

EXPOSE ARGUMENTS OF DEMOCRATS

Appeal for Votes Under False Pretext of Supporting Roosevelt.

ARE ARRAYED AGAINST HIM

Party Leaders Use Baseless Claims in Attempts to Keep Republicans Out of Power in the State of Oregon.

The absurdity of the claim that has been made by the Democratic leaders that their candidate is the real supporter of Roosevelt and that Republican policies will be best maintained by the election of Democrats to office is fully exposed by State Senator Henry Waldo Coe, who shows that Senator Geaslin himself, though professing to be a supporter of Roosevelt's policies, has arrayed himself on the side of the Democratic organization voting and talking against legislation desired by Roosevelt.

State Senator Henry Waldo Coe—If I were a Democrat, I should certainly vote the straight Democratic ticket, and have no ill will toward any Democrat who supports his ticket in the present campaign. As a Republican, however, interested in the success of Republican principles, I feel it not only my privilege, but my duty to support the entire ticket at the present time. The statement made in certain quarters that a Democrat will be a better supporter than a Republican, of the policies of the Republican party and of Theodore Roosevelt, does not make any sense at all to me. In the United States Senate at this time, on Administration matters, Oregon has practically no vote, the Democratic standing as an offset to the Republican vote there. Mr. Geaslin is an estimable gentleman, and Governor Chamberlain did well to appoint him; as the Governor is a Democrat, he naturally did not appoint a man who was not a Democrat to this position.

For example of present conditions, take the statehood bill, recently defeated. The Administration was in favor of the admission of two new states in the Southwest. Mr. Geaslin, with his Democratic friends and certain insurgent Republicans not friendly with the Administration, voted against this measure. The vote stood 31 against 25 for. Had there been another Administration, Republican Senator appointed from Oregon, would have been a vote in the vote, in which case the Vice President, favorable to the measure, would have cast his vote favorably to Roosevelt's plan, and the measure would have passed. On the San Domingo treaty, Senator Geaslin was also against the President.

I saw a Democrat sent to the United States Senate, in which he has a Republican majority in the Legislature. This Democrat's vote was needed to pass the iniquitous Wilson bill, which he supported. This man was the last straw upon the camel's back, which brought the country into such dire distress. Since that time North Dakota Republicans have been charged in thousands times with being largely responsible for the rocky times from '02 on, in that Republican voters elected this Democratic United States Senator.

L. J. Miller—I believe the people of Oregon held a convention on April 20, to which every registered voter was a delegate, and that the nominees elected at the primaries are distinctly the party nominees of the people of the state. In the past I never believed that a delegate to a convention had any right to bolt the convention or its nominees because the nominees were not to his satisfaction. Every one who participated in the old-time conventions was in honor bound to support the choice of the convention, the same as today in a larger sense all Republicans are in honor bound to support the nominees of the primaries from the top to the bottom of the ticket without regard to personal preferences. The defeated primary candidates, like Judge Lowell, Mr. Calk, Governor Geer and others, have set a fine example to the voters of this state in tendering their support to their opponents at the primaries, and certainly the nominees of the defeated candidates in those primaries should do no less. Factional differences in the Republican party has been eliminated, and if there is to be a Republican party its members should vote as a unit for the nominees of the primaries. If Oregon is a Democratic state the voters should register and take part in the Democratic primaries, but if it is a Republican state it is time the Republican voters ceased to be catpaws to pull the chestnuts out of the fire to feed the hungry Democratic party. I shall vote for the Republican nominee of the last primary, from Harvey K. Brown, of Baker County, late aspirant to the gubernatorial nomination on the Republican ticket, is in town, and being asked how the nominations suited him, replied:

"First-class. No, I am not the least bit sore over my defeat, and I am for the ticket straight through. Dr. Withycombe's big home vote is a guarantee that he is the right man, and that the state at large will make no mistake by emphasizing Benton County's estimate of him by a routing majority in June. The nomination of Mr. Bourne for United States Senator is opposed by that element in the community that is always seeking to own and control public officials and which knows it can never hold any leading position here. To elect a man like Dr. Withycombe, simply because they imagine Chamberlain's personal strength makes him, in their misconception of conditions, a possibility, and they are consulting with the old Republican machine men to beat Bourne because they think it will tend to break up the Republican party. They will not pick a single plum at this time, and they will find in the end that the Republican party in Oregon will be stronger and more united under the operation of the primary law than it ever has been before under boss rule—thanks to Jonathan Bourne."

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It is planned to have the delegates from Portland and the other cities in the Willamette Valley go to Coos Bay in a body on the steamer Alliance, which sails from this city May 19. Harman lines will give usual rates to the Farmers' and Shippers' Congress of one and one-third fare for round trip on the certificate plan. The steamer Alliance will leave Portland at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of May 19.

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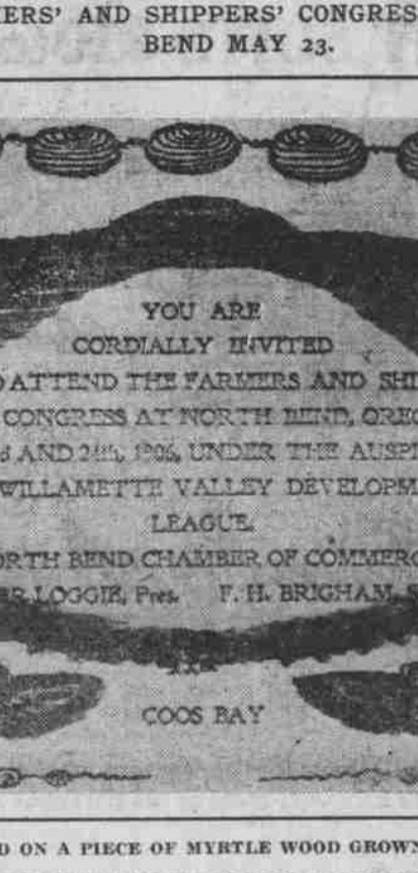
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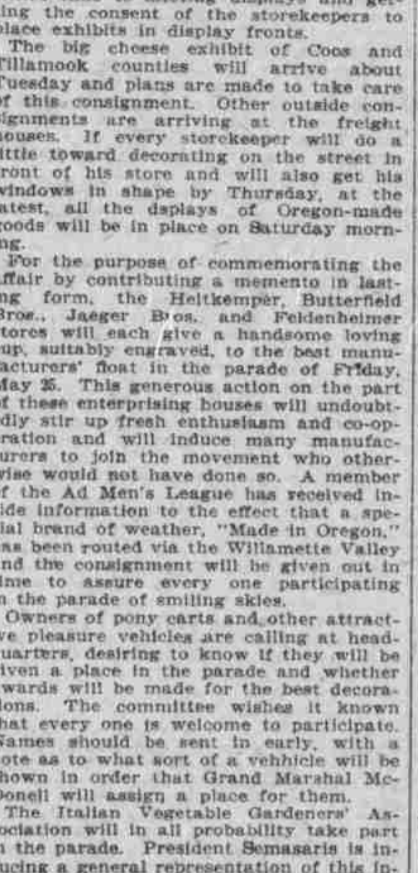
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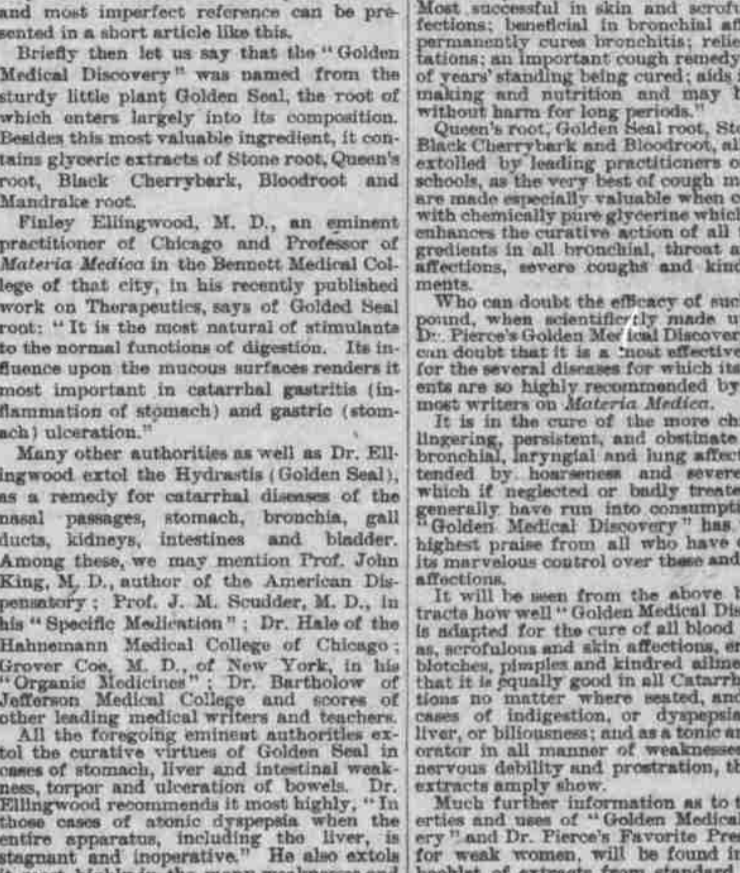
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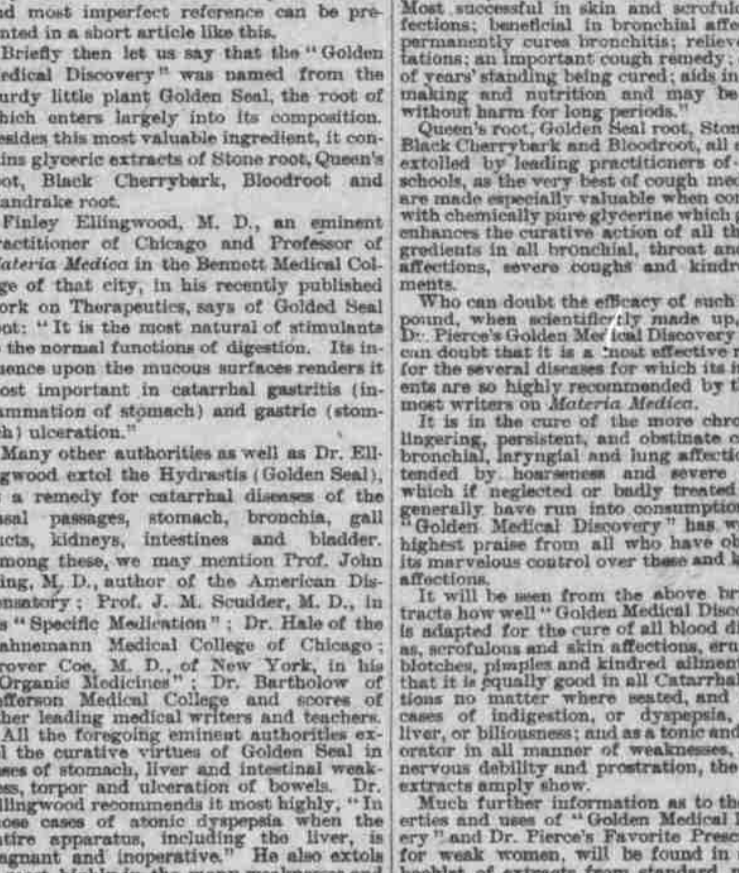
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