

NEW STATE PLANS YREKA AS CAPITAL

Siskiyou Promoters Line Up
Fifteen of Big
Counties.

SOME OPPOSITION HEARD

Movement Spreads and Backers Issue Maps Outlining Future Commonwealth in Southern Oregon, Northern California.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Information has been coming to Sacramento for some time of a movement under way for the organization of a new state to be known as Siskiyou, and to be composed of eight California and seven Oregon counties, with Yreka as the capital.

This movement has recently become more open and maps of this proposed state have been published in several papers favorable to the movement.

Last week the Jackson County, Oregon, Press Association passed resolutions endorsing the movement and appointed a committee to co-operate with the press and people of the counties in California and Oregon involved and call a convention of representative citizens at Shasta Springs, Yreka or some other point in the near future to formulate plans and outline a course of action to bring the matter to a focus.

Strong Opposition Heard.

Those promoting the Siskiyou proposition, declare the counties to be included in it have been neglected under their present state governments, but there appears to be a strong opposition in several counties.

The counties to be included in Siskiyou are as follows: In Oregon—Coos, Douglas, Curry, Josephine, Jackson, Klamath and Lake. In California—Del Norte, Siskiyou, Modoc, Humboldt, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen and Tehama.

ZELAYA'S GOING CHEERED

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with arms, which has only resulted in their being defeated everywhere through the heroism of our troops.

"To avoid further bloodshed and for the reason that the revolutionists have declared that they were of the executive power, I hereby place in the hands of the national assembly the abandonment of the remainder of my term of office, which is to be filled by a substitute of their choosing, with the hope that this will result in good to Nicaragua, the re-establishment of peace, and particularly the suspension of the hostility of the United States, to which I do not wish to give a pretext for intervention."

Crowds Cheer United States.

A commission of five deputies was appointed to draft a bill looking to the acceptance of Zelaya's resignation. News of the President's action spread through the city and soon great crowds moved through the streets, shouting for the United States, Estrada and the revolution.

Held in control for years by the strong hand of Zelaya, the people have been quick to break through the restraint when it was certain that the country could not breathe the tide that had been around him. In the latter days, Zelaya has resorted to all known tricks and contrivances to hold the people of Nicaragua with him.

Reports of a government victory at Rama have been circulated freely and rumors that a mandate of revolution had occurred were allowed to spread unchecked and undenied. It finally became known that they were without a shred of truth and they rebounded like a boomerang.

First one deputy and then another took up the denunciation of Zelaya in the chamber and later the public places and soon throughout the city demonstrations were held in which open revolt was voiced.

RULE HAS LASTED 16 YEARS

Called "Stormy Petrel," Zelaya Earned Hatred With Sword.

Jose Santos Zelaya has been in command in the Republic of Nicaragua 16 years. He ruled with a strong hand and has been called the stormy petrel of Central America. He was always noted for his cunning and bravery and was remarkable, too, for his ability to surround himself with those who were ready to do his bidding.

As a consequence, Zelaya in later years was an absolute dictator. He amassed wealth by taking a large percentage of the profits from concessions and by forming a group of men who aided him in exacting millions from the people.

Zelaya belongs to the aristocracy of his country. He received his education in Paris, but his success was due more to the sword than to the peaceful methods of civilization. Zelaya is 51 years old and, as he is the most hated man in South or Central America, the wonder is that he managed to live so long. Innumerable attempts have been made against his life and in these emergencies his bravery has stood him in good stead.

When comparatively young, Zelaya began an agitation against the government and was expelled. He went to Guatemala, then ruled by Barrios. He obtained service in Barrios' army and, after fighting several years, reappeared in his own country at the head of a band of insurgents. He gathered strength as he went and battled his way to the presidency.

Zelaya's wealth is said to be enormous. He owns coffee plantations and collects royalties on exclusive rights to many industries. The present revolt in Nicaragua began early last month and came as a climax of a series of persecutions inaugurated by Zelaya, in which the execution of the Americans, Cannon and Groce, was the most serious feature.

COLLEGE OF FLYING OPEN

M. Painleve, in First Lecture, Leans Toward Monoplane.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The first lecture has been given by the new "Ecole Supérieure d'Aéronautique," in the old hall of the medical faculty, Rue des Saints Peres. The inaugural ceremony was presided over by M. Doumer, the deputy, assisted by the various directors of this aerial academy. The lecture was given by M. Painleve, of the Institute de France, who, since the day when he

made his first flight as a passenger of Wilbur Wright, at Auvours, has become an enthusiast of aviation.

No other qualification for being a student is required than the simple desire to learn all that one can about the secrets of flying and flying-machines. The new academy is the most liberal of any as regards its rules of matriculation. Several hundred young men, evidently habitués of the Latin quarter, attended, and the listeners included two pretty young women.

In concluding his lecture, M. Painleve, who has the honor of being the first "Professor of Aviation," pointed out the great difficulties of the problem of flight and the errors of mere theoretical schemes, and he also recalled the formulae propounded by Newton and Euler, and the striking experiments of Lilienthal, who first demonstrated the wonderful possibilities of the gliding planes. In M. Painleve's opinion, the scientific tendency will certainly be towards the monoplane, which simplifies the problem of aerial flight and approaches the ideal of the soaring bird much more than the biplane.

INDIAN WEDDING VALID

WASHINGTON COURT RULES ON CEREMONY HELD BY CHIEF.

As Result Wife May Get Title to Valuable Oyster Beds Now Held by Englishman.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Because a Mud Bay Indian chief, described also by the court as "a Christian of the Presbyterian faith," officiated at the mating of Sally Weatherall, Indian, and Harry Weatherall, white, Sally may get title to valuable oyster lands, after getting aside the will of Harry, who bequeathed the property to his brother, an Englishman.

Washington courts have often held void common law marriages and those performed according to Indian rites, but in a decision today the Supreme Court says this was not such a marriage. Sally brought suit in the local Superior Court to establish her marriage with Harry and to contest the will awarding the property to Robert Weatherall, the brother. The Superior Court dismissed the case.

The Supreme Court says her petition on the probate alleges she was married in 1870, that she and Harry went before Kettle Labadie, an Indian chief, and asked that he marry them. The chief at first refused, saying white men always deserted their squaw wives after a short time. What Labadie insisted on was a for-all-time marriage, and the chief then performed a ceremony and offered a prayer.

The court points out that this chief was a Christian of the Presbyterian faith, that he was known among his people as a preacher; that the parties and the chief believed he had the right to legally solemnize a marriage, and therefore the courts hold it valid. Without prejudging any proof that may be offered by the defense, the court orders a new trial, with directions that the evidence of the ceremony be admitted, as well as testimony as to declaration of the deceased as to his marriage, and that the parties be heard from the widow as to their living together as man and wife and being so considered by their friends and neighbors.

INAUGURATION DAY LATER

CONGRESS MAY PUT PRESIDENTIAL CEREMONY IN APRIL.

House Committee Holds Hearing on Proposal to Dodge March Blizzards.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The oft-discussed proposal to change the date of inauguration of the President of the United States from March 4 to a later date was before the House committee on election of President, Vice-President and members of Congress today. The committee was presented in the shape of a constitutional amendment offered by Mr. Gaines, of West Virginia, at the special session. The last Thursday in April is proposed in place of March 4. The committee is of the opinion that the inauguration of the President of the United States, which is held in the District of Columbia, is not a national affair, in which the rest of the country took part, except to pay and receive for hotel accommodations and grandstand seats along Pennsylvania avenue.

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CARS CRASH, WOMAN KILLED

Eighteen Hurt When Flagman Falls to Stop Santa Fe Limited.

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Alice D. Bennett, of Henderson, Conn., was killed today in a rear-end collision between the Santa Fe limited No. 4 and overland passenger train No. 8, both southbound, near Winona, a small town 15 miles east of here. Eighteen others were injured, but none fatally.

Among the most painfully hurt were: H. P. Donahue, Oakland, Cal.; Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell, Fruitvale, Cal.; Mrs. Margaret Lincoln, Kansas; Adolph Rettig, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mrs. J. H. Haseel, Chicago; Mrs. E. P. Purcher, Milwaukee; Mrs. Wall Selzer, Wisconsin; Miss J. L. B. Chamarr and Miss Florence Moore, Elizabeth, N. J.; Mrs. S. E. Frank, Middle Pa.; Dr. L. D. Parker, El Paso, Tex.; Mrs. M. E. Hart, Albuquerque.

It is said a flagman failed to go back enough to stop the limited when No. 8, which was late, stopped at Winona to get orders.

SERUM FOUND FOR GRIPPE

British Physicians Experiment With New Influenza Treatment.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—To the familiar methods of treating influenza has now been added the practice of inoculation, with which doctors have recently been experimenting. For the present, however, the treatment is not likely to become very general, on account of the expense involved and partly because of the comparatively brief period of immunity secured—that does not extend over more than a few months, and so differs largely from the results of vaccination.

The serum is injected beneath the skin in any part of the body by means of a hypodermic syringe. Beyond a feeling of indisposition on the day of inoculation, there are no ill effects. The serum contains certain complicated substances, derived from the influenza germ, the latter being removed or killed, but the difficulty of manipulating the germs has been another obstacle to the general adoption of the system. It is understood that in the first place the system was tried on dogs in some of the London hospitals.

PENDLETON CASE NOT IN EVIDENCE

Mrs. Johnson Shuts Out Story of Fraud Charge Made in Oregon.

LAST WITNESS MISSING

Doctor Summoned to Testify for Woman Accused of Taking Claims for Damages Disappears, Will Be Arrested.

SEATTLE, Dec. 16.—The case against Mrs. Mary M. Johnson, accused of swindling the Seattle Electric Company through a fake damage claim and who is charged with being a professional claimant, probably will be placed in the hands of the jury tomorrow. The state rested its case this afternoon after an unsuccessful attempt to introduce evidence to show that Mrs. Johnson was arraigned at Pendleton, Or., March 10, 1907, with Robert Hockensmith and Robert Baney on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, and that Mrs. Johnson, known in Pendleton as Miss David Banks, was allowed to plead guilty to uttering forged evidence of debt and was paroled. The prosecution offered evidence to prove this contention, but the court ruled it out.

Sister Cannot Remember.

The defense placed two physicians on the stand to testify concerning the injuries received by Mrs. Johnson in the alleged Seattle accident upon which the present case is based. Mrs. Johnson's sister, Mrs. Thomas A. Raster, who said that she was with Mrs. Johnson at the time of the Seattle accident, was also placed on the stand by the defense.

During cross-examination Mrs. Raster was asked if it was true that she had written a letter to her sister, warning her to stop taking accidents as she might get caught. Mrs. Raster answered that she didn't remember writing such a letter. "Would you remember if I showed you the letter?" asked the prosecutor.

"It would have to be in my own handwriting before I would remember," Mrs. Raster replied.

The prosecutor said that he was entirely satisfied with the answer and did not produce the letter.

Fake Claim in Oregon.

A session of the court would have been held tonight to complete the case by the remaining witnesses for the defense, a Seattle physician who has been summoned, failed to appear and could not be found by the court bailiffs. A bench warrant was issued for him and he will be brought into court in the morning.

Fred Day, of Portland, a Southern Pacific claim agent, testified that the railroad paid Mrs. Johnson \$200 January 4, 1908, for injury alleged to have been sustained through the bursting of a train. Dr. S. Loughbridge, of Clatskanie, Or., testified that he had examined Mrs. Johnson after the alleged Gold Hill accident and found no evidence of injury.

CATCH LONDON MONEY MEN

Loans to Supposed Rich Man Fall to Prove Good—\$300,000 Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A good deal of attention has been excited by the statement in a Sunday paper that a firm of money lenders has been heavily hit by a recent suicide of a gentleman who was supposed to be possessed of considerable wealth. The story goes that some 18 months ago he secured some bills with a firm of money lenders on the strength of the signature of a well-known and very wealthy Peer.

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IRISH GIRL TO FLY HOME

Sheilah O'Neil Plans on Going to Ireland by Biplane.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The adventurous lady calling herself Miss Sheilah O'Neil, who recently got a good advertisement by applying for a taxi license to Scotland Yard, has now another daring scheme on hand. She proposes to fly across the Irish Sea to spend Christmas with her relatives in Ireland.

The machine, a biplane, was secured improvements on existing types of her own invention, will be delivered to her at Shellbeach in a few days. She will then begin to learn aviation, and in about a fortnight, apparently, will fly across to Ireland. This will be a very smart bit of work. She has decided on everything, even to her costume. It will consist of a thick woolen jersey, a cap and knickerbockers. She is not a bit nervous about the feat. Any one, she says, who has guided a taxi through the maze of London traffic is not going to be scared by a journey in mid-air. There is clearly a new and very remunerative occupation open to all the unemployed hansom cabbies, if they only knew it.

BOY CAUSES MAN'S DEATH

Auto Truck Driver Crushed While Warning Lad Away.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Charles Zeller, intent on dislodging a boy who was sitting on a ride in his auto truck, fell from the seat and was crushed to death by the wheels. The truck, owned by the George Elmer Brewing Company, is very heavy.

Zeller had tried several times to make the boy get off the truck. When Zeller fell, his helper, William Kinsler, threw on the brake, but did not succeed in stopping the truck in time.

Earl's Son Killed by Auto.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Honorable Archibald Gordon, son of the Earl of Aberdeen, died today from injuries received in an automobile accident. He was born in 1884.

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LOEB TO TALK TO TAFT

Collector Leaves New York Suddenly for Washington—American Case Near End—Big Disclosure Expected.

NEW DISCLOSURES HINTED AT

Developments in the sugar scandal today included rumors of important disclosures pending. One of these related to the reported finding of an indictment against a man "higher up" in the councils of the American Sugar Refining Company, and the further report that the official probe into the under-weighing frauds, through which the Government has been cheated out of millions, were about prepared for disclosure that would fix responsibility in still higher quarters.

On the heels of yesterday's announcement that Arbuckle Bros., the big independent sugar refiners, had paid to the Government the sum of \$85,573 to cover a shortage on sugar import duties, came a statement today from the president of the National Refining Company, another big sugar firm, that the Government hopes to collect more than \$700,000 of additional duties from this concern.

"We Do Not Know," Says Post.

James H. Post, the National Company's president, says in part: "Mr. Stinson, the Government's special counsel, appears to have made out, from an inspection of our books, that false weights have been turned in for eight or ten years past. The executive officials of this company have no cognizance of the fraud Mr. Stinson says has been perpetrated. It is possible that underweighing has been going on and that duties have been evaded. If Mr. Stinson can produce the proof of a just claim against us the Government will be paid what is due. Some of us are to meet the special counsel of the Government later and we hope to reach an understanding."

Gerberacht Is Arrested.

It was learned today that Ernest W. Gerberacht, ex-superintendent of the American Sugar Refining Company's plant, where the alleged underweighing frauds were committed, was arrested Tuesday night, arraigned before United States Commissioner Hitchcock and released on \$10,000 bail.

The arrest was kept secret, it was

said, for fear the judgment of the jury in the case of the six employees of the sugar company now on trial might be affected.

Gerberacht held a position directly superior to James F. Bendernagel, a cashier, who is one of the defendants now being tried, and Bendernagel testified that he notified Gerberacht of discrepancies in the weights and sought otherwise to shift the responsibility to his superior.

GIRLS FIGHT ABOUT BUDGET

Frenzy of Politics Reaches Athletic Daughters of Rich.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Political enthusiasts on the Tory side have in some districts been displaying in their gardens, where they verge on the road, highly offensive placards reflecting on the veracity of those holding different views. In a small country place in the south this has led to an open rupture between the members of two wealthy and well-connected families who are respectively for and against the budget.

Two athletic daughters of the head of the former family made a surreptitious attempt to remove the obnoxious placard, but were detected in the act. A struggle for possession of the trophy ensued, and in the course of it one of the young ladies was badly beaten, and some high words were exchanged. Solicitors were consulted by the aggrieved parties next day, but wiser counsels prevailed, and cross-complaints were dropped in the Fifth Avenue police court on a charge that he was violating a section of the sanitary code by keeping the sheep in a Martense backyard.

Some of the greatest financiers in the country are known to look upon the present political crisis as probably the opportunity of a life-time for putting enormous sums of money into their own pockets. With cynical indifference to the welfare of the country they have been laying their plans for some time past and, if these are carried to a successful issue, there is little doubt that certain well-known city magnates will be some millions the richer.

LITTLE LAMB CAUSES WOE

Animal in Back Yard Stirrs Trouble in Brooklyn Court.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 16.—Vincent Barone once had a small lamb, and he kept it in the rear yard of his home, which is in rural Martense. Then the neighborhood grew up and became somewhat civilized, and the lamb grew up and became a big sheep and some peeved neighbor of Barone made a complaint to the health people that a rear yard in Martense was no place for a sheep.

Policeman Fitzpatrick, of the health squad, went out and investigated, and Barone was arraigned in the Fifth Avenue police court on a charge that he was violating a section of the sanitary code by keeping the sheep in a Martense backyard.

VANCOUVER RESIDENT DIES

At Age of 81, Mrs. Mary A. Rogers Passes Away.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary A. Rogers, aged 81 years, who has been a resident of this city for more than half a century, died at St. Joseph's hospital today.

Mrs. Rogers was born in Sligo, Ireland, in 1828. She came to America in 1850. After living for a few years in New York and Philadelphia, she came west to San Francisco and in 1858 moved to Vancouver where she lived till the time of her death. She was married in August 1860 to Peter Rogers. Their three children, Mrs. Carl Rosenthal, of San Francisco; Mrs. James Traynor and William J. Rogers, of Vancouver, were present with her when she died.

Mrs. Rogers' husband was a soldier and saw service in the early Indian wars. He died in May, 1907, at the age of 63 years.

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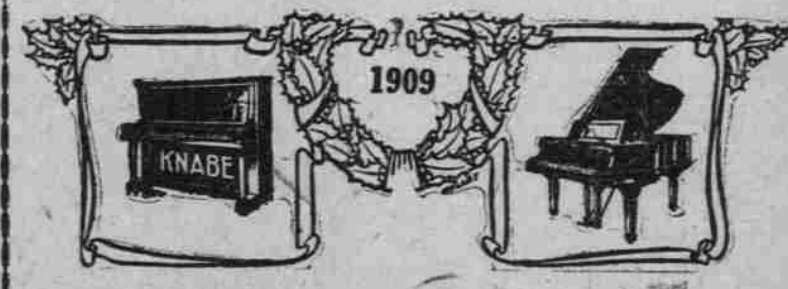
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