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With two democratic headquarters in Athena it would seem that local rank and file of the party have about all that could be wished for, excepting of course, the opportunity for discussing the merits of a democratic candidate for joint senator from Umatilla, Union and Morrow counties. The Press, being an independent newspaper, politically, does not assume a dictatorial attitude in calling democratic attention [to this glaring omission. The office of joint senator is of sufficient importance that to exclude democratic representation on the official ballot would to a degree invalidate the integrity of the party in the minds of the people, and serve notice to voters that democracy is willing, but couldn't. Under present conditions, there remains but one of two things to do—either fill up the gap, or turn the party organization over to Charley and Jonathan.

Troops from the National Guards of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana and from the regular army regiments stationed in these states and in California are in camp at American Lake, on the prairies south of Tacoma Wash., where the bi-annual maneuvers of the army for the Department of the Columbia are being held. The citizen soldiers and the regulars are participating in the marches, drills and battles of mimic warfare, which is teaching the men the conditions of actual service. The Montana troops were the first on the ground, arriving with some of the regulars. The Idaho troops went into camp a few days later followed by the Oregon and Washington regiments. There are also a few regulars sent north from the Presidio at San Francisco. In all about 8,000 men are encamped and will be divided into the armies of the Browns and the Blues, which will contest in the big battle that will conclude the encampment. Long practice marches are being indulged in and the officers are being put through the tests in endurance and horsemanship which President Roosevelt inaugurated during his term of office, and which so greatly discomfited some of the older and stouter officers who had grown unused to the saddle from many years of peace and quiet at comfortable army posts.

At a meeting of the Washington Forest Fire association in Seattle last week, it was reported by the chief fire warden that no serious fires were then in progress, but urged redoubled vigilance on the part of the patrolmen for the association and state officers, lest more bad conflagrations start during this, the driest season ever recorded in this country. Weather bureau officials report no rain at

Seattle for 45 days, a remarkable record. The forests are dry as tinder, and the least start will quickly develop into a serious fire. Campers and sportsmen in the woods are especially urged to be careful not to leave any fires burning.

The recent accidents to the steamers Princess May, which went on the rocks near Juneau, and the Chippewa, which struck a reef in the San Juan Islands, although they did not seriously endanger the lives of the passengers proved conclusively the importance of the wireless telegraph which is now installed on practically all the larger passenger vessels operating on Puget Sound. In each case the wireless on the wrecked vessel was quickly in touch with other ships and with various ports, and aid was sent immediately to the passengers, who in each case suffered not only no hardships, but little inconvenience. The signals of distress from the Princess May were caught by wireless stations as far away as Astoria, Oregon. And, marvelous as the wireless telegraph has proven itself, the wireless telephone is now invading its field and one wireless telephone company, the Continental, has already established stations in the Northwest.

The younger set in the ranks of the Washington suffragettes have started some innovations in equal suffrage campaigning that have proven decidedly successful as well as novel. The suffragettes no longer conduct their vote getting crusades by the speech making system only. Groups of the young ladies go forth at the slightest hint that they will be welcomed and give suffrage entertainments which consist of vocal and instrumental music, dramatic readings and just a little suffrage talk mixed in. It is like a little medicine in a lot of syrup, or a small advertisement entirely surrounded by pure reading matter, and the suffrage entertainers are receiving all kinds of calls. One day they visited the Soldiers' Home at Port Orford, at another time they appeared at an Old Folks' picnic, while improvement clubs, church socials and the like are the scene of their efforts to entertain and get in a few words in favor of "votes for women." The suffrage entertainment is going to be a big factor in the efforts of the women to secure the passage of the equal suffrage amendment next November.

A splendid advertisement of the advantage of the Pacific Northwest is the decision of Jasper Wilson son of James Wilson, secretary of Agriculture, to engage in fruit growing in the Pacific northwest. He will develop only 20 acres at first, considering this ample to keep him fully occupied. That a man who has all the professions open to him should choose horticulture in the northwest as the best opportunity is highly significant and is a splendid endorsement of this section of the country.

Eighty cents moved a little of the wheat Saturday. However, the prevailing opinion among wheat raisers is that higher prices are to be offered.

With the opening of school only a few weeks off, there are but few vacant houses in Athena.

TRICKY ART DEALERS.

Astute Parisian Scheme For Booming a "New Master."

For the booming of a new artist an astute dealer is necessary. He catches his artist as young as possible, preferably as an exhibitor of crazy canvases at the autumn salon of the Independents' exhibition, and commissions him to paint 100 pictures a year.

One by one, occasionally in twos and threes, at judicious intervals the dealer sends the pictures to the Hotel Drouot for sale by public auction. There he has confederates, who raise the price at each sale, and he buys them in himself.

After a few months the young artist's canvases have a certain market value, and the next step is taken to turn their painter into a modern master. The critics are attacked. One of them is asked to look at some daub, and when he cries out with horror the dealer says:

"What? You don't like it? Take it home with you as a favor to me, live with it six months and then!"

In due course an art amateur calls upon the critic and cannot contain his admiration for the new artist's picture.

"What a masterpiece! The most modern thing in art I have seen for a long time!" he exclaims.

Doubt begins to invade the critic's mind, and when one or two more enthusiastic amateurs have visited him he is worked up to writing a column of panegyric on the new master. The amateurs are, of course, sent by the dealer.

One or two articles and the boom is in full swing. Wealthy and simple minded collectors, remembering how other painters have been decried in their early days and how their works later have commanded fancy prices, rush in.

The new master makes about 10 per cent of the profit and the dealer the other 90 per cent. The new master is at the mercy of the dealer. If he grumbles the dealer floods the auction rooms with a hundred or so of his masterpieces and orders his agents not to bid, the result being that the canvases sell at rubbish prices, and the boom is burst.—Gill Blas.

LONDON THEATERS.

They Charge From a Penny to Sixpence For a Bill of the Play.

At the London theaters when the young woman shows you to a seat she asks if you wish a program. If you do you pay sixpence in the orchestra or dress circle for a program handsomely printed on fine paper. The price ranges down through "thrippence" and "tuppence" as the galleries ascend to a penny in the cockpit. The quality of paper and the general artistic merit of the program decline with the price, but exactly the same information is conveyed for a penny as for sixpence. The fastidious theater goer might prefer to pay a dime for a neat and simple program rather than to have a bulky bunch of advertisements gratis, as in New York, but these London programs, although not so thick as those of New York, are not devoid of advertisements. This gives the purchaser the feeling that he is being worked at both ends. A lady reminds me, however, that a program in a New York theater costs her 10 cents, as the smeary printing rubs off on her white gloves, the cleaning of which costs a dime.

The quality of the performance at the better London theaters certainly averages no higher than that at similar theaters in New York. The music halls are the resort of the great middle class. These are great auditoriums with tier on tier of galleries, the seating capacity ranging perhaps from 3,000 to 5,000.—London Letter in New York Sun.

The Roman Tribunes.

The tribunes in ancient Rome represented the people in much the same way that the house of commons does in England and the house of representatives in this country. For a long time the patricians or aristocrats of Rome had everything their own way. But when the plebeians (or, as we would say, the "plain people") got their tribune the reckless tyranny of the patricians ceased. The tribune had great power. He could veto almost any act and nullify almost any law passed by the Romans. Liberty among the Romans dates from the time they first secured their tribunes.—New York American.

Friendship's Tribute.

Gladys—Did you see what the society column of the Daily Bread said about Nin Gillard the other morning? "She moves with ease and grace in our most exclusive circles." May-belle—Yes, I read it. It's dead certain that the editor who wrote that had never seen her on roller skates.—Chicago Tribune.

Against His Convictions.

"Have some of this Welsh rabbit, Bjonson?" asked Bjones as he stirred the golden concoction in the chafing dish.

"No, thanks, Bjonesey," returned Bjonson, patting his stomach tenderly. "I am unalterably opposed to all corporation taxes."—Harper's Weekly.

Off Again.

"I met your husband in town. He was very much elated!"

"The villain!" He told me he would never take another drop."—Houston Post.

He who would do a great thing well must first have done the simplest thing perfectly.—Cady.

Here I am Again

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A Veteran of the Civil War Cured After Ten Years of Suffering.

R. A. Cray, J.P., of Oakville, Ind., writes:—"Most of the time for ten years I was confined to my bed with some disease of the kidneys. It was so severe I could not move part of the time. I consulted the best medical skill available, but got no relief until FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE was recommended to me. I am grateful to be able to say that it entirely cured me."

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