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### GIVE CUMMINS TIME AND WATCH HIM.

When Mr. Cummins waded into Iowa and tipped that state over politically many thought a new political saviour had arrived. Old Iowa with her staunch and substantial delegation in congress was transformed into a hotbed of pulling and hauling almost the moment Mr. Cummins entered politics. Still, through all of his successful career there were good cool heads who predicted that he also contained the

selfish streak and that it would show up in time. It has shown up.

The Portland Telegram editorially very aptly called attention to the bickering and foolishness engaged in by Senator Cummins in order to delay congressional matters, and very appropriately gave the senator a gentle rap that should reach him.

It is a good plan to keep the glass on Senator Cummins and watch him closely. If you notice a sidestepper—a man who has a very selfish disposition, and a man who does not measure up to the high standards of which he talks do not be surprised.

### WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT OF MR. BRYAN?

"I have found in my experience that people will find fault, no matter what a man does, whether it is good or bad."

This was the language of Mr. Bryan at Warsaw, Indiana, in referring to the widespread objection regarding his lecture tours while holding a high office of trust. It is a disappointment to hear one of the nation's big men talk like that, and reminds one of a wayward girl who, when criticised by a parent, makes a similar remark.

Mr. Bryan owes his time, his effort, his energy to the government. An office such as secretary of state does not run well without the head. At this time there is a fearful unrest all over the world. Wars are being staged in other countries almost hourly and the United States with its far reaching commerce should be on guard every moment. Yet Mr. Bryan holds

to the chautauqua platform because there is revenue in it.

Can it be that we have all been disappointed in this great alleged Commoner?

### THE LESSON TAUGHT BY COVE.

Cove's cherry fair has passed into history as the most successful event ever pulled off in that community. It has grown to be more than a county meeting for Wallowa and Baker people were numerous this year and a few came all the way from Portland.

Cove has taught us that a good time is not measured by dollars and cents, but rather that the old-fashioned spirit of getting together and renewing acquaintance is quite as essential as witnessing a head-on collision or a bird man.

The program at the cherry show was complete with good attractions—home folks who dressed up in costume, gave a pretty drama and interspersed the program with good music. There were cherries for all and the only thing to be charged for was refreshments.

### MR. McMURRAY'S NEW FOLDERS.

William McMurray, passenger agent for the O.-W. R. & N. company has just issued two new folders. One is captioned "Central Oregon," and the other, "Along the Columbia River." To look at these elegantly printed folders showing the fishing streams, the good hotels, the perfect auto roads and the people thoroughly enjoying themselves makes one long for the big bank roll and a fishing rod—a 40-horse power machine and a camping outfit.

The folders are works of art that will cause people to leave their workshops and seek enjoyment; will cause the weak to seek health in the mountains and the Easterner to hasten to Oregon to take up a few hundred acres of government land where there is artesian water.

Railroad literature is plentiful but Mr. McMurray has shown the final effort in bringing out these handsome folders.

The next big event in the county is the Union county fair—a forerunner of which will be pulled off Sunday when the motorcycles chug through two counties on the great endurance run. After which the cow girls and cow boys will hold forth at the fair grounds with an extensive program of luckarooing, roping, etc. But the county fair proper is an event which is entitled to the extreme interest of everyone who has an ambition to see Union county forge to the front. We have the stock, the grain, the fruit and the people, and if we do not have an exposition that is second to the state fair in Oregon it will be due to no lack of products and live stock. We believe this year there is a greater interest than ever before. Union has promised to be here with the finest ex-

hibit ever before shown in the county, and Cove will also have a proper section of the horticultural hall carrying the wonderful products of that part of the valley. Elgin, Imbler and Alicel will be represented as will Summer-ville and Island City. There is talk of the Sandridge people making a large exhibit known as the "Sandridge Exhibit" which in itself will be worth traveling a good many miles to see.

### A GOOD WILL CELEBRATION.

With the celebration in Erie of the Perry centennial, marking 100 years of peace between Great Britain and the United States, attention is drawn to the manner in which these two great nations, in spite of occasional provocations, have maintained pleasant relations.

The good will between the two countries perhaps was put to its greatest strain during the civil war when Great Britain, cut off from its cotton supply, openly sympathized with the south and, what is more important, permitted vessels that later harrassed the American marine to be fitted out in its ports. This wrong was righted years after when we were given a substantial award in the so-called Alabama claims. Some idea of how big public men in England felt toward the struggle is shown by the fact that Carlyle, philosopher and writer, wrote a pamphlet defending the Confederate cause, an act which he afterward regretted and did his best to atone for by making liberal provision in his will for Harvard university.

During the controversy over the Venezuelan boundary Cleveland fired two hemispheres by his famous "war message," but Lord Salisbury, at that time the head of British foreign affairs, give "the soft answer which turneth away wrath" and war once more was averted. Since then trifling fishery and boundary claims have been the only questions arising between the two nations.

During the Spanish-American war Great Britain proved a good friend when it declined to enter or endorse a European movement for intervention in behalf of Spain.

At the present moment the mother country is proving that blood is thicker than water by making it plain to its ally, Japan, that it is distinctly to be counted out of any quarrel which the oriental nation may have with this. Some day the influence that Great Britain's advice to Japan has had in cooling the latter's diplomatic correspondence on the California land question will be better realized than it is today.

The United States faces British territory on the longest unprotected boundary line in the world. It is fitting that the good feeling which this indicates be celebrated not merely for itself but as an example to a rather quarrelsome and belligerent people.

It only took the strong right arm of Mayor Albee to quell the I. W. W. boys in Portland. The wonder is that the strong right arm of someone else had not done it long ago. But perhaps strong right arms are as scarce as stiff backbones in the Willamette valley.

There is not a fire now but what general satisfaction is expressed by the people at having a modern fire fighting apparatus and a band of husky volunteer firemen who are on the job before one can call up central.

It is the opinion of Chicago suffragists that women policemen must be husky and have nerve. We have seen a number of little women who had plenty of nerve without making the

scales fidgety with their huskiness.

Evidently the recall has been deformed or put to sleep by some of its friends, which is after all the steel and graceful way to handle a matter.

Cards of pure gold have been given by a wealthy Russian nobleman at Petersburg for the celebration of a golden wedding. This man certainly must have a real feeling for his wife.

Not to carry a scar from an appendicitis operation is getting to be as unfashionable as a mole on a nose.

A few showers do no harm now that the alfalfa is in the stack.

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