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THE TWO PLATFORMS.

Comparison of the forecasts of the Taft and Roosevelt platforms enables us to determine the issues on which they are prepared to go to the people, main principles. The most imporpopular rule.

Roosevelt's declaration in favor of initiative, referendum, recall and diof these agencies can be employed only in the states is in reality an admission that they have no place in a National platform. That will be, by implica-tion, an admission that Taft does right to ignore the initiative and referen-His denunciation of the recall dum and defense of the judiciary will make a clear-cut issue in relation to the

The differences between the two pro osed tariff planks are no greater than difference between tweedledum that the effect of Mr. Anderson's cease. and tweedledee. tariff board, but Roosevelt is dissatisfied with the present board. So is Taft, but he took it as the best he could get, just as Roosevelt took the railroad rate law of 1906. Both men accept the cost of production, to be rmined by the board, as the basis The necessary consequence of duties. of applying this principle is that, when the board's findings show duties to be too high, they should be reduced. A specific declaration for reduction of duties is, therefore, superfluous and it nection exists. It is just as idle for is apt to raise expectations which in him to say that the league only fights e instances might prove not to be justified.

Most significant is the difference between the two planks dealing with the trusts. Taft will stand by the Sher-man law, but recommend that it be clarified by definition. Although the dispatches do not say so, his messages and speeches warrant the belief that his anti-trust plank will contain recommendation of an executive bureau administer the law. Roosevelt, however, lays most stress on the necessity of regulation.

Taft support the policy of a will central hanking reserve. Roosevelt will confine himself to condemnation of the particular plan which has been hoodpoed with the name of Aldrich. That difference does not exclude the The difference between the two

conservation planks is not likely to be great if, as has been promised, the lank will have Borah's approval. But how it will be possible to please the Idaho Senator who is now so thoroughly in the confidence of Roosevelt and humor the Pinchot fanatics who are also Roosevelt's supporters is not The Taft plank, being satisfacclear. conservationists.

them, and they refused him the loan. Finally a day came when Mr. Plint must have \$500,000 the next day to meet his obligations and needed \$1.-000,000 in all. He failed in his last attempt to raise the money at \$0'clock next morning had closed a deal to sell his entire shoe machinery system to the trust for \$5,000,000. No regulation, supervision or con-trol of the monopoles can prevent them from thus blighting industrial progress. It pays them better to buy a new invention and kill it than to buy it and substitute it for setting to raise the monopoles can prevent a new invention and kill it than to

them from thus blighting industrial children's children in the continued habit of consuming for the studency progress. It pays them better to buy growth of the commonwealth that a new invention and kill it than to buy it and substitute it for machinery in which they have invested millions. The inventor is proverbially poor, and can only obtain the reward for his work of the given of the work of the source that he did not light a cigar the inventor is proverbially poor, and can only obtain the reward for his work of the given of the work of the source that he did not light a cigar the inventor is proverbially poor, and can only obtain the reward for his work of the source the work of the source the work of the source that he did not light a cigar the base investigation of this work—a any other time. A resolve with that the base investigate the work of the source and the source of the sour

genius by finding some capitalist who will manufacture and market his de-as they, willing as they.—The Orego-was kept. From that time to this he vice. Knowing that they would have nian now, as in the past, extends cor-to contend against the overwhelming dial welcome to the visiting pioneers. man has done, man can do, though we to contend against the overwheiming dati welcome to the visiting pioneers. Han has done, man can do, thought upon of money are more and more chary of have done, because of a full knowledge the man. Persons of mature years of it; with due reverence for the gray-seldom really change any of their hab-haired men and women who are softly its, either for good or bad. Most men miration of the world and which has created the wonderful structure of come hither to exchange at least one and as they are then, so they remain American industry is thus put to sleep. more greeting, friend with friend, to their death. They learn nothing

A checked in how which is the wonderful structure of the several delegates at Chi-as where by a measure of competition, by a competition by a sport in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling are in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling are in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling are in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling are in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling are in the hope that each and every one of them may fully enjoy the re-biling of the issue the still to enjoy the into of 1912, and that as many of them as are able still to enjoy the the reador may obtain a perfectly fair of Portland in 1913, we hall the'r com-in the reader may obtain a perfectly fair view of the subject under discussion. Mr. Anderson asys that we have "suga the members of his gested" that the members of his y league have "banded themselves to y gested" that the members of his y keep we "banded themselves to y gested" that the members of his y keep we mande no such suggestion. We have made no such suggestion. We have made no such suggestion. We have are made no such suggestion. We should they become rivals for election, On most points they disagree on mat-ters of detail and method rather than three points in the letter require a littant exception is direct legislation and the reader may obtain a perfectly fair initiative, referendum, recall and di-rect primaries was to be expected, gested" that the members of his but his proposed admission that many league have "banded themselves to-Fear has been expressed that this in-

We have made no such suggestion. We the basis of such apprehension being believe, of course, that the greater the shortage of the crop which was number of the members of the league first manifested in 1909 and the inare perfectly sincere in the conviction that they are helping a good cause. But crease in that deficit since. Seeking sincere people are often mistaken. A sincere person who has enlisted in a bad cause for lack of proper information or for any other reason may be one of the most dangerous individuals in the world. Hence, while we insist

league is the propagation of death, Inasmuch as it opposes the progress of scientific medicine, we none the less concede that most of the members are is bushel in the Fall of 1909 and \$2.45 honest and innocent of any evil pur-The relation between the league and extent in localities where its cultiva-tion had long been abandoned, and the patent medicine interests is per-

fectly well understood and proof has been given to the public of their inti-"compulsory vaccination." Vaccination until in relatively recent years this must be compulsory in order to be ef- kind of land has been in supply suf-

fectual. As long as the right to en-danger the health of the community is conceded to the ignorant and careless diseases like smallpox will continue to rage. The sort of "campaign of education" which Mr. Anderson's league is carrying on, according to his statement, may be deduced from the next clause in his letter to the effect that

Does Mr. Anderson happen to know the origin of the radishes on his din-ner table? It is "filthy." is it not? The fact that a remedy comes from a disagreeable source has nothing whatever to do with its efficacy. If the marines in the Navy refused to obey regulations

tions they ought to have been put in irons. It stands to reason that the physicians in charge knew better than

they did what was good for them. Following the expression of his fear lest the hospitals become "mere slaughter-houses," Mr. Anderson proceeds to boast that his league has successfully fought a National health decessfully fought the pure-food law. points of view it ought to be instruc-

MEDITATIONS ON GROWING OLD. In the June number of E. W. Howe's Monthly, which is published at Potato Hill farm near Atchison, Kan., the editor supplies an intimate discussion of some of his personal peculiarities. clear. The Taft plank, being satisfac-tory to Pinchol's former chief lieuten-is it not? The poison trust has suc-is it not? The poison trust has suc-is it not? The poison trust has suc-article is interesting and from some our decadent modern world. He is 59 years old, as he tells ute of honor and respect to has made in his way of life he feels "father as well as "mother." The Rev. Mr. better than he did six years ago. He Berringer, of Vancouver, has celebrat ed a "fathers' day" with solemnly ap propriate festivities and we take opportunity to praise him for it. Perwhen they were boys." His opinion is haps we err in believing that he got that they either deceive themselves or his inspiration to this beautiful deed haps we err in believing that he from The Oregonian. At any rate, we made the suggestion not long ago, and, until corrected, shall modestly claim the credit

POLITICAL SITUATION GRAVE POTENTIAL WEALTH IN HARNEY. Visitor Prophesies Great Future for Bi So Says J. H. Wilson, Who Speculate Eastern Oregon County.

on Party Future. CORVALLIS, Or., June 16 .- (To the

The Convention Cauldron

By Dean Collins.

us, and because of some changes he pastor who believes in paying a trib-

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for a reason for this it has been surmised at least that this lies in the fact that flax has been raised almost entirely on the newly broken sod of the frontier and that with the end of available new soil flax culture will naturally

in the Spring of the following year, flax growing has reappeared to some with gratifying success. This indicates that flax growing followed the mate interdependence. It is idle for frontier not because it was an un-Mr. Anderson to deny that this con-profitable crop on older land, but because it could be grown with profit more easily on freshly broken sod, and

ficient to meet the demand.

Agricultural stations throughout the country cheerfully supply such information as is needed to make flax cul-ture, either for seed or fiber, profitable, providing soll and location are sultable. Professor Walter Morris is of the opinion that stock raising with a moderate amount of grain growing several hundred enlisted men in the Navy have been put in frons for refus-ing to be inoculated with a scientific remedy "of confessedly filthy origin." time extend to the eastern sections of the North Pacific Coast States, and pos-sibly to the Willamette Valley, where flax growing as a side line in farming has now and again for many years been tried, but where market condi-tions for the disposal of the grop have

not been favorable.

National issues. The only other sub-ject on which he seriously disagrees Taft is the trusts.

The issue between the two men is really personal. Had not Taft removed Pinchot, had he not prosecuted the steel trust, had he placed one or two men of Roosevelt's choice in his Cabinet. Roosevelt would have found no difficulty except his own ambition in supporting Taft for a second term. misropresentations com. bined with the reflections cast upon Roosevelt in the steel trust suit keep open the wound inflicted on his vanity by Taft's refusal to place men of his choice in the Cabinet. The whole population of Adullam's cave descended upon Oyster Bay and played upon his erotism and wounded vanity him that the country convince called on him to save it. His present eading issue of popular rule was made after he had resolved to be the savior.

A BLIGHT ON INVENTION.

The torpor which monopoly strikes trust, which is now under prosecution the Government. The trust had bought up the patents for machines used in every step of shoe manufacture and leased them to manufacturers on condition that none of them should be used in conjunction with any non-In order to secure any trust muchine, one must lease all his machines from the trust.

Thomas G. Plant, a Massachusetts shoe manufacturer, undertook to "buck the trust." He could not do so without machines for every process of the industry and he must avoid the bast ences were theirs. As sung by the industry and he must avoid the State of the patient wishes to escape once if the patient wishes to escape aserious trouble from his abstinence. Mr. Howe just at present is struggling with the tobacco habit. When he was that once were theirs. As sung by the industry and he must avoid the State of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the State of the patient wishes to escape that once were theirs. As sung by that once were theirs. As sung by that once were theirs are supported as the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape that once were theirs. As sung by that once were the state of the patient wishes to escape that once were the state of the patient wishes to escape that once were the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape the industry and he must avoid the state of the patient wishes to escape that once were the state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient wishes to escape the patient state of the patient state o least appearance of infringing on any one of the trust's patents. If any one of his machines should be held to in-fringe, his chain would be broken and worthless. He succeeded in having invented a complete system of shoe machinery, which leading shoe manufacturers pronounced equal to, and

some cases better than, that of the yielded up these things so naturally; trust. He offered it to the trade at a the shadows of life's evening have trust. He offered it to the trade at a gathered about them so softly and the cigar has been pressing year after trust's system. The trust's only al- insensibly that the conquest made is trust's system. The trust's only al-insensibly that the conquest made is ternative to defeat was to buy him out, practically unfelt and unregretted.

ch lower cost than that of the gathered about them so softly and the clear has been pressing year after st's system. The trust's only al-insensibly that the conquest made is practically unfelt and unregretted. To have lived in the transition age of a cancer, and yet it may. When Mr. How does not smoke the white spot contracts and finally vanishes. He is unteresting the money market, it put them Mr. Plant needed about \$2,000,000 great drama that has been so won-It could not do this at a small price unless it "put on the screws." on. Mr. Fiant needed about \$2,000,000 great drama that has been so won-to carry on his enterprise. On his merits he was entitled to this much credit. He had property worth \$4,-schools, in philanthropic institutions 000,000 to \$5,000,000, and his shoe fac-tory was earning \$500,000 to \$600,000 merce. In trade and industry, in trans-a year. But the bankers who were portation and invention, is to have able to give him credit did not judge him on his merits as a substantial man, able to repay the loan with in-terest. They were either controlled by or under the influence of the trust, which kept large sums on deposit with

velt's one badge of radicalism is his advocacy of direct legislation and ju-hope Mr. Anderson will not be heard To sum up the whole matter, Roose. When the law was finally passed, the tive. dicial recall, which he admits are not to boast of this triumph.

THE PIONEER REUNION.

does not feel younger, he is care-ful to explain. He does not be-Almost before we are aware June lieve old men when they say "feel younger than they did they has passed again into June and its they overlapping days have brought us again to the annual fete day of ploneers as designated by the Oregon else "deliberately lie," to quote a fa-Pioneer Association. The day of this reunion falls this year upon Thursday, the latter offense of which they are June 20. June rains were needed, and guilty. Old men are notoriously men-the forces of the air evidently called dacious, especially in referring to the a council and decided that the Rose days of their boyhood. "How we old Festival and those who attended it men are given to lying," exclaims Falcould better stand a wetting down at staff. Both the joys and the troubles the behest of this need than could the of boyhood are magnified in the mempioneer reunion and the aged persons who come hither to attend it; hence Monthly tells us that he left off busithe skies poured down at intervals all last week and this week have bent above us, blue and balmy. ness about eighteen months ago, con-trary to the advice of all his friends and physicians and has found idleand physicians and has found idle-ness agreeable. He prefers to rust out, The programme for the entertain-

ment of our gray and grizzled state-builders does not, and in the nature of Wise authorities insist that "rustthings cannot, vary greatly from year ing out" is apt to be a pretty expedi-

to year. Much of the pleasure of the tious process when a man has been reunion, both in expectancy and real-ization, centers in and about the ar-years and suddenly leaves it, but Mr into inventive genius is well illustrated mory, wherein long tables are spread. Howe's case seems to be an exception, in the case of the shoe machinery These, flanked by chairs and gay with There are exceptions to all rules, but These, flanked by chairs and gay with There are exceptions to all rules, but the sweetest and brightest flowers of they are not safe to depend on. What June, laden with viands, dainty and is good for our editorial friend may be substantial, invite the pioneers-old disastrous for the common run of and middle-aged, grave and gay-to mankind. It is perilous to break off come in and partake of the bounty of any long-continued habit suddenly, their generous hosts, the citizens of even when the habit is a bad one. The Portland. best authorities insist that the use

The occasion throughout is one in must cease gradually and not an which hundreds of men and women must cease gradually and not an who are passing down the sunset slope once if the patient wishes to escape once if the patient wishes to escape serious trouble from his abstinence.

years he is afflicting himself with

Eins winceler wirkox. Swiftfooted enger youth. That rushed to meet the years; Boid, brigand heathen that broke All laws of reason recklessly And laughed at caution. And that joy of life that writes its music in the major key And will not listen to a minor strain. These things and many more Are spoils of time. greater misery to get rid of it. But he has his reasons. He finds that now and then there is a queer feeling at the base of his brain which might eas.

lly slip into paralysis. At any rate he believes it might. When he does not But our dear and cheerful pior smoke this feeling does not trouble him. Again he has noticed a

cause he "is scared." Well he may be. A cancer of the lip is the smoker's heritage and it is not a pleasant com-panion to take with one to the grave. Mr. Howe does not believe that many men succeed in "quitting" the tobacco or any other had habit. Per-

white

The

Three thousand citizens of Cowlitz County purpose doing volunteer work on their roads today and the spirit in which they labor betokens much resuit. Volunteers are better laborers than men "warned out" by the super-

shouldn't the tragedy be accredited di. rectly to the person who permitted the child to reach a loaded rifle?

Whether local talent is rightly susthe Minneapolls deal could give lessons to a mere second-rater such as J. Rufus Wallingford.

Ohio convicts differ from the Ore-gon brand. They climb over the walls and are killed, while here they work the system and leave regrets.

No matter how busy the country may be with other affairs, the Colo rado River always claims attention by bursting its banks.

Thirty-two years ago the doings of a Chicago convention ruptured the country for a week, but the wounds ealed rapidly.

Taft stands by General Wood by ve toing the Army bill containing the rider.

naval militia gave "Captain" Shepherd the merry haw, haw!

Easy money never sticks. De Larn died in poverty.

wrong and that both parties will put up dark horses who can carry the party vote to each candidate and let the country continue along prosperous lines, for there are many signs in the sky of possible unsatisfactory financial conditions. J. H. WILSON. "MEDICAL FREEDOW" is DEFENDEN

"MEDICAL FREEDOM" IS DEFENDED

Secretary of League Tells of Member- ABOUT BUGS AND PINE TREES, quence of high water.

ship and Purposes. PORTLAND, June 16.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Your recent editorial reference to the National League for Medical Freedom is of such a nature that it should not go unchallenged. The league the short space of less than of the Hopkins Estate cutting down 300 of their largest sugar pine trees, east should not go unchallenged. The league has, in the short space of less than two years, built up a bona fide mem-bership in the United States of more than 300,000; in Oregon alone more than 300,000; in Oregon alone more than 7000. This membership will com-pare favorably in intelligence and mor-als with any other organization in existence. Have these people banded themselves together for the "propagu-tion of death" as you suggest? The charge that the league is backed by the patent medicine interests has

the volunteers are better laborer than men "warned out" by the super that any other organization in the paper didu't asy it was a Government to work peeling them any other organization in the bark is burned. Isn't that simplet that the bark is burned. Isn't that the bark is burned the bark is burned. Isn't that the bark is burned the bark is burned. Isn't that the bark is burned the bark is burned. Isn't that the bark is burned to the destruction of about the bark is burned. It is too late the about the interest is a burned to the destruction of about the bark is burned. It is too late the about the purchase of outer the burned to the destruction of about the purchase of a scapping of education. It has been so often refuted that other flow it furnishes information about such in the United in the united in the united in the destruction of about the purchase of outer the bark and only or bary for refusing to 'burned'. It is a bark and only or bary for the burned. It is a burned the bark any the second with a so-called meint in the United is a burned to the destruction of the bark and all fallen off. There was in are

The league also furnishes information

whether local talent is rightly sus-cted or not, the forger who put over e Minnespolls deal could give lessons eted or not, the forger who put over e Minnespolls deal could give lessons the league also thrmsess intormation about the growing abuse of surgery with its system of "split fees," which system has a tendency to diminish the respect for human life and to make of in addition to these things the league pleads guilty to fighting the estab-

In authors to trighting the estab-lishment of a so-called department of "health," and what is more, it is doing so successfully. The phenomenal suc-cess of the league during its brief ex-istence and the readiness with which people see the logic and justice of our position after an unprejudiced ex-amination of our claims, promise much for the accomplishment of the object of the league-that each system of medicine or healing shall stand on its merits without Government assistance. CHRISTIAN ANDERSON, Secretary Oregon Branch National

Secretary Oregon Branch League for Medical Freedom. Nationa

OREGON CITY, Or., June 14.—(To the Editor.)—When will the next Civi Service examination be for policement for the city of Portland? With whom must I file my application for police-man and when? A READER

No examination has been set. Ad dress Secretary Civil Service Commission, City Hall, Portland. All applicants must have lived in Portland one

year before being eligible for examina-

removed to an upper story two doors south of the usual place, in conse-N. C. MARIS.

Would Improve Unsightly Corner

PORTLAND, June 16 .- (To the Editor.)-Will you kindly suggest to the Health Department, Police Department, city beautiful committee and Inspector of Immigration that the quarter block on the southeast corner of fourth and Yamhill streets needs immediate and active attention

It is too late to consider the Rose

PORTLAND, June 17.--- To the Edi-tor.)--Since Mr. Plummer has seen fit to accuse me of using my pupit to down him, I will state that his charge to accuse me of using my pupil to down him, I will state that his charge that I made any such announcement as that attributed to me in his news-paper statement is absolutely faise. It is true that mention was made of the school election to be held Monday, the 17th inst, but the charge that there was any reference made to candidates, even by implication, is without founia-tion. Mr. Beach's cards were handed around on the street after the serv-ices, and if Mr. Plummer's friends had been industrious enough, they might have exercised the same privilege. Like Mr. Plummer, I am not a politician, but I am a taxpayer, and as such I feel deeply concerned in the men that are chosen to expend our taxes. J. C. HUGHES.

Number of Votes Oregon Cast.

Number of voice of the Edi-tor.)--Please tell me the number of votes cast in Oregon for Taft and Bryan in the last Presidential election. OSCAR LASWELL.

Salem, Or.

Bryan, 38,049: Taft. 62,530.

Information on Land Cinims.

HAMMOND, Or., June 15.--(To the Editor.)-Please advise me to whom I should apply for a position with a geological survey party. Yours respect-fully, PRESTON KUHN. PORTLAND, Or., June 14.-(To the Editor.)--Please let me know where I can find out about taking up land in Dregon. J. W. HALL. Oregon.

Apply at Chamber of Commerce for F. S. Henshaw, 209 Tilford building, estead bulletin.

"I understand he can ask more que "I understand he can ask more ques-tions in a day than the whole family can answer in a week." "Yes. He's going to make a fine hand on an investigating committee one of these days."

Position in Geological Survey.

Seeking Job on a Beat

Training for a Great Future. Washington (D. C.) Star. "That boy of mine has a great fu-

there are bugs in every forsat and es-pecially in the old trees that are over-ripe. It is a part of nature. These trees were not yet dead and had they been left standing would have remained sound for many years, even after the bark had all fallen off. There was just as much reason for cuttling down and destroying these farest glants as there would be to burn the hemlock lumber yards in the East because bed-bugs breed in the piles of lumber. Bug hunting and taxes will soon east ap any tract of timber. Wouldn't it be better to raise woodpeckers to keep down the bug family? That would be a worthy occupation for those treasury-sapping experts the Government has to keep. No cause for alarm. Nothing new or dangerous in the bug world. Instances like the above remind me of the Dutch cop who ran into a store and borrowed & shotgun and began shoot-ing at a wheelbarrow in the alley, and wanted an explanation, he said. "Mad dog run down alley; bit wheelbarrow, and a mad wheelbarrow be ad — bal ding." N. F. THRONE.