

THE REPORTED TO BE GAINING DAILY Activity of Roosevelt and La Follette Men Causes Not Slightest Uneasiness.

T. R. SAID TO BE LOSING W. B. Ayer, Chairman of Portland Taft Committee, Declares People of Oregon See Unfairness of Colonel's Stand.

CO-OPERATION WILL AID DAIRY INTERESTS, SAYS CANDIDATE. Mr. Butler is not only opposed to single tax, but, if elected, I will support some measure similar to the "Blue Sky" law of Kansas...

Mr. Roosevelt's candidacy is losing in strength, as the importance of it is being realized. It is not only the question of his violating all precedents in his ambition to serve for a third term, but the strange spectacle of his turning against the man he selected as his successor...

Especially encouraging reports reached the Taft headquarters yesterday from Primrose, McMinnville, Hood River and Pendleton. From throughout Eastern Oregon comes the assurance that Taft will carry that section of the state by a comfortable margin.

CRAWFORD SETTLES PUZZLE Proper Place of Filing Petitions Is With Secretary, He Says.

Attorney-General Crawford has set at rest the uneasiness about the proper place for filing petitions for candidates from the Third Congressional district, which embraces Multnomah County alone.

Judge Gantenben noticed that the law specifically required candidates for office confined to one county alone, to file with the County Clerk. But at the same time the general purpose of the law seemed to be to require district candidates, and especially those like candidates for Congress, to file at the State Capital.

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practices act, and the opinion of this office in their candidates for Congress from Multnomah County may have their arguments printed in the voters' pamphlet if they file directly with the Secretary of State, or if they file with the County Clerk and have their names certified by the County Clerk to the Secretary of State.

BUTLER WANTS BLUE SKY LAW Candidate for Senator Also Is Opposed to Single Tax.

"I am not only opposed to single tax, but, if elected, I will support some measure similar to the 'Blue Sky' law of Kansas, for the prevention of the operations of 'wild cat' corporations," said H. H. Butler, of the Dalles, Republican candidate for State Senator from Wasco and Hood River counties, at the Imperial yesterday.

Co-operation between the dairymen and the consumer along all lines of the dairy industry is one of the most important features advocated by A. H. Lea, of Portland, candidate for the office of State Dairy and Food Commissioner to succeed J. W. Bailey.

after his name: "Statement No. 1, Republican. Opposed to single tax, I am in favor of the subjects already referred to, Mr. Butler, in his platform, says he will faithfully perform the duties of Joint Senator to the best of his ability, I will faithfully support the principle of Statement No. 1 and strive to support and uphold the laws enacted by the people and do all in my power to promote the interests of my district and the State of Oregon."

SINGLE TAX NOT IN FAVOR Eastern and Central Oregon Farmers Link Idea With Bourne. The people of Eastern and Central Oregon are overwhelmingly opposed to single tax, which they connect with Senator Bourne and his Oregon representative, W. R. Hines, said J. D. Stevens, who returned yesterday from a two weeks' visit through those sections of the state.

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"MALHEUR County people are as a rule not knockers, but they are out now, regardless of party affiliation, in their anxiety to see that Bourne is not elected," said R. D. De Armand, of Ontario, and the largest dealer in stock in that county, at the Oregon. "I am a Democrat and for Champ Clark, as all the Democrats in Eastern Oregon are with the Republicans calling themselves 'progressives' and were talking for La Follette but now they are up a tree and don't know for whom they stand. One thing is certain and that we are all against any more Bourne in the Senate, and I don't believe he could get sufficient signatures to his petition in the county for the reason he has thrown down every interest that we have in the face of his former promise to aid our wool, stock and irrigation propositions that are vital to us."

"WE SPEAK of Kansas City as the center of Southern Middlewestern states," said E. W. Curtis, general manager of the John Deere Plow Company, at the Multnomah. "There has been a crimp put in its general business during the past year, but political movements faster than ever, Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma are solid for Champ Clark as far as the Democrats are concerned, and we believe he has a fighting chance for the nomination for the Presidency. I am a Republican, taking little active interest in politics, but it is laughable the differences in this party. That 'progressive' bug has bitten them and they are looking for a cure before having the disease diagnosed. As a matter of fact they would vote for Bryan if he had 'progressive' written on his back and then ask one another why they did it."

I. W. W. ARE DEFIANT Speakers Challenge Anybody to Any Kind of Fight.

VETERANS HELD COWARDS Members of Scout Young Camp Are Scored Along With Other Persons Who Disagree With Inflammatory Ideas.

Members of the industrial Workers of the World are willing to take on any kind of a fight, we have no partners, the Scout Young Camp of Spanish-American War Veterans, the Realty Board, and all other organizations that are opposed to free speech," said one speaker. "We have no home, no families and nothing to live for excepting our rights. We have no partners here to handle a fight, we can bring more here from other cities in Oregon. If that won't suffice, we can get more from surrounding states. If they are used up, we can call help from Eastern States, and we can augment that number by calling for help from Europe if necessary."

Mode of Fighting Told. As a means of his speech he informed his followers to be ready for trouble, and instructed them in the proper procedure if anybody "started" anything.

"If only a few come to break up the meeting," he said, "don't use violence; just escort them out. If they come in force, just go to it and floor them as fast as you can. I think we are a pretty good class of fighters, and I'm sure all will do our best." Great applause followed and spread the speaker into more fiery words.

Plaque Proposed as Remedy. Another speaker suggested that one method of ridding the world of the capitalist class was to introduce a bubonic plague. The only thing that looked like trouble during the meeting came when someone said at this point that the speaker, that, from the appearance of the bunch assembled around him they would have no trouble in starting any kind of a plague. The intruder was passing down the street and disappeared almost as quickly as he formed the full purport of what he said dawned on the crowd.

SHIPS WILL BE ALTERED Windjammers to Be Fitted With Auxiliary Engines Soon.

It is announced that the steel sailing vessel, Dirigo, of the Sewell fleet, will be fitted with auxiliary engines upon her arrival on Puget Sound from the East and it is expected that auxiliary machinery will be installed in the other steel square-riggers of this fleet.

PULITZER TO GO TO DRY DOCK Pilot Schooner Will Not Be in Commission Until Next Fall.

ASTORIA, Or., March 17.—(Special.)—The pilot schooner Joseph Pulitzer arrived this morning from her station at the mouth of the river and will leave for Portland tomorrow morning to go on the drydock. The schooner will not be in commission again before next fall, excepting while one of the tugs is laid up for a general overhauling.

SCHOONER LUNSMAN IS SAFE Craft Delayed by Contrary Winds Now in River.

The schooner J. H. Lunsmann, concerning which considerable alarm has been felt on account of her long trip from Santa Rosalia, arrived in the river yesterday and from the information received it is believed that she was delayed by light and contrary winds and had been in no danger.

Marine Notes. The steamer Breakwater arrived yesterday from Coos Bay ports with freight and passengers after a pleasant passage.

with a cargo of cement, arrived yesterday from San Francisco. She had the schooner Meteor in tow from the Bay City.

Movements of Vessels. ASTORIA, Or., March 17.—Condition at the mouth of the river at 5 P. M., rough; wind southeast, 50 miles per hour, rain.

Port San Luis, March 16.—Arrived—Steamer Odeum, from Portland. Arrived—San Francisco, March 17.—Sailed—Lathimian, Governor, Seattle; (Mrs., Nansimo; and Eureka, Victoria, Astoria, Port Angeles. Arrived—Col. E. L. Drake, towing barge, 93, Charles Nelson, Wagon, Seattle; Dale Freeman, Gray's Harbor, St. Helena, Astoria.

Tides at Astoria Monday. High. 0:41 P. M. 2.2 feet; 6:31 A. M. 0.7 feet. Low. 0:45 P. M. 2.2 feet; 7:03 P. M. 0.7 feet.

CHIEFS LAUD SUFFRAGE JUDGE GATENS, WILL R. KING AND J. H. STEVENSON SPEAK.

Powerful Arguments Voiced at Forum Held by Men's Organization Supporting Campaign.

Circuit Judge Gatens and John H. Stevenson were speakers at the equal suffrage forum, in the auditorium of Olds, Wednesday night, under the auspices of the Men's Equal Suffrage Club, and additional strength was lent to the array of argument presented by an address by Will R. King, who until recently was Supreme Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. He was among the auditors, and was called upon for a speech.

There is an argument in favor of woman's suffrage that always has impressed me most forcibly, but that I have never heard advanced, said Mr. King. "That argument is this: If the women could vote, every home would have at least two votes and many cases more, and the balance of power would be in the home. Under our present system, which allows a vote only to men, the home is improperly represented, and the balance of power is with the 'floaters' and the irresponsible element which often acts from ulterior motives, and at least without intelligence."

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, March 17.—Maximum temperature, 52 degrees; minimum, 42 degrees. Rainfall, 8.4 M. 4.6 feet; change in 24 hours, 3.8 M. 0.2 inch; total rainfall since September 1, 34.85 inches; deficiency of rainfall since September 1, 1911, 1.25 inches. Total snow on ground, 1.5 inches; possible sunshine, 13 hours 59 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 29.95 inches.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Barometer, Wind, State of Weather. Rows include Boise, Calgary, Denver, Duluth, Eureka, Galveston, Helena, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Marshallfield, Montreal, New Orleans, San Francisco, St. Paul, St. Louis, St. Petersburg, Tacoma, Walla Walla, Winnipeg.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. A moderate disturbance with barometer reading in Florida. Moderately high pressure over Alberta, and a moderate high-pressure field is central at sea off the Oregon-California coast. There has accordingly resulted high winds over Western Oregon and Washington, velocities of 41 miles southwest having occurred at both North Head and Tausan during the afternoon. Light precipitation has also occurred in Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Western Montana. A secondary disturbance is central over Interior Southeastern Canada, and light precipitation has occurred in Minnesota and the Northern Lake Region. Heavy rains have fallen in Florida. Moderately high pressure obtains over the southern portion of the United States, with a high pressure over the Atlantic Slope; in these sections the weather has been generally fair during the last 24 hours. The weather is slightly cooler in Northwestern Oregon and in Washington, but not so much as in the West. Also in Kansas, Western Missouri, Iowa, Eastern North Dakota and on the Middle Atlantic Coast and warmer weather obtains in other sections, especially in Interior Western Canada, in the Northern Plains States, the Lower Mississippi, Ohio and St. Lawrence Valleys and Lake Region. The North Pacific Slope temperatures, generally, are above normal throughout, but according to all indications, warmings are displayed at all Coast stations in Oregon and Washington.

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If you are trying to keep house without Gold Dust, you are not taking advantage of modern methods. Get some system into your work, but let Gold Dust do all the hard part of the task. All you need to do is to direct it.

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JURY PEERS AT POLICE INQUIRY AS TO CONDITIONS IS SAID TO BE NEAR. Mayor Talks With Grand Jury, It Is Asserted, and Admits Inability to Cope With Force. Official admissions that the March grand jury had been following the precedent and taking a look into police affairs, was made yesterday. It is said that Mayor Rushlight has discussed the condition of the city with the members of the grand jury, and has made frank admission that he can do nothing with the police force as constituted at present. After letting this information leak in a moment of heat, the official who gave it became silent and would add nothing to his statements.

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