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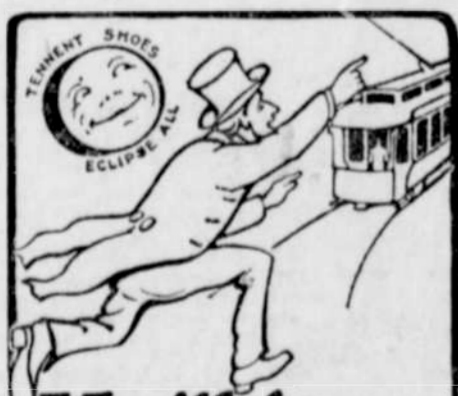
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THE TWO SECTIONS COMPARED.

Gain of the Transmississippi States In Political, Power and Their Growth In Industrial Influence. Balance of the Two Great Geographical Sections and Its Meaning.

There are twenty states and four territories west of the Mississippi river, not including Alaska and Hawaii. They contain 65 per cent of our area on this continent, says the World's Work for September. This area holds 32 per cent of our population, whose representatives cast 45 per cent of the votes in the senate and 30 per cent of the votes in the house. It has 50 per cent of the property value of all the states as assessed for taxation.

Eighteen per cent of the capital invested in home manufactures is within this territory, and it produces in value 20 per cent of the manufactured products of the whole country. In addition to this the west produces 47 per cent of the total agricultural products of the United States from farms representing 57 per cent of the total farm values.

Growth has been so rapid that in two decades it has caused the center of population to move from Ohio to Indiana, the center of farm values from eastern Indiana to Western Illinois and the center of farming area from eastern Illinois to central Missouri. Twenty years ago the center of the manufacturing industry was in western Pennsylvania. Today it is in central Ohio. The center of the farm income of the United States now rests on the Mississippi river, and while land values have declined in New England they have increased by more than 100 per cent in the west.

Politically the west has always had an influence disproportionate to its population, because every state has two senators and a member of the house regardless of population. Notwithstanding this overrepresentation to start with the growth of the political power of the west has been very rapid. In 1880, when the senate had but seventy-six members, the west cast 34 per cent of the total votes. At the present time, when the senate has ninety members, the west has 45 per cent of the votes. No new senators can be added from the eastern states. Should the territories become states, as they will in the natural order of events, the west will have practically as large a senatorial vote as the east.

In the house the situation is different, for the population governs representation. The gain of western power in the house seems slow, but it is far from being a negligible quantity. In 1880 of the 325 members of the house 24 per cent were from the west. In the present house, with its 386 members, the west has 30 per cent. The east is making great strides in population, and for many years to come, possibly for all time, the east will retain control of the house. But the control of the senate by the west is probably a mere matter of time.

With only 32 per cent of the population the west may therefore be said to hold today an equal division of political power with the east. The west practically controls the senate; the east controls the house. No harm has come to the east from this division of political power with the west, but much good. National politics has been broadened thereby, and conservatism has been leavened with energy until national policies present a healthy and vigorous character.

The growth of the west has hitherto been based chiefly upon mining, agriculture and stock raising. The output of minerals was never greater than it is now, nor were prospects ever surer that it will increase. The agricultural product of the west is half the product of the whole country, and the east looks to it to supply the food deficiencies of a future time when denser population will demand the products from a greater area. Even now the west supplies the great surplus of food-stuffs which enter into foreign trade and constitute the bulk of American exports. Colorado leads in the production of minerals, yet her farms now produce an even greater total of values than her mines. Twenty years ago irrigation was inconsiderable; today 8,000,000 acres of land are supplied with water.

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STAYTON, OREGON.

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The treasury department has notified all customs officers that foreign vessels may do business between American ports and Ancon.

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United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, September 21, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, David B. Smith, of Salem, county of Marion, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 648 for the purchase of the N¹/₄ of N¹/₄ of Section No. 12, in Township No. 9 south, range 3 east, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Thursday, the 8th day of December, 1904. He names as witnesses: William T. Clark, of Gates, Oregon, Robert Moorehouse, of Elkhorn, Oregon, Charles Rains, of Elkhorn, Oregon, Daniel Rains, of Elkhorn, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 8th day of December, 1904. ALGERNON S. DRESSER, Register.

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