

PATTERSON REPLIES ON JOINT DEBATES

Miller Slated for Second Place Declares Republican Chairman

I. L. Patterson, chairman of the state republican committee, in his reply to Dr. C. J. Smith, democratic chairman, to a challenge for a joint debate between United States Senator Charles L. McNary, republican nominee, and Milton A. Miller, democratic nominee, relative to campaign issues, issued the following letter:

"I have your letter of the 19th inst., suggesting a joint speaking campaign of ten meetings in different parts of the state, between Senator Charles L. McNary and Honorable M. A. Miller.

"Your letter on account of being addressed to Eola instead of Salem; R. F. D. No. 2, reached me four days after you had given it to the press—hence the delay in answering.

"It occurs to me that Senator McNary would be the proper person for you and Hon. M. A. Miller take up the matter of a joint discussion with. Speaking for myself, the general opinion of close political observers of all parties is that Senator McNary will be reelected by an overwhelming majority.

"As I see it, the only contest in the senatorial election in Oregon possibly would be for second place. I understand there is a probability of a third candidate for senator. In the event there is permit me to suggest that you arrange a joint speaking campaign between Hon. M. A. Miller and a third candidate. This would probably bring about the result you

desire—that is, audiences for your candidate, and doubtless place him second in November."

Blue Typifies Young America

"The faith of the artist, the soul of a poet, and he gives us the consciousness of ourselves."

Thus ended our dithyrambic outburst after we had watched Monte Blue act in "The Marriage Circle," which is scheduled for a 3 days' run at the Oregon theatre beginning today. We happened to be at the Warner Brothers' west coast studios, and were seeing Blue put all the energy and imagination he possessed into several scenes of this unusual picture.

It is significant that Monte Blue is a son of the Middle West, he is a Hoosier, was born in Indianapolis and born at a time when the material contentment of the pioneer was being disintegrated by the intellectual unrest of a generation for which the farm had become too small. The onslaught of the industrial age had come and with it new contacts, new ideas, and a strange discontentment.

In many respects Monte Blue reminds one of another son of the Middle West: of Sherwood Anderson, most representative of American writers and the "white hope" of American letters. Both are conscientious seekers for new ideals and uncompromising fighters in the battle for a higher and finer conception of life. Even outwardly there is a strong resemblance between Monte Blue and some of Sherwood Anderson's characters, these creative dreamers with their plain, sincere talk; their large, sweeping gestures, these young men of the American middle class who have done with the illusions of the past and yet not quite found themselves nor the values of a new world yet to be created by them.

Monte Blue is American youth typified, American youth struggling to find expression for its finer and subtler qualities, American youth still somewhat inarticulate and groping about for something as yet hardly understood. American youth discovering its soul.

Surely Monte Blue has played romantic lovers and played character parts (who, for instance, would forget his remarkable portrayal of Danton in the "Orphans of the Storm") which only goes to show how versatile he is and how anxious to ever broaden his personality and widen the circle of his art. But, though it was his chivalry, his honesty, his courage, and his strength through which



Scene from "The Marriage Circle" now at the Oregon.

he appealed to the audience in those parts, there is always this other element in him which strikes an even deeper chord of sympathy, of compassion, almost of pity in the hearts of those who see Monte Blue on the screen. He appears so youthful, at times almost helpless, so awkward, so embarrassed, so crushed by the crudity and cruelty of the surrounding unfeeling world, he seems to suffer so much, that the heart of every woman in the audience goes out to him in an overwhelming feeling of sympathy—they all want to throw their arms about him and protect him against the harsh world that has wounded him and that he does not quite understand.

FLAX PULLERS ARE DEMONSTRATED HERE

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pulling, including the tractor, on a demonstration of 45 1/2 acres, on H. E. Hoke's farm near Stayton last year, was \$2.64 an acre, covering all costs. This did not include the time of the expert. If the interest on the capital investment and depreciation, also allowing current wages for the expert, were added to this, the entire cost would not have exceeded \$6 an acre.

The seven machines now being operated are doing as well. Some of them better.

No one who understands anything about the flax industry, in the whole Salem district, has any doubt whatever concerning the absolute and entire success of the Vessot flax pulling machine.

There is no doubt that all the flock of 13 machines now owned here will be fully employed next year; and perhaps as many more ordered; depending upon the rapidity with which the manufacturing end can be gotten into motion. In time, there will necessarily be hundreds of these machines in this district.

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CHURCH MAILING TOURIST GUIDES

Silverton Norwegian Lutherans Instigate Publicity Proposition

SILVERTON, Or., July 25.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Rev. George Henriksen, secretary of the Pacific district of the Norwegian Lutheran church of America, is mailing to pastors asking for their small folders which are called "Tourist Church Guides." The guides were printed in Silverton at the order of the Pacific district mission board and will be distributed in all auto camps of the Pacific district by the pastor in each city.

The guide contains names and addresses of the mission board members; of the officers of the Pacific district; of all pastors of the district, and also locations of all churches, besides information concerning the services held in the different churches.

The church is desirous of getting in touch with tourists and it is thought that the distribution of the guides would be the means of reaching many who could be found in no other way. Twenty-five thousand guides were printed and are being sent out by Rev. Mr. Henriksen as fast as they can be prepared for mailing.

A small leaflet inclosed in each guide gives a brief outline of the courses given at Pacific Luther college at Parkland, Wash., of which O. J. Ordal is president.

Paving Contract Is Let For New Silverton Block

SILVERTON, Or., July 25.—(Special to The Statesman.)—A contract for the paving of a block on Center street was awarded to L. C. Herrold at a special meeting of the council Wednesday night. The paving is to be of asphalt, and will have a five-inch rock foundation. A petition was brought in to the council asking that a license for the conducting of a pool and billiard room in the vacant store-room on Main street be refused. Nothing definite has been done, but it is known that a party desires to rent the building for that purpose and many Silverton residents are opposed to having such an establishment on the principal street in town. Action concerning the matter was deferred until a later meeting of the council.

JAPANESE DRINK MUCH MORE BEER

Former Salem Resident Returns After Two Years Spent in Orient

M. A. Taylor, sales manager for E. Clemens Horst company, San Francisco, was a visitor in Salem Friday after having spent two months in Japan where he closed future contracts for practically all of the American hops that will be needed in Japan for a term of years. Mr. Taylor visited and closed with every brewery in Japan and reports that beer consumption is decidedly on the increase as it is supplanting the strong native alcoholic drinks.

Mr. Taylor states that he was treated most courteously by all Japanese citizens of the thinking classes and that the only anti-American demonstration that he witnessed were in the nature of parades made up of the radical element.

Mr. Taylor, although born in Salem, has made his home in San Francisco and Portland and is returning to the former city after paying a short visit with friends in Salem and Portland and has stopped at all of the E. Clemens Horst company's properties in British Columbia and Oregon.

JUSTICES READY FOR ANNUAL REST

Oregon Supreme Court Will Take its Recess Beginning August 1

Beginning August 1, the Oregon supreme court will declare its annual month's recess. Justices of the supreme court will scatter to many parts of Oregon for their vacations.

Oregon beaches are calling to Justice George M. Brown, who will also visit his home at Roseburg. Justice George H. Burnett is included in this group, while Justice John L. Rand, after spending a few days at his home in Baker, will leave for the coast.

Justice John McCourt will spend a short time in Portland and then go to the mountains. Eastern Oregon is calling to Justice Henry J. Bean. Justice O. P. Coghrow will spend some time at Roseburg, his home, and then may visit other parts of the state in the interests of his coming campaign.

Chief Justice Thomas A. McBride plans to spend the majority of his vacation at his ranch on Deer Island, though he may find time to visit a few other places before resuming his duties at the supreme court.

Fire Precautions Taken By Silverton Residents

SILVERTON, Or., July 25.—(Special to The Statesman.)—More than ordinary precautions are being taken by many residents of Silverton at the present time in regard to fire. So dry is it that often times people hesitate to build a fire but do their cooking by means of oil stoves or electricity where it is possible. No serious fire has occurred recently, but consideration of employing some one to watch for fires during the night has been made. Nothing definite in this line has been done as yet, however.

A number of Silverton men, some of them members of the national guard, went to the Wilhoit district Thursday afternoon to aid in fighting the fire in that district.

KEEP POLITICS OUT OF SCHOOLS

James C. Nelson Warns Against Government Domination of Studies

"How can we keep political manipulators and political parties from dominating our school system if a national department of education is established?" was the pertinent question with which James C. Nelson, principal of Salem High school, challenged the Lions club at their regular weekly luncheon. "I do not wish to be misunderstood," continued the speaker, "I am not unalterably opposed to the Smith-Towner bill, but we should look on all sides of the question."

"The theory of the proposition is that the secretary of education would assist in unifying and raising generally the type of instruction. This is a commendable thing, but our own local experience with the operation of government supervision does not make me enthusiastic over the proposition. The government supervisors told us how to run our domestic science department. The result of the change in the course was that the enrollment of the department dwindled away. In

our machine shop we are compelled to follow the director's dictation or lose the government subsidy.

"This proposition of theory versus community needs should certainly never be extended to all our public school system. Deadening uniformity will surely sap the local initiative and pride in its schools. Furthermore, the danger of making the schools a part of a government system changed and altered to suit the views of the political party in power makes us thoroughly skeptical of the value of such government supervision."

Miss Gladys Stevenson favored the club with several vocal numbers.

ASKS AUTO LIGHTS BE STANDARDIZED

Eastern Man Will Have Conference With Raffety and Kozer Today

Seeking to standardize automobile lights, Frank A. Pim, representative of the Traffic Officers' association of Washington, D. C., will meet in conference today with T. A. Raffety, chief state traffic officer, and Sam Kozer, secretary of state. Mr. Pim arrived in Salem Friday, but was unable to see Mr. Raffety, who only returned from Seattle last night.

Pim is urging the adoption in Oregon by legislative act of the "eight point test" by which lights are tested at eight points out from a car. To satisfactorily pass this test the lighting equipment must conform to requirements approved by the Federal Bureau of Standards.

Automobile lighting, Mr. Pim declares, has reached a point where a light equal to daylight can be thrown upon a highway without any glare. Now that this has been achieved, the next step is to secure the national acceptance of lights which can effect this. Twenty-three states in the union, including California, have now passed laws which give ample lighting, without glare, and without the necessity of dimming lights when two cars pass.

LEAVES FOR IOWA

SILVERTON, Or., July 25.—(Special to The Statesman.)—After a short stay with relatives George Henriksen Jr. left this morning for Iowa. An early start was made, his parents, Rev. and Mrs. George Henriksen, driving with him as far as Portland. Duties at Luther college where Mr. Henriksen will teach this fall, and from which he was graduated this spring, made it necessary for him to leave Silverton a little sooner than was first planned.

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