

MARYLAND CENTER OF POLITICAL TROUBLE

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Maryland now holds the center of the political stage and will remain in the limelight until after its first state-wide Presidential preference primary is held on Monday.

The same energy that was devoted to Massachusetts by the Taft and Roosevelt forces is being thrown into the contest. There is no resemblance, however, between the Massachusetts and Maryland situations so far as popular enthusiasm is concerned. In Maryland the interest has hardly reached the stage of excitement. But with both Taft and Roosevelt stumping the state today—the Colonel having started in yesterday—latent enthusiasm may be aroused considerably.

There is just as much doubt involved in the Maryland contest as there was in the Massachusetts fight. In fact, the respective leaders appear less ready to venture private predictions in this case than in the precedent one. It is Maryland's first experiment with a primary law, and it is a primary law that is not thoroughly understood. Sixteen delegates are to be sent from Maryland to the National convention at Chicago and the same number to the Democratic National convention at Baltimore.

Contrary to the possibilities presented in Illinois, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, there is no chance of splitting the Maryland delegation. The Republican candidate for President who wins the popular test on Monday will have all 16 of the delegates to the National convention. This fact gives additional importance to the result.

The Roosevelt forces are contending that Taft must win Maryland to hold his place in the race, just as he had to win a victory in Massachusetts to keep himself from being eliminated. The strategic importance of controlling the Maryland delegation is recognized by both sides. The delegates to the National convention are not elected by direct vote under the Maryland primary law. Instead delegates to a state convention will be chosen at the primaries, as in New Hampshire. The state convention will consist of 129 delegates, elected in groups from each legislative district.

In each of the Baltimore districts, to illustrate the situation, seven state delegates are to be chosen. The Taft and Roosevelt candidates appear on the official ballot in hit-and-miss order, the elector being compelled to pick out the seven for whom he wishes to vote without the aid of any political designation opposite the different names. And if an elector votes for more than seven his ballot will be void.

This is not such an important matter, however—the voting for delegates—as it was in Massachusetts. If the preference vote is for either Roosevelt or Taft, whose names appear at the top of the ballot in the order given, that will count.

Delegates to the state convention regardless of their personal preference, will vote for Taft or Roosevelt delegates to the National Convention according to the Presidential preference vote of their respective counties. Whoever obtains a majority of the 129 delegates to the state convention—Taft or Roosevelt—will get the delegation to Chicago.

FOR EARLY SPRING.

Cutaway Coats Approved by Best French Tailors.



SUIT OF TAN CLOTH.

There is something essentially French and chic in this gay little cutaway coat, which is part of a Drecoil suit built for a spring bride. The suit is of tan cloth, with a band of black ottoman silk on the square collar and buttons of black jet with pearl centers. The boots and gloves are champagne color, the boots being in new gaiter top style, with uppers of tan cloth, having flat white buttons.

Wielding the Broom.

It is not an easy matter to sweep well, at any rate, if one judges by experience, for when a broom is put into the hands of the inexperienced more harm than good generally results from the use of it.

Light sweeping and soft brooms are desirable. Many a carpet is prematurely worn out by careless sweeping.

In sweeping thick piled carpets always brush the way of the pile. By doing so it may be kept clean for years. But if the broom is used in a different way the dust will enter the carpet and soon destroy it.

If the carpet covers the whole floor of the room and it is matted down, place the chairs and other articles of furniture which can be easily moved

In the middle of the room, pin up the curtains and cover the couch with an old sheet.

Pieces of damp paper may be sprinkled around the sides of the room, and then sweep with a carpet broom toward one place.

Take short strokes, being careful not to raise the broom much. Sweep the corners and edges with a small whisk-broom.

MR. AND MRS. TROOP TENDERED SURPRISE

A very pleasant surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Troop, of Lawton Heights Friday evening, the occasion being Mrs. Troop's birthday anniversary. The affair was given at the home of Mrs. J. C. Spagle, and the rooms were very prettily decorated. The evening was devoted to games and music, after which all sat down to enjoy a feast.

Present were W. H. VanWey, Mrs. Edwin VanWey, Miss Alma VanWey, Mr. and Mrs. Jubb, Miss Edith Jubb, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. William Forward, Mr. and Mrs. William Troop, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spagle, Edith Ross, Mildred Ross, Ruth and Camilla Spagle, Miss Mildred Troop and Mrs. Ella Telford.

GUESS WHO WON? DON'T SAY PORTLAND

PORTLAND, May 4. (Special.)—Poor Portland! She has lost again. Years ago Louisville won the pennant in the American Association and was a hopeless last the next year. Is Portland trying to emulate the real Colonels? Vernon made one in the first, two in the second, and two in the ninth. Portland made two in the fifth and one in the eighth. Carson and Gilligan pitched. Each team made seven hits and Vernon, although victorious, made four errors.

Bad Form.

The members of a certain colony of artists in New York tell with great glee, of a comrade who, though he does pretty well in a financial way, is always "hard up." One day a collector called upon this artist to try to get him to settle a bill for picture frames. "I am exceedingly sorry," said the artist, "but I cannot settle this bill at present."

"Very well, sir. When shall I call again?" asked the collector.

"It seems to me," suggested the artist suavely, "that it would hardly be etiquette for you to call again until I have returned the present call."—Harper's Magazine.

Come Quick, Go Quick.

"Do you pay your servants by the week or by the month?" "Merely! How long do you think they stay with us? We have to pay them by the hour."—New Orleans Picayune.

OWNERS CAN FIX PRICE OF BUTTER

For the bears in the butter market the outlook just now seems to be anything but hopeful, and the impression is gaining ground that in attempting to force the market down when there was neither a surplus nor any prospect of a surplus in any quarter they undertook something they could not by any possibility put through.

Instead of a surplus such as to warrant lower quotations at this time, there is beyond question a serious shortage in the markets of the Coast country generally, and what is characterized by a dealer as a "frenzied grab for butter," has developed within the past few days, and instead of 23 cents, 25 and 26 cents appears to be the going prices on the product in the local market.

Seattle and San Francisco are both in the market in a large way for Oregon butter," said one of the best known dealers, "and we find it impossible to get supplies sufficient to take care of the orders coming. Anyone having butter to sell can almost get his own price for the stuff, and it would probably be safe to quote 25 and 27 cents on the product at this time."

Prevailing Oregon City prices are as follows: DRIED FRUITS—(Buying)—Prunes on basis of 6 to 8 cents.

Fruits, Vegetables.

HIDES—(Buying)—Green hides, 7c to 8c; salted 6c to 7c; dry hides 12c to 14c; sheep pelts, 25c to 75c each.

HAY, Grain, Feed.

EGGS—Oregon ranch eggs, 18c case count; 20c condeled.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, HAY—(Buying)—Timothy, \$12 to \$15; clover, \$8 to \$9; oat hay, best, \$9 to \$10; mixed, \$9 to \$11; alfalfa, \$10 to \$11.50.

OATS—(Buying)—Grays \$35 to \$36.50 wheat \$20; oil meal, selling \$35; Shady Brook dairy feed, \$1.30 per 100 pounds.

FEED—(Selling)—Shorts, \$28; bran \$28; rolling barley, \$40.00 to \$41.00; process barley, \$40.

FLOUR—\$4.60 to \$5.40.

POTATOES—Best buying \$1.00 to \$1.40 according to quality per hundred.

Butter, Poultry, Eggs.

POULTRY—(Selling)—Hens 13c to 14c; spring, 17c to 20c; and roosters 8c. Stags 11c.

Butter—(Buying)—Ordinary country butter, 20c to 20c; fancy dairy, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per sack; parsnips, \$1.25 to \$1.50; turnips, \$1.25 to \$1.50; beets, \$1.50.

Livestock, Meats.

BEEF—(Live Weight)—Steers, 5½ and 6¼c; cows, 4½c; bulls 3½c.

VEAL—Calves 10c to 12c dressed, according to grade.

MOHAIR—3c to 3½c.

MUTTON—Sheep 3c to 3½c.

LAMBS, 4c and 5c.

ARTISANS TO HAVE BIG SOCIAL ENTERTAINMENT

The Artisans will have a social night next Thursday which will include a program and dancing, and the committee having charge of the affair is composed of Miss Maude Lightbody, Mrs. Emma Thomas and Mrs. Pauline Schwartz. The meeting held Thursday night of this week was largely attended, and a program was given during the evening.

CAN "DOUBLE UP" IN SPRINT RACES

Olympic Program So Arranged For the Athletes.

DISTANCE MEN ARE FAVORED.

Milers Can Also Run in Other Races Without Punishing Themselves.

England Has New Broad Jumping Star—McMillan a Crack Sprinter.

Unless there should develop serious opposition to the two Sunday dates which the Swedish Olympic club committee has announced the program for the 1912 Olympiad is sure to meet with universal approval in this country. The arrangement of the preliminary and final heat in all of the track events has been made in such a manner as to permit the greatest amount of doubling up. The program set at rest the fear that the American sprinters would not be able to compete in both the 100 and 200 meter dashes and the middle distance men in the 800 and 1,500 meter runs.

According to the schedule, which has just been announced, the games will begin on Saturday, July 6, and finish on Monday, July 15. The 100 meter, 200 meter and 400 meter dashes and 800 and 1,500 meter runs have been spread over six days so that a sprinter, if he had the necessary endurance, could compete in the 100, 200 and 400 meter runs and the middle distance man can easily compete in both the 800 and 1,500 meter events. The trial heats for the 100 and 800 meter runs is set for the first day, with the finals of each the following days.

The 100 meter men who wish to compete in the 200 meters instead of the 400 meters will have a rest of two days before they are compelled to work again, while the middle distance men will have a rest of one day.

The dual games between Oxford and Cambridge recently brought to light but one competitor of Olympic caliber that this country did not already know. He was Ashington of Cambridge, and he won the running broad jump with a leap of 23 feet 1½ inches. When it is considered that this man also won the 120 yard hurdles, competing in the rain, his broad jumping was quite remarkable, and if he makes the improvement which should be expected of him for the remainder of the year he will cause some uneasiness in the American camp.

The victory of McMillan in the 100 yard dash was entirely expected, though his performance of 10 seconds for the distance either stamps him as a world beater or the time was not accurate. To run 100 yards on a heavy track and in a pouring rain in 10 seconds flat is a most unusual performance. Reports from England state that McMillan has been running the distance in this time repeatedly, and he has been clocked by some of the best timers in England, who insist that

the times announced for him are accurate.

With the exception of the broad jump already referred to the performances in the field events were nothing unusual. The high jumping and shot putting would not have done justice to one of our best interscholastic meets.

That England intends to make an unusual effort to develop a winner for the Marathon run is indicated by two incidents. The first is the organization of an advisory club, formed for the purpose of imparting information and methods of training for all candidates for the British Olympic team. This club has devoted particular attention to Marathon running. There have been talks and papers on the proper way to train for this event, and every possible encouragement has been given to clubs for the promotion of Marathon running. It is the hope of the British Olympic association that, through the efforts of this club, there will be developed some man able to restore English prestige in long distance running.

MAY HAVE TUG-OF-WAR TEAM.

United States May Be Represented in Olympic if Strength is Developed.

The American Olympic committee has decided to authorize a tryout for a tug-of-war team. The tryout will probably be held on the Pacific coast, where the tug-of-war is a popular event. If a team is developed which shows marked ability and the Olympic fund is large enough it will be taken along on the Finland and entered in the official competitions.

The committee also has decided to hold in the middle west some time in May Olympic tryouts in wrestling in the Greco-Roman style.

How strong are you going in the terrapin automobile contest?

CORRESPONDENCE

JENNINGS LODGE.

The Circle was entertained at the home of Mrs. Humons on May day. The usual work was taken up and a social time was enjoyed. Encircling the tea table which was decorated with bleeding hearts and May baskets, were the eight members, who were present and enjoyed the dainty refreshments served by the hostess.

The north room of the Jennings Lodge school was filled with people of this community Friday evening, April 26th, who came to enjoy themselves at their own birthday party, given for the benefit of Grace Chapel. Refreshments of cake, coffee and sandwiches were served in the south room after the following well rendered program: Solo, "The Birth of Morn," Miss Morse; broom drill, ten little maids; recitation, "Living on a Salary," Frances Sandstrom; monologue, "Widow Piper," Lillian Sandstrom; flag drill, young folks; tableau, "Rock of Ages," "Scotch Folk Songs," Minnie Patterson; "Four Maids of Japan," Bessie Roberts, Doris Painton, Wilma and Mary Bruechert; recitation in two parts, Evelyn Paxton; paper, "Jennings Lodge Ten Years Hence," by request, Mrs. Harry Painton; tableau, "Evening Prayer," "Return of the Suffragettes," Mabel Morse and Mary Rose; reading, Mrs. Ed. Paxton; "Good Night Song," Ferrel Van Sant. Thirty dollars was realized from the birthday sacks which was used to defray the church expenses.

Mrs. H. J. Robinson entertained a number of Portland women Wednesday when her mother, Mrs. Lains, was the honor guest to a very prettily appointed luncheon.

Mrs. Dill, of Portland, enjoyed a visit the week end from her little grandchild, Calvin Dill Morse.

Mrs. Guenther, of Burlington, visited Saturday with her brother, Royal Stover, after attending Booster Day in Oregon City. Mr. and Mrs. Royal Stover complimented their sister with a theatre party at the Baker.

Most every home here was represented in Oregon City Saturday—Booster Day. Many favorable comments on the fine horses, the number of prettily decorated autos and the agricultural car were heard from those who attended.

Little Ruth Truscott is now rapidly recovering from a three weeks' illness.

The regular Community Club meeting was held in the school house Wednesday evening, May 1st. A great deal of important business came up in regard to sidewalks and street improvements. A number of members will attend the meeting in Oregon City Friday evening, May 3rd.

Seven members of the club attended the Live Wires of the Oregon City Commercial Club, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. P. D. Newell was a Portland visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Cora Shoop departed for Klamath Wednesday where she will spend two months.

Quarterly meeting will be held at Grace Chapel Sunday afternoon. Rev. Hornscomb will preach at 3 P. M. This is the last meeting of the year. The conference convenes May 9th.

The weekly prayer meeting will now be held as cottage prayer meetings Thursday, May 2nd, at 8 P. M. A cordial invitation to meet with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Russell at their home on the above date is extended to all.

The two youngest children of Mrs. M. E. Welch are quite ill at their home on the County Road.

Mrs. Spooner and sons and little granddaughter have returned to their summer home after spending the winter in Portland.

In honor of Rufus Sheldon, of Pittsburg, a number of Portland people were dinner guests Sunday at the Emmons home. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cass, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cass, and Mr. and Mrs. Lew Watson and daughter, Elouise.

The little daughter which arrived at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Bergstresser two weeks ago has been given the name of Bernice Mae.

Edward P. Morse and son, Kermit, of Sellwood, were calling on relatives at this place Thursday.

Mrs. Laura Newell enjoyed a visit from her friend, Mrs. West, of Eugene, and her daughter, Mrs. Emma Ford and son of Portland, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Powers, of Mel-drum, have sold their pretty home to a Mr. Hislop and will leave in a few days for their new home near Seattle.

Curtis Miller, who is well and favorably known here, as he was a former merchant here, left last week for Montana.

Vivien Tibbets is recovering from a severe attack of throat trouble which kept him home for over a week.

J. J. Alden, a recent arrival from Dubuque, Iowa, and now located at Clackamas, visited with George Morse Wednesday.

Rufus Sheldon, of Pittsburg, Penn., is visiting his cousin, Halmor Emmons, at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor of Portland, were Friday visitors at the MacFarlane home.

Rev. Calvin Bergstresser and wife entertained the pastor and presiding elders' stewards of the Grace Chapel Tuesday with a six o'clock dinner at the parsonage in Portland.

STOP! LOOK! Listen?

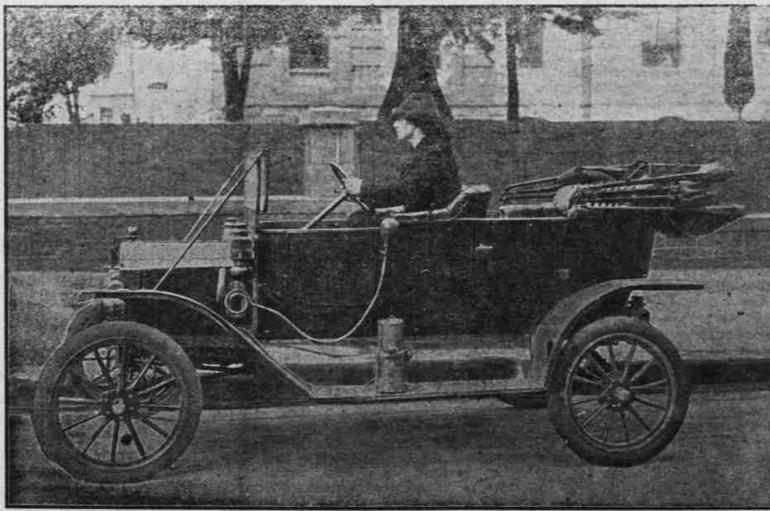
Working for the other fellow and
Get Busy for Yourself

What can be won with a little
work a fine prize every 10 days
BESIDES THE AUTO

To what people are saying and
you will see how popular you are
THEN GET IN AND WIN



Yours for the asking



Don't it look good to you

To stimulate interest in the voting and give each one a chance to profit by their work we will give a prize every ten days. These prizes will not affect the final count in any way as all votes will count on

THE GRAND AUTOMOBILE

These prizes will be given to the one that hands in the largest number of votes very ten days.

\$100 In Gold

We will give \$100 to the contestant who makes the second best showing. If you don't think you can win the car get in and win the \$100. Just think; \$100 for a few week's work in the evening or before work.