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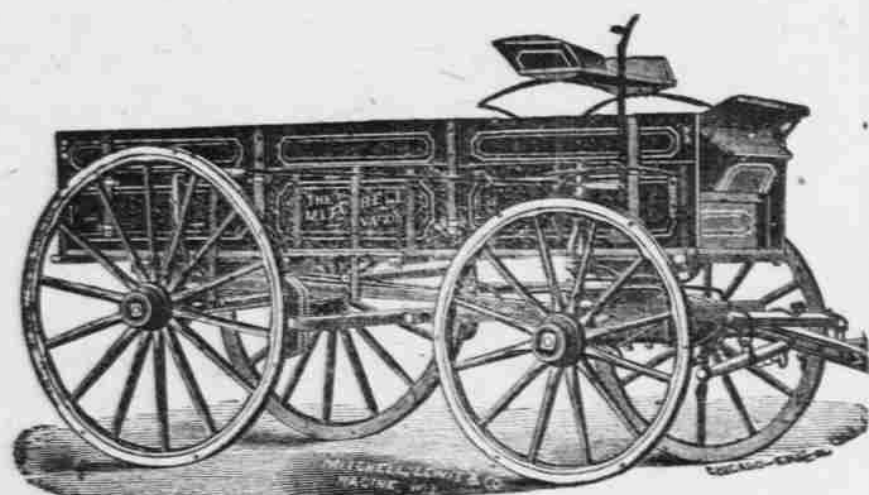
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**What Does it Mean?**

The most powerful fleet of American warships seen in foreign waters will assemble in the Mediterranean this summer. It will be made up of more than forty vessels. The principal reason for sending such a large fleet to Europe is a secret closely guarded. One reason is the President's desire to make good his threat to the Sultan of Turkey at the time the American warships were withdrawn from Turkish waters, at the Sultan's request, after the Alexandria incident. Mr. Roosevelt then notified the Sultan that the naval force would return in greater strength if some diplomatic differences with Turkey, which are still pending, were not quickly settled.

The battle-ship squadron of the North Atlantic fleet and her European squadron will sail from Pensacola about May 1 and probably will travel together part of the way across. The battle-ship squadron, which will be in command of Rear-Admiral Barker, will consist of the Kearsarge, Missouri, Iowa, Maine, Illinois and Alabama. On account of the recent injury to the Illinois she probably will not be able to go with the squadron, but will follow as soon as her repairs are finished.

The European squadron will include the Olympia, Cleveland, Baltimore and Des Moines. Rear-Admiral Jewell will command the squadron on the Olympia. The Mayflower will accompany the battle-ship fleet as tender, and three colliers, the Sterling, Abanda and Lebanon, will be taken along. One or both of the supply ships Culgoa and Glacier will carry stores for the combined squadron.

**Indicted for Setting Forest Fires.**

What is the first indictment against the alleged perpetrators of the disastrous forest fires which raged in Oregon last year and the year before, when millions of dollars' worth of valuable timber went up in smoke, was made public this morning, says Thursday's Telegram. The indictment charges Albert Canning, a prominent citizen and sheepman of Prineville, Or., with willfully setting fire July 21, 1903, near Davis Lake, section 26, township 22, range 8, Crook county, to grass, underbrush and timber, and suffering that fire to burn. The witnesses examined before the United States grand jury which returned the indictments were S. C. Bartrom, John Phelps Charles Malone, and Cy J. Bingham.

The place where the fire is said to be set is inside the Cascade Range forest reserve and the act therefore constitutes a direct violation of the act of February 24, 1897, as amended by the act of May 5, 1900.

A deputy United States Marshal will be sent to Prineville today to arrest Canning, who is expected to furnish bonds for his immediate release until his arraignment and trial take place.

This indictment, although the first of its kind ever returned by a United States grand jury in Oregon, marks a determination on the part of the Government vigorously to punish those who are yearly responsible for the forest fires which have almost denuded some of the finest timber regions in the world of the trees which form the basis of a lumbering industry the like of which is not equalled anywhere else. The fires have done great damage and have removed more timber than all of the lumber mills in the Pacific Northwest. Every year in different sections of the western parts of Washington and Oregon disastrous forest fires start, and in an incredibly short time are entirely beyond control. Then there is nothing to do but let them burn. The result is acres and acres of ground strewn with charred logs, where once were countless thousands of fine trees.

Nothing was done in the United States Court this morning owing to an absence of Judge Bellinger, who had been called out of the city. The hearing of the demurrer to the indictment against Chas. B. Cunningham and others for land frauds will be resumed tomorrow. It is also expected Mrs. Emma L. Watson will appear to be arraigned at that time.

**Methodist Episcopal Conference at Los Angeles, Calif.**

On account of above Conference, the Southern Pacific Co. will make reduced rates on the certificate plan from main line points in Oregon south of Portland. Passengers will purchase tickets to Los Angeles, for which the agent will collect the highest one way rate, giving a special receipt. On presentation of this receipt, duly executed, by original purchaser, the Southern Pacific agent at Los Angeles will sell return ticket at one-third fare. Sale dates from Oregon points will be April 19th to May 7th inclusive, also May 9th, 12th, 16th, 19th, 23rd, 26th and 30th. The last day on which certificates will be honored for return at reduced rate from Los Angeles will be June 5th, 1904.

**Sciatic Rheumatism Cured.**

"I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says E. H. Waldron, of Wilton Junction, Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for many months. It is certainly a most wonderful liniment." For sale by A. C. Marsters & Co.

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**Excursion Rates.**  
Commencing March 1, 1904 and continuing daily to and including April 30, 1904 colonist tickets will be on sale from the East to points on Oregon lines via Portland, rates from some of the principal points as follows: \$33 from Chicago, Ill.; \$31 from Peoria, Ill.; \$30 from St. Louis, Mo.; \$25 from Missouri River Points, Omaha and Council Bluffs to Kansas City inclusive; \$26.90 to Sioux City, stop overs not to exceed 10 days at one point will be allowed between Portland and destination of ticket on Oregon lines.

## REPUBLICAN PARTY CONGRATULATES BECAUSE OF POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT HOLDS ROOSEVELT HAS REDEEMED HIS PLEDGE TO CARRY OUT POLICIES FORMULATED BY WM. MCKINLEY.

The Republican party of Oregon, in convention assembled, congratulates the state and Nation upon the continued ascendancy of Republican principles and policies in our National Government and the unprecedented prosperity that has followed the maintenance of those principles and the enforcement of those policies.

The honor of the Nation has been fearlessly and sagaciously maintained at home and abroad, whether in the enforcement of law against defiant corporations, in vigorous protest against outrages on Americans in Syria, Jewish massacres in Russia and unfavorable machinations of European powers in Asia.

President Roosevelt has redeemed his pledge to carry out the policies of the party as formulated by that great statesman and revered martyred President, William McKinley.

He has shown himself the foe of corruption in public life, the ardent champion and wise friend of the Army and Navy, and the firm believer in equal rights before the law to employer and employe, rich or poor, black or white.

Under his energetic leadership the Isthmian Canal, frustrated for a time by a Democratic President, is soon to be realized and to distinguish his Administration by one of the grandest engineering triumphs known to man.

We recognize the profound obligation under which Oregon rests to President Roosevelt for his active and determined effort on behalf of the Lewis and Clark Centennial, and we pledge ourselves to testify the sincerity of his appreciation by a rousing majority for the Republican ticket in June and again in November.

In this connection we especially indorse the tireless labors of Senators Mitchell and Fulton and Representatives Herrmann and Williamson.

We instruct the delegates of this convention to the Republican National Convention at Chicago to vote first and last for Theodore Roosevelt for President, and to use all honorable means for bringing his nomination to pass.

**The Delegation in Congress**

For the first time in years the State of Oregon is represented in both houses of Congress by a strong, harmonious, united and effective delegation, inferior to none from the West.

Their efforts in behalf of the Nation, their party and their state have been crowned with signal success, and we hereby express to them our confidence and esteem and pledge them our support in their further efforts to advance the interests of Oregon and the Pacific Coast.

**Money**

Thanks to the courage and wisdom of two Republican Administrations and four Republican Congresses, the money of the Nation has been securely established upon the gold standard, the standard of the enlightened nations of the world.

The per capita circulation is the largest in our history, and every dollar of paper and coin is as good as gold.

We commend the measures now pending in Congress, at the instance of Republican members, further amending the currency and banking laws in the direction of safety and elasticity.

**Tariff**

We renew our allegiance to the principle of protection to American industries.

The merits of the Dingley law are attested by the unprecedented prosperity of the Nation since its passage in 1897.

Schedules must be changed from time to time, as new conditions arise, but when the tariff is revised it must be by the friends, and not by the foes, of American industry.

**The Trusts**

We heartily commend the fearless and determined course pursued by President Roosevelt and Attorney-General Knox toward the trusts, and we point with pride to the hostility aroused against the Administration among the speculators of Wall street and corporations that defy the law.

Obedience to the law against monopoly inflicts no hardship on any honest industry, and the action of the President in the Northern Securities merger and other cases has only served to check dangerous speculation and encourage every legitimate enterprise.

**The Philippines**

We indorse the policy enunciated by President McKinley and followed by Secretary Taft of "the Philippines for the Filipinos," and we especially commend the earnest and persistent efforts made by Senator Mitchell for lower tariffs between the Philippines and the United States.

We hold that the Philippines must be retained by the United States for their own good as well as for a base of American influence in the Far East, but that justice requires the least possible burdens upon their commerce with the United States, that they may be cemented to us by ties of self-interest and affection.

In the interest of Pacific development, we demand for the Philippines the same liberal and beneficent treatment that has been accorded to Hawaii and Porto Rico.

Proud of the history and achievements of our party, and especially of the present Administration and the beneficent results that our Nation is receiving therefrom, and particularly our old Oregon Country, we confidently submit our cause to the patriotic citizens of our state for indorsement, and earnestly appeal to them to show their gratitude and appreciation to President Roosevelt and our Republican leaders in Congress for honoring our history and aiding in the development of our matchless resources.

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**State Republican Nominees.**

Supreme Judge—Frank A. Moore, of Columbia County.  
Dairy and Food Commissioner—J. W. Bailey, of Multnomah.  
Presidential Electors—J. N. Hart, of Polk; James A. Fee, of Umatilla; Grant B. Dimick, of Clackamas; A. C. Hough, of Josephine.  
Delegates to Republican National Convention:  
At large—H. W. Scott, of Multnomah; S. L. Kline, of Benton; W. B. Ayer, of Multnomah, and Ira S. Smith, of Malheur.  
First Congressional District—J. U. Campbell, of Clackamas, and J. M. Keene, of Jackson.  
Second Congressional District—Charles H. Carey, of Multnomah, and N. C. Richards, of Baker.  
First Congressional District—Hon. Binger Hermann.  
Second Judicial District—Douglas, Lane, Coos, Curry, Benton, and Lincoln Counties, E. O. Potter, Judge; Geo. M. Brown, District Attorney.  
Joint Senatorship—Sixth District: Douglas, Josephine and Lane Counties, R. A. Booth.  
Joint Representative—Jackson and Douglas Counties, W. I. Vawter.

**Douglas County Nominees.**

State Senator—A. C. Marsters.  
Representatives—R. K. Montgomery, of Glendale; J. S. Gray, of Gardiner.  
Sheriff—H. T. McCullen, of Roseburg.  
Clerk—C. E. Hasard, Drain.  
Treasurer—G. W. Dimmick, Roseburg.  
Assessor—G. W. Staley, Yoncalla.  
School Supt.—F. B. Hamlin, Roseburg.  
Commissioner—J. C. Young, Oakland.  
Surveyor—Chas. E. Roberts, Roseburg.  
Coroner—Dr. J. C. Twitchell, Roseburg.

**About Taxation.**

To THE EDITOR:—As the different political parties will soon have their candidates in the field campaigning their rights and telling the taxpayers what great things they may expect from them if elected, it might be worth while to suggest a thought or two for consideration. There has been a great deal of thinking and some writing on Taxation and Taxpayers. What makes tax-dodgers? Isn't it because our laws are slack; and just as long as we have slack laws in regard to taxation just so long we will have Tax-dodgers.

Now the poor old laboring Taxpayers have no avenue of escape. They are assessed with every thing they have. Some blame the Assessor when in fact his hands are tired when it comes to getting at a man's money. The Attorney General has decided that an Assessor can not go to a bank and find out how much money is deposited. A man can place \$10,000 in a bank and the Assessor has no law to get at it. Now at the rate of twenty-seven mills he is beating the County out of \$278 which will have to be raised by the "old hayseeds."

But let a poor old farmer get a few cattle on shares and they are hunted up and assessed. The question is asked, has any resident or non-resident left taxable property in your charge or possession that should be assessed to them? If so, state what and to whom. But there is no use to ask a man if he has any money deposited for he will tell you that you can't touch it.

So you see our laws are inadequate. Now the laboring class of taxpayers in every County in the State should pledge their candidates for Legislative honors to enact a law compelling any member of a bank to give the Assessor any information he may desire as to money deposited of any resident or non-resident in the County or State. Also enact a law compelling every person to give in their money, notes and accounts and if any person fails to give in their notes and accounts such notes and accounts become non-collectable. Then we would hear no more of the tax-dodger and there would be no more twenty-seven mills on the dollar.

Now this is not a political issue but a Taxpayer's issue, pure and simple and if you hayseeds want to stop that growling, see to it that you have equal taxation, and the only way to get it is by just legislation.

L. R. MYNATT.

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