

As to Vetoes.

Corvallis Times: At the second legislature session in his term as governor, Chamberlain vetoed 15 bills, of which but two were passed over the veto.

At the first session in his term, Chamberlain vetoed 14 bills. Like those of the second session, many of these bills carried large appropriations.

In his one term, Chamberlain vetoed 29 bills. In two terms Penneyer, who until Chamberlain had vetoed more bills than all other Oregon governors combined, vetoed in all, 29 bills.

The Pate Bill.

From our Washington correspondent: Finally the Senate has finished with the rate bill. The Allison amendment, which may be Senator Allison's or may be someone else's, has been incorporated.

Non Partisan Courts

If our judges are to be non-partisan in serving the people, why should the people not be equally non-partisan in selecting and electing their judges?

It is as much the duty of the people to judge the judge without regard to his political beliefs as it is his duty to judge the people without regard to their political ideas.

Do you select your doctor or lawyer because of his politics? If not, then why elect a judge because of his politics?

Eastern Oregon approved the appointment of Judge Hailey to the Supreme bench, let Western Oregon do the same by electing him to succeed himself, and give to Eastern Oregon a representative in our Supreme Court.

Justice Hailey of our Supreme Court is the first and only member of that court from Eastern Oregon. His appointment was generally approved by the bar and people of the state, and his services upon the bench have been satisfactory, and it is justly due to him that Eastern Oregon, from whence he came, that he should be continued upon the bench.

A Graft Measure.

OREGON CITY, May 20.—I would like to submit some facts concerning the proposed sale of the Barlow toll road to the State of Oregon for \$24,000. I believe it should be voted down because:

It is not worth the money. The promoters have an option on the road from the owners for \$8,000 and will make \$16,000, if they can sell it to the state.

No farmers in Clackamas county are obliged to pay a toll to get their products to market. Very few farmers live near the road. The seven miles of toll road between the mountains and the end of the public road was offered to Clackamas county as a free gift about three years ago and was refused.

Set Them to Thinking.

Eugene Guard:—The "vote it straight" movement of certain Republican managers, who imagined they were living in the dark ages of partisan bigotry and prejudice has fallen flat.

When the Republicans of Oregon were appealed to in the name of party to vote it straight, it simply set them to thinking—and when the voters get to thinking for themselves politicians are apt to have a bad spell.

Politics Full of Peanuts.

Four years ago the Oregonian howled itself red in the face telling the people of Oregon that the eyes of the rest of the United States were on Oregon demanding an endorsement of the administration in power.

Talk is Cheap

Mr. Tooze says Withycombe's election is assured. Mr. Tooze is the gentleman who ran for the nomination for congressman, and just before the votes were counted he said he had it for sure.

Can see only One Side.

Republican officials all over the United States are noted for junketing at the expense of the country, not only when running for re-election, but at other times.

From the San Francisco Chronicle: San Francisco for the past fortnight has been absolutely free from disorder and virtually free from crimes of violence. There have been no street brawls. No drunken brute has beaten his wife.

The Journal: Saloons are generally recognized as an evil, and it is said they are a necessary evil. It seems from this statement in the San Francisco Chronicle that for a fortnight they were not a necessary evil even in that great and hitherto wicked city.

Voters should secure sample ballots of the county clerk and make a study of the different amendments to be voted on. It may cause confusion and a disturbance of the grey matter, but no one should go into their booth without having made up their mind before hand how they are going to vote.

Blitz the President.

Some very silly pictures of an effigy of President Roosevelt have appeared in some Oregon papers, pictures without point of character. One can appreciate some caricatures though they hit hard, but these are close to idioocy, founded on nothing.

A Congressman in Florida helps to make laws for the people of Oregon and vice versa. A representative in Baker county helps to make laws for the people of Linn county, and our representatives take an active part in legislation affecting the people of Baker county, perhaps having nothing to do with this part of the state.

Congressman Towne is delaying the promised exposure of the President, and their is a suspicion, that another look at the famous Roosevelt smile, he decided to examine his data a little more closely.

The farmers of Oregon have never had a better friend than Governor Chamberlain, and they know it. He has done more for them than any other Governor in the history of Oregon.

A man who rushes into print sometimes has to face the same music in after years. There is nothing that lasts like printer's ink.

A Spanish-American War Monument.

PORTLAND, May 24.—The unveiling of the monument erected in the Plaza Block in honor of the soldiers of the Spanish American war will be an event of extraordinary importance.

The principal speaker of the day will be General Thomas M. Anderson. There will also be addresses by Hon. Harvey W. Scott, Hon. Harry Lane, Mayor, and others.

The Chairman of the Invitation Committee, Chaplain Gordon A. Peel of the Veterans of Portland are more than anxious to have their comrades from all portions of Oregon in attendance, and they can rest assured of a most cordial welcome.

The parade will begin at 1:45 and will culminate in the unveiling of the monument at 3:00 on the afternoon of May 30th.

Chamberlain and State Lands.

He has fulfilled his promise made to the people in his last campaign that he would see that the \$650,000 of the irreducible school fund lying idle in the hands of the State Treasurer was loaned. It has been loaned and is bringing in \$45,000 each year to be divided among the school children of this state.

He has introduced system in the State Land Department; caused all defective titles to be looked up and the holders thereof notified that they might take steps to perfect the same; caused non-resident certificate holders to pay up and take deed and their holdings to be put on the tax roll.

He required the cancellation of certificates, many years delinquent, covering about 75,000 acres of school land and the placing of it again on the market at double its former price, which in time will add \$187,500 to the school fund.

He has cut off the grafts of the state land brokers who have for years been levying tribute upon the citizens of this state to the extent of \$1.00 to \$1.50 for every acre of indemnity or lieu land selected. Applicants for lieu lands now deal directly with the state, and the state is receiving \$7.50 per acre for lands heretofore sold for \$2.50 per acre.

He has selected 33,000 acres of vacant government lands to satisfy losses in school sections which were due the state. All of which have been sold, netting the school fund about \$190,000.

Through his State Land Agent forged applications covering hundreds of thousands of acres of school land were brought to light, guilty parties convicted and many certificates cancelled.

Forged certificates and other documents covering thousands of acres of

state land were discovered in time to prevent complications which would have arisen had deeds been issued, thereby preventing an immense loss to the state.

Saturday Night Thoughts

There are plenty of politics around through Oregon these days just before the state election, at least what some people call politics. Many men, though hardly know where they are at when they sift the political part down, and find that after all the man has considerable to do with it.

This week the senate passed a bill suggestive of what is in the interest of the people, that of taking the duty of denaturalized alcohol, something demanded by the farmers of the country.

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There has been a big investigation in progress in reference to rebates allowed the big trusts of the country by the railroads. It was a funny business.

The big shippers were handed money from unknown men without explanation, a sneaking underhanded operation and a disgrace to the transportation business.

This week a state grange has been in session in Albany, bringing to the city a fine body of men and women, doing business as an organization in common, the men and women holding the offices together, in which the capacity of the women for attention to the affairs of the grange has been shown to be just as much as that of the men.

Guard: Every day better news is coming out from the Blue River district. The mines there are proving their richness by a steady output of bullion and many promising locations are yet in the stages of development.

Eugene Guard: The Oregonian says Governor Chamberlain was born in a state that seceded from the Union. It might go a little farther. His state, Georgia, seceded from Great Britain. By the way, Dr. Withycombe did not "secede" from Great Britain till he wanted office here in Oregon. Then and not till then did he get naturalized.

123 Claims Sold.

A deal was completed in Albany today providing for the transfer of 123 claims around Bend, over the mountains, to the Deschutes Lumber Co. for \$1600 a claim, making a total of over \$190,000 which the transaction will bring to Albany and vicinity.

The deal has been under way for some time, and the result speaks for the excellent management of those who have had it in charge.

MISFITS.

San Francisco is getting into line again.

Strawberries are now IT in the local market.

The C. P. church is now a matter of the past.

More trouble for Russia, this time internal.

Now is the time to begin not to make forest fires.

The rebuilding of the woolen mill needs to be stirred up.

Albany should make a good live rustle for a saw mill.

Any scheme that is worth investing in is worth investigation.

The draymen of Eugene have formed a trust and put up prices.

The politics were kept out of the Coos Bay meeting in a creditable manner. The candidates stayed away.

The same old gag: The entire nation is watching Oregon to see how the election will go.

The seismographs have been pretty busy, one of them having made 52 registrations since April 18.

All the republican papers were given advance copies of Governor Geer's Astoria speech as a campaign document for the dark ages "Vote It Straight" plan.

Those Greeks are not all the spendthrifts some think. About thirty of them have sent sums in \$100 down to their folks in Europe since being around Albany.

The state grange is fortunate in having a woman of the presence and ability of Mrs. Waldo as lecturer. She would be all right as master.

The business center of a great country Albany will some day be a big inland city. The extension of the C. & E. would help wonderfully.

Governor Geer lives in too much of a glass house to throw stones at Governor Chamberlain. The people of Oregon are "onto" him.

Oregon's election should be changed to November. This trying to make the state always stand for an endorsement of the administration is getting tiresome.

A class of people are always watching for a boom town to rush into. Now many eyes are divided between the Coos towns and Klamath Falls. Better keep your head on straight.

The republican papers continue to howl about the "Rev." attached to the name of Prof. Hawley, which they put there themselves during the primary election.

There is a good deal of smoke in some of the reports of big and enthusiastic meetings. For instance there were about thirty at the big republican meeting at Sumpter, where Governor Chamberlain had a packed house.

The local committee of Grangers is entitled to credit for the splendid manner in which their guests have been entertained. The visitors have been greatly pleased with Albany and their Linn county friends.

The Oregonian recently gave a picture of Roosevelt standing on a platform. An Albany man has fixed it up by writing the names of Mitchell, Herman, Williamson, Gesner, Horace McKinley and Pater on different parts of the structure.

A man who has been in the city with a view of putting money into a fruit cannery has been discouraged by Albany knockers. Nearly thirty years ago Albany started a cannery, which was a failure for good reasons, and since then knockers have continued to use it against the business.

Letter List.

The following letters remain in the Albany, Ore., postoffice uncalled for May 23, 1906. Persons desiring any of these letters should call for advertised letters, giving the date: Chas. Brinne, Mrs. Gus W. Bottenbaugh, John W. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Bugus, J. W. Dawkins, Will Dorris, Dave Hamlein, Henry Mallar, Miss Flora Miller, G. M. Miller, G. Frank Otis, A. M. Payne, Ethel L. Powell, A. G. Porter, T. G. Rogers, R. F. Richards, Miss Ida Reed, A. Rudolf (3), Mr. Stratton, J. A. Thornton, Mrs. E. A. Turner, Mrs. G. A. Winn, Wm. C. White, Mrs. Gertrude R. Taylor.

Advice to Farmers

When you are in town call and get a good home cooked dinner at the Imperial restaurant for twenty five cents. Opposite Stewart & Sox hardware.

J. R. Douglas went to Portland this afternoon to help build an addition to the store of the other J. R. Douglas, who is doing a big business in East Portland.

TELEGRAPHIC.

DES MOINES, May 24.—The Presbyterians and Cumberlands were united by order of the general assembly today.

ABERDEEN, WASH., May 24.—William M. McLeod, of Forest Grove died here this morning. He was an early Oregon pioneer aged 79.

LONDON, May 24.—Archibald Wakeley, a famous artist was murdered today.

PORTLAND, May 24.—Admiral Goodrich with the Pacific squadron arrived noon today to take part in the Made in Oregon fair.

PORTLAND, May 24.—The city attorney says the saloons of Portland cannot be closed on Sundays under the present law.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—A cold, driving rain begun yesterday evening and continued all night, but has somewhat abated today. Extremely cold weather has caused much suffering among the refugees in tents.

SEATTLE, May 25.—The British bark Beacon Rock arrived today after a tempestuous voyage of all winter, hurricane gone and a sick crew. The bark was 11 months from England.

SACRAMENTO, May 25.—All traffic is tied up until Saturday by a big land slide in California along the Sacramento river. Heavy rains prevent the transfer of passengers.

Washington, May 24.—After considerable debate the senate today passed the bill relieving denatured alcohol from internal revenue and then took up the agricultural appropriation bill, which was still under consideration when the senate adjourned.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

Probate: In estate of M. Sternber will was filed for probate. It provides for \$5 to each of his children Albert, Clara, Joseph, Leticia, Charles, Eva Sternberg and Sarah Wolf. All of the balance to his wife Lena. Dated April 4, 1893. Estimated value of property: real property \$13,000, personal \$5,000.

Deeds recorded: Margaret Clymer Barton to J. P. Swank, 10 acres \$300 M. A. Russell to E. B. Smith, 129 acres \$200

Mortgages for \$2000 and \$50. Release for \$1000.

Hop contract: F. J. Denney and Folk Wormser & Co., of Chicago, 10,000 lbs of 1906 crop, on 18 acres, at 10 cents with a 5 cent advance.

The State Grange

Adjourned about midnight last night after a very successful session.

Among the things done during the afternoon and evening were:

A resolution in favor of full assessment of property, and the publication of the entire list of assessment and the changes made.

The O. A. C. was endorsed and its support encouraged. A resolution favored the limitation of fortunes by individuals and corporations.

A resolution favoring a prominent part in the discussion. Road building by convicts was favored and a practical test of it asked.

A resolution opposed the purchase of the Barlow road, a mere scheme by speculators.

The control of transportation rates by the government and eventually ownership was favored.

A general resolution expressing appreciation of the treatment received in Albany and thanking the people of the city was passed.

A report showed the grange life insurance to be a success. A resolution favoring a tax on unmarried men over 22 caused much amusement.

The Albany session will long be remembered.

People Who Come and Go

- C K Wintler, Tacoma. W A Chesley, Portland. Henry Harlan, " M W Gill, " Lowell Will, Salem. E C Clement, Portland. T W Sommerville, Harrisburg. E C Ward, Newberg. H A Shelley, S F. H A Pierce, S F. G W Whitson, Chicago. M G Flynn, Philomath. Geo D Barton, Portland. W J Tyler, Portland. Mrs. L. Stowe, Salem. Mrs. Cornett. G W Weeks and wf, Salem. H Hirschberg, Independence. S W Chambers, EauClaire, Wis. Henry Cyrus, Crabtree. R H Montague, Portland. C W Sherman, " Geo A Peel, " M J Post, Minneapolis. U H Paul, Hepper. E C Wigmore, Eugene. S J Fore, Hornbrook. W H Robertson and wf, Lebanon. C C Calovan, Seis. F O'Neill, Portland. E P Sommers, " R W McLeod, S F. Darwin Bristow, Eugene. E T Stewart, Salt Lake.

A Year Book for Farmers.

The DEMOCRAT has received a number of copies of the year book of the Department of Agriculture, which may be had by all desiring them, by calling at this office. The book presents a large amount of information. It is a practical work, not merely theoretical. The illustrations are fine. A new feature in this edition is a review of the game laws.

Mrs. E. C. Brandberry, of Woodburn, returned home this afternoon after a visit at her mother's. Mrs. E. U Will and son of Portland, are in the city on a visit the guests of J. H. Wilson and family.