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POLITICS (?)

By the request of citizens—adherents to the faith of both political parties—we publish a few excerpts of the Cottonwood Report, during and after the campaign of 1896. The request was made of us by some of the leaders of both parties and was called forth by assertions made at the recent republican convention in this city. We could quote column after column of matter, printed in the same publication, but here is a criterion to the balance of the articles. The first appeared under the date of June 19, 1896, and is as follows:

"Every pot hunter of an office seeker should be laid upon the shelf. This thing of McKinley and Reed and others working for the nomination of president, is rotten, and a shame, and a disgrace to our civilization."

The next two were printed after McKinley's election and appeared in the issue of November 20, 1896. Here they are:

"Now remember the republicans promised that if you would restore them to power in the nation they would open the mills to the idle labor; that they would bring prosperity in on a flood tide. A great many people believed them and voted that way. We desire to go on record right here by saying that they cannot do it. Their remedy is quack medicine. It will make the patient worse and in 1900 the people will be fed on the same old quack nostrums of 'sound money' and 'protection.'"

And
 "Because we are possibly defeated by boodle and empty 'sound' promises let us not despair, but go to work gallantly for the next campaign. We are right in our diagnosis of the nation's ills, and every day from now until the close of the coming campaign will verify our position. The republicans cannot and will not, through their proposed policy bring prosperity to the working people. But we know they will not be able to fool them the next trip."

These remarks were made by a man who claims to have always been a republican, and defies any one to deny it. We quote them because a stress of circumstances has nearly forced it upon us—not because we wish to champion through these columns one cause or the other—but because it is due both parties at this juncture to see them. Furthermore it is due ourselves, after hearing the remarks before and at the convention to publish facts that we can substantiate in palliation of the intended slur at that time.

We are glad to announce that our esteemed townsman, George Simon, is a candidate for re-election as county commissioner. Mr. Simon has at all times been a model citizen and his business ability is beyond question. He has made a good commissioner and will poll the solid vote of this precinct because he has demonstrated that no better man could be found to fill his place. His politics are democratic but that will cut but little figure with the republicans who know him. If a good man deserves re-election "Uncle George" will surely get there.

There is something significant in the fact that the great syndicates that are purchasing timber in the Clearwater pine belt are always very solicitous to have it tributary to the north fork of the Clearwater. There is rumor of a tacit understanding between the timber corporations and the railroads that there will be a railroad up the north fork ready for traffic when the time comes to move the timber.—Lewiston Teller.

If the gentleman who so valiantly shook his fist under our nose and told us to mind our own business will do so in our presence—so that we can see it—we will guarantee to make him look like "thirty cents worth of dog meat, done up in small packages" or at least we will make a hard struggle trying to.

STATE NEWS

Amos Zeigler, formerly probate judge of Custer county, will be hanged in California on August 15, for murdering his wife.

The pony saw mill for the Wise Boy mine has been set up and the work of sawing timber and lumber for the new stamp mill building for the Wise Boy is under way.—Grangeville News.

Warren is reported a very lively camp. There are 25 men working in the Silver King mine, 20 in the Rescue and 16 on the Little Ben property. A saw mill is running full blast and several placer properties are in operation.

The grain companies at Lewiston estimate that 1,250,000 grain sacks will be required to handle the crop of that region lying south of the Clearwater. This will be an increase of 250,000 bags over last year, thus showing an increase of 25 per cent in the total yield.

Reports from Peck say that the citizens of that thrifty little village have organized a fair association and expect to hold an exhibition this fall a few days prior to the opening of the big Interstate fair at Lewiston. Two hundred dollars have been subscribed for the purpose of purchasing premiums and an application has been made to the county commissioners for financial aid.

Boise, July 29.—E. H. Dewey, son of Colonel Dewey, has returned from the east. He announces that the 100 stamp mill for the Dewey mine, part of which is already at the railroad terminus, will not be taken into Thunder Mountain this year owing to the impossibility of building a wagon road. He says, however, that a road will be built in the spring and all the machinery installed next summer.

The state treasurer has received a warrant from the treasurer of the United States for \$25,000. This sum belongs to the Idaho state university in lieu of large bodies of rich farming lands given to other states to create a university fund. The amount is sent each year and is a handsome figure, going far toward supporting our university. The money will be sent to W. L. Payne at Moscow, treasurer of the board of regents.

Moscow, July 29.—The Latah democratic county convention was held here today and was organized in the interest of Senator Heitfeld and Governor Hunt. Resolutions were passed endorsing the state administration; favoring the election of senators by a direct vote of the people; favoring the nomination of a senator at the state convention; instructing the delegation to vote for Senator Heitfeld at such convention, and favoring the government ownership of public utilities and the doctrine of direct legislation.

The O. R. & N. is rushing the work of constructing the sidetracks or spurs at Riparia which will be used for handling the construction material on the Lewiston-Riparia line. Three years ago, when construction work was in progress, similar tracks were built at Riparia and later removed. The track comprises two spurs enabling the classification of steels and rails. The Japanese crews worked all day Sunday, and the roadmaster is superintending the construction of the tracks. He states that the work is being hurried to receive a large amount of material that will soon begin arriving.—Tribune.

IDAHO.

The surface of Idaho comprises 84,290 square miles, or 23,945,600 acres.

The population in 1900 was 161,772.

Number of farms 17,471, an increase of 164.6 per cent in 10 years.

Value of farm land and buildings \$43,318,183, an increase of 142.8 per cent in 10 years.

Value of farm products in 1900, \$18,003,788, as against \$3,843,930 in 1890.

Irrigation has added 37.6 per cent to the farm area in ten years and added \$12,000,000 to the value of farm wealth.

The average size of farms is 183.4 acres.

Average value of irrigated lands per acre \$31.25.

There are 1,834 canals in the state, with a total length of 4,977 miles. The cost of construction \$5,116,227. Total number of acres under ditches 1,848,500. Average number of acres irrigated per mile of ditch 121.

GENERAL NEWS

Santa Barbara, Cal., July 28.—Meagre advices from Los Alamos, 45 miles north, are that a severe shock of earthquake occurred last night about 11 o'clock, doing great damage. Two oil tanks containing 2,800 barrels of oil, were destroyed. The damage is estimated at \$12,000 to \$15,000. At Harris station a fissure is reported to have opened

and from it a stream of water two feet deep and 18 feet wide is now flowing.

President Hill and President Mellen have arranged to talk freight rates with the Big Bend and Palouse farmers next Monday.

San Francisco, July 28.—Lieutenant L. A. DeClairmont, U. S. A. who, late of the Philippine scouts, has returned from Manila, tells of the existence in the interior of Mindoro island of a perfectly white race, semi-civilized, partially Christianized but cruelly hostile in their discouragement of communication with the outside world. The favored few that have been permitted to penetrate the fastness of these exclusive Caucasians tell of a country rich in vegetable and mineral wealth and of a people skilled in the various domestic crafts, orderly, gentle and hospitable, but well enough satisfied with the little world to resent the intrusion of the strenuous civilization of the outside.

Managua, Nicaragua, July 28.—Five hundred per cent premium is now being offered for foreign exchange here. The merchants have greatly advanced the prices of foreign goods in the past few days, and will probably further increase prices in the near future or refuse to take Nicaraguan paper money. There is little silver coin and no gold coin in circulation in the country. The Nicaraguans are very much depressed over the passage by the American congress of the Spooner amendment. They had been indulging in high hopes that the isthmian canal would be constructed through their country and that the money to be derived from the building of the canal would relieve the distressing financial condition of Nicaragua.

That the Snake river channel contains the bones of an extinct race of mastodons has been evinced again by a find one mile down the river from American Falls by William Barnhardt. He brought in a wagon load of bones all well preserved and not the least fossilized, belonging to some animal which when alive was obviously much larger than any of the extant quadrupeds. The femur, which is in perfect condition, measures 45 inches in length and weighs 45 pounds. A section of the vertebrae showing the capitol shows a surface 6 by 9 inches while a ball joint in perfect form is 10 inches in diameter. The bones were uncovered within two feet of the surface and considering that they are well preserved and the processes of decay or petrification have neither of them begun, there is much speculation as to how recently this mammoth lived. Mr. E. E. Stuart has an ivory tusk from the same source weighing 75 pounds.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Their Secret is Out.

All Sadiesville, Ky., was curious to learn the cause of the vast improvement in the health of Mrs. S. P. Whittaker, who had for a long time endured untold suffering from a chronic bronchial trouble. "It's all due to Dr. King's New Discovery," writes her husband. "It completely cured her and also cured our little grand-daughter of a severe attack of Whooping Cough." It positively cures Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis, all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at Turner's drug store.

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