

Many Matters Will Come Up for Final Settlement During the Coming Year.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—President Taft, who, in the language of Captain Archie Butt, his aide, is now slowly eating his way toward Washington, will have a strenuous administrative year to look forward to when he arrives at the White House in November.

Secretary Meyer has been giving much of his leisure hours to preparing a plan for the reorganization of the navy department—a problem which has been a thorn in the side of nearly every administration since the forties.

President Taft must also settle the question which caused such a rumpus during the Roosevelt administration—whether or not a surgeon should command a hospital ship or whether this function should be exercised by a line officer.

In the state department there are momentous questions to be decided. Secretary Knox has already announced in general terms the foreign policy of the administration—notably that it is to be a commercial one. Putting it in practice, however, involves many questions as yet unanswered.

Oriental relations necessarily affect our relations with other countries.

Announcement will probably be made shortly after President Taft returns of the appointment of new ambassadors—to London, Paris and Vienna.

The army offers no great problems, but it remains to be seen whether the paring down of expenses will have any serious effect on the military establishment.

Among some of the more important things which will engage the president's attention in other branches of the government is the creation of the customs court.

The general tariff board appointed to help the president enforce the maximum and minimum features of the new tariff law will begin its work in earnest November 1, studying the tariffs of foreign countries to find which ones discriminate against the United States. This board will doubtless report from time to time to the president regarding individual countries, and the president will have to prepare proclamations granting to those countries which do not discriminate against us immunity from the maximum rates which will otherwise go into effect March 31 next.

The president has already indicated that he is going to make some important recommendations for changes in the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws, including the establishment of an interstate commerce court.

Then there is the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy, which, despite the president's success in quieting the belligerents, still threatens to break out anew at any time. Despite the heat of his controversy with Chief Forester Pinchot, Ballinger has been pursuing the even tenor of his way, having lands examined for power sites and withdrawing only such as his engineers of the geological survey declare are valuable for this purpose.

The departmental and governmental commissions which have been studying, in accordance with his wishes, how to economize in the expenses of the government, will probably be able to submit reports to the president shortly after his return.

Probate.

Estate George M. Needles; inventory and appraisal filed showing estate valued at \$1392.16; order made for sale of personal property.

Estate Maria Carlsson; inventory and appraisal filed showing estate valued at \$1500.

Estate Ephraim Hedberg; C. W. Paulsen, E. W. Swedenburg and Peterson appointed appraisers.

Estate George M. Needles; order made appointing C. L. Reames administrator and John S. Orth, J. R. Wilson and George P. Lindley appraisers.

Estate J. T. Layton; sixth semi-annual account of administrator filed and approved.

Believes Roosevelt Had Taft Elected President for Selfish Reason.

SPOKANE, Oct. 16.—John P. St. John, formerly governor of Kansas, who has come to Spokane to begin the fight for prohibition in the state of Washington, made two predictions in the course of an interview:

"Nothing but his death will prevent the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt to succeed President Taft, and if he is not elected no other republican can be.

"Ten years hence there won't be a legalized saloon within the boundaries of this commonwealth. Spokane will be 'dry' in five years from this time."

Mr. St. John said among other things in speaking of Roosevelt and Taft:

"Theodore Roosevelt is the sharpest politician in the United States. But for him Mr. Taft would never have been thought of for the presidency. Roosevelt knew Taft, and so do I, but he knew that Taft is a putty man, soft putty at that. Roosevelt helped to elect Taft. He knew that his administration would be a failure.

"Roosevelt went off to Africa. He is not mixed up in any of the questions before the people today. In the course of 18 months he will return, covered with rhino hides, elephant tusks and glory. The 'howl and yell' element in politics will raise the cry for Roosevelt. The country will go 'wild' over him. Nothing but his death will prevent his nomination to succeed Taft, and if he is not elected it will be because no republican could win."

FINLEY ENTHUSIASTIC REGARDING ROGUE APPLES

SALEM, Or., Oct. 16.—W. D. Finley, assistant manager of the National Apple show at Spokane, was in the city recently arranging for an exhibit from the Willamette valley. It is planned to secure the entire exhibit of the Albany apple fair and ship it direct to Spokane.

Mr. Finley is enthusiastic regarding the quality and quantity of the apple crop of the Rogue River valley country, and says the Rogue River country will ship eight to ten cars to Spokane.

DIED.

NEELEY—At Merlin, Monday, October 11, 1909, James Neeley, aged 72 years, 1 month and 26 days.

HOLT—At Grants Pass, Saturday, October 9, 1909, Lucy S. Holt, wife of Sidney Holt, aged 62 years, 2 months and 29 days.



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It is said the greater portion of these apples will go to Liverpool and Glasgow, although some will remain in the markets in the eastern part of the United States. This is one of the largest apple deals ever made in this valley.

NOTICE OF SALE.

In the matter of the estate of George M. Needles, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the county court of Jackson county, Oregon, made on the 14th day of October, 1909, in the matter of the above named estate, the undersigned administrator of the estate of said deceased will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on Monday, the 25th day of October, 1909, at 10 o'clock a. m., in front of what is known as the "Horseshoe Club Saloon," situated on Front street in the city of Medford, the entire stock of merchandise contained in said saloon, consisting of a large amount of whisky in barrels, in bottles and otherwise, together with a variety of other kinds of liquor usually kept by retail vendors thereof; also including two pool tables, both in good condition, and each completely equipped with fixtures; also a stock of tobaccos, cigars, pipes, cigarettes, etc., and a full set of decanters, glasses and tumblers, and other articles used in connection with and in a saloon where liquors are sold by retail. For a more definite knowledge of the kind and amount of liquors, fixtures, etc., to be disposed of at said sale, inquire at the office of Colvig & Reames, Medford, Oregon.

Dated October 15th, 1909.
CLARENCE L. REAMES,
Administrator of the Estate of George M. Needles, Deceased.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at the meeting thereof on October 19, 1909, for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon, for the period of six months, at his place of business at Nos. 22 and 24 Front street, North, in said city.

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