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THE WEATHER

Oregon and Washington—Rain in west; rain or snow in east; colder except on coast.

THE PEOPLE MUST STUDY.

Whenever a people take over a new phase of public action in the prosecution of governmental affairs and relinquish the traditional processes to which they are used and insured, it behooves them to study the plan, and the measures submitted under it, in order that they may reap the utmost good obtainable and guard against the imposition of fallacies and burdens. This is imperatively essential in regard to the initiative and referendum; and one of the best treatises on the subject will be found in the brilliant address delivered by Hon. Charles H. Carey, before the Oregon Bar Association, in November last, at Portland, on this very subject.

Without deprecating, or bolstering, the principles involved in these powerful expedients, it is enough to say that so long as they have been adopted they are worthy the best thought and action that can be bestowed; by and through them the people are to obtain, or dispossess themselves of, those things most desired, or generally condemned, and with the power of recall, may place themselves in a position to control their own affairs at will; but not unless they have rational and appreciative understanding of the huge responsibility attaching to each and all of them as final and imperious edicts.

The people of Switzerland have had hundreds of years of experience in the handling of these principles and they are employed there to the utmost of popular security and progress, in the maintenance of the civic balance; and in time we may gain the same educational advantage and use them only for certain good of state and community. But we are to learn the real efficacy of the doctrine of popular government; we think we have attained to it through the representative system, and we have done well, but the burden of accountability is being shifted under the operation of these new rules of organic action and unless they are studied and perfected, we are liable to imperil and harass and destroy the very good we now possess.

The newness of the system demands the utmost delicacy in its use; the crucial care needed exemplifies the danger in which we stand from it; and any danger that confronts the people is a signal for their quick and earnest study of the vital premise of their action. A fool public beats a fool man incalculably, for the wrong of the individual may be corrected in haste and thoroughly, while the blunder of the people is far slower of amendment. Therefore, we may take nothing for granted in the use of these high functions, but dig into them for weaknesses, lures, risks, and try to know the exact and challenging worth of everything to which we set our hand and ballot.

THE "WATCHDOG" STUNT.

Every treasury, public, or private, is supposed to have its "watchdog." The "watchdog" stunt is not always a pleasant one; the "dog" is usually badgered a good deal by those who have no use for dogs anyway, especially for those peculiarly on watch. But it has its advantages, all the same, and if most of them accrue to the beneficiaries of the treasury, one at least adheres indisputably to the watchful champion with the conspicuous collar on; that is the gratitude and candid respect of his fellow-citizens, irrespective of party or other affiliation.

Our Astoria and Clatsop treasuries are both in urgent need of "watchdogs." The billets are both open and may be filled by an honest man who will volunteer to do the work and

take the mixed-up honors and vexations; but it will take a man, alright! The people, especially the taxpayers, are not seeking for a man in this position; that is not their function; they have sent up a bevy of supposedly honest and capable men to represent them and do their work in and about the treasuries; but if the post is filled it must be by one of those men thoroughly predisposed to the task; he must develop in the course of the administration, and probably will. Never was there a time when he was needed more sorely than right now; and there would be an infinitude of comfort in the knowledge that the specific stunt was being done by some plucky and capable man on both Commercial and Sixteenth streets.

NOW TO BUSINESS

The Christmas and New Year holidays have come and gone and have been thoroughly enjoyed by everyone able to participate in them. Now we are to get down to business and make ready for the coming year with all its hazards, exactions, responsibilities and advantages. It has a bright enough look to most of us; we have the courage of the hour and the promise of that courage; most of our doubts are imaginary anyway, and our chances are fairly equal with those of our neighbors; we have our wits cut out for us, and most of us realize those things which are to be corrected, abandoned, simplified, initiated, improved, and qualified.

One year ought to serve another in good stead when it comes to aiding us to advance our interests, and rectify the mistakes and estimates and laches of the year that is gone. Astoria is, in many ways, sounder and safer than she ever was, and our chief duty is to keep her at this standard and hold her free from newer burdens and blunders. Business is business, here, as elsewhere, and there is no lack of acumen, example and experience to guide us all through the new year safely, happily, successfully. Go to it!

In tariff revision don't forget to consult the wage-earners. Protection has always aimed to maintain the exceptional earnings of American labor.

A safe prediction concerning the members of President Taft's cabinet is that a majority of them will have at least a rudimentary knowledge of golf.

Poultney Bigelow wants another chance to measure penholders with President Roosevelt. He forgets that the president is great on these return dates.

It is hailed as a railroad achievement of the period to "get a line to the gulf." The same attractions, or greater, await the lakes-to-gulf deep channel.

Good roads, improved waterways and protected forests are three of the consummations "devoutly to be wished" at the hands of the incoming administration.

MISTAKE TO EDUCATE NEGRO

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 1.—Senator Tillman, in an address before the State Teachers' Association, tonight warned the people against the agitation in favor of compulsory education, urging that it would educate the negro which in the end would be a blow to white supremacy.

Lame Shoulder Cured.

Lame shoulder is usually caused by rheumatism of the muscles and quickly yields to a few applications of Chamberlain's pain balm. Mrs. P. W. McElwee, of Boistown, New Brunswick, writes: "Having been troubled for some time with a pain in my shoulder, I decided to give Chamberlain's pain balm a trial, with the result that I got prompt relief." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

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NORTH SIDE NEWS

Miss L. M. Williamson, of Ilwaco, is the accredited representative of The Astorian and will take care of all items of news, orders for subscriptions and all kinds of printing.

ILWACO

Jim Hall and Jess Bullock of this city left the first of the week for Astoria. A short visit in that city, Mr. Bullock went on to Portland.

Mrs. Williams and daughter, who have been visiting with Parker Jones on Sand Ridge for some time, left Wednesday for their home in Forest Grove, Or.

Kenneth Inman of Fort Canby, who has been absent a month returned the first of the week, with his wife, who was formerly a Miss Davis of Eastern Oregon. The Ilwaco friends of Mr. Inman wish them much happiness.

Mrs. Steinbach of this city, who has been ill for some time past, died Wednesday at her home. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon at the Presbyterian church. Interment in the Ilwaco cemetery. Beside a host of friends, Mrs. Steinbach also leaves a husband and several children to mourn her loss.

J. B. Babler and wife, accompanied by their daughter, Avis, left Thursday for Vancouver, where they go for the purpose of placing their daughter in one of the schools there for the remainder of the term.

Mrs. Ivan Melver, who was a resident of this city, a year or two ago, was in Ilwaco Thursday visiting with a few of her many friends in this city.

Miss Mabel Hughes and Edith Vaughn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Butts, at the Sand Ridge the first of the week.

A surprise party was given Tuesday evening to Edgar and Mabel Rogers by some of their friends. The evening was spent in the usual games after which refreshments were served. The party broke up at about midnight, all having had a most enjoyable time.

Kenneth Goulter was a visitor to Astoria the first of the week.

The "Ilwaco Boys" who gave the free dance New Year's eve in the Ilwaco opera house, deserve much

SEEK TO RE-OPEN MATTERS.

Washington Official Will Endeavor To Get a Rehearing Boundary Suit.

PORTLAND, Or., January 2.—Definite steps toward a reopening of the Oregon-Washington boundary dispute were taken by a party of Washington officials, who held a secret conference in this city Wednesday afternoon. Application will soon be formulated for a rehearing before the United States Supreme Court, which recently decided the controversy in Oregon's favor. Several contentions in support of the appeal for the reopening of the case will be set up by the disgruntled Washingtonians.

The ostensible purpose of the meeting held here was innocent enough. Assistant Attorney-General E. C. McDonald, State Senator H. S. McGowan and Joe Burke, all of whom played a prominent part in the original proceedings on behalf of the state of Washington, simply came over here for the purpose of meeting Attorney-General A. M. Crawford, of Oregon, that the two states might compute the costs of the case which were assessed by the Supreme Court equally against the neighboring commonwealths. This matter was discussed, and it is presumed that a satisfactory adjustment was reached.

Missouri's governor claims to be absolutely sure of his fences, but there are moments when he meditates on the fact that no fence is stronger than its weakest rail.

CHURCHES SUNDAY

Memorial Lutheran.

Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m., theme, "A New Year of Opportunities." Evening service at 7:30, theme, "Simeon and His 'Nunc Dimitis'." A cordial invitation is extended to the public to worship with us.

Christian Science.

Services in rooms 5 and 6, I. O. O. F. building, corner Tenth and Commercial streets at 11 o'clock. Subject of the lesson sermon, "God." All are invited. Sunday school at the close of the service. The first Wednesday evening in the month at 7:30. Reading room same address, hours from 2 to 5 daily except Sunday.

First Methodist.

Sermon themes for Sunday, morning: "Christian Progress." Evening, "Man—the Son of Nature, or the Son of God?" This will be the first in a series of Sunday evening sermon lectures on "Great Questions." Especially good music furnished by chorus choirs at both services. All seats are free. A cordial welcome to all. C. C. Rarick, minister.

Presbyterian.

Morning worship, 11 a. m., "From Dawn Till Noon." Sabbath school, 12:15; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30; evening worship, 7:30; "Law of Harvest."

The church will observe the week of prayer next week. Services will be held each evening except Saturday. All are invited. Wm. S. Gilbert, pastor.

Alderbrook Presbyterian.

11 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., a sermon for young people; 7:30 p. m., a "New Year" sermon. All are cordially invited to these services. Robert J. Diven, minister.

Baptist.

Rev. F. C. W. Parker, corresponding secretary and general missionary of the Oregon Baptist convention, will preach at the Baptist church at both morning and evening services next Sunday. Everybody is invited to hear him. Conrad L. Owen, pastor.

Norwegian-Danish M. E.

Morning worship, 11 o'clock, and evening, 7:30; Sunday school, 10 a. m. Scandinavians are invited to worship with us. O. T. Field, pastor.

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