officers: President, J C Wels, of Portand; secretary, H G Meyer, of Salem; treasurer, F T Rogers, of Portland. Mr. Wels takes the place of S H Howard. Fix hoys at Albany were fined Tuezday for stoning aChinaman. Each one was fined \$5.00 and cost. Grants Pass now has its post office in

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iew quarters.

Marion county is to have a county

xhibit at the State Fair. Brownsville will hold an annual city

election Monday. The newly incorporated town of Myrtle Creek held election Monday, Hon. W. P. Johnson was elected Mayor.

Petitions are now in circulation asking for the referendum on the Eddy bill, which imposes a tax on all corporations doing business in the state.

The dry frosty weather in the Willamette valley has killed much winter oats but the late rains have come in time to cave the wheat crop.

The Albany Butter and Produce manent injuries received, but as Mr. Company are building an ice plant in addition to their creamery for cold

> The Board intends to prosecute all violators of the pharmacy law, having recently come in possession of facts where proprietors are employing pharmaciste as well as assistants who are not registerel.

The K, of P, todge at Labanon paid for a stock of millinery recently. One of the members inadvertently jeft a faucet running when the hall was closed and during the night the stock of goods on the lower floor was flooded.

As the steam schooner Prentiss Swan rolls. When the carriage was run back coming down the Columbia river Tuesday the third headblock caught on the end and about opposite Cathlament, she of the cant and it was thrown between struck a floating log so hard that her the two large rotary saws and with ter- stem was broken. She isat Astoria disrific force was shot across the log deck, charging lumber from her forward the cant striking Romeo full in the face, hold so that she may be raised sufficient-His whole face was cut away as clean an ly to examine the full extent of her in though it had been done by a cannon juries, which are not now believed to be more than the broken stem.

The machinery has arrived at Grants Pass for a saw mill that is to be built on ng and rekidnaping his young son, has This company has one mill in operation and will remove to some place, thei up further down the river. A large whereabouts of which he does not dis- tract of sugar pine timber is owned by close. His object evidently, is to take this company on Applegate and they the boy where he will be safe from any will also cut logs sent down from the upper river by other parties.

A clew has been discovered as to the whereabouts of George F. Armstrong, from the Thurston County jail at Olym- the prominent farmer who has been pia and was recaptured at Albany, has missing from his Benton County home been released from custody. He was for the past west. Monday fred Fickbeing held awaiting the arrival of of- lin, an Albany lad, was walking through ficers from Olympia. But the local the Armstrong place when he discover-Olympia officers do not consider it worth gone to California." It was signed were good, no cause can be ascribed for his sudden and mysterious departure.

Customs receipts for the l'ort crease of 253,687.06 is shown in the United States customs receipts over the caused an explosion. Olson was blown corresponding period of last year. The about 20 feet. His eyes were injured receipts this year amount to \$553,187.42 as compared with \$300,100.05 for the ceip's amounted to \$125,471.28. As the Spring season is always the heaviest, the receipts for the fiscal year of 1903 will show a still larger increase over 1902, and at the present rapid rate of increase may reach nearly a million.

The sheriffs in the various counties in the First Congressional District have been notified by Governor Chamberlain by the official "writ of election" commanding them to notify the several judges of election in each of the election precincts in their respective countles to hold a special election in each of the eaid precincts, on Monday, June 1, 1903, in manner and forth as general elections vacancy in the office of Representative with repair his sidewalk as prescribed in Congress for the First District of Ogegon, caused by the death of Hon. Thomas H. Tongue.