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According to a dispatch to The Portland Journal, Senator Bourne was a special and invited guest of President Roosevelt at dinner the other evening, on which occasion the president expressed much pleasure in the devotion of the senator, both in the present and in the past, to reform work. The information given the president on this subject came of course from the senator, and if he should not consider himself a reformer, who would? A good many people in Oregon who are familiar with the senator's brief but not barren career as a member of the legislature will learn for the first time that his purpose and object were reform.

The health officer of the national government has lately been making an investigation into the milk supply of the cities of the country. His inquiries, made at the direction of the President, are intended to disclose, so far as possible, the responsibility of impure milk for the spread of disease, and are likely to lead to the exercise of some degree of governmental control over interstate commerce in milk. There is no longer any doubt that disease is spread by impure milk, whether the impurities originate in the dairy or are due to fermentation after delivery to the customer.

During the coming year eight Indian reservations will be thrown open to entry. Practically 5,000,000 acres now tied up will be released, and in this total are lands of all kinds and descriptions—agricultural, timber, grazing and mineral lands, not to mention the vast areas of land that will become valuable if irrigated. The largest opening will be on the Yakima reservation, Washington, and other large tracts will be released at Colville Wash.; Flathead, Mont.; Lower Brule and Rosebud, South Dakota; Coeur d'Alene and Lemhi, Idaho.

As an example of the enormous prices spent for advertising space in the large current periodicals, we quote a few as follows: A single page in one issue of the Chicago Daily News cannot be secured for less than \$1,141; in the New York American a page costs \$980; in the New York Herald, \$1,600; in the Saturday Evening Post, \$1,800; the Woman's Home Companion \$1,800; the Youth's Companion, \$2,400; and in the Ladies' Home Journal, \$4,000.

Cuban annexations may come in time. Many Cubans desire it, and many Americans think both countries would benefit. But to be creditable and thoroughly workable it must come in the natural order of things. Should it come as the result of a conspiracy of American speculators, operating in disregard of this government's duty and promises in the premises, and with only their wallets in mind, it would be certain to breed no end of trouble.

It has been estimated that the issuance of clearing-house certificates by the banks of the United States will mean a profit to the banks of from ten to twenty million dollars. Just about that amount will fail to turn up at the bank counters for redemption, and will thus mean that much clear profit. Many will be lost or destroyed while crank curio collectors will keep a million or two as souvenirs of the flurry.

The attorneys for Thaw and their hired expert alienists are going to show that it was "stuporous melancholia," rather than "dementia Americana," or "exaggerated ego," that was his excusing affliction when he killed Stanford White. But people generally had an idea that Thaw was rather a gay and lively gent, even on that occasion. However one term will do about as well as another for an excuse.

The societies not affiliated with the American Federation of Labor have a membership of about 500,000, which, with the total membership of the Federation makes the aggregate membership of all the labor societies in the United States about 2,500,000.

According to Lillian Russell, divorce is a blessing. This may be regarded as expert opinion. Lillian is no mere theorizer on this practical subject.

Walter Wellman has decided that the discovery of the North Pole can wait until next year. Mr. Wellman's judgment seems to be good.

FALSE ATTACK ON ROOSEVELT.

It is discreditable to a member of congress to make such maliciously dishonest statements as those to which Representative Willett of New York gave utterance in the house on Tuesday. In an attack on President Roosevelt he declared that "the president has gone forth day after day to the people of the nation and the people of the world and declared to them that the men who held the reins of our great industrial institutions are dishonest and are not worthy of our confidence."

A fair reading of the president's speeches will reveal that he has done nothing of the sort. He has ever been emphatic in distinguishing between the honest and dishonest men, and has repeatedly shown his recognition of the fact that the latter, though conspicuous by reason of their dishonesty, are in the minority. It is but necessary to refer to President Roosevelt's latest message to congress to prove his exact position.

In the first paragraph of that message he says: "As a rule the business of our people is conducted with honesty and probity, and this applies alike to farms and factories, to railroads and banks, to all our legitimate commercial enterprises." But, he adds, "In any large body of men, however, there are certain to be some that are dishonest, and if the conditions are such that these men prosper or commit misdeeds with impunity, their example is a very evil thing for the community."

Again, quoting from a former message Mr. Roosevelt said: "The aim of the national government is quite as much to favor and protect honest corporations, honest business men of wealth, as to bring to justice those individuals and corporations representing dishonest methods." And again: "The antitrust law should not prohibit corporations that do no injustice to the public, still less those the existence of which is on the whole of benefit to the public."

These are but a few of many similar quotations that could be made from the president's utterances. Secretary Taft, in his recent speech at Boston, also stated the attitude of the president when he said: "The course of the administration has been directed against such organized capital as was violating the statutes of the United States—and no others."

Deeds, it is said, speak louder than words, and the deeds of the Roosevelt administration show that in no single instance has there been a departure from the principle laid down in words.—Spokesman-Review.

SMALLPOX REMEDY.

A Westerner correspondent says: When Jenner discovered cowpox in England the world of science hurled an avalanche of fame upon his head; but when the most scientific school of medicine in the world—that of Paris—published this receipt as a panacea for smallpox, it passed unheeded. It is as sure as fate, and conquers in every instance. It is harmless when taken by a well person. It will also cure scarlet fever. Here is the receipt, as I have used it, and cured my children of the scarlet fever. Here it is as I have used it to cure the smallpox. When learned physicians said the patient must die, it cured: Sulphate of zinc, one grain; foxglove (digitalis) one grain; half teaspoonful of sugar; mix with two tablespoonfuls of water. When mixed add four ounces of water, and take a tablespoonful every hour. Either disease will disappear in twelve hours. For a child, smaller doses, according to age.

AT NIGHTFALL.

I heard you whisper in your sleep
"Me loves oo daddy des a heap."
And, though your mother had prepared
Your little bed for you, I dared
To sit and hold you longer, 'till
I heard the plaintive whippoorwill
Call from the gloomy forest's edge;
And till the bullfrog in the sledge
Sent his deep cry across the gloom,
A vibrant, rumbling, loud boom,
And clasped you tighter than before,
And stooped and hoped for something more
To wing to me from realms of sleep
Than "loves oo daddy des a heap."
But that was every word you said,
And, yet, it seemed your curly head
Lay closer, warmer to my breast,
Till I imagined that your rest
Was full of me—just full of dad—
And that your little soul was glad,
Where'er I wandered far and free,
Because of the great love of me
That hedged you round and all about
And loved you when the lights were out;
And when the world hung in the dark,
Moonlight nor starlight, with no spark
To guide it; naught below, above,
But only God's enduring love.

I love to think of this old world,
Like a wee baby, lying curled
Against the Father's loving breast
All nightie-robbed and sung to rest,
Content and glad and unafraid,
And suckling, as its ear were laid
Against a heart whose each throbbing
Of love, excluding all such things
As gold and fame and all the dross
That man pursue at such a loss
Of love; the old world wandered back
To youth along its age-worn track,
And in the Father's arms asleep,
Lisping, "I love oo des a heap."
—Judd Mortimer Lewis in Spare Moments.

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IN OTHER TOWNS

WESTON.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Beeler died last evening from an attack of membranous croup. Every effort was made to save the life of the little sufferer but the disease took a fatal form from the first symptoms.

Mrs. Nora Watts of Idaho is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amasa Phillips.

Last evening the sixth service of the Week of Prayer was held at the United Brethren church, the subject, "Christian Unity," was ably discussed by Dr. Reeves and the Rev. Mr. Rogers, several members of the different congregations taking part in five minute talks. The Rev. Mr. Payne led the meeting, the fine new organ and good choir going far towards making this a very interesting number of the series.

Mrs. Frank Haebrough who has been ill with an attack of the gripe was able to take a short walk Saturday. Leon Smith is taking a vacation from the normal to assist on the Sam Caplinger timber land on Weston mountain. Young Smith is an athlete to whom the weapons of leveling forest giants are but playthings.

R. S. Moyer, road supervisor of Briggison, made a business visit to Weston Saturday.

FREEWATER.

G. W. Propeck and son were Walla Walla visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Romaine returned from Walla Walla Sunday from visiting her son, James E. Romaine.

Mrs. P. Tierney and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tierney in Walla Walla Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Shore was a Freewater visitor Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mansfield were the guests of Mrs. Mansfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Henderson of Milton, Sunday.

Marion Graham was a Walla Walla visitor Sunday.

S. B. Sanderson was a Garden visitor Saturday evening.

Photographer Wilson of Walla Walla was over Sunday getting views of some of the ranches in this vicinity. W. H. Badger was a Walla Walla visitor Saturday evening.

The Freewater bakery contemplates putting a delivery wagon into commission this week which will be a great convenience to its many patrons. C. E. Laffer, section foreman of the Traction division, has been in charge of both gangs of men for the past couple of weeks. Frank Seals, foreman of the Walla Walla division, being quarantined at his home in Walla Walla on account of diphtheria.

Rank Foolishness.

"When attacked by a cough, or a cold or when your throat is sore, it is rank foolishness to take any other medicine than Dr. King's New Discovery," says C. O. Eldridge, of Empire, Ga. "I have used New Discovery seven years and I know it is the best remedy on earth for coughs and colds, croup, and all throat and lung troubles. My children are subject to croup, but New Discovery quickly cures every attack." Known the world over as the King of throat and lung remedies. Sold under guarantee by the Palace Drug company. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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