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Republican Prosperity.

In the early part of the present fiscal year the government's outgo exceeded its income, says the St. Louis Globe Democrat.

This is not an infrequent condition for the expenditures, owing to the heavy interest payments in July, the fiscal year's first month, are always heavy. But the tide has turned. For September the treasury's receipts surpassed its disbursements by $6,450,000. Thus while the balance was on the other side of the account along to the first of September, the heavy excess of receipts in that month has brought the surplus income for the first quarter of the fiscal year 1904 to $5,590,375.

As the condition is apt to be more favorable in the remaining nine months the chances are that the surplus at the end of June next will be in the neighborhood of $25,000,000, or about half of that of the fiscal year which ended three months ago. In the work of cutting down taxation in order to decrease the congestion of money in the treasury, the country therefore, has gone far enough. If we get the Panama canal there is a chance that the payments which we will have to make will reduce this estimated excess of $25,000,000 for the twelve months. In any case, there will be no more revenue cutting on any pretext in the next two years at least.

The financial conditions of the United States government in many respects contrasts very favorably with that of England at this time. While our surplus is certain to be smaller, England's will, of course, be be very much smaller. Moreover, the securities of the United States government are far above par, our 2 per cent bonds being quoted at 108. England's 2½ per cent consols are at 88. Since the beginning of the Boer war in 1899 there has been a shrinkage in the market value of that security which has amounted to about $25,000,000. While some of the British financiers are saying that if England could pay up her bonded debt now she would save half the expense of that conflict, of course this reduction in the market value of those securities means a loss instead of a gain for the government. The condition of America's treasury and the state of the national credit are very agreeable to the people of this country.

A Mutual Administration Association.

Hon. Geo. C. Brownell, state senator from Clackamas county continously during the last twelve years and president of the senate in the last legislature, was in Eugene Thursday and Friday this week. He is brilliant, eloquent, of charming personality, and a prince of good fellows—as true to his obligations and the interests of the people, as he understands them, as the needle is to the pole, and yet has been misrepresented and misunderstood and more unjustly criticised and assailed, without cause or provocation, by the press, than any other man in Oregon, with perhaps one or two exceptions, including present company, the writer of this. He has had more influence in shaping the legislation of Oregon during the last few years than any other man, which is not saying very much for him, as the laws are remarkable for quantity rather than quality. Without his support and management—and he is the best political manager in the state—neither Mitchell nor Fulton would now be members of the United States Senate. He can be U. S. district attorney for Oregon or anything else that they can deliver, but he has a greater liking for the votes of people and for controlling public affairs than for a big salary in an office without influence, and he will probably continue to be re-elected state senator by big majorities, while other candidates on the same ticket are snowed under, and worry jealous rivals in the state senate and malicious or uninformed critics on the outside, until he is appointed to some higher position by the suffrage of the people.—Oregon State Journal.

"The Truth Shall Make You Free."

Paul, the Hebrew philosopher and Christian teacher after a varied and chequered experience of men and measures wrote the above words; and the longer we live the more actual beauty and strength do we see in them, and in their application to the affairs of life for the telling of truth and proclaiming it in either a social, business, religious or political sense makes the receiver of truth to be free to accept or reject, to approve or condemn just as a man sees fit, and this brings us to the subject we have in view. The Editor received a letter on Wednesday morning in which these words occur: "If you are a republican, why have you assailed republican principles in writing up the land office affairs?" In answer to the statement, we enter a denial to the implied charge that we have assailed republican principles and affirm that in writing up land office affairs as a republican, we are upholding republican principles.

And here we take occasion to state: the republican party was built up because the principle of truth in the utterance of the party platform, found a lodgement in the hearts of the people, and it has built up on that foundation because the truth spoken by orators or published by the newspapers made the people free. A party built up on truth, must of necessity deal in the truth, if it would continue to be the great and controlling power in the land; and here we have an insight into the proverb, "The voice of the people is the voice of God;" and especially is this so when we get the conception of the thought spoken by the politician Isaiah, who incited the people of a degenerate monarchial institution to listen to the truth and follow it. Speaking under inspiration as the voice of God he declared: "So shall my word be that goeth out of my mouth, it shall not return unto me void: but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it." The above may not be the exact words, but they are the concluding sense of the Jewish politician's argument along that line. In a religious sense all that is true is of God and falsehood is of the devil. In a political sense each party advocates measures, and principle, which are put forward as truth or what is said to be the truth and for this the political press of the land is worked day and night and it is found to be a fact at the polls, that the party that has succeeded in getting its truth and facts or what it believes to be the truth and facts into the heart of the people has carried the election. The basic principle of the republican party being truth and integrity, how can the exposure of untemable measures affect the true strength of the party? The Republican party is strong in its truth and integrity; and exposing corrupt methods has a tendency to make the party stronger because a political party with courage enough to turn its own rascals out is the party that honest, intelligent men want to affiliate with. Turn down the land syndicates at Washington and give the citizens of the United States a chance to take up the public land and make homes, is the true Republican doctrine; and again we say "turn the rascals out."

Presbyterian Revival of Religion.

At the meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of Oregon at Corvallis the following news dispatch shows that the divines begin to realize the lukewarmness of the church at large. The report says:

"The Presbyterian church of Oregon is to make vigorous effort in the evangelistic line this year. Aggressive work in evangelizing is to be begun at once, and is to be carried forward diligently in all the churches of the denomination in the state. The keynote of the plan was sounded in the sermon of Dr. Hill at the opening of the session and the theme was renewed yesterday afternoon in addresses of similar character by Dr. McIntosh and Dr. Hill.

"This forenoon the theme again injected itself into the proceedings, being suggested incidently from the contents of various reports that found their way through the routine business. The renewed agitation has infused itself into all the commissioners at the synod, and the partial expression was given by the body at 11 this morning by the adoption of the following resolution, which went through without debate, and by an enthusiastic vote:

"Resolved, That it is a profound conviction of this synod that the spiritual necessities of our state are such as to compel us, knowing the conditions and necessities thoroughly, to ask the services of Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman for six weeks that he may visit as many churches as possible chiefly to arouse, direct and intstruct both pastors and people to immediate and intense action, to fervent and importunate prayer.

"That in view of the imperative spiritual need of the people in our great state, synod respectfully request the session of the First Presbyterian Church of Portland that they permit their pastor, whose influence in our synod is so highly appreciated, to visit the churches at such times as may appear to the pastor as session, wise and convenient. That he may counsel with the pastors, stimulate and arouse the people, calling Zion's hosts to battle."

ROSEBURG'S COAL FIELDS.

ONE THOUSAND ACRES OF LAND HAS BEEN LEASED.

BRITISH CAPITAL IS GOING TO DEVELOPE THE COAL FIELDS LYING NORTH-WEST OF THE CITY.

Yesterday a twenty-five year lease and option to purchase was granted by G. W. Jones to two Englishmen from Fernie, B. C. We are under obligations not to give their names, but one of them is a director and the other the secretary of the Canadian Pacific Coal Company, and there are millions of dollars behind this Company, as it is considered one of the strongest Coal Company's in British, North America.

It has been known for the past thirty years that the land which is a mountain lying north of the South Umpqua river, has several stratas of a very superior article of lignite coal and after securing the lease on the land the parties interested gave out the news that it was the intention to commence operations and form a Coal Company, selling the stock in England and the total output of the mines would be either sold to the Southern Pacific Railroad or shipped out. That there is abundance of coal in the territory indicated there can be no doubt, for when Colonel Buick was the editor of the PLAINDEALER, he used coal from the out croppings of the stratas or coal measures in this office instead of wood but the difficulty in crossing the river and other causes led to the mine being forgotten until these two gentlemen prospecting for coal re-discovered the ledges which are said to be from three to seven feet thick. That there has been an abundance of coal in the country around Roseburg is proven by the fact that underneath the stratas of iron ore and shale is generally found a thin layer of ashes and that the iron bearing rock foundations show no evidence of volcanic action except in the upheaval of a recent period of time. That where the iron bearing rocks appear on the surface or even in the bed of the South Umpqua river it is clearly evident that the coal measurers have burned with such intense heat that all the vegetable matter was burned out of the earth leaving an almost pure iron formation that bubbled by reason of the fervent heat underneath.

Much of the land around Roseburg is identical in formation to the Russian territory between the Caspian and Black Seas; and in that territory is found iron, coal and petroleum. Iron in paying quantities or quality is only found where the coal measures have burned out and where there is no iron ore there is an abundance of coal. Around Roseburg we find identically the same physical conditions and if coal is developed in paying quantity and quality Roseburg will in a few years be a second Pittsburg, for we have right in the city a mountain of iron ore assaying from 25 to 80 per cent. The government geological survey locates vast coal fields within 40 miles to the west of Roseburg and there is an abundance of coal found in the Cleveland and Looking Glass country about 8 miles west of Roseburg and all that is required to develop and make Roseburg the second city in Oregon is capital, to develop the coal fields surrounding the town. Let us give these men the glad hand and boom their project and shout 'Rah for Roseburg and the coal fields.

Circuit Court.

The Circuit Court on Tuesday and Wednesday was a place of great interest because the suit of R. L. Jones vs. the Southern Pacific railroad was on trial before Judge Hamilton and a jury consisting of G. W. Noah, L. D. Carle, W. F. Gillam, L. E. Milledge, Henry Mooney, Geo. Scott, J. L. Grimes, M. T. Chase, Geo. B. Winniford, Melvin Howard, Nels Rydell and R. L. McLaughlin.

Jones sued for $15,000 damages for a broken arm and damage to his internal waterworks. The testimony showed that, nearly two years ago, in a wreck, Jones, who was a fireman on a freight engine, had his arm broken, and the arm is now crooked, it having evidently been set by the train butcher, for it is so crooked that he finds it hard to get it in position for use, having to guide the hand by sight instead of by muscle intuition. The damage done to the irrigation plant is not so apparent. After Jones got well he was promoted to be engineer and ran the engine for about six months. At the expiration of said time he was let out for cause, said cause being that he indulged in too much "E pluribus unum," according to spotters' reports to the company. Be that as it may, in a case brought against him for divorce his wife charges that he does imbibe too much enthusiasm in a liquid form.

The suit was for $15,000 damages and was most ably prosecuted by Attorney-General Crawford and Attorney John Long. The defense was represented by Attorney W. D. Fenton, of Portland, who is a most brilliant lawyer in the defense of any cause. The case commenced on Tuesday morning and was closed up so far as evidence and argument on Wednesday night but the jury up to Thursday afternoon has not reached a verdict. At the trial the following prominent witnesses were in attendance: General Manager R. Koehler, Superintendent L. L. Fields and Master Mechanic W. A. Grondahl, of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

Cleveland News.

The rain we had last Friday and Saturday started the grass, which begins to look green.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hahn, of Dixonville, were visiting the former's brother, wis Hahn.

Mr. Edward Von Pessil sold his ranch and vineyard to Messrs. Miller and Gaber, of Illinois. The compensation was $2,700.

Mrs. W. W. Scott and son, Willie, were Roseburg visitors, Saturday.

Billy Vinson, of Coles Valley, is delivering some lumber in Edenbower, at present.

Mr. Henry Coon, Jr., of Melrose, was a visitor here, Sunday.

Miss M. V. Blain left, Monday, for her home in Roseburg.

Our school opened, Monday, with twenty pupils present and Mrs. Miller as teacher.

Mr. E. H. Crane made a flying trip to Roseburg, Saturday.

Mr. Car. Becker is foreman on the Curry ranch in River Dale.

Mr. Jesse Tooley has purchased the fruit crop on the Fairfield place, of Rev. B. Metz.

Mrs. Doerner and daughter, Lucy, made a flying trip to Roseburg, last Monday.

E. E. Labree and wife were on our streets, one day last week.

The recent rains raised the river enough that the ferry boat runs much easier and doesn't lodge on the bottom.

George Bateman, one of Roseburg's most prominent young men, and a needto-be resident of Cleveland, was renewing acquaintances here, last week. Come again, George.

Elmer Pierce is working for E. E. Labree, of Garden Bottom.

Mr. Chas. Scott was the guest of Orlo Murdock, Saturday evening and Sunday.

Mr. E. T. Woodruff was the guest of Mr. Jesse Tooley, Sunday.

Mr. A. M. Woodruff is attending school, this fall.

Mr. W. H. Murdock has a fine patch of celery in his garden, this year.

W. W. Scott, Jr., is slashing brush for Mr. Johnnie Thom, of Roseburg.

Mrs. Ed. Von Pessil went down to Coles Valley, one day last week.

Mrs. N. Laraut and daughter, of Garden Valley, were on our streets, Tuesday.

Mr. Lewis Hahn was taken very sick, Monday night, with sharp pains in the region of the bowels. Dr. Fisher, of Roseburg, was called, and he was much better Tuesday morning. Hoopoo.

Drain Nonpareils.

Mr. Ole J. Hangeburg, of the Yoncalla box factory, has an order for 5000 25-pound prune boxes for the Gazley Roseburg packing establishment.

Mrs. J. B. Wright and daughter, Mamie, of Oregon City, formerly of Yoncalla, are visiting this week in Roseburg with Mrs. Wriggt's sister, Mrs. Geo. W. Staley—and Assessor Staley, of course.

Mrs. McClaren has commenced action against the town of Drain for $5000 damages for injuries received from falling through the dilapidated sidewalk in North Drain.

Mr. G. W. Sanders just received the sad news that his son, Ben, was killed near Myrtle Creek this morning, in an explosion in a sawmill. Several others were badly hurt.

D. B. Russel, wife and child arrived from Medford Saturday for a few days visit and on business. Mr. Russell formerly resided here and is well known by many of our citizens.

Rev. B. F. Peck, formerly of Marshfield, is given the M. E. Church at this place. Rev. Givens is sent to Elkton, and Rev E. C. Alford, the retiring pastor here, goes to Jefferson. Rev. Beckman is again returned to Gardiner.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Varrelman, of Gardiner, arrived here Sunday enroute to Portland where Mrs. Varrelman will enter the hospital. They were accompanied by Dr. Patterson and Miss Clara Ross.

The many friends of Mr. W. W. Hardy will be pleased to learn that he is to be united in marriage with Miss Jessie F. White at Visali, Calif., on Oct 14th. They will be at home to their friends in San Diego Calif. after date.

The new M. E. church building at Elkton will be dedicated the second Sunday in October. Bishop Cranston will be present to conduct the exercises. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Yoncalla saloon, it is stated, pays $10 per year to the government for a license to sell intoxicants by the gallon only, but never as yet delivered a gallon of liquor to any one man. You buy a gallon and take and pay for it a drink at a time.

Miss Fannie Colvin started for her school at Looking Glass Friday last, but on arriving at Roseburg was met with the information that several cases of small pox in the neighborhood necessitated a postponment of school for three weeks yet.

Dr. Devore, a former resident of Yoncall and who still has large holdings there, is visiting that prosperous little city this week. The Doctor estimates that he will evaporate and ship from three to four carloads, of 30,000 pounds per car, of choice prunes within the next few weeks.

Merchant W. O. Bridges, of Yoncalla was a Roseburg visitor Monday. Mr. Bridges reports business as good. One of his recent shipments was 592 pounds of poultry, 170 turkeys and ten carloads of baled hay. As a shipping point Yoncalla is fast gaining an importance compared with even the larger towns along the railroad.

The smiling countenance of Mr. Ben Huntington Sr., our prominent Yoncalla cattleman, was noticeable on the streets of Roseburg the first of the week. He was in his his usual good spirits and his visit seemed to be appreciated by his friends at the capital. Mr. Huntington has just returned from Portland where he went with a shipment of choice cattle.

Word arrived yesterday that Jack Frost, who some monts ago entered the house of Mrs. G. W. Moore here in Drain stealing jewelry and other articles and stole Jesse Gardner's horse, had shot and killed both Deputy Sheriff Saxton and his assistant Jack West who were attempting to arrest him near Burns upon instructions from Sheriff Parrott. Frost is making for Nevada, but will probably be overtaken by posse.

To Preserve Eggs.

Almost any process that will keep eggs is better than lining. The Scientific American has published some excellent recipes, from which we make the following extracts:

1. Having selected perfectly fresh eggs put them, a dozen or more at a time, into a small willow basket and immerse this for five seconds in boiling water containing about 5 pounds of common brown sugar per gallon of water. Immediately after place the eggs on a tray to dry. The scalding water causes the formation of a thin skin of albumen next the inner surface of the shell, the sugar effectually closing all the pores of the latter. The cool eggs are then packed, small ends down, in an intimate mixture of one measure of good charcoal, finely powdered, and two measures of dry bran. Eggs thus stored have been found perfectly fresh and unaltered after six months.

A French authority gives the following: Melt 4 ounces clear beeswax in a porcelain dish over a gentle fire and stir in 8 ounces olive oil. Let the resulting solution of wax and oil cool somewhat, then dip the fresh eggs, one by one, into it, so as to coat every part of the shell. A momentary dip is sufficient, all excess of the mixture being wiped off with a cotton cloth. The oil is absorbed in the shell, the wax hermetically closing all the pores. It is claimed that eggs thus treated and packed away in powdered charcoal in a cool place have been found after two years as fresh and palatable as when newly laid. Paraffin, which melts to a thin liquid at a temperature below the boiling of water, has the advantage of being odorless, tasteless, harmless and cheap, and can be advantageously substituted for wax and oil, and used in a similar manner.

In storing eggs in charcoal the latter should be perfectly dry. If the eggs are not stored when perfectly fresh they will not keep under any circumstances. A broken egg stored with sound ones will sometimes endanger the whole lot. In packing, the small end of the egg should be placed downward; if in charcoal or other powder they must be packed so that the shell of one egg does not touch that of another, the spaces being filled with the powder. Under all circumstances stored eggs should be kept in as cool a place as possible. Frequent changes of temperature must also be avoided.

TO TELL THE AGE OF EGGS.

This method is based upon the decrease in the density of eggs as they grow old. Dissolve 2 ounces of common salt in a pint of water. When a fresh laid egg is placed in the solution it will descend to the bottom of the vessel, while one that has been laid on the day previous will not quite reach the bottom. If the egg is three days old it will swim in the liquid, and if it is more than three days old it will float on the surface and project above the latter more and more in proportion as it is older.

New hats at Mrs. Parks' millinery parlor, Third Street, Roseburg.

Political Pointers.

Hon. Geo. C. Brownell, after transacting legal business in this city, made a few calls amongst acquaintance, visiting the Register office in his rounds. He is the same George, ready to favor his friends at the expense of Geo. C. Brownell's success although George still holds his grip on the Clackamas senatorship. He is a holdover and is going to Salem next winter to get a primary law enacted that will put machine politics out of business in Oregon. When this is done George will not "proceed" according to program as has been done heretofore. He won't have to, for "machine" and "program" politics will have been done away with and the people will rule.—Eugene Register.

A. E. Shirla and Dean Cochran took their rifles, Tuesday, and went out a couple of miles and killed two fine deer, but couldn't carry them in. Next morning they took a horse and started for their game, but had to down another one, which made three they packed home.

There is to be a basket sociable in the town hall in Riddle, Friday evening, October 16, and the ladies are all invited to bring well filled baskets. And the boys and men will do the buying at auction sale which will be conducted by G. Quine. The affair will be for the benefit of the Riddle baseball team.

Miss Sadie King will assist Mrs. Fred Shampine at the dressmaking and milliner trade.

Mr. G. A. Stirtan, the rustling White Sewing Machine agent for the S. K. Sykes hardware firm, is back from a tour of Coos county. He states that considerable work is being done on the Myrtle Point wagon road, and that hereafter the stage may go over the worst places in safety.

Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office,
Roseburg, Oregon, Oct. 26, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892.

JOHN G. KENDALL,

of Minneapolis, county of Hennepin, state of Minnesota, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5284, for the purchase of the south east quarter of section No. 14, township 27 south, range 8 west

and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon.

on Monday, the 28th day of March, 1904. He names as witnesses: Charles Thom, John Thom, of Roseburg; John Becker, Frank Long, of Cleveland, Ore.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before the said 28th day of March, 1904.

J. T. BRIDGES,
Register.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

No one who is acquainted with its good qualities can be surprised at the great popularity of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It not only cures colds and grip effectually and permanently, but prevents these diseases from resulting in pneumonia. It is also a certain cure for croup. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given. It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. It is also pleasant to take. When all of these facts are taken into consideration it is not surprising that people in foreign lands, as well as at home, esteem this remedy very highly and very few are willing to take other after having once used it. For sale by A. C. Marsters and Co.

Wood! Wood! Wood!

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