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SWORN CIRCULATION

Daily average for six months ending December 31, 1910, 2721.

MEDFORD, OREGON.

Metropolis of Southern Oregon and Northern California, and the fastest-growing city in Oregon.

Population—U. S. census 1910, 8840; estimated in November, 1910, 10,000.

Five hundred thousand dollar Gravity Water System completed, giving finest supply pure mountain water and sixteen miles of street being paved and contracted for at a cost exceeding \$1,000,000, making a total of twenty miles of pavement.

Postoffice receipts for year ending November 30, 1910, show a gain of 51 per cent.

Bank deposits were \$2,375,522, a gain of 22 per cent.

Banner fruit city in Oregon—Rogue River Spitznberg apples won sweepstakes prize and title of

"Apple King of the World" at the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1909, and a car of Northwest won

First Prize in 1910 at Canadian International Apple Show, Vancouver, B. C.

Rogue River pears brought highest prices in all markets of the world during the past six years.

Write Commercial club, enclosing 6 cents for postage for the finest community pamphlet ever written.

A NEWSPAPER'S DUTY

AN interesting libel suit has just been concluded in Honolulu, Hawaii. It is interesting inasmuch as Chief Justice Frear of the Supreme Court in deciding the case said:

"It is a newspaper's duty and its right to draw inferences from the facts known; to draw them for the people." Newspapers have rights and they have privileges; but they also have duties, as Justice Frear emphatically asserts.

These duties are not negative; they are positive. To print the news is not merely a privilege or a right, but a public duty. This duty does not end with printing the news. To draw inferences from the news, to explain the news editorially to the people is no less a duty than to print the news itself.

No newspaper has done its full duty, under this decision, if it fails to print the news that the public has a right to know. No newspaper has done its full duty if it fails honestly and courageously to explain this news to its readers and help them to arrive at an intelligent understanding of it. Its work must be done without malice, but likewise must it be done without fear or favor.

Justice Frear is not content with saying to the newspapers of the country: You may go thus far, but no farther. His admonition is: Unless you go thus far you have failed in your public duty and shirked your public responsibilities.

There are many newspaper editors who could learn a valuable lesson in progressive, independent journalism from this able justice.

Gridiron Club Grills Notables

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—An epoch making conference here to-day settled for all time, the insurgent question, the policy for control of the democratic house, the war scare, Canadian reciprocity, and a few other minor things now bothering the American citizen, including a distinguished resident of Oyster Bay.

The "conference" was at the annual dinner of the famous Gridiron Club. Stars of Washington officialdom there beheld themselves as others saw them, and laughed at satirical settlement of public questions by members of the club.

Distinguished members of congress, of official circles, of the bench the diplomatic corps and worth while citizens who came from far in the varnished cars, laid aside their ease to reveal in a season of Gridiron carryings-on. As usual, a pleasant time was had by all. It was a luminous success.

The crowd assembled at the tables the lights were extinguished, a quartette produced a welcome song, President V. Oulahan welcomed, one and all, the fiery gridiron flashed vividly in the darkness; then the lights were restored and things began to happen.

Soon after the dinner was begun a member of the club entered and suggested to President Oulahan that it was time that he inaugurated himself and made a few eloquent remarks. He was advised to do it at once and save trouble. Oulahan said that he was in already and that there was no occasion for inauguration ceremonies.

"I only wanted to save you trouble," said the intruder.

A crowd marched in with banners announcing that they composed the "committee on committees" and the chairman shouted that the presidents troubles had arrived.

"We are the president of this club," the chairman shouted, "a composite Champ Clark, and we want to be inaugurated."

"Fifteen men cannot preside at a dinner," exclaimed Oulahan.

"Fifteen men will preside over the next house of representatives, why not here?" was the response.

"Go ahead," said Oulahan and a fight started, each claiming the honor.

Two members entered with a representation of Champ Clark, right hand bound with rope and one of the guards exclaimed: "This is a sample of what is in store for the president unless he yields to the committee on committees."

"I am exhibit A," said the pseudo Champ.

"O' what?" was asked.

"Exhibit A," was the answer, "not what a rules fight in one congress can do to a perfectly good speaker in the next."

Two members entered escorting a pretended Japanese. The man who had arrested him declared that he had performed conspicuous service by capturing a Japanese spy in the banquet room. He yanked from under the arm of the spy a huge roll of maps and plans. Their character was disclosed by various members of the committee. The plans showed:

The hole in which congress annually dumped a billion dollars.

Drawing of the hot air ration for Senator Bourne's Salvation Army.

Diagram showing where Cummings would place his step-ladder on the back porch at the White House.

Phonographic records taken from the Japanese reproduced long intervals of silence at Oyster Bay.

A snapshot of Senator Aldrich, in

Florida was said to show, "there's still one happy man in congress."

Some one yelled that the Jap was really an American in disguise. He was diverted of his mustache and kimono and there was revealed a man in naval uniform that made everybody exclaim, "It's R. P. Hobson!"

Asked what he was doing there the pseudo Hobson declared that he was looking for Secretary of War Dickinson and that the Japanese disguise seemed appropriate as he was a Japanese war scare. For uncovering the Japanese war scare the committee was given the liberty of the club.

As the dinner was given near St. Valentine's day the menu cards carried the Valentine idea, with verses appropriate to notable guests. A giant member of the committee dressed as cupid distributed the cards and as he delivered each card the verse was ready by a club member sitting beside the victim.

Another feature was the darkening of the room and picking out prominent men with a spotlight. As each man's face showed in the dazzling light a short lecture as to his characteristics was delivered by a member of the club.

A third stunt showed a club member in Prince Albert and high hat passing through the room and carrying a large paper roll marked "Reciprocity agreement." He was halted and asked the meaning of his presence. He answered that the house had passed the reciprocity treaty and that he was carrying it to the senate for action.

He went on but had hardly passed the curtains when there was a firing of guns and other tremendous noises. The man rushed back with his coat in tatters, his silk hat crushed and the roll of paper in shreds. He was stopped and asked what happened. Dolefully holding up the torn paper he said, "The senate has acted on it."

A member of the club announced that a delegation from the Sauerbund desired to give the German Ambassador some instructions. Words to American institutions. The clubman, after a few words of greeting, shouted an invitation for his German friends to enter and they responded with a lusty "Ja Wohl." There were twenty of them with German caps and wigs.

A large blackboard was displayed on the balcony and to the tune of the "Schmitzbaum" the leader of the chorus pointed out pictures on the board. These included President Taft, his "guter friend" the Kaiser, a snuffragette, a fire engine and other American products, ending with a picture of Col. Roosevelt labeled "Schmickel Fritz."

The Ambassador made a speech and then there was a song featuring its title was "The name of Willie" and the Williams featured were Taft, Bryan, Gaynor and Hearst. In part the ditty ran:

The great G. O. P. Just now seems to be In a state of sore relief. In the coming campaign It will work night and main For William H. Taft, its chief. And then there is William J. Bryan, Who rises so oft to compete. If these two should run B would surely be fun To hear them both softly repeat—

I love the name of Willie, I love it, Willy-nilly, Gentle and kind—not silly—Is its sound, Of future days I'm dreaming, When for their earthly scheming

Simners are somewhere steaming, And you, too, Willie!

Another flight of song, entitled "The Tariff Whoop," dealt with a demand that the tariff rates be reduced and proceeded that "the plea of the member from Kansas":

Kicked up such a terrible din That President Taft Suggestively laughed. To cut rates be started right in. Put farm products in the free list; But the Kansas insurgent Held views so divergent He begged his colleagues to desist. Chorus.

Boost the rates with a whoop, la, la, Whoop, la, la; sis, boom, ah. Solo. The poor western farmer must suffer no harm, or Else I'll get canned—altogether, boys! Chorus.

Boost the rates with a whoop, la, la, Whoop, la, la; sis, boom, ah. Solo. Great guns, holy smoke, Can't Bill Taft take a joke? Chorus.

Boost the rates with a whoop, la, la.

An insurgent movement in the club was developed when waiters arranged a long dinner table in the space facing President Oulahan. Three members of the club entered and began discussing the big time they had in prospect. Without giving any attention to an interruption by Oulahan, one of the intruders said: "This will be our greatest dinner." Oulahan threatened to have them thrown out by the police and was told that he would be thrown out himself unless he kept quiet. They announced that the insurgent wing of the club would give a dinner tonight. Oulahan said with surprise he did not know there was an insurgent wing.

"That's the trouble with you stand-patters," said an insurgent, "you never do find out anything that's going on until somebody hits you with an ax."

The hotel manager was called in, but could not interfere as he had to admit that the insurgents had rented the hall and paid in advance. Although Oulahan protested he was finally quieted by an insurgent threat to call the police.

Then the insurgent dinner started, in imitation of the real club, with the ringing of a tiny dinner bell. The guests filed in under the leadership of a citizen wearing the uniform of a private soldier. The crowd behind consisted of members made up to resemble Andrew Carnegie, Representative James A. Tawney, Speaker Cannon, Vice-President Sherman, Senator Beveridge, former Vice-President Fairbanks and Speaker-to-be Champ Clark.

The insurgent president welcomed them. He said that as the tyrant at the head of the regular table controlled the lights he could not turn them off and so he asked the guests to close their eyes a moment to produce imitation darkness and then open them while he disclosed the insurgent emblem. It was a hatchet.

"The insurgents," said the president, "have but one toast and, of course, that is 'Ourselves.' It was drunk standing.

"We have with us tonight," he went on, "a most noted advocate of peace—a man who wants peace at any price and one who has got the price."

The pseudo Carnegie made a speech in which he said that he had but one ambition, and that was to die "poor but advertised." He was against battleships, now that he was out of the armor plate business. He declared that he had given away \$6,000,000, which proved Rockefeller to be piker. In conclusion he thanked the members and said that in his long association with the Gridiron club no member had ever betrayed his confidence.

"We have with us," said the president, "still another advocate of peace except in the solitary case of Albert J. Beveridge, Charles W. Fairbanks, now that he was out of the armor plate business. He declared that he had given away \$6,000,000, which proved Rockefeller to be piker. In conclusion he thanked the members and said that in his long association with the Gridiron club no member had ever betrayed his confidence.

Cannon asked "what would we do without the Gridiron club?" and lauded the faith with which the members held his confidence.

The Sherman representative also expressed his appreciation of the steadfastness with which the members respected his confidence.

Beveridge's double said that in 12 years of public service he had never missed an opportunity to make a speech and had often made speeches when there was no opportunity. "I stand for the uplift—I am the uplift," he said. He praised the members of the club in keeping his confidence.

Champ Clark's representative made a witty speech and repeated the words of the other speakers about the secrecy with which members hold their confidence.

The insurgent function closed with a ditty along this line: Solo—When a landslide happens to slide your way, Chorus—There's no place like home,

Solo—You pack your grip and say "good day!" Chorus—There's no place like home. Solo—Oh, Beveridge said, "ain't it a shame!"

Bone—And Scott and Tawney said the same. Solo—And we heard Tom Carter, too, exclaim:

Chorus—(In fierce discord—There's no place like home. The dinner souvenir was a fountain pen adorned with a silver grid-iron.

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Just issued for 1911-12, is the most complete work of the kind ever published. It contains an accurate business directory of every city, town and village in Oregon and Washington, and the names and addresses of country merchants and professional men, lumbermen, etc., who are located adjacent to villages; also lists of government and county officers, commissioners of deeds, state boards, statutory provisions, terms of courts, names of postmasters, postoffices, express, telephone and telegraph offices, justices of the peace, hotels, daily and weekly newspapers, besides much other information useful to all classes of business and professional men. A descriptive sketch of each place is given, embracing various items of interest, such as the location, population, distances to different points, the most convenient shipping stations, the products that are marketed, stage communication, trade statistics, the nearest bank location, mineral interests, churches, schools, libraries and societies. An important feature is the classified directory, giving every business arranged under its special heading, thus enabling subscribers to obtain at a glance a list of all houses manufacturing or dealing in any particular line of goods. The work generally is compiled to meet the wants of the business community and is so thorough as to deserve their liberal patronage. Price \$9.

R. L. POLK & CO. Seattle, Wash.

NOTICE.

Beginning April 1st, 1911, the union scale for painters will be \$4 per day. On that date the initiation fee into local union, No. 643, Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators of America, will be raised.

The union meets every Thursday night at 8 p. m. in Angle hall. C. W. HARRINGTON, Secretary.

405 North Bartlett St. 310

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY

Office of Agent, Medford, Or., Feb. 8th, 1911. Advertising Department: We take pleasure in announcing that our eastern connections will sell second class colonist tickets daily at reduced fares March 10th to April 10th, inclusive, 1911.

We have received the following rates and will be pleased to accommodate you in giving you all the information that is required. You can deposit the money here in Medford and we will be glad to notify and have our agents in the east furnish your friends or relatives with tickets and sleeping accommodations. Fares from:

Table with 2 columns: City and Fare. Chicago \$23.00, Minneapolis \$17.75, Missouri river points \$25.00, New York, N. Y. \$50.00.

Yours truly, A. S. ROSENBAUM, Agent.

Medford, Or., Feb. 6, 1911.—This is to certify that about November 1st my daughter was taken with a severe attack of rheumatism which rendered her left arm useless, in fact it was so near paralyzed that she was not able to move her fingers, but knowing of some of Dr. Chow Young's marvelous cures of long standing cases of rheumatism, we decided to consult him, in which I am pleased to say made no mistake, as his remedies acted as he claimed they would, and after the third treatment the rheumatic pain entirely left her and she has not had any symptoms of rheumatism since; besides her general health is much improved and I do not hesitate in saying I believe those afflicted with rheumatism or paralysis will do well to consult Dr. Chow Young, whose house is corner Thew and Front street, Medford, Oregon.

A. P. WEISS.

Haskins for Health

"FRA DIAVOLO" Notice to Those Taking Part "Fra Diavolo" Rehearsals. Male members—Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 p. m. For ladies—Tuesday evening, 8:30 p. m. Entire company—Friday night, 8 p. m. All rehearsals in Elk's hall. Very essential all be present at proper time.

The Family Drug Store. Is the drug store that carries a complete line of the best family remedies—where you can get a prescription filled quickly and accurately day or night—where the best family cosmetics, perfumes and toilet goods are carried and where complete assortments of druggist sundries may be found at all seasons. Such a drug store is The Medford Pharmacy. Phone 101 Day or Night Near Post Office.

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10 NEW GAME LAWS PASS SENATE

Bird Refuges Provided and New Political Commission to Appoint Wardens Throughout the State—Changes are Made.

STATEHOUSE, Salem, Ore., Feb. 18.—It was a great day for game legislation. No less than ten bills dealing with various kinds of game came up for consideration in the senate and these covered a wide range. They ranged from the protection of lobsters (those inhabiting waters) to bird refuges.

First the senate passed a bill to establish refuges for birds; this provides that the governor can set aside lands near state grounds for bird refuges and that county courts can lease tracts of land for the refuge of wild animals and birds. These reserves are to be posted and have heavy penalty provided for those invading them on missions of slaughter. Oliver wanted to know how the birds would be advised of these cities of refuge, and Bean explained that the birds quickly realize when there is a patch of ground which is safe and cited the preserves of an Irishman near Eugene, where the birds fly whenever they are pursued and where the birds on the tract are almost perfectly tame. The bill is fathered by the Audubon Society.

Then there was a bill which provided that fur-bearing animals may be paid for by the counties and the bill still be left for commercial purposes. This is arranged for in case of fur-bearing animals by the county clerk punching holes in the scalp and still leaving the remainder of the pelt intact.

The duck law was changed so that not more than 35 ducks may be shot in one day, as is the case now, but the amendment prevents having more than that number in a hunter's possession so that a good hunter cannot staff off his extra shoot on a poor hunter when questions are asked.

Dolly Varden trout were placed under the ban, the speckled beauties being declared as destructive as German carp and about as worthless. The Dolly Vardens were charged with destroying the mountain trout and salmon eggs, and they did not have a friend in the senate.

A new Fish and Game Commission bill was adopted, this being one of the Audubon Society bills. The bill authorizes the governor to appoint four commissioners, these four to appoint the fifth and these five are to select the state game and fish warden and distribute the game fund. It takes the warden from politics and will revolutionize game matters in Oregon in many respects.

The "For Sale" classified ads are the market-place for the useful things that have already been used. Sometimes a second-hand article would serve you as well as a new one. Watch this classification!