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**SELLING IS GAINING STRENGTH.**

Undoubtedly the entrance of Jonathan Bourne into the senatorial race has made the election of Ben Selling not only possible but probable. Thousands of voters who were not formerly enthusiastic over Selling are now out to beat Bourne, who has repudiated the primary law and made monkeys out of the people who supported him, thinking him sincere. The people are resenting Bourne's movement to get office in an earnest manner and they are casting about to find the strongest man opposing Bourne.

For a time Lane seemed to have positive strength. But this melted away when Senator Chamberlain, who seems to be an ardent admirer of Bourne, entered the speaking campaign. Senator Chamberlain says nothing against Bourne, you will notice that. He has been charged with loving Bourne politically and he does not deny it in strong enough language to make it positive. This weakens Lane and turns many Democrats to Bourne. Besides Bourne always did have a Democratic following in Oregon—ever since the days when he managed the Bryan campaign while he was acting as secretary of the Republican state central committee.

Bourne's political shrewdness would never have permitted him to have entered the race now had he not had assurance from some of the prominent Democrats that he would get some support. His "Popular Government club" and "Non-Partisan Senatorial club" are only sweet sounding echoes, for Bourne plays politics and the people are now beginning to realize it.

This Democratic strength going to Bourne has eliminated Lane in many sections of the state, forcing the fight strictly between Selling and Bourne. Selling has the solid Republican strength coupled with many Progressives who are taking Selling for what he has done in the past along progressive lines and not for the way he will vote upon president this year.

All things considered Selling is the

strong man against Bourne, and as such he is going to receive the added support of a large number of voters so long as Bourne is tripped up on his "long chance" game he is playing.

**BALLOTS ARE READY.**

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quent visitor, albeit worker, at the Observer office. Being one of the force as it were, he was in an excellent position to see what the printers really needed during the hours of somber night, and—agars topped off the repast of sandwiches and coffee.

**THE FORCE.**

**Program at Arcade Tonight.**

1. Dublin Dan, three reel feature.
2. Tracy & Tracy, something new in vaudeville.
3. Gaumont Weekly.
4. Winkley & Chapmar music.

**SHATTERED THE MOUNTAIN.**

**A Volcanic Outburst That Tore Krakatoa Up by the Roots.**

The eruption of Krakatoa, in the Sunda strait Aug. 28, 1883, still ranks first among the appalling convulsions of nature.

Krakatoa was a volcanic mountain midway between Sumatra and Java, but it had been inactive since 1680. In the spring of 1883 it began to show signs of activity. On the 26th of August loud explosions were heard, and on the 28th came the eruption that fairly shook the planet.

The eruption was followed by an appalling darkness, with a downpour of mud and sand. Then came a tremendous tidal movement, the water receding and then returning and overwhelming the people on the shores. The tidal wave was fifty feet high.

When investigation became possible it was found that Krakatoa had burst, throwing one part eight miles to the north and hurling the other part completely over Lang island, seven miles to the northeast.

The great mountain was literally torn up by the roots, as was shown by the fact that over the spot where the exploded volcano had stood the sounding line found a depth of 100 fathoms, or 360 feet. Other soundings showed that the bottom of the ocean for miles around had been changed. Islands that had never been seen before appeared and others entirely disappeared.

The damage to human life, done chiefly by the monster tidal waves, has never been definitely estimated, but it is known that at least 100,000 perished. The loss was probably far in excess of that number.

Some idea of the force of the explosion may be had from the fact that the waves that were started by it and driven east and west from the narrow straits, traveled across the oceans and met on the other side of the globe. Indeed, it was proved that these waves crossed at the antipodes and encircled the earth no less than four times before they got back to normal.

Strange as it may seem, the detonation accompanying the explosion was felt 3,000 miles away, while from its very immensity it was almost inaudible to the dwellers in the immediate vicinity.

Wonderful, too, were the meteorological phenomena following the great calamity. The sun did not rise or set in the old familiar way for more than a year after the explosion. The clouds appeared to be touched with strange wild tints, and the blue of the heavens

fore. The superstitious in all lands felt that the very laws of nature were changing, and some imagined that the world was nearing its end.

The explanation, later on given, was that the queer phenomena were due to the fact that the awful explosion had filled the whole upper atmosphere with thousands of tons of fine dust, which encircled the entire earth and changed the aspect of the heavens.—New York American.

**A Curious Canal.**

Between Worsley and St. Helens, in the north of England, is the most remarkable canal in the world. It is underground from end to end and is sixteen miles long. In Lancashire the coal mines are very extensive, half the country being undermined, and many years ago the Duke of Bridgewater's managers thought they could save money by transporting the coal underground instead of on the surface. The canal was constructed and the mines connected and drained at the same time. Ordinary canalboats are used, but the power is furnished by men. On the roof of the tunnel arch are crosspieces, and the men do the work of propulsion by lying on their backs on the coal and pushing with their feet against the crossbars on the roof.

**An Expensive Drop.**

Mr. Hiram Jones had just returned from a personally conducted tour of Europe. "I suppose," commented a friend, "that when you were in England you did as the English do and dropped your H's?"

"No," moodily responded the returned traveler, "I didn't. I did as the Americans do. I dropped my V's and X's."

Then he slowly meandered down to the bank to see if he couldn't get the mortgage extended.—Lippincott's.

**The Doubtful One.**

Spurgeon was once asked if the man who learned to play a cornet on Sunday would go to heaven.

The great preacher's reply was characteristic. Said he, "I don't see why he should not, but"—after a pause—"I doubt whether the man next door will."—London Tit-Bits.

**Cruel.**

Miss Yellowleaf—Yes, ours is a very old family. You know, we came over in the Mayflower. Miss Cautique—Indeed! And did you—er—have a pleasant voyage?—Judge.

**A Bright Scholar.**

Teacher—John, what is wrong with the sentence, "The goat went in the garden?" John—The words "garden" and "goat" should be transposed.—Exchange.

**Today.**

Live today as though it was the only day you had to live. This is the secret of the forceful life, the life of vitality and beauty, the only life that is worth while.

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**Livery Horses Burn.**

Los Angeles, Oct. 28.—A spectacular fire early this morning here, destroyed a livery stable and incinerated 30 horses. One hundred and fifty horses were in the stables.

**Walla Walla Family Here.**

E. E. Kinzey and wife left Sunday noon for their home in Walla Walla, after a two weeks' visit in this city with Mr. Kinzey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kinzey.

**Miss McKennon Home.**

Miss Ethel McKennon of Elgin returned this afternoon from a visit with relatives in Union.

**Elgin Lady Visits Here.**

Mrs. P. Smith of Elgin was a visitor with La Grande friends over Sunday.

**Mrs. Richey Home.**

Mrs. G. M. Richey returned today from an extended trip to the East, visiting in Missouri and returning via El Paso and California.

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**Saved by His Wife.**

She's a wise woman who knows just what to do when her husband's life is in danger, but Mrs. R. J. Flint, Branh tree, Vt., is of that kind. "She insisted on my using Dr. King's New Discovery," writes Mr. F. "for a dreadful cough, when I was so weak my friends all thought I had only a short time to live, and it completely cured me." A quick cure for coughs and colds, it is the most safe and reliable medicine for many throat and lung troubles—grip, bronchitis, croup, whooping cough, quinsy, tonsillitis, hemorrhages. A trial will convince you. 50 cents and \$1.00. Guaranteed by all druggists.

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