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AMERICA'S WIDER ACTIVITIES.

CONGRESS RECONVENED in Washington Monday after the holiday recess. There are several important measures to be considered at this session but not the least of them will be a bill which will be introduced which will take the work done now by the secretary of state and divide it up among the heads of two or three other departments, each under a separate cabinet officer, or else provide several distinct bureaus in the present department, all to be under the direction of this one official. In either case this will be a recognition of the fact that the foreign affairs of the government have outgrown the machinery which was provided to deal with them. Secretary Root urges a distribution of this work among several department chiefs. Apparently this would necessitate the creation of a few new cabinet officers. He recommends the creation of a secretary for European affairs, a secretary for South American affairs, a secretary for Oriental affairs, and a secretary for British colonial affairs. Either in this shape, or in providing for the separation of the present State Department into several bureaus covering these subdivisions, a bill will be proposed early in the present session.

This proposition of a division of work in the State Department has much to recommend it. And Secretary Root is the man above all others who may be relied on to tell Congress how and why the change ought to be made. He is one of the greatest secretaries for Foreign Affairs whom the United States has had among the long line of distinguished men who have filled that role since Jefferson and John Quincy Adams, and which included, among others, such political leaders as Clay, Webster, Van Buren, Calhoun and Marcy. Mr. Root is the most accomplished head of the State Department since Seward. None of his predecessors had the opportunity of realizing, as he has done, the inadequacy of our present machinery for meeting the demands of a steadily broadening circle of diplomatic activities. No other head of the State Department ever went outside of the country on official business during his term of office. Mr. Root attended the Pan-American congress at Rio de Janeiro in 1906. He made a tour of the South American Continent, calling on the presidents and heads of the departments of foreign affairs of most of the Latin-American countries. On a visit to the City of Mexico he arranged, with President Diaz, a program which had for its principal object the maintenance of the peace among the five little Central American nations. By a call on the governor-general of Canada at Ottawa he is understood to have talked over the Chinese and Japanese immigration issues, and to have aided in outlining a course of action on these and other subjects which were, and which still are, of direct concern to Canada and the United States. In this most active and diffusive of all the presidential regimes which the country has seen, Mr. Root has been the most active, versatile and ubiquitous of all of Mr. Roosevelt's department chiefs. His views, therefore, regarding the necessity for the division of work in his department will necessarily have much weight with congress.

It is easy to point out reasons why there should be a broader allotment in the officials detailed to deal with the country's foreign activities. The State Department is the oldest of all the branches of the executive end of the government. At the time when it was created, in 1789, the United States had only 3,000,000 inhabitants. On the scale of its popula-

tion, wealth, commercial activities and political influence it stood low on the roll of nations. Except as it is surpassed in population by Russia and China, the United States leads the world today in every one of those fields. The department which was created to be the medium of communication between the United States government and the governments of the several states and of the various nations of the world had only a small task at the outset compared with that which the passing years and decades have brought it. The thirteen states at the beginning of the government have been more than tripled in number. Between the Rio Grande and the Gulf of Mexico and Cape Horn there are twenty nations today, while there were none when Washington was inaugurated. Three or four nations have been created in Europe since that time. Three or four have emerged in Asia and Africa. In these Rooseveltian days the United States touches the rest of the world at many times the number of points that it did in Washington's time, while the world itself is far bigger than it was then. Important and numerous as they were in 1789, the tasks which Jefferson was called upon to perform were few and simple compared with those which confront Root in 1908. In the British cabinet there are departments of foreign affairs, of home affairs, of colonial affairs and of affairs in India, Scotland and Ireland. Some sort of a division of work and responsibility is also needed in the department which looks after the foreign concerns of the United States. A nation of 90,000,000 of people, with territory extending half way round the globe, needs a larger equipment in its foreign department than did the country whose Western boundary was the Mississippi River, and which was cut off from access to the Gulf of Mexico by a strip of territory belonging to Spain.

NORTH BEND NEWS

Rev. R. G. Summerlin was called to Ten Mile yesterday to officiate at the funeral of Mrs. Benjamin Roberts.

G. A. Imhoff, who has been spending a short time here with relatives, left on the Plant yesterday for San Francisco.

Henry Kern and family expect to move the last of the week to their new bungalow on North Bend Heights, Sherman avenue.

Dr. G. R. Gale, who has been visiting relatives at Medford, returned home a few days ago feeling very much better for the rest and change.

Miss Inez Bunch, daughter of County Superintendent Bunch, came over yesterday and will start a course at the Miller Cleaver Business College.

Mrs. F. J. Sherrard came over a few days ago from Coquille and is now the guest of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Sherard of Bay City mill.

There have been extremely high tides yesterday and today. The lumber men are hoping for a big freshet to bring the logs out of the Coos and Coquille rivers.

Miss Mary Clausen, who spent her vacation with her parents near Bandon, returned yesterday and will resume her studies at the Miller Cleaver Business College.

Miss Agnes Gulovson, who resigned her position in the Marshfield schools about a year ago, and who has been in very poor health since, underwent an operation recently in Portland and her many friends here hope soon to hear of her complete recovery.

FACTS BRIEFLY TOLD.

The sound of a bell carries better under water than through the air.

The court of China has thirty physicians and seventy-five astrologers.

The peanut acreage of Burma increased from 3,800 in 1903 to 80,000 in 1907.

Situation of Ohio German Fire Insurance company grows worse; creditors to get only about 25 per cent.

Attention Eagles! All Eagles and visiting members are urgently requested to attend our annual public installation, entertainment and banquet at the Eagle hall at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, Jan. 6. By order of T. L. OWEN, Sec.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA GOOD EVENING. Nobody buys a little passing pleasure in evil at so dear a rate or keeps it for so short a time, as a good man. MACLAREN. The Little Boy's Baby Prayer. Dear God, I need you awful bad; I don't know what to do, My papa's cross my Mamma's sick; I hain't no fren's but You. Them keerless angels went and keung, 'Stid of the boy I ast, A Weenchy, teenchy baby girl, I don't see how they dast.

Say' God, I wish You'd take her back, She's jest as good as new; Won't no one know she's secon' hand, But 'ceptin' me and You; An' pick a boy, dear God, Yourself, The nicest in Yer fold; But please don't choose him quite so young, I'd like him 5 years old.

The lamb that Mary had is but a has-been now, (It got to be a rather wormy chestnut, anyhow), For since she donned 'hat awful gown with one side split in half All our admiring eyes are turned on Mary's little calf.

Whose fault was it? In the opinion of the men you are wrangling with, it was yours.

There should be no signs of make-up in a girl's complexion or hair before she has reached 25.

Coos Bay people are usually willing to do their duty, but they do not like to do too much of it.

Too many women regard a man as a bunco steerer regards a farmer; something to get the best of.

To the real strict church observer there occur about 40 sermons in a year when parties must be given with the blinds down and the news kept out of the paper.

It is about as much trouble to get a girl ready to go away to school as it is to get her ready to be married. In the opinion of a Coos Bay mother who has had experience in both lines.

The women lose no time in taking possession. A North Bend man discovered that the third time he called on a certain girl he was compelled to account for the evenings he spent away from her.

There is no moral lesson like a polite, modest man. Such a man, without ever mentioning reform, does more good in the world than a professional reformer. Every man who knows him is impressed with the importance of modesty and politeness, and tries to be like him.

When a girl goes to a party she lies around the house the next day, with her hair in curl papers, and rests up, always taking a nap in the afternoon. But the young men are compelled to get up at 6 o'clock the next morning and work all day. Girls often boast that they can stand more parties than the young men; the reason is they do nothing else.

Walt Mason sings: "I won't be long in this vale of tears; my works may run for a few more years, but even that is a risky bet, and the sports are hedging already yet. At morning a gent feels gay and nice; and evening finds him upon the lee, with his folded hands and his long white gown, and his toes turned up and his plans turned down. So, viewing this sad uncertainty, and hearing the wash of the Dead Man's sea, I want to chortle the best I can, and try to cheer up my fellow man; to make a fellow forget his care, and make him laugh when he wants to swear, is as much as a poet can hope to do, whose lyric is twisted and broke in two."

Land Opening. There is going to be a land opening at Roseburg, Ore., January 20, 1909. For lists, blue print maps with vacant lands marked thereon and full information regarding filings, etc., send \$2.00 to ROSEBURG ABSTRACT COMPANY, Roseburg, Ore.

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