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OREGON AND THE MARITIME CANAL.

The Egyptians and Assyrians strove not only to excel each other in wealth and luxury, in the gorgeous splendor of their temples, highbuilt, of granite and of marble, with wide-opening bronze, leading to spacious compartments within, overlaid with pure gold, but they also strove to excel all other nations in commercial power and greatness. Their wealth no less than their greatness and power was founded upon their system of canals which developed their natural resources as no system of railroads which has ever been projected or constructed in modern times could have accomplished.

In modern times the love of conquest prompted Napoleon the First to give his attention to the subject of a canal across the Isthmus of Suez. During his invasion of Egypt Napoleon ordered a survey from Mediterranean to the Red Sea, nor was his survey the conclusion of the agitation of that great commercial highway. In 1847 France, England and Austria surveyed a route which was followed by grants from the Viceroy of Egypt to DeLesseps who organized a company eleven years later with exclusive right of constructing a ship canal to Suez along the old line of canals constructed by the Pharaohs many centuries before. This canal, one hundred miles in length, was completed in 1869 and the revenues from it are several millions of dollars per annum. This canal is today the great commercial highway from Europe to Asia and India, and as a result of its construction the values of products, and indeed of all classes of property, have more than doubled in India while her commerce with Europe has increased four-fold. What system of railroads could have accomplished such a revolution in commerce as the Suez canal through the differentiation of European trade in India and Asia?

The government of the United States has caused several routes to be surveyed, including the Nicaraguan route which is regarded as entirely feasible, which can be constructed and owned by the government of the United States for one hundred millions of dollars. The construction of this canal can only be delayed by a reckless disregard of our own state interests and the joint interests of all the states in the Union. The Nicaraguan canal may exceed the cost and length of the Suez by a few miles and a few millions of dollars but what the Suez canal has accomplished for Europe, India and Asia our maritime canal will double for the Pacific coast, will more than double the commercial value of all productive lands in Oregon outside of her forests, rich and magnificent in their primeval grandeur, which will be increased ten-fold in value. Nor is this all, the instant

that the government of the United States undertakes, as she surely will, the construction of this inter-oceanic highway, capital will flow into this state like a river, to be engaged in opening all of our water ways, extending our railroads to facilitate the manufacture of lumber and timber for all of the markets of the Atlantic seaboard, thus reducing the cost of transportation by more than fifty per cent. and furnishing a home market for our surplus products to feed and clothe the armies of laborers who are now seeking in vain to find constant employment.

The construction of this canal will forever set at rest the fluctuation in prices of the products of the Pacific coast. Its constructions will bring every product of Oregon ten thousand miles nearer by water to the great markets of the world and emancipate our people from the thralldom of railroad extortion for all time to come. The construction of this canal will bring permanent and enduring prosperity to the Pacific coast, a prosperity which was the legacy of the great lumber states because they were adjacent to the great lakes and river which lead out to the markets of the Atlantic seaboard. That prosperity, the result of their increased facilities for shipping commerce, which has given Michigan and Wisconsin places in the front ranks of the states of the Union, will by the construction of our great canal give to our state commercial power, wealth and greatness unrivalled by any of our allied commonwealths.

Oregon is the only state on the Pacific slope that has ever given this national enterprise any substantial strength in the United States senate. It was Oregon that battered down all opposition in the senate and secured the passage of the bill to construct this canal, by a decisive majority of ten during the last two years. This victory in the senate was lost by a failure in the house for want of time to carry our conquest to a successful termination before congress adjourned, and hence the great battle must be fought again as did France after England and Austria had utterly failed, and she finally triumphed, and so shall we if we move forward in a compact body of citizens, all determined to give no political quarter to those who have opposed directly or indirectly the efforts that have shown progress in the right direction.

If the people of this state would win their greatest victory over railroad extortion they must stand together as one man, determined that no politician shall be honored with trust who fails to show the capacity, honesty and fortitude requisite for the solution of this greatest of all commercial problems of the age in which we live.

The construction of the maritime canal will be made the paramount issue in the coming campaign and must be favorably settled or indefinitely postponed by the action of the people of this state at the next election. It is to Oregon more than to any other state that President McKinley looks for aid in the United States senate for the support of his well-known determination to bring this great national question to a final and successful issue in congress.

If Oregon ever needed a great and good man for governor she needs him now, if this state ever needed a legislature composed of men of more than ordinary capacity and ability she needs them now. If we are to secure the co-operation of other states we must be prepared to show that we have in the service of our state sober, honest and capable citizens who have a record above the suspicion of bribery in our executive department and in congress we should have representatives whose election is a clear, constitutional expression as well as a popular choice beyond any question of reasonable doubt. We should have senators who have distinguished themselves for achievements above the baseness of speculation through deals in steel nails and other products to be affected

by tariff bills of which they have prior knowledge as to the certainty of their enactment into laws. Indeed if the citizens of this state are to recover their rights of self-government, independent of the corrupt influences of bribery, it is because they will sift the ranks of politicians and send to the rear all whose moral impotence is liable to be overcome with the impurity of gold dealt out with the plethoric hand of a national bank. If the restoration of this state to the ranks of statehood in the Union, clothed with the dignity and power belonging to the character of our people, is to be accomplished it is because each citizen will scorn the condonation of the crimes of the briber because he is rich as well as the hoodle-taker because he is of my party, and demand that wisdom, honesty and capacity shall bear command in our executive mansion, in our legislature and in our congressional and senatorial delegation.

It is the opinion of the HATCHET that the people of this state will be inquisitive to know what honor or profit has come to this commonwealth from those elected to office at the last state election. There are some whose record will be found to be unblemished. What consideration has our chief magistrate had for the expressed will of our people in the exercise of any of his executive functions? What interest of this state has received any attention in congress? What blind fool, running upon embattled armies clad in iron, could have fallen to the abject pitch of folly witnessed by the ignominious rout of the last legislature, a rout confronted and enjoined by constitutional duties, a rout which was without the redeeming feature of a single protest from the chief magistrate of this state?

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An Eminent New York Chemist and Scientist Makes a Free Offer to Our Readers. The distinguished New York chemist, T. A. Slocum, demonstrating his discovery of a reliable and absolute cure for Consumption (Pulmonary Tuberculosis) and all bronchial, throat lung and chest diseases, stubborn coughs, catarrhal affections, general decline and weakness, loss of flesh, and all conditions of wasting away, will send THREE FREE BOTTLES (all different) of his New Discoveries to any afflicted reader of the HATCHET writing for them. His "New Scientific Treatment" has cured thousands permanently by its timely use, and he considers it a simple professional duty to suffering humanity to donate a trial of his infallible cure.

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COUNTY NOTICES BY AUTHORITY

Commissioners' Court.

Claims allowed and warrants drawn at the August term 1897.

Table listing various county notices and amounts, including Assessing and Collecting, Bridges and Roads, County Court, Stationery, etc.

You may hunt the world over and you will not find another medicine equal to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints. It is pleasant, safe and reliable. For sale by J. C. Clark.

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