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THE MESSAGE.

Admirers of Theodore Roosevelt need offer no apologies for the message sent to congress today, Mr. Roosevelt's first great state paper.

The president discusses the momentous issues that confront the country in a manner to strengthen himself, his party, and his nation.

It was to be expected that he would sustain the republican doctrine of a protective tariff. This was demanded by his position as the leader of that organization.

There is clearly enunciated a belief that we have come to a point at which we may in some measure abandon the strenuous advocacy of protection.

President Roosevelt's treatment of the trust issue is rather surprising to those who looked for anything radical from the "Rough Rider." He is conservative, and nevertheless voices the popular fear of harm from the combining tendencies that are manifest in the industrial world.

A republican president could not do aught but propound and support the proposition that we have the Philippines and must keep them. Indeed, many persons, formerly opposed to the retention of these islands, now concede that the United States cannot let go, but must permanently keep possession of the archipelago.

Especially in the west will President Roosevelt's pronouncement upon the irrigation and storage reservoir questions be appreciated. He rightly states the need for federal action, looking towards a comprehensive plan for the reclamation of the enormous tracts of arid and semi-arid lands that now are useless in the west.

After an able argument counselling the maintenance of good will with all foreign nations, he pronounces for the Chinese exclusion act, basing his recommendations upon considerations of the interests of the American laborer and competition with those who are content to live on a scale not consistent with our ideas of what a laborer should enjoy.

He speaks ringingly upon the subject of civil service, advocating rational advances along this line, and he sounds the keynote of his administration when he says that merit

shall rule in appointments, especially in the island possessions. His position upon this issue is significant, indeed, and gives hope to citizens who regard civil service as holding much promise for the good of the country.

"A great navy" and army efficiency are his watchwords with reference to the military establishments.

Profoundly appreciative of the beauties of character of the late president, and impressed with the importance of carefully handling the crisis of anarchy, he makes recommendations to congress that will bear thoughtful reading by the person who feels concern for the future of the nation.

He correctly gauges the greatness of his country, and utters some sentiments that will be read with pride by every loyal citizen. He speaks of the growth of the commerce and the increased strength of the nation among the powers of the world, at the same time cautioning against the danger of inflation and rampant speculation. If his words of warning be heeded, the men who control the commercial and financial affairs of the country will be doing well.

On the whole, President Roosevelt's message is thoroughly satisfactory, and deserves commendation from members of all political parties. It is not in any sense a party utterance. It is broader than any party. It is American; it is patriotic; it is statesmanship in the concrete.

POOR, OLD HOO-DOOED OREGON.

The Baker City Herald in its issue of Nov. 29, inst., discovers that a hoo-doo hangs over the crest of Oregon. In an editorial, several thousand ems in magnitude, it depicts the cloud of mistrust and uncertainty which shadows the sun-kist breath of Oregon.

This is a new discovery to the hordes of Oregonians who have been reading the record of Oregon for the past ten years. The blue ribbon of triumph from Paris, Chicago, Omaha and Buffalo Expositions are fluttering all over her. For grain, grasses, fruits, hops, mineral exhibits, timber, livestock and sugar beets she is at the head of the class.

It is barely possible that this hoo-doo is a ghost that was disturbed in its rest by that energetic Baker City real estate man, who, several years ago, annexed a deserted graveyard to his "addition" and sold it out in town lots to eastern investors. See, Cully? (Now will you be good?)

However, coming down to bed-rock facts, conditions in Oregon might be improved, but not by carrying a rabbit's foot, a left hind foot, from a grave yard rabbit, caught by a cross-eyed, red-handed, left-handed nigger, on a dark and rainy Friday night, on the thirteenth of the month, fifteen minutes past midnight—but they can be improved by improved methods.

By building up a boni fide mining industry in the same way a butcher builds up a trade, by keeping clean house, sending out fresh meat to customers and by carefully and strenuously keeping down foul odors around the shop. People do not hesitate to come to Oregon with a pocket full of cash to buy farming lands, sheep, cattle or fruit. Why? They know the genuine article exists here and are not afraid of a "salted mine" where they can see fifty bushels of wheat standing on each acre.

BERT HUFFMAN.



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