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FEDERAL, STATE AND CITY OF PORTLAND POLITICS WRITTEN ON THE SPOT

Searchlight Information Given the Public in This Newspaper About Oregon Public Men and Circumstances

Portland, June 4.

Well, the Portland exposition has been opened. There were not so many more people in town but the street cars and hotels could handle them all. Beyond reducing the size of their dishes a little, there has been no change in the prices or service at the restaurants. The barber shops have tucked on an extra neckel for shaving your neck if you have that done on Saturday. THERE HAS BEEN NO COMPLAINT ABOUT THE HOTELS ADVANCING RATES. The New Oregon, that opened the other day, is full and has among its guests Senator Mitchell and Homer Davenport. I could not begin to name the Oregon notables who were at the opening of the fair. Quite a number of the Salem guests stopped at the New Lange, and it is becoming Salem headquarters more than ever. Prices have not been advanced, and will not be, says Sam Bauman, the manager. So far, I have found the restaurants that gave the best service among the smaller concerns to be the Alder, on Alder street, next to Meyer & Frank's store, and the Cream store, run by the Hazlewood creamery people, on Washington, between Park and Ninth streets.

The city election has a sticky, creepy feeling, and the people I come in contact with are not so sure about Williams being the next mayor. At the eleventh hour the Republican city committee made a herculean effort and got out red-hot campaign material to rally the faithful. For a party that had nearly ten thousand majority for Roosevelt, the situation is peculiar, but it can be set down in Oregon that the time when mere party majority ensured the election of every man on the ticket is past. THE ACTION OF THE INDEPENDENT VOTERS in this respect may be set down as pretty sure to be ON THE SIDE OF REFORM if you can show them plainly where they can strike a blow. Roosevelt encourages this, and nearly all the bolting Republicans say they are Roosevelt men and expect to be if he stands by his present policies. Lane has made a clever fight. So has the Portland Journal. In the last minutes of the campaign the city committee appealed to State Chairman Baker for help to elect Williams. Beyond a square and manly appeal to the party workers in each precinct, Chairman Baker could not assert himself, but if Williams pulls through it will not be due to the work of the Oregonian so much as to Baker. The Oregonian has done about all it could to open up sore places and make Williams impossible. Its last attack on the plutocrat families did not help things.

The last spike has been driven in the State Portage railroad, and this opens the way for more traffic on the Columbia. Great credit is due to the Open River corporation, prominent Portland business men, headed by Hon. Jos. Teal, who organized and directed the ceremonies attending the occasion. He

has a tremendous interest in the opening of the Columbia, being the manager of the D. P. Thompson estate, and having, so to speak, water on the brain. His father was a pioneer worker and fighter for the construction of the locks at Oregon City. Mr. Teal is a man of great ability as an organizer and is throwing his heart and soul into the BREAKING OF THE EMBARGO LAID ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS STATE BY THE HILL INFLUENCES TO THE NORTH, that have dictated to Harriman that he shall build no branch lines of railroad in Oregon. In the Chamber of Commerce work Teal is a host and is gathering vital statistics that will finally compel a hearing for the interests of Oregon. If this state had more men of this stamp, it would be better off. This reminds me that in the legislature of 1895 Mr. Teal was a member of a committee that came before that body and made arguments for an appropriation for a state portage railway. I supported the bill and voted for it, and was roasted for extravagance by some of my gentlemen colleagues. The same men are now ready to swear the portage road is all right, and so am I.

The Pendleton East Oregonian don't like the way the program was handled at the opening of the Lewis and Clark fair, saying in substance that the rest of the state was not recognized by the Portland crowd. Here is what it says: "In the ceremonies attending the reception and escort of the vice-president there is said to have been a noticeable absence of prominent men and officials of the state outside of Portland. Vice-President Fairbanks was met and escorted through the city by Director Goodie, of the fair association. NELTHER GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN, PRESIDENT MYERS OR ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ASIDE FROM THOSE IN PORTLAND WERE THERE. Senator Fulton, who rode in the last carriage, is said to have been almost the only prominent representative from outside of Portland.

"Considerable criticism is being expressed over the apparent desire of the Portland crowd to leave the rest of the state out of the proceedings, and, unless the policy is soon changed, it is feared the quarrel will have a bad effect on the success of the exposition. From all accounts, the state commission has little to say in the arrangements, although the state really financed the project by giving \$500,000 at the start. In view of this, the opinion is being expressed that Governor Chamberlain, as the executive officer of the state, should have been shown some consideration."

The above should not distress the brother from the cow county east of the Cascades. The people from the interior of the state are no more to Portland than the people of Idaho or Washington or Montana, except when they want things from the legislature. One Portland newspaper never copies anything from a country paper unless it be something ridiculous, that can be held up to the derision of the rest of the world, as though the people of the interior were A LOT OF YAHOOES, WITH HORNS ON THEIR HEADS AND RATTLES ON THE ENDS OF THEIR TAILS. Portland is the great metropolis of four states, and has to be strictly impartial towards the people of all of them. Even the use of large sums of Oregon railroad earnings to build tracks in Nevada, Utah, Idaho and Washington does not distress them. It is all to make Portland the Boston of the Northwest, and state pride does not enter into the matter. Oregon will develop anyhow, and Oregonians are only fillers. Chamberlain was on the program, and the cadets of the Washington Agricultural College marched where the brave boys of the Oregon Corvallis college, who made the Second Oregon famous in the Philippine campaigns, should have marched.

The people of Oregon are only fillers for the great insatiable maw of Portland's commercial ambition. THE

COUNTRY PRESS HAS GIVEN THE EXPOSITION ITS LIFE and popularity with the masses of the people of this state, and not a dollar of the \$50,000 advertising fund and not a courtesy has ever been shown them. There is a State Press Association, but who among them has ever been recognized for anything but demands for unlimited free advertising for the fair? The mails every day are burdened with the press copy, prepared for all the country papers, to tell of all the wonderful dancing maidens and hootchie-kootchie parades that can be encountered on the trail, and the hundred and one grafting enterprises ready to take in the rural populace on their arrival, strung all the way from the union depot to the entrance of the fair grounds. It is certainly a harvest time for the Portland grafters, from the high lords and titled muckmucks of the fair board down to the humblest member of Mayor Williams's angelic police hosts.

The tremendous interior development of Oregon has not been materializing. The result may come about after the Lewis and Clark fair, but most of the fair visitors so far have been of THE PLEASURE-SEEKING CLASS, WHO ARE WELL FIXED AT HOME and are not coming west to look up a farm home or to swell the population by raising a family: Fakers, speculators, hot-air artists, bank robbers and cracksmen generally, there will be a small army of coming to Oregon this year. But the honest farmer and tiller of the soil will not come to a state not opening up new territory with railroads. Here is the record of Clatsop county, as given by the Astorian:

"The census returns of Clatsop county have been nearly completed. The returns show an increase in the population of Astoria during the past five years of about 50 per cent. In nearly every country precinct the returns show a falling off, in some instances 25 per cent. The decrease is more noticeable in the farming districts, and a very poor showing is made. From the returns, it may be deducted that there are no new farmers coming to Clatsop county. It is an admitted fact that thousands of farmers from the Eastern states are coming to the Pacific coast, but CLATSOP COUNTY HAS NOT RECEIVED OR ADDED TO ITS POPULATION ONE SINGLE FARMER."

The latest turn in the land fraud cases is the roar of Secretary Hitchcock over Judge Gilbert's naming Judge De Haven to try the land fraud cases. It was supposed that Prosecutor Heney had named that judge, but it seems the judiciary itself was consulted, and that De Haven is not just what Hitchcock wanted. It is even rumored here that he is the judge who once fined Heney for contempt of court in Idaho or some other hoe. At any rate, there is blood on the moon, and the tall tower hath been belching great blotches of red paint into the political atmosphere. Judge Gilbert is not a personal enemy of THE OREGON MEN WHO ARE TO BE CONVICTED IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR HITCHCOCK TO BRING IT ABOUT. That he should have named a judge who is not red-hot to convict is nothing short of infamous in the eyes of those who want to sweep the Oregon delegation out of existence. The statement of the Baker City Maverick who says I would be guilty of contempt of court if Judge Bellinger were alive only shows that muzzling the entire press of the state in the interest of securing convictions at any price is part of the program. The Journal editor stated long ago that he would attend the land-fraud trials in person and publish a truthful report of what took place there. The threat of being fined for contempt of court will not keep him away. The Maverick writer does not know the meaning of "contempt of court," as it cannot be committed by any act or publication after the court has adjourned. But those kind of people imagine that they can do all things, right or wrong.

For some reason, both the morning

and evening editions of the tall-tower publications have unmercifully editorially roasted the Salem Statesman. It has been generally supposed that the Statesman was not doing anything to attract the attention, wrath or enmity of the Scott dynasty. The Statesman is especially hauled fore and aft because it had the nerve to say there was no crying demand in Oregon for tariff revision. It is asked to name a candidate for Congress in this district who does not favor tariff revision. The candidates have not been bursting the drum of the public ear, shouting their views on the subject. There are other matters, equally important, but THE STATESMAN IS SINGLED OUT AND GIVEN A TONGUE-LASHING over this matter, for which it is not at all responsible. The purpose is to silence the Statesman and whip it into line on some other matter. The candidates for Congress will probably sing their song to the people when the proper time comes. In the mean time it is well to remember that Binger Hermann is not yet convicted. If he is not sent to the penitentiary, his friends may take a notion to send him to the United States Senate. The only trouble is, he has not grabbed a million or two of timber lands for himself, like the senators from Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. The biggest timber thieves in those states have nearly all been made millionaires, and some of them from each state made U. S. senators.

The Maverick publication at Baker City and copying it in full in the Oregonian reveals two things: First, that they dare not discuss the real issue involved, but wanted to steal a march on the whole state and, while the people were asleep, get a man in for judge to succeed Bellinger who would be owned by certain parties, and not by the people in general. Second, that, UNABLE TO DEFEND THEIR POSITION, THEY TRY TO LAUGH IT OFF. Well, that is the best and wisest way out of a difficult position. The mission of the Maverick is apparent to all. Its articles enable the Oregonian to reprint without showing its own hand. It has troubles of its own, keeping tab on the Portland Journal, and cannot afford to unweath its broadsword for any small-fry country newspaper like The Daily Capital Journal. And it is better to be silent, or, at least, cater to the Oregonian, if you want to live in Oregon and amount to anything in the way of publicity. The Maverick articles also indicate that the whole Heney push are doing what they are doing in the land-fraud cases not from principle, but because they imagine it gives them a stand-in with Teddy. Every mother's son of them, from Harvey Scott down to Heney, wants to grasp the president's hand and hear that "Dee-lighted!" as the climax of getting a federal office. Like some Christians, they worship the Lord, with a proviso always that he help them in their private schemes.

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