

ASSEMBLY CONVENED

Twelve Hundred Delegates in Convention Today.

FIGHT FOR GOVERNOR

Dr. Smith, of Portland, and Acting Governor Bowerman Contestants for Plum—F. W. Benson Secretary of State.

From Friday's Daily News.

PORTLAND, July 21.—Approximately 1200 delegates to the Oregon State Assembly, the first held since the passage of the direct primary law in 1905, which did away with the convention nominating system, convened here today to recommend republicans for the state offices. The assembly was called after a hard waged war against it by opponents, who allege that the assembly is the first step toward putting the knife into Statement No. 1, which provides that the legislature shall elect to the United States senate the man who receives the highest vote at the general election. Enemies of the assembly also declare that it is illegal, since the primary law makes no provision for it. Advocates of the assembly, on the other hand, maintain that it is the only way to harmonize the republican party and keep the organization in power. Portland is a seething political hotbed. The fight for the gubernatorial recommendation is seemingly between Dr. A. C. Smith, of Portland, and Acting Governor Bowerman, of Condon. Governor Benson in all probability will receive the endorsement of the assembly for secretary of state. Assembly nominations are merely recommendations, and its candidates must be voted on at the primary election in September, while the general election will occur in November.

W. C. Bristol, of Portland, was elected temporary chairman, and the morning session was given over to reports and passing on the credentials of delegates. A number of speeches were made defending the assembly. The afternoon session was chiefly interesting on account of the contest for the recommendation for governor. Dr. Smith and Acting Governor Bowerman appeared in the field, while C. B. Moore, of Portland, loomed up on the political horizon as a formidable "dark horse." Bowerman's friends declared that he led the trio with 100 votes to spare, but acknowledged that if the first ballot failed to land him the prize his chances of losing out were good. Mayor Simon was suggested as a compromise candidate, but his boom met an early death.

LOCAL NEWS.

Charles Hunter, of Wilbur, is a business visitor in the city today.

Mrs. R. M. Wood, who has been visiting in Eastern Oregon and the Spokane country for the past two months, is expected home on this evening's train.

Glen Daugherty, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Daugherty, of this city, met with a very painful accident last evening, and as a result the child may lose the sight of one eye. It appears that the little fellow was playing about the fam-

HEARING CONTINUED.

C. M. Reynolds, the negro, who was arrested at Grants Pass Tuesday morning, accused of attempting to assault Josephine Moss, a girl of fourteen years of age, and brought to this city this afternoon to answer the charge, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace John T. Long shortly after 5 o'clock. Owing to the fact that the prisoner is desirous of obtaining a Portland attorney to defend him in the action, the case was continued until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Moss and daughter, of Grants Pass, will be informed of the arrangements this evening, and will probably arrive here not later than tomorrow evening. Reynolds appeared cool and collected upon his appearance in court this afternoon.

ly home, when in some manner he came into possession of a knife. Stumbling the child fell to the floor and the knife penetrated the eye, inflicting a most painful injury. Dr. Seely was summoned and the child is now resting as easy as could be expected.

Fifty delegates to the Republican State Assembly, in progress at Portland today, passed through the city last night on train No. 16. Most of the delegates were from Medford and other southern towns, all bent on representing their respective counties at the great political gathering.

While driving a frisky horse, in the vicinity of Olalla yesterday morning an aged resident giving his name as Steiger, was pulled over the dashboard of the buggy and thrown to the ground with violence. Picked up by persons who chanced to be near, he was carried to a nearby house, and medical aid was summoned. Later in the day the injured man was brought to this city and is now confined at Mercy hospital under the care of Dr. E. V. Hoover. His injuries, according to the attending physician, consists mostly of bruises, some of which are very painful.

Last evening about sixty of the residents of North Roseburg enjoyed a moonlight picnic on the grassy slopes of that beautiful part of the city, and for two hours the youngsters romped and played games that could not altogether be resisted by the older folks, while some of the men talked politics, or told of escapades in the wilds after big game, or the ladies discussed the summer fashions, late books or kindred topics of interest to feminine kind. To make the event particularly memorable an unlimited supply of cakes and sandwiches, with plenty of lemonade, had been prepared by the ladies, and after everyone had been feasted until a prolonged fast seemed necessary, the party broke up. The idea of this particular affair was to enable the people in that section of the city to get better acquainted, and it certainly served its purpose. All present had a delightful time.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to hereby express our gratitude to all friends and acquaintances who gave us assistance and sympathy during the recent illness and death of our little son. MR. and MRS. G. L. FLINT.

FALL VICTIMS TO FIRE

Men Endeavoring to Save Tools Lose Lives.

FIRE IS NEAR ALBANY

Police Believe the Report of Burglary Connected to Cover Fact of Suicide of Ira Rawn.

(Special to Evening News)

ALBANY, Or., July 21.—A hundred men are fighting the forest fire along the Santiam river near the terminus of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad. Already the flames have claimed three lives, and the fire is gaining ground, covering an area of two miles early this morning. Property of the Hoover Lumber Company has been destroyed and much valuable timber on the forest reserve has been burned. Phillip Richmond, of Salem; Frank McGee, of Clatskanie; and Jay Brooks, of Crawfordville, Oregon, who were employed by the Hoover people, went in advance of the fire to secure some tools that were in danger, when they were overtaken by the flames and burned to death. The bodies of the unfortunate men were recovered last evening, and an undertaker left here this morning to secure the remains.

Burglar Story False.

CHICAGO, July 21.—The police have abandoned the investigation into the death of Ira Rawn, president of the Monon Railway, who, it was claimed yesterday, had been shot in a tussel with a burglar who was robbing the Rawn home at an early hour Wednesday morning. It is asserted by the authorities that the railway magnate shot himself, and that there is absolutely no evidence to support the story told by the family that Rawn had been shot by an intruder. Alleged blood stains proved to be red paint, and the whole story of a fight with the burglar seems to be unfounded. The fact that Rawn was involved in alleged frauds in the Illinois Central car repairing department, is considered by the officers as being sufficient motive for the suicide.

GUNNERS KILLED, TARGET PRACTICE

(Special to Evening News)

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Eight men of the coast artillery were killed and two more mortally wounded by the blowing out of the breech lock of a 12-inch gun at Fortress Monroe today. The accident occurred while the gun crew were at target practice.

Later advices say that ten men were killed in the explosion at the fortress, and in an informal report General Carlos said that the accident was probably due to a premature explosion. The target practice was the final event in a course of instruction of thirty officers of the artillery corps attending the Artillery school at the fort, and when the accident occurred five batteries were making ready to fire at a target 6000 yards

CHILDREN'S NOTICE.

All school children, who were given sweet pea seeds by the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Roseburg Commercial Club, should send their name and street address to Miss Mabel Albright, not later than 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. As soon as the names are received the committee will inspect the garden and flowers for the purpose of awarding prizes.

distant across Hampton Roads. Most of the men killed were standing behind the gun and they were literally torn to pieces by the breech lock.

LOSES TWO MILLION DOLLARS TO DATE

(Special to Evening News)

VICTORIA, B. C., July 21.—General fire reports from all parts of the province places the aggregate timber property loss on account of the forest fires at a million and a half, and added to this is another half million dollars lost on account of suspension of business. Fires are still raging and jeopardizing the existence of a number of small towns near Nelson.

AT THE THEATRES.

Local Playhouses are Presenting Excellent Bills.

Excellent bills are on at both of the local theatres this week, and their appreciation is best attested by the large crowds in evidence at each performance. Usually the torrid weather of July and August has a discouraging effect upon the playhouses, but this season it is quite different and the crowds average well with those of the winter season. Perhaps this condition is due to the fact that the attractions are superior to those presented in the past, or possibly, the theatregoers have taken to the stock productions, which are quite new and novel in this section.

At the Star theatre, "Love Tangles" is the production that is creating much laughter and good feeling this week, and to say that the several stars are strictly up-to-the-minute in handling the various rolls would be placing it mild. "Love Tangles" is one of those light, but nevertheless interesting comedy



MISS LAURA KEENE (At The Star.)

sketches, in which numerous "tangles" are in evidence. In fact, the perplexing situations are so well brought about that the audience is kept in continual suspense, only intermingled by frequent applause. If you wish to laugh as you never laughed before visit the Star theatre tonight.

At the Gem theatre a beautiful drama, "In Suspense," with Miss Heimlich starring, is causing considerable favorable comment. Unlike most of those stale and uninteresting plays so common in time past, "In Suspense" appeals to the hearts of those who see it, and can be witnessed over and over again without tiresome effects.

Miss Heimlich's title as a star is not flattery, for she deserves much praise. Her work is clever, and the manner in which she handles her lines would lead one to believe that she is an old hand on the stage. Other members of the company hold their own, and considering all, the production is well worthy of praise. In the event you wish to witness a drama of high type—visit "The Gem Theatre."

Prof. Austin, of Wilbur, is a visitor in the city. Mr. Austin's friends are urging him to become a candidate for Representative from Douglas county on the democratic ticket, but as yet the gentleman has failed to make his decision.

IS THE MAN CRIPPEN

Reports From Wales State Murderer Arrested.

STRIFE OVER PRESIDENT

Bar Harbor People Resent the Fact of Summer Visitors Claiming all of President's Time.

(Special to Evening News)

CARDIFF, Wales, July 21.—Newspapers here are printing a story to the effect that Dr. Crrippen, sought for the alleged murder of his wife in London a few months ago, has been arrested in this city and is being held awaiting the action of London police. The story also says that Mme. Leneve, with whom it is charged Crrippen fled after murdering his wife, was captured at Langrane near here. The report, however, is unverified.

Would Entertain Taft.

BAR HARBOR, July 21.—Strife, always bitter between the residents and the summer visitors, is intensified here today over the entertainment of the president. Visitors to the city are monopolizing all of the executive's time, and no Bar Harbor resident has been bidden to the dinners, receptions or other functions in honor of the president, and they consequently are howling mad. The first offensive move on the part of Harborites came today, when Assemblyman Bunker invited the president to be his guest while in the city, and the home people are hoping that Taft will accept the invitation so that they will get opportunity to show their appreciation of his visit.

UMPQUA TO HAVE POWER.

Project Under Way for Installing Plant to Develop Valley.

MYRTLE CREEK, July 20.—A report made by Engineer Jerome L. Blaisdell, representing some Eastern capitalists, indicates the Umpqua Valley is soon to have electricity for light, heat and power. The gist of Mr. Blaisdell's report is as follows:

It has been proposed to develop some part of the Umpqua river, where at least 20,000 horsepower is available during low water and transmit it over the entire valley. Power will be supplied to all towns, mines, mills and farmers who wish it. The service will be continuous. This will give the mines power for hoists, stamps, etc., and will develop many mines which are lying idle because of the lack of cheaper power. The power can be used in the lumber camps for cutting trees.

Farmers will be able to use this power. Separators can be run by a small motor. A simple pumping system can be installed and the water pumped for irrigation, besides using it for house and for fire protection. Lights in the barn and out-houses will be of great service.

The power plant and system will be built immediately if encouragement is shown. All asked is assistance in the form of franchises, right of way for the transmission line and the subscription of the bond issue. —Oregonian.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Vina Hall and Mrs. William Leonard returned to Oakland this afternoon after a brief visit at the home of Mrs. W. G. Houser, in this city.

Miss Addie and Edith Turner left for their home at Cottage Grove this afternoon after a brief visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Houser in this city.

Little Dorothy Veach went to Cottage Grove this afternoon where she will spend a few days visiting at the home of her father's parents.

The "Pathfinder," an automobile now touring the state under the auspices of the Portland Automobile Club, in the interest of better roads, arrived here this morning and left this afternoon for the south. It is the intention of the Portland automobilists to incite enthusiasm among the automobile men of the state to such a degree that they will use their influence, and money, if necessary, in securing highways suitable to motorists. At present automobile enthusiasts allege that in various sections of Oregon the roads are al-

most impossible, notwithstanding that much money has been raised through various sources for their improvement.

Alva Lineback and wife, of Albany, arrived here last evening to spend some time visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lineback.

James Wilson, who resides at the Henry Conn ranch, a few miles from the city, is suffering from a painful affliction of the eye, the result of a broken blood vessel. He is being attended by Dr. A. C. Seely.

A conflagration which might have resulted disastrously had it not been discovered in the nick of time occurred at the rock crusher, in North Roseburg, this afternoon. Apparently no one knows how the fire started, but at any rate the flames were fast gaining headway in a pile of cordwood, near the crusher, when detected by laborers who chanced to be in the vicinity at the time. With a few pails of water in the hands of cool persons the flames were subdued without difficulty. It is presumed that a spark from the engine propelling the crusher alighted in the wood, and after smouldering for several hours broke out in a flame.

Surrounded by enough officers to conquer an ordinary army, W. G. Reynolds, the negro, who was recently arrested at Grants Pass, on a charge of attempting to assault a fourteen-year-old girl on a Southern Pacific train enroute from Portland south, was escorted from the local depot on the arrival of the northbound Ashland local train this afternoon, to the county jail. As the prisoner alighted from the train, his hands cuffed with retaining irons, a number of local officers were quickly at his side, presumably to interfere in the event the crowd evidenced a disposition to inflict bodily harm to the accused. Such was not necessary, however, inasmuch as Marshal Huffman could have easily managed his prisoner, and loaded him behind the bars. Mr. Huffman said this afternoon that he had little, if any difficulty in bringing the prisoner to Roseburg, and appeared to scout the current report that the people of Grants Pass were bent on lynching the prisoner. On the contrary the officer says that the citizens of the southern town were apparently cool, and prepared to allow the law to take its course.

had been intended to send a member of the sheriff's staff after the prisoner, but owing to Marshal Huffman's long experience in handling negroes back in Missouri where mob violence is common, he was considered the proper man to make the trip. The prisoner will be held at the county jail where he is now retained until such time as the officers are in a position to give him a preliminary hearing. District Attorney Brown is expected back from Portland tomorrow morning, and upon his arrival he will probably take some action in the direction of prosecution. From reports the negro had little to say enroute to Roseburg, further than to deny that he had done anything wrong.

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