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The house committee on judiciary has agreed upon an amendment to the constitution giving congress power to define, regulate, control, prohibit or dissolve trusts, monopolies or combinations, whether in the form of a corporation or otherwise. Every intelligent person knows that without some such amendment no effective blow can be struck at illegal and dangerous combinations that restrain trade or destroy competition, or unjustly harass or oppress labor. Unity of action among the several states is practically impossible, and without unity the laws of one state may shield a trust that would oppress all the others and leave them, under existing laws, powerless of redress. The CHRONICLE leaves it to demagogues and politicians to fret and fume over trusts and combinations of capital. Whatever is legitimate in them is as much the outgrowth of commercial development as the use of the power loom and the sewing machine, and, like them, has come to stay. Whatever is illegal and oppressive must be crushed, and a constitutional amendment is the only way to do it. Indiscriminate assaults on combinations of capital, the fashion of the times, are the tricks of demagogues and knaves. It is worthy of remark in this connection that every democratic member of the judiciary committee voted against submitting the amendment to the people.

The evidence accumulates, if more were needed, that Aguinaldo and his followers were alone responsible for the outbreak of hostilities between the Filipinos and the American troops at Manila. The president last Tuesday sent to the senate a letter received from General Otis transmitting a translation of a letter written by Aguinaldo to a friend in Manila warning him to leave that city. Aguinaldo's letter is dated Malolos January 17, 1899, and is addressed to Senor Bonito Legardo. In it Aguinaldo says: "I beg you to leave Manila with your family and to come here to Malolos, but not because I wish to frighten you. I merely wish to warn you for your protection, although it is not yet the day or week." General Otis states that this letter is one of a number written by Aguinaldo to his friends in Manila warning them to leave the city for their safety, and adds that many families left the city in consequence of this warning. Thus it is again brought home to this "Filipino George Washington" that he had fixed the day and hour for an indiscriminate massacre of our little American army of occupation as well as every foreign resident of Manila, and that only a mere accident which he could not foresee prevented it. But the Ancient Order of Anti-Expansion Paranoics will continue to worship their little saffron-hided deity just the same.

Our esteemed democratic contemporary is kind enough to assure the wool growers of Eastern Oregon that no democratic senator from Oregon is going to do anything that will cripple the wool industry. This is a very cheap bid for votes for democratic candidates for the Oregon legislature. And it is all the cheaper coming from the mouthpiece of a party that has taught, for these many years, that free wool means dear wool and that the only way to cripple the industry is to protect it. Eastern Oregon wool growers will take good care that no democratic senator from Oregon will ever get a chance to do anything to cripple the wool industry. And the way to do this is to vote the republican legislative ticket straight.

The CHRONICLE cheerfully complies with the request of the executive committee of the Oregon State Equal Suffrage Association in placing before its readers, on another page, the plea of the equal suffragists for

affirmative votes on the constitutional amendment granting the women of Oregon equal suffrage with the men. The CHRONICLE does this as a matter of justice as well as courtesy. If the majority of the good, wisely, motherly women of Oregon want the ballot and believe they would better others and be bettered themselves by it, they ought to have it. There are none too many instruments of good in Oregon or anywhere else. Right here, however, THE CHRONICLE stands in doubt of its own judgment. But to show that it means to be fair and impartial the editor promises to submit the question to the little woman that has owned him for these thirty-six long years, and if she tells him she wants the ballot he'll vote for it, by jimminy, if it bursts a collar button.

The Transvaal and Orange Free State want to be annexed, and our esteemed contemporary sarcastically suggests that McKinley has a splendid show to buy another war. Let us see. Didn't the Oregon democrats have something in their state platform about sympathy for the Boers "in their noble and brave struggle for liberty and national existence." And did not that, if it meant anything but pure buncombe, mean that the democrats were willing to "buy another war" with England in the hope of catching certain Irish and German votes? Democratic sympathy is a mighty cheap commodity unless the democrats are willing to back it up with brawn and muscle.

It appears the Porto Ricans could scarcely believe their eyes when they saw their first civil governor dressed in a straw hat, blue coat and duck trousers. They had probably gathered from our anti-imperialistic journals that the viceroy of "His Imperial Highness, Emperor William McKinley," would appear before them bedecked in gold lace and all the trappings of royalty. They will learn later on to prize that straw hat and duck trousers as precious symbols of benevolent republican intention and as proofs that no imperialistic tomfoolery can exist under the American flag.

A recent report of the comptroller of the currency shows that the Pacific coast states of Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Utah and Nevada have increased their bank deposits during the present republican administration by the sum of \$74,000,000. The deposits last year averaged nearly \$100 per capita of population. In the light of facts like this, and there are scores of them, is it not a reasonable presumption that the people of these states will vote to let well enough alone?

Out of 442 sailing vessels that left San Francisco last year, no less than 183 carried cargoes of American products and manufactures to the Hawaiian islands. The value of those cargoes from this one port was \$9,164,982, and it had almost doubled within two years. Expansion is a good policy for Pacific coast trade.

The senate committee on inter-oceanic canals has authorized a favorable report on the Nicaragua canal bill as it passed the house. Every member of the committee, including Senator McBride, voted for a favorable report save Senator Hanna.

The old issue that the republican party has managed the finances and created a surplus is about to be revived by the democrats, says the Union Republican. The people have learned that the best thing to do to get rid of the surplus is to turn the democratic mule into the inclosure.

Republican platforms coming from the different states show perfect harmony in the party on national issues. It is foregone, on the contrary, that the democratic national platform will be a mosaic, composed principally of ancient, heterogeneous junk.

In New York financial circles it is claimed that gold is cheaper there than in any other money center in the world. This is the direct result of the gold standard and republican prosperity.

Republican Ticket.

- STATE OFFICERS.**
Justice of the Supreme Court—C. E. Wolverton.
Food and Dairy Commissioner—J. W. Bailey.
- DISTRICT OFFICERS.**
Congressman—Malcolm A. Moody, of The Dalles.
Joint Senators—J. N. Williamson, of Crook; T. H. Johnston, of Wasco; W. W. Steiwer, of Wheeler.
Joint Representatives—A. S. Roberts, of Wasco; R. A. Emmett, of Klamath; George Miller, of Gilliam; George Cattannah, of Grant; George A. Barrett, of Grant; T. H. McGreer, of Wasco.
District Attorney—Frank Menefee, of The Dalles.
- COUNTY TICKET.**
County Judge—A. S. Blowers, of Hood River.
Commissioner—P. A. Kirchheimer, of Antelope.
Sheriff—Robert Kelly, of The Dalles.
Clerk—A. E. Lake, of Wamie.
Treasurer—C. L. Phillips, of The Dalles.
Assessor—C. L. Schmidt, of The Dalles.
Superintendent of Schools—C. L. Gilbert, of The Dalles.
Surveyor—J. B. Goit, of The Dalles.
Coroner—W. H. Butts, of The Dalles.
For Justice of the Peace of The Dalles—Timothy Brownhill.
Constable—Frank Hill, of The Dalles.

AN ALARMING ULTIMATUM.

The women suffrage movement has its amusing features as well as those that are soberly serious. A short time ago THE CHRONICLE received a marked copy of the New York Sun, in which a suffragist writer gave elaborate statistics to prove that the granting of equal rights to women had always resulted in a marked increase of population, and that if the Oregonians were to increase and multiply in any ratio commensurate with the great natural resources of the state the proper thing to do was to give the Oregon women the ballot. And right in line with this came along a short extract from a speech lately delivered at a women suffrage meeting in Kansas by Miss Louise Evelyn Lease—daughter of her mother—who said to the men folks in her audience: "You men must give us the ballot. You all have been used to saying, 'The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world,' but I say to you, gentlemen, if you do not keep your promise there will be no cradle to rock and no babies to put in them." This would be really alarming were we not assured that it must have been spoken in the thoughtless impetuosity of youth. We may say this confidently for, as another has suggested, since the spheres first commenced to sing together in the heavens this baby question has been so wholly disconnected from politics that the two haven't even a speaking acquaintance. Do these good sisters really think that the amiable old doctor with the basket, or the storks that roost above the chimney pot, or the stars that shoot from the space above, or Saint Peter nodding at the celestial gate can be influenced by a slip of names on a ballot with an X mark to the right of them?

DEMOCRATIC EXPANSION.

The expansion map of the United States shows that the democrats expanded in 1803 and, without the consent of the governed, added 565,168,080 acres to the original thirteen states. They expanded again in 1814 and, forcibly and without the consent of the governed, added 44,636,000 more. They expanded again in 1803-11-19 and, without the consent of the governed, added 184,760,960 acres more. They expanded again in 1835-45 and added 242,235,840 acres more. They expanded again in 1848 and, forcibly and without the consent of the governed, added 234,443,520 acres more. They expanded again in 1853 and, without the consent of the governed, added 29,142,400 acres more. And finally in 1860 they attempted to expand and, without the consent of the governed, add the island of Cuba to the list of our possessions. Thus of the 1,922,937,800 acres of American territory lying between the Atlantic and the Pacific, and between

the British possessions and the gulf, 1,400,385,800 acres, or nearly two acres out of three, have been added to the original thirteen states by Democratic expansion, some of it forcibly and nearly all of it without the consent of the governed. And now the degenerate sons of a vigorous ancestry are exhausting the vocabulary of abuse in condemning republicans for doing precisely what the democrats have never failed to do when they had the chance!

Ex-Governor Wilson, of West Virginia, in a long letter to the Washington Post, declares that the entire South is for expansion.

LOOKING AFTER SOLDIERS.

The War Department Follows Movements of Officers with Great Accuracy.

A young army officer, who has seen service on the Arizona plains and on the Maine coast, and who is now in Cuba, tells two stories out of his own experience, to show the accuracy with which the war department follows the movements of officers. "I was with a small scouting party in Arizona," he says, "and after two weeks in the desert my squad came to the railroad near a small station. Within ten minutes a dispatch from Washington was brought to me by the station agent. It asked if I wished to be transferred to one of the two new artillery regiments then forming. "I answered by telegraph that I should be glad to enter either of them. Then we set off again across the desert.

"It was six days later when we again struck the railroad, this time 50 miles from the point at which we had previously crossed it. But my reply from the department was awaiting me. It had been telegraphed to every station within 200 miles.

"A more striking instance of accuracy occurred after my transfer to the east. I was traveling home on leave, and, as the regulations require, I had notified the department of the day, hour and probable route of my journey. After I had been on the train for eight hours, at a small station the porter entered with a telegram, asking if anyone of my name was present. On opening the dispatch, I found that it was from the adjutant general's office, ordering me on detached duty.

"Exactness of detail could not be carried much farther. The department knew the whereabouts of an insignificant second lieutenant, even when he was traveling on leave of absence."

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