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THE UNIVERSITY APPROPRIATION.

When the legislature enacted the law appropriating \$125,000 annually for the university at Eugene, last winter, and no questions asked, the Oregonian newspaper saw proper to condemn the legislature's action, most vehemently. The Oregonian's condemnatory editorial was, probably, endorsed by four-fifths of the people of Oregon. In a late issue, for some reason, the big daily has taken a complete somersault. It now commends what it formerly condemned and thinks the action of the legislature should now be sustained. Why this about face the Oregonian, itself, is best able to answer. Possibly, the fact that a former president of the University is now employed as an editorial writer on the Oregonian's staff, may have had a bearing in causing the "flip"; but the NEWS doubts it. The most probable reason is: The Oregonian's well established reputation of supporting all sides of all public questions at different times, and it is now simply sustaining its chameleon-like character.

Nevertheless the Oregonian's opposition, the effort is now being made through the circulation of petitions, to cause the Referendum to be invoked upon this appropriation. If the sentiment of the people should be the same throughout the state that it is in Linn county, the people will execute a most effective veto upon the legislature's act in June, 1908.

But, let us see. If the people reject the action of the legislature will the University be mistreated if the big appropriation is refused? By a law enacted at a previous session, a biennial appropriation of \$120,000 was given the University. This amount was to be continued, year after year, or until revoked or changed by a succeeding legislature. The appropriation of \$250,000 biennially, if it is vetoed by the people, will take the place of the former \$120,000 act.

At the present time there are less than 350 students attending the University. Of this number, probably, 40 will graduate next June. This 40 then will represent the finished product of a year's work. If we divide \$125,000, over a cost, by 40, the year's product, we will then ascertain the cost to the taxpayers per university graduate. This gives a result of \$3125. Don't you think this a pretty large sum to pay for one university graduate? Even if the people veto the appropriation of last winter, the old law giving \$60,000 would be left in full force and effect. There would still be \$1500 left for each graduate, and the NEWS thinks this last amount quite enough. Now, suppose we apply the above method to any of our public schools and see the result. For example let us cite our Scio school. We have, approximately, 100 pupils. The district draws about \$800 of public money. Supposing nine per cent. of this number of pupils complete the eighth grade or graduate. This will give a cost per public school graduate of \$88. Now if we compare this \$88 with \$3125 or with \$1500 we can see the vast difference in the cost of graduating a pupil from our public schools and from the state University. In addition to this, every public school district must supply its own school buildings while the taxpayers of the state are required to furnish the university buildings. In view of these comparisons, don't you think we have just cause to deny the University this more than 100 per cent. increase?

The NEWS is very much in favor of higher education; but it believes we should first give our undivided attention to the public school. It believes that, at least two more grades should be added to our public school course and see that those grades are taught in every school, before we undertake university work. When we consider that 95 per cent. of our boys and girls receive but a common or public school education, while 5 per cent. only attend college, the duty of concentrating our entire educational energy upon our public school system becomes the more imperative.

However, the purpose of this article is to arouse the readers of the NEWS to the importance of calling a halt to headlong extravagance in the name of higher education. Unless this halt is called, providing the demands of these colleges keeps increasing in the future as they have in the past, it will be but a very few years until the State University will demand and get a round million dollars

at each biennial session of the legislature.

Most beggars are content with whatever alms are donated. These state college beggars are not. They designate the amount of money they want given to them, then proceed to organize the legislature to secure what they desire. Should they fail to secure the organization, then they proceed to effect combinations among the members which secures the same result. As a matter of fact, in order to secure the enactment of most any law, a treaty must first be effected with the college county members.

In the Referendum of last June, the appropriations for the state eleemosynary institutions and the penitentiary were included in the "blanket" bill. Undoubtedly this fact was the cause of the people refusing to veto the bill. This time a different condition prevails. The University appropriation stands upon its own merit. If the appropriation of last winter is denied, the University will still have the annual appropriation of \$60,000 and, therefore, will suffer no great hardship.

NEW POLITICAL ALIGNMENT POSSIBLE

Politics, both Republican and Democratic, are decidedly mixed these days. The time was when the simple, frank statement "I am a Republican" or "I am a Democrat" was sufficient to establish one's political standing in any community. Now, it is necessary to use a prefix in either case if one wishes to be taken into full political fellowship in any community. He may be a Foraker, a LaFollette or a Roosevelt Republican; or he may be a Cleveland, a Parker or a Bryan Democrat. Each of these varieties of Republicanism or Democracy are sufficiently distinct of each other to constitute a separate class. Indeed, it will be far easier to harmonize Cleveland or Parker Democrats with Foraker Republicans, than it will be to harmonize all shades of Republicans, or all kinds of Democrats under one particular banner. Roosevelt and LaFollette Democrats and Bryan Republicans might be brought to train together, as might be Cleveland and Parker Republicans with Foraker Democrats. At all events, we are likely to see a political alignment something like the above, in the next presidential campaign. There is war among republican political factions, that will in the end, disrupt the g. o. p. after the manner the Democratic party is now disrupted. The battle is now on in the state of Ohio, between the Foraker and Roosevelt forces, and by the time the presidential campaign is on, it will be war to the knife. As a matter of fact, there are no Democrats or Republicans any more, except in name; but there are a great many Roosevelt Democrats and Bryan Republicans, these days. If it was not for the hereditary prejudice that lies down deep in the hearts of the most of us, it would be quite difficult when we awake mornings, to tell just which one of the boys (politically) we are.

Should Mr. Foraker, or any of his particular brand of Republicans be nominated for president, next year by the Republican party, and should Mr. Bryan be named by the Democrats, it is safe to say that about nine-tenths of Roosevelt Republicans would support Mr. Bryan. Likewise will the Bryan Democrats support Mr. Roosevelt if he is renominated, in preference to a Cleveland or Parker Democrat.

We are likely to see a new party alignment, on both sides of the political house next year. Old political prejudices have become so ossified, that MEN rather than party will, hereafter, control political action. The political parties are more likely to be aligned upon a graft and anti-graft basis than as formerly.

The war that is now being waged upon grafting and high financing in various portions of the U. S. furnishes, to say the least, very interesting reading. It is most encouraging to the lovers of pure and honest government. It has now become almost fashionable to prosecute and punish the big rascals. The fashion that Mr. Heney is establishing down in San Francisco, is liable to become infectious. For what better purpose can a man devote his surplus wealth to than to do as Mr. S. rascals has done—guarantee the expense of hunting down rascality in high places? The eyes of the nation are now turned San Franciscoward. All good men and friends of honest government, will give Messrs. Heney & Burns every possible aid in the way of sympathy in the fight for right and justice they are making.

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If we were not about to have another Federal grand jury convened, we might shy an occasional tone at San Francisco and think we are just a bit better than our neighbor to the South. Remembering the glass house fable, we had better, probably, save our ammunition for home consumption.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF LINN.
Mason, Eberhart & Company, Plaintiffs,
vs.
A. J. Houston, Defendant.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an Execution issued out of the above entitled court in the above entitled action, to me directed and returned on the 10th day of March, 1907, I have levied upon the following described real property—
situated at the southeast corner of Lot 10 in the City of Scio, Linn County, Oregon, and running thence west 80 feet to the south-west corner of Lot 10, in said city, thence south to the North bank of Thomas Creek, thence in an easterly direction along the North bank of said Thomas Creek to a point opposite to and on a line with the East line of said Lot 10, thence North to the place of beginning.
And will on SATURDAY, the 21st day of April, 1907 at the hour of one o'clock P. M. of said day at the front door of the County Court House in the City of Albany, in the County of Linn, and State of Oregon, sell at public auction for cash in hand to the highest bidder, the right, title and interest of the above named defendant in and to the said real property above described, the proceeds of said sale to be applied to satisfy said Execution as aforesaid.
One hundred Ninety and 00/100 Dollars with interest thereon from the 25th day of March, 1907, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum; and the further sum of twenty three and 00/100 Dollars, interest thereon from the said judgment and also the cost of and disbursements made and to be made by me in and to the said real property, same subject to redemption according to law.
Witness my hand and seal of office, this 10th day of March, 1907.
S. B. Smith,
Sheriff of Linn County Oregon.

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LINN COUNTY LAND OFFICE
Portland, Oregon
March 2, 1907
NOTICE is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of July 1, 1882, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Pacific Land States by act of August 14, 1894, and E. Rowell, of Scio, county of Linn State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement on Form No. 1, and will offer for sale the land herein described to the highest bidder for cash in hand for agricultural purposes, and to satisfy her claim to said land before the U. S. Land Office at Portland Oregon on Friday, the 21st day of March, 1907.
The names as witnesses: James King, of Scio Oregon; James L. Jones, of Scio Oregon; John E. Rowell, of Scio Oregon; Noah A. King, of Scio Oregon.
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said day of March, 1907.
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