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The Practiced Hand

THE report now coming through from Washington credits the final writing of the senate tariff bill to Joe Grundy, the new senator from Pennsylvania. It will be recalled that the coalition of western insurgent republicans and democrats usurped control in the senate, took the bill out of the hands of Senator Smoot of the finance committee which reported it, and announced that the coalition would rewrite the bill to conform with its notions of what the tariff should be.

In the last few weeks there came a marvelous volte face on the part of the senate majority. The senate reversed itself on sugar and lumber, and nearly so on oil. This came about through the practiced manipulation of Joe Grundy. When the sons of righteousness fought the fight of the tariff with all the pure virtue of Sir Galloway, Joe Grundy alone realized that the only thing that could break up the coalition was bait on the hook.

The senate passed the bill and recessed; but the Grundy overturn of the coalition, done without any fuss but by the simple expedient of trading lumber and sugar and oil votes like any other merchandise was the most noteworthy thing of the final stage of the tariff debate.

As one member of the "sons of wild jackass" club said: "The biggest mistake we made was when we kicked out Bill Varc."

The Neglected Willamette

OUR own Willamette river is almost a neglected asset. Once the main artery of travel and of commerce, it became almost forgotten after the coming of the railroad and the paved highway and auto truck. It is used all too little now as a route for shipping. But the particular neglect we would at present call public attention to is our failure to use it as a means of recreation and to improve it as a thing of beauty.

Only a few, a very few non-commercial motor boats and launches are on the river under Salem ownership. A few local people have motor boats, but all too few. Such a fine stream is very inviting for motor-boating. We hope the current revival of interest in water sports, including motor boating and racing, will reach Salem and bring about a fresh and lively interest in the utilization of the river as a means of recreation.

In another respect the river is neglected and that is in beautifying the water front. Look at the river from the west side of the bridge. What a scraggly, unattractive shore there is on the east side. Not a single attempt to beautify the river front. Some day this will come. In hundreds of cities both in Europe and America the water fronts have been improved with seawalls and parks along the bank. Now the river is but the back door of our industry. Some day the river front may be in parking all the way along from Ferry street to Union. That will come when the ground is too valuable for industries to pay taxes on, or when the city grows wealthy enough to buy up the frontage and beautify it.

"Beautiful Willamette," the title of Sam Simpson's poem, hardly applies now as the river passes by Salem. Eventually it may be true here also as it is elsewhere on its course—outside of cities.

An Expected Move

THE indications are strong that banking interests will seek to amend the law in Oregon which prohibits branch banking. There has been a marked change in sentiment within the banking profession in recent years in favor of such a change, and the growth of chain bank ownership through holding companies is regarded as a step towards ultimate branch banking with legal approval. The move of the United States National Bank interests in Portland in acquiring the West Coast group of banks indicates that this powerful organization believes the time is ripe to sponsor a group of banks extending over the state and into Washington.

The present state law prohibits branch banking. The national law permits branch banks to the extent that the state law does. So the drive will be to amend the Oregon law, which will then open the way to national branch banking.

The consensus of opinion among bankers is that branch banking is to be preferred to chain banking through control of stock by a holding company. The whole banking situation over the nation is in ferment, and legislative changes may quickly follow the present trend in banking practice.

We Will

"Perhaps there may be another way out by mandamus or other proceedings to force the Secretary of State to instruct election boards to ignore the Eddy bills, which would bring an immediate decision on the question and establish the laws validity or invalidity. Will the Statesman join the Capital Journal in initiating or causing to be initiated such legal procedure to the end that all citizens can vote on the bond issue and thereby make it a popular referendum as well as a valid bond issue?"—Capital Journal.

Yes, the Statesman will do so. We opposed the Eddy bill while it was pending in the legislature; we do not believe in the principle; and approve an immediate test as to its constitutionality.

The Yankos are not averse to doing a bit of business with Russia even if government will not accept the soviet invitation to a diplomatic treaty, and even if the church people bristle because of the abuse of the faithful by the atheists in the land of the former "Little Father." Russia is putting in many new canneries and the Food Machinery Corporation of San Francisco has a contract to supply a lot of this equipment. Arthur G. McKee & Co. of Cleveland, an engineering firm, has a contract for building a steel plant in the Ural provinces. This is to be the second largest steel works in the world, according to report.

HEALTH

Today's Talk

By R. S. Copeland, M. D.

"The Douloureux" is a French term meaning "painful spasm." It is applied to a form of neuralgia in the face. It is quite distinct from the ordinary neuralgia. It involves the parts of the head supplied by the "trigeminal" nerve. This nerve, as its name indicates, divides into three branches. One branch goes to the end of the nose, the eye-lids and the forehead. Another goes to the upper lip, the cheeks and temple. A third goes to the skin of the lower jaw and the area in front of the ear.

You will see that this nerve, through its branches, supplies the whole face. Not only does it give motive power to the muscles located in this region, but it also supplies the sense of feeling. Wherever these branches extend, there are the locations of the excruciating pains which accompany this ailment.

When the nerve becomes over-estimated, there is a twitching or contraction of the jaw and face. Acute pain is felt in that part supplied by the affected branch of the nerve. The pain usually attacks the eyeball and is felt over the eye.

It is an ailment more commonly met in people over 40 than among the young. Diseases of the teeth and jawbone may be responsible for this trouble. If the antrum, that hollow space in the bone under the cheek, is involved, here is the source of the trouble.

Overwork and loss of sleep, a run-down condition, or exposure to wet and cold may bring on this condition. It may last only a day or two at a time, or it may continue for several weeks. It may not occur often, long intervals of comfort being experienced. The attacks come on suddenly.

The symptoms are very pronounced. There are severe, cutting, shooting and dagger-like pains. The first symptom may be located in the side of the nose and the upper lip. The pain extends to the cheek, eye and temple, into the teeth and all over the one side of the head.

Sometimes the muscles of the face twitch and contract. The patient runs down under the terrible pain. He loses sleep and there is always the dread of other attacks.

None of the usual hot applications or other treatments in cases of ordinary neuralgia seem to have any effect on this condition. Drugs should be taken only under a competent physician's orders. There is always the danger of contracting a bad habit if self-medication is used.

Various operative measures have been used. The pain is so acute that patients would resort to almost anything to end the suffering. Removal of a section of the nerve has been done. Another treatment is to inject alcohol into the nerve itself. This procedure has given relief at least, temporarily, and anything that affords relief from such suffering is worth while.

Answers to Health Queries A. R. Q.—What can I do for blackheads?

A. Correct your diet by cutting down on sugar, starches, and coffee. Avoid constipation.

Mrs. M. F. K. Q.—What causes liver spots?

A. This condition is due to more or less poor intestinal elimination. The first thing to do therefore, is to correct constipation.

P. V. Q.—Will smoking cigarettes cause high blood pressure?

A. No.

S. M. Q.—What do you advise for reducing hips?

A.—Weight reduction is chiefly a matter of self-control as regards diet. Eat very sparingly of starches, sugars and fats.

F. W. K. Q.—Would a catarrhal condition cause me to raise a solid piece of mucus every morning?

A. Yes, keep the nasal passages clear and use a good cleansing spray in both nose and throat.

Yesterdays

... Of Old Oregon

Town Talks From The Statesman Our Fathers Read

March 26, 1905

The tenth annual session of the Oregon conference of United Evangelical church will convene here next Thursday morning and continue through Sunday. Rev. W. F. Heil of Chicago will reside.

Albany—The Albany Woolen mills were completely destroyed by fire this morning. Loss is expected to reach \$50,000.

Arrangements have been completed for the graduating class of the Willamette university medical school, which are scheduled for Friday evening. The class members are: Orin B. Miles, William M. Allen, Harry A. Beauchamp, Redolph E. Schmidt, J. Olin Van Winkle, Kiyohide Nakaki and Albert Williams; and two nurses, Gertrude Galbraith and Elizabeth DeSart.

LoRoy L. Gomer is now in Prague, Bohemia, and is a private pupil of Sevcik, the world's greatest teacher of the violin, his Russian friends will be pleased to hear.

THE 1930 SPRING DRIVE



"SHEIK'S WIFE" BY WINIFRED VAN DUZER

CHAPTER XLIII. Everybody came over to wait for word from Marks. He would telephone as soon as they saw how the audience felt. That was the sick thing to go by—audience, not critics. Damn critics. And so the bungalow was full of cigarette smoke and the clink of ice and Elma's drawl and a vague hostility Eve tried to deny. Odd how the tribe took things. Urging you to do this, do that, coming around to shake your hand, to kiss you, yet watching you with that coldness back of their eyes in your hour of triumph, saying little things about money grubbing.

Lay Sermons

THE DESPISED SECT "As concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against." Acts XXVIII:22. Here is a sidelight on the standing of the new Christian sect among the Jews of the dispersion when Paul entered Rome. Those speaking were the "chief of the Jews" whom Paul had summoned to meet him after arriving, a prisoner, in the capital city of the great empire. To them, it was a universally discredited sect. Oddly enough, they had heard nothing about Paul. That seems strange, for Paul stood out as the great missionary of the new cult. His farflung missionary journeys, his prominence in the new church, his activity in Greece and Asia Minor would have brought him such fame, one thinks, that it would have preceded him to Rome. Evidently not, unless it was just among the followers of the new faith. For these Jews tell Paul:

The First Baptist Church. Invites you to attend the farewell services held by the pastor, Robert L. Payne, Sunday Morning and Evening. Morning sermon topic: "What Profit Hath Man Under the Sun?" Evening sermon topic: "When God Comes to Rule the World"

BITS for BREAKFAST

Our linen industry: Under the heading, "American Line of Home Grown Flax," and the sub-heading, "Oregon Flax," a carefully prepared and well-written illustrated article, by Malcolm C. Cutting, who, as some R. J. Hendricks Statesman readers will remember spent some time in Salem last fall, investigating our flax and linen industries. (Part of his time was spent with the Bits man.) Mr. Cutting opens his article by giving something of the history of the ages old flax and linen industries, running back to times before written history. This is one of his high lights: "Linen making, that ancient craft which was important in early America, but dwindled away because of the laborious hand tasks it involved, seems at last to be yielding entirely to machine control. If other regions can duplicate the success of a group of enterprises in Oregon, the agriculture of our humid northern states may find a worth-while new cash crop—fiber flax."

After his visit here, Mr. Cutting should not have been guilty of the second sentence of the above quotation. None of the "humid northern states" can produce fiber flax to compare with that grown here; in fineness, they can neither produce nor ret it, nor can the fiber be spun excepting in low altitudes. These basic facts went over Mr. Cutting's head in his investigations here. Otherwise, he "got his hat on straight," and has broadcasted to the nation and the world an article that should do Oregon a world of good. He says that "for 5000 years the slow and exacting process of preparing the fiber by hand had never been changed; that many attempts and as many failures had been recorded. He goes on to say: "But out in the Willamette valley of Oregon a flax fiber industry was being developed to unnumbered success, by new and revolutionary methods. There the problem of mechanical handling and preparation of fiber flax has been most effectively solved. This is the only place in America where linen is manufactured from home grown flax. It is the only place in the world where hand labor has been almost entirely superseded by mechanical power without sacrificing the quality of the fiber."

A Problem For You For Today. At a party where 93 persons were present, 2-3 of the men equal 5-3 of the ladies. How many must leave to form proper couples? ANSWER TO SATURDAY'S PROBLEM 22.4 H. P. Explanation—Multiply 4.5 by 5.4 by 4. Take 4-10 of result.

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