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The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

THE UNEMPLOYED.

The past year has brought this class to the notice of many Americans in a most unpleasant manner, which has caused much investigtaion as to the cause for the change from former times. While economic reasons are most frequently assigned for the presence of a large class of men who are unable to find work it is not unfair to assume that the importation of many thousands of foreigners has helped to swell the rapidly growing list of unemployed. Many of the emigrants who have been brought to America during the past few years have been such as were used to extremely low wages and whose condition upon arrrival was such that they had either to have work or assistance or starve. That most of them have found labor of some kind no one can doubt, and in securing it they have in the main made that much less for our own people to perform. If these immigrants were such as would elevate and improve our civilization there would be some recompense in their coming, but instead it is to be feared that they are in too many instances the poor, the low and the vile, whom we will have to make place for and to a certain extent support.

America has for generations been the great field to which flocked the unemployed of the Old World. They came, found work to do, and became a part of our army of workers. The conditions have changed in the fields but not in the seekers from abroad. Last year while we had thousands of unemployed men in this country, there came from Europe to one port alone 352,885 people seeking the means of securing a living. According to the Journal of Commerce this was the number that entered at the port of New York in the year 1893. There were 18,682 more than in the year 1886, when we were prosperous and had plenty for our own and to spare.

These newcomers of 1893 were not of the old, thrifty type that came a few years ago from England, Germany, Ireland, Norway and Sweden. The figures were reversed and Italy led with 69,074; Germany next with 55,981; Russia with 38,100, not including Poles; Austria 30,314, not including Poles and Czechs; Ireland 30,236; Sweden 28,965; Hungary 32,701; England 14,601; Norway 12,862; Denmark 7,019; Poland 5,281; Scotland 4,484; Bohemia 4,134, and France 3,644.

Ten per cent. of them described themselves as servants; less than twenty per cent. said they had farmed or hired out as farm hands; fifty per cent. replied to questions that they had no trade or calling whatever. The great bulk of these 352,885 immigrants were people without means or occupations. Our weak immigration laws have therefore added nearly half a million of unemployed to the burdens this country already had to bear. But this is but a part of the story.

The great mass of these people have come to America without any knowledge of American institutions, with no desire to secure that knowledge, and filled with political theories that are totally adverse to good government of any kind. They are here and in a few years will be voters, still without knowing or caring much about American institutions. We are all optomists regarding the future of our country, as we have a right to be, but it is time that we drop a little of this optomism so far as it concerns our ability to make good American citizens of all the riff-raff of Europe. We need a closer guard about our ports to keep out undesirable immigrants.

COLD COMFORT.

The Spokane Opinion, a careful, conservative and able paper, comments as follows upon the recent election in this state:

If the populists can extract the slightest comfort from the recent Oregon state election, it is not probable that there are many who will begrudge them the priviiege. For months they have been boasting in their usual extravanant manner that they were going to wipe up that particular section of the earth so completely that there would not be any dust left by the two old parties. Instead of making such a clean sweep as they confidently expected, they certainly have the relization, if not the satisfaction, of seeing themselves utterly routed, and with no prospect of ever again making good their losses, since their little tin demi-god in that particular section has so signally failed to bring about the great and glorious results which he prophesied should attend his deluded followers.

While there are several pertinent lessons to be drawn from this overwhelming defeat in Oregon, lessons which it will be well for all the political parties to study closely and memorize for future occasions, the most important one is the empathetic denunciation by the people themselves of those eroneous principles by which the populist party has been governed wherever it has secured any considerable balance of power. The outspoken decision against demagogery, collusion with rampant lawbreakers, and a general tendency to undermine public confidence and to bring the city or state over which they have dominated into the lowest kind of disrepute.

Whether the populists as a party will heed this stinging rebuke or not, is an open question. In all probability they will not, simply because their leaders are using the rank and file to advance their own personal ends, and are securing more prominence by posing as political agitators than they possibly could were their followers doing their own personal thinking.

One thing is certain, the intelligent voters are beginning to find that such men as Pennoyer, Waite, Lewelling and other demagogues are not to be entrusted with any additional power. That they are doing more harm to their respective commonwealths than they will ever be able to atone for, and that the conservative manufacturers, investors and well-to-do setlers are studiously avoiding any and all sections of the country where populist misrule is likely to be dominant.

THE THUNDERER SPEAKS.

The views of the London Times upon the situation in America must always be of interest while the two countries remain as intimately associated as now. It says concerning the situation: "The symptoms are curiously like those of last year. We need not apprehend such a serious crisis, however, because business prices in the United States are already so low that they cannot be much lower. The drain of gold is a reminder that the United States, in spite of its vast potential resources, is a relatively poor country, depending for floating capital on the older European countries. The United States is in the position of a pushing manufacturer with a business continually developing with money borrowed from his bankers. Those who finance him find it prudent to keep a watchful eye on any decline in his prosperity and still more on any signs of his entering rash courses. The secret regarding the continued paralysis is the uncertainty regarding the future of silver and the tariff. It is certain that the worst act that congress is capable of passing, and it has considerable capacity in that direction, could not harm American industry so much as the state of uncertainty that the country has been kept in since the democrats passed into power. The decent of the United States from its high position of a few years ago in commerce and finance shows how sensative a plant is commercial prosperity."

THE proposition to have a celebration in Oregon City on the Fourth is one that should interest every good citizen who has the welfare of the city at heart, inasmuch as it is a time when everybody feels inclined to have a gala day and is disposed to spend money either at home or abroad to procure pleasure. By all means let us celebrate. We can have a better time right here at home than will be possible elsewhere, and besides if proper management is displayed it will bring thousands of people here to spend the day, so that instead of taking our own money away from the community we will induce others to bring money to be left here. Then there is the fact that Oregon City, as the principal town of this section, can get up a No. 1 celebration which will be a credit to the community and afford our own people and those of the surrounding country ample pleasure for the day right at home.

AT the rally of the republicans last week Thursday when the officers elect and several others had addressed the big crowd which had gathered to participate in the exercises, one Spencer, recently elected constable in this district on the populist ticket, either was permitted to get in the wagon to speak, or pushed himself to the front for the purpose of insulting the citizens there assembled. At any rate after gaining the stand, instead of expressing his thanks for his election he began a populist tirade—a thing utterly out of place under the circumstances. Mr. Spencer either lacks sense or judgment, and did more in the brief period that he tried to speak to injure himself and the populist cause than he can hope to undo while in office. It is safe to say that his attempted speech if made before election would have resulted in his defeat. No one but a populist would have attempted so uncourteous an act.

WE note that many of the exchanges are speaking of the damage wrought at Oregon City by the flood, which shows that they do not appreciate the nature of the high water which is now visiting Portland and the Columbia river basin. The fact is that this city is not troubled by high water in the least except as it has backed up over the flat below town and lessened the fall on the water wheels used for operating the many mills here. As for damage that is nil. The river here is like a lake in its action. There is absolutely no current and the water which has backed up from the Columbia is so far below the level of the business houses and mills that no one thinks of its harming either. It would take twenty feet more water to injure this city to any appreciable extent and by that time the Oregonian tower would be all that would be left in sight of Portland.

EIGHT pardons in one day, and six of them murderers. The governor must be redeeming pre-election pledges. Or is it possible that the old man is mad and wants to vent his spite on the citizens of the state who refused to swallow Pennoyer and Pierce, by turning loose the inmates of the penitentiary in their midst.

SIX life prisoners released by Oregon's crank governor in one day, besides several committed for shorter terms. Judging by his past record in the way of pardons there were no rape fiends in the pen to be turned loose upon this commonwealth else the governor would have included all such in his list. Oregon's populist governor should do just two things more: first resign, then go before a commission and be examined for lunacy. The commission would do the rest and he would be provided with quarters for life.

REPUBLICANS should remember that the populists worked from the close of the polls two years ago up to the election for the success of their cause, bad as it was. With principles such as republicans represent members of the old party may well afford to begin the work of the next campaign now.

PRESS COMMENT.

Newberg Graphic: If Oregon has any one thing to be thankful for more than another just now it is the fact that Pennoyer will not be the man to succeed Dolph in the United States senate. J. N. Dolph will succeed himself.

Albany Herald: The result of the election shows that the people have finally mastered the situation, and discovered that prosperity and a republican regime go hand in hand together. That the protection for American industries, and the reserving of this country for its citizens—making it American and for its own people without particularly worrying for the welfare of other nationalities, are the true policies to enforce and keep as the ruling idea of the situation.

Telephone-Register: Democratic truckling to populist ideas for populist support has been the ruination of the democratic party of this state. The wedge for desertion was entered when the senile democratic committee of two years ago sent forth the edict to support the populist electors. The democratic principles, pure and unsullied, will be supported by thousands, but when adulterated with Pennoyerism and all the kindred evils of the people's party, the returns show that democrats prefer republican men. Hereafter the democratic party must keep in the middle of the road.

Eugene Register: The verdict of the people, rendered at the polls last Monday, can not be mistaken. Any thinking person will see in it the meaning. It is by far the greatest republican victory ever recorded in this state, and perhaps the greatest in any state. The people simply voted to "change back" and get the country back to the footing it left two years ago.

San Francisco Call: This is the most thorough test that has been made of the relative strength of the three parties in states in which populists have a substantial footing. The political combination, so far as it has been effected, is between democrats and populists. Whatever alliances have been reported have been between these two parties. A populist has been considered, in a political sense, the equivalent of one-half a democrat. The voters who have left the republican party for the populists have been counted as more likely to support democratic measures than those advocated by republicans. The success of the republicans in Oregon is therefore a victory over a fusion between the two opposing parties. It can hardly be construed as otherwise than that the masses of the people rely upon republicans to extricate the government from the difficulties into which democratic experiments have placed it.

Rosburg Review: What worthy interest has been subserved by those who led this democratic split is not now apparent, and we can only hope that the state and county will not seriously suffer by it.

Eugene Guard: The examination of the vote of Lane county shows conclusively that the populist party was composed almost entirely of democrats.

Ashland Tidings: Gov. Pennoyer told many people that his great concern was in the election of Pierce; that, for himself he did not care to go to the United States senate, and preferred to "go back" to his saw mill business. The people of Oregon have taken him at his word, and will humor him in his preference.

Oswego Iron Worker: The result of Monday's election can be considered only as an indication that the people want protection as defined by McKinley, and do not take stock in populist theories relative to fiat money and free trade. It demonstrates, firstly and principally, that the people of Oregon recognize the republican party as the party for protection and prosperity.

POST-ELECTION COMMENT.

A Correspondent Soliloquizes Over the Result —A Paraphrased Poem.

MILWAUKEE, June 11.—[TO THE EDITOR:] For several months there had been various symptoms of disturbing influences, and the atmospheric appearances in the political sky all seemed to indicate a storm of enormous magnitude. The populistic authorities, becoming uneasy, sent emissaries throughout the state to investigate and report. Notwithstanding the storm clouds were hovering in dangerous proximity, and political thunder was reverberating over hill and dale, the reports came in that "all is well." Governor Pennoyer, being an avowed candidate for United States senator, determined upon a personal investigation. Whilst drawing a stipend of ten dollars per day from the state, and armed with a free pass over the railroads, he traversed the length and breadth of the state, promulgating the creed of populism, which embraces Coxeyism, socialism, anarchism, and all other isms dangerous and detrimental to our state and nation. As he had hoodwinked and deceived the people on two different occasions before, he seemed to think he held a pre-emption right upon the state and could hold it at pleasure. But the third time he made a grand mistake. He should have remembered the aphorism or President Lincoln: "You can fool some of the people all the time, and all the people some of the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time." When he returned from Eastern Oregon he told his satelites that he brought them "glad tidings of great joy," as there was a perfect land slide to the populist party. He had the "land slide" all figured out correct, but he lost his bearings, and made a sad mistake as to the direction of the slide.

The republicans manipulated the brake and reversed the "masheen," and Mr. Pennoyer, Joe Waldrop, Mrs. Hobart and the whole army of populists, including all other fads and isms, were buried so deep beneath the avalanche of true and patriotic votes of the liberty loving sons of America, that they will hereafter be remembered only to be despised. All honor to those brave, patriotic democrats who so nobly assisted us in defeating the most dangerous party to American institutions now in existence.

This great republican victory, coming at this time, is most opportune. The eyes of the whole country from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the lakes to the gulf, were turned upon Oregon, as she was the first state to elect members to the 53d congress.

Instead of fawning like a subdued spaniel and licking the hand which has betrayed and disgraced us in the eyes of the whole civilized world, Oregon boldly and unflinchingly slaps Pennoyerism in the face with a whack which will reverberate throughout the length and breadth of the land. Taking a firm decided stand upon the rock of protection to American industries, she proudly says to her sister states, "Follow me."

This victory is strong in its results and far-reaching in its effects. It will strengthen and encourage every republican, and every patriotic democrat throughout the whole nation, to redouble their efforts to forever stamp out and destroy that party which, if it had the power, would soon ruin our present financial system and make us the laughing stock of the nations. Oregon is not yet ready to commit suicide.

This majestic old landslide is not dead but sleepeth. It will arise next November and with gigantic strength, manipulated by a republican crew, will sweep every northern state, and if not prevented by shot guns and bulldozers will invade the sacred solid South, and wind up by sweeping a grand republican majority into the house of representatives and completely and effectually prevent tariff tinkering in the future. Then glorious old Tom Reed will again manipulate the gavel and count a quorum.

Up Salt river cold and drear
Where democrats went for many a year,
Where rum is scarce and blankets are dear,
And nothing is left his heart to cheer—
Up Salt river Pennoyer must go,
To that cold and dreary land of woe.

Tell me not in mournful numbers
Election's but an idle dream;
The candidate is left who slumbers—
Voters are not what they seem.

Votes are real, votes are earnest,
And Salt Creek is now your fate;
Dust thou art, to dust returnest,
Caused by party strife and hate.

Men must learn results are doubtful;
Half will fall down in the strife;
While the others, more successful,
"Get there, Eli"—"Bet yer life."

W. T. S.

HYMN AND DOXOLOGY.

The flag of our country still over us waves;
The populist hosts now sleep in their graves;
Their shouts and their brags no longer are heard,
Their jeers and their threats no longer are feared.

The populists' graves are so dark and so deep
That Gabriel's trump cannot rouse them from sleep;
Their deeds were so dark, and they told such big lies
If they had any souls they will fail to arise.

Now let us rejoice over the victory won;
The change for the better has surely begun;
So sound the glad tidings o'er Willamette's dark flood,
The right has now triumphed—we still trust in God.

DOXOLOGY.

Old Father Pop died Monday night—
It gave the people great delight;
They laid him away in a deep wet hole
Where the worms got his body and the devil his soul.

BLACK REPUBLICAN.

After the Ball.

"What's this dern'd country coming to,
And where is Nathan at?"
Quoth Pennoyer
The Pop sawyer
With the
sawdust
on his
HAT!

Notice.

Sealed proposals will be received by the board of directors of school Dist. No. 62, Clackamas county, Oregon, for sale of the school building on Falls View. Bids will be received up to 2:00 o'clock, June 15 1894. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Terms cash or three months time on approved security. By order of the directors.

THOS. F. RYAN, Clerk.