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BELIEVE BOY CECIL BRITTAIN

PARENTS TOO POOR TO
PAY BIG REWARD.

Regardless of the fact that rumors have been circulating saying the boy found at Spokane is not Cecil Brittain, Walla Walla Labors Under Supposition That Parents Are Evading Payment of Reward—Will Adopt the Alleged Waif.

Walla Walla, Wash., March 25.—(Observer Special.)—This city is agog with excitement arising out of the finding of Cecil Brittain near Spokane yesterday and the restoration to the arms of the father of the 7-year-old boy who has been missing for the past two years.

Believed the Boy is Cecil. Notwithstanding reports compiled at Spokane and sent out by the Associated Press last evening, it is believed here that the boy found yesterday is Cecil Brittain and not the son of an Idaho actress.

While there is nothing definite in sight now to substantiate the rumor the supposition here is that the Brittain family is financially embarrassed due to the prolonged hunt and the many unfruitful trips in search of the child, and are unable to raise the \$2,500 reward offered for its recovery.

Mother to Spokane. Mrs. Brittain has not yet seen the child, but left Walla Walla this afternoon for Spokane, where she will meet the boy in question and then no doubt maternal affection will convince the doubting as to the real identity of the child.

No Trace of Kidnapers. Walla Walla friends of the family have been in communication with Spokane this afternoon, but it is impossible to learn what success the police have had in their search for the man and woman who were seen with the boy before he was found.

Much Mystery Attending. There is deep mystery in the whole



Senator C. W. Fulton Reached Oregon Today to Build His Political Fences.

affair. The report last evening that the boy found is not Cecil Brittain, is given less credence as circumstances become known.

Would Adopt Boy. Mr. Brittain has announced that he will adopt the boy in lieu of not finding his own, after a thorough search of the continent. This, more than any other attending circumstance, has led to the belief and supposition that the parents will once more have their own son around the family hearth, through adoption of an alleged waif, and also escape payment of the heavy reward.

Rhode Island Republicans. Providence, R. I., March 25.—With the republican state and district conventions less than 24 hours distant, the political situation in Rhode Island remains a subject of conjecture.

Representatives of all the leading candidates for the republican presidential nomination are here and are working valiantly to secure the Rhode Island delegates. The state convention will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning while the conventions of the First and Second districts will convene shortly after. Four delegates at large will be selected by the state convention and two delegates from each of the two congressional districts. The Taft men are claiming a victory, but it is more than likely that the delegation will be divided in its allegiance.

KAISER OBJECTS TO APPOINTMENT

NEW REPRESENTATIVE IN
DISFAVOR WITH GERMANY.

State Department at Washington Debating Today on What Action to Take in Reply to Announcement From Kaiser of Germany That Roosevelt's Appointment of Hill as Ambassador to Succeed Tower is Not Liked—Objections Are Purely Personal.

Washington, March 25.—A stir was occasioned in diplomatic circles today when it was learned that for purely personal reasons the kaiser has notified the state department that he cannot receive David Jayne Hill as successor to Ambassador Tower, as our representative at Berlin. The kaiser assured the president that the objection to Hill is purely a personal one and hopes that no wrong impression will be gained in the matter. President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Root are considering a reply.

It was learned today that the grounds against Hill were occasioned by an incident which occurred in the United States when Prince Henry visited here.

At that time Hill was first assistant secretary of state. Some act of Hill's at that time gave the German party offense.

The kaiser's action places the state department in an embarrassing position as Germans announced last spring that Hill would be welcome.

Feud Among Indians.

Toledo, March 25.—As a result of a blood feud that has started among the Indians of the Siletz reservation, over the killing of Howard Garner, an Indian, last Thursday, and the attempt to assassinate Larkey Logan, the Indian who was arrested for the killing of Garner, by Garner's relatives yesterday, the local United States marshal's office has been wired for assistance to suppress the warring factions.

LAST SPECIAL MESSAGE SENT

ROOSEVELT PRODS LAW-
MAKERS INTO ACTION.

With What Will No Doubt Be the Last Special Message to the Present Term of the Sixtieth Congress, Read in Both Houses This Afternoon—Deals Openly With the Strike Laws, Waterways, Forests, Financial Legislation and Postal Savings Banks.

Washington, D. C., March 25.—President Roosevelt today sent what will probably be his last message to the present term of the 60th congress. In it he urges congress to renewed activity during the few remaining weeks of the session, and outlines the legislation which he believes should be pushed through before adjournment. The document is free from denunciations or radicalism and the president confines himself strictly to the recommendations of the legislation he desires. He urges:

The abolition of child labor throughout the country.

A model child labor law for the District of Columbia.

An employers' liability law.

An amendment to the interstate commerce law.

Legal sanction for legitimate business combinations.

Government liability for injuries to employees.

Legislation to limit injunctions.

A postal savings bank.

Substitution of arbitration for strikes.

Legal recognition of the right of employers to unite for labor agreements, and of employees to strike.

Outlawing of blacklist and boycott.

Financial legislation.

Collection of facts and data to enable next congress to reform the tariff.

Forest preservation.

Wood pulp on the free list.

Right of government to charge for water rights.

Following is the message in part:

"To the United States Senate and House of Representatives:

"I wish to call your attention to

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President Roosevelt Today Sent His Last Special Message to Congress.

the fake treaty which the emperor never signed and by which the Japanese aggressions became possible. Then this man comes to San Francisco and tells the reporters our poor country is happy under Japanese rule. It is too much. I am glad they shot him and hope he will die."

Close watch is being kept on Chun and Chang by the police, under orders from Washington, and are investigating the stories of a widespread conspiracy. Chang is being visited by many Koreans who are affording him comfort and all the assistance in their power. When asked what he thought his fate would be, he grinned and remarked he would hang at the same time pointing to his neck and simulating strangulation.

IF NOT TAFT THEN TEDDY SURE

HENRY CABOT LODGE
DISCUSSES CONVENTION.

The Massachusetts Senator and Intimate Friend of Roosevelt, Informs the French Press That if Taft is Not Elected on the First Ballot and His Boom Suddenly Breaks, Then Roosevelt Will Be Nominated—Would Accept, He Thinks.

Paris, March 25.—In an interview published in Le Temps, here, with Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, the Massachusetts senator and a warm friend of President Roosevelt, is made to say that it is probably that if Taft is not nominated on the first ballot, and if it looked as though Taft would be defeated in convention, Roosevelt's nomination is almost certain, and if he is chosen under those conditions, he would run.

Cunard Schedule Change.

London, March 25.—After today the Cunard line steamers will sail on Wednesdays, in addition to Saturdays. All the steamers will continue to sail to and from Liverpool. The Lusitania and Mauretania will start an hour earlier than heretofore.

SENATOR FULTON IS NOW HOME

PASSED THROUGH LA GRANDE
ON THE MORNING TRAIN.

Will Return Later and Address the Citizens of This County—Is Not Opposed to Statement No. 1—Does Not Believe Federal District Bill Will Pass—Here to Meet Mr. Heney or Any One Else in Defense of His Character.

United States Senator C. J. Fulton passed through this morning en route to Portland from Washington. He was met at the depot by a number of friends who were glad to see him, knowing as they did that his mission was for the purpose of meeting the accusations that had been made against his character by Francis J. Heney. Senator Fulton has as yet made no definite arrangements regarding his campaign, but was positive that he would visit La Grande in the near future and address the citizens here. It goes without saying that he will be greeted with a large audience.

He was surprised to learn that he was being misquoted all over the state as being opposed to statement No. 1, which he emphatically denied.

The senator regretted very much that he was compelled to leave Washington at this time, as there were several matters of importance that were pending in which he had taken great interest and was desirous of seeing through.

Upon being asked in regard to the chances of the passage of the bill in the house for the creation of the proposed new federal district, he replied that he was of the opinion that it could not be gotten through the house at this session of congress.

Senator Fulton is looking well and while filling his lungs with the good pure air of the Grande Ronde valley, it could be plainly seen that he had come home for a definite purpose and that purpose was to meet Mr. Heney or any one else who might attempt to impugn his political acts, which cover a period of over a quarter of a century.

Fulton has a strong personality. He is a hard fighter, at the same time a fair fighter, and enters into this campaign with a frankness and earnestness that will carry conviction and unless Mr. Heney can dig up a great deal more than he has so far made public, he will find that instead of injuring Mr. Fulton it will react in his favor. The voters of Oregon demand fair play, and the feeling is general that Heney has been playing cheap politics and that he has not been fair. Mr. Heney for months continually made insinuations that Fulton was an undesirable citizen and that he would let the world know all about it. After months of waiting he fired his load of insinuations and realizing that the large audience that went out to hear

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NEW GOODS

Will be the all-absorbing topic for the next few weeks—We believe you will be interested in the new goods we have selected for the spring and summer season, and which are now arriving daily.

Keep your eyes on this store and our ads from now on and all the time, and you can come to this store any day with the assurance of finding some new arrivals in some of the many and varied lines.

In this connection let us say to you the spring productions are most beautiful in point of colors and fabrics and the ready-to-wear garments are so natty and varied in styles that the most exacting tastes can be satisfied.

There is also a tendency for LOWER PRICES in nearly all lines, and as usual this store will be the first to give you the fullest benefit of the lower prices. Being members of the Northwest Cash Buyers' Union, consisting of more than 50 of the best stores in the northwest with a purchasing power greater than the average jobbing house, enables us to take advantage of merchandise opportunities beyond the reach of individual buyers—You will share these benefits to the fullest extent if you buy at this store.

INDEPENDENT
BLUE 32

The Fair
DEPARTMENT STORE
LA GRANDE, OREGON

PACIFIC STATES
BLACK 1301

VERBAL ATTACK AGAINST STEVENS

COREAN STUDENT WISHES
FOR ADVISER'S DEATH.

D. W. Stevens Rested Fairly Well Last Night—X-Ray Machine Will Locate Bullets of Assassin—Speaking for the Korean Masses, a Student in Los Angeles University, Says He Hopes the Shot Will Be Fatal—Accuses Stevens of Disloyalty.

San Francisco, March 25.—D. W. Stevens, the wounded adviser of the Korean council of state, passed a fairly good night and today will be examined by the X-Ray in order to locate the bullets. Chun, the wounded Korean, who attempted the assassination, is also improving, although little hope is held out for his recovery. Hopes Stevens Will Die.

Los Angeles, March 25.—Koreans in Southern California feel very strongly with their San Francisco countrymen in relation to the shooting of Stevens and will raise a defense fund for the two would-be murderers.

P. Cynn, a Korean student in the University of Southern California, was appointed to issue a statement explaining the attitude of the people of Korea in regard to Durham W. Stevens.

"Stevens is the author of every repressive measure against American industry and enterprise in Korea," said the student. "He has been false to our country and his own. Stevens knows who stole the official seal of our prime minister and who forged

FOR THE SICK ROOM

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