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YET HE WAS SAFE

While many have often guessed what "Roosevelt would do" if he were in the President's chair now that war echoes on all sides, it is interesting to note in the New York Times the following comment on the ex-president: That model of the woolsock, Chief Justice Isaac Franklin Russell, may have departed a little bit from the sagacity and wisdom that characterize almost all of his judicial utterances when he described Theodore Roosevelt as "a hellhound of war." It so happens that while President Roosevelt bared his teeth very often he was the most peaceful President that it would be possible to imagine. Wars are not always made by belligerent and bellicose-talking men. It is easily possible to think of the idea that a lover of peace, a man to whom warfare was abhorrent, even a man who had been in charge of a university before he became president of the United States, might, with all his good intentions, endanger the peace of the country more than a ferocious president who knew how the business of nations was conducted. Theodore Roosevelt is an example of one of these two kinds of presidents. We may specify James K. Polk as an example of the other kind. Mr. Roosevelt did not embark our nation in any bloody adventure during the seven years when he was at its head. Once he was asked to tell what was the greatest service he had rendered in the cause of peace. His questioner expected him to say that it was his part in ending the Russo-Japanese war, for which he received the \$40,000 Nobel prize. The ex-president smiled and said, "The sending of the American fleet to the Pacific in 1907."

He may have been mistaken, but there is no question that the man who does the most for peace may be the man who knows best the meaning of war. At any rate, well-meaning administrations with a theoretical and academic love of peace are not always the surest guarantees against strife.

Lou Stinson and Frank Wrighton, of Salem, came in last night from Baker, where they attended the Knights of Pythias Roll Call and this afternoon will leave on the Enterprise special for the big convention at Enterprise. Everybody in La Grande was pleased to see the Salem boys. Our own old "Lou" gets the grand honors in every town he visits, not only by lodgemen but by the citizens as well. His annual visits are looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure by the multitude who know him.

PRESIDENT OPENS FAIR

(Continued from Page 1.) started the "Fountain of Energy," in front of the Tower of Jewels. Flags were raised on exposition buildings throughout the grounds; Lincoln W. Beachy circled the Tower of Jewels in an aeroplane, releasing in midair doves symbolizing the peace of the world. Megaphone Carries Wilson's Voice. The mandate, throwing wide the gates, came direct from President Wilson at Washington, over the new transcontinental telephone line. The

mandate was in the form of a congratulatory message and the president's voice carried splendidly over the three thousand miles of wire; an electric megaphone then carried the president's words to every part of the 655 acres covered by the exposition, and the big show was on.

President Wilson was unable to be here in person to participate in the historic celebration, but was represented by a member of his cabinet, Secretary of the Interior, Lane, a California product.

The crowd attending the opening ceremonies came from the four points of the compass. Exposition officials estimated that 500,000 people would pass through the turnstiles before the end of the day. It was undoubtedly the largest crowd ever to attend any exposition on its opening day.

Some Work Remains. Two years ago President Charles C. Moore promised that the exposition would be complete in every respect on the opening date and he has fulfilled his promise so far as the exposition proper was concerned. The landscape work was complete, the courts and buildings finished and the exhibits in their places. The exposition's amusement place is the biggest thing ever attempted in its line. There is still some work to be done in the government buildings, but this work will be completed, according to the contractors, within two weeks.

Vari-Natured Noises Heard. The Pacific Coast fleet opened the day by booming a twenty-one gun salute. This was the signal for hundreds of other craft in the harbor and the clamor continued for nearly an hour. The guns of Presidio forts also joined in the demonstration and every factory whistle in the bay district tooted continuously for thirty minutes. Every street car and church bell and every automobile horn in the city also contributed to the noise making. Scores of drum corps and bands went about calling the citizens at dawn, and all San Francisco was awake and dressed by 7 o'clock.

The greatest parade in California's history preceded the exposition's opening. More than 250,000 persons participated, marching along Van Ness avenue from Market street to the exposition gates. The parade started promptly at 9 o'clock and representatives from all of the nations exhibiting at the fair were in line. The local Japanese and colonies here alone had more than 1,000 men, women and children in line. Bands, and plenty of them were in the parade, the idea being to have plenty of music at all times for the marchers. Many of the crack fire and drum corps throughout the state also participated in the parade, which was led by Mayor James Rolph, Jr.

Dedication ceremonies and felicitations followed President Wilson's telephoned mandate. Outlay is Enormous. There are more than 60,000 separate exhibits in the big palaces, lining the long avenues of palms and and tropical gardens. It cost \$50,000,000 to build the exposition palaces alone, and the exhibits are valued at \$350,000,000. In addition to 42 foreign nations and the Federal Government, nearly every state in the union sent exhibits. While Germany, Austria, England, Serbia and Belgium are not nationally represented, they have extensive exhibits in the various exposition buildings. Other nations like France and Japan increased, rather than diminished their participation, because of the war.

Funpath Called "Zone." The zone represents an outlay of more than \$10,000,000. It extends for nearly a mile and is lined with huge spectacular and mirth-making devices. It is the costliest amusement street ever built at a world's exposition. Some 7,000 people are employed in this section alone.

One of the most interesting features of the zone is the miniature reproduction of the Panama canal. Visitors sit on a revolving platform which takes them slowly around a miniature Isthmus of Panama, from ocean to ocean, and back again, seeing the Panama canal from every viewpoint and acquiring a perfect knowledge of its workings. Tiny steamboats sail around a miniature Pacific ocean and then right into the canal and up to the Miraflores Locks, where the steam mule will take them up and carry

them into Miraflores Lake. Through the Culebra Cut these baby ships pass and out into Gatun Lake, from whence they are taken through Gatun Locks and out into Limon Bay and the Atlantic ocean. A railroad with real trains runs the entire length of the canal, with tunnels and cuts and fills and with everything just as it is on the Panama railroad.

Mount Tamalpais, the original, not in reproduction of picture, but in reality, is the outstanding feature of Marin county's display in the California building. The space allotted to Marin county happened to front the bay in the direction of Mount Tamalpais. With the permission of the commissioners of the building a large observation was cut into the wall and Mount Tamalpais was plainly visible and forms the center piece of the display.

One of the best educational exhibits at the exposition is the scenic portrayal of what the Dominion of Canada has to offer. The Canadian building has a most exhaustive panorama, with mechanical devices to make it more instructive of every item of congress, agriculture, horticulture and mining in its territory. The best part of it is that the display is produced so that it is like attending a motion picture show of intense interest, along each side of the building there are replica of different regions of Canada.

Tonight the carnival spirit will have its first hilarious fling when the city and its guests will through the zone and dance in the exposition year. At dusk a lever will be thrown, releasing a stream of electrical energy generated in the Sierras 200 miles away, illuminating the fountains and buildings by a new, indirect method, the lights themselves being concealed. This is regarded as one of the great beautifying triumphs of the exposition. In addition more than 100 arc-lights will be employed to add to the brilliancy of the night displays.

The exposition will remain open, including Sundays and holidays, until December 4, 1915.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS MADE

Entire State Shows Active Work in Many Places.

Salem, Ore., Feb. 20.—It is not believed the prohibition law as enacted will affect the hop industry, as 98 per cent of the Oregon crop was shipped to other states and countries.

Corvallis—Buxton Planing Mills have built handsome new office.

Prineville—Pioneers Creamery will resume operations.

Assays of sand from Des Chutes river show \$2.50 per ton of gold.

Redmond wants a starch factory and reports several gold strikes.

Cutting out one judge reduces expenses of elections.

Portland—Tudor Arms apartment is to cost \$125,000.

Senate passed bill for new \$50,000 Normal Training School at Monmouth.

The C. A. Smith mills on Coos Bay will operate in spite of financial straits.

Three state development bills were passed by the House—to lease the soda lakes, to grant right of way over public lands and to sell citizens state annuities.

Senator (Miss) Clarke of Glendale does not think the oratory in the senate is worth it costs the state.

Washington County grangers oppose advertising on fences and barns.

Company formed to develop Mill Creek Falls near Gold Hill.

Interstate Commerce commission rules S. P. Co., can't continue to operate Pacific Mail Steamship company.

H. O. Fry and John Volz have added new machines to Marshfield broom handle plant.

People generally are awakening to the fact that laws which cripple and kill industrial activity do not "benefit" the workingman as some of the reformers would lead one to believe. In fact the astounding discovery has been made that a freak law never gave a single workman employment, though such laws have thrown thousands out of work.

Gold Hill planning street improvement park.

Cottage Grove is to have a station park.

Rex is moving for a new high school. S. Ames has bought the old Craig store at Silverton and will make improvements.

Welch & Co., Baker undertakers will erect \$8000 building.

Women have been receiving \$22.50 a month less for teaching than men. A law just enacted aims to give the same.

Silverton sawmill resumes operation.

Beaverton-Fisher block to be built cost \$9,000.

Inman-Poulson Logging Camp resumes operations. Employees 200 men.

The state does not want a new grist of labor legislation. Some industries we have need relief from restrictions to employment and production.

A promoter of gas plants has Corvallis on the list.

Pendleton planning for a new school. Increasing activity in Oregon shipyards.

Legislature passed bill for a five per cent preferential on Oregon made products in public buildings without a dissenting vote.

Cutting out plate matter and patent insides newspapers are giving more men work.

You'd Better get one of Those N. K. West Suits of Overcoats now While You can Buy Them at the Remodeling and Feb. Cleanup Sale

Windy March and rainy April are ahead—you can use a good wind and rain proof raincoat or overcoat to good advantage—and now at the big reductions we are offering them you will not have to spend much for one—exclusive agency for "Kenreign" make insures you in regard to the quality. One lot cravenettes, values to \$17.50 now at \$4.95

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. \$10.00 Raincoats now \$7.50; \$15.00 Raincoats now \$11.25; \$17.50 Raincoats now \$13.75; \$12.50 Balmacaans or Overcoats \$8.35; \$17.50 Balmacaans or Overcoats \$11.70; \$20.00 Balmacaans or Overcoats \$13.35

Four Famous Brands of Men's Suits

"Benjamin," "Society Brand," Hirsch-Wickwre" and "Fidelity" suits—every suit guaranteed to give satisfactory wear in every respect. The newest patterns and weaves—English and conservative models—Come in and try on a few; you'll see they are better than others at the price.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. \$15.00 Suits now \$11.25; \$17.50 Suits now \$13.15; \$20.00 Suits now \$15.00; \$22.50 Suits now \$16.90; \$25.00 Suits now \$18.75; \$27.50 Suits now \$20.65; \$17.50 Raincoats now \$13.15



seem to actually rejoice that jitney traffic is crippling the revenues of street car companies.

Silverton Dist. No. 4 will open bids Feb. 25 on \$15,000 school house.

F. A. Eadie, Lebanon Creamery Co., builds \$3600 bungalow.

Dallas Mercantile Co., will add 40 feet to store.

Soloist Draws Well. C. P. Ferrin is now singing regularly at Sherry's and his voice was never better. His friends are taking much delight in hearing him again on the "movies" rostrum.

The theater has added a violin to the orchestra which helps supply first class music for the patrons.

Perry School Board Meets. Perry, Feb. 20.—(Special).—The school board met Thursday night to discuss matters pertaining to the future management of the school.

The logging train is not ready to start its runs from Perry to camp, and will make the first trip perhaps Saturday.

Boys Hear Zuppke. Michigan City, Ind., Feb. 20.—The older boys of the Y. M. C. A. of Northern Indiana will hear Coach Robert Zuppke, of the University of Illinois, tell how he made the Illinois conference champions last year, in an address tonight.

Entire City Confesses. Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 20.—Birmingham today observed her first city-wide confession day. The movement is interdenominational and is promoted by the Birmingham Sunday School association.

Body Sent to Condon. The remains of James Stevenson, aged 71, a liveryman at Condon, who died yesterday, were sent to the home town last evening. W. H. Bohnenkamp Co., undertakers, had charge of the arrangements.

Wilson Wakes Up Early. Washington, Feb. 20.—President Wilson was scheduled at 3 a.m. today to open the Panama Exposition. An alarm clock, a brand new one, had been given the chief executive so he would not over sleep.

Dartmouth vs. Brown. Providence, R. I., Feb. 20.—Dartmouth and Brown resumed athletic relations today after an eight years' lapse. The break resulted from a ball game in 1907. Today's event was a dual meet.

Death of Mrs. Clara Belknap. Baker, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Clara Belknap, wife of Dr. V. C. Belknap of Prairie City, died yesterday in Portland, according to information received by friends here yesterday. Mrs. Belknap was in Portland for several weeks before her death, having been taken there for medical treatment.

CLIMATIC DATA. Climatic data, based on readings for 24 hours ending last night at 6 o'clock: Maximum, 46, Minimum 36, Lowest temperature last night 33.

ment. The deceased was about 40 years of age and her untimely death will be mourned by a host of friends in Baker.

The remains are expected to arrive here this morning and will be shipped immediately to Prairie City, where the funeral and interment will be held tomorrow, with Rev. O. F. Jones of this city officiating.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE. As I am leaving the city, will sell a part of my household goods including stoves, tables, kitchen cabinet, water motor washing machine, bed, and other articles. If you can use any of these and want to buy it right, call at 804 Washington street or PHONE BLACK 662.

PUBLIC SALE. THE UNDERSIGNED WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE AT THE COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS AT LA GRANDE, OREGON Saturday, February 27, 1915. COMMENCING AT 1 P. M. SHARP, THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY: 18 HEAD OF HORSES AND 15 HEAD OF CATTLE. 2 Matched Geldings, 4 yr. old, black, weight about 1700; 2 Mares, weight about 1050, coming 5 years old; 1 Black Gelding, 5 yr. old, weight 1350; 1 Grey Gelding 5 yr. old, weight 1500; 1 Black Mare 7 yr. old, weight 1100; 1 Bay Mare 8 yr. old, weight 1200; 1 Sorrel Mare 6 yr. old, weight 1250; 1 Mare 7 yr. old, weight 1250; 1 Mare 5 yr. old, weight 1350; 1 Mare about 12 yr. old, weight 1100; 1 Mare coming 7 yr. old, weight 1050; 2 Two-Year Old Colts; 1 Brown Horse 4 yr. old, weight 1400; 1 Brown Mare 4 yr. old, weight 1200; 1 Buckskin Horse 12 yr. old, weight 1000; 8 Good Young Jersey Milch Cows; 1 Yearling Jersey Heifer; 6 Head of Heifers coming fresh; 1 3 1/4 Wagon; 1 Surrey; 1 Single Buggy and Harness; 1 Hack; 1 Deering Binder; 1 Manure Spreader; 1 Monitor Drill; 1 Oliver 12-inch Gang Plow; 1 Three-Section Harrow; 1 Orchard Planter; 1 Potato Planter; 1 Hay Stacker and Pulleys; 1 14-inch Walking Plow; 1 Jackson Fork; 100 Feet of Cable; 3 Set Work Harness; 1 Heavy Breeching Team Harness; 1 Economy Chief Cream Separator. Many Articles for Sale not Mentioned. TERMS ANNOUNCED DAY OF SALE. ED. STRINGHAM, AUCTIONEER. E. J. BROWN & CO. OWNERS.

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