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WHEN THE REGIMENT CAME BACK

All the uniforms were blue, all the swords and rifles new, When the regiment went marching down the street. All the men were hale and strong, as they proudly moved along Through the cheers that drowned the music of their feet. Oh, the music of their feet, keeping time to drums that beat! Oh, the glitter and the splendor of the sight!

When the regiment came back all the guns and swords were black, And the uniforms had faded into gray; And the faces of the men who marched through that street again Seemed like faces of the dead who lose their way. For the dead who lose their way cannot look more gaunt or gray— Oh, the sorrow and the anguish of the sight! Oh, the weary, lagging feet, out of step with drums that beat, When the regiment came marching from the fight!

THE MEN WHO WORE THE BLUE

There was a tinge of the pathetic in the Lincoln memorial service conducted by the Grand Army of the Republic.

IT IS THE PATHOS OF PATRIOTISM to behold an assemblage of the men who carried into actuality the principles of national unity and freedom that Lincoln stood for.

With what pride they stepped forth to answer the call for troops, YOUNG, BRAVE, GENEROUS, IMPETUOUS PATRIOTISM, Saturday when a young man sang, "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," these men burst into tears.

THEY RECALLED THE FORCED MARCHES AND THE COMRADES LEFT BEHIND IN HOSPITALS AND BATTLEFIELDS. Lieutenant Webster arose and in a voice broken with emotion, moved a rising vote of thanks to the singer.

He is a modest quiet man serving his country as a justice of the peace AS FAITHFULLY AS HE DID IN THE SIXTIES AS AN ARTILLERYMAN, WHEN HE WON PROMOTION BY SILENCING THE ENEMY'S GUNS.

It is that quality of faithfulness in plain civic duty, as well as in times of warfare, that distinguishes the Grand Army.

The memory of Lincoln, and the vanishing ranks of the men who wore the blue ARE TREASURES OF PATRIOTISM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE PRIZE.

Outside the Grand Army hall stood a man who was a soldier of the confederacy. He listened to the songs and thought of the "Lost Cause." "WELL, IF HERE AINT A JOHNNY REB!" said one of the Lincoln Vets as they filed out onto the street.

There was a hearty handclasp. Tears came into the eyes of the late wearer of the butternut, but he was immediately SURROUNDED BY MEN GLAD TO SEE HIM.

They were friends, Americans, men who could differ, who could fight and forget.

"YOU MEN GAVE US A NATION. YOU GAVE US LIBERTY AND FREEDOM, AS WELL AS TO THE AFRICAN," said the ex-confederate.

Ah, little can the present generations realize, little do they appreciate, what was done by the men who wear the blue that they might enjoy THE BLESSINGS OF CIVILIZATION UNDER ONE FLAG, ONE CONSTITUTION.

BRYAN MAY NOT BE THE NOMINEE

There are a number of reasons why Bryan may not be the nominee. One reason is that he has run twice, and there is the old saying, THREE TIMES AND OUT.

Bryan's repeated candidacies have crystallized his supporters, so that he has nothing to give new supporters. HE IS IN THE FIX THAT GRANT WAS IN WHEN HE RAN THE THIRD TIME.

His support was all in when the convention assembled. It was known who would get the places.

Bryan has such an attachment of followers from each state, who boosted for him for two campaigns, THAT NO NEW OR RECENT SUPPORTERS COULD GET PLACES.

The old guard would monopolize all his federal patronage. Hence the convention is liable to be stampeded for a ticket LIKE JOHNSON OF MINNESOTA AND CHAMBERLAIN OF OREGON.

The great party leaders, men like Hill of New York, Cleveland of New Jersey, Belmont and scores of others, are leary of Bryan, afraid of his ability, jealous of his leadership.

Those Democratic warhorses are party bosses and naturally prefer some mediocre man WHO IS LESS OF A PARTY DICTATOR.

As a great and unselfish champion of great economic principle Bryan was supported by many WHO BENEIT SELFISH, PERSISTENT OFFICE-CHASING.

All things considered, there is a strong probability that Bryan will not be the nominee.

The two-thirds majority required in the Democratic convention WILL BE STAMPEDED FOR SOME MORE AVAILABLE, LESS BRILLIANT CANDIDATE.

PREPARING FOR THE DRUBBING

The Oregonian deserves credit for frankness. It says there is no party organization, and that it will not support what there is.

BUT THAT DOES NOT DISPOSE OF THE SITUATION as far as the people who are or have been Republicans are concerned.

THEY ARE JUST AS GOOD, (or just as bad if the Oregonian would have it that way) REPUBLICANS AS THEY EVER WERE.

The Republicans of Oregon who refused to vote for Furnish for governor, and for Williams and for Devlin for mayor of Portland, are still on earth and are still Republicans.

THE RE-ELECTION OF CHAMBERLAIN ENDORSED HIS ADMINISTRATION, BUT was not a condemnation of Withycombe.

Abuse will not take away from freemen their freedom to vote as they

please in the future, and the Oregonian is not doing much to keep them from asserting their independence at the next election.

ABUSE OF REPUBLICANS WILL NOT KEEP REPUBLICANS FROM VOTING AS THEY PLEASE.

At present the Oregonian is helping abuse the Independent Republican voters and trying to drive all of them to oppose Statement No. 1, and get down on their knees and promise to support the machine program.

BUT CAN IT MAKE THE REPUBLICANS OF OREGON WHO HAVE WANDERED DO THAT?

When has the Oregonian ever opposed the machine, or a machine candidate unless it was some unfortunate devil who was down? DID IT NOT ALWAYS UPHOLD THE LATE FRANK BAKER MACHINE?

It is perfectly plain that Furnish as governor would have been a machine governor, AND OF A ROTTEN MACHINE AT THAT.

We say this with due respect to the gentlemen, but there is nothing in evidence to the contrary, WHILE THE MACHINE HAS PROVEN ITS OWN CHARACTER.

It is perfectly plain that Williams was and Devlin would have been a machine man as mayor of Portland. The Williams municipal machine nauseated the decent and moral elements of Portland by pandering to vice.

Now the mayorship of Portland IS ABOUT AS IMPORTANT A JOB AS GOVERNOR and the people will not stand for a machine Republican in either place.

Merely saying you are a Republican, with a machine record, is not enough. If the Republicans want to elect a Republican mayor of Portland or a Republican governor of Oregon let them put up men who are more than a mere party machine figurehead, MEN WHO WILL NOT STAND FOR THE MACHINE GRAFTS.

We are not saying but that Furnish or Williams or Devlin might have displayed some independence after election, MIGHT HAVE PARTED COMPANY WITH THE MACHINE AT SOME POINTS, but there is nothing in evidence to prove that THEY EVER DID, OR EVER WOULD.

The fact is, a Republican mayor of Portland doing what Mayor Lane has done, or a Republican governor doing what Governor Chamberlain has done to check legislative extravagance, WOULD BE UPHOLD BY THE PEOPLE.

The masses of the people regardless of party will not stand for a mere machine dummy in so important an executive office. AND THEY ARE RIGHT.

So in abusing the people for what they have done, in driving the Republican party INTO THE ATTITUDE OF WANTING THE BARREL REGIME RESTORED IN ELECTING U. S. SENATORS, the Oregonian is doing all in its power to pave the way for the drubbing.

There are those who say the Republican party will never get right until it has had its drubbing.

The Republican party must get right or get its drubbing. IT HAS IT COMING IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT WAYS.

It will have to part company with some of the practices of the past and give the people something besides machine nominations and machine appointments.

The people of Oregon have not begun to make as many mistakes in selecting candidates for office AS THE MACHINE HAS TO ITS CREDIT.

The Oregonian pretends to be fighting State No. 1 IN THE INTEREST OF HONEST POLITICS.

It says that feature of the direct primary law is a sham, a fraud, and conceived to put Democrats into office.

If that is conceded, THE MACHINE WILL DEMAND REPEAL OF THE ENTIRE SYSTEM OF DIRECT NOMINATION AND DIRECT LEGISLATION ON THE SAME GROUND.

What of national Republican principles? What of the foundation stone on which the Republican party rests, PROTECTION TO AMERICAN INDUSTRY?

According to the Oregonian Statement No. 1 is the menace to the Republican party, but free trade is all right.

PREPARE FOR THE DRUBBING, INDEED, when you say there is no party organization and get over onto the Democratic platform on the tariff question.

The Capital Journal believes there is enough GOOD COMMON SENSE DECENT REPUBLICANISM LEFT IN OREGON TO ELECT THE WHOLE TICKET from United States senator down to road supervisors but it will not rally with enthusiasm for the ordinary claptrap of machine Republicanism without brains or conscience that is palmed off on the people by the alleged party organs.

HAD IT IN FOR LINCOLN.

Portland direct primary fighters celebrated Lincoln's birthday. LINCOLN BELIEVED IN THE PEOPLE EXPRESSING THEMSELVES.

The state of Illinois even in Lincoln's time had the direct primary in force.

LINCOLN WAS ALWAYS ON THE SIDE OF THE PEOPLE. Lincoln and Douglas campaigned before the people for the senatorship.

LINCOLN ABIDED BY THE EXPRESSED WILL OF THE PEOPLE. But we have entered upon other days, when Lincoln is not eulogized for what he did for the people.

HE WAS NEVER AFRAID TO TRUST THE PEOPLE ON ANY MATTER. Lincoln was the founder of the Republican party.

FLAX CULTURE IN THE GREAT NORTHWEST

The second factor making for the new prosperity may be termed "the discovery of flax." For years there had been a few scattered flax fields, but it was only in the middle nineties that the northwestern pioneer awoke to the discovery that linseed oil was of a more truly golden hue, not only than the wheat field, but

any gold-bearing quartz California ever saw. And so the endless golden yellow of the fields of wheat gave place to the blue flowers in August and the tinkling bells in September of the flax field.

Those who have never heard the ringing of the flax bells have missed a truly wonderful sensation. The round seed pods, smaller than peas, which contain the seed, give a faint metallic sound which as one drives or walks through a field, setting thousands in motion, seem like myriads of infinitesimal bells tinkling so faintly as to be all but inaudible. Nor is the mere sight of a flax field in the mellow August soon to be forgotten. Imagine a hundred-acre field, filled with flowers of a blue more delicate than violets. And of its profitable character one illustration will suffice. In June, 1900, Ole Jaanssen bought 160 acres in the heart of the great flax belt for \$19 an acre on the crop payment plan. Ole "broke up" that fall and the next spring 125 acres and planted it in flax. In round numbers he threshed in the fall eighteen and one-half bushels to the acre; sold it for \$1.39 1/2 a bushel; total, \$2500; a little more than twice enough to pay for his land out of his first crop. Not only was the flax immensely profitable itself but it removed from the country the stigma, "one crop country."—A. E. Dickey in World Today.

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SMILES

Who would want to wear that expression on Hetty Green's face for all her millions.

This paper has no room to print mean things said about any of its esteemed contemporaries, like the Oregonian and the Albany Democrat.

While some men are chasing offices, Judge Burnett seems to have a hard time dodging honors.

Oregon has need of immigration, but not of Hindu, black or tan or Asiatic yellow.

Machines don't want men who make any statements. It prefers padlocked dummies.

Miss Theodore Shonts is to wed an another unpronounceable count. It is time for some nobleman to threaten our country with the Japs.

The old guard are good men, but they have no use for direct primaries.

Tears shed for wrong-doing are generally shed after the fun has been had.

Eugene will have "Parsifal."

The state press will slug most of the initiative measures.

Let us all unite to make it pleasant for the visitors.

Gambling has been suppressed at Baker City for the present.

This office is swamped with editorial advocating tariff reform. Who hires it done and pays the postage?

The office is flooded with offers to sell public land scrip. The public lands are still the object of gigantic speculation instead of the government reserving them for the actual settlers of the future.

Why should not Salem have a humane society? The way some of the poor horses are abused is a fright. Some come to town in a nearly starved condition. There is no religion in that.

"Next!"

"I was counsel for a railway company in the west," says a prominent New York lawyer, "in whose employ a section hand had been killed by an express train. His widow, of course, sued for damages. The principal witness swore positively that the locomotive whistle had not sounded until after the entire train had passed over his departed friend.

"You admit that the whistle blew?" I sternly demanded of the witness.

"Oh, yes; it blew."

"Now," I added impressively, "if that whistle sounded in time to give Morgan warning the fact would be in favor of the company, wouldn't it?"

"I suppose so," said the witness.

"Very well. Now, for what earthly purpose would the engineer blow his whistle after the man had been struck?"

"I presume," replied the witness, with great deliberation, "that the whistle was for the next man on the track."—Harper's Weekly.

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Second Mother (resignedly)—That's nothing; Jack's always send me to the bank.—Puck.

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"What part?"

"He leads a horse across the stage in the last act!"—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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FILIPINOS SAY JAPS WILL TAKE THE ISLANDS

(United Press Leased Wire) Manila, Feb. 17.—The Junta at Tokio, claiming to touch with Japanese officialdom, continues sending the disaffected Filipinos here, with whom it is in communication, predictions of the destruction of the American ships on emerging from the Iloilo straits did not materialize. The junta now declares that the program is to await a division of American naval strength, and destroy the force remaining in the Pacific, and afterward dispose of the remainder should it remain as done with the Russian fleet.

Co-incident with the junta's policy there is a recrudescence of the Japanese spy system.

RUSSIA AND TURKEY ON VERGE OF OPEN HOSTILITIES

(United Press Leased Wire) Paris, Feb. 17.—News via London to the effect that Russia is sending its Caucasus forces at Batoum in connection with Saratov reports directing that troops be billeted at Kiof and Odesa province of Don, is taken here as indication of very serious developments in the pending Turkish difficulties.

All of the Czar's garrisons on the frontier are being strongly forced and the military road from Batoum to Turkey has been closed to every one who is not provided with special permits from Batoum commander.

SCHOOL TEACHERS WANT THAW RELEASED

(United Press Leased Wire) Evansville, Ind., Feb. 17.—A movement favoring the release of Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, developed among the teachers of Washington township, in this county, which is a few miles from here.

The teachers met in annual convocation and passed a resolution by a unanimous vote to send a petition to the authorities at New York asking Thaw be released from the state prison at once. Several women were present, and the resolution adopted amid loud applause and hand-clapping.

Several addresses were made by the pedagogues, in which they lauded for having slain Stanford White. The petition was signed by all the teachers present.

MINISTER KILLED BY STREET

Los Angeles, Feb. 17.—Richard Bode, aged 75 years of age, assistant pastor of the German Lutheran church, was killed by a car last night at Belmont and Court street. He was returning from church when he was hit by a westbound coach and thrown into the path of an eastbound car, which mangled his body. The old pastor became confused by the glare of the headlights, and fell directly in front of the westbound car.

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