

MAYOR DEPOSES BOARD OF HEALTH

Assigns No Reason for His Course, but Acts Summarily.

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- BOARD OF HEALTH (no salary)—Drs. Mae H. Cardwell, William Jones and James F. Bell. CITY PHYSICIAN—J. C. Zan, salary \$150 a month. Sanitum, assistant, \$50 a month. HEALTH OFFICER—H. R. Bierdorf, salary \$90 a month; W. Bentele, salary \$85 a month. GARBAGE CREMATORY—R. Robinson, Jr., superintendent, \$10 a month; Jacob Neumester, foreman, \$75 a month; three laborers at \$60 and one at \$50 a month.

After calling a special session of the City Board of Health yesterday afternoon, Mayor Lane requested its members to tender their resignations, and upon their refusal to do so, preemptively dismissed them from office. Those directly affected by his action are Drs. Mae H. Cardwell, William Jones and James F. Bell, while it is probable that the dissolution of the present body will be followed by the discharge of Dr. J. C. Zan, City Physician; Dr. H. R. Bierdorf, Health Officer; and those under them, including W. Bentele, Health Officer; Dr. Sam Slocum, Assistant City Physician; R. Robinson, Superintendent of the City Garbage Crematory, and Jacob Neumester, foreman. In short, it is believed that the Mayor intends to make a clean sweep, not only of the Board of Health, but of the Water and Park Board, also, and that this will be done with as little delay as possible. The Mayor gave negative assent to this view of the situation in an interview with the Oregonian last night.

Gives No Reasons.

The Mayor gave no grounds for dismissing the board other than that its members were legacies of the Williams administration, and he wished to surround himself with his own associates. Under the charter, he will have to explain these reasons to the City Council at its next regular meeting, in addition to filing with the Auditor. It is significant that immediately preceding the dismissal of the Board of Health, the Mayor held a long consultation with Secretary Stone, of the Y. M. C. A., and several others prominent in Municipal Association circles, although both his Honor and Mr. Stone deny that the visit had anything to do with the case. While the Mayor's action was unexpected, in a way, it created no real surprise, as the members of the board have been expecting to be removed from the moment the new administration assumed the reins of municipal government. Health Officer Bierdorf stated last night, in answer to the information that the board had been dismissed, that he anticipated losing his job in short order now, although not yet having received any intimation that such would be the case. It is probable that Dr. Zan has also been marked for dismissal by the Mayor, and that he will put in one of his own followers wherever he can, especially when it is considered that the seat of government in the City Hall is being almost daily besieged by a hungry lot of office-seekers who are constantly urging the Mayor to do something for them.

New Board Uncertain.

When asked whom he intended to appoint as successors to the Health Board, Mayor Lane last night declared that everything was up in the air at present in relation to the matter, although he would probably be in a position to take the public into his confidence before long, and intimated that he might name them to day some time. He confessed that while several had been already selected, that no definite conclusion had as yet been reached. The chief regret upon the part of the deposed officials seems to center in the fact of their having to abandon important work in which they had individually become deeply interested. For instance, Dr. Mae Cardwell has devoted a great deal of attention to the question of sanitary conditions as applied to market inspection and the local food supply generally, while Dr. Bell had an especial hobby in bringing the garbage crematory up to a high standard of excellence, while it is known that Dr. Jones has been an efficient member of the board in many ways. All seem to feel that while there is a certain element of sorrow in being compelled to abandon these important duties, the whole situation is based upon the causes and effects of politics, and all appear to take a philosophical view in accordance with this idea.

PAVING MATTER IS DISCUSSED

Executive Board Hears Argument as to Comparative Cost. The question of whether the Warren Construction Company or the Barber Asphalt Paving Company shall be awarded the contract for making certain street improvements on Second street from Morrison to Glisan and Condon streets, from First to Fourteenth, was again threshed

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WILL TAKE SENATORSHIP

La Follette Decides to Resign as Governor in September.

MADISON, Wis., Aug. 7.—It is announced today officially, but from an authoritative source, that Governor La Follette will relinquish the office of Governor early in September, and go to Washington as Senator in October.

Fatally Hurt by Automobile.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Anthony Reiff, a composer 70 years old, was run down and fatally injured by a motor car in New York city today. The automobile which careened upon the sidewalk as it turned a corner. The chauffeur was chased some distance by a messenger boy. The automobile was arrested, but no one appeared to make complaint and he was set at liberty.

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WITTE'S DAY IN CULCHAW CITY

He Sees Historic Buildings in Antomobile Ride.

BOSTON, Aug. 7.—M. Witte, the senior Russian plenipotentiary to the peace conference at Portsmouth, who landed from the Russian steamer Dolphina at Boston yesterday, left his apartments at the Hotel Touraine in this city at 9 o'clock today. After breakfast Mr. Wilkenin stated that he was going to the quadron bearing the other plenipotentiaries would defer their trip to Portsmouth probably until Tuesday morning. M. Witte had decided to seize the opportunity offered by a day's postponement of the conference in Boston to see more of the city of Boston and Cambridge. He was particularly anxious, Mr. Wilkenin said, to visit Harvard University and the Bunker Hill monument.

McLane Busy at Daylight

Governor McLane was up at daylight dictating telegraphic orders to the troops to remain away until tomorrow. Information was also dispatched to the Congressional delegation of the state, the members of which had been invited to participate. During the forenoon, Governor McLane received a telegram from Third Assistant Secretary Pierce at Newport, stating that the Mayflower and Dolphin and the Galveston, their convoy, would not arrive until Tuesday morning, and a postponed reception should be postponed 24 hours without any change in the program already arranged. Informal notice was then given to this effect.

Witte Dodges the Crowds.

Mr. Witte arrived in this city tonight from Boston at 11:15 o'clock, coming in a special car attached to the Bar Harbor Express. He was enabled to avoid the crowd of several hundred persons assembled at the railroad station, through the train stopping at a crossing about a quarter of a mile from the depot. Mr. Witte was met by Herbert D. Pelton, son of the third Assistant Secretary of State, who, in Russian, informally welcomed the distinguished visitor. Governor McLane's secretary, Mr. Moss, was also present. Three automobiles were in waiting and the party was at once taken to the Hotel Wentworth, about four miles distant. There was considerable disappointment among those assembled at the station when the distinguished foreigner failed to appear after the arrival of the train. It was soon learned that the Russians had left the train at the crossing and there was a rush toward the street leading to the Wentworth, but the foreigners were well on their way before the crowd reached this point.

Witte Nails Exaggeration.

On the way from Boston Mr. Witte dictated the following statement concerning dispatches from Tokio: "I have read the telegram from Tokio that the Japanese capture 30,000 Russian soldiers at the Island of Sakhalin during the recent operations there. Now, so far as I know, the whole garrison in Sakhalin is said to consist of not more than 4000. It is a known fact that the Russian soldiers do not surrender, and if we take into consideration that some of the soldiers of the island garrison were killed, then the number of captured could not even reach 4000. I do not wish at all to minimize the successes or bravery of the Japanese, but at the same time all the people of Russia and myself cannot help being surprised at the cables which have reached us during the war from Tokio. According to them, if all the Russian soldiers who have from time to time been reported from Tokio as captured, killed or wounded had in fact been captured, killed or wounded by the Japanese, Russia would not at this time possess any army at all, and then my journey to the United States would be quite superfluous. Reading these cables, a well-known Russian correspondent comes to my mind. I might translate it thus: 'One can exaggerate, but there is a limit to exaggeration!'"

KANEKO MEETS ROOSEVELT

Japanese Financier Says Japan is Prepared to Fight On.

OSTER BAY, Aug. 7.—Baron Kaneko, the Japanese financier expert, visited Sagamore Hill late this afternoon by appointment for a conference with the President. The precise nature of his mission is not disclosed, neither is the President caring to discuss it except in general and negative terms. Assurances were given by both the President and Baron Kaneko that the visit had nothing to do with the pending peace negotiations or with the

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GOVERNMENT IS IN CHARGE

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PROGRESS OF YELLOW FEVER.

Table with 2 columns: Category and Count. Includes New Orleans, Aug. 7—Official report to P. M.: New cases 32, Total to date 1065, Deaths 5, Total to date 1115, Total subject 1115, Total to date 97.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 7.—Two large foci of infection were discovered today outside of the city by officers of the Marine Hospital Service. Dr. Corput went to the Diamond Plantation in St. Charles parish to look into some suspicious cases and found six positive yellow fever cases of secondary infection, three of which were dead. They are on a sugar plantation and three of them are Italians. One is a negro.

NEW LIFE IN WAR ON FEVER

Government Takes Control and New Orleans Raises Funds.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 7.—With the Marine Hospital Service under the authority of President Roosevelt, the scientific fight to eradicate yellow fever from New Orleans before frost, took on fresh life today, and with ample funds, the best available talent, and an army of willing workers at his back, Dr. J. H. White, surgeon-in-charge, looks for a successful termination of the struggle. Dr. White visited the State and City Boards of Health, and communicated the news of the President's decision to them. Both pledge all the assistance of themselves and the forces under them to Dr. White in his undertaking. Dr. White said the transfer of details would be gradual, so that there might be no interruption of the work now in progress. The shifting of authority is expected to be complete tomorrow.

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PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 7.—The British steamship, which arrived at the Delaware Breakwater at 10 o'clock today from Port de Paix, Hayti, with 15 of the crew ill with fever, docked at this port today. The quarantine was held by the Government Quarantine at 10 o'clock pending an investigation as to the character of the fever, but after careful observation the steamer will be permitted to come to port. Physicians claim finding the seamen suffering from malaria.

Suspected Cases on Steamer.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—One passenger and two of the crew of the steamer Comus, which arrived from New Orleans this morning, were transferred to Huffman's Island for observation, all of them showing a high temperature. The steamer was detained at quarantine until 8:40 this evening, when she was permitted to proceed to her pier.

Yellow Fever in Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, Aug. 7.—The superior board of health reports five cases of yellow fever in the republic, four at Vera Cruz and one at Oaxaca.

Chapelais Crisis Comes Today.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 7.—Archbishop Chapelle was reported as doing well tonight. He will pass the crisis tomorrow.

Pope Expresses Hope for Peace.

ROME, Aug. 7.—The Pope today received in private audience Edward J. Sullivan, American consul at Freiburg, Turkey, and E. Martin, his secretary. The Pope was most cordial and sent his salutations to President Roosevelt. He expressed the most fervent desire that peace would be concluded between Russia and Japan, and said that President Roosevelt was entitled to the thanks of the whole civilized world for his efforts to bring the bloody conflict to a close. He then imparted his apostolic benedictions to the Pope and his secretary. The Pope then presented Mr. Sullivan with his photograph bearing his autograph and an inscription. The death reported on the Belle plantation in Jefferson Parish, opposite New Orleans in the city of New Orleans, showing the heavy mortality from the fever where adequate treatment is not given.

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THE DEATHS REPORTED ON THE BELLE PLANTATION IN JEFFERSON PARISH, OPPOSITE NEW ORLEANS, IN THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, SHOWING THE HEAVY MORTALITY FROM THE FEVER WHERE ADEQUATE TREATMENT IS NOT GIVEN.

Five Italians fled from New Orleans to this plantation and one after another has taken the fever and succumbed. The vicinity has been thoroughly isolated and disinfected and every precaution will be taken to prevent subsequent infection by means of the mosquitoes. Dr. Gutierrez, of the Marine Hospital Service, spent the day in Southwest Louisiana investigating reports of suspicious cases.

Effect of Federal Control.

Every authority wanted by the Federal Bureau is assured. Adequate police power will be given the Marine Hospital surgeons to aid them in their scientific work. Dr. White says the municipal laws are sufficient for his purpose. Chairman Janvier of the citizens committee, will put his forces at the disposal of Dr. White. Engines of the fire department are to be made available in flushing and other clean-up work. Local police are to cut no figure whatever in the situation, and the Government is to have full authority. On the other hand, in addition to the work that will be done here, it is expected that all the resources of the Federal Government will be used in securing modifications of the extreme quarantine regulations that are now in effect, so that New Orleans will be able to resume commercial relations with the surrounding states. The benefit of the Federal control is already evidenced in the favorable condition of the city shown by interviews with the health authorities in nearby states, and it is thought little difficulty will be encountered in securing a modification of the extreme quarantine regulations. Louisiana parishes are already becoming more reasonable, and most of them are announcing their willingness to receive goods from the city. Wholesale