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EDITORIAL MELANGE

Roosevelt has thrown a little life into this campaign and it has had more of the semblance of a national contest than a go-as-you-please walking contest. It is a pleasure to see that both State Chairman Calkins and Senator Bourne are running campaign headquarters and both are organizing Taft clubs. But the Republican voters in Oregon are badly demoralized and the leaders should do more of their peace-making when there is no campaign on, and there would not be so much to patch up after the battle begins.

I have a letter from Senator Bourne which displays a good spirit towards the great national leader, and takes the liberty to copy it here without any further introduction: "As you were one of the original Taft men in Oregon I hope to see in your paper, The Capital Journal, productions from your vigorous pen advocating the election of the Republican ticket for the perpetuation of the so-called Roosevelt policies. While, as you know in my platform I stated that I would do all in my power to renominate Roosevelt for a second elective term, which pledge I kept to the letter and to the last ditch, believing, as I still believe, that 80 per cent of the people of this country desired it as the surest guarantee of the continuation of those public policies for which the Roosevelt administration stands and will be chiefly remembered, yet it was not to be, and I accept the nomination of Hon. William H. Taft as the Republican standard-bearer as, after all, the better result because in the broad sense, destiny is wiser than ourselves. And after a close study of the candidate, I am convinced that the President's estimate of the man is quite correct, and that his insistence upon Taft's nomination and election was dictated by the soundest judgment and the keener sense of patriotism. The candidate is broader than the platform, in closer sympathy with the aspirations of the people than even his acceptance speech indicates, scrupulously honest in every thought and action, purposeful and vigorous, and above all judicially just. You cannot too strongly state the case for him as the fittest of men for the presidency, nor make any mistake in assuring your readers that the policies of the people, sometimes called "Roosevelt policies," will be pushed with persistent vigor by President Taft.

If it were not for the attitude of the National Bankers association now in session at Denver there would not be a cloud on the sky for General Taft. He would walk straight down the pike into the White House yard and be sworn in on the front steps. But we might have known that the bankers as a class would oppose the postal savings banks, as they would take a large part of the savings deposits out of their hands and put them into the government banks Taft stands for the postal savings banks which have proven a great success in the Philippines. But he

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cannot quite go the Oklahoma depositors guaranty law, for which Bryan stands. And the worst of it is the National Bankers association also oppose the guaranty law as proposed by Bryan. The only cloud on Taft's horizon, as we see it, is this impression that the masses of the people may get, after the experience of last fall, that their money would be safer in the banks under Bryan than under Taft. If they get that strong Taft is a goner, but there is another way of looking at it, and that is if Bryan goes in they will have no money to put in the banks to amount to anything and it will make little difference whether bank deposits are safe or not.

I see my old friend friend, John Albert, favors the bank guaranty plan. At least a report in the Oregonian says he does. Yet it may be true. In a way for all the good banksto guarantee the weak ones would be putting a premium on bad banking, but it should be remembered that there will be bad bankers just the same whether there is any bank guaranty law or not. The good times argument is the one to use for Taft. I do not see how anyone who suffered through the Cleveland hard times, which he may not at all have been to blame for, cannot vote to have another four years of them. I am wearing a Taft button and expect to vote for Taft and do not expect a postoffice for doing so. I hope there are others.

Salem needs one ten-story building, or at least a five story one, with a modern elevator to take people up and show them how this city is spreading out all over creation. It would have the effect of locating more people here after they have seen the other towns in Oregon, and then come here and take them up and show them a town about five times as big, with a semi-circle of state institutions all around it and more a building. I am sorry the United States National bank crowd have decided to wait until next spring before they build. They could build cheaper this winter than next spring, but it would be terrible disagreeable putting up such a structure in the rain, and thinking it all over I guess they are right in not tearing the roof off their present shack before the weather settles next spring. Besides if Taft is elected and a Republican congress is called in special session to revise the tariff, business will be unsettled and wages will not be as high as at present. Congress meets in March next to revise the tariff whoever is elected President and things will be slack until that is settled and the new bill goes into effect.

Other business men I talk with say if Taft is elected we will have the best year of business ahead of us that we have ever experienced, and will make more money in one year than we will in four of Bryan years. Be that as it may, the average business man has a good trade at Salem right now. We are in the most prosperous part of the world, and cannot suffer much whatever the result of the election. This state will probably go to Taft by a small vote. Our political leaders do too much fighting to keep the party very strong. The Republican bosses will not abide by a majority vote within the party, and seem to think it is cute to oppose about all the people vote for. They want the legislature to repeal the direct primary law, and abolish direct legislation of senators. They would put the Republican party on record as opposing what a great majority of the people want and vote for and it seems to me this is suicidal for party leaders. If the legislature should repeal either of those laws the governor would veto the bill and the people would elect a legislature next time that would sustain the veto.

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PROPAGATION OF THE PACIFIC COAST SALMON

Last year was one of general disappointment for the Pacific coast salmon packers. In nearly every cannery district the pack decreased from 25 to 50 per cent in comparison with the packs of the preceding season. The cannery men were given a convincing demonstration of just the sort of a crisis they are facing, namely, the rapid depletion of the most important commercial species of Salmon.

As a compensation feature, however, there is the fact that while probably 30,000,000 salmon were required for the poor pack the canneries did produce, yet in the spring of that same year over 500,000,000 salmon were liberated in the various streams of the coast by the combined efforts of the government and private hatcheries.

Half a billion salmon fry may not sound large to the lay reader who knows of a recent slump in Wall street stocks; but it sounds tremendous to the salmon packers, who know that if there had been one-tenth of that number of full-grown salmon available for packing purposes during the 1907 season the salmon pack would have been as large as ever. And, while, perhaps it doesn't sound very large to speak of a billion salmon fry, no larger than your little finger, yet let us suppose that one-half of these salmon reach the ocean and return to their various mother streams to spawn four years hence. It will mean 250,000,000 salmon, ranging in weight from the Royal Chinook, which sometimes tips the scales at 50 pounds, to the little humpback which averages not over five pounds. But to be conservative in striking an average, let us consider the average weight of these salmon at ten pounds each.

This means that four years from 1906, in 1910, there will return to the various rivers of the Pacific coast, and be available almost entirely for packing purposes, 250,000,000 salmon weighing ten pounds each, or an aggregate bulk of salmon weighing 2,500,000,000 pounds—a supply of fish sufficient to allow every man, woman and child in the United States during the following year a quota of over 30 pounds of salmon, or quite enough fish to feed the entire nation for over a month, if no other food supplies were available. To transport this enormous supply of fish to market would require 50,000 boxcars or a freight train over 400 miles long.—Daniel Pratt in Outing.

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The first free market to be established in Chico opened yesterday at the Junction, and the success of the venture augurs well for the future of the plan.

The Chico park band was out during the morning, and by 11 o'clock ten or twelve truckmen, orchardists and farmers had their wagons, laden with tempting fruits, vegetables and berries, stationed in the vicinity of Eighth and Main streets. A. C. Musselman, originator of the free market plan, was master of ceremonies and soon had a fair attendance. Housewives and others were quick to see the value of the free market and were out with their market baskets.

The free market plan was new to the producers as well as buyers yesterday, and quite a number of prospective producers appeared without their wagons to see what success would greet the plan. Next Saturday the free market will again be held.—Chico Record.

THE LAST OF THE TURKISH HAREM

Those who have read Pierre Loti's romance of the Harem, of which we gave an account when it was first published some time ago, will often of late have marvelled that he also belongs among the prophets. In the Young Turkey movement as yet scarce recalls Loti's novel, and one of the most interesting features of the sudden emancipation of the Turk is the part which the women of the country are taking in it.

Pierre Loti predicted this, and was mercilessly chafed in the French press for possessing himself of the secrets of the harem. But that his prophecies have come almost literally true may be seen by an account of a women's meeting at Constantinople described in the Neue Wiener Tagblatt by an eye-witness.

The ladies—there were over 200—grouped themselves round an improvised platform, which was occupied by the president, Labinch-Hannum, the wife of the physician Rifaa Pasha. The president of the advocates of women's right in Turkey is young and pretty, and wore a costume which plainly showed traces of the change from Mohammedan to European dress. Her dress had a waist, and her face was unveiled. On her head was perched a pretty little thing which, however, could hardly be called a hat. The lady

spoke quietly and distinctly, but her voice shook now and then with emotion. She said, "The light which has risen over our country is to light everyone, without distinction of sex. We women also must receive its beams, for we too have the right to demand our freedom. We wish to help at the new birth of our race; we wish to help to bring charitable institutions into being, homes for the poor and their children. But we must have the same rights and the same position as that which European women hold. And in aspiring to this we must be strong in virtue and in honor. We want full equality, full freedom. The Turkish woman must in future be able to breathe freely; the intolerable fate of being guarded, the bondage of the harem, which has hitherto made us slaves and degraded our womanly dignity, is a thing of the past. Turkish family life must now be built upon the foundations of right, liberty and equality. We want to get away from the harem, and our motto must be 'Down with the harem! Long life to liberty and to the equality of the sexes.'"

The president's speech was frequently interrupted by enthusiastic applause, and when she had finished they lifted her shoulder-high, amid frantic cheers. Indeed, the scene and the sight of the small white hands, sparkling with jewels and clapping with such enthusiasm, took one to Madras Square, New York, into a meeting of the free women of America.

The young women crowded round the president, asking "How soon shall we meet again?" "Not very soon," the president replied, "but I will call you at the right time." Others called out, "What a fine beginning! But we are also going to the theatre." "And to the toilet!" (a large brewery in the Persia road) others added, "Of course, of course!" a young beauty cried, "and to dances and dinners in the Town Park; we shall be as free as the European women."—Westminster Gazette.

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AUSTRALIA AND THE BRITISH NAVY

Pending the time, however, when Australia has filled her territories and assumed her own defense, the British navy stands responsible for her security, as for that of every country beneath the British flag.

"The sea," in a much-quoted phrase, "is all one." If the main strength of our fleets is concentrated at present in European waters, it is simply because by that very means, in the actual conditions of the present moment, our world-wide supremacy is best secured. If, however, political events within the next few years were to take so unlikely a turn as seriously to alter the balance of naval strength in the Pacific, we should immediately redress that balance with all the ships that an assured supremacy required. That simple principle of British policy requires, perhaps, some special emphasis at the present moment, since we observe that at least one leading organ in the German press has expressed opinions on the Australian welcome to the American fleet similar to those which have found favor with one or two newspapers in the United States.

Australia, we repeat, need have no serious apprehension on the fact that for the moment the British navy is concentrated in waters far removed from her shores. Mobility is of the very essence of an efficient fleet, and if changes have been made in recent years in the disposition of our ships, she should not draw from that the inference that her quarter of the globe has been forgotten or her interests overlooked.

The present disposition is designed merely to meet present requirements. It will be altered at any moment the need may arise in accordance with the shifting phases of international relationships. The navy would not guarantee, as it does, the security of the whole empire; it'd it not guarantee the security of the empire's every part. It may be that, in time, the younger Britains will each evolve some self-reliant system of defense in their own spheres of interest; but, creditably anxious as Australia is to face

that responsibility at the earliest date within her power, the day such systems is not yet. The British navy exists to cope with danger in whatever quarter of the world may arise.

Meanwhile, however, Australia must do her part, and if the empire supports her in developing on her own lines she must recognize a responsibility on her side, and frame a policy with every possible consideration of the difficulties which it creates elsewhere for us.—London Times.

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