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## LA FOLLETTE IS NO BARTERER OF PRETTY PHRASES

Scathingly Denounces Cannon, Aldrich, Hale and Other Leaders as "Mere Puppets of the Interests."

DENIES THAT PEOPLE HAVE VOICE IN NATION'S AFFAIRS

Unhesitatingly Asserts That the Panic of 1907 Was Created to Kill Roosevelt Boom.

"Will I be the next senator from Wisconsin? Well, I guess I will! My opponents can't beat me. I'm going to win, and I'm going to beat them to a frazzle."—LaFollette.

Vigorously denying that such a thing as representative government exists in the United States, scathingly denouncing Morgan, Rockefeller and other trust heads as the cause of all the deleterious economic changes of the past decade, and unhesitatingly asserting that these men deliberately initiated and fostered the "artificial" panic of 1907, Robert Marion La Follette, United States senator from Wisconsin, orator, so-called "grandstander" and insurgent republican, held the interest of a large audience in the opera house Thursday evening from 8:30 o'clock until midnight. He attempted to stop at different times, but cries of "go on" kept him speaking until after 12 o'clock.

Senator La Follette denounced congress, denounced the senate, spoke in no mincing manner of Senators Aldrich, Speaker Cannon and their allies, and charged that they were merely the puppets in all matters of so-called representative legislation of the powerful Morgan-Rockefeller combination.

### Began Buying Banks.

"Five years ago Morgan and Rockefeller saw that they must unite to control all factors of the country's growth and industry and the most potent manner in which they could obtain this control was to own the banks and financial institutions. New York naturally was the scene of their operations and they began quietly to acquire the stock of the National City bank and the National Bank of Commerce, and 20 other smaller institutions in the city. They then proceeded to elect their own directors, and with their combined force they could raise or lower the interest rates of the country at a moment's notice.

"The panic of 1907 was an artificial one. There was not one economic or financial reason for that fateful event. Do you know that the farmers raised during 1907 \$700,000 more agricultural products than in 1906? That doesn't spell panic. Do you know that the bank deposits in this country increased during 1907 over the previous year by more than \$100,000,000? That doesn't spell panic. Do you know that the balance of trade in favor of this country during the year 1907 was \$500,000,000? That

## SPOKANE STILL IN HOT WATER

SPOKANE, Nov. 5.—The Industrial Workers of the World show no signs of giving up the fight for free speech started Monday. The general executive board of the organization have been summoned to this city to take up the fight. Socialists and the painters' union passed resolutions condemning the authorities and calling for a repeal of the ordinance denying free speech on the street.

## COUNCIL AND ALLEN AGAIN IN CONFERENCE

Did Not Complete Matter of Going Over Franchise Thursday —May Not Act Tonight.

The city council and John R. Allen who have under consideration the franchise applied for by Mr. Allen have not yet completed their work and are still in consultation. Several matters have yet to be considered by the committee of the whole before the franchise is reported back to the council and acted upon.

There is a disposition on both sides to arrive at a fair, equitable understanding. The city wants electric roads and only wants her interests guarded.

The council meets in special session this evening.

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### Panic an Artificial One.

"The panic was an artificial device of the trusts and corporations to prevent Roosevelt from securing a third term. He had been vigorous in his attacks on their interests and a panic was the surest method of making certain he would leave the chief executive's chair. They ruined banks in New York, Kansas City, and other financial centers, with malice aforethought, and gave this country the lesson they thought it needed. Rockefeller and Morgan were directly and solely responsible for the panic of 1907.

"The tariff matter was all settled by the same combination. Neither in congress nor in the senate did any individuals have the slightest chance of making any amendments or changes in the schedules that the party leaders, acting under the dictate of the Standard Oil interests, didn't want. Speaker Cannon is a Standard Oil puppet and appoints the committees of the house. They handled the tariff bill as they pleased and according to dictates from their bosses. In the house it was all cut and dried before the special caucus met. Aldrich and Hale handled everything and did it all in 48 hours. It was absolute folly to call the extra session of the legislature to revise the tariff. It

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## EDWARD, KING OF ENGLAND IS TO HAVE LOCAL APPLES

Vancouver Society Orders Spitzenberg and Newtown Apples for Shipment to England for King.

TRONSON & GUTHRIE NEAR EAGLE POINT, GET ORDER

Six Boxes of Choicest Rogue River Fruit Will Grace Table of Great Britain's Ruler.

Colonel R. M. Brereton of Portland has ordered from Tronson & Guthrie, the Eagle Point apple growers, six boxes of choice Rogue River apples, which are to be shipped to the British-American Benevolent society of Vancouver, B. C., which society is to ship them to England as a present to Edward VII, king of Great Britain.

The shipment will consist of three boxes of the finest Spitzbergs and three of Newtowns. They will be selected with great care and will be indeed fit for a king. They are to be sent forward at once.

## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY WILL MEET TOMORROW

The monthly meeting of the Rogue River Horticultural society will be held at the Commercial club rooms Saturday afternoon, commencing at 2 o'clock sharp, in order to give members from a distance time to return home.

Professor O'Gara will deliver a lecture on "The Planting of an Orchard," discussing each phase of the process, selection of trees, character of soil, the laying out of the orchard, pruning for the first year, cross-pollination, etc., comprising a great deal of valuable information for the established orchardists, as well as those who are just entering into the business or contemplate doing so.

Also, delegates will be elected to the fruit growers' convention to be held at Spokane November 16, during the progress of the National apple show at that place.

The meeting will be a public one and everyone interested in fruit growing, especially the ladies, are invited to attend.

## LOOKING FOR A CHANGE IN NAME FOR BABY

CHICAGO, Nov. 5.—Wanted: One name for a baby.

The one in question—a boy—boasts six months of life. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Potter Palmer, Jr. and his grandparents are Mrs. Potter Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kohlsaat.

Honore Palmer chose to call his first boy Potter Palmer, for his father, instead of Honore Palmer, Jr., for himself. When the son arrived in the family of Potter Palmer, Jr., there was already a Potter Palmer III. Could the son of Potter Palmer II be a Potter Palmer IV? Possibly, but he has not become so.

W. J. Wimer of Waldo, one of the pioneer miners of Josephine county, is registered at the Moore.

## GINSENG FOUND TO THRIVE IN JACKSON COUNTY

Experiments Conducted by David Graham Near Prospect Prove Remarkable for Great Success Obtained.

WILL PAY \$35,000 AN ACRE IF PROPERLY RAISED

Samples Sent East Bring Offer of \$7.50 Pound for Product—100 Pounds This Year.

Successful experiments made by David Graham of Prospect have added another to the many resources of Jackson county, in the shape of ginseng, the valuable medicinal root, which is so scarce that it brings big prices all the time, and instead of seeking a market the market seeks the plant.

Four years ago Mr. Graham planted an eighth of an acre of ginseng on his place near Prospect, and this year he harvested his first crop, or rather partial crop, as ginseng requires five years in order to mature, but the plants had become so crowded that transplantation was necessary, and Mr. Graham figured that it would be more profitable to sell the roots, immature as they were, than to transplant them. Samples were accordingly sent to dealers in the article, and from those samples Mr. Graham has received offers of from \$6.40 as a minimum, up to \$7.50 per pound.

He shipped to Chicago this week 45 pounds as a selling sample, and judges that he will have 100 pounds of the finished product when he has completed thinning out his crop.

The ginseng root is used extensively in the materia medica, and especially in China, where it often sells at \$30 a pound and more, and the places where it can be grown in perfection are so few that there is a constant demand for it.

The fact that Mr. Graham has been able to secure close to the top price for his product, lacking a year of maturity, indicates that the upper Rogue river section is adapted to the growing of the plant.

It costs something, however, to start a ginseng farm, as the ground must be especially prepared and shade provided for the growing plants. Mr. Graham estimates that the cost of clearing—the plant thrives best on leaf mold—planting and taking care of an acre of ginseng for five years, when it reaches maturity, at \$3000, of this amount \$600 must be expended for seed. But he also figures that at ordinary prices the income from that acre would be \$35,000 at the end of the term. It looks big, but the facts can be demonstrated.

Mr. Graham intends planting a quarter of an acre each year now until he has an acre and a quarter in ginseng, which will give him a fifth of the land planted to harvest each year, and he thinks that he will be able to keep the wolf on the other side of the doorstep with this amount of land.

D. E. Heller and wife of Grants Pass were Medford visitors Thursday and Friday.

## FEARFUL SCENES ARE ENACTED IN TEHERAN

TEHERAN, Nov. 5.—The tribesmen of Ardebil are besieging the Russian consulate where the Persian governor, city officials, clergymen and foreigners have taken refuge. They are defended by a small band of Cossacks, who are short on ammunition. Tribesmen threaten to burn the city. Scenes of wildest horror are being enacted throughout the town and the besiegers are already looting houses and outraging women.

## \$26,400,000 IS VALUATION OF THIS COUNTY

County Assessor Grieve Completes Total—Will Complete Work and Have Summary Within a Few Days.

The assessed valuation of Jackson county for this year as fixed by Assessor W. T. Grieve is \$26,400,000. The total has not been accurately determined as yet, but it is close to that figure. The increase is about \$200,000 over last year. However, the greatest increase was made in the assessment of the railroad property. Within a day or two the assessor will complete the roll and have the exact figures.

## STEAMER THOUGHT LOST OFF BODEGA BAY

TOMALES, Cal., Nov. 5.—No trace was found this morning of the steamer supposed to have gone on the rocks in Bodega bay yesterday. The cutter McCullough is still searching. The weather continues thick. Those acquainted with the coast declare it is possible for the ship to strike the rock and slide into deep water, leaving no trace behind.

## SAN FRANCISCO WANTS A WORLD'S FAIR IN 1913

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—To further the project for a world's fair in San Francisco in 1913, State Senator Ed I. Wolfe of California yesterday conferred with Representative Kahn. Mr. Kahn will introduce a bill at the next congress to appropriate money for the exposition.

## SOCIALIST VOTE IN NEW YORK IS SHRINKING

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Complete election returns show that the socialist vote throughout this city was considerably less than half of last year, when Eugene V. Debs ran for president. This city gave Debs a vote of 25,000. The total socialist vote this year was 10,606.

## PRESIDENT IS GUEST OF SOUTHERN CITY

SAVANNAH, Ga., Nov. 5.—President Taft is a guest of this city today. An elaborate reception is being tendered him.

## NOTICE.

There will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the Siskiyou Copper & Gold Development company Friday, November 12, at 7:30 p. m. at their office in the Medford hotel, to consider the purchase of additional claims.

M. J. LOVE, President.

## ROOSEVELT DEAD SAYS RUMOR, NAIROBI DENIES

Wall Street Corporation With Interests in Africa Believed to Be Source of Report—No Confirmation.

INQUIRIES AT NAIROBI BROUGHT FORTH DENIAL

New York Wildly Excited by News—Correspondent With Roosevelt Cannot Be Reached.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—A report was current this morning that Colonel Theodore Roosevelt had been killed yesterday in African jungles. No details were given.

Officers of a Wall street corporation with extensive interests in Africa, were believed to be at the source of the rumor.

The United Press has been unable to get into immediate communication with its correspondent with the Roosevelt party, but inquiries made in Nairobi brought forth denials.

Great excitement was caused in this city by the report.

## Washington Hears Nothing.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The state department has not received anything indicating any truth or basis for the rumor that Roosevelt met with mishap in Africa. Inquiry of the Smithsonian Institute and all places where information is likely to be sent failed to reveal any reason for the rumor.

## POPULAR YOUNG WOMAN DIES SUDDENLY IN ASHLAND

Mrs. F. G. Allard, the wife of Frank Allard, head machinist in the Southern Pacific roundhouse in Ashland, died suddenly at her home in Ashland. She was formerly a Miss Bush of Portland and was very popular in Ashland, where she has a large circle of friends.

## M. W. A.

Notice—There will a social hour with refreshments the first Friday in November. The committee have a good time in store. All Woodmen come.

R. W. STEARNS, Clerk Pro Tem.

T. E. Pottenger of the Applegate spent Thursday in Medford visiting with his many friends.

J. D. Wakeman, one of the pioneers of Wimer, was in Medford Friday.

Robert Dow was a visitor in Medford Thursday evening.

Henry C. Stonewall of Williams Creek was in Medford on business Friday.

John Stetson of Eugene is visiting friends in Medford.

William B. Henderson of Ashland was a visitor in Medford Friday.

The city council meets in regular session this evening.

E. B. Brown of Grants Pass is in Medford on business in connection with the Columbia Life & Trust company.

Reo A. C. Howlett of Eagle Point was a visitor in Medford Friday.