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THE ROCK. I stand by the sea and hear a multitude crying in fear— A panic of Babelish talk— A rising and an invincible Rock; A sobbing of women in pain; Of men who labor in vain; A wailing of babies who drown; The cry of a soul gone down. But the Rock jeers back away. Though their tears are showers of spray. Sometimes it is calm and glad. Or silent, or silently sad; Sometimes it is whispering low As passionate tides sweep slow; But ever the Furies thirst, And ever rebellions burst; And ever the women sigh And little children cry. And strong men try and die! But the Rock nor feels nor hears. Though its face drips with their tears. —STEPHEN CHALMERS. Campobello Island, Bay of Fundy.

THEY SHOULD WAIT. The main trouble with the would-be county divisionists is that they are ahead of the times. For business reasons the people of Milton want that town to become a county seat and they are not willing to wait until conditions are ripe for the creation of a county in the east end. If there is to be an east end county it should be made up of the country north of Dry creek, comprising the Milton-Freewater and the Hudson Bay regions. In the course of time that country will doubtless be sufficiently settled and developed to justify being made into a separate county. At this time it is not. This fact is clearly realized by the divisionists. But instead of waiting for nature to take its course they are trying to force the game by attempting to steal a big slice of territory that has no business in an east end county and does not want to be in such a county. Under the boundaries of "Orchard" county the bulk of the territory proposed for that county would be included against its will. This is an unfair and high handed proceeding. It should not be tolerated for a moment. At this time there is no sound justification for the move to create a county in the east end. Umatilla county is serving that section well. Taxes are not high and the county is entirely free from debt. The east end has been giving thousands of dollars to the schools of that section. It has been spending thousands of dollars building steel bridges and improving the roads of that section. The east end has more men in office than has any other section of the county. There is nothing to the complaint that the people of that country are not represented at present. There is nothing to the plea that the present arrangement is not convenient. Pendleton is easy of access from that district for we have a passenger train service each way both morning and evening. Agitation for a new county in the east end should be withheld until conditions justify the creation of a county in that section, or until the people of the east end have a bona fide complaint against Umatilla county. At this time they have no such complaint. Efforts to make it appear that they have are lame and insincere. They are not based on facts. They are made by lawyers working for fees or who hope to have a finger in the pie in the event county division succeeds.

THE SCHOOL IS NEEDED. In the April issue of the Oregon Citizen, L. D. Mahone of Portland, argues in favor of maintaining the normal schools at Ashland and at Weston. Regarding the Eastern Oregon normal he said: "The school at Weston also draws from ten large counties and has no other school of its nature in that part of the state. It should be maintained.

IF it is closed the young men and women can cross the line to Moscow, Idaho, Cheney, Pullman, Walla Walla, Wash., and there enter the schools of those states and many of them would stay there and teach after they graduated. This is the only state institution in the eastern part of the state at the present. That Eastern Oregon will lose in the event the normal school is kept closed has already been shown. At this time many students from Umatilla county and from other parts of eastern Oregon are attending the normal schools at Ellensburg, Cheney, and at Lewiston. Under the laws of Washington students who graduate from the Washington normals must teach for three years in Washington. So they become lost to Oregon and eastern Oregon school boards are forced to take teachers that have not had proper training. Already eastern Oregon is suffering from a dearth of competent teachers. Unless the Eastern Oregon Normal is restored and given permanent maintenance the situation will soon become serious indeed.

THEY ARE REPRESENTED. An argument used by the secession element in the east end is that they are not represented properly at this time. Let us see what the facts are in this regard. Commissioner Lee is from that country. So is Assessor Strain. So is County Superintendent Welles. County Clerk Saling is from Weston, which is included in "Orchard" county but against the will of the Weston people. County Treasurer Bradley is from Athena and so is Sheriff Taylor. Of the remaining salaried county officers Pendleton has one, Recorder Hendley. Judge Gilliland is from Stewart creek, south of Pendleton, and Commissioner Walker claims the west end as his home. Where is there any truth in the charge that the east end country is subjected to "taxation without representation?" Pendleton is more entitled to make such a complaint than is the east end country.

A STUDENT COMPANY. The plan to fill the ranks of company L with students of the high school and of the Pendleton academy should prove popular. There are many schools and academies that maintain regular cadet military organizations. These organizations are expensive to students and they do not furnish the valuable training given by the national guard. If the students will enlist in company L in sufficient numbers they can make that company the crack guard company of Oregon and at the same time they will secure training that they should have and secure it without cost.

Alfalfa is almost ready for cutting in the Hermiston country and it is estimated that the crop this year will pay good interest on from \$200 to \$400 per acre. And alfalfa is considered as a rather poor paying crop too. The people upon the Umatilla project expect to make their real profits from fruit raising.

The annual game is on between woolgrowers and woolbuyers. The growers want to sell their wool at the highest figures obtainable; the buyers prefer to buy the clips as cheaply as possible. But usually the game is a friendly one. From appearances the move to carve up this county is not as popular among the farmers of the Milton-Freewater country as it is among the lawyers and business men of the two towns. It is not strange either.

Stanfield's mayor was sworn in before the clerk of the supreme court of the United States at Washington. There is nothing slow about Stanfield.

They may excommunicate President Taft from the steam shovelers' union because he attended a non-union ball game. But who would not prefer a ball game to a steam shovel?

Bullinger accuses Garfield of falsifying. But they have accused Bullinger of more serious things than that.

IN PROPORTION. For many weeks the irritable merchant had been riveted to his bed by typhoid fever. Now he was convalescing. He clamored for something to eat, declaring he was starving. "Tomorrow you may have something to eat," promised the doctor. The merchant realized that there would be a restraint to his appetite, yet he saw, in vision, a modest steaming meal placed at his bedside. "Here is your dinner," said the nurse next day, as she gave the glowing patient a spoonful of tapioca pudding, "and the doctor emphasizes that everything else you do must be in the same proportion." Two hours later the nurse heard a frantic call from the bed chamber. "Nurse," breathed the man heavily. "I want to do some reading; bring me a postage stamp." Chances are if you are not smart enough to make the world laugh with you, it will soon be laughing at you.

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.

It is reported in Washington that Senator Flint of California may succeed Secretary of the Interior Ballinger in the event of the latter's retirement from the cabinet. Burr W. Jones, a leading lawyer of Madison and a former member of congress, is being boomed for the democratic nomination for governor of Wisconsin. Former Governor McMillan of Tennessee has announced himself a candidate for the United States senate, to succeed James B. Frazier, whose term expires next March. Senator Bradley of Kentucky has accepted the invitation of the G. A. R. camps of Washington to deliver the Memorial day address at the Arlington National cemetery. Claude Porter of Centerville, E. G. Moon of Ottumwa and S. H. Bashor of Waterloo are the rival aspirants for the democratic nomination for governor of Iowa this fall. The prohibitionist party has formed its first organization in Louisiana and will name candidates for congress in all of the districts of the state this fall. John F. Hill, the present chairman of the republican national committee, is mentioned as a probable candidate for the seat of Eugene Hale in the United States senate. The democratic state executive committee of Mississippi meets this week to arrange for a special November primary to dispose of the much-discussed senatorial contest. Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire was a practicing physician before he went to congress, and still takes a lively interest in everything pertaining to the medical profession. George H. Uter, former governor of Rhode Island and among those mentioned to succeed Nelson W. Aldrich in the United States senate, is the only Seventh Day Baptist publisher of a daily newspaper in the United States. The democratic party, in order to obtain a bare majority in the next house of representatives, must gain twenty-four seats. In order to have a working majority, it will be necessary for the party to gain from thirty-five to forty seats. The announcement of Governor Hadley of Missouri that he does not intend to enter the race for the republican nomination for United States senator this fall has left the way clear for Walter S. Diekey, chairman of the republican state committee, to oppose Senator William Warner. Congressman Coudrey of Missouri has introduced 250 bills this session. One is to regulate the Washington clocks; another to prohibit the formation of a Washington laundry trust and a third to make it illegal for Washington women to stick long hats in or through their hats.

TAXATION AND PROSPERITY. Not many understand the relation of taxation and prosperity. Everybody should know about it. Wherever a liberal policy has been adopted by the local assessors, great prosperity has resulted, as, for example, in Schenectady, in New York, which has grown in population from 13,675 in 1880 to 75,000 in 1910 and in assessed valuation from \$2,592,416 to \$43,453,325, has multiplied its population 500 per cent and its assessed valuation 1400 per cent in 30 years. Schenectady in 1905 had upwards of 400 manufacturing plants, with a total output of over \$32,000,000 of produce. These statements are a part of resolutions adopted by the New York board of trade and transportation, preliminary to an official call for a state convention to consider the advisability of amending the state law for the taxation of manufacturing corporations, so that their taxation upon capital and surplus outside of real estate and special franchise will be uniform throughout the state, and will protect them from inequitable taxation upon their machinery and tools and all investments employed in manufacturing, as is done in Pennsylvania, Maryland, several other states and the Dominion of Canada.—Leslie's Weekly.

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