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WE CALLED THE BLUFF.

Time and again it has been pointed out in these columns that Germany must look to the United States for certain commodities which were an absolute necessity with her people. True enough, all her bluster about what would be done to us in the way of retaliation if we did not favor Germany's schemes along reciprocity and favored nation lines amounted to naught. The matter is now at rest between the Fatherland and Yankee land and will sleep until such time as Germany thinks she has another opportunity. Speaking of this matter, the Washington Post says:

Is it any wonder that Congress called the bluff and that the bluffer laid down his cards as gracefully as possible? No doubt it contributes to international excitement to have these little flurries every now and then. It furnishes an opportunity for statesmen to look owlish, for orators to spout and for Government organs to indulge in more or less delectable folderol. But it doesn't pay a cent at any stage of the proceedings.

The simple truth of the matter is that we are running this country to suit ourselves, for our own profit and advantage, while all the rest are doing precisely the same thing. There's about as much sentiment in it as in the differential calculus, and it is about as easy to bluff this country as it would be to transport the Pyramid of Cheops in a Brooklyn baby carriage. Germany can try it again, of course, and why not? Really high-class entertainment is always welcome. —Washington "Post."

SENATOR FULTON BUSY.

In arguing before the commerce committee of the Senate for the Oregon rivers and harbor work this year, Senator Fulton produced figures proving that the Government has spent \$70,000,000 in such work in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware, with a total area of about 175,000 square miles. He also showed the committee that every large improvement project under way was provided for on the continuing contract basis, save that on the Columbia river.

Assurance is given that the Senate will be favorably disposed toward the Oregon work, and appreciates the urgency of continuing it, but the real fight is in the House, where the Western membership is very small. Chairman Burton of the Rivers and Harbors committee, in the House, has declared that he will oppose any other improvement project being put on the continuing contract basis, and while he expresses appreciation of the need of work in Oregon, he is giving little assurance that he will countenance an appropriation for continuing the work this year.

America's unpardonable neglect of some private claims is illustrated in the sealers bill, which Senator Fulton has put through the senate. This bill is to recoup sealers flying the American flag, who lost their vessels before the Bering sea arbitration, and at a time when America held to the privilege of capturing sealers on the open sea near the breeding islands. After the arbitration, and it was decided that America did not have the right to patrol the high seas near the islands, all British sealers whose vessels had been captured, were paid by

this Government promptly. Russia had been exercising the same patrol power, pursuant to which she captured American sealers, and this Government promptly demanded of her full payment of the losses. But the American sealers captured by Americans themselves have not been paid yet.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

OAK GROVE.

The school in district No. 4 closed Friday. Mr. Leatherman, who has been training the young minds has returned to his home in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mayberry, of Palestine, were among the business callers at Albany.

Mrs. T. B. Williamson and daughter have been spending the past few days visiting the former's father at Wells.

The wife of Rev. Fisher left Saturday for Philomath, where she goes to visit relatives for a few days, after which she will go to Dallas, Polk County, and visit there before returning to her home at Milwaukie.

Mr. Risley has five weeks of school at Fir Grove before he finishes the term contracted for.

Clyde and Elmer Williamson, of Corvallis, spent Sunday with home folks.

C. N. Stuart is back from California, after spending most of the winter there. He is very much impressed with the conditions in that state and thinks he will return there after visiting awhile with relatives and friends.

Guy Knapp and family, late of Baker City, arrived Thursday and are making their home at the present with the former's brother-in-law, Mr. Missall.

Mrs. Avert Vanderpool, of Wells, spent Friday as the guest of Mrs. G. W. Goff.

Mrs. L. A. Koschel, of Albany, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Prettyman, for the past few days. She will return home the latter part of the week.

Mrs. D. D. Parmer of Modesto, California, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Lawrenson, of Dallas, came in Monday to visit her brother, S. P. Lawrenson, of Oak Grove. She left Tuesday for her home, as she had promised to meet her family at a certain date and couldn't spend much time with relatives here.

Farmers who have goats are taking advantage of the warm weather and are clipping the fleeces off the silver hoofed animals, and so the fine long wool gives way to the shears and the owner breathes easier thinking of the big dollars that will drop into his money purse when sold.

W. A. Williamson left yesterday for Linn county to spend a few days looking after the stock and farm near Tangent. He will return home the latter part of the week.

Joseph Woods was calling on friends Wednesday. He has been quite poorly all the winter and is but little improved, if any. As soon as he can get his business arranged he will go back to Washington to live.

J. B. Leatherman is planning to move out on his fruit farm. He has one of the nicest apple orchards in the neighborhood, and is very anxious to be out there where he can give it proper care.

A. A. Williamson, of Wells, met with quite an accident a few days ago while pruning his orchard—he let slip from his hands the shears, which in falling struck him on the leg, the blade penetrating the flesh making a very painful (though not a dangerous) wound. Farmers haven't been in the habit of pruning their orchards much and we may be compelled to chronicle some very sad accidents before the job is finished.

BEAVER CREEK.

Rev. Bartholemew, of Kings Valley preached at the school house last Sunday. He will preach again April 1.

Ben Ireland has just completed his new back preparatory to going to Eastern Oregon.

Considerable discussion can be heard pro and con regarding the five mill special road tax.

Henry Starr and Martin Butler were Philomath visitors one day last week.

Rev. Mathews, of Salem, visited a few days at the Butler home a short time ago.

Henry Starr has been engaged of late in rebuilding his house on his place. Jesse Starr is doing the work.

J. S. Ireland and sons have just completed a stock barn on Mr. Ireland's homestead.

Ezra Thompson was a Corvallis visitor one day last week.

Jesse Walker has been engaged lately in grubbing up an old orchard on the farm.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE

Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

City Primaries.

This year, on account of the new primary law being in effect and the additional fact that Corvallis has a population of more than 2,000 goodly souls, we shall put to a test the above mentioned law by holding a primary election within the city.

The law reads that the primary election shall be held on the 30th day preceding the regular municipal election. The date of regular municipal elections for this city is set by charter to occur on the third Monday in May, the 21st of that month. Therefore, the city primary election will be held on the 21st of April. It will be necessary for candidates to file their petitions and the election is such as to put it on party lines.

Law Held Good.

In the circuit court for Linn county, Monday afternoon, several local option cases were decided by Judge George H. Burnett, who held that incorporated cities are not exempted from the local option law.

At the last term of court the case against B. Hansard, of Lebanon, was tried on a stipulated statement of facts. It was also stipulated that, upon the issue of the case, another, against Like Jennings, was to be decided. Judge Burnett held that the attack on the election would not lie; that the local option law had superseded the Lebanon city charters granted 1899, and was in force in Lebanon where the local option vote had carried.

Hansard appeared for sentence and Jennings, withdrawing his plea of not guilty filed four months ago, pleaded guilty. Judge Burnett exacted a promise from the men that they would hereafter refrain from violating the law, and he assessed the minimum fine—\$50 each.

Miss Blanch Marlin



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Forty years ago, Dr. Pierce searched Nature's laboratory for a remedy with which to supplant the ignorant and vicious methods of treatment, with alcoholic stimulants, then in vogue, and still too commonly prescribed and advised for woman's peculiar ailments.

Nature abounds with most efficient remedies, and in Lady's Slipper root, Black Cohosh root, Unicorn root, Blue Cohosh root and Golden Seal root, Dr. Pierce found medicinal properties, which when extracted and preserved by the use of chemically pure glycerine, have proven most potent in making weak women strong and sick women well. It contains no alcohol; is not a "patent medicine," nor a secret one either.

"I was suffering with nervous headache, pains in the back and dizziness, so that at times I had to lie down for hours before I could raise my head," writes Mrs. Mary M. Thomas, of 27 Winston Street, Los Angeles, Cal. "After taking the first bottle of 'Favorite Prescription,' however, I was so pleased with the results that I kept on taking it until I was restored to health and strength. I shall never be without this great medicine, and shall take a few doses when I do not feel strong."

One of the principal uses of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the preparation of prospective mothers for the time of trial and danger that comes when a child is born. The "Prescription" is strengthening and invigorating and lessens pain and danger. It insures the perfect well-being and the perfect health of both mother and child. Every woman should know these things before she really needs to know them. There are many things in Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, that every woman ought to know. This celebrated work reached a sale of 350,000 copies at \$1.50 each. The expense of production having thus been covered, it is now being given away. A copy will be sent to any address on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only, or in cloth binding for 31 stamps. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Don't Be Hoodwinked, hoodooed, hypnotized or over-persuaded into accepting a substitute for the Original Little Liver Pills, first put up by old Dr. R. V. Pierce, over 40 years ago, and called Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They've been much imitated but never equaled. One or two are laxative, three or four cathartic.

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Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday March 19, 20, 21

Corvallis, Oregon.

JONATHAN BOURNE, Jr.



Republican Candidate for United States Senator. CHAMPION OF STATEMENT ONE.

Jonathan Bourne, Jr., candidate before the Republican primaries for the nomination of United States Senator in Congress, for the long term commencing March 4, 1907, was born in New Bedford, Mass., February 23, 1855; was a member of the class of 1877 at Harvard University; came to Portland May 16, 1878; was a Republican member of the Oregon Legislature in the session of 1885 and the extra session of 1886; was one of Oregon's delegates to the Republican National Convention of 1888 and Oregon's member of the Republican National Committee from 1888 to 1892, and a delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1892; and was elected as a Mitchell Republican to the Oregon Legislature in 1896.

Mr. Bourne has been more prominently identified with the development of the mineral resources of Oregon than any other man in the state, having expended in the last 20 years over \$1,000,000 of his own money in the acquisition and development of Oregon mines.

While Mr. Bourne has had his residence and main office at Portland since 1878, he has had another office at New Bedford, Mass., and has carried on the business of his father's estate since 1889, which makes him familiar with many of the large interests and leading men in the East. These qualifications, in conjunction with his tremendous energy, originality, executive ability and experience in business and political affairs pre-eminently qualify him for making an able and influential Senator for the state of Oregon.

Mr. Bourne has always favored extending the direct power of the people over their government as far as possible. He was one of the leading spirits in the Initiative and Referendum movement from 1896 until it was approved by the voters at the June election in 1902. In 1904 he was a member of the executive committee of the Direct Primary Nominations League, and holds the same position with the People's Power League at this time. In all these movements he has been one of the few to guarantee the necessary expenses of preparing and proposing their measures to the people.

He says that the choice of United States Senator should be by direct vote of the people, and that the Legislature should be compelled to elect the man the people select. To accomplish this result, he is championing Statement No. 1 of the primary election law as the only method by which public opinion may be crystallized and made effective upon the Legislature.

In his petition for nomination he says:

- "If I am nominated and elected I will, during my term of office, favor: Republican Politics. Amending National Constitution for People's Election of United States Senators. Publicity Political Campaign Expenses. National Control of Corporations in Interstate Commerce. Rigid Exclusion of Asiatic Coolie Labor; Good Wages Make Good Citizens. Legal Limitation Labor Hours for Safety on Railroads. Parcels Post, Including Rural Delivery. Pure Food Laws. Liberal Appropriations for Panama Canal, Coast Defenses, River and Harbor Improvements, Including Columbia and Willamette Rivers, Coos, Yaquina and Other Oregon Harbors, Ceilo Canal, Government Canal at Oregon City. Fair Share of Irrigation Fund for Oregon. Loyal Support of Successful Candidates. Rigid Enforcement of Statement One. Roosevelt for Second Elective Term.

I desire the following statement be printed after my name on the nominating ballot: I WILL SUPPORT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S DETERMINATION THAT JUSTICE BE DONE ALL MEN."

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution and order of sale of attached property, issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Benton, under the said order of said Court and bearing date of February 14th, 1906, upon a judgment duly rendered by said Court on the 15th day of November, 1905, in an action in which Leura Inara was plaintiff and Agnes C. McElroy and J. C. McElroy were defendants, said judgment was rendered in favor of said plaintiff against said defendants for the sum of five hundred thirty and fifty one hundredths dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from said 15th day of November, 1905, and the further sum of \$50 attorney's fees, and the further sum of \$15.00 costs and disbursements; and for the sale of the real property hereinafter described, attached in said action; and which judgment was duly docketed in said Court on the 25th day of November, 1905, and which said execution issued thereon is to me directed and delivered and commands me to satisfy the said above sums of money due thereon by the sale of the real property heretofore duly attached in said action, and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 10.35 chains west of the Northeast corner of claim No. 61, sp. 14, S. R. 5, W., run thence West 9.74 chains; thence South 40 chains; thence East 9.74 chains; thence North 40 chains to beginning, containing 40 acres; also beginning at the Northwest corner of claim No. 67, sp. 14, South Range 5 West, thence East 40 chains thence South 40 chains; thence West 40 chains; thence North 40 chains to beginning, containing 160 acres. Also beginning at Southwest corner of claim No. 44, township 15, South Range 5 West, run thence North 40 chains; thence East 40 chains; thence South 40 chains; thence West 40 chains to beginning, containing 160 acres; also beginning at the Northeast corner of G. W. Kisor's claim run thence West to East line of R. Balknap claim, thence South to North East corner of George Balknap's claim, thence East to West line of Laska's claim, thence North to section line, thence North to beginning, section 32, township 14, South Range 5 West, containing 74 acres. Also beginning at one-fourth section post on section line between sections 31 and 32, township 14, South Range 5 West, thence East 17.95 chains; thence North 20 chains; thence West 17.95 chains; thence South 20 chains, to beginning, containing 37 acres. Also lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, and North West quarter of South West quarter of section 32, township 14, South Range 5 West, containing 57.75 acres; also lots 7, 24, 25 and 26, in Wells and McElroy's addition to the City of Corvallis, all the above and foregoing described real property being and lying in Benton County, State of Oregon.

And on Wednesday the 21st day of March, 1906, at the hour of two o'clock P. M. of said day at the front door of the Court House, in the City of Corvallis, in Benton County, State of Oregon, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, to the highest bidder in cash in hand, all the right, title, interest, claim and estate of the said defendants Agnes C. McElroy and J. C. McElroy, in and to the said above described real property, to satisfy said sums due on said judgment, costs and accruing costs.

M. P. BURNETT, Sheriff of Benton County, Oregon, February 15th, 1906.

Torture by Savages.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense sufferings I endured for three months from inflammation of the Kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood disorders and Malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by Allen & Woodward druggists. Price 50c.

JOYS OF COUNTRY CIRCUS.

Shows Need Funny Old Clown to Give Them Interest, Says One Who Should Know.

People try to lay the blame of the modern circus' failure to interest them on the three rings. They say so many things to watch at once keeps them from being interested in any one act. They can't give it the attention it deserves. But I'll tell you what's wrong, says Eugene Wood, in McClure's Magazine. There isn't any funny old clown, a particular one, to give it human interest. It is all too splendid, too magnificent, too far beyond us. We want to hear somebody talk foolish and human once in awhile.

They pretended that the tent was too big for the clown to be heard, but I take notice it wasn't too big for the fellow to get up and declaim: "The puffawmance es not yait hawf ovah. The jaintlemany agents will now pass around the ring with tickets faw the concert." I used to hate that man. When he said the performance was not yet half over, he lied like a dog, consarn his picture! He knew it, and we knew that there were only a few more acts to come. We wanted the show to go on and on, and always to be just as exciting as at the very first, and it wouldn't! We had got to the point where we couldn't be interested in anything any more. We were as little ones unable to prop their eyelids open and yet quarreling with bed. We were surfeited, but not satisfied. We sat there and pouted because there wasn't any more, and yet we couldn't but yawn at the act before us. We were mad at ourselves, and mad at everybody else. We clambered down the rattling bed slat seats, sour and sullen. We didn't want to look at the animals; we didn't want to do this, and we didn't want to do that. We whined and snarled and wriggled and shook ourselves with temper, and we got a good hard slap, side of the head, right before everybody, and then we yelled as if we were being killed alive.

"Now, mister, if I ever take you any place again, you'll know it. I'd be ashamed of myself if I was you! Hush up! Hush up, I tell you. Now, you mark. You're never going to the show again. Do you hear me? Never! I mean it. You're never going again."