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Our Standard-Bearers.

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THEODORE ROOSEVELT
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CHARLES W. FAIRBANKS

A large number of well-known Democrats and several Democratic newspapers have repudiated the St. Louis platform and the Democratic nominees and will support Roosevelt and Fairbanks. Up to date the only Republican of note who has gone back on Roosevelt is "Jim" Hill, father of the famous—or infamous—Northern Pacific-Great Northern merger, which was broken in the courts through the action of President Roosevelt. A logical conclusion is that Hill believes Parker to be a friend of the trusts.

The question of "flat salaries" for the state officials of Oregon should be settled, and settled right. At present these salaries are unsatisfactory to the people, although the officers seem to be pretty well satisfied. But old Vox Populi must be respected, and until these salaries are made specific, trimmed here and increased there, with no fees attached, a lavish expenditure of hot air and printers' ink will continue. Settle the matter and give some new or unborn issue a chance.

Recent visitors to the St. Louis Fair have learned what "heated term," "hot wave," etc., mean, if they didn't know all about it before. That will not be an impressive and leading feature at Portland next year, and this fact should be a strong drawing card for the Lewis and Clark Fair. Many easterners will see Oregon for the first time, and if they don't fall in love with the state, they're stony-hearted, hard-headed, cynical, supercilious—and other things. Wait for the grand opening.

Slowly, but steadily and surely, it appears, the Japanese are dislodging the Russians from their strongholds and driving them toward home. If reports are not misleading the Bear will soon have enough and be seeking the least embarrassing way out of the scrape. Russia's apparent effort to get into trouble with other nations may be only part of a scheme to bring the disastrous war to a finish by setting up the claim Japan has too many allies.

One hundred and fifty patents to timber and homestead lands were received at the Oregon City land office Monday. A large per cent of the same were for claims in Lincoln county and had been held up for two years and longer. The light seems to be breaking. Let 'er break! The Czar is dead! Vive H—k!

Our Democratic contemporaries don't like to have anything said about what Bryan said about Judge Parker before the St. Louis convention. Mr. Bryan's hair-trigger mouth is the source of much Democratic embarrassment.

Judge Parker, the Democratic nominee for President, does not seem inclined to take the stump in his own behalf. The Judge evidently noticed what happened to Mr. Bryan.

"Imperialism."

Talk about imperialism bores us. The subject is important, no doubt, but the talk lacks interest. This may be lamentable, but it is true. A discussion about the exact degree of freedom to be given to the Filipinos in a given space of time is to the average American mind about as exciting as a dispute on Spinoza's theory of existence. It is too much like a scholastic exercise. They do not agree with Professor James and other eminent thinkers, that a person who knows nothing about the Philippines is better qualified to select the principles of their government than Mr. Taft or any one else who knows. The people believe that Mr. Taft and others who agree with him are honest, liberal and well informed, and they listen to them, rather than to others who merely preach a well-worn sermon used frequently to fit anything, from the Panama Canal to the election laws in Southern states. They know that our Revolution was not fought to establish any of the phrases of Thomas Jefferson, or even of Patrick Henry.—Collier's Weekly.

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Whether one is for or "agin" the government it is well to be able intelligently to tell why. An editorial article in The Youth's Companion of July 21st clearly presents "The case of the Philippines." A concise statement of the administration's justification of the policy of holding and governing those islands as a sovereign power is followed by a summary of the argument of the administration's opponents, who maintain that this nation ought to leave the Filipinos to work out their own salvation.

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Real Estate Transfers.

July 21—C U Barlow and Addie P Barlow to Samuel M Garland, lot 12 in block B, in Barlow and Wilson's blocks, in Nye & Thompson's addition to Newport. \$100.

July 22—S G Irvin and May Irvin to Miss Ella Johnson, part of lot 9 in Cressy's block 1 in Nye & Thompson's addition to Newport. \$65.

July 28—Indian deed inherited land. Louisa G Reed and others to Charles I. Litchfield, 38.99 acres in sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, township 7, range 11 west. \$97.47.

July 28—R B Fleming and Maude P Fleming, part of lot 1 in block 12, in Nye and Thompson's addition to Newport. \$475.

Mr. Farmer, did you ever use nice printed stationery in your correspondence? It's a good habit. You can get it at THE LEADER office—cheap.

How It Worked.

A Missouri editor announced that for just one issue he would tell the truth. Here are a few items from that issue:

John Bonin, the laziest merchant in town, made a trip to Bellview yesterday. John Doyle, our groceryman, is doing a poor business. His store is dirty, dusty and notoriously odoriferous. He cannot expect to do much.

Rev. Styz preached Sunday night on charity. The sermon was punk. If the reverend gentleman would live up a little closer to what he preaches he'd have bigger congregations.

Dave Sonkey died at his home in this place last Saturday. The doctor gave it out as heart failure. The fact is that he was drunk, and whisky is what killed him. His home was a rented shack in Roudy street.

Married—Miss Sylvia Rhoden and James Canahan, last Saturday evening at the Baptist parsonage. The bride is a very ordinary town girl, who doesn't know any more about cooking than a rabbit and never helped her mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means and has a gut like a fat duck. The groom is well known here as an up-to-date loafer. He has been living off his folks all his life and don't amount to shucks. They will have a hard life while they live together and the News has no congratulations to offer, for we don't believe any good can come of such a union.

The issue in which he told the truth was the last one for that editor. Now, in the morn, when the dew diamonds sparkle and the sweet-throated birds make melody, the subscribers to that paper, while it was published, drive out into the country a short way and gaze meditatively upon a piece of tanned skin hanging on a barbed wire fence. It is all that remains of the once manly form of the editor who "told the truth for one week."

Drs. F. E. and M. C. Adams Coming.

Editor LEADER: In reply to inquiries regarding our return to Toledo during the summer, you will please announce through your paper that we will be in Toledo during the summer. Not able to give date as yet, but we will be there thoroughly prepared for all lines of dental work, and should any work done in the past need repairs it will be done free of charge. Drs. F. E. and M. C. Adams. PENDLETON, Or., March 22, 1904.

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