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THIRD-TERM CONTINGENCIES

The recent course of events has been such as to excite the attention of the public with increasing interest, and perhaps anxiety, to Mr. Roosevelt's statement after his election in 1904 that he would not accept a nomination for another term.

The President's statement has made an editorial appeal for Mr. Roosevelt to reconsider his determination and accept the nomination for a second elective term.

For the third-term bugaboo which makes such a frightful figure in the eyes of the people, there is no more or less eager for a first term, we may imagine that he is not greatly perturbed by it.

In the first place, we may understand his statement to be an appeal to the Nation for fair judgment. He wished his acts during his second administration to be looked upon and weighed solely with reference to their intrinsic merits.

Secondly, by his statement Mr. Roosevelt put himself in the advantageous position of a man who has nothing to gain or lose from the favor of friends or the malice of enemies.

velt emancipated himself from the baneful control of those who manipulate the machinery of politics and became a free man.

Circumstances might easily arise which would make it his imperative duty to accept another nomination. The objection of the corporation to the law which he has begun is not likely to be finished within his present term, and no suitable successor may appear to finish it.

TO JUGGLE WITH THE TARIFF

This Fall the Democrats undoubtedly will make an issue on the tariff wherever they can; but they will make no general issue, and will not deal with the subject in an open and honest way.

NO JOBS FOR THE FAITHFUL

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his power to vacate 175 seats at the pie court, through the Bruin decision, he is going to fight to the death in the Supreme Court.

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE

If A. J. Hembree had been convicted and executed for the murder of his wife and daughter, he would have been the third man in recent years to meet that fate after conviction upon circumstantial evidence both as to the commission of the crime and the death of the persons alleged to have been killed.

But to find a man guilty of manslaughter in a case of this kind is not a conviction, or that, if dead, they killed them. Yet there can be no doubt whatever of the guilt of Williams and Barnes.

MORE JOINT RATE MISREPRESENTATION

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is discussing the joint-rate matter again, and displays unusual ignorance regarding the conditions of the tariff.

The P.-I. is only partly correct in the statement that after August 1 the rate on O. R. wheat will be able to command as high a price for their wheat as do the farmers who have access to the roads which terminate at Puget Sound.

Nothing but dense ignorance or willful misrepresentation can account for the statement that "all of their wheat was to be shipped to Portland, where it commanded a lower price than at either Seattle or Tacoma, because vessel-owners charge a higher freight rate from Portland than from Puget Sound."

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THE PRESIDENT PITCHES HAY

Mr. Roosevelt's Agricultural Accomplishments Surprises a Farmer. Oyster Bay Dispatch in New York Herald.

The trip of the Portland Rowing Club crew to Massachusetts will be a win or even if the boys should be so unfortunate as to be vanquished in the races, it will awaken in the magnificent sport an interest such as no other move that has yet been made could accomplish.

Through a regrettable and obvious error in an editorial paragraph in yesterday's Oregonian it was made to appear that Mr. Paul had been sentenced to the penitentiary for an alleged attack on sailors on the steamer Johan Poulson.

IN THE OREGON COUNTRY

Street Sport in Pendleton. Two small boys and their dogs had a strenuous battle yesterday afternoon with a large rattlesnake on Johnson street between Webb and Alta.

Bears Made a Monkey of Him. Lostine Ledger and Democrat. John Wilson was held up a tree for almost an hour, on Sheep Ridge Saturday morning, by and for the amusement of a booby and his two cubs.

Aurora Pastime. "Boresalia." While you are waiting for the farmers to come to town figure this out: A farmer and his wife desired to weigh a pig and had no scales.

Borrow a Western Horse. Baker Democrat. Frank Johnson, the sheep man, owns a magnificent saddle horse which he keeps in Boise.

Pioneer Mother on a Vacation. Fossil Journal. Grandmother Huntley and her daughter, Mrs. Lyle, arrived in Fossil Wednesday.

Counterfeit Coins in Church. New York Sun. Vestrymen in a number of New York churches are complaining of the number of counterfeit coins found in the collection boxes nowadays.

Auto Route Amateur Cavalry Force. Topika Journal. Why don't they use automobiles in war? The Atchison Globe says W. P. Wagner was out in his machine the other evening and put a whole company of amateur cavalry to flight single-handed.

Haying Time. Des Moines Capital. The town is hot and the stifled street now breathes in vain for a waft of air.

Four Walla Walla society girls will help father out by going into the harvest field. Some of the young ladies will get a chance to do the right thing by father's four sons-in-law.

The Oregon Supreme Court decision knocking out the \$360 household exemption need not stand when Clackamas County retains a lawyer of recognized resource.

Mr. Bryan was in Ireland, too, when he wrote the letter demanding that National Committeeman Sullivan retire. Any one with the name of Sullivan retire?

BATTLESHIPS IN COLLISION

Alabama and Illinois Scrape Together and Suffer Slight Damage. NEWPORT, R. I., July 31.—Rear Admiral R. D. Evans, commanding the Atlantic fleet, received reports in detail today of a collision which occurred during a fog last night between the battleships Alabama and Illinois about eight miles southeast of Brenton's reef lightship.

Roosevelt's Word to Pope. Sends Message Protestants and Catholics Are Alike to Him. ROME, July 31.—The Pope today received the American pilgrimages conducted by the Right Rev. Henry Gabriel, bishop of Ogdensburg, N. Y., and John J. Conboy, bishop of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Northwest Postal Affairs. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU. WASHINGTON, July 31.—The following rural post offices were appointed in Oregon: Forest Grove, route 2, Fred W. Milne, carrier; Frank B. Howe, substitute.

Judge Tracy to Be Vice-Governor. WASHINGTON, July 31.—Judge James F. Tracy, of the Philippine Supreme Court, is expected to succeed General James F. Smith as Vice-Governor-General of the Philippines when the latter assumes the duties of that office in August.

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From the New York World. A small text block at the bottom right of the cartoon, indicating its source.

ESTHER MITCHELL ARRAIGNED

Pleads Not Guilty to Charge of Murdering Brother. SEATTLE, July 31.—Esther Mitchell pleaded not guilty in the Superior Court this morning to an information charging her with murder in the first degree for the killing of her brother, George Mitchell. The girl demanded that she be given a trial separate from Mrs. Crawford, joint bankhouse, with whom she was living at the time their father killed him, have forgiven her and will aid in her defense.

DOUBLE TRACKING LINE

Northern Pacific Begins Work on Montana Division. BUTTE, Mont., July 31.—A Miner dispatch from Livingston says that work on the double-tracking of the Northern Pacific from Bozeman to Livingston will commence at once.

MONTANA MILL IS BURNED

Plant at Virginia City Valued at \$100,000 Destroyed. BUTTE, Mont., July 31.—A Miner special from Virginia City says: "One of the most disastrous fires ever experienced in Montana destroyed the Higbee & Hawkins sawmill. Two hundred thousand feet of rough lumber, 50,000 feet of finished lumber, the mill building, 100,000 pounds of sawdust, and loss approximately \$100,000, with no insurance.

NO QUARREL ABOUT THAW

Prisoner's Wife Says She and His Mother Are Friends. NEW YORK, July 31.—"I wish you would deny the stories sent out yesterday about the falling out between Harry Thaw and his mother," said Mrs. Harry K. Thaw, when she visited the Tombs today to see her husband. "It is an infamous lie and is continued. We are the best of friends, both working for Harry's best interest."

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