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#### COUNCILMAN RIGDON INDIGNANT.

HERE WAS A LIVELY TIME at the city zoo last night when Councilman Rigdon stirred up the animals, so to speak, threw a few hot and indignant remarks at the balance of the council, and declaring that he would not raturn to his seat in the council until an ample apology was made him by his colleagues, left the council chamber. The trouble started two weeks ago at an adjourned meeting of the council, held Tuesday night, July 15, at which an acting mayor to hold office during the absence of the mayor, was chosen, and Councilman Rigdon was duly elected.

At the regular meeting held the following Manday it was suggested that there might be some doubt as to the legality of Rigdon's election on account of it being made at an adjourned meeting, and it was suggested that "out of caution and as a matter of form" that the election be held over again. This was done, and as a "matter of form" only. Rigdon was turned down and Councilman Siegmund was chosen mayor, though there was no vacancy. Mr. Rigdon, when this was done, manfully met, and cleared up the situation as far as he could, by promptly resigning. Last night, there being some doubt as to the charter provision concerning the election of an acting mayor, as to whether he could be elected for more than one meeting, or from week to week, the council again elected Siegmund.

Then Councilman Rigdon got mad and quit. He says "he was stabled in the back from ambush by a supposed friend," and seems to have a very fixed idea as to who that "friend" is. Why this was done, only those behind the scenes know, and they are not giving anything out for publication. The matter has caused much comment and close watch is being kept, as many think there must be some ulterior object in the move, and want to see what it is. Sentiment generally is with Councilman Rigdon, and his course is commended, Indeed, as a self-respecting man there was nothing left for him to do. It is the council's next move,

#### STAY WITHIN THE LAW.

T IS A PRETTY GOOD RULE to abide by the law in all cases and at all times. There are occasions when the law seems useless or foolish, but this is no excuse for refusing to obey it. If the law is bad, stand in to repeal or correct it, but in the meanwhile obey it. When anyone arrogates to himself the right to say whether a law should be obeyed, he places himself above the law and becomes to that extent an anarchist. That we Americans have too much law is probably true, but that is no reason why we should not obey them all.

Here in Salem, and all other towns in the state are in the same fix, we have dozens of ordinances that are useless and of no force because no one pays any attention to them, and they are not enforced.

This is not the fault of the laws, but of those whose duty it is to enforce them. For instance, we have laws against speeding by autoists and motorcycle riders, but neither the speeders nor the officers seem to be aware of that fact. We have health ordinances galore, some of which are known to the public, and some also obeyed. We have a charter, but no more attention is paid to it than if it was not in existence. It is called on at times, but custom or something else is called in to show that it is obsolete and of no effect.

In other words, we as a people are anarchists pure and simple, obeying such laws as suit us, and paying no attention to those that do not happen to correspond with our ideas. Is it not time to quit this, to get back to the law whether it suits our ideas or not, and this especially in the matter of city work. Each councilman when he disobeys the charter, violates his oath of office, and this has become a common thing. Let us all try sticking to the law change, and if the law is faulty, get together and correct it.

#### BASHFUL MODESTY AND BLUSHING DIFFIDENCE.

T IS PLEASING to note the self-abnegation, the lack of egoism, the modest retiring disposition of our esteemed contemporary, the Oregon Journal, published in Portland. In answering a Mr. Houmard, a correspond cut, recently, it says:

"What the Journal thinks, feels and believes is not expressed in its advertisements, but on its editorial page. On that page it fought and won the fight against corrupt government in Portland in 1903. On that page, it led the great fight for an open Willamette river, which is soon to be realized.

"On that page it fought and won the pure milk fight for Portland. On that page it fought and won the great fight for Statement One, a right that has had its sequel in the Seventeenth amendment to the constitution of the United States.

"On that page it led the conflict for the direct primary law, and on that page it fought and beat the assembly, which was a movement to overthrow by stealth the primary law and Statemen One.

"It was on that page that it fought for and defends local option in Oregon, and it was on that page that it fought single-handed and won commission government in Portland. If these and other great reforms in which the Journal has led and is leading are not enough to demonstrate the papers' sincerity to Mr. Houmard, there is nothing that could,"

It is also pleasing to learn how much this modern David with its little aling and stone has been able to accomplish. It is gratifying to know that alone and single-handed, it has won a fight against corrupt government, opened the Willamette river, gave pure milk to Portland, and did all the other things enumerated so diffidently by it, and especially that it caused a change in the constitution of the United States. It is not only gratifying, but surprising, that it was able to do all this by its little lonesome, and with no help but its own editorial page on which all these great reform battles were fought and won. It had been supposed that some of the other newspapers had a little to do with the passing of the direct primary laws, the local option laws, and the direct election of United States senators. It was even thought that one U'Ren had something to do with some of these things, but we are pleased to see the Oregon Journal has set matters right, and placed the credit for all these things where it belongs, on its ewn blushing brows, that is on its edi-

## LADD & BUSH, Bankers

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Those city youngsters given a vacation at Silverton may have been surprised at a good many things, but eredulity is taxed to its limit when they were astonished at seeing a hog.

Considerable complaint is made in Portland about dogs destroying flower beds. The same complaint is made here, and, for that matter, in every other town in the state where there are flowers. All of them have dogs.

George B. Cox, who has bessed Cincinnati for 27 years, has quit his job. Got peeved because people objected to the way be managed things.

How cooling the gentle sea breezes oust be to the overworked and unappreciated city official. Salem has a mayor and a councilman or two resting up and recuperating after a season's strenuous work. It is hoped the atmosphere and the waves may get up a proper mix for the occasion.

#### ............ THE ROUND-UP.

V. B. Bean was instantly killed at the Lambert mills, five miles west of La Grande, Saturday by a falling tree.

The contract for creeting the Carnegie library building at La Grande has been let to G. H. Rush, the contract price being \$7777, or nearly \$300 less than the architect's estimate.

Senator Von der Hellen is being boomed as Republican candidate for governor, in the southern part of the state. So far he has refused to make any statement as to his candidacy.

Lewis Fernsworth, formerly of Washington county, who has seen serrice on the Sacramenton News-Union, has taken the management of the Cor-

Referring distinctly to Baker county, the Baker Democrat says there is little excuse for any man idling his time, for there is plenty of work to do on the farm and in the timber.

The strennosity of the haymaking life in the Willamette valley is shown in the fact that a Sunday school picnic dated for July 16 at Sodaville was postponed "to some time early in Au-

Eugene Register: Winston Churchill is evidently not only a novelist of prominence, but a man of great discernment as well. When he wanted to learn the delights of trout fishing be came to Eugene and went up the Mc-

As a specimen of what excited people do at fires, the Itemizer prints a rumor that at a restaurant conflagration in Dalles last Sunday morning somebody salvaged a chunk of ice out of the refrigerator and carried it to a safe place leaving the refrigerator to burn.

Pendleton East Oregonian: During the past few days of hot weather quite number of people, among them see eral staid business men and popular society ladies have undertaken to locate swimming holes. With their bathing suits in bundles they have struck the trail of a bunch of "kids" and it has led them to several very choice bathing spots

'Brownie,' the unridden cayuse, of Roseburg, is dead. A cowboy from Pendleton undertook to ride bim Sunday, and as soon as the blind was lifted Brownie reared, fell over packwards and killed himself. The rider slipped out of the saddle and was un-

A big back deer trotted down the ublic highway near Albany Saturday, lodging between teams, and finally made a good get-away. The season being closed no attempt was made to

La Grande will vote on the commission form of government October 1.

The Dalles lodge of Moose will erect \$ \$30,000 home in the upar future. A dte has already been secured.

How's This?

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# 20,000 Yards of Summer Wash Goods

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SUITS

In the long cutaways. Plain man tailored garments made of the latest materials, silk lined. Advance Sale Prices,

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\$1.49 \$2.50 \$3.50 and \$4.50 Are the prices we are now selling Coats for. Worth from \$8.00 and \$10.00

\$5.90 \$7.50

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\$12.00 to \$18.00

One-Piece Wool and Silk Dresses

Like the above pictures now on sale at less than manufacturers' cost. Prices \$4.50, \$4.95, \$6.90, \$7.50 and \$12.50 Values

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The new Satin Hats and Felt Hats now on

98c, \$1.49, \$1.98

#### SUMMER STRAW 500 Now piled out on the counters at the lowest prices ever quoted by any house in the valley. Sale price 5c, 8c, 10c, 18

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**Blouses & Sweaters** 

Now on sale at close advertised prices. Shirt Waists up to \$2,

> 49c, 65c, 75c and 98c

#### 250 Parasols

Now placed on our counters and will be sold at less than first cost, to clean up the lot. Values to \$2.50 now on sale

50c, 75c and 98c

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## SILKS AND DRESS GOODS

Ten thousand yards of the best values ever shown by any house in Salem are now piled out on our counters and marked at small prices for fast selling. All new goods. Yard

25c, 35c, 49c, 75c and up

## House Dresses and Kimonas

Stacked out on racks. Hundreds to select from. All the season's latest styles. Values up to \$2.50, now

98c, \$1.35 and \$1.49

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