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IN APRIL LAND. You hear a song a-ringing From the hilltop and the plain; "March blows the world to April And roses, bright with rain!" "A weary way it seemed, Where clouds and tempests streamed, But we reached the realms of roses Where the April starlight dreamed." And sweeter still the music Above the green land rings Till earth awakes in wonder And asks if Heaven sings!

THE FIGHT AGAINST OLCOTT

Is there no room in the republican party of Oregon for anyone except republicans of the old guard-stand-pat-assembly variety? Is it high treason and heresy in the thirty third degree for a state official, though he be a life long republican, to fail to know before the Portland brigadiers who think they dominate the politics of the state? These questions seem closely involved in the fight being made against the renomination of Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott. Mr. Olcott has been a republican all his life and he has made a record as secretary that justifies a reelection if efficiency is an asset in politics. Yet because he is not of the old guard type the claim is made that he is not a republican and he should be massacred, slain and slaughtered. In taking this line of action are not the old guard managers drawing the circle too narrow and wont they hurt themselves? Would it be a good thing for the republican party to have its state managers set up the rule that no matter how a man may register he is not a republican unless the old guard says so? Would not such a condition cause about half of the republicans of the state to be ostracized?

Will republicans who believe that some independent thinking in politics is wholesome not sign the sanction the warfare being made against Oregon's competent secretary of state.

A NEW SORT OF PROTECTION

CONGRESSMAN HOWARD of Georgia proposes an embargo on gasoline, the same to remain in effect until in the opinion of the president or some competent board the price of gasoline to American consumers is reduced to a reasonable figure.

This is the protection policy from a new angle and the plan is not without some merits. The beneficiaries from the high price of gasoline are confined to a few oil companies, notably the Standard Oil combination. The sufferers are those using gasoline and they number millions of people.

Will the old line protectionists favor the brand of protection advocated by Congressman Howard?

WHAT CAN GERMANY SAY?

IN the Sussex note denying that the Sussex was sunk by a German submarine, the imperial government made this patronizing request:

Should the American government have at its disposal further material for a conclusion upon the case of the Sussex, the German government would ask that it be communicated, in order to subject this material also to an investigation.

The "material" has been communicated to Berlin. It consists of legal proof "that the Sussex was torpedoed without warning or summons to surrender and that the torpedo by which she was struck was of German manufacture."

The German government can take either horn of the dilemma it pleases. If it acquits itself of a deliberate and calculated falsehood, it must convict the submarine commander of deliberate and calculated falsehood. In either case it proves, as the president said, that "the imperial government has been unable to put any limits or restraints upon its warfare against either freight or passenger ships."—New York World.

FROM THE PEOPLE

OLCOTT A REPUBLICAN. Editor East Oregonian: The following will appear in next week's Oregon Voter (April 29 issue) as a correction of the error in the article "Worthy Rivals" referring to Ben W. Olcott. If you quote from the original articles, I would appreciate it, in connection therewith and in justice to the facts, you also will quote from this correction. Respectfully yours, C. C. CHAPMAN, Olcott's Republicanism. When a man's party affiliation is so obscured by his efficiency as a public official that the editor of The Voter

indiscreetly referred to him as a democrat instead of a republican, the circumstances may be taken as an indication of able administration. Such is the case of Ben W. Olcott, secretary of state, erroneously referred to by The Voter in last week's issue as a democrat. Mr. Olcott is and always has been a republican. His selection for office was not based upon partisan consideration, and his success in office certainly has not been due to political organization. As a partisan he simply has been one of the rank and file of the republican party; he has not been prominent as a political organizer; he simply has been a plain adherent of republican principles, but has been filling his office of state as a representative of the whole people, administering its affairs without regard to political considerations. The Voter's inadvertence was an unintended compliment to Mr. Olcott's exceptional fitness for re-election and while inexcusable from an editorial point of view, it was a mistake which carried with it a significant lesson.

HOW RIETH GOT ITS NAME.

Editor East Oregonian: During the heavy snow storm in February I was returning on the train from a trip to Portland. William Bollons, superintendent of the road, got on the train at Pilot Rock Junction and we happened to occupy the same seat. Bollons had evidently had some recent trouble arising from a confusion of the names Pilot Rock and Pilot Rock Junction. He said to me, "I wish you would select some short name, we are having trouble by the names of Pilot Rock and Pilot Rock Junction becoming confused. We want some short name for the Junction, a name that will be easy to handle over the wires." I explained to him something of the history of the pioneer family of Rieth who formerly lived there, and suggested the name Rieth, and also the name Rodeo. Mr. Bollons subsequently submitted both names to the proper authorities, and they wisely selected the name Rieth. I trust this will settle all controversy as to how the name originated. Respectfully, J. H. RALEY.

JOHN MILLER ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF FORGERY

JURY OUT ABOUT TWO HOURS RETURNS VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY.

John Miller was yesterday afternoon found not guilty of the charge of uttering a forged check. The jury was out about two hours before an agreement was reached. Miller was at once discharged from custody.

The young man on the stand declared he had worked for H. M. Hanson and still had \$130 coming for his services. He declared the check in question was given him by Hanson last December and that he at once sent it to the American National Bank. He denied having written anything on it except his endorsement.

He had several witnesses who testified that the reputation of Hanson for truth and veracity was not good, and his attorney maintained that Hanson had given the check and then declared it a forgery in order that the money could not be secured on it.

MEMORIAL DAY.

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him on East Court street was not allowed upon recommendation of the fire committee.

Carl Power appeared before the council and asked permission to install a gasoline service station in front of the Power shop on Main street, promising to take the necessary steps to prevent any blockades of traffic. He declared that, inasmuch as horses were giving way to autos, the harness business was growing less, making it necessary for his firm to put in a line of auto accessories. He was requested to present his petition in writing.

Paul Kreft was granted permission to move the old barn from the hitching grounds leased by the city from the Catholic sisters upon condition that he would also move away an old water tank.

STOKES SAYS DIAZ WAS OF FEELING MONEY BY GERMAN MANY TO FOSTER MEXICAN REVOLT.



W. E. D. STOKES.

NEW YORK, April 25.—W. E. D. Stokes, the millionaire hotel owner of this city, who has just returned from Lexington, summoned back by a telegram concerning the latest activities of Felix Diaz, for whom Mr. Stokes is the American representative, says that Diaz refused an offer of an enormous sum of money and all arms and ammunition necessary if he would start a revolution in Mexico. This offer, according to Stokes, came from Germany. Diaz said Stokes, refused the offer because he believed that Germany's intentions were hostile to the United States.

Stokes added that Diaz was now in Mexico with 23,000 armed men.

FESTIVAL QUEEN.

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Votes to aid in her election. The W. C. T. U. and the parent-teachers' association are also planning on extending support. All of the lodges and organizations have been asked to endorse her and aid in the campaign in order to make it an all-Pendleton affair.

Yesterday Miss Saling received letters from two Portland manufacturing companies who do some business with the county through the clerk's office. Each notified her of their support, one company having already cast more than 2000 votes for her. Daily individual Pendleton boosters are coming forward with small contributions to the campaign fund and the business men are getting ready to aid substantially in the election of a Pendleton girl queen of the Rose Festival.

Council Pledges \$2000 to Aid in Work on Library

THIS SUM WILL BE NEEDED TO EQUIP NEW BUILDING WITH FURNITURE.

The city council last evening voted to guarantee \$2000 to the library board, the board lacking that sum of having enough for equipping the new building with furniture.

Members of the board appeared before the council and Mrs. G. M. Rice presented a statement of the equipment necessary and a conservative estimate of the cost. She stated that

LOOK! SUGAR \$8.10 ONE SACK TO A CUSTOMER CONROY'S FRIDAY SPECIALS. List of grocery items and prices: Fels Naptha Soap, 6 bars 25c; Crystal White Soap, 6 for 25c; Mount Vernon Milk, 2 large cans 15c; Best Corn and Gloss Starch, 4 for 25c; Oysters, 4 oz. can 85c doz., 2 cans 15c; Armour's Pork and Beans, 3 cans 25c; Standard Corn, 3 cans 25c; Ghiradellis Ground Chocolate, 1 lb. 30c; Church's Grape Juice, pt. 20c; qt. 35c; Tally, the new drink off the ice, 2 bottles 25c; Small White Beans, 3 lbs. 25c; 7 lbs. 50c; Best Head Rice, 3 lbs. 25c; 7 lbs. 50c; K. C. Baking Powder, 25-oz. 20c; 80 oz. 70c; Eastern Corn Meal, 9 lb. sack 30c; Cream Rolled Oats, 9 lb. sack 40c; Eastern Bacon, 2 lbs. 45c; Royal Club Shrimps, 2 cans 25c; Minc'd Clams, solid pack, 2 cans 25c; Patent Spring Clothes Pins, 6 doz. 25c; Skinners Macaroni and Spaghetti, 3 boxes 25c; Royal Baking Powder, 1 lb. can 45c; Peanut Butter, Mason qt. jar 40c, pt. 25c; Jelly Powder, all flavors, 3 boxes 25c.

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porch and for kitchen 200.00; Back filling and grading 300.00; Financial statement: Entire money on hand for building fund 1600.00; Entire money on hand from Library Ball Fund 900.00; Set aside from ball fund for incidentals 500.00; Amount needed from city 2075.00.

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