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THE LINCOLN BANQUET

**L**INCOLN'S birthday was made the occasion in Medford—and countless other cities—by those who worship his name and neglect and repudiate his ideals, for organizing for the spoils of office. It furnished the excuse for a rally around the flag of standpatism, ironically waving Old Glory and singing patriotic songs. Lincoln's noble name and life were cited as incentives to American youth to enroll under the standard of the party that resembles Lincoln's party only in name, but from whom the spirit of Lincoln long since fled.

Abraham Lincoln, plain, homely humanitarian product of backwoods and prairie, was deluged by abuse, vilification and misrepresentation by enthroned privilege and predatory plutocracy, which for many years has dominated the party he created and used it to betray the nation, bartering for political patronage the heritage of the people until its natural resources are in the hands of private monopolies, fostered by special legislation creating billions and paupers.

Standpat politics are still in the stone age. Like the Bourbon, the standpatter learns nothing. The old tricks of patronage for the leaders, buncombe for the voters and campaign money from interests to be repaid by special legislative favors, are the only rules of the game he knows. Instead of human welfare, "prosperity" is prated to appeal to the cupidity of the individual—when under an unjust and inequitable social order the only prosperity possible is a lopsided prosperity that creates poverty.

Above the guests at the Lincoln banquet, in unconscious satire, side by side with the portrait of the great emancipator and foe of special privilege, hung the portrait, not as customary, of William McKinley, who delivered the goods, but of James Withycombe, who is striving his best to deliver the goods. Contrasting with the reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg address came the impassioned plea of Oregon's governor for Southern Pacific interest in the forfeited land grants and in behalf of the power trust's grab of forest reserve sites—graphically illustrating the toboggan slide in party principles from Lincoln to Withycombe.

From the atavistic buncombe of the toastmaster seeking to jimmy his way into the legislature to the alliterative tithulating incantations to the totem-pole prosperity of the prize calamity howler of the orchard belt, nursing a congressional bee, almost every speaker at the banquet is on the people's payroll or striving to get on. Hence their enthusiasm to organize the voters. But where do the people come in? What do they get out of it?

If Lincoln were alive today, would he join the present leaders of his party, financed by the very classes that so bitterly fought his every effort, in an effort to perpetuate plutocracy? Or would he be found scourging the money-changers defiling the temple of liberty? Would he not again strive to strike the shackles from humanity?

SAN DIEGO STILL ON THE MAP WITH FINE EXPOSITION

**To the Editor:**  
 At the request of the mayor and the common council of San Diego, I am writing this letter to inform you, as one who might possibly be remotely interested in this city's welfare, that all reports to the effect that our streets are echoing with the deadly rattling of rattlesnakes washed down from the surrounding hills; that glooms are at work despoiling the bodies of the drowned; that hundreds of people met death and thousands are homeless as the result of recent floods in this section; that every dam in the back country has given away and reduced sand bank country to a mass of boulders, sand and debris; that our beautiful exposition has slid down into the bay and is no more, and that railroad traffic may not be re-established with this bright section of the world again for many months—are false and without foundation in fact.

We had some rain, it is true, but not half the amount that normally falls in the wet sections of the country, and the storm, coming rather suddenly and copiously, did wash out one antediluvian dirt dam; but so far as great damage to the exposition is concerned, it is quite the contrary. The heavy rains have very greatly benefited the grounds, which will look handsomer than ever next summer as a result. The loss of life, while not nearly as great as reported, is to be regretted, but was confined mostly among Japanese and Chinese working in certain valleys.

By the time you get this letter trains will probably be running again into San Diego; meanwhile we have daily mail and passenger service by water, and life goes on much the same as though nothing untoward had occurred. San Diego is still on the map—only more so; she cannot be downed, any more than a city on a hill can be hid. If you could publish this you would be doing a kind, Christian act. Thank you. Yours truly, G. H. HAZZARD, San Diego, Feb. 11.

HAZEL DAWN AT STAR THEATER MONDAY



Hazel Dawn, one of the most beautiful stage artists that ever appeared on the screen, stars in the latest feature production, "The Heart of Jennifer," at the Star Monday.

CONGRESS WORKS WITH PRESIDENT ON DEFENSE PLANS

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.**—President Wilson today received a letter from Chairman Hay of the house military committee assuring him of the desire of the committee to work in harmony with him in perfecting the plans for national defense. The letter was sent in compliance with a resolution adopted by the committee thanking the president for his confidence expressed in his published correspondence with former Secretary Garrison. The letter follows: "I have been instructed by the committee on military affairs of the house of representatives to convey to you the very great appreciation which the committee feels for the confidence which you have shown in its good faith and patriotism and to assure you of its desire to work in harmony with you in perfecting a plan which would be of the greatest benefit to the country."

**NOTICE**  
Precincts Medford North Main and West Medford register now at the Mail Tribune office.

Pimples Disappear

There is one remedy that seldom fails to clear away all pimples, black heads and skin eruptions and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy. Any druggist can supply you with Zeno, which generally overcomes all skin diseases. Acne, eczema, itch, pimples, rashes, black heads in most cases give way to Zeno. Frequently, minor blemishes disappear overnight. Rubbing usually stops instantly. Zeno is safe, clean, easy to use and dependable. It costs only 25¢ an extra large bottle, \$1.00. It will not stain, is not greasy or sticky and is positively safe for tender, sensitive skins. Zeno, Cleveland.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**  
 I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of District Attorney for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the decision of the republican party, at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916. G. M. ROBERTS, Adv.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of district attorney. Adv. E. E. KELLY.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney, for Jackson county, Oregon, having filed my declaration to become such candidate, and subject to the decision of the republican party at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916. Adv. H. A. CANADAY.

**COUNTY CLERK**  
 I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county clerk for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the decision of the republican party, at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916. Adv. (Little) JOE H. WILSON.

**COUNTY TREASURER.**  
 Deputy County Treasurer Myrtle W. Blakeley announces her candidacy for the office of county treasurer. I hereby announce my candidacy on the republican ticket for the office of county treasurer, to be voted on at the coming primaries. I have held the position as deputy in this office for the past year and am confident that I can fulfill the duties connected therewith. I served two years as deputy county recorder before taking the position as deputy county treasurer; I have also had experience as accountant for several corporations, such as the Medford Concrete Construction company and Medford Ice and Storage company, before taking up county work and will say that my past record is open for inspection to the voters of Jackson county. If nominated and elected I will run the office without the expense of a deputy and continue to serve the public just as efficient in the future as I have in the past. Adv. MYRTLE W. BLAKELEY.

I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county treasurer, to be voted on in the coming primaries. If I am nominated and elected will conduct the office in an efficient and businesslike manner. Adv. ROY L. MAULE.

**COUNTY ASSESSOR**  
 I have filed my declaration to become a candidate for County Assessor of Jackson county, subject to the will of the republican party, at the primary election to be held May 19th 1916. I will appreciate your investigation of my qualifications and your support at the primary election. Adv. E. M. WILSON.

**COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT**  
 I hereby announce my candidacy on the republican ticket for the office of County School Superintendent for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the will of the republican party at the primary election May 19. I stand for practical school efficiency, personal supervision of the schools and elimination of county school supervisors. Adv. FRANCIS C. SMITH.

HONG KONG KOLUM

The simp that brags about the cold bath he takes every morning usually took his first one that morning.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

**(By Miss Philippa Pot-Chese)**  
**TO MAKE HOT WATER**—Take a good-size piece of water and arrange it in a tea kettle with the wet side down. Build a hot fire under the kettle and allow it to stand for 20 minutes. Stick your finger in the water and if you can keep it there for more than one-sixteenth of a second you will not be far wrong in saying that the water is hot. Then allow the water to cool, add cracked ice and you will have a delicious summer drink!

TO CARE FOR A YOUNG CHILD

—First obtain the child. Then leave it alone in a closed room with a box of matches, a celluloid collar and an open can of kerosene. If it needs any further care after this, it shows a tendency to have colic, lock it securely in a pantry with six open jars of orange marmalade, two cans of cavari, ten dozen strawberry tartis and a half barrel of green apples. If this system does not work well, obtain another child and begin all over again. Practice makes perfect.

The Lure of the Uniform

All Hemmings has joined the militia company. Will Anderson has taken a job as a holly in a hotel in Chicago. Milton Simms has gone on the Tulsa police force. Amos Smith has enlisted in the U. S. Army.—From an Oklahoma Weekly.

Bad News and Eggs

Bad news and ditto eggs had best be broken gently.—Philadelphia Ledger. When Luke McLake wrote it four years ago, it read: "Bad news and bad eggs should be broken gently.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Just so! And when we wrote it four years ago it ran thus: "How do you tell a bad egg?" "If I had anything to tell a bad egg I break it gently."—Boston Transcript.

Don't get excited gentlemen. The thing had whiskers when Noah was a boy.—Bridford Journal.

Not so; it was a female egg. And as the Argus remarked away back in 1802: "News dropt to a woman is like a bad egg—everybody will soon know it, broken ever so gently."—Eastern Argus.

Today's Belongings

A young Scotchman arrived in New York and secured work in a garage. He was set the first day in greasing the wheels on motor trucks. In a remarkably short time he reported his first job as done. "Do you mean to say," demanded the foreman, "that you have greased all your wheels already?" "Well, nay," replied Sandy, "only the two front ones." "And why not the back ones, too?" asked the foreman. "Well, so long as the front ones are all right, the two hind ones have to follow."

Says the Girl on the Film

The old-fashioned woman who used to have a big day's wash done by breakfast time now has a daughter who has to take a bottle of Pam-bonola every time she trons a two-by-four handkerchief.

Thrift!

"That's a pretty girl in the other side of the car?" "She surely is, do you know her?" "Yes." "Then why don't you speak to her?" "I will as soon as she's paid her car fare!"

No Quality at Home

"Who does the baby look like?" "He is neutral."

BULGARS OCCUPY ALBANIAN TOWN

**LONDON, Feb. 14.**—A Reuter dispatch from Athens says that Bulgarian forces have occupied the Albanian town of Fieri, about sixteen miles from Avlona.

A dispatch from Athens on February 7 said that, according to advices from Austria, Austrian and Bulgarian troops had formed a junction and occupied the towns of Albussan, Albussan is 38 miles south-east of Dora and fifty miles northwest of Avlona. The Austrian official statement announced that on February 9 Austria-Hungarian troops occupied Tirna, about 50 miles northwest of Avlona.

INCREASED ACTIVITY IN THE BALKANS

**LONDON, Feb. 14.**—Increased activity in the Balkans was reported from Athens. An Exchange Telegraph dispatch filed yesterday says that following the arrival of French and British reinforcements at Salonika the French are again proceeding up the Balkan coast, and the Bulgarian frontier. The Bulgarians are said to have occupied one-third of Athens.

COMMUNICATION.

**To the Editor:**  
 The revival meeting at the Nat. Inst. evening can be summed up in this way: Immense crowd, splendid music and Bro. Mathis' talking for his text "weighed in the balance and found wanting." Thoroughly impressed on the minds of the audience the absolute necessity of keeping Jehovah in the heart and of weighing up to the required standard; to avoid the awful consequences, citing Belshazzar as a horrible example. I read in holy writ "and the Lord speaks unto Moses saying I will visit the Midianites and smite them." B.

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would appear that two weighings were made; all the male adults fell short, and were dispatched. All male children and matrons were cut off at the second weighing; the thirty-two thousand virgins were all to the good. A full account can be found in the 31 ch. of Numbers. Read it. It certainly proves conclusively that it is absolutely necessary to keep Jehovah in your heart and weigh up to requirements.

Saul hath slain his thousands and David his tens of thousands (1 Sam. 28-7). David did that which was right in the sight of the God all the days of his life except in the case of Ukkiah (1 Kings 25-5). Take the case of Lot and his wife and daughters, all weighed up to standard at the first weighing, but at the second weighing Lot's wife fell short and was promptly turned into a pillar of salt. If the weighmaster should happen in to the Nash hotel lobby among the bunch of rounders who seem to have a continuous job of bottoming chairs and exchanging such like as soiling black white birds and white black birds, and having seen that waded around all winter and made their own living, saying nothing at all about the horrors of snow which consisted of one tenth baled hay, the lobby would be dotted with pillars of salt, root or sugar without doubt. If any weighing was done and what a pillar of salt Popp Luffie would make. The person must be blind indeed who cannot see the necessity of keeping Jehovah in his heart. Hundreds of other instances could be cited equally as convincing.

**W. M. I. SCOTT.**  
**THEY REFUSE TO EAT**  
 At periods in most children's lives they fail to relish their meals and refuse to eat even the delicacies prepared to tempt their appetites. They lack ambition, and growth seems impeded, which causes anxiety and worry. To compel them to eat is a grave mistake, because nutrition is impaired. Healthful exercise in fresh air and sunshine is important, but equally important is a spoonful of Scott's Emulsion. It takes a day to feed the tissues and furnish food-energy to improve their blood, aid nutrition and sharpen their appetites. The highly concentrated medicine-food in Scott's Emulsion supplies the very elements children need to build up their strength. They relish Scott's—it is key from which.

**JOHN A. PERL UNDERTAKER**  
 Lady Assistant  
 28 S. BARTLETT  
 Phones M. 47 and 47-32  
 Ambulance Service Coroner

WEDDING BELLS

Fulton J. Smith and Gladys Fay Minkler were united in marriage at the Presbyterian church Sunday, February 13, at 4 p.m. These two young people are from Talent, where they expect to make their home. Their many friends wish for them a happy and prosperous life together.

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POSITIVE PROOF

**Should Convince the Greatest Skeptic in Medford**  
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The best proof. Read it: Mrs. William Charley, 305 N. Grape St., Medford, says: "I had much pain in the small of my back and sometimes I could hardly bend or straighten. At night the trouble bothered me, too, and often I couldn't sleep. I tried plasters and liniments, but nothing helped me. When almost discouraged, I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills. In less than two weeks after I began taking them, I felt better. Four boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills made me well."—Statement given Sept. 14, 1907. OVER FIVE YEARS LATER Mrs. Charley said: "I have had no kidney trouble since Doan's Kidney Pills freed me of it." Price low, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Charley had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

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