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NOTE and COMMENT.

The "mos" of the moose is growing fainter.

Even should he lose his voice, the Colonel can be just as effective by punching holes in the wind with his fists.

Roosevelt is progressive in the sense of the old song—"He don't know where he's going, but he's on his way."

L. R. Alderman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has a project under way that ought to prove helpful. He proposes to make the schoolhouses the social centers of the various communities of the state by giving an extended lecture course during the winter months. These talks will be by well informed speakers, who will discuss subjects of common interest.

Business Men Interested in Tri-County Development.

Portland business men have taken a great deal of interest in the tri-county development movement now going on in Morrow, Sherman and Gilliam counties, and have run a special train to the Tri-County Fair being held at Condon this week. One day will be passed thereby the Portland party, which is made up of representatives of all lines of business in that city.

Since Portland people assisted actively in forming this league, they naturally want to help it along as much as possible and, with this in view, will probably scan every exhibit at the fair closely to learn just the condition of agriculture in this district of the state. Better farming methods are expected to do much for this section, and the fair this week will show the first fruits of work along this line.

Bryan's Tribute to Tar.

William J. Bryan, in a recent speech, made this statement:

"More reforms have taken place under Tar's administration than during that of any other president in recent years."

New Version of "America,"

By T. ELLY.

My country, mostly Me,
Perkins, Bill Film and Me;
For President, take Me—
Or go to hell.

A Word to the Farmers.
From the Leavenworth (Kan.) Times.

If the farmers want good times in themselves, they will vote for Tar. If they want to take the chance of getting less for their crops, they will vote for either Roosevelt, or Wilson.

Preservation of Primary involved. It is Ben Selling and the preservation of the direct primary or Jonathan Bourne and the reputation of the direct primary law. Mr. Voter, take your choice.

There is no disputing the issue. It is Selling and the direct primary or the head and Jonathan Bourne and its reputation on the other. The situation cannot be compromised. The issue is plain and unmistakable.

Says Leg of Boy.

"It seemed that my 14 year old boy would have to lose his leg on account of an ugly ulcer, caused by a bad bruise," wrote D. R. Howard, Agric. N. C. "All remedies and doctors treatment failed until we tried Buckle's Arnica Salve, and cured him with one box." Curse burns, boil, skin eruptions, piles, soots, etc., all draggins.

Oregon Loses One Million in Cash

Falls Told in Which One Hundred Thousand Farmers Came to Oregon to Invest—Single Tax Buries Them Away.

This is the Story of a Million Dollars. It is likewise a fable. It is a fable of what would happen every week, perhaps every day, if Single Tax passes in Oregon.

This Million Dollars was owned by 100 thousand Farmers, who came from every state in the Union. Of course, this is only a fable because it assumes that Single Tax has become a law and Single Tax never can and never will become a law in Oregon.

But the Fabled Farmers came to Oregon with their hearts loaded with troubles. Their hearts were heavy for those with Many Webs and many Troubles. And each of these Farmers had One Real Web.

Each Had Trouble.

The Farmers had laid his Farm almost ruined by Grasshoppers and he was Determined to Move. A Paying Flood had washed the Land of the Louisiana and he, too, had decided on a Change. Cyclones had first worried the Farmer from Oklahoma, and the Nebraska never could stand a Sanction. The Man from Maine was tired to death from painting the Little Rocks he had won all over his Farm. Impoverished Soil was the Pest Trouble of New York.

Each came to Oregon, with Many Others, and Each owned Two Thousand Dollars to Cash.

They Admire Oregon.

They visited all over the State. They were Delighted with the Climate. They learned that Anything could be Grown. The Wheat Raise could be bigger in Oregon, while Fruits Grow as if the Lord had Made Green specially for Fruits. The Land seemed just made for Vegetables.

They thought it Peculiar that People should Charge with Great particularity the big Corporations.

Soon they Knew Why. It was because those Farmers were to Pay All the Taxes.

Missouri is "Showed."

The Missouri found this out. He was Showed. In Oregon he learned the Single Tax rule. Men without Land made those who Owned Land pay All the Taxes. Taxes on Farm Lands were High, so high that it did not Matter that the Improvements Existed. Taxes on City Lots were so Great that it did not seem as if the Jet Owner could hold Pole and Soul together after Paying the Tax.

Once all Property Owners divided the Taxation. Now the Man with Land had to pay All.

"This is what will happen to Us," said the Missouri Farmer in this Fable. "We shall Spend our Ten Thousand Dollars for Farms. Some Day our Crops May Fail. If we do not Pay our Taxes, as some do not Pay their Taxes now, our Farms will be seized by the State. Thus every year more Farms will be seized by the State and the Taxes grow higher for the rest.

State Needs Money.

"For the State must have Money. In a Few Years we shall all lose our Land. The State would be the great Land Owner. We should Pay Rent to the State. Then the land in Oregon would become Poor for a Tenant never cares what he does to the Owner's Property. We should just Get Enough to Eat after Paying the Rent. For me, I am Done. I shall go back to Missouri, even if I have to brave Storms and Floods."

Nev. Can't be Trusted. Captain is nervous. And those 100 Farmers were each Scared that the State of Oregon was after their Wads. So they fled.

And Then They Fled.

The New Yorker would rather Work on His Soil than not own his Farm and Pay Rent to the State. The Kansas bought Grasshoppers were not well at all as Single Tax. The new Farmer bought more Dynamite and sold the Stones. Was Nothing if a Man could Own His Own Land. Can Improve My Farm, said the Man from Nebraska, but Then I shall Owe, even if I have an Over-Glorious Reputation. Friends worried the Cherokees from Leavenworth less than Taxes that would eat up Everything the Human Farmer could Raise. The Oklahomans would be forced to Live in a Land where the Man who owned Poverty of Any Sort Paid Just the same as the Man who owned Land. No Credit for Me, was his view. I shall keep my own Ten Thousand Dollars.

There is a Moral.

Maybe Single Tax would only do this in a Fable. But the Farmers would not the same if Single Tax were Real and not a Fable.

There is a Moral to this Fable and the Moral is:

It is Better to have Everything Laid and Not Frighten the Farmer away than to have Single Tax and Frighten Away Everyone Who Wants to Own Land for Himself.

There is another Moral, too:

Thus would Oregon lose 100 thousand Farmers and \$1,000,000 in cash each.

DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROGRESSIVES

The Street talk of late goes something to Paul Chapman, prominent Progressive Republican of Idaho. In the recent primary election in that state, Mr. Chapman was defeated by the Republican nomination for governor by a plurality of less than 100. Immediately following the primary, he was urged by Roosevelt personally and the Bull Moose leaders of Idaho to renounce his Republicanism and become the candidate of the Progressive party for the same office in the general election. The reply of Mr. Chapman to their appeals is reportedly committed to the consideration of Senator Bourne and his friends. It follows:

"Two conditions seem to form likely dispensable obstacles to my according to Roosevelt's request that I run for governor and that is not only my own judgment but that of my most trusted friends.

"One is the fact that I continued a candidate in the Progressive primaries to the end and, at with any degree of justice again became a candidate before the people in this campaign. Not only would I be condemned by the great majority of right thinking men, but I should be untrue to myself as well."

Primary Foundation of Oregon System

In becoming an independent candidate to succeed himself, Senator Bourne has fully repudiated the direct primary law. This amounts to the very foundation of the Oregon system of which Bourne has been an avowed champion. But this is not the first time he has repudiated the established law of the people. Two years ago he openly urged Republicans to support the Democratic nominees for governor as against the Republican candidate who was regularly nominated under the direct primary. To Senator Bourne the direct primary is a sacred institution, so long as it serves his selfish political ambitions. But when it fails to render that service, then he abandons its repudiation.

SECONDARY FAIRLY DEFEATED

Repudiates Direct Primary Law by Becoming Independent Candidate.

Ben Selling received the Republican nomination for United States Senator. In a fair and square contest under the direct primary law. Senator Bourne was defeated, fifty-eight to forty in the same election. Are the voters going to sustain the direct primary by supporting Selling the direct primary nominee, or will they give their support to Bourne and repudiate that law? Oregon voters will not be parties to any such prostitution of this fundamental law of the Oregon system. They should accept the result of the primary nominating election and vote for Selling, who actively participated in preparing and enacting all legislation which has secured to Oregon its present system of popular government.

THIRD IS INCORRECT

The inconsistency of Bourne is exemplified in his independent candidacy for the senatorship. Bourne vigorously championed the direct primary as long as he and his friends receive favorable recognition and coveted political office. But when the other fellow wins out under the operation of the same law, Bourne is the first to repudiate the system and to urge its repudiation by the electorate. Bourne cannot justify his independent candidacy. In entering the contest for the senatorship, he proves himself an enemy of the direct primary of which he is the preferred friend and defender.

CEILING IS PROGRESSIVE

People Approved His Record by Plurality of 6200 Over Bourne.

Ben Selling received the Republican nomination in the direct primary election by a plurality of 6200 over Senator Bourne. Mr. Selling made his record on his record as a progressive. He exhibited his record as a progressive and consistent advocate and supporter of progressive legislation in this state. The people approved that record and nominated him in the primary. Mr. Selling carried 27 of the 24 counties, as against four for Bourne and three for Judge Stephen E. Lowell, of Pendleton, who is actively supporting the Republican candidate. Mr. Selling is today standing on the same record and platform that won for him the nomination. He is entitled to the vote of every elector who believes in popular government as it is typified in Oregon's progressive law.

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There is often much truth in the saying "her face is her fortune," but it is never said where pimples, skin rashes, blisters or other blemishes disfigure it. Improve blood is full of new life, and also the need of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They promote health and beauty. Try them. 25cts. as oil druggists.

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Y. M. C. A. IS NOT FOR SINGLE TAX

DISCOURSES BREWS BECAUSE SEC. STONE IS FOR SCHEME

Portland Businessmen Annoyed at Alleged Political Activity of Religious Organization—Sec. Stone is Wanted.

Denying the Single Taxers of Oregon have been endeavoring to bolster up their cause by informing and declaiming. It is said that the Portland Young Men's Christian Association is for Single Tax. There is every indication that the grave dimension is having in that institution.

"W. W. Stone, secretary of the association, is a Single Taxer, and has allowed meetings to be held in the association favoring the Single Tax program," Stone, however, declares that the meetings are merely personal, but do not influence the association in any way.

Y. M. C. A. Said Non-Political

"The Y. M. C. A. is absolutely non-political," said one of the Y. M. C. A. "At all the other law," Mr. Stone has his ideas, but they have nothing to do with the association. Personally I am opposed to those views and I expect the fact that seems to be showed that the Y. M. C. A. is for this scheme—for it is nothing else but a scheme."

Denying this disclaimer, the number of Portland business men and friends of the association throughout the state decide that if the Y. M. C. A. intends to enter the field of politics or become interested in tax schemes, they will withdraw their annual subscriptions.

Stone May be Hushed.

"The fact that the Y. M. C. A. owns one of Portland's chanceries and wants to deduct taxation on the building may account for the stand Stone is taking," said one of these. "However, I want to give fair warning that should the Y. M. C. A. give the opportunity for speech over the state by convening either statewide, or bi-state, or Statewide, State or any other political issue that could be kept out of religion, I shall not only withdraw my contributions, but shall hope to induce my friends to do likewise."

Should the direct primary law be retained in the election next month? A vote for Evans, holding independent candidates, is a vote to repudiate that law. A vote for Selling, the direct primary nominee, is a vote to preserve that law.

A LOG ON THE TRAIL

of the fast express means serious trouble if not removed, on loss of appetite. It means lack of vitality, loss of strength and nerve weakness. If appetite fails take Electric Bitters quickly to overcome the case by tearing up the stomach and aiding digestion. Michael Hesler, of Lincoln, Neb., had been sick over three years, but six bottles of Electric Bitters put him right on his feet again. They have helped thousands. They give pure blood, strong nerves, good digestion. Only 50cts. at all druggists.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

U. S. LAND OFFICE at The Dalles, Oregon, October 8th, 1912.

NOTICE is hereby given that U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, will be open on Monday, October 15th, 1912, from 10 a.m. to 12 m. and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. to receive applications for homesteads on lands in the State of Oregon, and for entries on lands in the State of Washington, and for entries on lands in the State of Idaho, and for entries on lands in the State of Montana, and for entries on lands in the State of Wyoming, and for entries on lands in the State of Colorado, and for entries on lands in the State of New Mexico, and for entries on lands in the State of Arizona, and for entries on lands in the State of Nevada, and for entries on lands in the State of California, and for entries on lands in the State of Oregon, and for entries on lands in the State of Washington, and for entries on lands in the State of Idaho, and for entries on lands in the State of Montana, and for entries on lands in the State of Wyoming, and for entries on lands in the State of Colorado, and for entries on lands in the State of New 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