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SENATOR GEARN IN OFFICE

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—United States Senator Gearin of Oregon, appeared to take his oath of office. Senator Burrows raised the question of his credentials, because of the words, "To occupy his seat until his successor is elected." After consultation this objection was considered superfluous and the oath was administered.

TO PURCHASE RESIDENCES

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 21.—Congressman Longworth today introduced a bill providing for the purchase of residences abroad for ministers and ambassadors. Shaw said today that he will not issue the Panama bonds immediately believing it inadvisable to absorb into the treasury such a large amount from trade.

STORM OFF COAST

(Scripps News Association)
Norfolk, Va., Dec. 21.—The Virginia and Carolina coast is being swept by a terrific gale, which is blowing 52 miles an hour. It is expected that many disasters will be reported.

FIELD MARSHAL HONORED

(Scripps News Association)
Tokio, Dec. 21.—Field Marshal Yamagata was today appointed president of the privy council.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED

(Scripps News Association)
Portland, Dec. 21.—The postoffice at Wythe, near the Cascade Locks, was broken into last night and \$500 in stamps and coin taken. So far no clue has been secured.

WALSH RESIGNS

(Scripps News Association)
Bedford, Ill., Dec. 21.—Walsh has resigned the presidency of the Bedford bank.

BELLINGHAM COUNCILMEN IN TROUBLE

(Scripps News Association)
Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 21.—The state today began quo warranto proceedings against Councilman E. M. Adams of the Fifth ward, to oust him from office. He is charged with grafting and trafficking in city supplies. A subsequent investigation may reveal widespread election frauds and graft involving other city officials. Prominent men will be involved in the investigations.

DELEGATES TO WASHINGTON

(Scripps News Association)
Honolulu, Dec. 21.—George W. Smith, and J. R. Galt have been selected as the delegation of business men to leave for Washington January 5 to urge the President and congress to recommend laws for Hawaii. Governor Carter will follow.

KENTUCKY BANK ROBBED

(Scripps News Association)
Corinth, Ky., Dec. 21.—Sometime last night without awakening a soul in the town, robbers blew open the safe in the bank in this city and got away with \$2,500 and escaped. One thousand dollars was in silver, the balance was in paper money. They did not molest the securities.

SECOND TUNNEL DISASTER

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 21.—The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel caved in again this morning. This time the accident was under the north river, burying five men, who were finally rescued after being terribly injured.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 21.—After short sessions in both houses, congress adjourned until January 4.



Governor George E. Chamberlain

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN ADDRESSES HIGH SCHOOL

His Theme is The Mission of the Public School and Its Excellent Results.

Governor George E. Chamberlain who is in the city this week on legal business, addressed the High School this morning. At nine o'clock he entered the room accompanied by Prof. and Mrs. Martin, Major F. S. Ivanhoe, and son Forrest, Superintendent of County Schools E. E. Bragg and Rev. G. L. McKinlay. His appearance was greeted with applause by the young people he was to address. After a few preliminary remarks by Prof. Martin he began, saying in part:

"Teachers and pupils of the La Grande High School: The honor this morning is wholly unsolicited upon my part as I have always felt some diffidence in speaking to young people under these circumstances. To address an older audience is not as difficult as a public speaker may err somewhat in his grammar and history but to a school, where these subjects are fresh in their minds, he must be careful. They are the severest of critics.

"There is perhaps no one who is more interested in public schools than I. The governor of a state has as much to do with the public schools—or even more—than the teachers themselves. You are all aware that when Oregon was admitted to the Union in 1859, two sections in every township were set aside for school purposes, the 16th and 36th sections. The sale of these lands has created an irreducible school fund of over \$5,000,000 for the state of Oregon. The interest of this money, which is out on security, results in the annual sum of about \$500,000. Had the school lands of Oregon been more carefully husbanded, the amount would have been three times what it is at the present. It is safe to say that the remainder of the school lands will be taken care of better than that of years ago and the sum will be increased to some extent in the future.

"The governor, secretary of state and the state treasurer are responsible for this great amount of money belonging to the public schools of Oregon, hence you can see the responsibility that rests upon the public officers. One fact I am proud to note is that in the history of the state there has not been a defalcation on the part of an officer with the funds and not a part of them has been lost.

"Aside from the interest that my position demands that I manifest in schools my personal interests are identified with them for, upon the results of the public schools, our future government rests. Lofty citizenship is to be desired and it remains for our schools to teach this valuable adjunct in the lives of our young men and women. Higher citizenship is desired in this day and age, for in every newspaper, whether it be the metropolitan sheet or the country weekly, we read of public men betraying their trusts. In insurance circles for instance this necessity is emphasized. The high officials have betrayed their trust, and robbed policy holders and have practiced corruptness to the lowest degree. Thousands of dollars from Oregon have gone to these companies. Dollars that should assist in the education of the children and for the support of the widow when the bread winner of the home has passed away. In the government departments, this same degree of corruptness has existed. In the treasury department, postoffice department and it has even crept into the halls of congress. What incentive could urge young people on than ambition to fill these high positions

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ODELL IS MAKING TROUBLE

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 22.—Odell today formally declared war on Roosevelt and Higgins, declaring them responsible for the present condition of the Republican party in this state. He said the Republican loss this time was their fault. He predicted that Wadsworth would not be elected speaker of the assembly. Odell said that Higgins was guilty of duplicity. He said: "I had a talk with Higgins whom I favored for speaker. He eliminated all possibilities but Merritt. I never was so surprised in my life as when Wadsworth was named.

If Roosevelt desired the good of the party instead of encouraging the soreheads he would have promoted harmony. Had he sent for me I would gladly have conferred with him and tried to avert trouble. I charge Roosevelt and Higgins with deliberately trying to wreck the party."

DECLINES TO DINE

(Scripps News Association)
Manila, Dec. 21.—William J. Bryan has declined the invitation to dine with Acting Governor General Ide, saying that as a newspaper writer he wished to be free to write later without embarrassment.

WEATHER UP IN THE FAR NORTH

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 21.—It is as cold in Alaska as the story writers, tourists and other dealers in fiction would have the American people believe? Major William A. Glassford, U. S. A., chief signal officer of the Department of the Columbia, thinks not, and he was up there in connection with the establishment of the extensive cable and telegraph systems. He intends to show he is right by having regular weather reports sent him daily temperature and general weather reports. The first of these received were for Nov. 15. He didn't take the coast villages where the temperature is as mild on the Atlantic seaboard, but confined his observation to the interior towns. At Saina, it was 28 degrees above, the same as at many points in the states. Key-stone had the same temperature as Denver, Col.; McCarthy, that of Helena, Mont.; Salcha, as Boise City, Idaho; and Chena, as Flagstaff, Arizona. Major Glassford will make public these reports with comparisons from time to time.

FINANCERS SENTENCED

(Scripps News Association)
London, Dec. 21.—Hugh Watt a financier and an ex-member of parliament was today found guilty of offering a bribe to murder his former wife, Julia, and Sir Reginald Beauchamp, whose divorced wife is now Watt's wife. He was sentenced to five years.

CHRISTMAS WISDOM

Lies in buying early and in buying right. Buy soon and secure advantage of uncommon assortment. Early buyers get choicest picking. Buy before some one else gets just the article you would have most preferred. Our Holiday Goods are here and there's goods among them that will please you. You will get them at right prices, too. It's right prices that's going to make them go quickly.

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