CHAMBERLAIN IS SEEKING EXCUSES

Wants to Keep From Taking Stump for Bryan in Oregon.

ASKS LETTER WRITTEN

Whereupon He Will Have Chance to Evade Campaigning — Kentucky Klick Objects in Resolutions to Governor's Partisanship.

DECLINES TO TAKE STUMP.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—Governor Chamberlain has declined to take any part in the Democratic campaign in favor of the election of Bryan, giving as his reason that he believes a chief executive should not take an active part in campaigns during his incumbency. His refusal was announced in a letter to Alex Sweek, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, who had urged the Governor to make a few speeches in this state in Bryan's behalf.

That Governor Chamberlain will not take the stump for Bryan is the accepted version at Democratic headquarters of the Governor's apparent indecision. Recently he announced at the Bryan headquarters that he would make a speaking tour for the Nebraska candidate, but so many protests have reached him from persons who think such partisanship would be seized by Republican members of the Legislature as a pretext for deserting their Statement No. 1 pledge, that the Governor has been playing for some opening for graceful retreat.

In National circles of the Democratic party Chamberlain's non-partisanship is not well understood and his participation in the campaign is much desired. Since Chamberlain has twice carried this Republican state for himself, Eastern Democrats think he ought to accomplish big things here for Bryan. If Chamberlain is to be recognized by them as the chief Democratic leader of Oregon and is to dictate Federal patronage here in case of Bryan's election, many of his friends think he ought to put his shoulder to the wheel.

Democrats Need Governor.

Without Chamberlain's work Democrats will surely lose Oregon's electoral votes for President. In a close race for President those four votes might be the balance of power. Accordingly, many of Bryan's friends urge that Chamberlain ought to sacrifice himself, not Bryan, if politics in Oregon is in such shape that both cannot win together.

However, the contrary argument apparently has won Chamberlain. His friends say that the Republican plurality in Oregon will be so big that Chamberlain could not defeat it. But the question of how to extricate Chamberlain from his promise to help Bryan on the stump thus far has been a poser.

Wants Letter Written.

The report was abroad yesterday that the Governor had signified a desire that State Chairman Sweek, National Committeeman Miller and County Chairman Thomas join in a letter urging him to take the stump; whereupon the Governor would respond that after due reflection he had decided that the people of Oregon, whose Governor he is, do not want him to make a stump campaign for Bryan; that he is Governor not of the Democrats, but of all the people; that he does not desire to use the office of Governor for political purposes, as Roosevelt apparently has used the Presidency and Hughes the Governorship of New York. Whether this letter will be sent to Chamberlain remains to be seen.

Last night the Kentucky Klick adopted resolutions opposing Chamberlain's participation in the Bryan campaign, as follows:

Kentucky Klick's Protest.

Whereas, it has come to the notice of the Kentucky Klick that various Democratic committees throughout the state are urging Governor Chamberlain to stump the state in behalf of Bryan and Kern; therefore,

Be it resolved, that we at once demand of the National committeeman and the state chairman that they prevent Governor Chamberlain's taking any part in the National campaign in this state, "as one Democratic United States Senator is worth more to the Democracy of Oregon than 100 Democratic speeches."

Be it resolved, that Governor Chamberlain's participation in the campaign would place him in a ridiculous position before the people of our state, since he is Governor, not only of the Democrats, but also of the people of Oregon, and would subject him to partisan criticism, the same as President Roosevelt.

Be it resolved, that it is permissible for our Governor to tender his services to National Chairman Mack to stump outside Oregon, for Bryan and Kern, as Governor Hughes is now doing for Republicans.

Democrats do not expect to win Oregon for Bryan, but they do expect to cut down the Republican plurality to between 5000 and 10,000 votes.

ALL PARTIES REPRESENTED

Bryan Men Sought No Advantage, Says Dr. Brougher.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 15.—(To the Editor.)—Wednesday night the White Temple Men's Club held a Presidential election in the auditorium of the White Temple. Each of the prominent candidates was represented by a speaker who presented the principles and policies for which his party stood. The committee who selected the speakers had no political ax to grind and endeavored to get the best possible representative for each candidate.

Your reporter seemed to think otherwise, for in the printed account of the meeting he said, "The Bryan forces captured the platform at the friendly meeting of Presidential candidates at the White Temple last night, etc." Why he thought this I do not know, for there were three Prohibitionists, two Republicans and only one Democrat and one Socialist who occupied chairs on the platform. Of the speakers, E. S. J. McAllister was the only Democrat who spoke and represented Mr. Bryan. The printed account referred to says: "Mr. McAllister was expected to make a ten-minute speech. Instead he consumed the greater part of an hour, etc." A great many friends feel that this statement does Mr. McAllister an injustice and, as I presided and held the watch, they have asked me to correct it. Each speaker was allowed 15 minutes. Mr. Taft's representative spoke less than his allotted time. Every one of the other three speakers ran two or three minutes over the time after I had rapped on the table as a warning to close.

According to my watch, Mr. McAllister spoke just 17 minutes. Now this may have seemed "ten times his allotted period" to your reporter and to some other stanch Republicans who didn't like the Democratic doctrine proclaimed by Mr. McAllister, but as an actual fact he spoke just 17 minutes. The entire meeting was an enthusiastic one. The points made by each speaker were heartily applauded and, personally, I thought that every candidate was well represented. Mr. Taft received the largest number of votes and, so far as I could see, there was no reason to complain that the Democrats had captured the platform or that their representative spoke longer than the time allowed him.

J. WHITCOMB BROUGHER.

M'GINN WILL TAKE STUMP

Well-Known Speaker to Campaign State for Taft.

Judge Henry E. McGinn, who is known as an effective public speaker, will start his campaign tour in behalf of the candidacy of Judge W. H. Taft tonight, when

Judge Henry E. McGinn.

he will address the voters of Corvallis on the Republican issues. He will speak tomorrow night at Albany. Both meetings will be under the auspices of the local Taft clubs.

Judge McGinn will then go to Eastern Oregon, speaking in a number of the principal cities. His tour into Eastern Oregon will be under the direction of the State Central Committee. He will speak at Baker City, October 29; La Grande, October 30, and at Pendleton, October 31. Judge McGinn's work for the National ticket in this state is expected to help the Taft cause materially, for he is a remarkably successful campaigner.

TALK OVER RAISING FEES

Sunday Law Violators Discuss Ways of Paying Lawyers.

A meeting of the proprietors of cigar, candy and fruit stores and billiard-rooms who were arrested for violating the Sunday-closing law, was held in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday morning, for the purpose of discussing ways and means of raising funds to test the constitutionality of the law. The principal question was the amount of the attorneys' fees. The figure had been set by the three attorneys engaged at $3000, and $1060 has been paid, leaving $2000 owing. How to raise the balance was the problem for the meeting. There is $327.90 on hand from subscriptions originally given, and $1672.10 must be raised among the retailers. Many of the retailers, believing that the injunction granted by Circuit Judge Gantenbein frees them from arrest by the police, refuse to contribute to the deficiency fund, and some difficulty may be experienced in getting them back into line.

The fees on appeal of cases from the Municipal to the Circuit Court were discussed generally, and it was intimated that in one case they were very high. The case mentioned was that of the druggists, who pooled their issues with the retailers. They paid $250 for an hour's consultation with a lawyer and a written opinion and the only information they received was that they may sell today only such articles as their pioneer predecessors sold in 1854 when the Sunday law was adopted.

Expelled From Debs Party.

J. D. Stevens has been officially read out of the Socialist party. For a number of years Mr. Stevens has posed as a leading Socialist of Portland and in that capacity has made innumerable addresses in exposition of the party's principles. His expulsion from the party, however, has been announced publicly by Thomas A. Sladden, secretary of the State Committee Socialist party of this state. Mr. Sladden has issued a letter in which he charges that Stevens is more of a Populist than a Socialist and no longer is entitled to commune with the adherents of the Debs party.

There are 12,500 newspapers published in the United States; about 1000 of them are published daily. In Asia there are 2000 periodical publications. Africa has only 200 newspapers.

FINISH IN WHIRL

Republican Campaign to End in Blaze of Glory.

SEND OUT SPELLBINDERS

Orators Will Go to All Sections of State to Arouse Enthusiasm for Taft—Big Portland Rally October 27.

Republican campaign managers of the state propose to wind up the campaign by filling the last two weeks remaining before the election with plenty of rousing speeches that are calculated to bring out the vote on election day. It is believed the last two weeks of the campaign will dispel any remaining apathy throughout the state and add handsomely to the Republican majority.

Secretary McArthur is going to send out a number of spellbinders to strategic points during the coming week who will address thousands of voters in all parts of the state. There will be red fire galore and all the essentials to end the campaign in a blaze of glory.

Campaign literature, too, together with buttons and lithographs of the candidates, are being sent out by both parties. Secretary McArthur is sending out the last of the campaign documents this week, together with supplies of pictures and Taft buttons for the faithful to wear on their lapels during the time yet remaining before election day.

Many thoughtless voters will cast their ballots in accordance with the views of the last speaker they listen to. The management of the Oregon campaign believes this vote is large enough to make it worth striving for. If the state were at all close, it might be large enough to decide the result in Oregon. But with a majority for Taft already practically assured, it is the intention to make this as large as possible in order to serve as a stinging rebuke to Democratic hopes.

Big success is reported from the various towns where the plan of sending out strong speakers has been followed. Secretary McArthur is receiving reports every day from the sections where spell-binders are active and they are getting results. J. D. Lee is drawing large crowds in Umatilla County and the enthusiasm shown by his audiences is very gratifying to the campaign management.

Senator Fulton is meeting with great success in his tour of Crook County. He will speak at Condon tonight and will probably reach Heppner for an address tomorrow night. R. R. Butler is campaigning in Southern Oregon, having spoken to a large crowd at Roseburg last night and tonight he will make an address at Drain. He will go to Columbia County next and after making speeches there will take a steamer at Astoria and go to Coos Bay, where he will spend the last week of the campaign. Congressman Ellis will address five meetings in Coos County.

Judge Stephen A. Lowell starts out early next week speaking at Toledo, Lincoln County, Monday night. George R. Rodgers, Mayor of Salem, will speak in the Willamette Valley until next week, when he will go to Union County.

The last big Republican rally of the campaign in Portland will be held at the Armory on the night of October 27, when Congressman Will E. Humphrey, of Washington, will speak. The Union Republican club will also have a rally in the Selling-Hirsch Hall, probably on the last Saturday night before election, when Judge Lionel R. Webster and Stephen A. Lowell will address the voters.

Hobson to Stump Oregon.

Richmond Pearson Hobson, hero of the Merrimac, will speak in Oregon in the interests of Bryan's campaign. He will arrive here about October 21 and will visit a number of places about the state to address the voters and urge them to support the Democratic candidate. Mr. Hobson is the brilliant Congressman from Alabama, whose hobby is a bigger naval force in the Pacific. He is known here already as a gifted orator, having delivered a number of addresses at Chautauqua assemblies and other gatherings in this state.

DENIES COWARDICE CHARGE

Captain Farrer Gives His Story of Loss of Star of Bengal.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—Captain Erwin Farrer, master of the tug Hattie Gage, charged with cowardice by Captain Nicholas Wagner, of the wrecked steamer Star of Bengal, which went down with the loss of 111 lives, testified before the marine inspectors today, denying the charges and declaring that he only cut the line when he was unable to give further service.

He supposed that the Bengal was ashore in the dark when he cut the hawser to save the tug. He says he ran to Wrangel and gave notice to Captain H. W. Stanford, of the revenue cutter Burnside, of the Bengal's peril, but Stanford said he could not go to the rescue without first communicating with Washington. Farrer then took Stanford to Wrangel, where he wired for permission and got it, but got back too late to save any lives.

Neither of the tugs could have taken passengers from the Bengal, owing to the roughness of the water and the proximity of the beach. He returned to the wreck and picked up survivors, but said Captain Stanford did nothing with the Burnside.

Few Names Added to Register.

OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 15.—(Special.)—There is very little increase in the registration of Clackamas County since the books were opened for the Presidential election. The registration books will be closed October 20 at 5 P. M., and next Saturday and Monday the office of County Clerk Greeman will be open from 5 to 7 P. M. to permit the registration of voters who are unable to come to the office during the regular hours.

PROTECT FROM CURIOUS

TRIAL OF JACKSON REID TO BE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

Court Announces Date of Case for November 2, With Only Witnesses, Attorneys and Newspaper Men.

Jackson Reid, the youthful slayer of George F. De Mars, is to be tried November 2 before Judge Gantenbein, in Department No. 2 at the Courthouse, according to announcement yesterday that this date had been set for the trial. The court also said that unless the attorneys for the lad made objection, all spectators would be excluded. Only the witnesses, attorneys and newspaper men will be admitted. The court gave as a reason for this that should the boy be convicted he would be submitted unnecessarily to the gaze of a morbidly curious crowd.

The case in which Jack La Rose is charged with the brutal murder of Hyman Neuman, the second-hand dealer, has been set for trial on the same day.

ESTATE IS IN BIG TANGLE

Collection of Fees for War Claims Obtained by T. A. Wood Difficult.

That John F. Logan, counsel for heirs of the T. A. Wood estate, may have an opportunity to collect additional evidence relative to the administration of the estate by A. N. Gambell, Judge Webster, in the County Court, continued the case until November 12, at 10 A. M.

Yesterday was the date set for hearing objections to the final account. W. Hosea Wood, a son of the deceased, and Gambell, who was at one time City Auditor in Portland, were appointed administrators of Wood's estate.

T. A. Wood had been employed by a large number of veterans who served in the Indian wars of the Oregon Territory in 1855 and 1856 to collect from the Government the claims for their services. The understanding was that he was to receive 10 per cent. In many instances this fee was not paid to Wood, as the Government refused to sanction Wood's retention of any part of the claim money. This, said Gambell, has made it difficult for the administrator to collect, there being 125 veterans who refused to make a settlement. Mr. Gambell said that in November, 1905, he had collected $6500, while the disbursements of the estate were $2874. The witness admitted that in October, 1906, the estate paid W. Hosea Wood $899 for 140 shares of stock in the Home Builders' Association, which then owned 70 lots in Portland. Mr. Gambell said that at the same time Wood paid to the estate $1060.

FACES CHARGE OF CONTEMPT

Charles Lockwood Accused of Withholding $200 Deposit Certificate.

Charles Lockwood must appear in the County Court November 10 and show cause why he should not be punished for contempt of court. He is charged with refusing to deliver to Richard Lynch, administrator of the Perry Lynch estate, a certificate of deposit for $200 on the Merchants National Bank, upon the order of the court.

About two years ago Lockwood appeared as attorney for Lynch. He claimed the certificate for his fees. Contempt proceedings were instituted, and Judge Gantenbein, in the Circuit Court, issued a writ of habeas corpus. Now the contempt proceedings have been renewed.

Constable Replies to Suit.

Constable Lou Wagner has filed in the Circuit Court an answer to the suit of the United Securities Company against him, in which he says that he has at all times stood ready to deliver the goods belonging to the company, which he attached, provided a valid bond was tendered. He asserts that two bonds were offered him, neither one of which was valid. The goods were attached in the suit of H. W. Lemcke against the Unit Sharing Associates. The United Securities Company filed suit to have the constable mandamussed, alleging that he unlawfully withheld its property.

D. M. Watson Files Reply.

Answering the suit brought against him in the Circuit Court by the Polk County Oil Company, D. M. Watson says that the company was insolvent when he contracted with it to bore for oil at $3 a foot. He asserts that he bored for 270 feet and then demanded payment, saying he would otherwise refuse to carry the work farther. He asserts that the company informed him it had no funds. It was organized, he declares, for the sole purpose of using him to exploit and float its stock.

Settle Plagiarism Case.

Sued in the Federal Court on a charge of plagiarism because "The Girl" was produced at The Oaks last Summer, the Allen Curtis Company, B. F. Josselyn, Dan C. Freeman and the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company have reached a settlement with the Askin Singer Company out of court. The amount agreed upon was $350. It was alleged in the complaint that "The Girl" was plagiarized from "The Time, the Place and the Girl," which is the property of the Askin Company.

Asks Permit to Lay Conduit.

The Y. M. C. A. officers have petitioned the City Council for a permit to lay an underground conduit from the basement of the Hotel Portland to the new structure at Sixth and Taylor streets, for the purpose of supplying electricity for lighting purposes. The petition was referred to the street committee, as it is thought likely it will be necessary to grant a franchise, if permission is given for the work.

Belmont Colts Go Begging.

NEWMARKET, England, Oct. 15.—Thirteen yearlings belonging to August Belmont were sold at auction here today, but brought the poor aggregate of $4400. Gasconade was sold for $1100.

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REPORT SHOWS OBJECTS OF NEW FEDERATION.

Strong Co-operation Is Promised in Associated Chambers of Commerce Formed at San Francisco.

Minutes of the recent gathering in San Francisco to form a federation of Pacific Coast commercial organizations to work for the common good of the West Coast have been received here by Edmond C. Giltner, secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, who took a prominent part in the meeting, as did Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club.

The record of the gathering shows the results accomplished and the things the new alliance, known as the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific Coast, will strive for. Mr. Giltner was secretary of the meeting during its organization and he also delivered an address, as did Mr. Richardson, both of whom spoke strongly in favor of an organization of the various Coast bodies into a strong union.

It was set forth in speeches by those representing the States of Oregon, California and Washington that only by the co-operation of the three states can they obtain the aid of Congress in carrying out projects of vital importance to the Pacific Coast. Resolutions were adopted setting forth the need of Federal legislation for harmonious and successful expansion of Pacific Coast trade and the natural development of the Coast resources.

These resolutions also affirmed the two pressing needs of the Pacific Coast as the maintenance of a large fleet of naval vessels in Pacific waters and Federal legislation to stimulate American shipping and to send the flag of this country into every foreign port. The commercial organizations represented pledged themselves to work for the affiliation that they believed would enable the several Coast states to exert the cohesive strength of a united community.

A constitution was adopted and the following Pacific Coast cities were declared to be eligible to representation in the new organization: Portland, San Francisco, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Oakland, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Mr. Giltner expresses confidence that the move just made is one in the right direction and that it will result in great good to the whole Pacific Coast. He expects that by the next meeting there will be a definite programme mapped out whereby the Coast interests may expect to accomplish results that will be beneficial to this section of the country.

RIVER WRECK IS RECALLED

Memories of Explosion of Steamer Gazelle in 1854, Awakened.

PORTLAND, Oct. 15.—(To the Editor.)—Now and then some incident in our local history recalls the first steamboat accident on the Willamette River—the explosion of the boilers of the steamer Gazelle as that trim, pioneer river craft lay at her dock on the east bank of the river at the little village of Canemah, just above the Falls, April 8, 1854. The boat had been constructed by local mechanics and enterprising territorial capitalists at great labor and expense, and, with steam up and flags flying, was just about ready to cast off her shore line for her maiden trip to Salem, when the explosion occurred, which left the pretty craft a wreck and killed and fatally injured a large number of her passengers and crew. On the bank of the river at this point still stands a building which was then used as a store and depository of merchandise, in transit. Until in relatively recent years the names "Barlow & Hedges" appeared in dim letters over the wide door of this building, which still, with some additions, is occupied by the village grocery store.

It was in front of this old building that in April, 1861, an American flag that had been made by the patriotic women of the village was unfurled from the top of a staff which enthusiastic men had cut, carried down the hill on their stalwart shoulders and set with many demonstrations of loyalty to the Government and cheers for Abraham Lincoln and the Union.

Into this building the dead, the dying and the painfully injured of our earliest river catastrophe were borne; the store's supply of muslin and raw cotton for bandages; of sweet oil and flour and such other remedies as could be improvised for burns, were freely levied upon for the amelioration of the sufferings of the unfortunates. Dr. Barclay, a retired surgeon of the Hudson's Bay Company, then living in Oregon City, and whose dust now rests under a white shaft in Mountain View Cemetery, came at full speed horseback to the scene at the behest of a breathless runner, and by his skill much suffering was relieved and not a few lives saved.

The horror of the scene is still felt by the few who survive it—when the incident is recalled in connection with some name that stands for special endeavor in the early history of Oregon. A recent occasion of this kind was the 55th anniversary of the United Presbyterian Church at Albany, at which time it was stated that Rev. James P. Miller, the first pastor of the then young church, "was killed in the explosion of the steamer Gazelle." The grief and dismay of the little flock, numbering barely 14 members, at having been thus suddenly and shockingly deprived of its head belong to the misty realm of memory. Bewildered, the little band was not, however, discouraged, as reports of this anniversary of the founding of the church—in which the tragic death of its first pastor was noted, show. "The United Presbyterian Church of Albany"—so runs the record—"is the oldest church of its denomination in the world, one of the largest and strongest in the city, and has one of the best edifices in the Willamette Valley." This church was less than six months old when it was so shockingly deprived of its first pastor—a man whose memory is still reverenced and whose name has an abiding place in its archives. C.

Heavy Traffic During September.

That Portland received its full share of tourist business during the month of September is shown by the reports of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, now in session in Chicago. Advices from the records of the association show that Portland was the destination of 2200 tourists from the East during the month. The total for all Pacific Coast cities was 9000, so that this city is well up among the tourist centers of the Pacific Coast. The 2200 passengers visiting Portland from the East came by all the trancontinental lines from various sections of the East.

Loyal to Woman Suffrage.

BUFFALO, Oct. 15.—Conservatism but unswerving loyalty to the cause of suffrage was the sentiment of the delegates assembled here today for the fortieth annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

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RESULT OF CANVASS FOR DEMOCRATS IN ONE COAST COUNTY PRECINCT.

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BRYAN CLUB OF COQUILLE, OR.

COQUILLE, Or., Oct. 12.—(To the Editor.)—After a searching canvass of this vicinity "politic," I herewith submit the result. We never anticipated an epidemic of Bryanitis. After receiving treatment of Dr. Chamberlain our system would absorb no more. J. W. TOLLMAN.