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The citizens of Burns should have known better than to appeal to the little clique of golf players who constitute the Portland Chamber of Commerce, for aid in preventing the consummation of that gigantic fraud, known as the Blue Mountain forest reserve. It was this same outfit that a few months since passed a resolution opposing the bill now before congress, restricting Chinese immigration. The Miner will not waste words in accurately portraying the character of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, which would be considered by the uninformed as rank calumny. After discussing the question at length and displaying much pretended ignorance of the subject, the committee decided in favor of the reserve.

This was to have been expected, for the Chamber of Commerce was never known to oppose any graft in which its members might see a chance for a "cut up," and it is known that several of them are in the timber grabbing business themselves. But, if not surprising, it is really nothing less than irritating to note with what unanimity the Portland papers fail to enter the slightest protest against this action of what claims to be a representative body of business men.

The Telegram goes further. It publishes a long, laboriously prepared editorial, practically endorsing this action. It seeks to becloud the mind of the reader, by injecting into the discussion matter entirely foreign to the issue, and so carefully avoids all pertinent points involved that one is forced to the conclusion that this is not through ignorance, but is the fallacious, insincere pleading of a special counselor, seeking to deceive the public and shield a criminal client. It arrogates to itself a monopoly of information on the subject and places the people of eastern Oregon, who are vitally interested and are endeavoring to protect themselves against this iniquitous job, in the light of half witted children who do not know what is for their good, now or hereafter. The Telegram then advances the false, dishonest assumption that there are certain interests in this section favorable to the reserve; makes a transparent failure of an attempt to show that the small farmers will be benefitted thereby and then, with the metaphorical smirk of an awkward sleight of hand performer after doing one of his tricks, proceeds to deal out a lot of nauseating rot about the "greatest good to the greatest number."

The truth of the whole thing is that no individual or institution in eastern Oregon favors the reserve, except one, or perhaps two big lumber companies, that have logged thousands of acres of timber lands within the limits of the reserve, rendering it entirely worthless, and for which they will receive scrip that can be exchanged for valuable timber lands elsewhere.

The scheme was concocted by outsiders who have a pull with the Interior department, who have planned a wholesale rape of our forests, depriving individuals of the chance to take up claims and earn a few hundred honest dollars. The pretext that it is for the purpose of conserving the water supply, to be used for irrigating purposes, is too flimsy to deserve comment. The source of our water supply is not found in vast stretches of level land, nor in the broad valleys, but is high up the mountain

sides. The whole proposition is a gigantic job, a selfish steal, which statement time will prove to be a fact to even those who now refuse to see its self evident truth—and it looks as if it will be successfully consummated. The Telegram is knowingly prostituting itself by defending the nefarious design.

Clara Mathes at Ellis Opera House.

In the roll of Nell Gwynn last night at the theatre, Miss Mathes demonstrated clearly her talent as an exceptionally clever actress, and she is supported by a strong company. Delphine Lawrence, as King Charles II, sustained this heavy role in a highly creditable manner. The specialties were all good. The appearance of the company here is affording the theatre goers a week of rare pleasure and each night attracts a larger audience. The play tonight will be "The Reign of the Emperor," a production now attracting much patronage in the east.—Lewiston Tribune.

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