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OREGON DEMOCRATS ANSWERED

President Wilson wrote a letter to the Oregon Democrats appealing to them to stand by the record of the national administration in the primaries about to be held, and giving forth much eloquence about the necessity of preserving the "national honor" by rebuking the dastards who voted for the reservations which sought to Americanize the league of nations covenant he brought home from Paris.

Whereupon the Democrats of Oregon, in stubborn defiance of the Wilful One, and in the face of his assertion that such a course was one of perfidy and dishonor, proceeded to swat the administration candidate for the Democratic senatorial nomination, and to renominate Senator George E. Chamberlain, who voted for the Lodge reservations, has criticized the gross inefficiency of the administration, and has otherwise made himself persona non grata to a presidential incumbent who makes personal fealty to himself a test of party and national loyalty.

President Wilson, with his ukases which get nowhere and his orders nobody obeys, is getting himself much in the position of King Canute, who commanded the ocean to back up and got "sore" when the tide proceeded to function as usual.

There are still those mindless thinkers who proceed on the theory that everything Mr. Wilson does is Holy Writ, but there is a growing number even of Democrats inclined to believe this ought to read, "Wholly Rot."

The Oregon Democrats have told Mr. Wilson very plainly that he is wrong in the theory that he is the only man in this country who is entitled to think or act on behalf of the American people. No question of "national honor" is involved in the matter of standing by every agreement Mr. Wilson made at Paris. The American people told him in November, 1918, that he lacked a good deal of being the whole American government, and 39 members of the United States Senate warned him, on March 4th, 1919, that they did not propose to stand for the thing he was cooking up at Paris. That he proceeded in violation of these definite instructions is no fault of the American people, and the diplomats who accepted him at his own valuation at Paris are simply in the position of the Copenhagen University professors who feted Dr. Cook as the discoverer of the North Pole. Both these performances humiliated the American people, but they did not bind either the American people or the American government in any way.

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

The congressional investigation of campaign expenses has first of all shown that running for president is not a poor man's pastime, but that was hardly a startling revelation, says the Spokesman-Review. Any one who has stopped to think about the matter must have realized that with nearly half the states holding presidential primaries over a period of two or three months, and with competition for instructed delegates growing constantly keener, no man can hope to be nominated who has not a large and up to date organization.

It was not, however, so generally known that the largest item in a candidate's expense budget consists of the salaries and expenses of political agents, publicity experts and specialists in organization. This is a new profession and a thriving one. It pays well—extremely well. One democratic candidate is reported to have engaged a woman worker at a salary of $1000 a month. The average is below this figure, but still high enough to induce a large group of clever men and women to make propagandizing their life work.

If the presidential primary is to be made permanent along the present lines every four years will bring brisk demand for the services of the professional organizer and booster. The cost of being a candidate will thus rise rather than fall.

General Wood's suggestion that all presidential primaries be held on the same day offers a possible means of making campaign expenses less formidable. With all primaries taking place simultaneously candidates would see the impossibility of conducting a campaign of personal solicitation throughout the nation. They could not send their highly paid workers from one state to another between primaries, and perhaps this would induce them to simplify their campaigning mechanisms.

France put the skids under Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette because of the wild extravagance of their administration. But even noted historians often fail to profit by history.

Mr. Burleson is said to be the chief political reliance of Mr. Wilson in the cabinet. In "delivering" convention delegates he will probably not entrust them to the mails.

The price of sugar may keep our women from canning this summer but those who have the vote will do some canning of a different and most unpleasant kind this fall.

The great trouble with the Department of Justice's "flying squadron" to reduce prices is that it is mere "flying."

STRAY OBSERVATIONS

Driving down from The Dalles several days ago, Mr. Paulsen, Traveling Inspector of the Canadian Pacific Ry. Co., with whom I was traveling, stopped his car and picked up a man on his way to Hood River. Our guest was going down to the "apple city" to have his eye glasses changed. He said, "Five years ago, I used to pay $6 for these glasses and now I have to pay $18. This includes a government luxury tax of $2. I always thought it was an affliction to be half blind or have eye trouble, but evidently some of our wise congressmen think it is a luxury, hence the $2 luxury tax."

In The Dalles hotel a well informed business man was talking to a group of men and of course politics was the absorbing topic. In the course of his conversation, he spoke of President Woodrow Wilson. From his conversation, I judged that at one time he had been a strong Wilson supporter and I also judged that he wasn't very strong for Woodrow at the present time, for he said (in substance), "I believe the whole U. S. would be squarely behind President Wilson if, after he reached Paris, he would have stayed with his policy as expressed before leaving this country. He should have said to the assembled commission of foreign countries, 'Gentlemen here is what America believes to be right and we will stand for these principles without change.' Instead of doing this, the president entered into a game of politics and America came out at the little end of the horn. If Wilson had laid down an unalterable course and stuck to it, even though he had lost out, he would have the respect and confidence of the country for the people would have said, 'he played the game square and lost—he put up a game fight and did the best he could.' But Wilson didn't carry out his pre-arranged program and that is one of the reasons for the present muddle. He lost his opportunity to be the world's great man."

And this reminds us of a story that Mayor Rolph of San Francisco told when he was in St. Helens last month. He said a farmer went to town and had a big roll of money. He wanted to gamble a little and sat in with some professionals. The pot was opened and the farmer raised the ante. As it went around the table, he continued to raise until the gamblers had all their stakes on the table, and he was called. One of the professionals laid down four aces and started to rake in the stakes, but the farmer said, that's nothing, I have Big Cassino." But the gambler got the stakes because poker was the game. The mayor drew a comparison of the Peace Meet to Paris. Wilson was the Cassino player and the Powers were the poker players. The poker players let Wilson have his League of Nations and the Powers took the table stakes.

But in marked contrast to this idea, is the idea of William Pringle of the Nehalem who was here Tuesday to attend the Democratic Central Committee meeting. He said he was for any good democrat for president and that Woodrow Wilson was a blankety blank good democrat. Pringle didn't explain what the blankety blank democrat's goodness consisted of.

We overheard a heated conversation relative to the merits and chances of the several presidential aspirants. One who was opposed to Johnson said "Never in history have they come west of the Mississippi river for a president." The Johnson man was resourceful and said, "Well, that don't bar Hiram, they won't have to come west of the Mississippi for him—he will go to them."

SAVING THE SALMON

There must be a general co-operative policy adopted by the states and federal authorities to save the salmon from extermination.

That noble fish has been completely destroyed on the Atlantic coast and unless a scientific policy intervenes will disappear on the Pacific.

A treaty has just been signed to regulate the sockeye salmon industry as between the United States and Canada to save this variety.

For years there has been warfare between the American and Canadian fishermen. The new treaty provides the really essential details of propagating the species.

Propagating salmon without feeding ponds or nurseries has been steadily diminishing the annual catch. Now there is a question as to whether the "balance of reproduction" has been lost. When any species, whether bird, animal or fish, falls in numbers below a power to reproduce in numbers that will leave a large proportion after natural enemies have accomplished their destruction, extinction threatens. Only artificial reproduction on a large scale and, in this particular instance, holding the young fish in feeding ponds until they have attained ability of self protection, will save them.

It may be hoped that under it both American and Canadian fishermen will abstain from fishing that destroys their industry.

In discussing the development of an American merchant marine, it was asserted at the Foreign Trades convention in San Francisco that its future development depends on the opportunities which it will offer to the employment of private capital and private initiative. It is generally conceded among ship owners that no limitation should be placed upon the absolute freedom of carriers to change their freight rates to suit the competitive conditions of the freight market. The merchants and manufacturers of the United States should be enabled to compete with their rivals in other countries without governmental intervention or supervision of transportation charges.

LIST OF TRANSFERS

Reported by Columbia County Abstract Co.

May 26—Symour Tufts et ux to F. R. Smith, Lot 2 Block 18 Rainier, $100.00. Laura W. Baxter et ux to H. C. Urie, Part of Lots 2, 5, and 6 Milton Park, $200.00. John Stewart et ux to Milton Creek Logging Co., W½ of SE¼ Sec. 16, T 5 N. R. 2 W., $100.00. John Stewart et ux to Clara L. Cleveland, NE¼ Lot 4 Block 7 Vernonia, $150.00. Edwin Ross et al to Effie M. LeMay, Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Block 1 1st Add to Columbia Park $150.00. Effie M. LeMay et ux to Margaret E Rountree, Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Block 1 1st Add. to Columbia Park, $1500.00

May 27—August Stasna to Joseph Bulanek, Land in Sec. 13 T. 3 N. R. 2 W., $80.00. R. D. Wilburn to T. C. James, Lot 1 and easterly 3-5 of Lot 2 Block 15 Blanchard Add to Rainier, $860.00

May 28—N. Merrill et ux to C. B. Bowles, Tide land in front of Joseph Merrill D. L. C., $1500.00. Columbia Agricultural Co. to William Keller et ux, Tract 23, Magruder Drainage District $1.00. Emma A. oJnes to Flora Garrison, Lots 11 and 12 of Flippins Subdivision of Lot 1 of Tichenor's 1st Add., $10.00.

May 29—Sophia Dolan to Peter Stachnerwicz, Land in Sec. 7 T. 4 N. R. 1 W., $2300.00. C. O. Dahlgren to P. J. comis, Land in Sec. 19, T. 4. N. R 1 W, $10.00.

June 1—Columbia Agricultural to Charles Isakson et ux, Lot 20 Midland Drainage District, $967.00. Columbia County Investment Co. to N. J. Barker et ux, East 15 A Lot 138 Beaver Homes, $675.00. Niels Jensen et ux to Annie Jensen Hoyt, Land in Sec. 24 T. 4 N., R. 2 W. $1.00. N. F. Baker et ux to Nancy A. Palmer, Land in Sec. 5 T. 4 N. R. 1 W., $4500.00. Niels Jensen et ux to Erick From et ux Land in Secs. 24 and 25 T. 4 N. R. 2 W., $4000.00. Glen R. Metsker et ux to S. C. Knighten et ux Land in Sec. 4 T. 4 N. R. 1 W., $1000.00. Dan Lope to Effie Lope, Lots 7 and 16 Block 3 1st Add. to Columbia Park, $1400.00.

June 2—R. W. Nicholas to H. Morgus, Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, 19, 20, 21, 22 Block 113 St. Helens, $700.00. O. J. Boyt to Emma A. Jones, Lot 3 Block 3 Bryants 1st Add. to Clatskanie, $10.00. Charles Steph to Matti E. Alo, Land in Sec. 18, T. 7 N. R. 3 W., $1750.00. Nosh Hill to Bee M. Adams, Land in Sec. 35 T. 4 N. R. 2 W., land in Sec. 2 T. 3 N. R. 2 W., $10.00.

Slight Civilities.

One day there came to the clinic at a Philadelphia hospital a negress with a broken jaw. The surgeon, intent on discovering the exact nature and extent of the injury, asked numerous questions, to all of which the negress returned evasive answers. Finally she admitted she was "hit with a object." "Was it a large object" asked the physician. "Tol-able large." "Was it a hard object or a soft object?" "Tol'able hard." "Was it coming rapidly or slowly?" "Tol'able fast." Then her patience exhausted, she exclaimed: "To tell de truf, doctor, I was jest nach-ly kick'n de face by a gemman friend."

Oregon apple growers are notified by the college entomologist that the codling moth emerged early in June and the 30-day spray should be put on as soon after June 7 as possible. Use dry lead arsenate 1 lb. to 50 gal. water, or to 50 gal. lime-sulfur if scab is present.

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At last the little one was heard and the teacher, turning round, asked ... a somewhat sharp manner:

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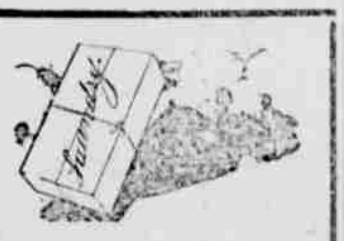
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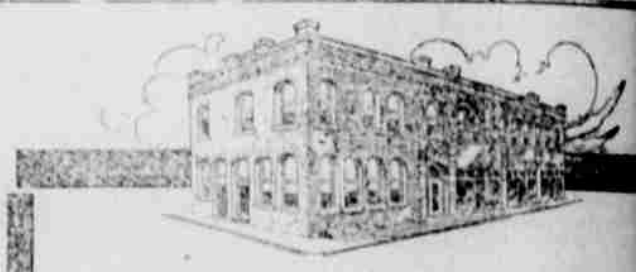
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