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EM-TEES

Physician (looking into his ante-room, where a number of patients are waiting)—"Who has been waiting longest?"

Tailor (who has called to present a bill)—"I have, doctor, I delivered the clothes to you three years ago."

Horrible Crime! "Not long ago," said a judge, "a colored woman came into court to see what could be done about securing a pardon for her husband, who was in jail."

Sympathy. Beggar—"I haven't tasted food for a month. Dypentle—You ain't missing much. It's the same old taste."

Vain Words. "Have you anything to say why sentence should not be passed on you?" asked the judge.

The Worst of All. Son—"Depots don't get much comfort out of life, do they pa?"

Give Him a Chance. "No, I can't get out of town now for even a day. I might lose one of my patients."

Baseball and the Fan. A woman who had some knowledge of baseball took a friend to a championship contest.

Would Give It Away. DeWitt—"What is the sense of that rule forbidding an athlete to sell his prizes?"

Republicans Outnumber Democrats in County. The following is a complete list of registrations, showing the number registered in the various parties up to the week ending September 16, 1916.

Table with 4 columns: Party, Male, Female, Total. Rows include Republican, Democratic, Progressive, Prohibition, Socialist, Misc, and Totals.

WEDDING BELLS. Friends in Medford have just learned of the marriage last Thursday at Eureka, Cal., of Mrs. S. A. Messler and A. O. Bennett of the Bennett Investment company.

JOHN A. PERL UNDERTAKER. Lady Assistant 28 S. BARTLETT. Phone M. 47a and 47-J-2. Automobile Hearse Service. Ambulance Service. Coroner.

THE LAST RESORT

THERE are a good many political partisans who have been so long engaged in whooping up their own party and crying down the opposition that they have ceased to think or reason. The habit of seizing upon every condition that may be used to arouse prejudice has become so fixed that they simply open their mouths and "let her rip."

Times have been hard in the Rogue River valley because of local conditions. Three years of drouth and absence of intelligence sufficient to realize the necessity of irrigation can hardly be laid to President Wilson. The valley does not and is not producing enough to become self-sustaining. It produces less fruit per acre than any fruit belt in the country—because it is the only non-irrigated section. Given irrigation, and problems will work themselves out. Given irrigation, and canneries and sugar factories and other industrial enterprises will follow. No national administration will bring or can bring prosperity to the valley—it is simply up to the people of the valley to realize their potential possibilities.

Yet we have local standpatters daily holding forth the buncombe that the democratic administration is the cause of our hard times—and that the democratic tariff is the root of our depression. This is a stock argument of republican morons who say of any calamity, "the democrats did it."

This was exemplified in 1890, when a worldwide business depression began, the republicans claimed it was the danger of democratic victory. What a defective economic system must the republicans have constructed in their years of power that can be dissipated by even the thought of a possible change of officials.

The beautiful part of these partisan prophets is their ignorance of history. They know nothing of the panics of 1873-1878 and 1890-1894 and 1907. Here is the statement of failures during the panic of 1873 to 1878: 1873, \$228,000,000; 1874, \$155,000,000; 1875, \$201,000,000; 1876, \$191,000,000; 1878, \$234,000,000; total, \$1,199,000,000—an average of \$199,833,333. Considering the wealth of the country, which was about one-third of what it is now, this may be considered a pretty fair sort of panic, even under republican rule.

The next panic began under republican rule in 1890 and continued till 1894. According to the government reports, the commercial failures between January 1, 1891, and December 31, 1894, while the McKinley tariff was in existence, were as follows: 1891, \$190,000,000; 1892, \$114,000,000; 1893, \$347,000,000; 1894, \$173,000,000, total, \$823,000,000—an average of \$206,000,000 per year.

The same government authority shows the failures during the Wilson tariff law of 1894 to have averaged \$184,333,000 per year. The Wilson tariff was not enacted until the latter part of 1894, but so persistently have the tariff beneficiaries shouted and lied that the republican camp-followers are convinced that the distress of 1891 to 1893 was caused by a tariff law THAT WAS NOT PASSED till 1894.

But what about 1907? The commercial failures were: In 1907, \$197,000,000; 1908, \$222,000,000; total, \$419,000,000. The bank deposits of the country declined from \$13,100,000,000 in 1907 to \$12,785,000,000 in 1908, a loss of \$315,000,000 under the gentleman who picked Taft for us, and who is now shouting for Hughes.

The brazen assurance of partisans in reviving this worm-eaten campaign bunk has no counterpart in political history, and but serves to reveal their moral and intellectual bankruptcy.

TALENT FAIR SEPTEMBER 20. The Talent Industrial School Fair will be held at the high school building Wednesday of this week.

FOOTBALL PROSPECTS SLIM AT PRACTICE. Medford's chances of winning her games the forepart of the season seemed slim at the first football practice of the season held yesterday afternoon.

COUNTY CLERK'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30th, 1916

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES. General Fund. January, February, March, April, May, June, Total. Includes County court and commissioners, Sheriff's office, Clerk's office, Treasurer's office, etc.

STATEMENT SHOWING OUTSTANDING WARRANTS DRAWN ON THE GENERAL COUNTY FUND OF JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON; ALSO THE ACCUMULATED INTEREST THEREON ON JUNE 30, 1916

Table with 6 columns: Issued, Paid, Balance outstanding, Interest, Interest paid, Accumulated Interest. Rows for January 1st, January, February, March, April, May, June, Totals.

Table with 7 columns: January, February, March, April, May, June, Total. Rows for District No. 1-Labor, District No. 2-Labor, District No. 3-Labor, District No. 4-Labor, District No. 5-Labor, District No. 6-Labor, District No. 7-Labor, District No. 8-Labor, District No. 9-Labor, District No. 10-Labor, District No. 11-Labor, District No. 12-Labor, District No. 13-Labor, District No. 14-Labor, Bridges-Labor, Labor, Material, Ashland refund 1912 road tax, Light for P. & E. crossing, Crater Lake road survey, Taxi hire, Rent of shed for road machinery, Land deeded to County for road purposes, Freight on culverts, Culverts, Medford-Jacksonville road, Building ferryboat, Eagle Point-Brownboro road, General Road, Pacific Highway Road Fund.

Table with 7 columns: January, February, March, April, May, June, Total. Rows for County court and commissioners, Circuit court, Sheriff's office, Clerk's office, Treasurer's office, School superintendent's office, Fruit inspector's office, Assessor's office, Collection of taxes, Courthouse expenses, Jail expenses, Poor farm expense, Ferries, Recorder's office, Surveyor's office, Sealer of weights and measures, County water master.

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