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FROM LINCOLN TO BARNES

THE libel case of William Barnes against Colonel Roosevelt is producing some unpleasant revelations. The testimony of Colonel Roosevelt concerning the control of Platt, Barnes and Murphy in the state of New York is a severe jolt to the patriot who believes this country must be governed through political parties.

According to the colonel, who is entitled to all credence, Barnes claimed to have a "hard and fast" agreement with Charlie Murphy of Tammany, under which neither was to interfere with the other's party control, even in the interest of good government. The ex-president's evidence further shows that Platt and Barnes under this system wished the governor and legislators to act as mere puppets, obeying their wishes in everything. They sought to make all appointments of the governor, and even named the committees of the legislative assembly.

Hughes when governor, as well as Roosevelt, were in every reform attempted by them combatted and defied by the Platt and Barnes machine. Their organization collected large sums from state contractors and public corporations, which was used to debauch elections, and these contributors recouped by raids on the treasury and favorable legislation. Under this good old system the people paid for the irons that fettered them.

Colonel Roosevelt testified that on one occasion Barnes said to him:

The people are not fit to govern themselves. They have got to be governed by the party organization and you can not run an organization, you can not have leaders, unless you have money.

This is the sentiment that breeds anarchists and dynamiters. This unconcealed contempt, this avowed disdain is not confined to Mr. Barnes alone. It is the private opinion of the political bosses, big and little, and their employers, "big business," throughout the land. It is the attitude of the stand-patter and the sincere belief of the reactionary. Even in Medford one could even find some who would feel proud to re-echo such sentiments, little realizing that the big bosses like Barnes, class them as cattle with the rest of us.

These sentiments are the same that were held and voiced by the French nobility before the revolution, and which finally brought upon serious disaster. It is the same sentiment that the lord of the feud held toward his vassals and serfs, housed in mud wattles and rearing their children under conditions unfitted even for animals.

When Richard the Second told the English parliament that they might, if they desired, free their serfs, the parliament, composed then only of lords and nobles and clergy, answered that the serfs were their goods, and the king could not take their goods from them but by their own consent. "And this consent," they ended, "we have never given and never will give, were we all to die in one day."

This is the attitude of Barnes, Murphy and Penrose and the like, and their toleration does not brighten the outlook for the American people. A few years ago the people thought the political boss was doomed, but last fall the election of Penrose in Pennsylvania by a plurality of 180,000 and a majority of 75,000 over all, showed the snake was not dead, but only scotched. Since then the reactionary republican organs have taken heart, and are proclaiming the speedy return of the bosses, and the good old times when you could not "run an organization or have leaders without money" obtained from "big business."

To such leadership the republican voters are asked to rally again as though they were the "goods" of the bosses. The democratic party has its Murphy and is trying to rid the party of him and his kind, and would have done so long ago except for the dual alliance between Tammany and the republican machine, which keeps Tammany alive in periods of famine, because Tammany is needed by "big business" in its nefarious schemes to thwart the will of the people.

But those who claim the right to speak for the republican party are making a grand endeavor to reunite the shattered regiments of that party under the leadership, not of reform, but of such reactionary bosses as Barnes and Penrose.

It is a long distance from the sentiments of Abraham Lincoln that "God must have loved the common people, because he made so many of them," to the sentiment of Boss Barnes, "the people are not fit to govern themselves," and it is all down hill.

LOMBARDI, OPERA IMPRESSARIO, DEAD

PORTLAND, Or., April 22.—Mario Lombardi, impresario of the Italian grand opera company, died at a hospital here today. He suffered a stroke of apoplexy while engaged in a game of billiards after the opera last night.

Mr. Lombardi was born in Florence, Italy, 66 years ago. Up until the time he was stricken last night he appeared to be in good health. He rallied after being taken to the hospital and hope was entertained for his recovery until a relapse set in early today.

FRANK'S ATTORNEYS SEEK LIFE SENTENCE

ATLANTA, Ga., April 22.—Attorneys for Leo M. Frank today filed a petition with Governor Slaton and the Georgia prison commission, asking that the sentence upon Frank for the murder of Mary Phagan, be commuted to life imprisonment.

GERMANY ASKS ABOUT MUELLER

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The German embassy has inquired of the state department what disposition has been made of the case of Dr. Wilhelm Mueller, German consul at Seattle, Wash., a warrant for whose arrest was issued by the state authorities some time ago on a charge that he had conspired to obtain information through an employee of the Seattle Dry Dock & Construction company, showing that the company was building submarines for use by Great Britain.

The embassy protested at the time that the consul was immune under treaty rights from arrest, and recently it was reported that the local authorities had decided to drop the case. The German embassy, however, has never been officially informed of the outcome.

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(By Esther Hoffmann.)

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somebody say that a motion picture actress or actor should enter the picture profession by the stage door. Soon after she was afforded an opportunity to enter musical comedy, which work she has been doing for the last three years.

Miss Subject was born in Kentucky, and like most of the daughters of the sunny south she is beautiful. You can see her in American Standard pictures, in which she poses for the "celluloid drama."

JAPANESE POSTPONE CHINESE NEGOTIATIONS

PEKING, April 22.—Japan again postponed today resumption of the negotiations with China. The Japanese minister, Eki Hiroki, informed the Chinese foreign minister, Lu Cheng-Hsiang, that the session, scheduled today, must go over, as he was still without instructions from Tokio. It is understood that the negotiations are being held up pending a decision by the Japanese government as to their policy, which is being discussed at Tokio by the cabinet and the elder statesmen.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN SWITZERLAND NORMAL

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Business conditions in Switzerland are practically normal again and there is an abundant supply of foodstuffs in the country, according to a statement issued today at the Swiss legation.

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TICKET SWINDLER UNDER ARREST

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—F. Holtz, known also as F. N. Clark, L. D. Standish, is reported today by a detective agency to have been arrested in Minneapolis, charged with the issuance of worthless Panama Pacific tours travelers' checks. He is alleged to have secured about \$25,000. According to the detective agency, Holtz operated in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Portland, Or., Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco and other cities. He is alleged to have secured \$2500 at Los Angeles, \$3000 at Portland, \$3000 at Seattle and smaller amounts at other places. He left San Francisco March 20.

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