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**The Tyee, His Sitkum Chiefs and the First
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WITH the arrival of the gold ship Portland at noon on the 17th of July comes the Tyee of the Potlatch, accompanied by his Sitkum Chiefs and Shamans. The Tyee is chosen from among the leading business men of Seattle and reigns supreme during the Potlatch, which this year occurs in July from the 16th to the 19th inclusive. The word "Potlatch" is taken from the quaint jargon of the Chinook and means "a gift," something freely given. The Indian of Washington's water reaches and the Alaskan coast expanded the definition, so that "Potlatch" came to mean a feast, or, better, a festival given by the chief of a tribe, which lasted until the host had given away to his guests all of his worldly possessions. In the end he was broke, but he had had the time of his life and was respected unto his dying day.

**A Section of the Children's Parade at
Seattle's Golden Potlatch**



ONE of the prettiest and to many one of the most satisfying events of the entire week is the children's playfield parade during Seattle's Golden Potlatch. Each one of the city's sixteen fully equipped playfields is represented by a queen and her court, and the enthusiasm runs high, and the rivalry is keen among them. The appropriation has been more than doubled for the Children's parade this year.

**Sourdoughs Aboard the Gold Ship Portland
Landing at Seattle July 17 For the Potlatch**



AMONG the spectacular features that are each year produced at Seattle's midsummer carnival is the landing of the gold ship Portland, which occurs always at noon on the 17th day of July. On that day sixteen years ago the first tidings of the discovery of gold in Alaska was brought to the city when the Portland, laden with a million in virgin gold from the new El Dorado, steamed into Elliott bay and dumped her stacks of yellow metal before a wondering crowd. The news was flashed around the world, and before nightfall one of the greatest stampedes since '49 had begun for the north. Many of these hardy pioneers, or "sourdoughs," who came out of the Klondike with fortunes at that time, now live in Seattle, and to them is assigned the task of bringing in the Portland just as she arrived in 1897.

Press Comment

The Banking and Currency Bill.
(Harper's Weekly.)

If the president needed any defense for his insistence on making a beginning with the banking and currency question, anybody with sense could find it in the tremendous interest manifested in the subject, now that the press and public have a fairly definite proposal to deal with. The notion that it is a subject people don't care about is effectively dispelled. For the time being it has driven even the tariff into the background. It reveals itself as what it has been all along—the most fundamentally important issue awaiting the action of Congress. Even politicians have long conceded this, and that is precisely why so many administrations have shrunk from any real tackling of it. They have simply been afraid of it. Apart from any judgment of the president's views on it, he is entitled to the high credit of practically forcing Congress and the country to stop neglecting it.

So much is perfectly consistent with his remark that the bill to be offered to Congress is, in fact, "no man's bill." It was doubtless beyond his power to secure preliminary acceptance for a measure fully compassing whatever may be his own desire and ideal. But apparently he has secured immediate consideration for a measure which, if there is sense and virtue enough in Congress and the country, may be the basis of a sound financial system and meet our most pressing need.

Lister and Non-Partisanship.
(Reardan Gazette.)

Governor Ernest Lister is advocating the election of county officers by non-partisan methods and without regard to political associations of the past. No one can better advocate such ideas than the present chief executive of this state as he himself was elected to his present high office without much concern for his political beliefs. Had it not been for the Republican and Progressive votes he received, Mr. Lister would probably not now be governor of this great state of Washington. He is in a position to see that a man who is elected without regard to political associations can give better service to his constituency than where he is hampered by obligations that force him in a measure to place politics above the welfare of the general public.

Teddy's Going Away.
(Douglas County Press.)

Roosevelt is going to South America for a two-year trip. He hopes by that time that things will be cleared up enough so that he can make a guess as to what side of his bread is buttered. He says things are getting too damned mixed. But then Teddy never drank or swore; just took a drop in milk.

Sociology and Town Growth.
(Hillyard News.)

A great many towns in this country have undertaken plans for self-development. They are doing it in the belief that the destiny of communities may be consciously and purposefully shaped by man according to the same laws which have unconsciously and blindly shaped them in the past. Sociology made a study of those laws and revealed them to the world. Now it is the business of man to employ his knowledge of them and work them to his advantage.

To believe that the social and economic forces operating in a community can be controlled by man is no vague fancy. Those forces are created by man and it is well within his power to control them, provided he goes about it with a foresight based on knowledge. When all, or even a majority, of the towns of this country go about shaping their own destinies then will the millennium be several strides nearer.

The Real Trust.
(Douglas Record.)

The biggest trust on earth is the country newspaper. It trusts everybody, gets cussed for trusting, mistrusted for cussing, and if it busts for trusting, gets cussed for busting. There is but one way to bust this trust—look at the date of your last receipt and you will see what it is.

There's a Scandal Over East.
(Sunnyside Observer.)

In another column we print a tale of fearful scandal with all its sickening and soul-searing details. We hate to do it. Scandal is so shocking. We do not pretend to defend any of the parties to the transactions. Come to think about it, so far as we have been able to discover, there are no accusations of wrong doing against any of the gentlemen named. If any of these gentlemen are ever discovered "making away" with anything which doesn't belong to them or either of them will "get the limit." We will gladly assist in securing them free accommodations at the state hotel at Walla Walla. So long, however, as they continue to do

their duty like men, without fear or favor, we shall do what little we may to hold up their hands and cheer them on the weary path of public service, where the kicks are even as the sands of the seashore and kind words about as plentiful as crocodiles in Greenland.

The Gettysburg Reunion.
(Asotin County Sentinel.)

The great celebration of the battle of Gettysburg, which took place 50 years ago, is now on and close to 50,000 veterans of both the North and South are in attendance, according to the Associated Press dispatches. It is the greatest gathering of soldiers that has been held since the close of the war, and every state in the Union has its quota of representatives. Nothing is evidently being overlooked that will afford pleasure to those who fought in this celebrated battle, and the best of the land is theirs, at least while the celebration is on, and while they are making their return trips to their many homes all over the land.

Puget Sound's Best Advertising.
(Friday Harbor Journal.)

Among the press reports of the heat wave in the East last week were sandwiched reports of the comfortable weather enjoyed in all towns along the Pacific Coast. If that method of reporting is kept up during the entire year, wherever reports are sent out of unusual weather conditions, this Coast will get advertising that would bring people by the train load and it wouldn't cost anything to do the trick.

People Want a Change.
(Clarke County Sun.)

By a vote of eight to one the Washington State Grange voted to abolish the state legislature and substitute a commission to meet every two months. It was proposed to select three men from each congressional district. The tendency of the people is to facilitate legislation. They are tired of the old methods. They want progression and "no reverence for antiquity or the wisdom of the fathers will restrain them." One thing is evident, the people are sick of the present methods of legislation and they are going to make a needed change.

Neterer and the Judgeship.
(Tolt Enterprise.)

Jeremiah Ueterer, one of the best known Democratic lawyers of Western Washington, and a resident of Bellingham, has been appointed by the president to be United States judge for the district of Western Washington. Judge Neterer is a capable jurist and the appointment will no doubt meet with approval throughout the district.

Lister and His Appointees.
(Ellensburg Dawn.)

Governor Lister is moving cautiously in making his appointments and is gathering about him men of honor and integrity and men who are capable of doing the work he selected them to accomplish. Unlike some governors he is putting in his time looking after the welfare of the taxpayers and seeing that things are doing. It is indeed fortunate for the taxpayers of the state that he was elected and the people will never regret it.

The Loving Editors.
(La Crosse Clipper.)

The Winona News, edited by an expatriate, who was cut off the educational tree as dead timber, and who has been trying to dupe the people of Winona into the belief that he is a real editor, ran amuck in the type box last week and composed nearly half a column of rambling abuse directed against the Clipper. It is so seldom that the News receives any attention from the rest of the newspapers in this county that when an occasional line of correction appears it throws the editor into masculine hysterics and the amusement which he furnishes for the rest of the boys is equal to a monkey show.

We're Watching Him.
(Ellensburg Dawn.)

According to some of the Sound daily papers Hugh C. Todd is being much talked of as a candidate for the United States senate to succeed W. L. Jones. The report has not been confirmed, but we do not hesitate in saying that should he enter the race he will make the dry bones rattle and the people will know that he's in the running, too. Keep your eye on Todd.

The Other Side of It.
(Seattle Weekly News.)

The men who pulled off the Gettysburg reunion of soldiers in the middle of the summer in about the hottest place in the United States should be given leather medals for general assnity. There have been many heat prostrations, the accommodations have been insufficient, and there will be a number of deaths as a result of the reunion. The reunion idea theoretically may be all right, but it is not practical under the circumstances.

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