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JOLTS AND JINGLES
By Ad Brown

Peter Steenstrup is a Bull Moose to the extent that he says, barring none, Roosevelt is the greatest man who ever lived. That's going some even for a B. M. but it shows his sentiments.

Bear the above paragraph in mind when we tell you that Steenstrup entertained a Norwegian scientist on the trip to the lake. The scientist possessed an impossible name so Mr. Steenstrup said, "You won't mind, will you if I call you by the name of your king?"

"That's all right," the Norwegian replied, "and I will do the same by you. Pass the biscuits, Mr. Taft."

The little arrangement was called and thereafter Mr. Steenstrup struggled with the unpronounceable name.

We read the other day of a man named Outlaw who was arrested for stealing, but we don't dare spring it for fear someone will say we made up the name to fit the case.

Therefore, you will note, we leave it unsaid.

How doth the little Bully Moose improve each shining hour? By calling names and seeking far Opponents to devour.

"What's Taft?" demands Col. Abrams. Doesn't he know that's the place where Willie Ritchie is going to fight Wolgaast?

URNS CROWDS AWAY AT GRANTS PASS

The Marion-Claman players who will be here next week have been playing to standing room only at Grants Pass. The following is from the Courier of that city:

Captain Geery Vaud McCracken of the Grants Pass police department, and two assistants—kindly, courteous, being, yet firm—were busy men last night, when, without a harsh word, they restrained a crowd of 1,000 persons, which, eager and anxious to obtain the point of vantage in order to secure the free seats for the performance of "The Country Girl," by the Claman National Stock company, began assembling as early as 6:30 o'clock in front of the Kinney & Traux building. By 7:30 o'clock the crowd had entirely blocked the street for a radius of 100 yards in different directions. When the doors of the Grants Pass opera house swung open at 7:40 a quick but orderly scramble was made for the free seats, which were quickly occupied. A crowd of several hundred were unable to secure seats.

The Claman players gave a beautiful rendition of the sweet, pastoral offering, Miss July Evangeline Claman winning new laurels for a brow plethoric already with applause and appreciation for her never-varying artistry and marvelous versatility. She was, as always adequately supported.

SOCIETY NOTES

(Continued from Page 3).

Mrs. D. B. Russel has returned from Portland.

Mrs. E. B. Pickel returned from Portland the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Runyard spent Sunday at Ashland with friends.

Miss Lizzie Reiker returned from a visit in Illinois Wednesday.

Miss Mollie Ray of Applegate is visiting Mrs. Volney Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carter of Ashland spent Wednesday in Medford.

ILLEGAL SLAUGHTER OF FISH.

THERE seems to be something peculiarly demoralizing about market fishing—just as there is about market hunting. No law, designed for the protection of fish, and hence to benefit the fishermen themselves in the long run, is safe from violation. If the fishermen cannot get the fish fast enough legitimately, they immediately resort to illegitimate means.

The Rogue river and its tributaries was closed by the people of Oregon to all except rod and line fishermen. The latter have been permitted to sell salmon only when caught with rod and line. That has not prevented the few market fishermen who haunt the stream from resorting to both nets and dynamite.

Thousands of dead fish line the banks of the stream, mute testimonials to the persistent lawlessness of the fishermen—and suspicion points to the market fishermen, for incentive is lacking for others. The half-dozen nets confiscated also speak for their illegal activity.

The season is too far advanced now to make salmon fishing profitable. The fish are spawning and unfit to eat. It is only an occasional one that is unspotted. Hence we find the market fishermen devoting themselves to catching steelhead and other trout, the sale of which is prohibited by law. Go along the river, near the camp of any market fishermen, you will find not only dynamited fish, but various holes baited with salmon eggs for trout. Why do market fishers catch steelheads, except to violate the law by selling them?

Every fish market that purchases steelhead or other trout violates the law. Every person who purchases them from the markets, or from the fisherman, violates the law and is subject to arrest, fine and imprisonment.

It is to protect the fish and to restock the streams that anglers pay their annual license. But what is the use of thousands so contributing when a dozen lawless fishermen make a business of slaughtering more in a few minutes than the hatchery can turn out.

The steelhead and trout are mostly marketed under the guise of "gifts." The fish are "presents" from the market fisherman. No money changes hands at the time—but it does subsequently or previously. No market fisherman can make a living by carrying his catch from the river to give away, and those supposedly law-abiding, respectable citizens in conspiracy with him, ought to be ashamed of themselves—they are a miserable kind of sportsmen.

The wanton abuse of their privileges by market fishermen can only have one result—the absolute prohibition of the sale of all fish, no matter how caught. By their illegal acts, these fishermen have not only brought upon themselves the indignation of the community, but have created a strong public sentiment to put them out of business altogether. They have proved themselves unworthy of trust.

How Steel Trust Maintains Monopoly

(From the Congressional Investigation Committee's report.)
Pertinent facts about the steel trust, its organization and maintenance are summarized as follows:
1. The giant combine is a monopoly in restraint of trade and therefore clearly in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.
2. That of its capital stock of \$1,465,000,000 more than \$500,000,000 is water, which can be absorbed only through exacting excessive prices for iron and steel products, by grace of the protective tariff and control of the money market.
3. That it owns the fees or leaseholds of more than 75 per cent. of all the available iron ore deposits of the United States, and, therefore, controls the raw material entering into the manufacture of iron and steel to such an extent that it is in a position to dictate prices of pig iron, semi-finished products and of all finished products which it sees fit to manufacture.
4. That through the ownership of common-carriers, and of plant facilities lines which it has succeeded in having recognized as common-carriers, it enjoys advantages denied to the ordinary iron or steel manufacturing concerns; that these advantages enable it to secure rebates through the use of devices prohibited by law and to secure unfair divisions of freight rates which are in effect rebates.
5. That its directors are presidents, vice-presidents or directors of railroads having a total capitalization and bonded indebtedness of \$10,265,071,832, or more than 55 per cent of the total capitalization and bonded indebtedness of all railroads—\$18,417,132,238—and that the influence so gained is sufficient to control the policy of those roads in favor of the steel corporation.
6. That through a system of interlocking directorates the steel corporation controls the great banks in two of the three central depository cities of the country—New York and Chicago—and is in a position to dominate the affairs of industrial and public utility corporations (Express, telephone, and street railroad companies), having a capitalization and bonded indebtedness of over \$4,000,000,000.

7. That it purchased immunity from prosecution through contributions to Republican campaign funds.
8. That the panic of November, 1907, was promoted practically for the single purpose of enabling the United States Steel Corporation to absorb the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company, a concern in splendid financial condition which had practically a monopoly of the red ores of the Birmingham district, which had recently secured an order for 157,500 tons of open-hearth rails from the Harriman Lines, and which was controlled by a syndicate of business men who had purchased it as a permanent investment and were rapidly improving the property; that President Roosevelt permitted this violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act at the behest of J. P. Morgan & Company.
9. That at the very time the Payne-Aldrich Law was being enacted at Washington for the alleged protection of American labor, the Steel Corporation's subsidiaries were advertising at Pittsburg for Slave, Roumanians, etc.
10. That the Steel Corporation has driven the labor unions from every mine, mill and blast furnace controlled by it, and from the grain-and-ore carrying vessels of the great lakes.
11. That it sells steel products abroad for much less than to domestic trade. Rails which cost less than \$12 ton to produce are sold to Americans for \$28 a ton, and to foreigners as low as \$29. The same ratio holds for structural steel in all its forms.

FISH, GAME AND FRUIT GO UP IN FLAMES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 21.—Hundreds of tons of fish, game and fruit and thousands of dozens of eggs were destroyed in a \$350,000 fire which early today destroyed the plant of the Merchandise and Cold Storage company at Seaton and Alameda streets. The heaviest losers are Armour and Company, Swift and Company and the Cudahy Packing company, who used the building as a cold storage depot.

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METHODISTS FINISH LABORS AT ASHLAND

ASHLAND, Ore., Sept. 21.—The Methodist conference concluded its sessions today. It embodied among other business matters an extended report of the Salem district, which like others throughout the conference jurisdiction showed gratifying gains during the last year. This report was submitted by Rev. Mr. Mogre.

Among transfers were those of Messrs. Bryant and Ford, who changed their allegiance from South Dakota and Columbia river territory respectively to this conference.

Upon recommendation of the board of examiners, Messrs. Luther, Bishop and Yearn, having passed, were advanced in work of the first year, Mr. Smith in the third and Mr. McCain in the fourth, while Messrs. Moore, Hites and James were continued in studies pertaining to the third year. Elder's honors fell to Rev. F. M. Welty.

Missions again were exploited, particularly the phase pertaining to the foreign movement. Mrs. Wm. M. Erskine, of Halsey, presided at the meeting, and Mrs. J. T. Abbott of Eugene delivered the principal address. The singing of Miss Nellie Gilbert was a special feature. Supplementing the evangelistic services, conducted by Rev. Mr. VanMartin, Rev. G. L. Hamilton of the Central church, Portland, preached.

Foreign missions again received the attention of a large conference attendance. Rev. H. B. Swartz, a missionary from Japan, gave the principal address.

"LUCILE" IS GREAT MOVING PICTURE

One of the greatest moving picture features ever presented in Medford is the film "Lucile" now being shown at the Star theatre. The subject, so well known, clearly carries out the idea of Owen Meredith's masterpiece and in a striking manner. The love story of Lucile and Lord Alfred is strikingly portrayed. Later the horrors of the Crimean war is shown, the charge of the light brigade being especially well depicted. The film is a masterpiece.

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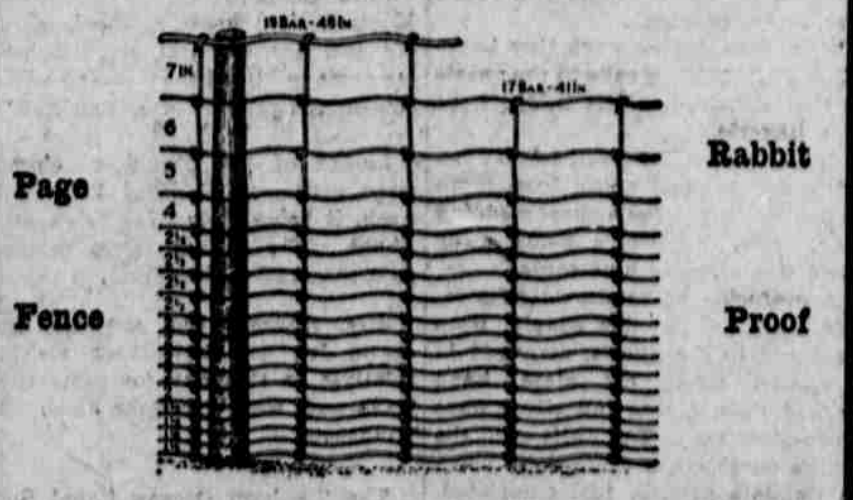
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