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### OREGON'S 54TH BIRTHDAY.

FRIDAY, February 14 passed without any especial celebration anywhere in the state and practically without being even mentioned in the newspapers of that date, although it was Oregon's birthday, her 54th. A state constitution was adopted by the people November 9, 1857, but it was until February 14, 1859 that the state was formally admitted. It is on account of its birthday falling on this date that the sobriquet "The Valentine State" has been very properly suggested for it.

As originally planned on the map it contained both Washington and Idaho within its boundaries, and its area was 250,010 square miles, its eastern boundary being the present eastern boundary of the state of Idaho, the summit of the Rocky Mountains, its present area is 95,030 square miles, or 61,459,200 acres. The population, according to the 1910 census, was 672,765. This is the brief outline of Oregon's statistical history, but the true story of "the grand old state, still in its infancy," is full of romantic and thrilling interest. Situated as it was remote from civilization, separated from the balance of the country by wilderness, desert and mountain whose dangers being unknown, were greatly magnified, although they were great enough, served to deter all but the stout hearted and strong of body from undertaking the long and dreary journey. These difficulties and dangers operated as a screen, sorting and selecting the soldiers of fortune, the hardy, strong-souled, the unafraid, for the venture and leaving the timid and those who were not venturesome, out of the little stream of pioneers that in the 40's trickled across the plains to the land of promise. And they were a brave lot, men who "dared to put it to the touch to win or lose it all." It was these same men, this same spirit, that later, at Champeok, by the narrow margin of three votes, saved this vast Northwest to the United States. This was but the beginning of the struggle for supremacy, for this was disputed by the redman, and disputed gallantly. However, neither human foes nor untoward conditions could check the steady advancement of men, sorted as were these old pioneers, from the very best of the "Eastern frontiers," the western states, themselves settled by the strong and daring, could produce.

So on the 54th birthday, Oregon, old in years, but still only a young and vigorous boy, looks up to approaching manhood glorying in her strength and looking forward to the great things in store for him. Although increasing steadily and rapidly in population, Oregon has only a population of 7, one average family, to the square mile, and this, too, despite the fact that one-third of her entire population is in the city of Portland, which would leave the population about 4 to the mile. As a matter of fact the population of those actually living on the land, outside of the cities and smaller towns would probably not place more than one person in every section of land. This is the solid reason that shows the urgent need of more attention to develop her resources. Men to handle her vast timber industries, men to utilize her millions of horse power now going to waste in her mountain streams. Men to clear out the underbrush and small timber and make the hillside pink with apple bloom and fragrant with clover. Men to get in touch with her millions of idle acres of prolific soil, and make them pour

out their vast store of food products for the benefit of humanity. Men to harvest the billyow grain, or care for the cows that from fields knee deep in clover come in at night with plethoric udders to the dairy barns. Men to tickle the fat soil with plow and hoe until it laughs for very joyousness over the plenitude of its productivity. That is what we need—and that is what we should now endeavor to attract to us. We must advertise our goods, and the dead walls at the Panama exposition are anguishing for our posters. Let us do it now. Let us cast our bread upon the waters, put up a fine building, make such a show-off of products as only Oregon can make, and bring the land-hungry, the home-hungry here to enjoy with us, and help to perfect this the greatest of all the great states of the Union. Don't let us stutter and hesitate over a few thousand dollars, more or less, but while we are asking guests to place their feet under our table and partake of our hospitality, let us do it right. Economy is all right, but the economy should be practiced in the expending of the funds, not in their provision. Let us do it right, or not at all—for our great state had better spend her last cent like a prince, than to spend one cent like a pauper. A half million dollars sounds big, but when it is divided among a million people, it is simply the price of an evening's amusement at the moving picture shows, to each. Let us make a showing at the exposition that every Oregonian will feel proud of, or cut it out altogether, and confess to the world that we are too poor and too "near" to afford it.

### A CORRECTION.

THE Capital Journal made a mistake yesterday in stating that Mr. Duniway was a brother-in-law of Mr. Abbott's. Mr. Duniway is in no way related to either Mr. Abbott, Mr. Plimpton or Mr. Perkins, but was at one time in business with Mr. Abbott—the other gentlemen named, however, are brothers-in-law. Otherwise the story, as it appeared in The Journal yesterday, "goes as it lies."

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\* X-RAYS AND SMILES. \*  
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Too much brother-in-law is sometimes an individual misfortune, but too much brother-in-law, especially in the legislature, may be a public calamity.

Mr. Abbott should remember that he does not own the capitol, he is only under sentence to serve six more days and then he will not necessarily have to wear the title of Hon. before his name.

Quite a nice little family affair those ways and means chairmanships, and what a strange coincidence that they should just "happen" that way?

Representative Nolte defied the house to make blue vote. This proves conclusively that Nolte is not tainted with democracy, for then the house could not have stopped him from voting, nor would he have refrained, even had he wanted to do so. Nolte's political status is certainly fixed.

All the legislature has to do the next week, besides passing some mutual resolutions of admiration and voting on a motion to adjourn "sine die, sine die," is to take action on about 180 bills a day.

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## SPENCER IS PEEVED AT THE NEWSPAPERS

Intimates That He Will Run Amuck If Press Does Not Stop Insulting Legislators.

"I want to say right here that there are a lot of 'cub' reporters covering the present assembly of the legislature, and before they get through with this chronic habit of jumping upon the members of the assembly, I predict there will be a jump toward the newspapers also."

This was the somewhat heated remark dropped by Representative Spencer, of Multnomah county, yesterday while talking with a Capital Journal reporter in the lobby of the Hotel Marion.

"It has been stated through the press that booze could be found in every nook and corner in the state capitol," continued the representative. "I want to brand this statement as a falsehood from start to finish. It seems to be about the only aim of the press representatives to kick and harass the members of the legislature just for the reason the business is of such volume that it is an impossibility to rush the work through to completion on the dot."

"The newspapers can jump and keep on jumping on the members of the legislature indefinitely, but some time they will go a little too far and then it will be our turn at bat. There is not one member of the press, or other people for that matter, who realizes the 54 years ago the legislature first met with the same number of legislators that it has today with the population, wealth and general business of the state advanced to many times what it had been. It seems to me that no one ever thinks that it requires both more force and increased energy on the part of the members of the legislature over that required when the state had but half the population and business it has today."

### Is Enemy of the Press.

Representative Spencer is outspoken in denouncing the press of Oregon, or at least, the two Portland evening papers. He declares that the reporters are after anything they can find no matter what character of news may come to their attention. He condemns the policy of the Portland Journal and the Evening Telegram in printing what he claims to be scurrilous matter relative to the actions of the legislators and deprecates the manner in which the present session is being handled by the papers in general.

"I am of old Oregon stock," declared the senator, "and I won't stand for any newspaper casting insulting insinuations at me or any member of the legislature until a good and substantial cause is shown therefor. There is no one corporation or private interest that is putting anything through the house and I can safely say this is the same condition in the senate."

## NO FURTHER ORDERS TO CLOSE POOL ROOMS

Chief Shedeck Acting on Advice of Mayor, Lets Matter Drift Until Further Notice.

As the Chief of Police Shedeck has received no further orders concerning the closing up of the Salem billiard and pool halls and it is evident that the original order issued to him by Councilman Minton is a forgotten subject now.

The last action taken in the matter was when the mayor advised the chief of police to delay any attempt at prosecuting the establishments until the entire case was placed in the hands of the different members of the council. This suggestion was made last Monday afternoon and nothing further has been learned by the chief either from the mayor or the chairman of the police committee.

Although Councilman Minton as chairman of the police committee was very active, he has subsided. Why he so suddenly ceased issuing orders to the chief of police is a question Mr. Minton alone can answer.

The Journal's "Hunch" Right. That the Journal's little reminder published recently that the council is traveling too fast for its own good and the welfare of the Salem public is being noticed, is manifested by the sudden and unexpected silence on the part of the police committee, while other members of the body refuse to enter into any controversy regarding either the police question or the proposed actions to aid the commonwealth of the city in financing different measures.

Both Councilmen Jones and Minton jumped into the harness from the outset of their administration and demanded that the chief of police rigidly enforce all the city ordinances

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to the letter, but take a whirl at bringing about the enforcement of a state statute on which the city charter has no bearing whatever. The chief being evidently in doubt as to the wisdom of the councilmen's orders, refuses to act for a time until such steps can be taken to establish the city's right to dabble in matters originally intended for the sheriff or constable.

### THIS SKIN PEELER ALL THE RAGE IN SOCIETY

(From Society World)

There is a growing tendency among women of culture and fashion to pay more attention to hygienic means of preserving their charms. The advent of mercolized wax doubtless has been largely responsible for this. This remarkable substance produces complexion so natural in appearance, so magnificently beautiful, artificial complexions are no longer desired. Instead of "doctoring" an offensive skin, the skin is peeled off. The wax peels the skin so gradually, in such fine particles, no discomfort is experienced. The fresher, younger skin beneath, wholly in evidence within a week or two, is blly white, setiny soft and smooth. It is not a patched-over complexion, but a brand new one. That's why mercolized wax has become such a rage among society folk. The wax is put on nights like cold cream and washed off mornings. All druggists have it; one ounce will do.

Another hygienic treatment now much in favor is one to remove wrinkles, made by dissolving 1 ounce powdered sassafras in one-half pint of witch hazel. Used as a wash lotion it "acts like magic."

### Notice of Intention to Improve.

Notice is hereby given that the common council of the city of Salem, Oregon, deems it expedient and proposes to improve Oak street from the east side of Commercial street to the west side of High street with gravel concrete pavement at the expense of the adjacent and abutting property within said limits, in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates for the improvement of said Oak street from the east side of Commercial street to the West side of High street, as heretofore adopted by the common council and on file in the office of the city recorder, which are hereby referred to for a more particular and detailed description of said improvement, and are, hereby made a part of this notice.

Written remonstrance against the improvement proposed herein may be made at any time within ten (10) days from the final publication of this notice, in the manner provided by the city charter.

This notice is published for ten (10) days, pursuant to a resolution of the common council, and the date of the first publication thereof is the 4th day of February, 1913, and the date of the final publication will be the 15th day of February, 1913.

CHAS. T. ELGIN, City Recorder.

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The body of Polon De Polon, and Austrian laborer on the Oregon Electric railroad, was found in a deserted camp, with three bullet holes in it. The authorities think robbery was the motive for his murder.

Marshfield will soon vote upon the proposition of selling the Terminal railroad the only route through the city to the Southern Pacific.

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