

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

To the Editor:—It is a hard matter for an old-line Republican to remain silent over the political breeze created by the insistent mugger La Follett and his half-breed followers who are much like the hunter who routed a bear in the timbered woods of his native state and after giving it a shot became so frightened at his commotion or the sound of his gun he clasped his arms and legs around close to the ground of a near-by tree. His companion hearing the racket, came to the rescue, inquiring "what is up?" "I am up this tree and will not come down until that bear is shot," was the reply, meanwhile imagining that he was safe from bear's teeth up among the branches. Likewise it is with La Follett. He is hugging the trunk near the roots of the Republican tree with a delusive phantom of hope, imagining that he is up among its branches, while his followers are standing around with blood in their eye forever. La Follett has had the presidential bee-huzzing in his ear since he entered the United States senate the last time, believing that if he could only annihilate the Republican party and its high tariff that the Democracy would take him for a second Bryan and nominate him for president in 1912. But he will never know where he is until he falls from his presumptuous position. The Democracy will not support him, neither will the Republican party unless like the prodigal son he returns to the fold. About the only way for him to get votes for the presidency will be to organize an insurgent party, then by going through the canvass he will be wiped out suitably like the Greeley, Gratz, Brown, Carl Schurz party and the Populist party, ending in a complete wreck. La Follett will find out that he is small fry before he succeeds in knocking out the Republican party. The Republican party has always been a national party, knowing what was necessary to be done to perpetuate this government as founded upon the basis of civil and religious liberty, and have always gone forth with their work with a will. It passed the homestead law, the pre-emption bill, the timber bill, tree claim law, the gold standard law, giving us the best money in the world, the Panama bill, all the time being fought by the Democracy which never has enacted a law that would benefit the commonwealth and instead when in power would almost universally bring distress upon the country. The Republican party has always gone ahead with might and main to perpetuate and benefit the country, while the destructive combative functions of the Democracy were uppermost in their procedure. No party ever existed or will ever exist in this country that did or will do the beneficial work that the Republican party has done, hence it is useless for any faction of men to try to put them out, as every time an attempt is made to roll them under they come out on top. ORIN A. CHENEY.

LIVE WIRELETS

(BY EDGAR BATES.) Much abuse and criticism have been hurled at Governor West regarding his policy of dealing with state convicts. While the onward march of civilization has changed our methods of handling prisoners at state penitentiaries, yet we cannot be in full accord with the policy of our present state executive. The state owes to its citizens a certain amount of protection, a protection which will instill into their minds the fact that their lives, the lives of their children and their property are safe from harm. When the state does something which destroys this feeling of safety, the state does wrong. When the Governor sends out hardened criminals into certain districts and the presence of these convicts destroys the peace of mind of the citizens of that community, then the Governor does wrong. While we admit the value of convict labor on the public highways, yet this work should be done in such a manner that will not cause people to become alarmed for the safety of themselves, their children or their property interests. While we know that we have no right to criticize Governor West unless we have some other plan to suggest that we think is better, yet we can point to the way convicts are treated at the penitentiary in California. The officials of that institution have received country-wide comment on their prison policy, their latest achievement having been the production of a four-act drama, by the convicts themselves. The production was appropriately staged, the music furnished by a convict orchestra of twenty-two pieces, the audience being composed of the full number of prisoners at San Quentin. How much money do you spend every day on things that you do not need? If you are a man and only smoke one cigar a day at a cost of ten cents, do you realize that this habit will smoke up over \$36.00 a year or enough to buy a good suit or overcoat. Or better, yet, this ten cents a day will more than pay the premiums on a \$1,000 life insurance policy. No, we don't practice what we preach in this instance, but facts are facts. The fact that a large number of our married women and some of our single ones who hope to be married soon, are so anxious to take up the course of domestic science at the high school ought to give all the girls who are at present attending the high school the "hunch" that this is really the most important thing that is in the course of study. Of course we realize that opinions differ, but speaking from a somewhat selfish standpoint it is certainly better to learn how to cook "before" than "after." This will save many a heartless joke about the "biscuits that mother used to make" and "things were never like this even at the boarding house," and "who told you that this is cake." Don't pass up domestic science, girls. We predict that before very long the state will furnish all grammar grade pupils with free text books. A large number of states have adopted this policy and in no instance where the plan has been tried has there been a return to the old system of the parents of the children buying books. Of course this matter has two sides to it, but the "school book" question is a very serious one. Already we have a provision made for the furnishing of free books to destitute children, but fathers and mothers will go to extremes before they will admit to their neighbors or the proper officials that they cannot afford to buy books for their children. The books for the eighth grade cost \$6.45; for the seventh grade, \$5.65; for the sixth grade, \$4.50 and so on down the list. So when a man has two or three children to provide for and is working for \$2 a day it is really a serious matter. Washington provides books for her school children and we venture to say that it will not be long before we follow her example. Speaking of school books, things are not the way they used to be. In the days of "readin', writin' an' rithmetick," which was not so very long ago, three or four books were all that were necessary for a grade. But now the story is different. The little ones just starting must have their water colors and two kinds of readers, those for a grade or two must have their music books, and sewing books. Then comes the call for an agriculture book and so on. The employees of the paper mill who are affected by the new bonus scheme got busy the first day that the plan was in effect and earned a bonus of 5 per cent by producing 195 tons of paper in a day of twenty-four hours. The men declare that they are going to earn the 10 per cent bonus every day this week. By the way, the local mill has the second largest output of paper a day of all the mills in the country. It is predicted that the Live Wires will have their hands full this winter. This matter of the locks is at the present time "at the bat," the commission plan of city government "on deck." Other things to be taken up by this organization are the county support of the county fair, the dropping of the rapids, the public dock, and an armory. Then there are several other things in mind that will be sprung at the proper time. Hardly a day goes by that new accounts are started at the local post-office savings bank. The success of these banks all over the country in bringing in money that has been hidden away for years has proved the wisdom of the move. Two Couples Get Licenses. Marriage licenses were issued to the following Wednesday: Lydia Bachman and Peter Lee, of Portland; Anna Hess and Gere Kampf, of Portland. The last couple were married by Judge Campbell. Midnight in the Ozarks and yet sleepless Hiram Seranton, of Clay City, Ill., coughed and coughed. He was in the mountains on the advice of five doctors, who said he had consumption, but found no help in the climate, and started home. Hearing of Dr. King's New Discovery, he began to use it. He believes it saved his life," he writes "for it made a new man of me, so that I can now do good work again." For all lung diseases, coughs, colds, la grippe, asthma, croup, whooping cough, hay fever, hemorrhages, hoarseness or quinsy, its the best known remedy. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Jones Drug Co.

CALIFORNIA ADOPTS "OREGON SYSTEM"

California's adoption of the initiative referendum and the recall records another follower for the pathfinder, Oregon. The amendments striking at the power of the bosses and reserving to the people the right to legislate for themselves are in many respects strikingly similar to the Oregon amendments, while in others an attempt has been made to improve upon the methods used in this state. A comparison and analysis of these changes make interesting reading for Oregon. It is clear that the Californians have appreciated some of the complications in method that have resulted in Oregon, and have worked out a more comprehensive plan, particularly as to the recall. One of the striking features of the California plan, as regards the initiative, is a dual system, whereby the circulators of an initiative petition may submit it directly to the people or address it to the legislature. If framed for submission directly to the people, the procedure does not differ materially from the Oregon plan. Eighty per cent of the total vote is required, based on the vote for governor at the last election, instead of being upon the vote for supreme judge as in Oregon. There is some advantage in this, since only one governor is elected, and the division of the vote when there are several candidates for the Supreme Court has involved complicated mathematics and possible legal strife in this state. In the case of an initiative measure submitted to the legislature in California, however, only 50 per cent of the vote for governor is required. Within forty days after the legislature meets it must act on the measure, without changing or amending it. If the legislature rejects, or fails to act within forty days—the length of the session in that state being sixty days—the measure must be placed on the ballot for the people's verdict at the next election. CURED TO STAY CURED. How an Oregon City Citizen Found Complete Freedom From Kidney Troubles. If you suffer from backache—From urinary disorders—From any disease of the kidneys, Be cured to stay cured. Doan's Kidney Pills make lasting cures. Oregon City people testify. Here's one case of it: Theodore Hueth, Park Place, Oregon City, Ore., says: "I found Doan's Kidney Pills to be just as represented and I consider them worthy of any remedy effected a permanent cure in my case." For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

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SHIP SHORTAGE IS CAUSING BIG LOSS

The great shortage of ships available for grain shipment to Europe is causing the loss of thousands of dollars to farmers of the Pacific Northwest. Sailing vessels are being generally quoted at \$1.3 and are very firm at that figure while at the opening of the chartering season ships were obtained as low as \$7.5. This great advance in the price of freight, due to the scarcity of tonnage, is causing weakness in the grain trade and strength abroad. While further liberal advances have been forced in the price of wheat at Liverpool and at other European centers Pacific Northwest markets are rather dull. Prices are being largely maintained at 78 to 79c for club, based on track delivery sidewater. Not only has the advance in freight charges caused a weakness and lower prices to rule in the Pacific Northwest grain trade, but the absence of ships has forced exporters to practically stop their buying operations. Prevailing Oregon City prices are as follows: HIDES—(Buying)—Green hides, 5c to 6c; salters, 5c to 6c; dry hides, 12c to 14c; sheep pelts, 25c to 75c each. Hay, Grain, Feed. HAY—(Buying)—Timothy, \$15 to \$16; clover, \$8 to \$9; oat hay, best, \$11; mixed, 9c to \$12; alfalfa, \$15 to \$15.50. OATS—(Buying)—Gray, \$25 to wheat, \$32 to \$33; oat meal, \$53; Shady Brook dairy feed, \$1.25 per 100 pounds.

LIVE STOCK MARKET WEAKER

Increased Supply of Hogs With An Upward Tendency. Receipts for the past week have been as follows: Cattle 2,079; calves 423; hogs 1,819; sheep 7,819. The steer market for the week was a full quarter lower than for the preceding week, but buyers took up the supply readily at the lower quotations. The cow market was also a quarter lower, although one sale was made within 15c of the top of the week before. Calves sold at a good price with the regulation \$7.50 for the best. The hog market showed an increased supply from local territory and prices throughout the week were fairly steady. One top lot of hogs sold at \$7.50 and one smooth lot, averaging 195 pounds, sold for \$7.65, overweight hogs sold for \$7. The sheep market was heavily supplied and although there were practically 2,000 less than the week previous, buyers found themselves well stocked, and the top sale of lambs was 25c lower than the best sale of last week. Wethers sold at about the same money as quoted in our last letter and ewes sold around \$3. The following sales are representative: 262 Steers \$5.50 50 Steers 5.35 81 Steers 5.25 55 Steers 5.00 47 Calves 7.50 27 Calves 3.25 8 Bulls 4.50 136 Cows 4.90 148 Cows 4.50 140 Cows 4.25 251 Cows 4.90 89 Hogs 2.80 355 Hogs 1.95 520 Hogs 2.05 20 Hogs 2.40 457 Lambs 7.50 476 Lambs 7.25 1351 Wethers 3.35 1178 Ewes 3.00

Notice of Appointment of Administrator

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed, by order of the County Court of Clackamas County, Oregon, administrator of the estate of W. E. Hand deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them to me, duly verified, at the office of my attorneys, Cross and Hammond, Beaver Building, Oregon City, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. MARY J. HAND, Administrator. CROSS and HAMMOND, Attorneys for the Estate. October 12th, 1911.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of William R. Roberts, deceased, has filed his final account herein with the County Clerk of Clackamas County, Oregon, and the County Judge has set Monday, November 13, 1911, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., at the County Courtroom of said County and State and for the final settlement of said estate. Dated, October 13, 1911. E. AUSTIN, Administrator. O. D. EBY, Attorney for Administrator.

Sheriff's Sale

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah. H. Allies, Plaintiff, vs. Margaret Burton, Defendant. STATE OF OREGON, County of Clackamas, ss. By virtue of a judgment order, decree and an execution, duly issued out of and under the seal of the above entitled court, to me duly directed and dated the 27th day of September, 1911, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said court on the 27th day of October, 1909, in favor of H. Allies, Plaintiff, and against Margaret Burton, Defendant, for the sum of \$199.00, and the further sum of \$8.10 costs and disbursements, and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, situate in the county of Clackamas, State of Oregon, to-wit: Commencing sixty (60) rods east from the quarter stake between Section Sixteen (16) and Seventeen (17), in township five (5) south, Range one (1) east, Willamette Meridian, and running thence north forty rods; thence east twenty (20) rods; thence south forty (40) rods; thence west twenty (20) rods to the place of beginning, less a strip ten (10) feet wide along the east side, and being and situated in Section Sixteen (16), township five (5) south, range one (1) east of Willamette Meridian, in the County of Clackamas, State of Oregon. Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment order and decree, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will, on Saturday, the 11th day of November, 1911, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the County Court House in the City of Oregon City, in said County and State, sell at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder, for U. S. gold coin cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the within named defendants or either of them, had on the date of the Judgment herein or since had in or to the above described real property or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment order, decree, interest, costs and all accruing costs. E. T. MASS, Sheriff of Clackamas County, Oregon. By J. O. Staats, Deputy. Dated, Oregon City, Ore., Oct. 9th, 1911.