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A FALSE POLITICAL PROPHECY.

A local newspaper last week gave a few alleged political pointers, one of the most ridiculous of which was a statement that Senator R. A. Booth...

"Eugene, Ore., Sept 1.—A paper in Forest Grove states that Senator R. A. Booth is now believed to be the choice of the Congressional delegation for United States District Attorney for Oregon."

The other tips and predictions were equally absurd, including a dream of political resurrection for ex-Senator Simon, a sort of senatorial Zionism still cherished by a few political cripples over the state.

THE MISTAKEN ANNOYANCE.

"By a most annoying mistake" a fellow who had just come to Oregon and was trying to post as an oracle on its politics, was made to make an egregious ass of himself last week...

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H. C. ATWELL, Postmaster. Forest Grove, Ore.

Trust Attacks on the President.—Roosevelt and the Labor Unions.—Corruption in the Interior Department.

In its attacks upon President Roosevelt and its reiterated demands for the repeal of the law which created the Department of Commerce and Labor, the New York Sun, organ of J. Pierpont Morgan and the trusts generally, devotes columns of space almost daily to the subject.

"The president's theory of dealing with the great business enterprises of the United States is founded in the ebullency of an

exuberant and youthful spirit. He has imagined to himself among other things, the deplorable condition of the vast army of organized labor, and its sufferings under the highest wage scale ever known in history, and he has sought and obtained at the hands of the congress of the United States the power to deal, and to deal absolutely and despotically, with the oppressor. The traditions of capital, the laws which govern it so inexorably, and which are so well known to others, have but indifferently concerned the president; at least, they have counted for nothing to check his ardent and passionate impulse.

Some refutation of the statement of the Sun as to the President's attitude towards organized labor may be found in considering his action in the case of Miller, the man who was dismissed from the Government Printing Office at the demand of the Bookbinders' Union.

In his letter of July 13, the President said to Secretary Cortelyou: "There is no objection to the employees of the Government Printing Office constituting themselves into a union if they so desire; but no rules or resolutions of that union can be permitted to override the laws of the United States." And on the following day, July 14, after citing the decision of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission to the effect that no discrimination should be made on account of membership in any labor union, the President goes on to say, "It is, of course, but ELEMENTARY DECENCY to require that ALL the government departments shall be handled in accordance with the principle thus clearly and fearlessly enunciated," and the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Commerce is instructed to furnish the Civil Service Commission with a copy of these letters for their future guidance.

To say that the making public of these communications brought forth a howl of disapproval from organized labor is, to use the words of a once popular comic opera, "stating it most mild," and dire are the threats made by the walking delegate and agitators of that ilk as to what organized labor will do to Mr. Roosevelt. All of which goes to show that while the assertion of the Sun that the President has "imagined to himself the deplorable condition of labor" may have some foundation in fact, it must be admitted that his strong sense of justice, his fearlessness, his determination to do the right, will never permit him to be swayed from a fair and impartial course.

The vigor and thoroughness displayed in probing to the bottom the crookedness in the Post Office Department has won for the administration praise alike from political friend and foe. Now come charges of irregularities in the Department of the Interior concerning the handling of moneys received from the sale of lands in the Indian Territory. The charges involve certain subordinates in the Interior Department and the Department of Justice, and while there is not the slightest grounds for thinking that Secretary Hitchcock has knowingly tolerated any wrong-doing on the part of an employe of his department, the President has taken the right course in ordering a special investigation by the Department of Justice. There is an especial fitness in the determination

of the President to have the investigation made by the Department of Justice, and if the charges are substantiated the guilty officials will be prosecuted as relentlessly as any common criminal. There is no place under this administration for the wrongdoer. That is a proposition that President Roosevelt will most thoroughly demonstrate without giving one thought as to how his action will affect the matter of his renomination. And therein lies his great strength with the people as in contradistinction with the politicians.



Important Events Briefly Told for Busy Readers.

August 28.—Vice-Consul Magelssen, at Beirut, Syria, was only shot at, not assassinated, but Roosevelt orders fleet to go on to Turkey. Masked robbers loot McFarland, Kan., depot, beat two men into insensibility, and escape with booty, which is small. Nebraska and Iowa still suffer from floods. Turkish commander issues order that all Bulgarians in one district be slain when rebels appear. Twenty Italian soldiers were killed and 80 injured in train collision near Venice. Idaho will this year produce her banner yield of wheat, enormous crops of oats and barley. California growers want Oregon growers to join with them in holding up price. San Pedro-Los Angeles electric car held up by three masked men. Mogul engine blows up on O. R. & N.; fireman dead, brakeman injured. Plans of Zionists to colonize persecuted Jews in Palestine.

Oregon.—Portland street committee against new telephone franchise. Judge Sears decides that Union county must hold county seat election. Roosevelt takes La Grande land office Registership in his own hands and appointed E. W. Davis over John W. Knowles, the choice of the delegation. Baseball.—Pacific Coast League: Portland 3, Sacramento 0; Seattle 5, Los Angeles 1; San Francisco 5, Oakland 4. Pacific National League: Salt Lake 3, Spokane 1; Butte 10, Seattle 5.

August 29.—Chicago North-Western Railway will let all of its women employes out, and hereafter hire only men. Ex-Secretary of State Powers, of Kentucky, found guilty of complicity in assassination of ex-Governor Goebel, and sentenced to be hanged. Turkish Envoy at Washington enters a defense of his country in discussing attempted assassinations of Consuls, and blames missionaries for rebellion. Turks massacre many people at Adrianople and burn good portion of the city. German Socialists are in a lively wrangle as to policy they will pursue in Reichstag. Big Bend wheat crop almost equals last year's yield; farmers holding for \$1. Mrs. Martha Bowers and sister, formerly of Portland, held in San Francisco in connection with poisoning of Martin Bowers. Members of Kid Curry gang attempt to hold up Great Northern flyer; guards scare them off. Pack of sockeyes on Puget Sound 2 1/2 lbs below that of last year. Wind too heavy for the great yachts to sail.



August 30.—Bulgarian insurgents are routed from strong position with heavy loss by Turkish troops. Dwellers in Salonica are in constant terror, lest a small matter may bring on a general massacre. Turkish government anxious that United States war vessels shall keep away from Beirut. Alaska Boundary Commission, headed by ex-Secretary Root, arrives at London. Survivors of a wrecked schooner are rescued in gallant fashion off New Jersey coast. Mad steer charges a crowd of picnickers and knocks many of them down. Chicago bandits deliberately kill two men and then loot safe of street-car company. Advance in wages of glassmakers will result in rise in price of the product. Oregon.—Representative Williamson says Hitchcock is bent on enlightening far Westerners. Hood River lawyer takes long swim in the Columbia River. One of the Curry gang, who were to hold up Great Northern flyer, is captured. Rabbi Myers speaks to large audience in Portland on Zionism and stirs enthusiasm. Mrs. H. W. Haynie returns to Portland and defends her husband. Baseball.—Pacific Coast League: Sacramento 7, Portland 6; Los Angeles 6, Seattle 0; San Francisco 11-1, Oakland 6-3. Pacific National League: Salt Lake 7, Spokane 6; Seattle 6, Butte 3.

August 31.—War between Turkey and Bulgaria believed to be almost certain. King Edward given enthusiastic welcome to Vienna by Emperor and populace. Venezuela meting out hard justice to foreigners and great demonstrations are being made against them. Summer just ended coldest in history of New York. Wind again too light for yacht race, but Reliance badly defeats Shamrock. Dan Patch unable to lower his own record at St. Paul. Indictment against Chief Sullivan, of Seattle, will be dismissed. Seattle teamsters' strike may involve building trades of the city. Oregon.—John W. Knowles accuses ex-Representative Moody and others of causing his rejection as register of the La Grande land office. State Pilot Commissioners demand better service on the bar. St. Johns citizens petition for removal of administrator of Johns estate. Northern Pacific angry at Union Pacific's stealing its thunder on colonist rates. Methodist Book Concern faces large deficit. Rev. E. P. Hill writes open letter scoring Mayor Williams on his position on gambling.

Stray.—Taken up by the subscriber at the Spring Hill farm, 1 1/2 miles south of Dilley, two Poland China hogs, 1 sow weighing 250 and male about 100 lbs., about July 8. Owner may secure same by proving property and paying expenses. Dated Aug. 21, 1903. James Nichols.

Oregon.—Portland highwayman is worsted in struggle with victim, disarmed and put to flight. Portland police raid disorderly houses and fill jail. Portland party has had experience in Cascade mountains. Portland policeman sued for shooting man who was fleeing from arrest. Prizes offered for marksmen in National Guard.

Base Ball.—Pacific Coast League: Sacramento 4, Portland 3; Seattle 10, Los Angeles 1; San Francisco 9, Oakland 0. Pacific National League: Butte 3-7, Seattle 2-9; Salt Lake 10, Spokane 9.



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September 1.—Surveyor General Eagleson, of Idaho, to be removed from office. Commandant of Puget Sound Navy Yard asks for appropriations of nearly \$3,000,000. Negro Suffrage Association of Boston declares Booker T. Washington not fit leader and asks Roosevelt not to take his counsel, if he would hold colored vote. New York fusion forces will retain their identity and continue to fight Tammany. Cattleman organize large company to compete with packers' trust. Bill introduced in Alabama to deprive Tuskegee and other negro schools of state aid. D. M. Parry holds great fault with unions is that they will not observe the law. Northern Macedonians proclaim an insurrection. Turks massacre population of several villages in Macedonian revolution. King Edward visits the tombs of royal family at Vienna. Wind too light for great yachts to sail. Oregon.—Columbia River bar shows improvement; question is to greater depth. J. F. Clark arrested Sand Point, Idaho, for forgery alleged to have been committed in Portland. Governor Chamberlain gives dinner to commanders of warships. Long lost man returns to Portland and is drowned within a few days. Judge Cleland decides that Multnomah county tax compromises are void. Mayor Williams answers Rev. E. P. Hill's attack. Base Ball.—Pacific Coast League: Oakland 1, Portland 4; Sacramento 13, San Francisco 4; Los Angeles 7, Seattle 1.

September 2.—Crank, with revolver, makes three attempts to gain audience with Roosevelt, after night, at Sagamore Hill. Duke of Roxburgh will wed Miss May Goelet, noted American heiress. P. S. Edson, son of ex-mayor of New York, shoots friend of his wife because she will not elope with him and then ends his own life. W. J. Bryan will support Clarke for Senator in Ohio, although he is wrong on the money question. Pennsylvania Democrats nominate ticket and adopt platform made up of state issues. Although endorsed by the delegation, Hal J. Cole will never be appointed register of the Spokane land office. Austrian ship bound for Constantinople blown up, presumably by Bulgarian revolutionists, and 39 lives lost. Adrianople, a center of Macedonian revolution, reported to be in flames. If necessary, Japan will go to war to protect its interests in Korea. Wind is again too light for yacht race. Seattle carmen are denied support of unions of the city in a sympathetic strike. Oregon.—Jetty under construction at the mouth of the Columbia will give a 40-foot channel. Cascara bark rises in price, bringing small fortune to the foothill ranchers. Colored thief is captured after sandbagging second-hand dealer. Whitehouse road to be widened. Oscar C. Stone, charged with selling worthless timber lands, is lodged in Multnomah county jail. Portland council refuses to grant telephone franchise. Electric sawmill at St. Johns a failure. Base Ball.—Pacific Coast League: Portland 7, Oakland 3; San Francisco 10, Sacramento 7; Los Angeles 12, Seattle 6. Pacific National League: Butte 18, Salt Lake 9; Seattle 6, Spokane 0.



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