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The New Hawaii

Within the next decade, or a little more, Uncle Sam is going to find a curious situation confronting him in the Hawaiian Islands unless conditions are greatly changed by an influx of whites. He is going to wake up to the fact that a majority of the voting citizens of one of his territories are Orientals.

This is not true as yet. In fact the proportion of Japanese, Chinese and Koreans who hold the right of franchise is comparatively small. But by far the greater part of the total population is composed of Orientals. There are about 70,000 Japanese, 30,000 Chinese and possibly 5,000 or 6,000 Koreans in the Territory, with only about 10,000 white people and 45,000 Hawaiians. The adult Orientals, of course, with the exception of the few who were naturalized under the kingdom, are not American citizens. But their children born on American soil may, if they so elect, become American citizens. As a consequence there is a probability that when those born in the islands attain their majority the Orientals will be able to control the situation.—Edward P. Irwin in November Pacific Monthly.

The Friendship of Nations

Peace is one of the universal hopes of the human heart. It is in every philosophy in all poetry and in every religion. The heaven of the American savage, or of the fierce Viking, or of the poetic Greek, or of the contemplative Buddhist,—every heaven ever born out of the longings of man's heart is an abode of peace. He that thinks man has not struggled very far on the road toward his ideal, knows very little of the history of man. Whether one turn to China, or Japan, or to Europe, one can within the period of history begin with the time when every stranger was an enemy.

Nations are only aggregations of individuals, and what is essentially good for the individual is good for the nation, and what is essentially bad for the average individual is bad for the nation, and as fighting and waste of property and debt are admittedly bad for the individual, they must also be bad for the nations and the only question is one of time when the nations will find a cheaper and more effective and more sensible method of settling their disputes than by war. In fact, at the end of every war, the disputes are finally settled by a conference, anyhow.—Charles Erskine Scott Wood in the November Pacific Monthly.

Single Tax in Alberta

This year alone 70,000 American people have gone to the north-western provinces of Canada. Next year probably 120,000 will go. Why have we not induced them to come to Oregon? We have the natural resources; but they have been fenced up. We lack transportation facilities where the lands are still open. Another thing, and it probably helps more than our great editors and statesmen care to mention, is that in Alberta and the other provinces taxes on a farmer are lighter than here. We fine a man as though he had committed a

misdemeanor for painting his barn, or for having one. We cinch a man for owning good stock, up-to-date machinery, neat house, a windmill—all is a crime in our eyes. We encourage the farmer to hold his land idle, we encourage the speculator to keep great stretches of land uninhabited. We fine a man with heavy taxes for using, manufacturing, beautifying, building. In these Canadian provinces where the American farmers are going in daily trainloads no taxes are levied on manufacturing plants, such as creameries and flour mills; no taxes on livestock, buildings, fences, farm machinery. The vacant section pays as much in taxes as the used. Neighborhoods settle closer than with us because of this. In spite of a climate that snaps nails with the cold people are going there largely because a well equipped farm that would pay \$150 a year in taxes in Iowa or Oregon pays \$16 in Alberta.

While the single tax has its weak points, yet for a state like Oregon it might be a good thing for a while. There is a possibility that it would encourage intensified farming and bring in many more factories of various kinds, all of which would help to build up the state rapidly. There are so many sides to the great question of finance, that it is hard to measure them all, but one thing is certain for Oregon, and that is, we need some kind of a change that would induce settlers to come in. Of course there is the ever recurring difficulty of inadequate transportation facilities, but we hope to have this remedied within the next few years.

Jerome's Self-Effacement

After somewhat extraordinary preliminaries for a vigorous campaign and just upon the eve of battle, William Travers Jerome has eliminated himself from the New York campaign, and we may safely say from further prominence in public life. The act of effacement was voluntary and, all things considered, difficult for the outsider to understand.

Mr. Jerome's remarkable personality makes the fact nationally interesting. It is the final assurance that the once brilliant promise of greatness has withered in the blossom of the near great. It is the removal of a figure from the pedestal of political fame which many people thought at one time would serve as an ideal. When Mr. Jerome was elected, not only New York but the country had great faith in him. He was regarded as one of a group of young men in public life who were distinguished for their opposition to corruption in matters affecting the public; who were champions of the law, and the more earnest champions where the law aimed to establish or to preserve public morality. Mr. Jerome will retire from office divested of the confidence which that faith in him implies. It will be the general verdict that he failed to "make good"; that where he was expected to be the victor, he really became the victim.

While an able and spectacularly conducted, personal defense of his course in office was made just before he sought the last nomination by

petition as an independent candidate, and while he found no trouble in securing the necessary number of petitioners and the ample support of friends; it is probable that he also found the New York sentiment to be in accord with what is set out in the foregoing. Hardly upon any other theory can we account for his retirement.

Upon his retirement, Mr. Jerome announces that he will take no part in the campaign, which is equivalent to saying that without the prospect of holding office his interest in New York politics ceases—an unfortunate announcement unless Mr. Jerome is indifferent to reputation, for such indifference is exactly what it signifies. It is a refutation of the first popular judgment, a confirmation of the other, to be regretably accepted as proof that Mr. Jerome is not of that sterner stuff requisite for political heroism.—Telegram.

The third annual catalogue of the Correspondence School of the University of Oregon is just being sent out and the RECORDER acknowledges the receipt of a copy. A good many new courses have been added since the announcement of last year and the school now offers work in English Classics, Shakespeare, Pedagogy, School Administration, Botany, Oregon History, General History, Sociology, Mathematics, Physics, Electricity and Magnetism, Mechanical Drawing, English Composition and Physiology. All of these courses are being offered practically free of charge and the work seems to be meeting a real need in the state. Students from all parts of Oregon to the number of 400 are now enrolled and the number is growing rapidly. All the courses offered are given by members of the regular University faculty.

Says the new Stanfield Standard: "The people of Oregon have a grouch at the idle land speculator. There are too many of him and too spread out. The man who invests his wealth in upbuilding a community, in irrigating arid tracts in upbuilding his home, is welcome and more. But the speculator who obstructs development, levies weighty tribute on the incoming hosts of capitalists and laborers, sweats others but never himself, and dodges his just tribute to the welfare of society at every turn—such a man is regarded by a constantly increasing host as a good element to discourage by any practical means.

In some of the irrigation projects the towns are too large for the area actually in cultivation. Unless old Hayseed is busy the towns languish. The fellow with the hoe keeps the towns alive. We are often too hard on him and seek to drive him away by rules, laws and regulations that react on the community and the state. Where too many undertake to pile on his back and ride he becomes shy and bashful, hikes to Canada or cuts down expenses until we don't know where we are.

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