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THE ADVERSE SIDE.

The Oregonian thinks that unless Oregon goes solidly Republican certain influential Republican Senators will turn down appropriations for the Lewis and Clark Fair and for rivers and harbors.

But the facts of history don't warrant that assertion. There is the Buffalo Exposition that got an appropriation for the Government exhibition, New York has a habit of going Democratic on pro- vocation. It elected Cleveland twice.

But there is another view. If appropriations are really to be used to influence elections and perhaps they are, they will not need to be used in a state that is solidly and safely Republican.

On the south of us, the discrimination in appropriations and Department business is equally flagrant in favor of California and San Francisco. The Oregonian knows how that is, too, for it has blistered the Administration for permitting it to exist.

This is not a very high plane of politics, but since the subject is mentioned it might be as well, in the language of the Oregonian, "to look this thing squarely in the face."

There used to be a Chinese question, as there is now. The Oregonian, which is now supporting the Matthews ticket, used to have an opinion about it. Looking back now upon the hard fight laborers have had to make their demands heard, some of them will recognize the following words quoted from the Oregonian of February 4, 1896:

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THE MAYORALTY.
The question between Judge Williams and Mr. Inman relates to the business interests of this city. It does not relate to the Philippines or to National politics.

himself, the burden of a purely political campaign. This in itself a confession that the obscuration of the real question is necessary to his candidacy. If he were a candidate now for United States Senator, where National questions would be within the province of his duties, the discussion would be pertinent.

As between himself and Mr. Inman, personally, it may be assumed that both are men of honor and good intentions. A comparison of the two men, however, is legitimate in respect of their qualifications for the office. Judge Williams' age is against him. This will not be an insuperable objection to those who wish to vote for him on sentimental grounds.

In these respects, Mr. Inman is just the opposite of his competitor. He is in the prime of life and healthy vigor. At the head of a large and exacting business, his daily life illustrates those high executive qualities, without which the business of the city—more than a large private business—cannot be successfully conducted.

But these considerations aside, there is another that ought to be decisive. Judge Williams' administration would be Jack Matthews' administration. The infirmity of purpose and disposition which the Oregonian has heretofore so kindly and delicately pointed out, would give to Matthews a Mayor ready-made to his hand.

Events subsequent to the anti-Chinese agitation of 1886, and the consequent Chinese exclusion act, show that there has never been any real scarcity of capable white labor. But some people opposed the agitation because they thought otherwise. On February 4, 1896, the Oregonian expressed its view on that subject in these words: "The one thing that made it possible for Chinese labor to obtain a hold that it has upon the commonplace industries of the Pacific Coast has been the scarcity—even the utter dearth of willing, capable white labor."

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Josh Billings once said: "It were better some people did not know nigh so much than know so many things that are not true." This advice should be heeded by the Oregonian's correspondents, who report such large and enthusiastic audiences at the various Finnish meetings over the state.

His Weakness.
Alburt—Why, don't you recollect that girl? That's the girl you used to rave over last summer—she'll be a "poem" and all that.

FACTS IN THE CASE

About the Soldiers.

About the most laughable feature of this very amusing campaign is the one great argument in favor of their election which the members of the Matthews-Scott Legislative ticket are presenting in public and private. They say that the election of the Citizens' Legislative ticket means the hauling down of the flag and the desertion of the Philippines.

If the voters are to be influenced at all by these propositions it does seem that actions should speak louder than words.

Step Up Ye Traitor Soldiers.

Oh, Captain McDonnell and Private O'Neill, Step up here and give answer true. To the terrible charges the Matthews-Scott boys Are making against both of you.

Oh, shame on you! Shame! to oppose these brave boys Who broke the proud power of Spain With the force of their breath and who now are engaged In doing the same thing again.

Go back and sit down—for that flag shall still fly— Chairman Courtenay's on guard night and day. You shan't pull it down; no, sirs—Jack wants it up. So his boys will have SOMETHING to say.

And you, Dr. Barber, just step to the front. You fought through the whole Civil War. Then quietly came to your labors again A citizen plain, as before.

THE SCOTT-MATTHEWS BOYS PLACED IT THERE.

PIONEER'S REUNION.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Pioneer Association, to be held in this city June 18, promises to be most successful. It is the 30th annual reunion, and will be attended by pioneers, Indian war veterans and native sons and daughters.

Norwegian Independence.

The Norwegians all over the world will celebrate the 88th anniversary of the independence of Norway today. The Norwegians of Portland will celebrate the event by a fitting entertainment in Arion Hall. May 17 is the "Fourth of July" of Norway, as on that date, in 1814, the constitution was signed which made her independent after 800 years of subjection to Denmark.

IN NEW POSITIONS.

Wilbur E. Coman, the new general freight and passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, has assumed the duties of his new position, and was at his desk yesterday in the active discharge thereof.

CLATSOP SITUATION

The Astorians are Kindly to Democrats This Year.

(Journal Special Service.) ASTORIA, May 17.—The political situation in Clatsop County was found by the Democratic candidates to be a most encouraging one. Everywhere Chamberlain buttons were to be seen, and the vaunted Finnish enthusiasm proved to be mythical to a large extent.

The statement has repeatedly been made in a Portland and other Republican papers that Clatsop County had been polled and that the result showed Finnish ticket. Not one of these men, however—NOT ONE OF THEM—though they are all young, strong and vigorous, not one offered himself to raise that flag which they now fear is to be pulled down.

A surprisingly large number of Republicans are supporting Chamberlain, and it is not an uncommon thing to find men working for Chamberlain and also for C. W. Fulton, the Republican candidate for State Senator and an aspirant for the United States Senate.

Almost every commercial traveler who "makes" Astoria is out for Chamberlain. These itinerants find much amusement in taking straw ballots on the Astoria trains, and the results indicate to a certainty the election of the Democratic candidate.

A large number of combine fishermen, estimated at 300 or more, have gone to Alaska this season and this will greatly reduce the Republican vote this year.

There has been no poll of Clatsop County, and even if one were made the result would be such as to deter the Republicans from giving it out to the public.

SOME REPUBLICANS LEFT.

The effort of the Republicans to inject C. W. Fulton's United States Senatorial candidacy into the local campaign is failing flat, for the reason that a "home pride" did not figure materially with the Clatsop delegation when Geer tried to get the Republican nomination this year.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

Read Mary MacLane's Book and Shuffled Off.

(Journal Special Service.) KALAMAZOO, Mich., May 17.—Morbidly mad from the reading of Mary MacLane's book in the nude, Frances Goodrich Stout put a period to the life that she believed she was tired of.

BIG FIND.

(Journal Special Service.) PHOENIX, Ariz., May 17.—Meager particulars have been received of a wonderful find of silver in the LaFortuna group of mines near Santa Ana, south of Nogales, Ariz. A great body of native silver was uncovered in volcanic formation. Nuggets larger than a man's head, and many tons of pure metal were found on the surface.

Hunting Privilege.

H. W. Smith, Jr., has granted to H. B. Taylor and others the privilege of hunting at the Smith place, Columbia Slough, for three years from July 1, 1902, for \$25 yearly.

IN THE CHURCHES.

At the Second Baptist Church, William E. Randall, minister, there will be morning worship at 10:30; sermon subject, "Little Acts That Lift and Live;" evening service at 7:45, topic, "Man—a Study of Relative Greatness."

The First Spiritual Society will hold services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. The Lyceum will meet at 12:20. In the evening a lecture will be given by E. H. Lucas. All services will be held at Artisan Hall, Arlington building.

Universal Brotherhood Organization and Theological Society, non-political and unsectarian, Lodge No. 124 will hold its monthly public meeting Sunday at Washington street, corner Park, at 8 o'clock p. m. Addresses on "Living Questions From a Theological Standpoint," Musical selections.

The regular services of The People's Christian Union (applied Christianity) will be held tomorrow in the first hall, No. 201 Alaska building. Devotional services at 11 a. m.; sermon by Rev. F. E. Coulter on the subject, "The Economy of the Lord's Prayer;" Bible study and school of religion following the service at 12 m. Practical industrial service at 8 p. m.

At the First United Presbyterian Church the pastor will preach in the morning on "The Prayer of Faith." In the evening at 7:45 o'clock the topic will be "The Faith and Faithfulness of Timothy."

At Mizpah Presbyterian Church the themes of sermons for the Sabbath are: morning, "Walking Worthy of the Christian Vocation;" evening, "Crisis and Opportunity." There will be special music both morning and evening, with Mrs. J. M. C. Miller soloist and Mrs. Peterson organist.

At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Episcopal, Whit Sunday will be observed. Holy communion at 8 a. m.; morning service and sermon at 11; evening service, 8; Sunday school, 10 a. m. All welcome to these services.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at the Peninsula will be open for service and Sunday school at 9:30 p. m.

At the First English Church of the Evangelical Association, corner East Sixth and Market streets, the pastor, Rev. G. W. Plumer, will preach in the morning and in the evening. The presiding elder, Rev. J. E. Smith, will preach. All seats are free. Everybody welcome.

At Taylor-Street Methodist Episcopal Church at 10:30 tomorrow morning, Dr. L. E. Rockwell will preach. In the evening the pastor, Dr. H. J. Talbot, will deliver the second of his series of sermons on the subject, "The Window Sign." These sermons are worthy of a very large hearing on the part of the young people of the city.

DUNKARDS MEET

(Journal Special Service.) RICHMOND, Ind., May 17.—Delegates and visitors are arriving in large numbers for the National conference of the German Baptists (Dunkards) which begins tomorrow at the Town of Eldorado, 10 miles east of this city.

New Tooth Jerkers.

The State Board of Dental Examiners has concluded its work and admitted to practice 33 out of the 44 applicants for dentists' degrees. The board will be in session again on November 12. The successful dentists are: D. B. Stewart, Ralph Hutchinson, L. C. Rasmann, G. S. Barrett, N. R. Norris, F. J. Friederich, S. A. Fulton, V. L. Diemick, W. C. Shearer, N. L. Smith, R. W. Walker, G. W. Schmidt, P. J. Sharp, H. E. Barlett, H. E. Kelly, J. P. Posten, J. W. Inglis, H. E. Kelly, J. P. Johnson, George Larkin, Alice M. MacLinton, Lizzie Catherine Stewart, J. F. Drake, J. W. Lehman, D. F. Pyle, T. H. Bowley, K. Moriyama, A. F. Wendling, J. H. Keefer, W. G. Amos, R. S. Stryker, R. W. Anderson, W. O. Ogie, R. B. Stevens, J. H. Tuttle, F. H. Waigamot, W. N. Pintler and C. A. Rambo.

LAYING THE CORNER STONE

(NORTHFIELD, Minn., May 17.—The corner stone of the new library of St. Olaf College, presented by Consul Hall Steensland of Madison, Wis., was laid today with interesting ceremonies. It was a gala day for the college. Alumni and friends of the institution were present from all parts of the Northwest.

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TAFT GOES TO ETERNAL CITY

(Journal Special Service.) NEW YORK, May 17.—Governor Taft sails today for Rome to negotiate with the representatives of the Vatican for the purchase of the friar lands in the Philippines. Upon the conclusion of his mission in Rome he will proceed to Manila by the Eastern route.

HE NEEDED HER BADLY

Took Six Children to Get Her Love.
TOLEDO, O., May 17.—It is not often that a man takes six children of his inamorata's along when he elopes with a woman, but that's what Frank Jablonski accuses Joseph Gorowski with doing.

Low Rates to Hood River From Monday Next.
The strawberry season opens at Hood River next week, and on Monday the steamers Dalles City and Regulator will sell strawberry pickers' tickets at greatly reduced rates.