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*THE EDITOR TALKS ON THINGS HE
 UNDERSTANDS AND THINGS HE
 DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.*

Some people may think Harvey
 Scott is God. He's not.

Tom Reed, of Maine, both Pen-
 sylvania senators, and many eastern
 men are announcing themselves in
 favor of silver.

All parties are seriously consider-
 ing the advisability of government
 control of the railroads now. The
 government has to run them any-
 way at present.

The republicans in California are
 in favor of protection and free
 silver, and woman's suffrage. Their
 platform shows that the party is
 progressive as of old.

According to the Oregonian,
 Gov. Markham, of California, is a
 "skulking coward" a "stuffed rag"
 and several other bad things, all
 because he is a friend of the com-
 mon people.

The Oregonian and Los Angeles
 Times are the only papers of any
 any consequence on this coast that
 are fighting free silver. Democratic
 and republican papers both, of San
 Francisco favor it.

All the senators and congress-
 men on this coast, in fact in the
 west, except senator Dolph, are in
 favor of free silver, or legislation
 in that direction. They want to
 make silver equal with gold any-
 way.

Don't confound the incendiaries
 and train wreckers with the
 strikers. If the workingmen en-
 dorsed such methods and followed
 them out, there would not be a
 train running in the United States
 today.

With protection we can build a
 wall seven hundred feet high
 around this country, manufacture
 our own goods, use iron for money
 if we want to, abolish gold entirely
 and live fat. We can get along
 without coffee, spice and foreign
 made goods.

The Southern Pacific Company
 placed mail cars between two Pull-
 man cars, so that the strikers could
 not touch a Pullman without inter-
 fering with the mails. That is

why the California people and
 newspapers sympathized with the
 strikers. They are tired of the
 Southern Pacific monopoly, and
 tired of seeing it try to force the
 government or state to stand be-
 tween it and the strikers.

The Los Angeles Times took a
 stand against the workingmen,
 similar to the Oregonian, and it
 had 4000 subscriptions cancelled
 in one day, besides losing \$24,000
 in advertising. Such work is more
 effectual and more honorable than
 the use of dynamite.

Protection of itself is selfish and
 wrong, but we are forced to adhere
 to it. We can't compete with the
 poorly paid laborers of foreign
 countries, and protection should be
 further extended so as to debar
 Chinese, paupers and convicts from
 entering this country.

The working men are getting the
 blame for all the train wrecking
 and rioting done. Many of the
 newspapers, and the Associated
 Press, saddles the blame onto them,
 regardless of facts. The labor
 unions should endeavor to bring
 all guilty parties to justice, and
 remove the stigma.

Debs and Sovereign offered the
 use of organized bodies of working
 men to quell the rioters and burners
 in Chicago. Cleveland paid no
 attention to their offer. It would
 have paid the workingmen to have
 put out armed bodies to guard the
 property against incendiaries and
 pillagers, even if Cleveland did
 snub them.

With protection to home in-
 dustries, we can make the silver
 dollar as good as any dollar in the
 world. We can make our own
 goods and our own money. Those
 who favor a high gold standard
 should favor free trade also, as
 gold is necessary to buy goods in
 England. Study this question. A
 blind man ought to see it.

Should the strike troubles grow
 worse, and the government call for
 volunteers, thousands of old
 soldiers, and thousands of young
 men, who naturally sympathize
 with the strikers, would be fired
 with the zeal of patriotism for
 Uncle Sam in such a manner that
 the government could raise a
 powerful army very suddenly.
 This is a great reason why a war

should be averted, and the matter
 settled by votes. Many will vote
 to help the strikers, who would
 fight for the government. No
 matter how much sympathy is ex-
 pressed for the strikers, they should
 remember this. The time is not
 quite ripe for a successful rebellion,
 and every effort should be used to
 settle it by a battle of ballots in
 advance. Bullets leave deeper
 wounds. A real war now would
 be a fearful thing to contemplate,
 as both sides would be so strong.
 Later on it will be so one-sided that
 bloodshed will be unnecessary.

Some newspaper joshed Harvey
 Scott because he got left in Seattle
 during the strike and had to walk
 a piece. Scott replies by saying
 that he used to walk all the way
 from Seattle to Portland, in early
 days, and that such grit accom-
 plishes things. Well, most editors
 have walked much farther than
 that and they are not as rich as
 Harvey yet. Great Scott.

The majority of the people are
 in favor of free silver. The major-
 ity of the Republican party is in
 the same fix. There are more free
 silver republicans than there are
 populists all told. Now, if the next
 national republican convention
 does not make declarations in that
 direction, the populists ought to
 win. Lets give the money bosses
 a back seat, and the success of the
 republican party is assured.

One of our exchanges expresses
 surprise that the editor of this
 paper offers to trade the HEADLIGHT
 for dairy cows.

The fact is dairying pays better
 than anything else in this county,
 cattle are very cheap, and the
 editor of this paper is something of
 a farmer himself, having been raised
 on a dairy farm. We know there
 is much more in dairying than
 there is in the newspaper business,
 hence our anxiety to exchange with
 some of those who think they know
 how to run a newspaper. The
 proposition still holds good.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Following is the standing of the
 next legislature:

	Rep.	Dem.	Pop.	T'tl.
Senate.....	19	8	3	30
House.....	53	0	7	60
Joint ballot	72	8	10	90

Ripans Tabules: for sour stomach.