

New Automobile Law.

The last legislature passed a law regulating the use of automobiles. It provides as follows:

Owners of motor vehicles, motor cycles and automobiles must file with the secretary of state their name and address, with description of the machine, which shall entitle them to a certificate, for which a fee of \$3 must be paid. The number of certificate must be displayed on the rear of the vehicle. Non-resident owners who have complied with laws of other commonwealths do not have to secure this license. Each vehicle shall be provided with light, muffler on gasoline engines and efficient brakes. Speed in thickly settled or business portions of towns and cities must not exceed eight miles an hour, and never one mile in 2 1/2 minutes, or one mile in 15 minutes when passing over a crossing used at the time by another person. When approaching a team, the auto vehicle must observe usual road laws, check speed if horses are frightened and stop if beckoned to until horses are under control. When arrested, an auto driver must have his ball fixed immediately at \$50, which will be demanded by a magistrate if near, and by the arresting officer if no magistrate is near, and hearing of the case must be postponed not less than 24 hours distant and more than five days if requested by the defendant after giving bail. Penalties are fine not exceeding \$25 for first offense, not exceeding \$50 for the second and not exceeding \$100 for succeeding violations.

A Washington correspondent says:

There seems to be a growing conviction here that this whole matter of railway rate legislation is a big bluff being played by the republican members of Congress, who are wedded to the protective tariff. That the Esch-Townsend bill was passed by the republican members of the Lower House as a means to allay agitation is well known. They know the Senators would hold it up and strangle it, for the time being at least. The Senate did as was expected. That gave all of them a chance to sound public opinion and find the best strategic ground for the future. It was all a comfort for the "stand pat" tariff men. It diverted attention from the tariff revision that the republicans had promised, that Roosevelt demanded, and on which a score or more members were elected to Congress last Fall. The protected industries saw their opportunity. They joined in an hysterical and hypocritical howl for railroad regulation, although most of them were beneficiaries of whatever railroad rebate system was in existence. They are clamorous still. "The railroads can take care of themselves," said one of their spokesmen, "and we can throw this rate regulation sand in the eyes of tariff-reforming Congressmen until they can't see anything else."

Here is the latest from Tom Lawson:

"If a local trust company or a Chicago bank fails, don't be fooled that it or Milwaukee is the trouble. It is a hundred times greater and is centered in some man and a hundred millions would not keep the trouble righted thirty days. When it goes it will carry banks, trusts and corporations. The bull fauces have been worked out. Now prepare for facts. Remember, Wall Street yelled 'liar' when I said the insurance companies were being looted. It's equitable now, but it will soon be New York and Mutual. When the panic howls perhaps I will run 'liar' down Wall Street's throat."

Chas. H. Fisher, until lately editor of the Capital News of Boise, has filed a libel suit against that paper for \$10,000.

The case is based on an editorial article that appeared in the News after Fisher had been deposed as editor, in which the statement was made that he had entered into a conspiracy with J. H. Brady, Republican state chairman, to wreck the paper, resorting to misrepresentation and fraud to accomplish his purpose.

Statistics about the drinking habits of the leading nations show that the United States is first in the consumption of coffee, England first in the consumption of tea, Russia first in the consumption of whiskey and other distilled spirits, France first in the consumption of wine and Germany first in the consumption of beer. The relative standing of the nations cannot, however, be determined by their favorite beverages.

A Binghampton astrologer prophesies that a portion of New York City will be destroyed by earthquake during the present year. He says: "The loss of life will be terrible. The shock will be felt at least 200 miles inland. There is a grave possibility that the whole lower half of Manhattan Island will slide off into the Bay." Whatever happens it is doubtful if the Tammany regime will be destroyed.

A Washington Sensation.

Washington, D. C., April 29, '05. Washington has been treated to a sensation during the past week, a sensation of such proportions that it will curtail the President's trip and bring him back to the Capital a week earlier than he had expected to return. Herbert W. Bowen, United States Minister to Venezuela, and Francis B. Loomis, Assistant Secretary of State, are the chief figures in the affair which promises to end in the dismissal from the public service of at least one of these officials, possibly though improbably, both.

It appears that some time ago Minister Bowen filed, officially, charges against Secretary Loomis, who has at one time been Minister to Venezuela. In brief, these charges are to the effect that as Minister, Mr. Loomis accepted \$10,000 from the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company in compensation for his services in their behalf; that Mr. Loomis purchased a claim of \$4,000 against the Venezuela government and used his influence to collect it; and that Mr. Loomis undertook to collect a claim for a Mr. Meyers for a commission of one seventh of \$1,400,000. Mr. Bowen forwards these charges to Secretary Taft, over his own signature, and Secretary Taft forwarded the communication to the President, who was already in the west.

Not content, however, with having done this, Mr. Bowen grew impatient at hearing no echo of the serious charges he had preferred and he furnished the details of the charges to a certain newspaper correspondent in Caracas. The whole story was then mailed to this country and appeared in large type on the front page of one of the New York dailies. Even were the charges true, Minister Bowen was guilty of a grave indiscretion and violation of courtesy in making them public in advance of some reply to his communication to Secretary Taft and only unpardonably bad judgment or ungovernable spleen against his superior officers could account for this course.

When the charges were first made public Mr. Loomis was absent from Washington, but immediately on his return he furnished to the newspapers a categorical denial of each and all of the charges. He explained that he had had one financial transaction with the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company, but only to the extent of exchanging his check on a Venezuelan bank for the Company's check on a New York bank when he left Caracas at the conclusion of his service as Minister, this being not unusual among American Ministers in Caracas and elsewhere, where the rate of exchange is high and sometimes exchange cannot be secured at any price. Of course the transaction was unimportant and could not place either party under material obligation to the other, and may even have been a mutual accommodation. Every other transaction undertaken by Mr. Loomis as Minister to Venezuela, he declares he undertook only as a result of explicit instruction from the Secretary of State. Beyond this denial, Mr. Loomis has declined to discuss the charges.

Frenzied Thoughts.

"Let the President hunt and fish for a few weeks; he will be all the better for it," says a Pittsburg paper. Fish? Tut, tut. It takes a man who can 'sit still' half an hour to fish.

A Colorado clergyman says the world has but two more years to exist. He is probably going on the theory that the world cannot stand another Colorado election which is scheduled two years hence.

Colorado is intimating that the next time she has labor troubles she will submit them to the courts, instead of to her Peabody and Sherman Bells.

Good negroes are wanted in Liberia, says Minister Lyons. Sorry, but we do not have any of that kind to spare.

Mayor Dunne proposes to have municipal ownership of Chicago's street railways immediately. We have a new idea of the significance of immediately since we built the Panama Canal that way.

The Missouri legislature promptly killed a bill which Gov. Folk offered making bribery a felony. The legislators remember that constitutional provision protecting a man from giving incriminating evidence against himself. This is the season when you want to carry a fan in one hand and an overcoat in the other.

Andrew Carnegie's disinclination to make a fool of himself because his niece married the hired man indicates that he possesses the elements of real greatness.

One of the best attractions at the Lewis and Clark fair will be Homer Davenport's farm, on which will be exhibited his wonderful collection of birds and animals, one of the finest in the world. Men have their fads, and that of the great artist, outside his business, has been that of getting together the finest and rarest game birds in the world, and he has done it.

What a barbarous lot of people there must be in Warsaw among the heathen Russians, what—but, let's see, isn't Chicago in the United States?

Democracy has a meaning in itself, which is bound to live. There is a foundation to it not shaken by every wind. The party may have its ups and downs, but democracy will live and triumph, for the people are at the back of it.

The women of Portland are making a special effort to secure clean markets in that city for fruits, vegetables, meats, etc. The best is none too good for them. They are on the right track and the spirit should spread through the state.

The war indications are that there will be some land fighting this week. If the war is to be continued this is eminently proper. The people of the world do not like dilatory methods in a big war. They want the agony over, if blood is to be spilled and the guns put up.

Nan Patterson has refused a large offer to go on the stage. She is tired of theatrical life and wants to be at home with her mother. The glare of the foot lights has lost its charm and even \$45,000 fails to make it an object for her to return to the business cut short by a murder which stirred all New York. She does the proper thing. She is not entitled to big audiences except as she merits them from a dramatic standpoint. It is to be hoped that she continues her purpose to retire from a business that has such an awful significance for her.

The DEMOCRAT remembers Albany business men in the past to have been very liberal in their support of new institutions, often giving to secure them more than circumstances justified. This fact, though, must not interfere with the continued rustle for new manufacturing industries. The principle of a city having to pay to secure the establishment of a new industry in its midst is not right. All institutions help a city, and one is as much entitled to a bonus for locating in a city as another. The big mercantile establishment gets nothing and yet it may prove a great factor in the prosperity of a city. Some times a live professional man with great enterprise is a whole factory himself, but he comes into a city and puts up for everything, and so forth. Nevertheless it is the custom to pay bonuses for factories and if cities get them they will have to pay for them, and they might as well realize the fact, and be ready for the emergencies that arise. Enterprises, in which it is only asked that stock shall be taken, are particularly matters of business worth considering and investigating, and calls for one's best business judgment in their support.

The Lewis and Clark Club.

This Club which met on Monday afternoon to consider some propositions made by the County Executive Committee of the Fair, was asked to procure ferns and other ornamental plants, potted and ready to ship to Portland. Also to supply cut flowers for decorations and button hole bouquets for opening day and at stated times during the exposition. They requested that a committee be appointed to solicit jellies preserved fruits and bottled fruits for the exhibit, stating that fruit jellies would be furnished to any ladies who would fill them with fruit. After discussing the proposition the Club voted to take up the work and the Secretary was instructed to open a correspondence with the Ladies Clubs in neighboring towns with a view of interesting them and securing their assistance.

AN ALBANY CASE.

Many More Like It In Albany.

The following case is but one of many similar occurring daily in Albany. It is an easy matter to verify its correctness. Surely you cannot ask for better proof than such a conclusive evidence.

Mrs. Wm. Rainwater, wife of Wm. Rainwater, employed in the Vest's Chair Factory, residing at 303 East First St., says: "My kidney troubles me off and on for eight years. Every time I contracted a cold it settled in my kidneys causing my back to ache often so badly that I could hardly get about to attend to my household duties. Accompanying this was a very annoying and difficult with the kidney exertions. I was treated by physicians and took a number of highly recommended remedies but the relief I obtained was only temporary and I was about discouraged. Finally I read an advertisement about Doan's Kidney Pills and got a box at Foshay & Mason's drug store and began their use. I expected some relief, of course, but to my surprise they went quickly to the root of the disease and had no more until recently I felt symptoms of a recurrence. Doan's Kidney Pills are the best kidney medicine I ever used and I have recommended them to a number of my neighbors."

For sale by all dealers. 50 cents per box. Foshay & Mason Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

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REACH VLADIVOSTOK.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 10.—(Special)—Russian Cruisers Atmaz and Jentchug of Rojestvensky's Squadron eluded the Japanese and arrived Vladivostok.

In Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 10.—President Roosevelt arrived at noon and was cordially welcomed. There is no strike disturbances today.

Judge Bellinger Ill.

PORTLAND, May 10.—United States District Judge Charles Byron Bellinger, before whom Senator Mitchell, Congressman Hermann, Williamson and other land fraud defendants are scheduled to be tried, is seriously ill of blood poisoning at his home in Portland. Slight hopes are entertained for his recovery. Judge Bellinger has been ill for several days having been prostrated with what was at first thought to be merely the grip. In the last few days however, the illness has developed into more serious complications.

Judge Bellinger Better.

PORTLAND, Judge Bellinger slightly improved and took nourishment today. Slight chance of recovery but condition critical.

Rumelin Plead.

PORTLAND, OR., May 10.—Councilman Charles E. Rumelin yesterday pleaded not guilty to having attempted bribing William C. Elliott, while the latter was serving as city engineer. May 15 was set as the date for trial.

The Chicago Strike.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The large department stores and the express companies today resumed business on almost a normal basis. They sent their wagons into the extreme parts of the city, in some instances without police protection, and transacted their business without interruption or trouble of a serious character.

The Russians.

LONDON, May 10.—There is no further news of whereabouts of the fleets of Admirals Rojestvensky and Nebogatoff and the dispatches wired from Paris to the effect that they have left French waters at the request of the French authorities are not credited here.

Coal for the Russians.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The Daily News' Hong Kong correspondent cables that two colliers arrived there today from Honkohe Bay, where they delivered 4000 tons of coal to the Russian fleet. The Haimun, a coasting vessel, reports that it saw a Japanese cruiser in the outer roadstead of Amoy, May 5.

HOME AND ABROAD.

Wool is on the jump and is now 25 cents a pound.

The new Elks hall at Roseburg will be dedicated June 9.

H. E. Harris, a former Corvallis man, died in Portland on Sunday.

D. A. Waters, mayor of Salem, has applied for a franchise for a gas plant in Eugene.

Tacoma took the first game from Portland 3 to 2, and is due to take about 4 out of the 6.

The Eugene high school team passed through Albany yesterday afternoon for Portland to play the Portland Academy and Hill School clubs.

The man arrested at Woodburn as a suspect of the bank robbery was of course discharged, not being the man wanted. Those robbers are miles away by this time, as far as Portland.

The Corvallis Times says that W. W. Saunders is now residing on a farm near Spokane, where he is afflicted with sciatica. He is in good circumstances. Mrs. Saunders is a former Albany woman and Mr. Saunders was at one time a prominent party in a big trial at this city.

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MISFITS.

Circus week. Take the kids.

May it be Mayor Lane of Portland.

The rose is now queen of the flowers.

Tough weather for the big red lemonade.

Portland is full of blasted political hopes.

Seattle and Portland are neck and neck for the tail end.

A man is never too old to mend, including Mayor Williams.

The President has taken a hot vapor bath and returned home.

A marriage license in Chicago is 50 cents less than a dog license.

There is more than money at stake in the election of a man to office.

Williams will have to pass a long Lane before he can be elected.

Dr. Roland Grant, who is in Portland, says the way to Hell is h-a-b-i-t.

Jim Jeffries has set a good example for several other boasting pugilists.

The world would like to have Nan Patterson released and the Japs and Russians fight.

The new Linn county directory has revealed a number of small assessments of big properties.

If Chicago people had as big brains as they have feet there would be no difficulty in settling the strike.

We forget somethings in life, but nothing can ever efface the impressions of the circus of boyhood days.

There is one feature about Norris & Rowe's circus some people may not appreciate. There are no bunco games.

Advertising is a splendid thing, but some of those full page candidates ads in Portland papers had a back acting effect.

A year's subscription to the Democrat for the first salmon caught in season at this city. Who will have his name go down to fame.

The DEMOCRAT man has seen Norris develop a little dog show into one of the best circuses in the world. Tent by tent up he has come.

It isn't always the men who are bad. A Portland man charged in court that his wife smoked cigarettes, came home drunk and run around with other men.

One man who thought he had a mission to fill as mayor of Portland received 38 votes in the primaries. Figures sometimes make loud speeches.

The Oregon City land office will be moved to Portland on July 1st according to the system of the present administration, of taking away from the small and giving to the big.

The Southern Pacific has struck an economical streak and has been taking telephones out of most of its offices. That's a backward step for a big modern up-to-date transportation company.

Clear the track. The Railway Conductors will be in Portland from all over the United States on May 16 and for several days on their 30th annual gathering. They will not have to ride the brakebeam to get there.

A valley paper has figured it out that the recent U. S. grand jury was hypnotized. Not one of them. The men hypnotized are the editors wanting political patronage from the men indicted. The grand jury had the evidence, that's all.

The Cottage Grove Leader gets the following off on a former Albany young man: Tom Parker, the baker, saw a country boy hitching a very poor horse to a post and come cued to have a little joke at the boy's expense. According to him he said: "Hello, Jackey. I see you have the frame of your horse up, when are you going to finish him." Jackey, which wasn't his name, laconically replied: "Wall, I dunno, guess probably I'll leave him as they left you, considerably unfinished, maybe I'll give him some brains, though."

Hotel Arrivals.

C. Williams, Halsey.
Q. Williams, Lake Creek.
Geo. Fisher, Independence.
A. G.
Jos. Miller, Garden City, Mo.
J. A. Archibald, Philomath.
W. D. Sleep, N. Y.
F. C. Cleland, S. F.
Nye Kern, Portland.
P. Williams, Harrisburg.
A. A. Smith, Astoria.
F. C. Hall, Norwalk, O.
C. E. Brown, Staytop.
Mrs. B. C. Miller, Harrisburg.
S. S. and Harry Leeper, Halsey.
A. L. Peters, Eugene.
Don Mackenzie, Milwaukee.
John Ross, Berry.
E. H. Bristow, Portland.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite, and health on both." If it doesn't, try Burdock Blood Bitters.

A CYCLONE

Does Up a Missouri Town.

KANSAS CITY, May 9.—(Special)—A cyclone swept through the town of Marquette, McPerson county, last night, a town of 500 persons. 25 to 30 lives were lost. Scores of buildings were demolished. It traveled several miles and cut a wide swath.

SALEM, May 9.—(Special)—The Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer today reappointed A. H. Carson of Grants Pass, and W. J. Newell of Dilley, member of the state board of Horticulture.

The governor also accepted resignation of J. C. Weis as a member of the board of barber examiners, and appointed Wm. Wanner of Portland in its stead.

WOODBURN, May 9.—Albert Woolen a tramp was arrested today suspected of being the bank robber. He is being held for identification, one arm is broken and in splints.

CHICAGO, May 18.—Following the strike violence of Sunday the probability for trouble became apparent this morning when it was declared the big houses would attempt to resume regular operations and asked police protection for 1200 wagons.

MILWAUKEE, May 8.—The exact amount that Bigelow embezzled from the First National was brought out today when the Bank Milwaukee filed a claim for \$1,519,133.63 which is entirely unsecured.

SALEM, May 8.—Mrs. Mary Eoff, widow, and washerwoman, with a large family of this city, is one of several heirs to \$300,000 estate.

The Chicago Strike.

CHICAGO, May 7.—This week will either bring an end to the teamsters strike or else of the worst industrial upheavals in the history of the city.

The present trouble, who has lasted for two weeks, has reached a point where the business men involved appear to have gained a decided advantage.

A Big Contest.

NEW YORK, May 7.—At 9 o'clock tomorrow morning Percy McGargle, of Buffalo, and Dwight B. Huss, of Detroit, will start from Fifty-ninth street and Broadway in two 800 pound grass-line runabouts on a trip to Portland. The trip will be a race between the two with \$1000 as the first prize and the automobile itself as the second prize.

Davenport Has Started.

NEWARK, N. J., May 7.—Homer Davenport's farewell barbecue, held at the Davenport farm at Morris Plains today, was attended by over 300 of the leading scientific, literary and artistic people of the East. The occasion was Davenport's departure for the Lewis and Clark Exposition with his birds, horses and other animals.

Big Immigration.

NEW YORK, May 7.—All records were broken today in the number of immigrants passing quarantine. Within 12 hours 12,039 foreigners, arriving in steerage were permitted to enter New York.

Probably a Canard.

PARIS, May 9.—It was stated at the Russian Embassy last night advised had been received there telling of the loss of Admiral Togo's flagship, the battleship Mikasa, five days ago in the China Sea.

One version is that the Mikasa struck a floating mine, another is that she ran ashore during a dense fog.

Ready to Fight.

LONDON, May 8.—The correspondent at Singapore of the Daily Mail telegraphs:

A private letter from influential friends states that Vice-Admiral Togo's fleet is concentrating in the Korean channel and that a portion of the Japanese navy is watching Vladivostok.

President in Colorado.

DENVER, May 8.—The entertainment of President Roosevelt by the citizens of Denver tonight was a fitting conclusion of a day of royal welcome as he journeyed through Colorado from Glenwood Springs.

The Strike.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Both employers and strikers claim gains today in the teamster's strike.

The rioting today was of a sharper character than that of Saturday. Three men were fatally injured, one of whom died later, and a number of others badly hurt.

GOOD RAZORS—

When you buy a razor you want one that is guaranteed to shave; one that will give perfect satisfaction, or you can return it and get your money back. We show just that kind of razor; everyone guaranteed by us. We have just received a shipment of new patterns in Haller's Razors.

BURKHART & LEE.

Rates to Fair.

Tickets will be on sale to the Lewis and Clark fair from Albany to Portland and return from May 29 to Oct. 15, a 1-3 fare, \$3.30. In parties of ten or more, good for ten days, one fare \$2.45 in one ticket. If 100 or more one fare in individual tickets, good for ten days. No stop overs.

For a Weak Digestion.

No medicine can replace food but Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets will help you to digest your food. It is not the quantity of food taken that gives strength and vigor to the system but the amount digested and assimilated. If troubled with a weak digestion, don't fail to give these Tablets a trial. Thousands have been benefited by their use. They only cost a quarter. For sale by Foshay & Mason.

Diphtheria, sore throat, croup, instant relief, permanent cure. De Thomas' Eucletic Oil, At any drug store.