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**ARCHBOLD'S PLEA TOO LATE.**

John D. Archbold, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, prints a long explanation in Saturday Evening Post last week trying to show that his company never indulged in unfair competition. It is but a half dozen years ago that the Standard Oil Company put spies on the track of a few house-to-house salesmen for an independent company, in Cleveland, or rather they were poor men who were selling on their own account but handling independent oil—and these spies got so friendly that they would even chat with the independent salesmen. The plan was on this wise:

When the independent salesman started on his rounds in the morning the spy went along. He took the street and number of the party buying oil of the independent salesman. He followed the salesman from morning to night, never losing sight of him. This spy was followed later by a salesman from the Standard, who made a personal call on each customer and tried to contract to supply the family with oil. Price was little object so that the customer was secured. Later, after the independent salesman had been driven from the field, the Standard price went up.

Now this is not newspaper talk. The Daily Press, of Cleveland, placed detectives and reporters on this assignment and secured pictures of the independent salesman, his oil wagon, and the Standard spy sitting in the background on his wheel leaning against the fence while the salesman made his sale of oil. And the detectives run the whole plot to earth and the story was printed with pictures, names and dates, and was never denied.

Mr. Archbold says his company has made a mistake in keeping quiet under the calumnies so long; that they should have been answered at the time and not have allowed public sentiment to build up against them. Perhaps the Standard had a good reason for waiting; it could not answer the "calumnies" while it was in the midst of a campaign of destroying competitors, but must wait until competitors were out of the way and many had forgotten the warfare—the warfare ended and no possible means of tracing it with present-day facts, and with hopes that past facts would prove dim as evidence.

The Standard has been a guerrilla of the worst type. Mr. Archbold's plea for mercy notwithstanding. It is underserving of any sympathy, and the public should continue in the warfare until not a vestige of its power remains.

There are entirely too many incriminations passing back and forth between our thinking men for the good of the people. Bryan says that "Roosevelt borrowed this idea from me"; Roosevelt says "Bryan would never have thought of that had he not read my speech" of such a date or occasion. Our broad men should at once rise above the tendency to carp. It is not to be wondered at that our broad men think along the same line, when the result is something good. And it is not a question as to the exact second at which one or both settled it in his mind that a certain thing or act would prove beneficial to our people or our nation, but rather a question as to whether two great minds can, after due consideration, agree that it is a wise move to make, or stand to take. It will be a happy moment for the Nation when our great men and great thinkers can agree to pull together harmoniously; when they can feel that one great man desires to know if another, or many others, can agree with his deductions. The question is not the good of the Republican party, or the Democratic party, or Prohibition party, but the good of the nation, and the different parties are simply designed as a means to an end. May the people and politicians soon learn this lesson.

The Republican National Committee has decided to hold the Republican National convention at Chicago, on June 16. Territories will have a representation of two, instead of six.

New York city was closed up tight Sunday. Everything and everybody was and looked blue and disconsolate. There are two sides to this "closing up tight" controversy. People of plenty of leisure during the week need not care much whether Sunday is a "closed" day in their home town or not. But with men who must need work ten hours a day all week—and the greed of man makes this a necessity to the poor man with a family, to properly support his home—what other time but Sunday has he for recreation? It is all very well to say, "Go to church." Going to church, if the preacher is a good one, is recreation for some; and more especially for those who have plenty of other recreation during the week; but to a man tied down to a shop or a factory for six days in the week at least some other recreation, for a part of the day, should be prescribed. And it is entirely wrong for us who do not need the recreation, having plenty ourselves during the week, to attempt to dictate in the entire, just what character that recreation for others shall assume. We have a right to say that his recreation shall not encroach on our rights; but we have no right to assume that anything and everything that we do not approve is in reality encroaching on our rights. It seems that a little common sense should be used in dealing with the Sunday question in New York—or any other "sea-port."

We note with pleasure the statement of the railways that at the meeting of the two big party conventions next year there are to be no special rates for delegates. That is as it should be; let those who want to go pay "the freight," and then the political parties will not be under obligation to the railways. In the past concessions have been made by the railways and later the railways have demanded concessions from the politicians that were successful at the polls. Cut off the "accommodations" from both sources and then the people at large may expect that legislation will be free from taint of graft. And with no concessions to the National conventions it may be we may see a law by Congress giving us 2-cent fare on all roads.

The Myrtle Point Enterprise classes this paper with the Oregonian. Thanks, awfully; but the editor of the Myrtle Point Enterprise must have "his wires crossed" as to deductions, for he is entirely mistaken as to conclusions. The Oregon City Enterprise editor is in favor of fairness in all things; put all men on an even footing before the law and punish each for what he does amiss, not for what some else imagines or charges—without any proof to offer—in the charge made of things done amiss. It is an easy matter to imagine, or to even charge, wrong-doing; but we want the proof.

A mob went to the home of a Chinaman in British Columbia, who had married a white wife, and took him out and hung him. The aid given the murderers by the wife indicates that the Chinaman was too good for the woman, and that the white men who killed the Chinaman committed a crime without any shadow of excuse for doing it. When a white woman sees fit to marry a Chinaman or a Negro the white race need not consider itself much the looser, and may as well let the woman repent at her leisure.

In a desire to learn the facts at Goldfield President Roosevelt has sent a commission to make an inquiry. The Federation of Labor, after making an inquiry, has endorsed the strike. This shows that the Federation believes in the justice of the demands of the miners. And we can rest assured that the miners will not make a stubborn fight against their employers unless there is abuse some where along the line.

President Roosevelt has again announced that he is not even a receptive candidate for the Presidency. Mr. Bryan is out with the statement that he believed from the first that Mr. Roosevelt was sincere in his declaration. This seems to make it clear that Mr. Bryan will again be the choice of the Democratic party, in which case it looks as if the candidates would be Bryan and Taft.

Senator Fulton has introduced a bill into the Senate providing for the payment of the loss by burglary in Oregon City of funds taken from the post-office years ago. We fail to see why a postmaster should be reimbursed any more than a merchant. It's a sad thing to have a burglar carry off your strong box, or its contents, but no sadder for one man than for another.

The courts of Texas are not afraid of the Standard Oil Company. Some time ago the Walters-Pierce Company, a child of the Standard, was fined over a million dollars in a Texas court for illegal rebating. The other day the Court of Appeals affirmed the decision of the lower court. Score one for the Texas higher court.

If we are to believe half the reports of strong financial condition of the banks over the State then Portland was the only city whose banks stood in need of the holidays prescribed by Governor Chamberlain. "Pess up, there, Portland!"

Now that the scare is over, it may be said that it was largely the fault of some of the big banks—they started the craze for hoarding money by declining to pay out cash when their vaults were full of money.—Eugene Guard.

The citizens of Milwaukee who "want to do the other fellow" so much good, like their cousins in Oregon City, held many meetings prior to the recent election—and failed to convert hearers in numbers sufficient to win.

The latest financial report from the Western Union telegraph company shows that the company lost \$2,511,659 through the strike by their employees. It would have been cheaper to have met the employees half way.

The Council of Cottage Grove is evenly divided on certain improvements and with the "Mayor on the wrong side," is the way the Nugget puts it.

A Missouri woman shot her husband because he did not come home to dinner on time. That's where one Missouri man "was shown his'n!"

Receiver Hill says the Title and Trust Guarantee Company may pay in full. We hope for the sake of the depositors that it may.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**BRISTOL RESIGNS**

FRIENDS OF C. SCHUEBEL EXPECT PRESIDENT TO NAME HIM FOR THE PLACE.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Fulton received the following letter from Attorney-General Bonaparte:

"I regret to be compelled to say that, in view of the very unsatisfactory nature of the conduct of United States District Attorney William C. Bristol, of Oregon, in relation to land-fraud prosecutions pending in that district, and of his delay in acting upon instructions of the department and of the terms of a certain telegram addressed by him to the Attorney-General of the Department of Justice, has been compelled to recommend to the President the withdrawal of Mr. Bristol's nomination from the Senate.

"I am directed by the President to advise you of his action in withdrawing the nomination in accordance with the department's recommendation, and also that he desires to nominate a new United States Attorney as soon as possible."

Mr. Fulton said it would probably be several days before the delegation would be able to file a recommendation, as it will be necessary for the Senators to confer with regard to available candidates before deciding upon a man for Mr. Bristol's place. Up to a late hour tonight Mr. Fulton had received no application for the office, though it is expected that there will be an abundance of candidates when it becomes known an appointment is to be made.

The formal withdrawal of Mr. Bristol's nomination today makes the office vacant, for, under the law, his recess appointment terminated when Congress met December 2. Having served until today under a re-nomination, however, he will be entitled to pay to December 12.

The Attorney-General denied himself to newspapermen today, and it was impossible to secure further information regarding plans for bringing the land cases to trial other than the reiteration in the semi-official way of the announcement made last night that Mr. Healey would return from San Francisco to prosecute at least the more important cases. In view of the President's determination to fill Mr. Bristol's office immediately, it is more than likely that some of the cases will be intrusted to the new attorney.

The above information was found in the Associated Press dispatches from Washington under Thursday date. As Mr. C. Schuebel, of Oregon City, has been mentioned as a possible successor to Mr. Bristol, the news concerning the vacancy has considerable local interest. When asked concerning the matter Mr. Schuebel said he had no information for the press at this time. If he has received information in the matter from Washington it is not in a form making it permissible to give it to the public at this time.

It has been the opinion of friends of Mr. Schuebel that he had a call on the office at the first vacancy, and in case Mr. Schuebel is appointed it will not come as a surprise to local politicians.

There are some things in connection with the business of the District Attorney's office which, at this time, do not make it an enviable position. Friends of Mr. Bristol say that he has not received courteous treatment at the hands of some of the subordinates in the department at Washington, and that he has been compelled to carry unnecessary burdens and will not be disappointed in his release.

Mr. Schuebel is an active attorney and in case he succeeds to the desk of Mr. Bristol is likely to "set things to movin'" without unnecessary delay.

**A Noted Brigand Killed.**

A cablegram from Sofia says: Boris Sarafoff, the famous Bulgarian leader of Macedonia, was shot dead on the threshold of his home Wednesday by a Macedonian, who at the same time shot and killed another revolutionary chief named Garaffoff. Sarafoff is supposed to have been the instigator of the abduction of Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary, in order to procure for her ransom funds to enable the Macedonian revolutionists to organize an insurrection. He was a noted Turk hater.

Surely things are turning around, with many politicians advocating prohibition and as distinguished a churchman as Bishop Potter publicly praising cocktails. It is, perhaps, easy to explain this new stand by the politicians—they think the wind is blowing from that point of the compass—but how about the Bishop?

**FULTON PROPOSES PAYING.**

Senator Fulton Wednesday introduced the following bills: To settle claims of the Cathlamet-Chinook Indians by payment of \$7000; of the lower bank Chinook Indians by payment of \$20,000; of the Welappa Indians by payment of \$5000; of the Waukiakum Indians by payment of \$7000; of the Nusque Indians, \$1500; Clatsops, \$15,000; Tillamooks, \$10,500; all with interest from August, 1861.

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**DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION FOR DENVER**

JULY 7, 1908, THE DATE CHOSEN FOR THE NATIONAL EVENT.

Washington, Dec. 12.—After deciding to hold the next Democratic National Convention at Denver and fixing the date of the meeting for July 7, 1908, the Democratic National Committee late today entered upon a spirited debate on the propriety of accepting more of the \$100,000 offered by Denver for the convention than is actually needed to pay the convention expenses in that city. The opposition to the acceptance of the contribution took the form of a resolution by Representative Clayton, of Alabama, declining money not actually needed for the convention, but after a long debate the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 21 to 14.

Mr. Clayton, Representative John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, and Governor Hoke Smith, of Georgia, all spoke in favor of the passage of the resolution.

Mr. Taggart advocated the acceptance of the \$100,000, saying it would be needed no worse than it was needed in 1904, and that at that time it would have been practically impossible to open headquarters for Judge Parker if the committee had not had the extra money secured from St. Louis, where the convention was held.

**ACROSS COUNTRY ON SHANK'S PONIES**

Walking every step of the way Miss Ollie Granston of New York, arrived in Seattle last night. Miss Granston is accompanied by a Scotch collie dog and for further protection carries a 22-caliber revolver. She is walking for her health and says she is healthy. Miss Granston said she had been employed as a bookkeeper in a wholesale house in New York, and had, through lack of exercise and a limited amount of fresh air, lost the bloom from her cheeks and was rapidly going into a decline. She was the sole support of a widowed mother and could not afford to take a season of rest, but unexpectedly a relative died and left the family in easy circumstances. She resigned from the wholesale house and then sought means to recuperate.

"I have had a glorious time, said Miss Granston. "I was fearfully tired the first few days but soon walking became natural to me and now it is a positive joy. I carry a tiny satchel in which I have what I immediately need, but I also have two trunks which I send to some town about 50 miles ahead of me. I check them simply by purchasing a ticket. When I reach the town the trunks await me and all is serene."

Miss Granston says she is going to "tramp" to San Francisco and go back to New York by way of New Orleans, walking all the way.

LOST—Ladies' open face watch, silver, with "Ceoil" on face; lost between Beaver Creek and Elyville, on Thanksgiving. Bertha Howard, box 89, R. F. D. 3, Oregon City.

**TAX VALUATION IN CLACKAMAS**

The assessed valuation of Clackamas county property is very close to \$13,900,000. The figures were made public Monday afternoon by County Assessor Nelson, who has made an increase of about \$2,500,000 over the valuation of last year. This increase is all on the property of the big corporations and on timber lands. The classification of property and the valuation follows:

	Value.
Acres of tillable lands, 8,746	2,789,535
Miles of non-tillable lands, 541,046	4,264,325
Improvements on deed or patented land	1,522,435
Town and city lots	1,185,496
Improvements on town and city lots	623,840
Miles of railroad bed, 27	448,200
Miles of telegraph and telephone lines, 158	29,458
Miles of street railway bed, 37	371,340
Railroad rolling stock	64,275
Steam and sailboats, engines, machinery	610,495
Merchandise and stock in trade	199,050
Farm implements, wagons, carriages, etc.	133,790
Money	\$2,950
Notes and accounts	27,230
Shares of stock, 355	35,250
Furniture, watches and jewelry, etc.	166,430
Horses and mules, 6456	214,780
Cattle, 13,793	136,670
Sheep and goats, 16,493	16,330
Swine, 5063	13,130
Total value all property	\$12,934,726

**ACCORDING TO DIRECTION**

MIX IT AT HOME BY SHAKING INGREDIENTS IN BOTTLE.

**SIMPLE HOME REMEDY**

Hundreds of People in Vicinity Here Will Welcome This Advice, Says, Local Druggist.

What will appear very interesting to many people here is the article taken from a New York daily paper, giving a simple prescription, as formulated by a noted authority, who claims that he has found a positive remedy to cure almost any case of backache or kidney or bladder derangement, in the following simple prescription, if taken before the stage of Bright's disease:

Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and again at bedtime.

A well-known druggist here at home, when asked regarding this prescription, stated that the ingredients are all harmless, and can be obtained at a small cost from any good prescription pharmacy, or the mixture would be put up if asked to do so. He further stated that while this prescription is often prescribed in rheumatic afflictions with splendid results, he could see no reason why it would not be a splendid remedy for kidney and urinary troubles and backache, as it has a peculiar action upon the kidney structure, cleansing these most important organs and helping them to sift and filter from the blood the foul acids and waste matter which

cause sickness and suffering. Those of our readers who suffer can make no mistake in giving it a trial.

**Suicide at State Asylum.**

A sensational suicide was committed at the State insane asylum at Salem Wednesday night, when Harry E. Bell killed himself in bed with a pistol shot through his body. The bullet penetrated near the heart. He must have committed the deed soon after retiring about 9 o'clock, but no one heard the shot and his act was not known until Thursday morning when his father, H. E. Bell, who is an attendant on the same ward with him, went to awaken him for breakfast. Young Bell was about 28 years old and was married August 8, last, to Mrs. Lou Martin, who is at present at Salem Hospital on sick leave. Worry over illness of wife is given as the cause for the deed.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**

Lyman Shorey and Louise Beechel, Wiley Douglas and Lillian Corbet, George E. Robinson and Edith M. Krouse.

**MARRIAGES.**

DOUGLAS-CORBET—at Oregon City, Dec. 11, 1907, Wiley Douglas and Lillian Corbet, Judge Grant B. Dimick officiating.  
ROBINSON-CROUSE—At Milwaukie, Dec. 9, 1907, George E. Robinson and Edith M. Krouse, Justice John R. Kelso officiating.  
GREGERSEN-LARSEN—In Portland, Nov. 26, 1907, Peter Gregersen and Sine Larsen, Rev. F. P. Nelson officiating.

**DEATHS.**

BREITHAUPAT her home in Barton Dec. 8, 1907, Mrs. Alma Breithaupt, aged 49 years. Funeral Monday from M. E. church at Damascus.

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