

WEST VOTED FOR COMMISSION POST

Friends of Governor-elect See Chance for Him to Join Commerce Body.

VACANCY NOT CERTAIN

Taft's Intention to Reappoint Cockrell Destroys One Chance—Opposition to Lane's Promotion May Spoil Other.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Friends of Governor-elect West see ahead an opportunity for him to rise high in the public service and secure a National reputation, through the reappointment to the Interstate Commerce Commission of Cockrell, of Missouri, who was formerly Democratic United States Senator from Missouri. The law requiring the Interstate Commerce Commission requires that there shall be seven members of the Commission, no more than four of them to belong to one party. This means that Cockrell's successor must be a Democrat.

West Has Experience.

It is understood to be the policy to select men for this position who have had some experience in connection with Railroad Commissions and there are but two or three Democrats in the country having those qualifications, one being West. The position carries with it a compensation of \$10,000 a year and the appointment lasts for seven years.

Course Seems Feasible.

In addition to this it is understood that Commissioner Lane is in line for an appointment on the new Court of Commerce. Lane is from California and this would remove a Western man from the Interstate Commerce Commission and it is probably that Taft would look favorably upon replacing Lane or Cockrell with a man from the Coast States.

All of these considerations have been discussed in certain circles here and many are of the opinion it opens the greatest opportunity, politically, that West could hope for and they see no reason why Taft could not proceed upon to at least listen attentively to the arguments advanced in favor of the young Governor-elect.

LANE NEEDED WHERE HE IS

Protest Made That Appointment as Judge Would Weaken Commission.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Protests have arisen against the suggested elevation of Interstate Commissioner Lane to the Circuit bench as a Commerce Court appointee. The demand is that he shall remain where he is. In other words, his distinguished work as Commissioner is proving a barrier to promotion.

COUNTIES REPORT SLOWLY

Valuation Statements Sought; Corporations Run High.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Several more total assessed valuations have been made by the State Tax Commission. Among these are the following: Union Tank Line, \$28,822; Oregon Electric, \$2,498,288; Cook Bay, Roseburg & Eastern, \$116,872; Corvallis & Eastern, \$177,474; Spokane, Portland & Seattle, \$1,078,780; Independence & Manzanita, \$42,225; Oregon Southern, \$184,800; Great Southern, \$288,500; Mt. Hood Railroad, \$241,900; Corvallis & Alsea River, \$115,000; Rogue River Valley, \$18,800; Knappton Valley Railroad, \$186,842; Northern Pacific Terminal, \$4,820,500; Northwestern, \$241,200; and Salem Falls City & Western, \$274,288.

LA GRANDE WILL BE HOST

State Threshermen of Oregon to Meet in Convention.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—La Grande merchants today subscribed \$290 for entertainment of the Oregon State Threshermen, who will arrive tomorrow for a two-day session Friday night. All delegates are to be guests of the club at a banquet.

DUBOIS BACK IN ARENA

IDAHO EX-SENATOR TAKES INTEREST IN APPOINTMENTS.

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GEORGE TURNER, WHO MAY BE APPOINTED TO THE UNITED STATES SUPREME BENCH.



GEORGE TURNER, OF SPOKANE.

Among the available men under consideration by President Taft for appointment to vacancies in the United States Supreme Court is George Turner, of Spokane. It is believed he is the only Western man whose appointment to that high post is probable, and if the place is tendered he will be the only man from the Pacific Northwest who has ever been so honored. Judge Turner was justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Washington from 1884 to 1888, and was a leader in the constitutional convention in that state. He was elected to the United States Senate from Washington in 1897 and served one term of six years. Judge Turner's most notable services of National character were as a member of the Alaska boundary tribunal which settled the dispute with Great Britain and as a member of The Hague Conference. Of the representatives from the United States in that conference he was ranked in international law, but bears a National reputation for profound learning in other legal branches. This appointment is deeply desired by a large and influential following in the Pacific Northwest, who have great respect and admiration for Judge Turner's high personal character and eminent legal ability.

DIET IS EXPENSIVE

Washington Board of Control Illustrates High Prices.

SOLDIERS' MENU SUPERIOR

Boys and Girls in Training School Live, Apparently, on Fat of Land, Including Many Good Things to Eat, but No Eggs.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 2.—Every prisoner at the State Penitentiary eats during the year \$46.22 worth of beef, \$17.87 worth of flour, \$2.66 worth of butter, and \$1.24 worth of coffee, according to the State Board of Control. Ham and bacon, however, are not given regularly to the prisoners, each one being allowed only 10 cents worth. It only costs 18 cents to supply them with tea.

At the State Reformatory the flour bill is \$20.73 for each man; beef, \$22.11; ham, \$2.19; and bacon \$2.31 each. Coffee is the main drink at the Monroe institution. Each is given \$2.50 worth a year, tea 55 cents.

Although the State Training School at Chehalis does not have as many inmates as either of the other two institutions, the flour bill is almost \$11.45 each; beef, \$20.55 for every boy and girl; ham, \$1.92; bacon, \$1.44; butter, \$1.62 each; coffee, \$2.72; tea, 87 cents.

At the School for the Blind and Deaf, flour and beef slung to \$8.40 for flour and \$4.78 for beef; ham, \$2.12 each; bacon, \$1.60; butter, \$1.47; coffee, \$1.62 each; tea, 87 cents.

To feed the inmates of the Western Hospital for the Insane costs \$12.97 for flour each per year; \$13.77 for beef; \$1.82 each; coffee, \$1.37. Here butter exceeds flour, beef, ham or bacon, as it reaches \$17.46 each, while coffee is \$2.25; tea, 83 cents.

At the Veterans' Home, coffee is a big item at the State Soldiers' Home, \$3.60 per year; tea, \$1.37; ham, \$1.07; bacon, \$1.25 for each ward; beef, \$18.22; flour, \$11.48.

Mormonism Revived as Issue and Little Controversy Promised in Next Campaign.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Can Fred T. Dubois, ex-United States Senator of Idaho, "come back" in state politics? This is being asked among leading party men of the Gem state since the election of James H. Hawley, Democrat, as Governor. Dubois, at one time the powerful Democratic political manipulator, is taking a hand in the appointments, seeking thereby to direct the selection of certain men of the anti-

WIFE TAKES SIDE AGAINST HUSBAND

Mrs. Parker Would Testify for Prosecution as to Killing of Father.

EVIDENCE IS RULED OUT

Effort by Defense to Obtain Presence of Child in Courtroom Is Fruitless—Issue Turns on Plea of Self-Defense.

LAGRANDE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Bonds of blood are standing the test against the marriage here. In the trial of Jess Parker, the Elgin youth on trial for the murder of his father-in-law, William Porter, at Elgin, a few months ago, Mrs. Parker, a woman of 34, has made it plain that she is willing to assist the State in sending her husband to the gallows for the killing of her father. In a quarrel over the treatment of herself and son by the defendant. Called to the stand twice, willing to testify for the State, forbidden each time by the court on motion of the defense, she gives every indication of establishing a precedent in melodrama types, and though she will not be heard for the State, neither will she be heard in defense of her husband, unless she changes her present attitude.

Child's Presence Not Allowed.

The trial came to a halt early this afternoon to give the attorneys more time to prepare their evidence, but before the adjournment was taken the defense, represented by Cochran & Cochran and T. P. Crawford, attempted a flank attack intended to enlist the sympathy of the jury by requesting the presence of the little boy over whom the shooting occurred. But argument between the State and defense ended in refusal to permit the child's presence.

There were at least four eye-witnesses to the shooting, but on account of the rapidly approaching darkness none of them can swear positively that he saw a gun in Parker's hands. The quarrel occurred near the Porter home and Mrs. Porter was on the scene in a moment after the firing began at short range.

Joe Baker, who was in the employ of Porter at the time of the shooting, is the most important witness called by the State so far, and his cautiousness and skill as a witness is worrying the defense.

The defense uncovered its real hand in cross-examination of Baker, and the young man's face hangs on the issue whether or not Porter had a gun in his hands and was rushing at Parker when Parker opened fire.

Witness Denies Story.

Attorney Cochran called his attention to a conversation said to have occurred between Baker and Bob Mays, of Elgin, in which Baker is alleged to have said: "Porter rushed up to Parker and Parker's wife rubbing his hands, when Mrs. Parker said: 'Go back, father, we don't want any trouble here.' Porter kept approaching and Parker shot him."

This conversation is said to have occurred in front of Stoop's cigar store in Elgin. Baker would not admit that such a conversation had ever taken place. Cochran then introduced another conversation with Jess Smith, in which Baker is alleged to have said: "Porter went running toward Jess, spitting on his hands." Baker did not remember having made this remark either. Fewer than a dozen of the hundred witnesses subpoenaed had been called when court adjourned until tomorrow morning.

Oddfellows Open New Hall.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Chehalis Oddfellows opened their beautiful new hall last night with a grand ball and cafeteria dinner, both of which were participated in by several hundred people. Many visitors from out of town were present. The lodge has completed one of the finest structures to be found owned by any of the lodges of the state in cities of Chehalis' class. The structure, which is of concrete, represents an outlay of about \$15,000.

Chehalis to Build More Sewers.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The Chehalis City Council has issued a call for bids for a big sewer system for the eastern and southern parts of the city. Bids will be opened January 2, when it is expected to let the contract, the work to be completed next summer. It is planned to do some more paving in Chehalis the coming year.

Ambassador Reid, Lincoln Speaker.

BIRMINGHAM, England, Dec. 2.—Ambassador and Mrs. Whitlow Reid were the guests tonight of Sir Oliver J. Lodge, principal of the University of Birmingham. Mr. Reid delivered an address

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CANADIAN MONEY TAKEN AT PAR

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ATHENA HITS SALOONS

DRASTIC ORDINANCE REGULATES CITY'S DISPENSARIES. License Fixed at \$600, With Required Bond of \$1000—Sunday Closing Demanded.

ATHENA, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—After a session that lasted until after 12 o'clock Monday night, the Councilmen of this city were at last able to come to a mutual agreement far enough to draft an ordinance for the license and regulation of the saloons of the city.

It appears that the ordinance as it was passed is the strictest one of its kind that has ever been introduced before the Common Council. Some of the salient characteristics of the drafted document are: That the amount of the license shall be \$600; that a bond of \$1000 must be given to the City of Athena, said bond to be given by a reputable surety company; there shall be no gaming of any kind; no shaking of dice nor shall there be any music of any kind; that the place of business shall not be opened on Sunday; that all windows and glass doors of places where intoxicating liquors are to be sold shall be of plain glass without frosting or treating thereon, and the bar shall be so situated as to be in plain view from the outside; that all places and houses where such liquors are to be sold shall consist of but one room, without any partitions, blinds or screens in which no chairs, lunch tables or card tables shall be permitted; that the punishment for any violation shall be the ranging from \$10 to \$20 or imprisonment from five to 30 days and on second offense the violator shall forfeit his license and the bonded company will be required to pay said bond.

Castle Rock Is Ambitious.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—J. R. Edmunds and son, George, of this city, have begun erection of a two-story reinforced concrete business building. The building will have a 50-foot front and will be 80 feet deep. Castle Rock is now entering on a growth which it is predicted will make her the largest and most important city in the county.

Baker Ships Cattle.

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Advertisement for MICHELLE Anti-Skids. Features a large illustration of a tire tread and text: 'MICHELLE SEMELLE PNEUMATIQUE', 'Anti-Skids', 'Prevent skidding, insuring car and passengers against accidents and possible serious injury.', 'Tough, Flexible, Non-Puncturing Leather Tread', 'Firmly Imbedded Hardened Steel Anti-Skid Rivets', 'For Sale at Leading Garages'.

Advertisement for Chemically Perfect Brewing Water. Features an illustration of a beer bottle and text: 'Chemically Perfect Brewing Water', 'water that contains just the right proportion of mineral salts.', 'Gives', 'Olympia Beer', 'Its Satisfying Taste', 'It's the water' that makes this invigorating beverage so popular. Keep it in your cellar. In phoning case orders, ask central for Main 671, Ind. A 2467.

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