



FRED T. DUBOIS.



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UNITED STATES SENATORS FOR IDAHO.

Last week the first legislature of the state of Idaho, meeting in joint session at the capital in Boise City, elected three United States senators, the first time in the history of the nation when three senators were elected at one time. This was made necessary by the fact that one term will expire next March and a third senator was chosen to take his seat at that time. These gentlemen had taken the most prominent part in the work of securing the admission of the state into the union, and had earned the honor of first representing it in the highest legislative body in the nation.

The gentlemen first chosen were Hon. Geo. L. Shoup, who was governor of the territory when it was admitted and was elected governor of the state, and Hon. W. J. McConnell, a prominent merchant of Moscow, Idaho, who spent much time in Washington last spring working for the admission bill. Mr. Shoup was born in Kittanning, Pa., June 15, 1836. In 1852 he moved to Illinois and in 1859 was found in Colorado with the Pike's Peak gold hunters. In the fall of 1861 he was commissioned second lieutenant of a company of volunteers, and was actively engaged in fighting Indians, confederates and outlaws for three years, rising to the rank of

colonel. At the close of the war he settled in Idaho and engaged in business. He was twice a member of the legislature and governor of the state and territory.

Mr. McConnell was born in Oakland county, Mich., in 1839, and crossed the plains to California in 1860. In 1863 he went to Idaho, where he served as deputy United States marshal in 1865. In 1866 he returned to California, and in 1871 he moved to Oregon, where he served as president of the state senate, in 1882. In 1879 he established an extensive mercantile business in Moscow and took up his residence there a few years later. Mr. McConnell was a prominent member of the constitutional convention. He and Mr. Shoup will draw for terms when they reach Washington.

Hon. Fred T. Dubois, who, as delegate to congress, did much to secure the admission of the state, was elected to succeed the one who shall draw the short term. He was born in Crawford county, Ill., May 29, 1851, and graduated from Yale college in 1872. He occupied various positions in the state service of Illinois until he moved to Idaho, in 1880. From 1882 to 1886 he was United States marshal for the territory, and was prominent in the anti-Mormon movement. From 1886 to 1890 he represented Idaho in congress as territorial delegate.

In its issue of June 7th last WEST SHORE presented an account of a raid on the sealing grounds of Behring sea by the German schooner *Adele*, which was made in the early winter of the year previous. The article was written by one of the members of the crew of the vessel on the voyage, and while it was written in the style of a story all the statements made were facts. The same vessel has just returned to Victoria from a second trip to northern sea and is now under arrest by the customs authorities of British Columbia for having taken out false clearance papers and making false entry upon returning. The expedition of a year ago did not prove to be a success from a financial point of view, as a combination of circumstances prevented the poachers from securing seals enough to even pay them wages for the time spent in the search; but the voyage of September last was productive of better results, as they are reported as having captured over 400 skins. Early in September the captain of the *Adele* applied for, and was given, clearance papers for a voyage to Yokohama, Japan. Instead of sailing for that port, however, he put off to the north with the intention of making another raid on the preserves of the United States in Behring sea. Very rough weather was encountered, but he succeeded in landing at St. Paul island, where the seals flock in herds of thousands, and secured a sufficient number of skins to net a handsome profit for the season's work. On his return to Victoria, on the thirteenth inst., he made entry at the custom house as having arrived from Yokohama, which, later, was learned by the authorities to be a misstatement. His vessel is now held by the customs officials to secure the payment of the sum of \$900, the penalties exacted by the laws of that country for making a false clearance and entry. The same tactics were pursued this year as last, as will be seen by reference to the article in WEST SHORE, the port of Yokohama being then the presumable destination of the craft. Mr. Pocock fortified himself against charges of drawing upon his imagination in the production of his narrative, by securing a large number of photographs of different places visited by the vessel and of the members of the crew while engaged in their respective duties, which were taken without the knowledge of any one on board, and which were used with such

good effect in the illustration of his article. This vessel is only one of several making these surreptitious raids on the seal islands of the north, which will, if not prevented, result in the extermination of that valuable fur-bearing animal; but the question of how to prevent them, is one that has not yet been answered satisfactorily.

On the north side of the Columbia river, opposite The Dalles, Oregon, is the new town of North Dalles. The townsite is owned by the Interstate Investment Company, of which Mr. O. D. Taylor is president and manager. North Dalles is located at the head of deep water navigation on the Columbia river, and the site is peculiarly adapted to the requirements of manufacturing, in that it is accessible to both river and rail transportation lines, and lies in the very heart of one of the richest producing sections of the Pacific northwest. The Boston Shoe and Leather Company has erected a mammoth brick factory for the manufacture of boots and shoes—the largest concern of its kind on the Pacific coast. The machinery is all in place and operations will soon begin. A large tannery is also to be established in the near future. A steel wagon bridge, to cost over \$100,000, will be built across the Columbia, connecting the two cities, the funds having been secured for that purpose. The prospect of North Dalles' becoming an important manufacturing center are certainly very flattering, as the Investment company is exerting every effort to accomplish that end.

"Little Lord Fauntleroy" will be the new year's week attraction at the Marquam grand opera house, commencing next Monday evening. A special holiday matinee will be given on New Year's day. The incidents of this play are evolved so naturally and follow each other in such an appreciable manner that one scarcely knows whether he is reading Mrs. Burnett's famous book or witnessing a play. Little Georgia Cooper and Gertie Heimen, two eight-year-old children, will alternate in the title role.