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MORE SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRICKERY

In a frantic effort to bolster up a losing cause, the Southern Pacific company, with its high-priced publicity staff, is attempting to involve western Oregon in its Klamath rail battle with the Oregon Trunk.

From Salem comes word that the Southern Pacific has presented a resolution to its chamber of commerce in which that organization is urged to "express its confidence" in the Southern Pacific in its plans to develop this section of the state.

This misplaced attempt of the Southern Pacific to involve other communities of Oregon was promptly repudiated by both Salem newspapers, the Capital Journal and the Oregon Statesman, both of which condemned this childish plea for sympathy in no uncertain terms.

Says the Capital Journal:

"There are many reasons why such a resolution should be voted down and none at all why Salem should burn her fingers pulling Southern Pacific chestnuts out of the fire. While Salem has always been friendly to the Southern Pacific and is today, and has always helped maintain the integrity of the system, the railroad is presuming too much when it seeks to involve western Oregon communities in its efforts to monopolize traffic and eliminate competition in eastern Oregon."

While not so outspoken in its condemnation of the Southern Pacific tactics, yet the Oregon Statesman is equally as emphatic in urging the people of Salem to assume a "hands off" policy. It says:

"This section of the state has been in and is still friendly to the Southern Pacific but to seek to deny to the people of any section of the state or to another railroad equal rights in regard to patronage is neither right nor good policy for any chamber of commerce."

In view of the Southern Pacific attempt to sway Salem, it is presumed that its neatly typed resolutions will find their way to other chambers of commerce throughout the state, and we will find a few supine communities which are willing to "resolute" at the behest of the Southern Pacific until the cows come home.

It will be remembered that only a few short weeks ago the Southern Pacific ridiculed the action of groups of farmers in Klamath county who adopted resolutions urging that the Oregon Trunk be permitted to make its projected extension from Bend to Klamath Falls.

If the farmers and citizens of Klamath county are not vitally interested in more rail development then, who, praytell, is interested? And yet the Southern Pacific decried these resolutions as misplaced sentiment and of no value.

Well knowing that it cannot receive public endorsement of its plans for monopoly, except from a few lumbermen whom it has under its merciless grip, the Southern Pacific is now going far afield in its hurried efforts to procure a vote of "confidence."

For many years the Southern Pacific dominated California through its political debauchery and corruption. But even there the worm finally turned. In its present fight for rail supremacy in Central Oregon, the Southern Pacific might just as well realize now and for all time that the voice of the people demands to be heard; that bribery and coercion are a thing of the past, and that a trainload of resolutions from other communities will not help them in their efforts to throttle and stifle the development of Klamath county and Central Oregon.

THE FARMER STANDS HIS GROUND

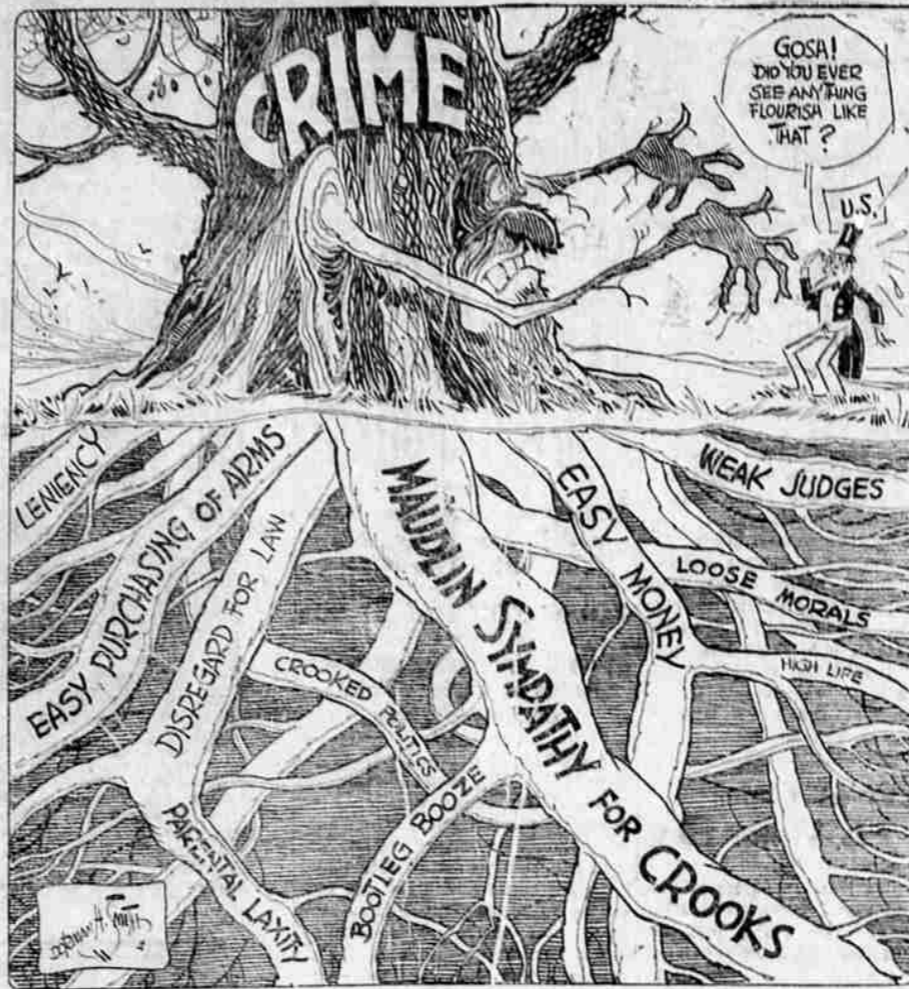
In the unceasing struggle between the individual and the corporation for industrial supremacy the farmer is one of the few of the former class who are successfully standing their ground. Organized enterprise, the corporation, the modern economic giant, has swallowed up many individual manufacturers and other producers, but the farmer has demonstrated that he is more than its equal.

The idea that the farmer is a slipshod business man is a delusion, W. I. Myers, Professor of Farm Finance of Cornell University, told a group of America's leading business men attending the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

"The American farmer," he said, "is the most efficient food producer that the world has ever known. The decrease in the proportion of workers engaged in agriculture from 87 per cent in 1820 to 26 per cent in 1920 is a concrete expression of this efficiency. In spite of this decrease in the proportion of workers engaged in agriculture, American farmers produce enough food and clothing for the nation and a large surplus for export."

This is one reason why the corporation, which has made individual enterprise a practical impossibility in many individual fields, has never been able to overcome the farmer who is more efficient than the large-scale producer.

The Life of the Tree Depends on Its Roots



STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

By CHARLES P. STEWART
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—What the next war will be like nobody knows.

Military men say they do not doubtless think so. But they disagree.

Different schools of experts predict half a dozen or more entirely different kinds of fighting. Their predictions conflict, too.

There's no way of adding them up, dividing by the total number of predictions and striking an average.

According to military fundamentalists the next war will be about the same old thing. Armies, with infantry as their backbone, will fight on land. Navies with battleships as their backbone will fight at sea. Aircraft will figure more than ever before but only as army and navy auxiliaries, after all. Warfare's principles haven't changed a bit.

According to the aviation school the next war will be fought in the air. Aircraft will wipe out armies and navies in big time. The county with the strongest flying force will have the enemy at its mercy before he realizes a fight's started.

His surface defenses and defenders destroyed, his cities will be bombed, his countryside harried and he'll have to yield without having had a chance to strike a blow.

According to the chemical school, gas will decide the next war. It

may be outlawed but it will be used.

Whole armies will be gassed in their trenches. Crews will be gassed on ships at sea. The populations of entire cities will perish similarly. Airplanes will be convenient for raining down death thus but their ammunition will be chemical.

These aren't all the schools—only some of the principal ones. With so much disagreement among them, what's a nation, dependent on their advice, to do?

Build up an all-round military establishment, to suit the whole outfit? That's a large order.

A navy, for instance, is expensive. If it's to be destroyed, first shot out of the bottle, by aircraft, it would be better to scrap it and concentrate on aircraft.

Yet suppose the country does that, and then the aviation school turns out to be mistaken. That would be bad business, too.

Well, it's up to the experts to fight it out the best they can.

TO WILLIAMSON RIVER

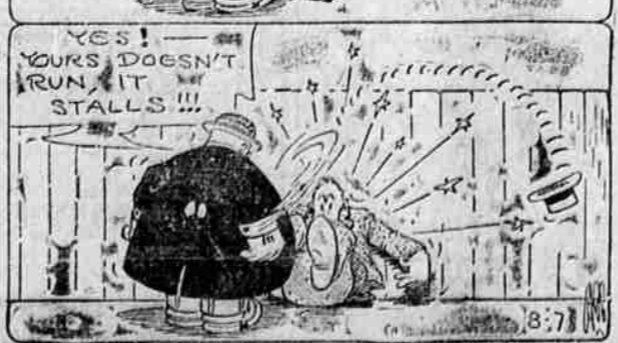
Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Yeatch, Miss Vera Houston and Miss Gertrude Parker are leaving tomorrow for Williamson River where they will spend the day. Miss Augusta Parker who has been enjoying an outing on the river will return home tomorrow evening with the party.

THROUGH VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Lear with Mr. Lear's brother, G. W. Lear of Los Angeles, Calif., will motor through the valley Sunday. Mr. Lear plans to be here about a week longer before returning south.

EVERETT TRUE

By CONDO



Keeps Going



He's worth \$18,000,000, but he's going to keep on working! James C. Rucker is a saw filer. When he learned that long litigation in England had finally ended by dropping a huge estate in his lap he said he would keep right on filing saws. He lives in Springfield, Mo.

GOLF MEETING HELD

At the meeting of the board of directors of the new Golf club, held last evening at the office of McGuire and Maguire, a number of matters were discussed and decided upon by the board. Every effort will be made to rush all work of the club and contracts for the various buildings will be let as soon as possible.

VISITING FROM SOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fuston and sister of Sacramento are enjoying the week-end visiting here.

CHILOQUIN VISITORS

E. R. Wilson and R. W. Simpson arrived in the city late this afternoon from Chiloquin to remain over Sunday.

FIRE LOSS BIG IN PAST YEAR

WASHINGTON.—Forest fires swept 29,000,000 acres of public and private lands last year with a monetary damage of \$38,000,000. It is estimated by the forest service.

The number of forest fires was fixed at 92,000, which was 24,000 more fires than in 1923, and 43,000 more than the nine-year average.

Incendiary Fires Most
Incendiary fires topped the list with 31,000, brush fires came next with 16,000, and smokers' third with 13,000. Other chief causes were attributed to railroads, camp fires, lumbering and lightning.

Money damage in 1924 was estimated at \$19,000,000 more than in 1923, and \$18,000,000 higher than the nine-year average. The estimate does not include damage to young plant growth, watershed protection, wild life or recreational areas.

National Forests Suffer

On the national forest areas alone 8,237 fires were reported as sweeping 602,000 acres, with a money loss of \$1,500,000.

William B. Greeley, chief of the forest service, declared the increase in reported fires was due partly to more complete reports, although he termed 1924 as a "very bad year."

"The greatest single agency with which to combat forest fires is public opinion," he said. "The federal and state governments are doing their utmost with the funds and equipment allotted them. It is high time that a more effective weapon is placed at their disposal and that weapon is an outraged opinion."

FIRE DESTROYS RAILWAY BRIDGE

Southern Pacific Span on Rock Creek Branch Burns Early Today

FALLS CITY, Ore., Aug. 8.—The Southern Pacific Railroad bridge at the end of the Falls City and Black Rock branch was totally destroyed by fire of an undetermined origin which started at 2:30 o'clock this morning, and as a result operations on the Willamette Valley Logging road extending on from Black Rock will come to a halt indefinitely, pending rebuilding of the structure.

The Willamette Valley company has been operating two and three logging trains a day from their camp into Dallas, all of them coming in over the destroyed bridge and the Southern Pacific branch line into Dallas.

FROM AUSTRIA

W. H. Bartlett of Astoria is visiting in the city. There is a possibility that Mr. Bartlett will locate here, being very much impressed with Klamath Falls.

Worry is a great thing. It is about the only thing that can make most of us think.

MISS KEYES HERE

Former Teacher in Klamath Falls Schools Here from Hawaii

Miss Betty Keyes, who three years ago taught in the Klamath Falls schools is among the interesting visitors here this week, stopping at the hotel White Pelican. Miss Keyes plans to return for the fall term of school to resume her position in the Hawaiian schools where she has been for the past three years.

At Portland 2, Vernon 4.
At Seattle 7, Oakland 4.
At San Francisco 5, Sacramento 2.
At Los Angeles 3, Salt Lake 6.

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