

# McARTHUR HAS GOOD RECORD

As Member of Legislature He Voted to Regulate Corporations

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C. N. McARTHUR

Republican nominee for Congress

Mr. McArthur's enemies have charged him with being the candidate of "Big Business," but an examination of the House journals of the sessions of 1909 and 1913 gives the lie to these charges. At each of these sessions corporations were represented by powerful lobbies, and strong influences were brought to bear in their behalf, yet the official records show that Mr. McArthur supported and voted for many measures regulating railroads and other corporations in their dealings with the public. Among these measures may be mentioned the following:

1. An act providing for the better protection of travelers, of railroad employees and property owners by requiring railroad companies to fence their right of way.

2. An act creating the insurance department, prohibiting premium rebates, regulating insurable rates, and prohibiting the enforcement of trust-made rates.

3. An act providing for the regulation, distribution, use and right to use water, commonly known as the "Water Code."

4. An act prohibiting unjust discrimination between localities by railroads and other common carriers.

5. An act providing for the construction, maintenance and operation of switch connections between railroads and branch line railroads and private sidetracks.

6. An act requiring railroad companies east of the Cascade Mountains to mow the grass and weeds from their right of way during the month of June each year.

7. An act providing for the granting of water power franchise by the state, and collecting fees therefor.

8. An act providing for an appropriation to extend the state Portage Road from Big Eddy to The Dalles, thereby completing the connection between the boat lines of the upper and lower Columbia River.

9. An act compelling railroad companies to install cattle guards.

10. An act protecting the purchasers of stocks and bonds, and preventing fraud in the sale thereof, commonly known as the "Blue Sky Law."

11. An act amending section 6904 of Lord's Oregon Laws, relative to demurrage and reciprocal demurrage, and preventing discrimination.

12. An act providing for the surrendering and turning over to the State of Oregon by the Southern-Pacific Company, certain property at the foot of Jefferson street, commonly known as the "Public Levee."

13. An act providing for the supervision and regulation of the issuance of stock certificates of public corporations.

One cannot read this record without coming to the conclusion that Mr. McArthur has, as a member of the Legislature of this state, been faithful to the people's interests. He has not been owned or controlled by the corporations, as his opponents allege. He has, however, been fair and just to the corporations, as well as to all other interests; has never attempted to make political capital or play the role of the demagogue by ranting against them. He believes that corporations are necessary for our general welfare, but is also a firm believer in rigid regulation and control of these corporations.

If elected to Congress, Mr. McArthur will continue to work for the best interests of his constituents. A vote for him is a vote for an upright, courageous and fair minded public official, who has been faithful to every public trust, and who stands squarely on his record as a citi-

## Whence and Hither?

A sublime passage is Carlyle's vision of history as a stupendous procession forth-laming from Cimmerian night and vanishing into pathetic and faithless silence, which is given as follows in "Sartor Resartus": "Like some wild flaming, wild thundering train of heaven's artillery does this mysterious mankind thunder and flame in long drawn, quick succeeding grandeur through the unknown deep. Like a God-created, fire breathing spirit host, we emerge from the lazar, haste stormfully across the astonished earth, then plunge again into the inner. Earth's mountains are leveled and her seas filled up in our passage. Can the earth, which is but dead and a vision, resist spirits which have reality and are alive? On the hardest adamant some footprint of us is stamped in; the last roar of the host will read traces of the earliest van. But whence? O heaven, whither? Sense knows not, faith knows not, only that it is through mystery to mystery, from God to God."

## Cruel but Necessary.

The Eskimos dread the winter and take early precautions to provide against famine. As the season approaches the great herds of reindeer migrate southward, and the walrus or the seal are all that remain for food. When an in wind is blowing the walrus is easily found on the outer edge of the ice packs. When it is blowing off the shore, however, the ice packs seal out to sea with the walrus on them. The natives then class their numbers in a list from the strongest to the weakest. The food that is in store is divided up, the weakest having the smallest quantity, the strongest the largest. Thus the mightiest hunters have strength to provide for the others. It is a cruel system, but nevertheless a necessary one. If all were weak, all would die; if some are strong, they will save many of the weak.

## The Sea Lifts the Grindstones.

From the bottom of the Bay of Fundy come some of the finest grindstones in the world, and the manner in which they are procured is simple and ingenious, the stonecutters making the exceptional tide perform the hardest part of the work. When the tide is out, which happens twice every day, the workmen quarry the stones from the solid rock and fasten them to a big float. Then in comes the tide, a mighty flood rushing in, as though the great ocean had suddenly changed its mind. A wonderful sight it is—rising often as high as a house! And now the men have nothing more to do. The tide lifts the boat, and up comes the stone with it. Boat and stone are then brought close inshore, where the stone is removed at leisure when the tide is out.—Argonaut.

## A Fitting Reply.

Major Lomax of the United States army was visiting in Canada soon after the war of 1812. He was entertained in Quebec by the officers of one of the royal regiments. After dinner, speeches and toasts being in order, one of the British officers, having imbibed too generously of the champagne, gave as a toast, "The President of the United States, Dead or Alive!" The toast was accepted with laughter.

Major Lomax rose to respond, saying, "Permit me to give as my toast, 'The Prince Regent, Drunk or Sober!'" The British officer sprang instantly to his feet and in angry tones demanded, "Sir, do you intend that remark as an insult?"

"To which Major Lomax calmly answered, "No, sir; as the reply to one."

## Don't Get Up in a Hurry.

Don't jump up the first thing your eyes are open. Remember that while you sleep the vital organs are at rest. The vitality is lowered and the circulation not so strong.

A sudden spring out of bed is a shock to these organs, especially to the heart, as it starts pumping the blood suddenly. Don't be in such a hurry. Stretch and yawn and stretch. Stretch the arms and legs, stretch the whole body. A good yawn and stretch are better even than a cold bath. Take time. It will keep you young and add years to your life.—Family Doctor.

## Golf.

A writer in an English paper has this to say regarding the game of golf: "Golf is a great game, but shiver me timbers if I think it comes up to old daisywinks. It is played with a couple of clubs, a ball or so, two or three sand traps, a number of impious remarks resembling dentist's tools, a strange language much like Hindu stant, any old clothes and a large assortment of oaths."

## Overheard in the Art Gallery.

They were making the usual round of exhibitions. "Oh," he exclaimed, "do look at that beautiful Apollo Belvedere!" "Sh!" she returned. "Don't say 'dear' so loud. Everybody'll know we're just married."—Judge.

## Sounds So.

"How oddly the man cleaning the machinery talks." "How do you mean?" "I heard him telling his helper to save the waste."—Baltimore American.

## Nose For News.

"That man is an inveterate gossip, and he has a perfect genius for smelling out equally times in families." "Then his is something of a storm accent."—Exchange.

## Aerobatic Diplomacy.

Elihu Root once defined a real diplomat thus: "A real diplomat, you know, is a man who can stretch hands across the sea without putting his foot in it."

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## SIRENS AND SONS.

Colonel Thomas H. Birch, the new minister to Portugal, was personal aide to President Wilson when governor of New Jersey.

Frederic Courtland Penfield, who has been appointed American ambassador to Austria-Hungary, is an author and patron of art, as well as a diplomat. He has traveled extensively and is a man of wealth.

Philippe Crozier, former chief of the protocol and recent French ambassador to Vienna, is said to be the most decorated man in Europe. Some time ago it was announced that he could boast of sixty-five decorations.

Lord Courtney, the English authority on political economy, recently celebrated his eighty-first birthday. Nearly sixty years ago he was a second wrangler at Cambridge and all his life has worthily sustained the reputation for mathematical powers which he then obtained.

A striking figure of the new Danish cabinet is Hansing Jorgensen, minister of public works, who began his career as a laborer. From farmland he progressed, studying at odd times, gradually gaining business experience, until his ability and determination led him to the presidency of a bank.

## Flippant Flings.

Bryn Mawr is going to devote seven years to the production of twenty perfect women; also to twenty kinds of trouble for the man who marries one of them.—Cleveland Leader.

The Wilmington (Del.) "drunk" who objected to being embalmed, and very properly assailed the undertaker, didn't stop to inform those about that he was already picked.—Chicago Record-Herald.

What if the young daughter of the Maharajah Gokwar of Baroda, who has just married the son of the maharajah of Cooh-Bebar, should insist on naming the first baby after both his grandfathers?—Washington Post.

## The Royal Box.

No other sovereign in the world has so many physicians as the czar. They number twenty-five and are all selected from among the medical celebrities of Russia.

The maharajah of Mysore, India, is a skilled musician. He has a \$30,000 American organ in his palace and is very fond of American music, of which he has a large stock.

Emperor Francis Joseph, the oldest ruler in Europe, has just entered on his eighty-third year. A special feature of the observance was the unveiling of a statue of the emperor at the military academy at Meodling, near Vienna.

## Town Topics.

New York police are to be taught the art of jujitsu, as if the general public didn't have a slim enough chance as it is.—Boston Transcript.

A French visitor says Chicago's moral tone reminds him of Glasgow's. Chicagoans are in some doubt whether this is a bouquet or a brickbat.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

"Real devils don't wear horns and red union suits," says the Enquirer of Cincinnati. When information comes direct from headquarters far be it from us to raise any questions.—Birmingham News.

## Tales of Cities.

Boston is to have open air flower shows in 1914.

Constantinople has over 1,000,000 inhabitants and no sewers.

New York may adopt the statue of Liberty as a city emblem.

Garbage and other street refuse in Minneapolis is burned to generate the current for 200 arc street lamps.

Los Angeles has mapped out certain sections of the city available for factories and decreed their banishment from residential sections.

## Short Stories.

The first steel pen was made in 1850. The capitol at Washington covers an area of 153,112 feet.

Wood is now cut so thin that it is used for wall paper.

Muffs were first used by doctors to keep their fingers soft.

One cylindrical foot of water contains six United States gallons.

The United States army has more than 1,200 telegraphers in its ranks.

## Fashion Frills.

Meet a woman wear a slash to cut a dash?—Columbia State.

Husbands will hail with approval a costume for women which will enable them to locate their wives' pockets.—Buffalo Commercial.

American designers and dressmakers should be encouraged to furnish styles in garments suitable to American women.—Chicago News.

## Pert Personalities.

Prince Henry of England has an allowance of \$2.50 a week at school—half a sovereign for half a sovereign.—Chicago Post.

Nat Goodwin says he is now wedded to literature, in which case the public will not object to another divorce.—Topeka State Journal.

Sarah Bernhardt can pull off a farewell tour whenever she feels like it, but Buffalo Bill couldn't get the public to take his second one seriously.—Des Moines Register.

James Atkins was allowed one dollar damages from Contractor Knowles by reason of the latter depositing earth on Mr. Atkins' lot on Willamette boulevard, in Judge Williams' court. Mr. Atkins sued for \$100, but Judge Williams decided that the actual damage sustained did not exceed the amount allowed.

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# A NATION OF SLAVES

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A. W. Lafferty.

Public Ownership and Asset Currency Necessary to Break Strangle Hold of Money Power, Says Congressman.

The wealth of the United States is estimated at \$120,000,000,000. That is \$120 for every man, woman and child. No other country in the world has so much wealth. But how is it divided? Seventy per cent of this wealth is owned by 200,000 men, leaving only 20 per cent for the remaining 98,000,000 people. In other words, two-tenths of 1 per cent of the population owns 70 per cent of the wealth. The plain arithmetic of the situation is that we are a nation of slaves. Two things make slaves, necessity and fear.

The empty dinner bucket is now pointed out as a reason why we should withdraw further resistance to the money power. The agents of plutocracy told me before I left Washington that my fellow citizens would this year yield to the "bread-and-butter argument," and return them to full control of the legislative machinery of the government. I did not believe them then. I do not believe them now.

There are 436 congressional districts in this Union. The members from the other districts are watching the contest in this district. If we win here this year it will be a tremendous victory. It will be a demonstration that a congressman can serve the public, defy the money power, and still serve the authors of the people to vote and speak for them in the national legislature. It will mean the beginning of the end. It will mean that complete victory for the people is in sight. It will mean that the government will no longer be a puppet of the money power and that the fathers suffered for at Valley Forge and fought for at Gettysburg are going to get back into the hands of their descendants.

We have been made a nation of serfs and paupers in two ways: First, by capitalization of public utility corporations and the collection of millions annually from the people to pay dividends on this inflated capitalization. Second, by a system of duplicating deposits, and the loaning of billions of dollars that do not exist to farmers and business men, and by the collection of millions of interest annually upon these loans.

These are the methods by which the money changers have robbed the people and gotten all the wealth into the hands of a few.

What is the remedy? It is simple enough. If the facts can be once placed before the people and they will put men in congress who will serve the public. Let the government and the municipalities take over the public utilities at their physical value, and thereafter furnish the service to the country at cost, and the government must issue agricultural asset currency and loan it to the farmers at a very small rate of interest on first mortgages upon their farms, not exceeding 50 per cent of the unimproved value thereof, and the "money power" will no longer be able to rob our people.

The total amount of money in the United States today is \$2,000,000,000 or \$25 per capita. Yet the farmers alone have borrowed three times as much money as there is in existence in the United States. How is it possible? The money power is simply loaning the farmers "credit," loaning them money that is not in existence and collecting 10 per cent interest on it. The farmers are paying interest annually amounting to \$200,000,000, or more than the cost of the Panama canal.

Give the country an honest congress and one that is not afraid, and every man who works will be able to make a good living, take a vacation each year, and lay by something for his old age. The idea of an able bodied man, in a country like this, being compelled to work his head and neck all his life, as nine-tenths of us are doing, is ridiculous and absurd. It is an outrage. The voters are idiots if they stand for it in this district.

I have a bill pending for agricultural asset currency. I also have a bill pending for public ownership in the District of Columbia. The only way that congress has jurisdiction over is by Washington, since it was first introduced a similar bill introduced by Robert Crozier of Cleveland, Ohio.

Government ownership and operation of steamships, such as I have proposed, would keep in the United States the \$20,000,000 which now goes annually to the ocean steamship trust, would further reduce the cost of living at least \$1 per capita per year, would give us the greatest auxiliary navy in the world, and train sailors to travel around the world in safety and comfort, and enable a fleet, and at less than one half the present cost, Senator Lewis of Illinois, like a patriotic citizen, is providing for 100 government owned and operated ships since I first advocated the idea in the house a year ago.

Government ownership and agricultural asset currency combined would eliminate the dishonest profits of the money power and give to every citizen an equal opportunity. That and nothing short of that, is what the people of this district are entitled to. They will receive it if they stand by their guns when the forthcoming battle begins.

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