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"God help Uncle Joe," is the statement J. Adam Bede, congressman from Minnesota and humorist of the house, is said to have made upon his overwhelming defeat in the primaries for renomination. Mr. Bede, like Uncle Joe and Mr. Taft, fought organized labor, and organized labor is at last fighting its opponents at the polls.

What Papers Say

TAFT AND CONGRESS

(Sacramento Bee.)
In his warm-hearted approval of Taft for president, Roosevelt says:
"I have naturally a peculiar interest in the success of Mr. Taft, and in seeing him backed by a majority in both houses of congress, which will support his policies."

If that majority in congress be republican, Taft's policies will not be supported by it if those policies are in any way identified with the vital principles which have become known as Rooseveltism.

Between Rooseveltism and Cannonism there is the wide gulf which separates the man who will from the man who will not; the door from the reactionary; the one who wants to see the laws against criminal trusts enforced and the man who wants those criminal trusts still to fatten and still to prosper.

The republican candidates for congress, from Joseph Q. Cannon down, are practically pledged against Rooseveltism by the republican national platform.

And so, for that matter, is William Howard Taft himself.

ROGUE RIVER ITEMS.

Frank Nelson, the sawmill man, is with us again. This time he is putting up a substantial sawmill on Elk creek. This will make four sawmills and a shingle mill that freight their lumber down the Rogue river roads. The other sawmills are the Messenger mill, Mareks mill and Welch's mill. They all turn out a fine quality of lumber.

Mrs. Mary Marten has just returned from a trip to Canada, where she has been visiting her son Thomas.

The genial agent of the White Sewing Machine company is disposing of quite a number of those most excellent machines in this section.

Grandma Phillips, an aged lady, died at the home of J. C. Willard of Upper Trail on September 8. She was mother of Mrs. A. L. Hall of Trail. She was buried in the Antioch cemetery September 10.

This has been the banner year for huckleberries. They have been more plentiful and of better quality this year than they have been for five years before. At one time this summer there was an estimate of about 1000 people in the berry patch at one time.

The manufacture of sorghum has begun in this section. There are four sorghum mills near Trail that make from 100 to 500 gallons of sorghum each year. It sells readily in the market for 75 cents per gallon.

John Bergman, one of Rogue river's industrious farmers, died at his home September 10. He leaves a wife, one daughter and five sons to mourn his loss.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION TO AID NEW STUDENTS

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Sept. 16.—The Y. M. C. A. of the University of Oregon has devised a novel and effective method for assisting new students to find boarding and rooming places. They will erect a large tent near the depot, where headquarters will be established and full information kept in regard to all boarding houses. A large Oregon banner is to be placed above the entrance, and all of the assistants, of whom there will be 12 or 15, will also wear the Oregon colors. They expect all students to make the tent headquarters and to leave suitcases and parcels there until rooms are found. During the four or five days in which students are arriving in greatest numbers a sufficiently large number of helpers will be on hand to show them the best boarding places. The number of rooms available this year, both for men and women, is much larger than usual.

Notice to Hunters.

As the impression that it is lawful to kill deer by dogs during hunting season has gone forth, I wish to state that in accordance with a decision rendered by the attorney general, it is unlawful to kill deer pursued by dogs at any time of the year, and that the law in regard to the same will be rigidly enforced.

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STORY OF THE FLOOD

One of the Strange Legends of the Yuma Indians.

CAUSE OF THE GREAT STORM.

The Tipping Up of the Earth Caused the Deluge Which Engulfed the World—The Mysterious Ark and the Escape of the Chosen Few.

To this day the great deluge recorded in the Bible is a mystery to the North American Indian. He will not be led to believe that the flood was brought about by the sins of man. He is equally unwilling to believe that it was the work of an angry God, as he could not see how the Almighty should be so unjust as to punish the Indians of America for the naughty things of a race of people across the ocean. Another reason which makes it still more difficult for the Indian to believe that the flood was a punishment to the world is the fact that with him there is no sin. In his language there is no such word, nor does he expect to be punished for any of his acts.

But though there is no equivalent to the word sin in the Indian language (nor in the Indian mind until the Christians came), the Indians have their philosophy in regard to what is commonly so termed. Some of their teachers (most of whom claimed to have been taught the philosophy of life and its laws directly by disembodied spirits or by ethereal beings from other planets) taught that as man lives here so is his life hereafter. If he will be in the more spiritual life, if he will be serene and contented here, so he will be there, etc.

The deluge, as described by the few who were miraculously saved, was the more grandly terrible in that it came on suddenly. From the highlands occupied by the Indians they saw the waves of the sea sweep in upon the land and recede only to advance with immensely increased volume and stupendously huge breakers. Then there came a terrific storm that seemed to blow from all and in all directions. The storm caused huge waterfalls which appeared over the wild ocean as far as the eye could see. The terrified people fled to the mountains, but these were all soon to be submerged, with the exception of one. This mountain which alone remained unoverwhelmed by the flood is called Avoe-holah (mountain of the Moon, yet today it is not a very high mountain).

For awhile before the mountains became submerged there was a great calm, and a dense fog covered the earth. Then suddenly a mighty boat appeared to the view of the Indians. It approached and stopped at the several mountains still unoverwhelmed by the waters, and at each point where it touched, as if guided by invisible intelligence, the Indians, as if obeying an unspoken but potent command, entered the boat.

The boat rested first at a place called Avoe-quant (mountain peak), now Peot Knob, on the border of Mexico. There was a mesa on the top of this mountain, though at this day it does not exist, and on this mesa the Indians first celebrated their delivery. They did by playing sacred games, chanting sacred songs, etc. On rocks at the foot of this peak there are hieroglyphics in an unknown language, which some of the Indians believe were made by those who survived the flood.

Petrified driftwood is still to be seen two-thirds the distance up the sides of Avoe-holah, which drift, the Indians say, was deposited by the waves of the great flood.

The Indians, having rested for a time on the mountain peak, again entered the boat and were carried eastward, eventually to a small valley. Here they again rested, and then, leaving the boat, they wandered from one place to another, after a time returning to the valley. To their surprise, the boat was gone. It could not have floated away, for the land was dry whereon they had left it, the flood having subsided after a great calm of its waters. The boat could not have crumpled to pieces, for there had not been time for its decay. They could only conclude that the mysterious boat, having fulfilled its mission of preserving a few of their race, had disappeared as miraculously as it had appeared.

The spot where the mysterious boat, or ark, had rested was marked by the Indians placing there a huge log. They called the place Qual-jo-terra (boat's resting place). This spot is held sacred by the Indians, who will seldom point it out to strangers. Not many hundred years ago, it is said, some Indian warriors were passing the spot, and one of them to show his skepticism shot an arrow into the side of the great log. Immediately a stream of blood gushed from the spot pierced, and the skeptic fell dead. The story of the event was carried to all the near tribes, and since then Indians passing the place fear to even look leisurely at the log.

A reason given by the Indians as the probable cause of the flood was that there was a tribe of Indians who, like Columbus, believed that the earth was not flat, but round, and to prove whether this theory were true thousands from the different tribes banded together and started out on a journey to find the edge of the earth if it was flat. The flood occurred soon after the Indians started on this journey, so that they really believed that those adventurers had reached the edge of the earth and their weight had tipped the earth to such an extent as to cause the water to rush in on the land.—Los Angeles Times.

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