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The mercury has been registering as high as 90° as far north as Minneapolis this month; if the north pole was found it is lost again.

Roosevelt's outpourings in The Outlook, on the subject of the arbitration treaties, have led the New York Evening Post to stigmatize him as a barbarian.

The battle ship Oregon is again in commission, and has been selected to lead the procession thru the Panama canal; now let any one dare disturb the chip on our shoulder.

Mr Van Meter, brother of Mrs G E Moore, has taken the Krusow farm near Grass Valley; Geo. E Moore has taken the E H Moore farm, and E H has moved into this city.

Nat Goodwin wants to know why he can't be let alone about his domestic affairs; and a great many of us who don't care to read about them would also like to know.

People who had fondly imagined that any extensive use of such a killing thing as formaldehyde in milk was not to be dreaded are having another rude awakening; but of course they will go to sleep again, after the shock is passed.

Mrs. Belmont's suffragette farm has quietly petered, as the old miner would say; the working hands on the "farm" objected to the grub, and furthermore declare that if they've got to wear bristles to acquire their rights they don't want to vote.

Chicago adopted the most effective means of killing the theatre ticket scalpers' graft by staying away; this is one incident of the war on the middleman who makes his living through a rake-off on what others produce, rather than produce anything himself.

A Northampton (Mass.) justice has decided that a husband has the first right to a single family umbrella; it seems that in spite of all the talk about woman's rights, there are still some man's rights in need of defining; but we should never have taken this to be one of them.

Without much fuss and very little talk, the big Klickitat river is being turned into the Horse heaven arid region of Washington, a scheme that was advocated many years ago by Gov Stevens, Prosser and others. The presumption is that Montreal capital, \$16,000,000, is back of it; for shame, Uncle Sam, to let such an opportunity as that cross the line.

Through blundering in the office of the city attorney, Portlanders became seriously alarmed last week at the prospect of losing the water of Bull Run necessary to supply the second pipe line; but Hon. C. W. Fulton untangled the legal knot and quieted the fears of the people. The trouble arose from the employment of a cheap man in an important office.

Milo Maize at Home.

Last Sunday we rode with H W Strong into his fields and had an opportunity to see some of the good farming for which Mr. S. is noted. His corn field, sorghum and milo maize, on the highest point of the farm, where none of the growing crops have had any moisture except the rains of the month past, are all doing well and furnish convincing arguments favoring that class of production right here at home.

The efforts to grow milo maize on the dry lands of the Oregon Inland Empire, were initiated by R B Miller, traffic manager of the O.-W. R. N. Co. Mr M. caused 1,000 lbs of selected milo seed to be distributed in the Oregon Inland Empire, with instructions on planting, and explanation of its uses, endeavoring to interest farmers in this industry, believing that through the cultivation of milo the stock growing industry in all parts of the state may be advanced.

In Texas, and in other states where milo has been grown successfully both the seed and the plant are fed to cattle and hogs with good results. Mr. Strong believes with Mr. Miller, that there is no reason why the arid lands of the Inland Empire cannot be made equally productive. He supports his contention that this division of Oregon should be a great hog producing region in part by the fact that milo maize can be used as feed for swine.

Cattle also thrive on it; the seed has about the same chemical composition as corn, and is said to be more nutritious when properly fed; farmers are instructed to crack it, or grind it, before feeding to cattle but hogs can digest it without that treatment.

When fully developed the plant is about four feet in height and the leaves greatly resemble the leaves of the corn stalk; they are virtually of the same composition; the stalk is fibrous, and sometimes woody, but can be fed to advantage if chopped and mixed with other food.

After a splendid dinner and a good afternoon visit with the family, and several neighbor callers, The Little Short Line train from the north passed up with the mail for Moro, and very soon we were here in the old sanctum again, trying to convince skeptics that there is no better place for a home than Good old Sherman county, when industriously worked.

The "Pee Pulls" Money and Roads

Brother George Putman, of the Medford Tribune, who had motored down to Biggs, across country, to pick up Gov. West and a party of 18, including Sam Hill, and pilot them to Medford, returned through Moro on the 21st, and "delivered the goods," via, Crater lake National park. The spurt was for the purpose of working up a sentiment favorable to the proposed million-and-a-half-dollars blanket mortgage on Jackson county in the shape of bonds, to run 50 years, at five percent, making the interest and principal, \$4,250,000. The interest \$2,750,000 payable semi-annually for 50 years goes direct to the holders of the bonds; leaving the principal, \$1,500,000 to be put up in bulk by the tax payers in 1961, with nothing in the world to show for it, as the annual interest tax for 40 years of the 50, left nothing in the treasury for maintenance and repairs of the original million-and-a-half investment in the alleged, long-forgotten good roads. Sam Hill was to enthrone the voters, who were to do the bidding of the bond-holders, but we think his speech didn't amount to much, he left for Portland, via S. P. Ry. too sudden.

One of Shutt's Jokes.

Heppner Times: A farmer in Sherman county had two wind mills near his barn, but he had to take one of them down on account of there not being wind enough for the two of them.

Death to Gilliam Weeds.

Condon Times: J S Smith was up from Mikkalo on Monday; he has 700 acres of summer fallow ready to sow, and says there was never so good an opportunity to kill the weeds as this year; wheat that has been sown in his locality is up two inches and whatever happens later the stand of wheat will be excellent.

Trees and Sidewalks.

Desert Evening News: Our sidewalk contractors often treat shade trees as if they were of little value; and many a sidewalk in this city has been rendered shadeless thru their carelessness. A decision of special interest, therefore, is the holding of the appellate division of the New York supreme court, awarding to a property owner in a suit, against a contractor, \$500 for each tree destroyed and \$1,000 for incidental damages to his estate.

This award is considered the highest sum ever decreed for the destruction of a city shade tree, although a California case is on record where a railroad was mulcted \$800 for the enforced destruction of a cherry tree which stood in a right of way being condemned for railway purposes; in this case it was an old tree, bearing enormously, and evidence before the jury showed that the owner had received as high as \$80 for a single crop of cherries from it.

Engineers who think no street can be a good one if it is not a flat one; contractors who care not a fig for your trees; city authorities willing to sacrifice the beauty of the streets to the greed of favorites; is a combination that property owners are getting tired of.

The Alaska Question Pinchotized.

The attitude of Pinchot on the Alaska question reminds us of the report from an Ohio town at a recent local election where but one man appeared at the nomination desk.

"Whom do you nominate?" inquired the official.

"Myself," was the answer.

"Do you accept the nomination?"

"Well, no."

"Then we must try again; whom do you nominate?"

"Myself."

"Do you accept the nomination?"

"No."

A subdued "donnerwetter!" escaped the lips of the perplexed official; but he went on:

"For the third time: whom do you nominate?"

"Myself," came the unvarying reply.

"Do you accept the nomination?"

The man rose up with a smile of satisfaction spreading over his face as he answered proudly:

"Having been three times solicited by my fellow citizens to accept the nomination, I can no longer decline to accede to their wishes."

LIBERALS TO APPEAL TO CANADIANS AGAIN

Montreal—The Liberal Ministers, those defeated in election as well as the few who saved their seats, will meet in Ottawa the coming week to wind up the affairs of the present Government, and to tender their resignations to the Governor-General. Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not retire from his position as leader of his party.

Prominent Liberals here express the opinion that the party will not recant its belief that trade reciprocity would be a good thing for both countries, and that they will at the first favorable opportunity again appeal to the people of Canada to sustain them in that belief.

Liberal leaders lay much of the reason of their defeat to the era of unprecedented prosperity through which the Dominion is passing. All the leading Liberals from Sir Wilfrid down, have declared since their defeat that they will hold to their view that reciprocity offers Canada a decided advantage.

Harriman Titles to Change.

Chicago—Before the end of the week, it is expected, President Lovett, of the Harriman system of railroads, will announce changes in the duties and titles of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific system officials which will involve practically all of the more important officers.

Shoppers Out on 'Katy' Railroad.

Bedalia, Mo.—Car shop men on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway throughout the entire system struck because the company refused to grant a joint conference with the men of the two systems north and south of the Red River regarding working conditions. Fifteen hundred men in all are said to be out.

Train Kills Thirteen.

Noenah, Wis.—Twelve persons were instantly killed, one was so severely injured that she died later and three were dangerously hurt when a fast Chicago & Northwestern train struck a hay rack on which 30 persons were riding. Five other members of the party were badly hurt.

ITALY AND TURKEY ON VERGE OF WAR

Trouble May Result From Rupture Over Italian Protectorate of Tripoli.

Rome.—The Italian government is moving rapidly and with determination to establish an Italian protectorate over Tripoli. Its plans no longer are concealed and its attitude is favored by all classes except the advanced Socialists, who threaten to call a general strike in the event of hostilities.

It is said the government hopes to arrange an amicable settlement with Turkey whereby Italy will secure a lease of Tripoli under the sovereignty of Turkey, paying therefor an annual rental. If Turkey definitely refuses to meet this proposal, Italy will proceed with military measures. The Turkish forces in Tripoli are estimated at a minimum of 30,000 men. To cope with these, Italy will send her whole fleet and an expeditionary force of 40,000 men.

London.—The Times' Constantinople correspondent's dispatch says that there is a general alarm in official circles over news received from the Dardanelles Straits. Marinsales.

The steamer Roma, with passengers and mails for Constantinople, was boarded on its arrival at the Dardanelles by the Italian Vice-Consul, who gave to the captain instructions in consequence of which passengers were ordered to land within half an hour. The Roma was then headed again for Italy, not even taking time to land the mails.

Councilmen Ignore Woman Mayor.

Topeka, Kan.—Charging that the Hunnswell councilmen refused to confirm Mayor Ella Wilson's appointments, although she presented the names of nearly every reputable citizen of the town, including the "Village School Master," a petition asking the ousting of the four councilmen was filed in the Kansas Supreme Court by Attorney General Dawson.

TOBACCO TRUST REPORT IN

Monopoly and Stock Manipulation Have Enriched Insiders.

Washington.—The second part of the report upon the tobacco industry, dealing principally with the tobacco trust, has been submitted to the President by Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations of the Department of Commerce and Labor. The report shows the enormous profits which have accrued to the American Tobacco Company and its subsidiaries through its almost absolute monopoly of cigarettes, "smoking tobacco" and "snuff"—profits so great that common stock, originally all "water," made fortunes.

By manipulation of securities, the report goes on to say, the bulk of the great earnings has gone to "insiders," "who have waxed very rich on monopolistic profits."

Woman Known as Man 46 Years.

Albany, Ore.—After masquerading as a man 46 years and for 26 years of that time living at Lebanon, this county, Ray Leonard, 68 years old, was discovered to be a woman when taken to the state insane asylum.

OREGON SYSTEM IN COURT

Telephone Company Denies Laws' Constitutionality.

Washington.—The constitutionality of the initiative and referendum, the famous "Oregon system" of popular government, will be the subject of a decision by the Supreme Court of the United States in the approaching term.

The question of the constitutionality of these expedients of government forms the basis of a suit between the State of Oregon and the Pacific States Telegraph & Telephone Company. The case originated in the company's challenge of a law enacted by the Oregon legislature under the initiative plan, by which a tax of 3 per cent was placed on the gross earnings of telegraph and telephone companies.

Man's Heart Shifted.

Montclair, N. J.—It took three weeks for physicians to shift Harry Stevens' heart from the right to the left side. He left the hospital no worse for the operation.

Attorney Ordered to Answer.

Los Angeles.—John R. Harrington, the attorney allied with the McNamara defense, charged with contempt of court for having refused to answer questions asked him before the grand jury was ordered by Judge Bordwell to respond to the questions.

Making the Most of His Friends.

Of all the men of talent whom I have ever known the Chevalier Neukomm was the most deliberate in turning to account every gift, every talent, every creature comfort to be procured from others, withal shrewd, pleasant, universally educated beyond the generalty of the musical composers of his period. Never was any man more adroit in catering for his own comfort—in administering vicious benevolence. Once having gained entrance into a house he remained there, with a possession of self possession the like of which I have never seen. There was no possibility of dislodging him, save at his own deliberate will and pleasure.—Brice & Brice.

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Fire in Warship's Hold Causes Explosions Which Destroy Vessel.

Toulon, France.—More than 300 oficers and men of the French battleship Liberte lost their lives when the ship was torn apart and totally destroyed in the harbor here by an explosion of her magazines.

The battleship Republique was badly damaged and the battleships Democrite and Verite suffered heavily from the masses of twisted iron and armorplate hurled upon their decks.

This is the greatest disaster that has ever befallen the French navy, and in magnitude is almost without precedent in the annals of the world's fighting ships.

The explosion which wiped out one of France's most powerful battle-ships was the result of an outbreak of fire. The flames spread rapidly in spite of all efforts to extinguish them, and reached the magazines before there was time to flood them.

The magazines exploded with tremendous violence, sowing death and destruction in every direction. The naval authorities now estimate the killed at between 350 and 400. It will be necessary to go through the ship's muster rolls before a full list of the victims can be prepared.

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