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A COMING STRUGGLE.

After years of triumph in the political arena, Abe Ruef, boss of the Republican party in San Francisco, has gone down to defeat. His followers had implicit confidence in his ability to lead them to victory. Past successes made Ruef himself overconfident. But the first of these conditions could only aid him in his battle and it is improbable that the second contributed in any marked degree to his defeat. The time had come when the best sirizenship of San Francisco was able to see the necessity of cementing itself into a unit of opposition to "graft" rule in the municipality. The better element of a community is a power when united and thoroughly aroused. Ruef, up to this time, had kept the better element divided and conditions had never before become deplorable enough to fully awaken it. When the people saw the madness of his rule, its lawlessness and depravity, and the viciousness of the methods he employed, they arose with one accord to sweep Abe Ruef and his abandoned gang off the political checkerboards.

This state and this county, only in lesser degree, has had its Ruefs. The tide of an aroused public sentiment, the tide that engulfed the Ruef gang, is bearing toward them and is destined soon to sweep them from the scene of their debauchery and revelry. Will th people, will this better element, which is in reality the great majority, in the hour of its triumph remember the necessity of vigilant attention to public duty? Will it strive to retain the ground it has gained? At a time when the very prominent officials of half the states of the Union are threatened with or are undergoing prosecutions for malfeasance in office, will the people of Oregon come to a determination that no man lacking in moral fitness shall become a public servant?

Now is the time for every good citizen to become a soldier in a worthy cause. Under the present system of the direct primary subterfuge, trickery and chicanery are not going to win political battles. Accurate knowledge respecting the issues and information regarding candidates will not be, as heretofore, useless information. These will be the weapons used in the coming political battles. Let every good citizen arm himself, for the old plundering gang will make a desperate struggle before abandoning the field.

PROTECT THE FISHERMAN.

It is an inherent right of settlers along the banks of rivers and streams to have those waterways remain unchanged by the hand of man, except the change be made with the consent of all persons affected. The state of Oregon should recognize this condition and should keep streams open to the passage of the splendid fish that make their way from the river to its very source. Corporations and individuals that have placed impediments in the way should be required to make the passage of the finny tribe as easy as it was before this age of commerce conquered the wilderness. The state itself should remove the natural barriers to their progress.

Along this line the state had its duty to perform at the Falls here, and this duty it has probably fulfilled. It is incumbent on a great corporation to perform its part of the task that development of a vast water power has rendered more difficult than when the river flowed in its natural course. Another large corporation has a similar duty up the Clackamas. There are other instances that might be mentioned.

It is to be hoped that the proper authorities will not permit the influence of large institutions to hinder or delay this work. The quicker it is understood by all that the state intends to keep its waterways open to the passage of fish, the easier will be its task.

AN IMPERATIVE DUTY.

Every man, woman and child should learn how to protect themselves from drowning if chance threw them into deep water. Learn how to swim and learn without delay, for you cannot know what day you may find yourself in dire need of this aquatic accomplishment.

The news of the country each day brings tidings of drownings, in many instances death occurring in placid lakes or sluggish streams where a few scientific strokes would have permitted the unfortunates to reach some point of safety. Fully 90 per cent of such deaths were among those who did not know how to swim.

Swimming is a delightful, invigorating and healthful pastime, and a science easily mastered. The beginner should not enter the water wearing a life preserver, but instead should wade out waist deep and with confidence given by shallow water, try the swimming stroke with hands and feet parallel with the shore, so deep water will not be unsuspectingly encountered.

No specific directions can be given for swimming, but a few weeks' practice should make a fairly good swimmer of the beginner. Keep a cool head; don't be venturesome; don't strike out too fast with your arms and legs. Learn to swim. It will give you pleasure and may save your life. —Seattle Times.

GOV. FOLK'S CIGARS.

Governor Folk is reported to smoke twenty cigars a day. The curious will be impelled to institute a quantative comparison with Mr. Jerome's cigarettes while reflecting on a possible relation of tobacco consumption to capability in reform officials. The censorious will have their criticism answered by Lincoln's remarks about Grant's whiskey. The judicious may be left to grieve not at the indulgence but over the danger of "tobacco heart" incapacitating a man whose public service makes his health something more than a private matter between him and his doctor.

Except for that consideration the general public finds little occasion for concern about the personal habits of its official servants. How much a man smokes or drinks, whether he is straight-laced or a "good fellow," is his own affair. His efficiency is the thing, and by that test almost solely he is tried.

The question is not the smoking of twenty cigars a day or various packages of cigarettes, but the ability and capacity which may go with devotion to the weed, as in a Bismarck, or a Chamberlain, or in the ever-familiar case of Grant.

Estacada Bank Opened.

The Bank of Estacada has opened its doors for business in that thriving Clackamas county town and is prepared to do the general banking business of the new city. The bank building is a good one and the interior is furnished in dark oak, which gives a pretty appearance. W. A. Heyman will act as cashier. His law office and library is in an adjoining room. The bank has a large fireproof vault and a Security safe.

Cures Sciatica.

Rev. W. L. Riley, LL. D., Cuba, New York, writes: After 15 days of excruciating pain from sciatic rheumatism, under various treatments, I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment; the first application giving my first relief and the second entire relief. I can give it unqualified recommendation." 25c, 50c, $1. For sale by Charman & Co., City Drug Store.

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To the Seaside and Mountain Resorts for the Summer Vacation.

On and after June 1, 1905, the Southern Pacific, in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern railroad will have on sale round trip tickets from points on their lines to Newport, Yaquina and Detroit at very low rates, good for return until Oct. 10, 1905.

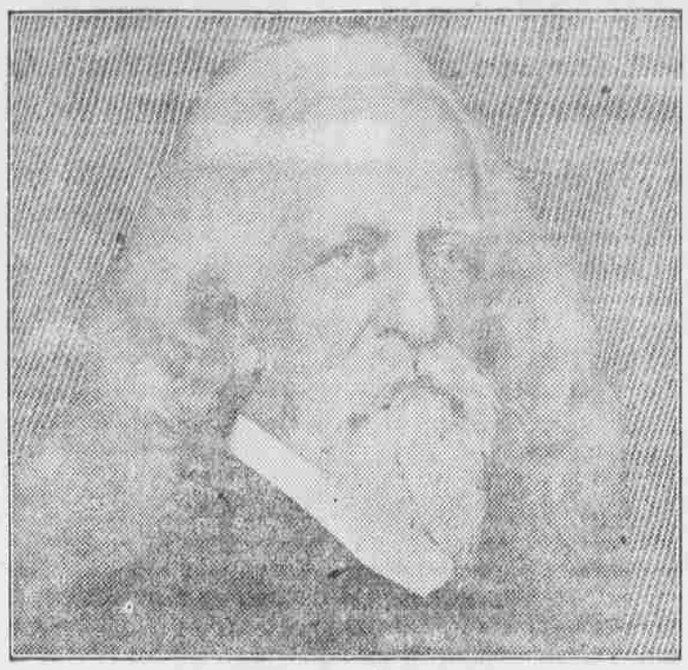
Three-day tickets to Newport and Yaquina, good going Saturdays and returning Mondays are also on sale from all east side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all west side points, enabling people to visit their families and spend Sunday at the seaside.

Season tickets from all east side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all west side points are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates with stopover privileges at Mill City or any point east, enabling tourists to visit the Santiam and Breitenbush Hot Springs in the Cascade mountains, which can be reached in one day.

Season tickets will be good for return from all points until October 10. Three-day tickets will be good going Saturdays and returning Mondays only. Tickets from Portland and vicinity will be good for return via the east or west side at option of passenger. Tickets from Eugene and vicinity will be good going via the Lebanon-Springfield branch, if desired. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaquina tickets to Yaquina only. S. P. trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaquina and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit will leave Albany at 7:30 a. m., enabling tourists to the Hot Springs to reach there the same day. Trains from and to Corvallis connect with all east side trains on the S. P. Full information as to rates, time tables, etc., can be obtained on application to J. C. Mayo, Gen. Pass. Agt., C. & E. R. R., Albany; W. E. Coman, G. P. A., S. P. Co., Portland, or to any S. P. or C. & E. agent. Rate from Orego City to Newport, $6; to Yaquina, $6; to Detroit, $4.85. Three-day rate from Oregon City to Newport, $3. Sunday excursion trains to Newport every Sunday, leaving Albany at 7:30 a. m.

A COMRADE OF GENERAL GRANT

Says: "I Do Not Believe Pe-ru-na Has a Superior."



COL. BENJ. F. HAWKES.

Col. Benj. F. Hawkes, of 611 G street, S. W., Washington, D. C., is one of the three living comrades of General Grant in his cadet days at West Point. In a recent letter this venerable gentleman says of Peruna:

"I have tried Peruna after having tried in vain other remedies for catarrh, and I can say without reservation that I never felt a symptom of relief until I had given Peruna the simple trial that its advocates advise. I do not believe it has a superior either as a remedy for catarrh or as a tonic for the depressing and exhausted condition which is one of the effects of the disease."—Benj. F. Hawkes.

The Greatest Family Medicine Ever Discovered.

Hon. Wm. G. Hunter, ex-member North Carolina Legislature, writes from the Census Office Building, Washington, D. C., as follows:

"The greatest family medicine ever discovered, in my opinion, which comes from experience as well as observation, is Peruna. The most common affliction to humankind is a bad cold. Peruna drives it out of doors, wards off catarrh, invigorates and gives fresh strength to mind and body. I give Peruna my unqualified endorsement."—Wm. G. Hunter.

Chronic Catarrh of the Stomach Cured By Pe-ru-na.

Jas. T. Jakeman, President Elder Morman Church, Salt Lake City, Utah, writes:

"I should be and am a very grateful man for having been recommended the use of Peruna for catarrh. I had a chronic case of catarrh of the stomach and my system was so filled with different remedies that I had taken, that I sickened at the sight of a medicine bottle. Peruna was a last resort and it did not fail me, but cured me in about three months and I feel that it is a wonderful remedy and gladly give my experience from its use."—Jas. T. Jakeman.

Pe-ru-na Proved a Life Saver.

Mr. Louis Byrens, auctioneer, commission merchant and business broker, 436½ Richmond street, London, Ont., writes:

"I had been a sufferer with what physicians diagnosed as chronic catarrh. I thereby lost the necessary speaking faculties, which almost caused me to discontinue the business of auctioneer.

"After spending several hundred dollars for various medicines and doctor bills without avail, your wonderful remedy, Peruna, was recommended to me.

"After using several bottles of this life saver, I found relief, and I am again capable of conducting my auction sales. I wish to convince others, likewise afflicted, of the merits of your great remedy."—Louis Byrens.

Thousands of Testimonials.

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Pe-ru-na is a Catarrhal Tonic Especially Adapted to the Declining Powers of Old Age.

In old age the mucous membranes become thickened and partly lose their function.

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As Well As Can Be At the Age of Eighty-four Years

Mr. Charles F. Benetsson, Truesdail, Mo., writes: "I have followed your instructions for the past month and am now as well as I can be at the age of eighty-four years. I thank you for your valuable instructions and advice. I first used Peruna fourteen years ago when my health was so bad that I had no hope of staying many days, and after using it I began to pick up. It has helped me ever since. I feel well, but will always have Peruna as my companion."—Charles F. Benetsson.

Suffered a Number of Years From Systemic Catarrh.

Used Peruna as Last Resort, Now in Good Health.

Mrs. E. Schoncher, 220½ S. Olive St. Los Angeles, Cal., president Girl's Friendly Society, also secretary South Los Angeles Travelers Club, writes:

"I was for a number of years a sufferer from systemic catarrh. I was very nervous and run down, my appetite had failed me and my sleep was not restful. I had lost much in weight and looked like a very sick person. ***My physician advised a change of climate and the medicine I took only gave me temporary relief.***

"I tried a bottle of Peruna as a last resort and was greatly pleased to find that I felt much improved in a general way and then I bought several bottles more.

"I am now in good health and have a good appetite and sleep well. I cannot say too much for Peruna and for what it has done for me."—E. Schoncher.

Pe-ru-na Contains no Narcotics.

One reason why Peruna has found permanent use in so many homes is that it contains no narcotic of any kind. Peruna is perfectly harmless. It can be used any length of time without acquiring a drug habit. Peruna does not produce temporary results. It is permanent in its effect.

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