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TRYING TO BLOCK THE WILSON PROGRAM

There are desperate efforts to stop President Wilson's legislative program. A Detroit automobile manufacturer sent out letters advising that newspapers friendly to the Wilson administration be boycotted by advertisers.

Monday, President Wilson made disclosures on the subject. He presented copies of letters and telegrams sent out by trusts and their agents protesting against further progressive legislation.

Every influence known to special privilege which has long fattened upon governmental favors, is being directed against the president, against members of the senate, house and other officials.

President Wilson boldly charges that in their desire to stop his legislative program, the big corporations and combines are deliberately trying to depress business conditions.

The president's exposure direct attention, to the same kind of a cry that has been raised by standpat leaders in Oregon.

All there is of the president's anti-trust legislation is a bill for a trade commission which shall have power to investigate the business of big corporations, make recommendations to the president and congress, and to make public instances of lawlessness among them.

Another bill makes guilt personal and provides that for illegitimate or unlawful operations by trusts, the officials, upon conviction, shall be sent to the penitentiary.

There is no mistaking the purpose of the present onslaught on the Wilson program, whether it be in the state of Oregon or in the city of Washington.

It is a deliberate attempt, whether made in the state of Oregon or in the city of Washington, to lead the Republican masses back to Aldrichism, Cannonism and Penroseism.

Woodrow Wilson's program is an effort to correct in this nation those ills and abuses under the reign of which the few have long absorbed most of the wealth created by the toil of the many.

It is an honest president's struggle to make prosperity, not alone for the Rockefeller, Morgans, Carnegies, and other generalissimos of wealth, but prosperity for all the American people.

holding the looking glass to her lips "if that her breath will moist or stain the stone" reveals the union of father and child in undivided love.

Cordelia, who loved her father, not with honeyed words, but according to her duty, was the stone that the builders rejected.

Hereafter, when it goes ballooning about its news service, it should carry more ballast.

THE LESSON OF LEAR THE open air reproduction of King Lear by the students of the University of Oregon is a notable achievement in college dramatics.

Whatever may be the dramatic value of the story of Lear the lesson it teaches is a timely one in these days of loosening household relationships.

A FEW SMILES

The lecturer said impressively: "Every time I see a young man coming out of a saloon, I want to go up to him and say: Turn right around young man; you're going the wrong way."

Here is one that was told by Congressman William W. Tucker of Missouri the other evening when the conversation turned to the wonderful ways of little wifey.

"What's that?" asked the other. "That's the way my little wifey, when she's in a bad temper, she'll take a piece of the way out of your hand."

"That's what he did," answered James. "Clean as a whistle. Where did you say that salve was?"

"Well, sonny," said the patient druggist to the small boy who had lured him to the store for half an hour, eagerly eyeing the candy.

"Course I want to buy candy," said the boy. "But I can't—mother sent me ter buy soap."

Strange as it may appear, the letter was drawn out by a suggestion from Marshall Cushing, who has acted as a go-between for business and politics for many years.

By John M. Oskinson. Lately two men whose words are worth listening to have spoken of the public's attitude toward bankers, big business and finance.

From the Omaha World Herald. The Omaha World Herald has a headline which reads: "The Last of the Barons."

With all the outcry that had been raised against him he died respected and respectable. Now, when it is impossible to get a word from him against the truth, the truth is coming out to play havoc with his fame and name.

From the Chicago Record-Herald. John Bassett Moore, professor and authority on international law, has been lecturing on uniformity in legislation and judicial decisions.

From the Chicago Post. Since there has been much newspaper discussion as to the origin of the word "Gringo," used by the Mexicans in speaking of the foreigner.

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PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

Spain will seem like the same old place, now that the colonel has taken his departure. All colleges and universities are hereby exhorted to please confer no degrees upon the thermometer.

Wheeler citizens have just raised a 77-foot pole without directly assuming if they will for the first time fly a flag of dimensions to match the pole.

Gold Hill's council has prohibited fireworks on the fourth of July or any other day, and is protesting the telephone company for not reducing the previous 24-hour service to one terminating daily at 9 p. m.

The United States commissioner at Silver Lake last week took filings on tracts aggregating 2441 acres, situated near that town.

Seaside Signal. It is planned to develop the new streets in the various parts of the city on the Fourth.

Owing to the publicity inflicted upon him last summer by The World, Cushing was under the painful necessity of removing his finely appointed bureau of persuasion and intimidation from Washington to New York.

During the next year to give the real facts and methods of finance to the journalists of his acquaintance, a surprising change could be effected in public opinion.

The "naked truth" about finance is something which you and I would like to see set forth in a column by big business and finance.

Who got this money? An unfortunate stockholder of New Haven, whose shares are worth today but a third of their former value.

Forgetful of \$1,000,000 here and there in the management of a corporation ought to be made a crime that leads straight to a cell.

Useless Court Decisions. From the Chicago Record-Herald. John Bassett Moore, professor and authority on international law, has been lecturing on uniformity in legislation and judicial decisions.

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IN EARLIER DAYS

Few pioneers are better known than Ezra Meeker. I have just returned from a trip with him to Multnomah falls, Thor's heights and Gordon falls, and it is hard to believe that a man who has been 84 years old in company with me, has a step trail I offered him a helping hand.

During a few moments of leisure Mr. Meeker told me of his trip by ox team back over the old trail he had first seen 62 years ago.

"When I came in 1852," said Mr. Meeker, "I had been married something over a year. We started when our baby was a few weeks old. Fifty-two was the big year. It seemed as if the world was on the move, I believe he is 84 years old in company with me."

"The water was polluted, which caused the outbreak of cholera that left so many graves on the plains that year. Grass was short, which necessitated herding the oxen a considerable distance from the water.

"About 200 miles to the westward of the Missouri river my brother got overhauled chasing buffalo and became seriously ill. Every day I thought he had cholera. Our little party of four wagons stayed with him for four days till he was able to travel.

"No one will ever know the number of deaths from cholera during the emigration of 1852. We met 11 wagons going back to Iowa and Illinois in which there were no men, all of them having died of cholera. We passed by the four days that we were pulled out to the side of the road and counted over 1600 wagons that passed us.

"I arrived in Portland on October 1. I had just moved up to the Puget sound country. I secured 500 acres of land and started the town of Paylup. We planted hops, increasing the acreage from 10 to 100 over 50 years.

"The state authorities of Washington have engaged me to go into the state and make a historical exposition to advertise our state. Incidentally in my lecture I show over a thousand feet of Portland's Rose Festival film which will give a lot of pleasure to your beautiful Rose Festival. We are all a part of the original Oregon country and what helps Oregon is what helps the other states and Washington are one in their interests."

Keeping Sweet. High up on that dead tree, Smack as in that thunderhead, Elts a himp wain, I'm nearly dead; Croaks and croaks and 'pears to say, 'It's too mortal but to live, If I dunno surely what I'd give, I dunno surely what I'd give."

Down here, 'round each flowerin' limb, Zums and zips a hummin' bird, 'Tis as if he'd made up his mind, 'Was the unbeknownst word. If he thinks of heat at all, 'Tis as if he'd made up his mind, 'For to grow trees big and tall, 'With flowers bloomin' in the shade.

Course you'll say that crows is crows, Ant. can't be nothin' else instead, Mebbe it's a bird is what I'd be, 'Thinkin' brains inside my head. And I take my choice right now— 'It's too mortal but to live, Comes the days, no matter how, 'Bet'n' glad's the job for me!

Cruel. Cholly—When I was a boy, you know, the doctor said if I didn't stop smoking cigarettes I would become a cripple. Miss Keen—Well, why didn't you stop?

The Ragtime Muse. High up on that dead tree, Smack as in that thunderhead, Elts a himp wain, I'm nearly dead; Croaks and croaks and 'pears to say, 'It's too mortal but to live, If I dunno surely what I'd give, I dunno surely what I'd give."

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UP IN A BALLOON

THE Oregonian still ballooning? Has it learned yet that the balloon Springfield with Captain Donaldson and Mr. Henderson are safe?

While the Oregonian was selling on the streets this morning without a word of information from the missing aeronauts, The Journal extra was on the thoroughfares with the news that the "Springfield" had landed near Blue Lake in the Bull Run reserve, and both aeronauts were safe.

Tomorrow morning, nearly twenty-four hours after The Journal appeared with the facts, the patrons of the Oregonian will read for the first time in the paper about the landing of the balloon and the safety of its passengers.

The facts recall the late grandiloquent boasting of the Oregonian to its news service. Yesterday it said: Anticipation of an important event and preparation to report it are elements in journalistic enterprise.

But now a sleeping contemporary asserts that the Oregonian's exclusive publication of the thrilling story of the Kansas City 11's journey into the wilds of the Cascade range was due to the "accident" of having a representative on board.

It was exactly one of that sort of "accidents" of which the best newspaper beats are made. But such accidents never take the luck of the newspaper which has no forethought or is unwilling to undergo the expense of inviting them.

Twenty-four hours behind with the news of the "Springfield" is a paper that fine thought "with which the best newspaper beats are made"—by the Oregonian. Its reference to The Journal as "the newspaper which has no forethought" would have far weightier application if the Oregonian had received the news of the landing of the "Springfield," as it had ample opportunity to do, and printed the story in this morning's edition.

Its failure to do so after its blatant boasting places it in a very ridiculous position. Hereafter, when it goes ballooning about its news service, it should carry more ballast.

A CHAMBERLAIN BILL THE Chamberlain bill for exchanging school sections scattered throughout the Oregon forest reserves for equal areas of forest lands in a group accessible to a railroad, has encountered trouble in the House at Washington.

The plan was originated by Governor West. Through his efforts, the 1913 legislature authorized the proposed exchange on the part of the state of Oregon.

The Chamberlain bill confers authority for the federal government to perform its part in making the transfers. The bill has the sanction of the forestry department, and is a desirable arrangement because it is constructive. It is a plan that will take the scattered sections out of idleness and put them into immediate public use.

Governor West is on the way to Washington to second the efforts of the Oregon delegation in pushing the measure through the House.

If the House should beat the bill, it will do a very foolish and very indefensible thing.

ABATEMENT LAWS

MINNESOTA'S Supreme Court last Friday declared that state's injunction abatement law enacted for the suppression of disorderly houses, to be constitutional. The decision has large importance, for it is another judicial declaration that a person may surrender his right in property by permitting it to be used for immoral purposes.

The Minnesota law provides for the forfeiture and sale of all personal property used in maintaining the nuisance, the closing of premises in which the nuisance is carried on, and the imposition of money penalties against persons participating in the nuisance. The court held that the act is a proper exercise of police power.

As to the law's provision for

Letters From The People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication should be written on one side of the paper, and must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. If the writer does not desire to have the name published, he should so state.)

"Disruption is the greatest of all reforms. It is the only way to break down the principles of all false sanctity and to bring the people back to the truth. It is the only way to break down the principles of all false sanctity and to bring the people back to the truth. It is the only way to break down the principles of all false sanctity and to bring the people back to the truth.

O'Sullivan's Rejoinder. Portland, June 15.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Regarding the so-called national anthem, "America," I find my remarks on the same have aroused the ire of the local Anglo-Saxons.

Well, let's look at the matter another way. Let us suppose some talented American wrote a national anthem full of the sublimest sentiments, to the tune of "The Wearing of the Green!"

These writers of the Anglo-Saxon type, under the name of patriotism, would be the very first to vigorously protest. But there can be no harm in King, to the air of "God Save the King," to the tune of "The Wearing of the Green!"

I maintain both the words and music of our national anthem should be the essence of our people's nationality; fancy "Rule Britannia," sung to the music of some American song, whose words represent vividly the fall of Britain, rule and exultation over that fall. Think you your loyal Britishers would yodel with Anglo fervency?

Moreover, the Anglo-Saxon propaganda in this country use its utmost endeavors to eliminate the third verse of our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner." In its place, an attempt was made in common knowledge. Perhaps they were more concerned over the words "hiring and hiring" than "in God we trust." In short, I say "God Save the King" is our national anthem, in truth, in words, in music, in sentiment.

The decision is of great moment, for it establishes ever more strongly than before, the fact that public morals and health are superior to rights in property or the right to extend a legitimate business into illegitimate channels.

THE SCHOOL ELECTION ONLY 551 persons voted for free text books. The vote against was 7209.

It is a vote that should prevent free text books from again becoming an issue in Portland. The real issue is low-priced text books. Low priced text books and a great free public school system of definite and purposeful efficiency are the program for a stronger and better citizenry.

A REMARKABLE CONTRAST AN ARTICLE in Home and Farmstead illuminates the whole question of diversified farming. The prosperity of Wisconsin is compared with that of Georgia, and it is stated that in ninety years Wisconsin farmers have accumulated wealth aggregating \$1,500,000,000, while

Opposes Road Bonds. Turner, Or., June 16.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The Salem Statesman