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The Baby is Born. It is apparently a healthy youngster, making all kinds of noise. It has been duly christened the "Progressive Party." The Sponsors are Theodore Roosevelt, defeated in the Regular Republican Convention; Francis J. Heney, always a democrat and dis-credited Government Prosecutor of Land Frauds in Oregon; Gifford Pinchot, discharged Government Forester; Governor Hiram Johnson, Fire-eating Governor of California and former associate of Francis J. Heney; James R. Garfield, disgruntled and disappointed cabinet officer; Bill Flinn, oft repudiated politician of Pennsylvania; and without doubt, our own Jonathan Bourne, who has made a national reputation of knifing every man who did not first get his August permission to run for office.

Such men as Governor Hadley, of Missouri, Senator Borah of Idaho, Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin and Senator Cummins of Iowa, who are recognized as the leaders in the so-called Progressive movement and who fought hard for the defeat of Taft in the convention, have declared themselves as against such radical and un-called for action and will stand by the ticket as nominated at Chicago by the Republican convention.

These men are Republicans because they believe that the carrying out of the policies of the Republican party are of more importance to the people of the United States than is the personal ambition of any one man or set of men to control the policies and hold office.

Of course there are thousands of citizens who now are very pronounced in their views on the matter of supporting Roosevelt and his new party, but it is quite probable that before the time comes to cast the ballot in November, a great majority of them will come to realize, as have the men mentioned, that it is not a matter of personal feelings but one of great importance to the nation and that, if they are Republicans from principle, it will be more wise to continue the Party of Prosperity in power rather than allow the power to pass into the hands of disgruntled politicians of both parties.

Roosevelt and his advisers, such as Heney, Johnson, Flinn, Pinchot et al, went into that convention with the motto of Rule or Ruin fully adopted and when they found they could not rule they took the other course. When Senator Borah and Governor Hadley went into the convention, just as ardent supporters of Roosevelt as were the others, they went in to win if possible, but if not, to abide by the result. Had their advice and reasoning been followed instead of the head strong and impetuous Heney and Johnson advice, the probabilities are that the nominee of the Republican Party would have been either Roosevelt or some man who would have harmonized the warring factions of the party. But it was evidently not the plan of Mr. Roosevelt to harmonize anything unless he happened to be the harmony. A careful review of the situation at this time and from this distance seems to be that Republicans who are Republicans because they believe in Republican principles should and will support Taft as the Republican nominee, and that Teddy and his new Progressive Party will die a bornin'.

On the first ballot at Chicago last Saturday William H. Taft was nominated as the Republican candidate for President and James S. Sherman for Vice-President. The convention was a historical one. The leading candidates for the Presidential nomination had both held the office before, Roosevelt having served seven and one-half years and Taft four years. When Roosevelt stepped down and out four years ago he handed the office over to Taft and informed the people that he was thoroughly familiar with the great work that Taft had done as judge, Secretary of War and Governor of the Philippines; that Taft was the one best man in all the United States to carry on the work begun by him and that should Taft be elected the people would never have cause to regret it. The people took him at his word and elected Taft, who has served nearly four years and during that time has conducted the office as he thought it should be without regard to the dictations of Roosevelt; he fired Gifford Pinchot from the office of Chief Forester of the United States and failed to keep Jimmie Garfield in the Cabinet as Secretary of the Interior. Taft's ideas of conservation differed from Roosevelt's iders and Taft followed his own ideas in execution of the laws. All of these things worked on Roosevelt to such an extent that he allowed himself to become a candidate for the Republican nomination against Taft after having promised the people that he would not be a candidate. He occupied the highest place for an American citizen to occupy, and was the most honored and respected citizen of the United States. He went into the fight against Taft and has accused Taft of everything he could think of and yet has never given a single instance where Taft was not acting for the best interests of the people; he changed his mind and thought that the people had already regretted their action in electing Taft and that no other man in the country could be elected to straighten affairs out except himself. He has acted like a school boy, so has Taft for that matter, in some of the campaign stunts pulled off, and then when he saw that he was defeated in the convention he bolts and starts a new party.

What will be the result? It is hard to guess but just at this moment it looks as if all depends on the action of the Democratic convention now in session at Baltimore. Should the democrats nominate Wilson or Bryan it will probably mean the election of Taft; should they nominate Clark, Harmon or Underwood it will doubtless mean the election of Roosevelt; If Roosevelt and the Democrats can unite on anybody else, they can easly carry the election, but with three parties in the field, the present apparent weakness of Taft will be strengthened as the campaign progresses and when the votes are counted Taft will be found to be near the top.

One of the Sunday Papers of Portland contained an item last Sunday written by some good (Auto) roads enthusiast urging as a reason for the passage of the bills creating a Highway Commission that the road leading from Trenholm over the mountain to Pittsburg was almost impassable for autos. He failed to mention the road leading from Portland to St. Helens or the road from St. Helens to Yankton but because an old and practically abandoned road was not good going for his auto he insisted that the bills creating more useless offices with large salaries and no work, should be passed. Speaking of these bills it is quite probable that some of them will pass and yet it behooves every tax-payer to get copies of them and make a study before deciding how to vote on them. At present our main roads are in about as good condition as any roads in the state and under the present system we are building several miles of good roads each year. These new roads are permanent too, and the proposal of the Good Roads Club to make new laws and create new offices with large salaries attached should not meet with very hearty favor in this county. If they will devise some way to better the conditions of road building, our people will be ready to assist, but, judging from the sentiment as expressed by a number of prominent citizens of this county, the proposed bills will fare rather badly here.

And that road leading to Pittsburg; every day it becomes more apparent that a good road between St. Helens and the Nehalem Valley should be built; not only for the Auto party on a pleasure trip, but also for the farmer and business man. The people in that country are entitled to a direct road connecting them with the county seat and a more direct mail route. If the business people of St. Helens will take hold of this and get a good road over there it will be a big business boost to the town and a great convenience and saving to the people of the Nehalem Valley.

The following tax masures have been prepared by the State Tax Commission and the Legislative Tax Committee and will be on the ballot this fall.

A constitutional amendment authorizing the taxation of incomes as follows: Section 1b. Taxes may be imposed on incomes, from whatever source or sources derived, and such sources may be classified for the purpose of taxation. Taxes on incomes may be either proportional or graduated and progressive, and reasonable exemptions may be provided.

A law to exampt from taxation household furniture, wearing apparel and similar non-productive personalty as follows: All household furniture, domestic fixtures, household goods and effects actually in use as such in homes and dwellings; also all wearing apparel, watches, jewelry and similar personal effects actually in use.

A law to exempt mortgage notes and other credits from taxation, thereby abolishing double taxation of the same property. Section 1. The following property shall be exempt from taxation: All debts due or to become due, whether on account, contract, note, mortgage, bond or otherwise, either within or without this State; all public stocks and securities; all bonds, warrants and moneys due or to become due from this State, or any county or other municipal subdivision thereof; all stocks and shares in incorporated or unincorporated companies; provided, that this act does not exempt bank stocks, shares and banking capital from assessment and taxation.

The St. Helens Base Ball Team is deserving of the undivided support of the Fans of this vicinity. It now stands at the top of the percentage column in the league, being tied with Cathlamet for those honors. It has met and defeated every team in the league and has not lost a game to any other team in Columbia County. The only games lost have been with Cathlamet and Kelso. The boys are playing a fast game and the people are appreciating it. We have no apologies to make for our team and only mention it to keep up the interest already manifested by our people. It must be remembered that the only place where the boys get any money out of the games is at home and we get it all here, so if you are interested at all in the great game help the local team out by your presence at every game played at home. The boys will appreciate it and it helps the town.

Report of the Condition of No 73.

The Farmers State Bank at Scappoose in the State of Oregon, at the close of business June 14, 1912.

Resources	Dollars Cts.
Loans and discounts	17,686.66
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	20.42
Bonds and warrants	12,089.25
Banking house	6,250.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,519.32
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	731.48
Due from approved reserve banks	5,905.74
Cash on hand	2,228.60
Expenses	2,684 45
Total	50,115.92

Liabilities	Dollars Cts.
Capital stock paid in	12,500.00
Undivided profits	2,140.03
Individual deposits subject to check	27,912.56
Demand certificates of deposit	677.28
Time certificates of deposit	3,172.20
Savings deposits	3,713.85
Total	50,115.92

State of Oregon, ss
County of Columbia.

I, O. M. Washburn, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

O. M. Washburn, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of June, 1912.

J. G. Watts,
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
J. G. Watts,
Asa D. Holaday,
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April 1st, 1912

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3 to 9	" 5.45 " "	3 to 9	" 6.55 " "	3 to 6	" 7.20 " "
10 to 19	" 5.40 " "	10 to 19	" 6.50 " "	10 to 19	" 7.15 " "
20 to 39	" 5.35 " "	20 to 39	" 6.45 " "	20 to 39	" 7.00 " "
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