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COMING OFF THE PERCH

THE SONS of Nippon appear to be forgetting their peeve, or at least holding it in abeyance. To the intense relief of the Pacific coast, and the sadly worried East, it has been officially announced that Japan will exhibit at the San Francisco exhibition. \$600,000 has been appropriated for the exhibit, almost enough to construct and equip a destroyer, and the threat of declining to appear among the nations represented at the mammoth fiesta has been withdrawn.

There are other indications, also, that the Japanese nation is taking the saner view of a situation which cannot well be helped. The dreaded "ultimatum" has not arrived in Washington, nor does there seem any probability of its ever doing so. Diplomacy chooses milder terms, and the negotiations are conducted in a spirit more befitting the dignity of this republic.

Whether the spirit of California in promulgating the alien land ownership law evinced racial bitterness or not, but little concerns the remainder of the nation, which must judge with calmness the very probable effects of amalgamation with a people distinct in every racial characteristic. With due deference to Japan, and with a full realization of her splendid arising from barbarism to a high plane of civilization within a few score years, even with sincere admiration for the many excellent qualities of her subjects, it cannot be conceded that the intermixture of race and color would ever be successful—even in a nation which boasts the fundamental democracy of man.

Unalterably, as Kipling has it, "East is East, and West is West", and the admixture of both is as impossible as the union of oil and water. The ideals of American government depend upon the defense of that proven theory, and a democracy, unsettled by the clash of characteristics as old as race, and weakened by the production of a half-caste citizenry, could not well escape the fate of Hayti.

Perhaps, Japan is coming to a fuller realization of the Caucasian viewpoint. In any event, nothing save firmness and quiet dignity in support of the prerogative exercised by California is befitting the great Caucasian republic of the world.

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Two Friends of Ours.

Poor Johnny-Bug, with shaven crown, he is a wandering friar; his cloister is the thistle-down, his nave the sweet rose-briar; at eve he does his orisons, at dawn he drones his masses, and all the warm and wetting day he waddles through the grasses. His coat is gray with way-side dust, his path is meek and lowly, yet who shall say, among the just, he is not given wholly to duty on the lowly earth—the lowliest thing upon it—although he does not dress in silks or wear an Easter bonnet? Where'er across your path, my son, his lowly course he traces, let him unharmed poke humbly on to seek the pleasant places. And grudge him not the rose's heart, wherein he oft-times nestles, for that we know the sorry world is all too full of thistles; for that we know naught of the plan that fashioned all together, to live and learn their little span in fair or foul weather. Last night at eight the hidden bird gave up his heart to singing, when last the sleepy breezes stirred as home-ward doves were winging; I do not know what song he sang among the shades of even—but, ah! it seemed, full-throated sprang a hymn of praise to Heaven, for nest unharmed with speckled eggs among the woven grasses, or for paternal joy he felt in feathered lads and lasses. What'er he sang, I know it was about the joy of being, of beating down the morning wind, of tasting and of seeing. My son, who ever harms his song but robs of joy Tomorrow? when all the wretched world is quite too full of sorrow; the song he sings at evening-time no chorister sings more sweetly, than he, the Choir-boy of the Leaves, who hymns the world completely. God knows, the wonder of it all is that this bit of feather, finds heart to sing his song betimes in fair or foul weather.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Robert Underwood Johnson has retired from the editorship of the Century magazine at New York. He is a widely known writer.

Franklin B. Gault has resigned as president of the South Dakota university at Vermillion, S. D., after serving seven years. He was formerly president of Wentworth college at Tacoma, Wash.

Stephen K. Stillwell has been sentenced at New York to from four to eight years in Sing Sing. Stillwell is the former state senator who was convicted of bribery by a jury after being exonerated by the New York state senate.

Emmeline Pankhurst, the English suffragette leader recently released from jail, is suffering from acute indigestion. She is in a most enfeebled condition and her suffragette followers are alarmed for her life.

A dispatch from Nogales, Ariz., says that Didier Masson, rebel birdman, sailed his big airplane over the federal gunboat Guerrero in Guaymas bay. He remained at a height of 5000 feet and none of the shells fired by the ship's gunners took effect.

Governor Sulzer of New York has named Miss Anna Morgan as one of the delegates from that state to the first American conference on social insurance, to be held June 6 and 7 at Chicago. She is the daughter of the late J. P. Morgan.

California in Grip of Destructive Pests Sacramento, Cal.—California from San Diego on the south to Shasta county on the north at various sections is in the grip of the "grasshopper" and unless an immediate and determined campaign against the insect is prosecuted by farmers and fruit growers, possibly total destruction to some crops may result, according to State Horticulturist Cook.

THE MARKETS.

Portland. Wheat—Club, 93c; bluestem, \$1.00; red Russian, 92c. Hay—Timothy, \$18; alfalfa, \$12. Butter—Creamery, 25c. Eggs—Candied, 21c.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Timely rains have fallen in Sherman and Gilliam counties and the crop outlook is regarded as very promising.

A new gold saving machine has been set up on the sands at Gold Beach. It will handle 150 tons in 20 hours. Those interested hope they have solved the separation problem.

The state engineer has approved applications of the Harney Valley Reclamation company to irrigate 54,000 acres. Four to six reservoirs will be required for storage purposes.

On the request of Senator Lane, the war department has ordered the seagoing dredge Chinook in commission as soon as possible, on account of the high water on the Columbia bar.

A full classification of the government land in the Metolius river valley has been started by the United States government, following the filings of many applications for homesteads in that territory.

The department of commerce has informed Senator Chamberlain that it has requested the treasury department to assign a revenue cutter to patrol the course for the Astoria Motorboat club regatta.

Ten striking linemen accused of engaging in a riot at Oswego have been bound over to the grand jury. One of them was shot in the groin and another hit with a hand axe by non-union men.

With practically no opposition, bonds have been voted at Klamath Falls to take up the outstanding warrant indebtedness. The city will be on a cash basis so soon as the bonds are sold.

A rancher from Illinois river walked out of the third story of the Gold Beach hotel while asleep, falling about 30 feet. He was picked up unconscious and badly shaken, but apparently not seriously injured.

With a large number of ledgers, journals and other books in evidence, the grand jury began an investigation into the affairs of the Roseburg National bank. The bank suspended business about a year ago.

Referendum petitions against the workmen's compensation act, the county attorney bill and the sterilization bill have been presented at the secretary of state's office for filing, and the names are being checked.

Representatives of over 60 publishing firms have appeared during the past few months before the Oregon text book commission, which will meet at Salem for the purpose of adopting text books for the schools of the state.

Senator Chamberlain has written to Secretary Lane informing him that according to the statements of Engineer Hapson the estimated cost of \$100 per acre for the West Umatilla extension will be the outside cost of the project, and that the first unit could be completed for \$75 an acre.

In a natural amphitheater formed by sloping hillsides, with the grass-covered hollow at their base as a stage and the blue sky overhead as a ceiling, the students of the University of Oregon will this year present Henrik Ibsen's drama, "Peer Gynt," before the visitors to the commencement exercises.

The people of Gardiner, Scottsburg and Elkton have decided to incorporate the Port of Umpqua, by a majority of 89 votes. A bond issue will be floated for the purpose of building a jetty at the mouth of the Umpqua. The proposed port will have an assessed valuation of over \$4,000,000 and contains about 650 square miles.

Officials of Milwaukie have announced that the town will proceed at once to sell the water bonds of \$20,000 authorized at the recent special election and erect a new plant, refusing to purchase the two private plants at the prices the owners demand. The bonds run 20 years and bear five per cent interest.

Full negotiations have been concluded with an English syndicate through W. J. Wilsey for the sale of part of Major L. D. Kinney's Coos bay property for \$600,000, and a deal is pending for the purchase of the remainder for \$475,000, making a total million dollar sale. The minor portion of the Kinney property which has not been purchased has a questionable title according to the owner, and when this has been settled in the courts, the English people expect to purchase the balance.

J. C. La France, accused of substituting a dead body for himself to secure insurance money, was held to the grand jury in the municipal court at Portland. The Modern Woodmen of America are the plaintiffs in this case. June 18, 1912, La France disappeared from Portland, a body being found a few days later on the Clackamas river, which body was claimed by his wife and buried. The insurance companies took up the case and had him arrested four weeks ago at Barren, Coos county.

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VISCOUNT CHINDA



Viscount Chinda, Ambassador to the United States from Japan, who protested against passage of the Californian Alien land bill.

MANY NEW LAWS IN EFFECT

More Power Given Governor as Result of Legislative Acts.

Salem, Or.—All the laws passed at the recent session of the legislature, except those having emergency clauses or those to be referred to the people, became operative Tuesday.

Chief among the new measures are those relating to highways, irrigation, wages of women and children, pensions for mothers, fixing number of hours of workmen in factories, mills, etc., giving the governor more power to enforce laws locally, revising fish and game laws, appropriation for Pacific-Panama exposition, regulation of brokers, regulation of pawnbrokers, uniform system of accounting in state and counties, teachers of Portland on civil service basis, pensions for Portland police, abolishing district fairs and creating county fairs.

MAYOR RUSHLIGHT LOSES

H. R. Albee is Elected First Mayor Under Commission Government.

Portland, Ore.—H. R. Albee was elected first mayor of Portland under the commission form of government, defeating Mr. Rushlight, present mayor, and his nearest opponent, by a substantial vote. In the best residence sections of the city Mr. Albee ran ahead of Mr. Rushlight as high as four to one.

Ideal weather failed to bring out as large a vote as hoped for, a total of about 45,000, or about 60 per cent of the registered vote being cast.

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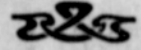
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