

COUNTRY PRESS GETS BOUQUETS

From Dugger Throws Some Points at the Best of the Editors.

The meeting of the Oregon newspapermen in Portland last week, was a business meeting, at which the central theme, and the purpose of the meeting, was to agree upon a plan by which office candidates for office should be held up and made to pay their own campaign fees.

This was not the purpose of the convention of country editors. The purpose was to determine a plan or agreement by which the country paper should get a justly due title, to place it upon a plane or basis which it justifies.

Every speaker, not an exception, indulged in some sweeping generalization, and placed the country paper on so high a pinnacle of honor and power, that, we listening, felt quite puffed up and pushed up by the force of the speakers' sublimity.

And even the top button of the pants to give themselves room to take in the liberal doses of taffy that was being administered. Yet with all the chaff there was now and then a grain of real wisdom which is not of profit to the country editor.

There is not a doubt but what the country paper is of more general benefit to its immediate community than any other factor in its home town. It is continually working for the betterment of its home town and community, commends virtue and rebukes vice, is the medium through which the influence of men of work for the welfare of the people reach the people. It tells the news of births, weddings, of sickness and death. Oftentimes it is the only source of information to the departed.

It is not a matter of fact, every citizen in a community, should patronize his newspaper. Whether he knows it or not, he participates in every benefit that the paper is able to bring to the community. If, by agitation the newspaperer is a new industry to spring from every citizen in the community.

He then, (the man who refuses to take his home paper) is in the position of getting something for nothing. He is enjoying the fruits of the editor's labor without paying for it. Nor are these intangible benefits. Reading the copy of the home paper that his neighbor has.

Another feature—the delinquent subscriber was discussed somewhat. The consensus of opinion was that the man who takes his home paper and does not pay for it, is a worse offender than he who knows his neighbor's paper. He knows or believes that the paper will not sue him for the reason of the smallness of the amount, and, after taking the paper for three years, refuses to take it from the postoffice, or, maybe, refuses to pay elsewhere and neglects to inform the newspaperman where. Can he be blamed, should he be allowed to write an obituary for himself if he tells the truth?

The vast majority of the readers of the Oregon News are not of this class. They are high spirited, prompt payers, and are willing that the paper should share, as well as they.

Among the Oregon newspapermen as a whole, they are a bright jovial set, who enjoy meeting each other, and who would not discredit their state in which they might work.

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A Bargain. "What?" exclaimed the husband, "I drew your savings from the bank, went to a broker's office and bought X, Y and Z stock at 11, and now it has been dropping like a stone." "That, my dear," argued the wife, "is each a bargain. Why during the short time I was in the office I saw the market mark it down to 45."—Success Magazine.

Why Suffer From Rheumatism? Do you know that rheumatic pains can be relieved? If you doubt this just try one application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It will make rest and sleep possible, and that certainly means a great deal to any one afflicted with rheumatism. For sale at Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

A Recent Importation. Uncle Bill Anderson, Salem's pioneer saloon man, has received from one of the driest parts of South Africa. He don't know just what part the hinterland or the fore quarter, for he wasn't there himself. One funny thing about the tongue that should interest scientists is the stiff hair about the roots of the tongue, which are used by the elephants to retain the sandflies they lick up off the desert.

Of all varieties of permanent hair, there is a few days' growth from a surgical operation or from a broken business. No pay is accepted, until the patient is completely satisfied. THE FIDELITY HAIR RESTORE CURE, 714 Commercial Bldg., Portland, Ore.

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Bed-Ridden From Piles, Massachusetts Man Is Cured by Wonderful Pyramid Pile Cure. Send for a Free Trial Package Today.

"I had piles for 20 years. I was so bad for months at a time as to be unable to walk. Having a friend who lost his life by an operation, I desisted from ever having that experiment tried on me.

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The moment you begin to use Pyramid Pile Cure, your piles begin to leave you, and itching and pain begin to disappear. It heals all sores and irritated parts. It is put up in the form of suppositories and is easy to use.

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HOME MANUFACTURED COINS CIRCULATE IN BAKER CITY

Baker City in eastern Oregon is nothing if not original. When currency becomes somewhat scarce in other parts of the country, the whole thing was treated as a huge joke by the business men of that section of the state. The banks went right along paying out "real money" to their depositors as if a scarcity of circulating medium was the least of their troubles and looking over the gold bearing hills of the surrounding landscape, ejaculated, "Ah, ha!" if not "oh ho!" At least that is the way the average Bakerite puts the case now that the rest of the state has caught its breath and things financial are again in a normal condition.

A week or two after the squeeze was in full blast two or three Baker City people conceived the idea of issuing "gold currency" on their own hook and evolved a plan of manufacturing two ounce slugs or buttons, of native gold which of course could not bear the stamp of the government but would be worth their weight just the same. Fred Mellis, a mine owner, and James Howard, an ex-banker at Sumpter, are said to be responsible for the design used on these slugs, a number of which were hammered out of pure gold and which weighed somewhere near two ounces. The effect of having these slugs passed around Baker City had a good effect on the people, for the natural inference was produced that as long as the mines of eastern Oregon could produce the precious metal in \$20 chunks there was no need in getting alarmed over a scarcity of circulating medium.

W. G. Ayer, the sheep king of Baker county who is a visitor in Portland, has one of these buttons which he bought at its weight value and a trifle over, desiring to hold it as a souvenir commemorative of the faith the people of his section of the state entertain of their ability to meet emergencies.

The obverse has the words stamped into it with a stencil die: "Baker City, Oregon, 2 ounces," and the reverse words, "In God We Trust."

It Does the Business. Mr. E. E. Chamberlain of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve: "It does the business; I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed without leaving a scar behind." 25c at J. C. Perry's drug store.

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WANTS LOCAL HOME RULE

Dr. J. F. Reddy, mayor of Medford, has filed with the secretary of state an initiative petition for an amendment to the constitution giving home rule to cities and towns and relieving them from the operation of the local option law.

It amends Sec. 2, Art. XI, to read: "Corporations may be framed under general laws but shall not be created by the legislative assembly by special laws. The legislature assembly shall not enact, amend or repeal any charter, or act of incorporation of any municipality, city or town. The legal voters of every city and town are hereby granted power to enact and amend their municipal charters, and the exclusive power to license, regulate, control and tax, or to suppress or prohibit theaters, race tracks, pool rooms, bowling alleys, billiard halls, and the sale of liquors subject to the provisions of the local option law of the state of Oregon within the corporate limits of any municipality, is vested in such municipality."

Dr. Reddy submitted the following argument for his measure: "The purpose of this amendment is to obtain practical home rule for all cities and towns in Oregon.

"Laws which may be necessary and wise for a seaport, may not be advisable and good for an inland town.

"The proposed amendment gives to the voters of each city in Oregon the right to regulate their own local affairs and to make such laws as the majority of the people of that town wish to make.

"The majority should rule. No law can be passed, of course, except by a majority, and the proposed amendment merely prevents a minority ruling. It gives the majority this power which they certainly should have.

It does not seem fair that people living in eastern Oregon should vote as to what regulations should be applied to the local affairs of a city in the Willamette valley, nor on the other hand should the people of the Willamette valley govern the local affairs of cities in eastern Oregon. It is impossible to make any law which will be equally suitable for all towns and the proposed amendment gives the taxpayers and voters of each town the right to govern their own local affairs within the city boundaries.

"The proposed amendment is home rule for cities. Persons who have some pet measure or policy which they are afraid to submit to a vote of the people will oppose this amendment. It can be opposed only by those persons who are afraid to abide by the rule of the majority of the people.

"All others should support it."

Put in Jail. Very accurately describes anyone's feelings who is confined to the house with an attack of rheumatism, lumbago, stiff joints or muscles. Ballard's Snow Liniment will cure the trouble, relieve the pain, and make you as supple as a two-year-old. For sale by all druggists.

Marriage License. The following marriage license was issued: Adolph M. Molden, aged 30, of Prosser, Washington, and Minnie Gullickson, aged 30, of Marion county; Henry Gullickson, witness.

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WILL OF M. McMANUS ADMITTED TO PROBATE. The last will and testament of M. McManus, deceased, was yesterday afternoon admitted to probate, and Pauline Aral appointed executrix.

The will in part is as follows: "I direct that out of the first money coming into the hands of my executors all my funeral expenses and just dues be paid. I direct that and give to Anna G. Michel and Maggy Dickinson, her sister, \$100 each.

"To Pauline Aral all my real estate situated in Gervais. "I direct that my Salem real estate and all my property in Multnomah county be sold, notes and interest in a syndicate be turned into cash and out of the proceeds pay as follows: "To the Sisters of Mercy \$100, To Nellie Hobstrate, my niece, \$200, To Louis Aral, A. Y. Aral, Gus Aral and Pauline Aral, \$100 each.

"To Mary Aral, my sister, \$200, Frank M. Aral, \$100, and to Rev. Father Phelan, now pastor of the parish of Saint Louis, \$100. To the two children of Frank M. Aral \$50 each.

"To Gus Aral's one child \$50. If after paying all the bequests there is anything left, I direct that \$50 be added to the sum allowed to Anna G. Michel, Maggie Dickinson, each, and to James Dickinson, Joe Dickinson and Philip Dickinson, \$50 each, and I hereby appoint Pauline Aral my executrix.

COLLEGE PRAISED BY BAILEY

State Dairy and Food Commissioner J. W. Bailey.

Discussing the short course at the state agricultural college at Corvallis Mr. Bailey states that the course is doing more this year for the farmers, dairy men and fruit men of the state than any similar session ever held at the college. He states that it is thorough and practical and the interest being taken is remarkable.

This view of the matter is taken by the correspondent of the Oregonian at Corvallis, who recently sent the following letter to his paper: "The important changes of policy inaugurated by the board of regents for the state agricultural college were the result of recommendations by President Kerr. The plan is modeled to more nearly fit the needs of Oregon along industrial lines.

The laws of congress fix the scope of the institution as including agriculture, mechanic arts, commerce and domestic arts. The changed plan completely removes the college from conflict with the high schools. The sub-freshman and freshman year were mainly devoted to what was high school endeavor. For them there is substituted under the new policy, industrial training of elementary character. They will include, besides necessary work in English and kindred instruction, instruction in agriculture, horticulture, dairying, veterinary science, steam fitting, plumbing and other handicrafts, accounts and allied work in commerce, and for the girls, elemental instruction in domestic arts. This course will be complete in itself, and will be admirably adapted to students who cannot spare but a year or two in college, and who will return to the farm or shops much strengthened in the semi-technical phases of their various vocations.

"The freshman year in the new course will plunge at once into the scientific and technical phase of industry, along whatever line the student may be entered. At the end of two years he will be so advanced as to begin specialization in such given line of endeavor as may attract him for a life work. The output of the institution will be much strengthened in the way of technical preparation. At the same time, the industrial advantages, instead of being farther removed than formerly, will be brought two years nearer the rural schools and rural people. It gives the farm boy or city lad, who from poverty or otherwise has reached 21 or upward, opportunity to enter the institution and plunge at once into those handicrafts or agricultural features of great value to him in his particular calling without attending a high school he could not afford, and on account of his age, would not attend.

"Another change of policy inaugurated was recommended by President Kerr, acting under instruction from the board at the July meeting last year, pertaining to the domestic arts department. This branch of instruction is to be much strengthened in equipment and instruction. The plan provides for a professor of household economies, a professor of domestic arts, and four assistants, with extension of the course both theoretically and in the laboratories. It will be made a leading feature in the institution.

"Twenty-five thousand dollars, available from a state appropriation, was ordered expended in the purchase of new equipment for the various departments. Of this sum, \$1000 goes for purchase of material for the electrical department, in which the students, under direction of the head of the department, will manufacture equipment for use in the laboratory, which equipment completed will be valued at \$4500. In the wood working shop a similar outlay of material will be manufactured into about \$4500 worth of shop equipment by the students without further cost to the college. The appliances so made will include in the electrical department, dynamos, transformers and motors, and in the iron working department, turning lathes for the wood working department.

"Other lines in which the appropriation will be expended, is for construction of poultry houses, equipment for household science, for agriculture and horticulture, dairying, for the commercial course, and the other departments of the institution.

"Miss Helen Crawford resigned as instructor in elocution, and her place will be filled at the beginning of the

next college year. The expenditure is to be made by a committee consisting of President Kerr, Regents Cotton and Mrs. Waldo. "A special meeting of the board is to be held early in April to adopt the courses of study outlined in the changed courses, and to transact other business."

ALL ALABAMA IS SOLID FOR TAFT

Republicans Haven't Even a Second Choice, Says J. A. Thompson, State Chairman.

(New York Globe, Jan. 11, 1908.) Taft and none other is the candidate of the Republicans of Alabama.

"The Alabama delegates will be instructed to vote for Taft without any second choice," said Joseph A. Thompson, state chairman of the Republican party, as he talked over the political situation.

Mr. Thompson, who hails from Birmingham, Ala., has just arrived in this city, not "to talk politics," he says, "or to call on politicians, but solely on business and to have a good time," with his nephew, Miller Reese Hutchinson.

"I came to see my nephew here," said Mr. Thompson, who is a six-footer, broad of shoulders, soft of speech, with a well-set head, a high, broad forehead, a clean-cut, handsome face, and eyes which meet yours frankly, and with enthusiasm. "I may tell you, however disinclined I am to talk, that Alabama is straight for Secretary Taft. We have no other choice, no other man whatever in view, and we will go to the convention to stand or fall by him.

No Second Choice. "The delegates will be instructed to vote for Secretary Taft, and they will not have any second choice. There is not a Republican in Alabama who is not an enthusiastic Taft man, and I'm not so sure that we have not a big bunch of Democrats down our way who will give their votes for the secretary of war.

"We gave 25,000 votes to President Roosevelt from Alabama, and our party has grown tremendously in strength since then. I may say that among the business people that, if you scratch a Democrat, you are very likely to find a Republican, and with them as with the professed Republicans, Taft is the word and Taft is the man. The Republican party in Alabama has not thought of any other candidate.

"Governor Hughes? No, not now. I have no doubt the governor of this state is a very excellent man, and while I do not wish to say anything about him, I must say that to us as to the country at large he is practically an unknown man. He is not in the national eye. Secretary Taft is. He is not a mere local man; he is a man known to all the nation, standing in the forefront, a man indeed of international greatness.

"Secretary Taft is a man distinguished before the world, a man who has served his country with dignity and success. He is the big man of our country today.

"I pin my faith solely in Secretary Taft; my state is for him; the south is for him, although I have no right to speak for any state but my own. Taft is the only man before the nation, and we take no one else into consideration. We do not doubt Republican victory and we hail Secretary Taft as our next president."

West Virginia's Taft Declaration. At the meeting of the Republican state committee of West Virginia at Parkersburg, Friday night, January 17, the following resolution endorsing Secretary Taft for President was adopted and signed by the fourteen members of the committee present. There are sixteen members of the committee.

"William H. Taft, of Ohio, is in our judgment a strong, safe and able advocate of those principles of government which mean justice, security and prosperity for all the people, and has been a wise leader in promoting the most enduring achievements of the administration of Theodore Roosevelt. He has been called to the discharge of many varied and great public duties, all of which he has performed with conspicuous statesmanship and fidelity to the highest interests of his country.

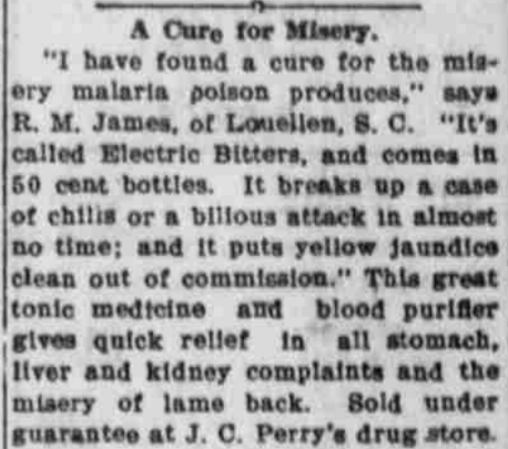
"In our belief, a great majority of the Republican voters of West Virginia desire the nomination of Secretary Taft for President of the United States. In view of these conditions; the individual members of the Republican state committee of West Virginia send cordial greetings to William H. Taft and assure him of the earnest and loyal support of the great body of the Republicans of the state."

Co-incident with the action of the state committee, a Taft club of one thousand members was formed in Parkersburg, followed by a public demonstration in which a parade

moved through the streets headed by a band carrying banners on which were inscribed "What's the matter with Taft?" "We are for Taft because Taft is for us."

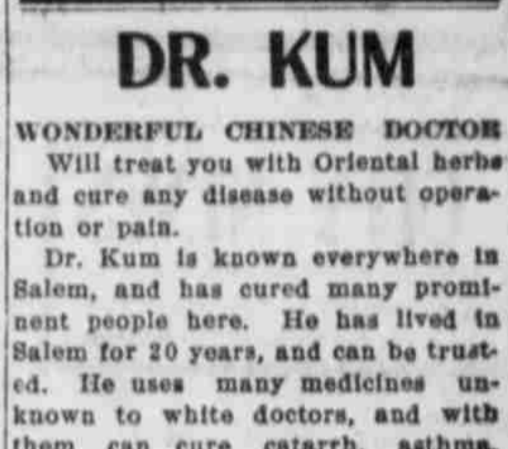
The report of the action of the West Virginia state committee was received at Taft headquarters Friday night from Attorney General Wade H. Ellis, of Ohio, who was at Parkersburg as the representative of A. I. Vorys. Mr. Vorys sent the following telegram to Attorney General Ellis: "Please express the hearty appreciation of Secretary Taft's Ohio friends to the Republican state committee of West Virginia for their action, and extend our greetings to the Parkersburg Taft club and the Republicans of West Virginia."

A Cure for Misery. "I have found a cure for the misery malaria poison produces," says R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. "It's called Electric Bitters, and comes in 50 cent bottles. It breaks up a case of chills or a bilious attack in almost no time; and it puts yellow jaundice clean out of commission." This great tonic medicine and blood purifier gives quick relief in all stomach, liver and kidney complaints and the misery of lame back. Sold under guarantee at J. C. Perry's drug store.



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