

COOPERATIVE WILL CALL CONVENTION

Republican State Central Body to Meet Within Next Two or Three Weeks.

DELEGATES TO BE CHOSEN

Convention Will Also Name Candidates for Presidential Electors to Be Voted For in November.

Oregon's Republican State Central Committee will meet within the next two or three weeks to call a state convention for choosing delegates to the National convention in Chicago June 16, and nominating four candidates for Presidential electors, for the November election.

Members State Central Committee.

- Baker—George Chandler, Baker City. Benton—George W. Demman, Corvallis. Clatsop—W. R. Hume, Astoria. Columbia—E. E. Quick, St. Helena. Cook—E. M. Miller, Medford. Douglas—C. A. Marsters, Roseburg. Gilliam—C. A. Danneman, Condon. Grant—O. L. Lewis, Prineas City. Harney—H. M. Horton, Burns. Josephine—J. C. Campbell, Grants Pass. Klamath—W. E. Bowdoin, Klamath Falls. Lake—F. P. Light, Lakeview. Lane—E. O. Potter, Eugene. Lincoln—G. A. Westgate, chairman, Albany. Malheur—W. H. Pullen, Vale. Marion—Frank W. Waters, Salem. Morrow—E. L. Fisher, Prineas. Multnomah—W. W. Banks, Portland. Polk—R. E. Egan, Medford. Sherman—E. V. Littlefield, Moro. Tillamook—W. H. Cooper, Tillamook. Washington—W. H. Tongue, Hillsboro. Wheeler—W. W. Strayer, Postville. Yamhill—W. T. Vinton, McMinnville.

Must Meet Before Primaries.

It will be seen therefore that the state and district central committees will need to meet before the state primaries April 17. Chairman Westgate had hoped to call the state central committee's meeting until after the primaries, but finds on examining the instructions of the National committee that this cannot regularly be done. The instructions say: 'All delegates shall be elected not earlier than 30 days after the date of this call...'

Convention to Name Delegates.

It has been practically agreed that the National delegates from this state shall be chosen by convention, instead of by primaries. There is no provision in the primary law for choosing the National delegates at the same time that the nominating primaries shall be held, six members of the state committee.

BRIEF NEWS BY TELEGRAPH

- New York—Dermuda promises an unusually good crop of Easter lilies. New York—Egan has reached the lowest price of the winter. 10 cents a dozen, wholesale. Milwaukee, Wis.—W. P. Hawley, of Oregon City, has bought machinery for a new paper mill to be erected at Oregon City. Yakima, Wash.—Two elephants escaped from a circus at White Springs, 23 miles, on Thursday and a big crowd of farmers is pursuing. Lebanon—Portuguese troops made an attack upon the revolting natives at Jafroon and Fyze, in Portuguese Guinea, and destroyed the town of Yeh. Culbertson, Mont.—The body of Billy Ford, a saloonkeeper, was found in his yard yesterday. The suspicion is that he was murdered. New York—Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the novelist, has arrived here on a visit to her cousin, Mrs. Frederick W. Whitridge, a daughter of Matthew Arnold. St. Petersburg—Count Leo Tolstoy is better and has resumed his literary work. The doctors consider that there is no ground for immediate apprehension. New York—In aid of the music school settlement of this city, Ignace J. Paderewski will give a piano recital in the Plaza Hotel on the afternoon of April 20. Chicago—The Chicago Y. M. C. A. will celebrate its 50th anniversary April 11 to 13.

and will raise \$1,000,000 as an endowment fund to commemorate the event.

Chicago—Emma Goldman is suffering from nervous collapse due to her efforts to secure a hall in which she can speak on anarchy in defiance of the police.

Washington—The Supreme Court of Germany in a recent decision recently handed down, has held bankers liable for advice given their clients as to investments.

Mexico—James E. Speyer, the New York banker and associate, will arrive here Saturday to close negotiations with the government for a merger of the Mexican railroads.

Washington—Frank Hooford, at one time reading clerk of the House, and for many years a newspaper man well known in this city and throughout the state of Michigan, committed suicide Friday.

New York—By transfusion of blood from its father's veins, Dr. Alexis Carroll, of Rockefeller Institute, has saved the life of a 15-day-old baby of Dr. A. S. Lambert. It was suffering from pneumonia.

New York—In the year 1907 the value of assets of the General Education Board, founded by John D. Rockefeller, at the end of the year was \$5,000,000 by the decline in security values.

Sao Francisco—'Memory and Tomorrow' the new problem play by E. Booth Tilton, was presented here for the first time at the Novel Theater Thursday night. Miss Mary Manning took the leading part.

Berlin—The German government has decided to test in the nine principal cities the American system of postage stamps which a person carries an account in the postoffice and receives and pays money by that means.

Washington—The gold mines of the Transvaal produced in 1907 \$196,750,000 worth of gold, with the exception of \$5,000,000 obtained along the reef upon which it is situated at Johannesburg.

Barcelona—The Spanish steamer Isla de Pallas, from Manila for Liverpool, with a cargo of coconuts and coconuts put her Friday with fire raging in her hold and was burned to the water's edge. The crew was saved.

Denver—Governor Buchtel has been petitioned for aid in securing employment or in returning to their own country by 200 Bohemians who came shortly before the panic. He has referred them to the Federal authorities.

Washington—Official experts of the German government have declared the recent discoveries for the manufacture of precious stones, which are made on a commercial and of little value. The artificial rubies declared to be a success.

Washington—Cover a fresh egg with a thin layer of hard and it keeps perfectly good for an indefinite period, according to the report of a new method of preserving eggs in the United States Department by Consul Murphy at Bordeaux.

Washington—The first month of the present year has shown a decided decrease in Great Britain's exports and imports. The imports were \$24,318,914, a decrease of \$20,218,214. The exports aggregated \$165,828,000, a decrease of \$2,235,310.

Chicago—The Bethesda Home for the Aged, having become bankrupt, a dozen of the inmates, including the aged pastor John Koch died Thursday after drinking John Haszelsbach for failure at suicide and is believed to have passed a poison bottle to others.

Chicago—James Birney, a 14-year-old boy at the Catholic Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, was standing on a step ladder lighting the altar candles Thursday when his surplus took fire. He stood still while others ran up to extinguish the blaze and thus checked a panic.

St. Petersburg—The budget commission of the Douma is able to propose a net reduction of expenditures of \$48,500,000. This leaves a deficit of only \$64,000,000, of which \$20,000,000 is for the repayment of short-term obligations to the Germans. The actual deficit in the running expenses of the state is \$28,000,000.

Pittsburg—William Meigs and Elmer Sprocher were probably fatally burned Thursday by the explosion of the gasoline tank of an automobile belonging to Meigs. The general manager of the Edgar Thomson steel works. The garage, automobile, three horses and the car were destroyed. The cause of the explosion was not ascertained, but it is believed that the tank was full of gasoline.

El Paso, Tex.—Mounted Customs Inspectors Charles W. Brush, who has been in a duel in the dry bed of the Rio Grande River in this city last night and both were killed, therefore, by the fact that they were in a duel in the dry bed of the Rio Grande River in this city last night and both were killed.

Chicago—Evidence against alleged private investigator in the charge of defrauding several businessmen out of considerable sums of money by pretending to be a police officer, was heard Friday by the grand jury. The defendant, who is a resident of Chicago, furnished the greatest amount of money, was the chief witness. Walter Gerber, arrested Friday, is said to have been a step-tween.

SUSPECT ALLIE HAMILTON

WARRANT FOR HIS ARREST AT SILVER LAKE.

Quits Town When Sheriff Begins Investigation of Mysterious Murder of Julius Wallanda.

SILVER LAKE, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—Sheriff Dent and the Prosecuting Attorney have been here two days investigating the murder of Julius Wallanda, Allie Hamilton, suspected of the killing, left town yesterday and a warrant was immediately issued for his arrest and detention.

Every effort will be made to locate Hamilton before he has an opportunity to make good his escape. Robbery is supposed to be the motive for the alleged murder.

Hamilton's description has been sent broadcast and authorities notified to arrest him on sight. He is described as about five feet nine inches in height, mouth very narrow, bulging face, nose slightly roman, very reserved and makes no friends, smooth shaven, shoulders rather broad, stature very straight, round head and face, blue eyes, weight 155 pounds, age about 25.

BLOCK COURT PROCEEDING

Friends of Mrs. Gaze and Mrs. Bell Would Prevent Trial.

No formal settlement was effected yesterday in the differences over rose-bushes between Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gaze and Mrs. J. E. Bell, who occupy adjoining homes on Irving street. Friends are still endeavoring to prevent court proceedings because of Mrs. Bell's alleged action in pouring carbolic acid on the Gaze bushes because they shut the light out of a portion of the Bell home. No complaint was issued yesterday by District Attorney Manning, who was appealed to on Thursday for such a document, but suggested arbitration at that time.

Mr. Gaze made a detailed statement yesterday afternoon of his grievances against Mrs. Bell, saying she had admitted to him and others having poured poison on the rose bushes. The difficulty over the bushes, as well as vines and other plants, has continued for some time past. Mr. Gaze said, Mrs. Bell, in presenting her side of the case, did not deny having poured carbolic acid out of a window of her home, but denied having poured it on the rose bushes, or at least of having intended so doing.

A. B. MASON IS DEAD

Pioneer Grocer's Life Ended by Paralytic Stroke.

THIRTY YEARS IN PORTLAND

Came From Massachusetts on Maiden Voyage of Ship Oregon.

Stood High in Business and Among Masons.

Albert B. Mason, who has been a resident of this city for more than 30 years, and a member of the grocery firm of Sealy, Mason & Co., died at his residence, 268 Sixteenth street, at 12:30 o'clock this morning after an illness of two months at the age of 59. Mr. Mason's death followed a stroke of paralysis which occurred February 1, while on his way home in the evening from business. Since that time he has been confined to his home and was never able to return to his business duties. Of late, although every expedient known to the medical science was resorted to in order to bring about a recovery, he had been getting worse and for the past week had been sinking rapidly.

Mr. Mason occupied a prominent position in the business and social circles of this city. His long residence in Portland and his career as one of the most important grocers in the city made his name and personality familiar to all Portland people. Mr. Mason was noted for his kindly disposition and even temper and was very popular with all those with whom he came in contact. He leaves an estate of considerable proportions.

He came to the Pacific Coast in 1878, having had the distinction of making the trip to this country on the celebrated ship Oregon, built by the Cramps for the Pacific Coast trade. He rounded the Horn in her on her initial trip and was so impressed with the brilliant future of the great Pacific Northwest country that he could not be induced to return to the East.

He opened a grocery business in this city in 1880 with Richard Sealy under the firm name of Sealy, Mason & Co. At that time they occupied a store on First street between Morrison and Yamhill streets. This firm continued successfully in business until 1888, when Richard Sealy was succeeded by Francis Sealy, his brother, the present member of the firm.

Mr. Mason was born in June, 1848, in Medford, Mass. From 1881 he married a Miss Cloutier, of Clatsop County, Oregon. He had three children from this union, but all of them are now dead. He is survived by his widow and one brother, Harry S. Mason, who resides on the home place in Medford, Mass. He was a member of the Washington Lodge of Free Masons.

Although no arrangements for the funeral have been completed as yet, it is believed that the ceremonies will take place on Sunday from the Mason residence, 268 Sixteenth street, where the body will be held until the funeral takes place in Riverview Cemetery.

LOWER RATES IN SUMMER

Transcontinental Roads Get Together at \$2.50 Reduction.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Travel to and from California and the entire Pacific Coast will be cheaper this summer than ever before, during the season yet. After a stormy session of the Transcontinental Passenger Association yesterday the Harriman lines and the Santa Fe gave independent notices that they would reduce their summer tourist rates to the Pacific Coast, effective between June and October.

The notice came after an attempt on the part of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific to prevent summer tourist rates being made, these roads arguing that a minimum basis of 2 cents a mile would be better for the railroads.

The Southern lines insisted that the Pacific Coast should be granted as favorable rates as the Colorado common points. The basis to be used for Colorado will, therefore, be the basis for the summer tourist rates to all points west of Chicago.

Upon this basis the rates to the Pacific Coast will be about \$2.50 cheaper than last year. From Chicago the rate for the round trip to all Coast points between San Diego on the South and Vancouver, B. C., on the North, will be \$7.25.

TACOMA AUTO KILLS BOY

Richard Winsor, 17 Years Old, Runs Down Albert Hagen.

TACOMA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Albert Hagen, the 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hagen, 813 South N. street, was run down by an automobile on South Eleventh between G street and Yakima this evening and was fatally injured. He died an hour later at Francis Pacific Hospital.

Harold Hagen, the lad's 13-year-old brother, was with him at the time of the accident, and stood horrified and helpless while his younger brother's life was crushed out before his eyes. The driver of the auto was Richard Winsor, the 17-year-old son of I. B. Winsor. According to eye witnesses, the Winsor boy was not driving excessively fast, and when he saw the two boys in the street he both blew his horn and shouted a warning to them, but was unable to stop the auto.

Y. M. C. A. MAN A FORGER

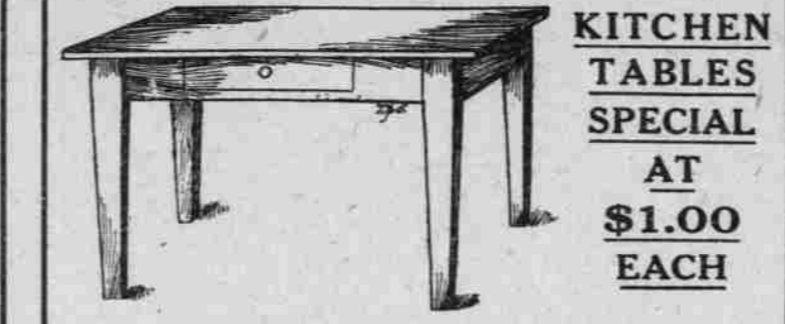
Bert Elmore, of San Francisco, Said to Be Short \$1000.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—Two charges of forgery were today made against Bert Elmore, captain of the Y. M. C. A. basketball team, and a leader in Y. M. C. A. work in this city.

He was local manager for the Hutton Credit Company and is said to be short nearly \$1000. He has been playing the races lately. He has fled and is said to be in Southern California, though he told friends he was going to Portland.

STORE CLOSURES ON SATURDAYS AT SIX O'CLOCK SATURDAY SPECIALS

Today's bargain items will prove unusually attractive to the thrifty Saturday shopper. The following subject to delivery at earliest convenience, and for which mail, telephone or C. O. D. orders will not be accepted



KITCHEN TABLES SPECIAL AT \$1.00 EACH

100 of these kitchen pieces are offered today at this unusually attractive price. These Tables are exceptionally well made, of select stock fir, with heavy, square legs—also drawer. One table only to each purchaser.

CURTAIN STRETCHERS

SPECIAL, EACH 85c Today in the Drapery Department—Sixth Floor—we offer at this special a full-size Curtain Stretcher, with center support—can be adjusted to frame any Spring curtain-cleaning.

THE MALLEABLE RANGE

Riveted together like a boiler—Will last a lifetime.

BRUSH TO SUCCEED

Expected to Reach Vancouver in Few Days.

LONG LIST OF PROMOTIONS

New Commander Graduated From West Point in 1871—Just Promoted to Brigadier-General. Four Years Yet to Serve.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Brigadier-General Daniel H. Brush, who was promoted, vice General C. E. L. Davis, has been assigned to the command of the Department of the Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver Barracks.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Daniel H. Brush, who has been assigned to the command of the Department of the Columbia, was born in Illinois in 1846 and was appointed to the Military Academy, at West Point in 1867, previous to which time he had served in the One Hundred and Forty-fifth Illinois Volunteer Infantry during the latter part of the Civil War.

He was graduated from West Point in the class of 1871 and was assigned to the Seventeenth Infantry, with which Regiment he served as Second and First Lieutenant and Captain until 1901, when he was appointed Major of the Fifth Infantry. He was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel in 1903 and served in the Inspector-General's department until May, 1907, when he was appointed Colonel of the Twenty-Fourth Infantry and served with that Regiment in the Philippines until February of this year when he was again promoted to Brigadier-General and assigned to the Department of the Columbia.

He is expected to arrive here within a few days and will relieve Colonel Thomas C. Woodbury of the Third Infantry, who has been in command since the retirement of Major-General A. W. Greely. General Brush has four years yet to serve before he will be placed upon the retired list of the Army.

Colonel Woodbury was born in Kentucky and was appointed to West Point from New York and graduated in 1872. He was assigned to the Sixteenth Infantry, with which Regiment he served as Second and First Lieutenant and Captain until 1889, when he was appointed Major of the Nineteenth Infantry and served with that Regiment in the Philippines. In 1902 he was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel and in 1904 was made Colonel of the

One of the Essentials

of the happy homes of to-day is a vast fund of information as to the best methods of promoting health and happiness and right living and knowledge of the world's best products.

Products of actual excellence and reasonable claims truthfully presented and which have attained to world-wide acceptance through the approval of the Well-Informed of the World; not of individuals only, but of the many who have the happy faculty of selecting and obtaining the best the world affords.

One of the products of that class, of known component parts, an Ethical remedy, approved by physicians and commended by the Well-Informed of the World as a valuable and wholesome family laxative is the well-known Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

HASSOCKS SPECIAL TODAY AT 60c EACH

The Carpet Department places on special sale today a new lot of these carpet footstools, made up in Axminster and Velvets—in attractive patterns and color combinations—of which there are several plain and novel shapes to choose from. See Morrison-street windows.

PORTIERES \$5.50 VALUES, \$2.85 PAIR

In Oriental stripe designs and colorings—fringed top and bottom—fifty inches wide and full length. Three patterns in these door hangings to select from. Today in the Drapery Department—Sixth Floor.

9-PIECE TOILET SETS TODAY AT \$2.25 SET

In the Basement Crockery Dept. we offer at this special price today a limited number of new pattern Toilet Sets—comprised of nine pieces each—in floral decoration and colorings of blue, pink, etc. Regular \$4.25 values.

CURTAIN RODS FOR 9c

Brass Rod, that extends from 30 inches to 54 inches, with fancy silver ball ends. Special today in the Drapery Department.

SHIP SARATOGA ON ROCKS

PASSENGERS SAVED, BUT BOAT WILL BE TOTAL LOSS. Vessel Goes Fast Aground in Blinding Snow Storm Near Busby Island on Alaska Coast.

SEATTLE, March 20.—A special dispatch to the P.-I. from Valdez says: On the rocks within an eighth of a mile of Busby Island, the steamship Saratoga, of the Alaska Steamship Company, went aground during a blinding snow storm this afternoon. The vessel was going at full speed ahead and the shock came without warning. The vessel is caught amidships and as she is heavily loaded forward and aft, steamship men here fear that she will break in two on the falling of the tide.

Half an hour after the vessel went aground, the storm subsided and the order had just been given for launching the life-boats to carry the passengers back to Valdez when the steamer Elsie came round the island. After taking the passengers to Valdez, the Elsie returned to the wreck to stand by in case she breaks up. There is eight fathoms all around the vessel outside the reef on which she is resting.

The Saratoga was one of the Northwest Company's vessels taken over by the Alaska Steamship Company at the end of the year. She was built in 1878. Both cargo and vessel insured. She left Seattle March 8, and was on the return trip from Seward and Valdez. Among the passengers was Captain E. Mikkesen, Arctic explorer.

Saw All but Severs Arm. RAINIER, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—An accident at the Patterson sawmill late last evening, almost caused E. H. Williams to lose an arm in a cut-off saw. The saw is swung from below, the weight of the saw throwing

it back or forward after being thrown past the perpendicular. Mr. Williams did not push the saw back far enough, and, as he reached in front of it, the saw swung forward and almost severed the arm at the elbow.

Wrangle Over Tax Dispute. WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Tax Agent Morrow and the County Commissioners are still at variance regarding a settlement of railroad taxes for 1906, 1907 and 1908, amounting to nearly \$100,000. Morrow objects to paying a 15 per cent penalty on delinquent taxes of 1906. For 1905, no penalty is due, as tender of payment was made by the railroad company on a basis insisted upon by the state Supreme Court. The conference will be resumed tomorrow.

Money Doesn't Save This Man. VANCOUVER, B. C., March 20.—Charles Hendricks, who owns \$100,000 worth of property in Vancouver, was sentenced today to six months' hard labor without the option of a fine, for renting a building to women of ill fame. This afternoon Hendricks refused to work in the chain-gang breaking stones, and was immediately thrown into a dark cell, where he will be kept on bread and water diet.

Cassidy, Too, Pleads Guilty. SPOKANE, Wash., March 20.—Wilson W. Cassidy, leader of the gang of robbers who held up several streets in Spokane last month, pleaded guilty today to the charge of robbing S. H. Wardell. Cassidy was sentenced to serve one to 20 years in Walla Walla Penitentiary, the same penalty already imposed on his three companions in crime.

Help the United Railways. NEW YORK, March 20.—The United Railway Investment Company, it was announced today, has decided to issue \$3,500,000 6 per cent serial notes, maturing from 1909 to 1916. The proceeds will be used to take up the floating debt of the United Railroads of San Francisco.

Advertisement for ROSE CITY PARK featuring HARTMAN & THOMPSON BANKERS. Text includes 'TODAY OR TOMORROW COME OUT AND SEE', 'Do what you wish the balance of your days but see ROSE CITY PARK in the Springtime. It'll do you good.', and 'HARTMAN & THOMPSON BANKERS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'.