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THEN AND NOW.

The Globe-Democrat is moved by the presence in St. Louis of Jacob S. Coxe of "Coxey's Army" fame to give voice to the following editorial on the then and now of the situation. It says:

"An echo of the last era of tariff reform has been heard in St. Louis several times this week. Jacob S. Coxe of Ohio, is attending the farmers' meeting. It was Jacob S. Coxe who, in 1904, organized a considerable number of the discontented, who then were more common than work or wages, to march upon Washington and demand a redress of grievances. The democrats were in full authority at Washington. Mr. Cleveland was president and there was a large democrat majority in both senate and the house. The party had been swept into power on a wave of tariff reform. It had for years been thundering in its platform that, if entrusted with control of all law-making branches it would make such a mighty cut in tariff taxes that the suffering consumer would find relief from his burdens. In a way this pledge was kept. The consumer was eased of most of the burden of consuming. Idle men wandered over the country seeking something to consume. The atmosphere was cleared and purified by being cleansed of the factory smoke which had once polluted it, and appetites grew keener, partly because of that clearance and partly because everything was so cheap that it seemed in easy reach. When would-be consumers reached for things they found that the low-hanging fruit hung too high to be reached by the men tied down.

"We rejoice at the presence of Mr. Coxe here now for more than one reason. One reason is that, in coming here now, he reached his point of destination in a Pullman car and not on foot. Another is that, though he is still viewing with alarm some things that he doesn't like, there is not even a suggestion made to put him in jail. Chief of our reasons for gratification at his presence, however, is the opportunity it affords us of calling the attention of young democrats who recently raised their voices and threw up their hats for another experiment with tariff reform to the comparative condition of Jacob S. Coxe then and now. Then he traveled afoot. He now travels in parlor cars. Then he was asking 'hand-outs'

for his starving followers. Now he himself is handing out the assurance that no matter what wrongs a man thinks his, let him not put his trust in the democrat party to set them right. Thousands of men who did not march with Coxe in the 90's marched out of the democrat party with him then, and, like him, will never march back again."

A HEALTHY LEG TO STAND UPON.

Go eastward, westward, or in any direction and get a little information on conditions. Go to the liveliest city you ever heard of the size of La Grande and ask the real estate man who tries to sell you property what size pay roll exists there. Ask him how much fruit land there is surrounding the city. Ask him the quantity of wheat, of hogs, of horses that goes to market from his city. Ask him what industries he has to employ labor.

He will answer you. When he does take out your little note book and write everything he says very carefully.

Then in a still calm moment compare it with what you have at home. See if there is a town in the northwest outside of the large cities that has a pay roll of a million and a half a year.

Compare the area of fruit lands with those of the Grande Ronde.

See if there is lumbering interests anything like as large as the Palmer mill or the Grande Ronde lumber company's plant.

And be careful to investigate if there is a sugar factory located in the city.

Then too, ask about the railroad division.

And be sure there is a brick plant and large flouring mills and iron works the size you have at home.

Ha, never thought of La Grande in that light did you?

Opportunity? Why if John J. Ingalls lived today he would come clear to La Grande to write a poem telling of opportunity that laid in a beautiful valley called the Grande Ronde and that many of the people used it for a foot ball not thinking it was worth anything.

But please try that comparison. It will be the best medicine you ever took. You will return to this city with your heart so full of enthusiasm that you will cease counting the penny expense and get in the great, mad rush for bigger and better things.

It is here and there is room for everyone and three times as many more. Honestly, now don't you really think so?

Chicago Street Cars Bankrupt.

Chicago, May 23.—Chicago street railroads were unexpectedly thrown into the hands of a receiver today by Judge Grossip. The court appointed Henry C. Blair and John Roach as receivers under \$25,000 bonds, on a petition of the Westinghouse Electric company. The company owes Westinghouse \$69,000 which they are unable to pay, owing to outstanding judgments aggregating \$1,300,000.

Workmen under Contractor Childs are today moving the exhibit hall back a distance of 70 feet where it will stand permanently for use by the commercial club.

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bids will be received at the office of the Recorder of the City of La Grande Oregon, for the construction of 43,920 square yards of macadam pavement, to be constructed according to the plans and specifications now on file in this office. Bids will be received until 4 o'clock p. m., May 25th, 1910, and must be accompanied by a certified check of 5 per cent of the amount of the bid. The Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids. D. E. COX, Recorder of the City of La Grande, May 12-23.

Musical Members Attention.

Members of the Lyle Tuesday musical who have not yet paid their dues for the present year but wish to remain with the club will please hand their remittance to the secretary before May 24. At that time the last meeting of the season will be held and all members now in arrears will not be carried on the books after that date unless they are paid up.

Notice of Final Account.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the estate of Wm. D. Shell, deceased, has filed his final account in said estate in the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Union, and that the Judge of said Court, sitting in probate, has set June the 27th, 1910, at 10 a. m., at the Court Room of said

Court in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, as the time and place to hear objections to said final account and the settlement thereof, and all interested parties having any objections to same are notified to be present on said day. GEO. L. CLEAVER, Executor. 23-30-6-13-20.

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