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THE PRELIMINARY SKIRMISH.

THE FIRST GUN of the U. of O. appropriation referendum measure is to be fired in

sue, and which Judge Galloway will decide, is the manner of wording the measure when it is placed educated a higher salary because of his superior publicans will say that either Taft or upon the ballot for the arbitrament of the voter. attainments. The committee of grangers, who were the instiga-\$47,500 to \$125,000?"

The university people want the wording, "Shall \$125,000?"

act of the legislature has attempted to do; that is nay. to say, to increase the amount of money appropriated continuously, and paid annually, from \$47,500 to \$125,000. The university people's contention is

advantages, is able to command better and more of all the prominent reformers, Mr profitable positions than he, who must from force Bryan stands far the best chance of be of circumstances, be content with what the com- ing nominated and elected. He, for the mon school can give. Nor does the university reasons above cited, possesses element graduate return anything whatever to the state for the university course given him through tax ing his less fortunate neighbor. If he is employed as well before the people as does Mr by the state he demands a higher salary because of Bryan; yet nobody supposes he will be his superior qualifications than he could have obtained if trained in the common schools only. Of nominated. as possible, for every taxpayer may receive benefit from the tax money he pays to support the common school, for every community or neighborhood B yan. in the state has its public school and is within reach of every boy and girl. Every dollar of tax 1 25 money expended for educational purposes by the state should be so expended through the common schools only. Every dollar expended in support of the state university, the Corvallis agricultural col- and r-nders accessible, this appropriaos lege and the normal schools, is expended at the expense of the public schools. Further, as THE NEWS is able to understand the state constitution, every dollar expended in erecting college buildings at Eugene, Corvallis, Monmouth, Drain, Ashtand and power to make it accessible and preserve Weston, is so expended in direct violation of that instrument. We should either abandon these in-1 0 stitutions else amend the constitution.

The common schools furnish the only method through which education can be made equitable and general; therefore, the common schools, only, should be supported through taxation. Let the common schools be made as efficient and complete course he is worth the higher salary. Yet it looks Judge Galloway's court. The question at is- just a little unjust for the people to pay for the superior education and then be required to pay the will not run, is no certainty. Must Re-

The university education is all right, and the tors of having the measure referred and who now young man or young woman who has the pluck strong expectation or hope of defating have the matter in charge, ask that the measure and energy to get it, should be suitably rewarded with Fairbanks, Foracre, or even Canbe worded as follows: "Shall the University of for his or her more valuable services, providing Oregon annual appropriation be raised from the education has been secured through his or her own personal endeavor, but not otherwise.

However, THE NEWS believes the rule of the the annual appropriation of the University of Ore- majority. If a majority of the people, when the gon, as enacted at the last legislature, be placed at matter is fairly and squarely placed before them. say give the university \$125,000 a year, or twice Both contentions, of course, mean exactly the that sum, we say, amen. But in all justice, let the same; but the wording desired by the grangers is question be so placed upon the ballot that the voter as a possible "coming man." much more explicit. It expresses exactly what the may thoroughly understand when he votes, yea or

HOW ABOUT THE TRUSTS?

ted for the battle of life with the best educationa impossible as candidates, because the

of strength, which, if he was a Repub n, would be elements of wonkness LaFolette, as a reformer, stands nearly ioninated, nor could be be elected i

The outlook now is that either Room velt or Bryan will be the next ; resider with the chances largely in favor of Ma

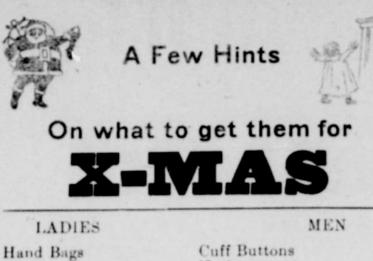
Provisi n has been made for the improvement, as far as \$11,000 will provide there for, of Crater Lake Park, by the General Government. If the wonderplaces of the Nation are to be preserved tion is well placed and timely. In its way Crater Lake Park is not surpassed in grandeur by any spot in the country. And since the Government has "taken it over," it devolves upon the same the wild beauty, its infinite charm. the items in the appropriation provide for these things-not lavishly but conervatively, being confined to making roads, trails and bridges and to the reasonable salaries of caretakers.

BRYAN'S GROWTH IN FAVOR.

On all sides, among Republicans, is heard the opinion that the defeat of Bryan next year, especially if Roosevelt Hughes could probably beat Bryan, but nany of them are not cocksure about it. and the majority of them would have no

The significant thing about this is Bryan's steady, solid growth in favor mong all sorts of common p.ople, and neu of both parties, in spite of his alnost ceaseless taiking. Though he in scarcely say anything new, he loes not wear himself out, does not grow stale and is more and more regarded. among Republicans as well as Democrats

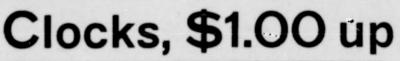
The explanation of Bryan's growing favor among Republicans is easy. Every Republican who is a sincere believer Roosevelt's policies, and who is enthusiastically his supporter, unturally turns to Bryan rather than to any Republican, less it he to La Follet. as the man lepended upon to carry out those polic seneficial policies, especially tariff revi-



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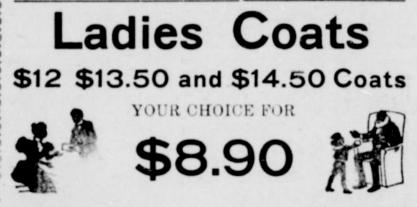
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not explicit. It does not inform the people that the university now receives \$47,500 from the state and over \$10,000 from other sources each years. The university people want the question as stated on the ballot that the voter, who is not posted, will sider the matter settled as to his candidacy. We suppose that the university will have no financial can also conclude that the Republican party will support at all, unless the \$125,000 approgriation, not nominate a candidate other than some to be repeated every year until the law is repealed one who will represent Rooseveltian polices. or changed, is allowed. No other interpretation The temper of the people is such, and there is such can be given to the university contention than that widespread independence on the part of voters. they expect to be benefitted by deceiving the that the Republican candidate must subscribe to voter. In other words, they want the appropria- all reform ideas that the people want, else he is ion and want it badly, regardless as to whether it sure to march down to defeat. So, whoever may is obained by foul or fair methods.

this appropriation matter is considered-whether the Interests in general would name. you wear the taxpayers or taxeaters spectacles. Without doubt, William J. Bryan will be named Senator Frank J. Miller, of Albany, states that the as the standard-bearer of the Democracy. If a entire appropriation for the school years of 1903-4 wise selection for the second place is made, THE to say that they would vote for Bryan and 1904-5 was \$60,000 for each year; and for the NEWS believes Mr. Bryan's chances of winning but they feel that he is far stranger years 1905-6 and 1906-7 it was \$78,750 for each out are quite bright. There are numerous reasons than ever, that Roo evelt has made him year. The senator cites these figures for the pur- why he is stronger today before the people than pose of showing that the increase is but a matter ever before. \$50,000 per year, and no great sum after all. Sen- The Democratic party is more harmonious today the surest man in the in the country to people.

is not at all pleasing to the taxpayer. To take all more regulatory laws enacted, etc. of the expense of the public school, buildings and Their only hope to prevent laws from being en school student. To compel the taxpayers to pay tion from being enacted. seven times the cost of educating their own boys It must be admitted that this hope of the trusts. and girls in the common schools, to educate some- Wall street, etc., is builded upon a very frail founbody else's boy or girl at the university is to say dation; yet it is the all and only hope, and THE the least, inequitable and unjust.

THE NEWS belives in higher education and would man will grasp at straws. cent, may enjoy the benefits thereof.

The graduate of the university having been fit othes, of course, who would do so, but they are 191 Fourth St., Portland Or.

RESIDENT ROOSEVELT, it is stated, has again said he would not be a candidate to its to the extent of his power, and to ad succeed himself, and we may therefore con- thereto some other very desirable and be nominated, we may rest assured that he will a post of Republicans as well as b It makes quite a difference from what viewpoint not be a man whom Wall street, the Trusts and hearly all Democrats.

ator Miller neglects to state that special appropri- than in either of the former Bryan campaigns, and carry out the people's will and protect tions were added to the continuous appropriation the Republicans are more inharmonious than at their interests as well as he can. to produce the sums above cited and without other any time in the history of that party. Mr. Roosespecial appropriations, the amount would fall back velt even could not poll the entire Republican vote, licans who are looking with favor on to the continuous amount of \$47,500 per year. The much less can any other probable nominee of that him will not refrain from voting for him proposed \$125,000 is to be continuous, and unless party. But the strongest of all reasons is, Wall on that account; they will correctly rearepealed, would be a perpetual tax upon the street, the railroads, trusts and tariff barons will son that, even if he cannot affirmatively all probably support Mr. Bryan. They will do carry out his policies, he can and will Let us see just what it is costing the taxpayers this, not because they like Mr. Bryan nor his poliper student at the university. The average at- cies, but because just at this time they prefer the publican nominee, there will be no such tendance of heretofore 350 students, would give at majority of congress and the president to be of op- overwhelming majorities for him as cost per student of \$175 to \$200 under the appro- posite political sentiments; for the reason that they there were for Roosevelt in 1904, or Mepriations heretofore made. Under the proposed wish to be let alone. They do not wish any legisincrease, the amount per student would be \$360. lation whatever that will affect their particular in-The university people are padding the student rolls terests enacted. Tariff beneficiaries do not want they have done. Rocsevelt has helped in every way possible to increase the number, so the present law interfered with or changed. The to open many eyes -Oregou Journal. that the cost per student will not appear so out of trusts do not want any further prosecutions, nor to reason to the taxpayers. But to compare the cost have corrective legislation enacted. Wall street of a student at the state university with the cost does not wish laws enacted which will prevent of the public school student makes a parallel that stock gambling. The railroads do not wish any

all, and estimate as extravagently as the facts will acted which will regulate these evils is to elect a allow, it will be found difficult to reach a cost of president of a different political sentiment from a sold at half the excursion rate. \$50 per common school student in the country dis- majority of congress, when political prejudices and tricts, nor more than \$100 for the city public jealousies will prevent any real corrective legisla- 24, and 25, 1907.

NEWS thinks they will grasp it, as the drowning

be glad if every boy and girl could be equipped for As THE NEWS sees it. President Roosevelt is the the battle of life with an university education. As only man the Republican party can nominate who as agent to sell, for six months time or under present conditions this cannot be; it is mani- will be elected. He is the only man of that party m re, then can advertise same for sale festly unjust to make the burden heavier on 95 per whom the people believe has the nerve to carry cent of the people in order that the other 5 per out the reforms which are vitally necessary for the perpetuity of our government. There are

Roosevelt, in much that he has done, as pointed to Bryan rather than to any copublican as his "logical successor." He does not say this, would not admit hought is irresistible. Nobody knows chat polities Taft or even Hughes would dopt. Everybody knows Bryan's polics, and most of them are approvi

This is why so many Republicans are even openly saying that no R-publican will have a walkover next year in run ning agorst Bryan. They do not mean so, and that ther will be many Republicans who, if in the least doubt about their candidate, will vote for Bryan as

Of course, a Republican congress

act as a check on vicious legislation. With any one but Roosevelt the Re Kinley in 1900. A great many Republicans throughout the country are not going .o follow their party so blindly as

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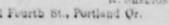
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