

## BATTLE OF GOWNS WAGED AT ALBANY

### Women's Longings Influence Senatorship.

### WIVES GET PARIS DRESSES

### Mrs. Dix Persuades Husband to Become Candidate.

### REPUBLICANS HAVE HOPE

### Failure of Democrats to Elect Will Give Opportunity for Election of Entire House of Different Complexion.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The spirit of Paquin has become the occult control of the Senatorial situation, according to gossip in Tammany Hall.

The husky district leaders, most of whom would not know a redingote from a hobble skirt, declare that the question is no longer whether William F. Sheehan or someone else shall be the next United States Senator from New York. It is whether Mrs. W. F. Sheehan or Mrs. John A. Dix shall wear handsome Paris gowns as the wife of the next Senator. They are forced to grin, these district leaders, as they tell the story of a womanly division at Albany and relate the manner in which Mrs. Sheehan's costumes fired Mrs. Dix with ambition for her husband's elevation to the Senate.

### Governor Is Receptive.

"Governor Dix could be coaxed to accept the election as United States Senator right now," said one of these leaders, "because his wife has realized that a handsome and intellectual woman may be of more importance as the wife of a United States Senator than as the wife of a Governor."

The story goes that long before the sturdy voters of the state had the most remote idea that W. F. Sheehan had any design upon the Senatorial toga, Mrs. Sheehan had been taken into her husband's confidence. This was long before election. Mrs. Sheehan, entertaining no doubt that her husband would be elected to the Senate if he wished, to be promptly ordered several magnificent gowns from the leading Paris dressmakers.

### Mrs. Dix Persuades Husband.

Mrs. Sheehan made many friends at Albany among the Legislators, and her costumes aroused much admiration among the Legislators' ladies. So that it is reported in Tammany circles that Mrs. Dix determined to hand in a carte blanche order to her own dressmaker first and finally to urge her husband to sacrifice himself if need be to end the deadlock by accepting the election to the Senate for himself.

It is because Governor Dix has been won over to his wife's point of view that he has been a most lukewarm supporter of Mr. Sheehan's candidacy since about the second week in January, and is now willing to present himself as a compromise candidate if Mr. Sheehan decides to withdraw.

### Republican Hopes Revive.

The deadlock has continued so long that the Republicans hope that they may be able to name the successor of Chauncey M. Depew themselves. They do not expect victory this year, but are relying on a failure to elect the entire lower House goes out of office next November, and Republicans of all factions are convinced that they will get a majority sufficiently large to more than counterbalance the Democratic Senate.

The present Senate, which will hold over, is made up of 20 Republicans, 20 Democrats, and one member of Hearst's Independence League. Giving the Independence League member to the Democrats, a Republican majority of 12 in the House would result in the election of a Republican for the place in Washington. In the Assembly's year ago there were 24 Republicans, 21 Democrats, and one Independence League man. If next Fall the Republican party has 21 of the Assemblymen, the party will control on joint ballot. A gain of 16 seats over the present representation will do it, and the lower branch of the Legislature is full of ambitious. Even the Democrats do not expect to remain in control, which explains why Murphy's friends have been largely cared for in the Senatorial patronage, where the job is good for two years, while the countrymen have been particularly "honored" in the shorter term House.

### Insurgents Without Future.

The present Democratic warfare is a peculiar thing, unless one understands it. Many Democrats wonder how it is that the insurgents can withstand the "enormous party pressure" that is being brought to bear upon them.

The answer is that the insurgents, with few exceptions, are men who have no political future and who know it. They were nominated in hopeless districts, won much to everyone's surprise, and have almost no chance of being elected again. This

## TAFT URGES YOUTH TO SHUN LIQUORS

### PRESIDENT PREACHES TOTAL ABSTINENCE TO YOUNG.

### Letter Addressed to Sunday School Pupils Sounds Keynote of Movement to Divorce Drink.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 12.—President Taft, in a letter dated December 24, 1910, and read in 3000 Sunday schools in the United States, sounded the keynote of a total abstainers' movement. The letter is addressed to Sunday school pupils as "My dear young friends" and reads:

"The excessive use of intoxicating liquor is the cause of a great deal of the poverty, degradation and crime of the world and one who abstains from the use of such liquor avoids a dangerous temptation. Abraham Lincoln showed that he believed this in writing out for his boy friends the pledge of total abstinence, so often quoted. 'Each person must determine for himself the course he will take in reference to his tastes and appetites, but those who exercise self-restraint to avoid altogether the temptation of alcoholic liquor are on the safe and wiser side.' Dr. Howard H. Russell, of Westerville, O., founder of the Anti-Saloon League, also is founder of the Lincoln Legion, which originated today's services throughout the United States. The movement will be directed as the total abstinence department of the Anti-Saloon League, with national headquarters at Westerville.

## MENINGITIS DREAD OVER

### Efficacy of Serum Proved Beyond Doubt—Death Rate Minimized.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research announced today that the effectiveness of anti-meningitis serum had been generally accepted by medical authorities throughout the world and that the new remedy had taken its place with vaccine and diphtheria antitoxin as an improved agency for the protection of public health. The serum will no longer be free.

The New York City Board of Health has undertaken the production of the new serum, and for a short time will supply urgent requests from outside the state. In this city the Board will designate stations where the remedy will be kept always on hand.

The Rockefeller Institute says that by the early use of the serum, the death rate from cerebro-spinal meningitis has been reduced two-thirds.

## SEATTLE'S "LID" TIGHTENS

### No Form of Liquor Sold; Homes of Newspaper Men Robbed.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The "lid" was put down tight today and was closed at midnight. In the cafes no form of liquor was sold even in teacups or by other subterfuge. It is said that many women and their associates in the former restricted district are leaving Seattle.

The only two burglaries reported lately are of the residence of Edward Lounsbury, one of the editors of the Post-Intelligencer, whose clothing and that of his wife, worth \$200, and the home of Leigh Irvine, of the same newspaper, which was plundered by burglars last night, watches and other property worth \$150 being secured.

## CLARA BARTON WILL LIVE

### Physician Regards Red Cross Founder Out of Danger.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The condition of Miss Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross, who has been ill with bronchitis at her home in a suburb of Washington, has so greatly improved that Dr. J. R. H. Hubbell, of Gies Echo, regards her as out of danger.



## RECIPROCITY MAY PROLONG SESSION

### Members of Congress Are Solicitous.

### PRESIDENT IS COMPLACENT

### Senators Pessimistic Over Agreement's Adoption.

### ACTION MAY BE FORCED

### Though Taft Has Never Said He Is Determined to Call Extra Session, He Has Not Said He Will Not, Say Senators.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Members of Congress would like to know whether they are to be permitted to break ranks on March 4 or whether they must linger in Washington for an indefinite period to act upon the Canadian reciprocity agreement in extra session. There is foundation for the report that President Taft views with entire complacency the solicitude of members of the Senate on the subject of an extra session.

### Taft Willing for Vote.

The President has met all pessimistic predictions with the suggestion that he is willing to trust the agreement to a vote. He has never said, for publication, that he would call an extra session if such a vote was denied, but Senators have failed to obtain assurance that he would not do so.

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## NEW YORK GOVERNOR, WIFE WHO HAS PERSUADED HIM TO BECOME CANDIDATE FOR SENATOR, AND OTHER FIGURES IN POLITICAL SITUATION.



## MILITIA TO HAVE AVIATION SQUAD

### Ely Will Instruct California Artillerymen.

### Instruction Will Begin at Once So Guardsmen-Birdmen Can Fly at Annual Maneuvers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Colonel George A. Schastey, commanding the Coast Artillery Corps, National Guard, proposes to form an aviation squad, with Eugene Ely at the head. It is the first time such a thing has been done.

## FINAL WEEK OPENS; LITTLE WORK DONE

### State Legislature Has Overcrowded Docket.

### GOOD ROADS BILLS UP TODAY

### Business of House in Most Congested Condition.

### HANDS OF CLOCKS TO STOP

### Both Houses Will Forget Time of Day or Night to Close Up Legislation Required—Senate's Work Is Well Up.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Confronted with a volume of business that defies the physical capacity of 90 men to transact advantageously, the Oregon Legislature tomorrow enters on the concluding week of its session. The 40 days, of which the session consists so far as the pay of its members is concerned, expire at midnight Friday, in reality giving only five more working days.

## ACTRESS SURE OF DIVORCE

### Referee Recommends That Edna Goodrich's Plea Be Granted.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Edna Goodrich has a guarantee on her divorce from Nat Goodwin, the comedian. That is to say, it is in a favorable line of assurance as a referee is privileged to make to a court that sits upon questions of domestic turmoil. The referee will report Tuesday.

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## STOKES, 68, WEDS GIRL, 24

### Miss Helen Elwood, of Denver, Bride of New York Millionaire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Rumors which on Saturday evening came to newspaper offices that William Earl Dodge Stokes had been married during the day to Miss Helen Elwood, of Denver, were confirmed today for the first time by friends of the bride.

## PACT WIPES OUT FAMILY

### Husband Dead, Widow Kills Self and 14-Year-Old Son.

OXFORD, Me., Feb. 12.—In fulfillment of a compact made with her husband during his lingering illness, which death ended yesterday, Mrs. Lynwood S. Keene took her own life today after having fatally shot her 14-year-old son, Gerald.

## TINY BIT OF GOLD LANDS MAN IN JAIL

### IT GIVES CLEW AND ARREST AS MURDERER FOLLOWS.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 12.—It was a little thing and fate that gave Alfred Marquis, formerly of Montgomery, Ala., to the police to answer the charge of having murdered in cold blood the man with whom he had made many trips into the desert in search for gold. A tiny speck of gold ore of peculiar shape and hardly bigger than a man's thumbnail weighed him down in his flight, and he was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Buck, of El Centro, at Long Beach, Cal.

In the blazing sun, January 29, a trackwalker's wife near Glamis, a little California town north of Yuma, Ariz., found the body of a man, naked save for a shirt. Later her husband discovered the missing clothes, hidden under a pile of sand near the body. In the pockets were letters showing that the dead man had been James G. Spann, whose mother now lives in Montgomery, Ala., and a number of specimens of gold ore. The dead man had long been well known as a mining man around Yuma.

Sheriff Buck took up the trail. For a time he was at a loss, but at a barber shop in Yuma he overheard a conversation that gave him a clue. The barber was complaining that he had grubstaked a miner who disappeared. The dates given were the same as those of which Spann was known to have been killed. The description given by the barber was of a different man from the dead miner. One thing only failed. A sample of gold, no bigger than a man's thumbnail, had been shown the barber. It was enough. Buck began looking for Marquis. Luck favored him once more. Marquis wrote the postmaster at Yuma to forward all mail to Long Beach, but the Sheriff went instead and the arrest followed.

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- The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 44 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees. TODAY'S—Occasional rain or snow; southerly westerly wind.
- Legislative. State Legislature starts today on last week of 40-day session with little accomplished. Further delay for good roads legislation is foreseen today. Appropriations at Senate will exceed those of 1909 by substantial sum. Report of legislative committee to exonerate Charles H. Gooch. Probable slight of Oregon Legislature making attempt to make Congressional reapportionment.
- Foreign. Rebels burn Mexico guardhouse while United States troops watch. Coronation of George V expected to be greatest pageant of age. T. P. O'Connor assueto veto bill still delayed in House of Commons.
- National. Canadian reciprocity agreement resolution may prolong Congressional session.
- Politics. Women's ambitions affect New York senatorial election. Washington state in peculiar political situation.
- Domestic. Taft urges young to be total abstainers. California militia will have aviation squad with Ely instructor in charge. Vote-buying frauds embrace all of Cannon's district. Mrs. Arnold unable to find single trace of missing daughter, is back from Europe. Meins and bloodhounds are on trail of sheepmen's slayers. Speck of gold leads to man's arrest as murderer. Death of Archbishop Ryan likely to bring changes in Catholic Church in America.
- Sports. Indoor tennis given added impetus by Portland players this winter. Fight for regular berth on Seals team foreseen. Multumoon Club annual meeting to be more than usually important. Pacific Northwest. Deal to buy \$10,000,000 worth logged-off lands in western Oregon set for Washington. Storm is general on Pacific Slope; vessels warned against going to sea. Banquet to be held to discuss plans for reviving dairying in Oregon. Judge Chedoke announces draw periods will continue; Government to prosecute bridge-tenders. Men charged promiscuously with hypnotizing wife and seducing her of \$6000. Portland Elks to start raising \$25,000 for National convention here in 1912. Court of inquiry on streetcar accident will begin today. Portland Press Club to entertain Eberk Hubbard Thursday afternoon. Apples continue to sell well in New York. Harrison officials leave for tour of inspection in Central Oregon. E. H. Todd speaks on conflict of civilizations.

ABOVE—GOV. DIX AND MRS. DIX. BELOW, READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT—MARTIN W. LITTLETON, REGARDED AS ABLEST AMONG SENATORIAL POSSIBILITIES; DAN CONLAN, MURPHY'S LIEUTENANT, WHO SEEMS ANTI-SHEEHAN MEN WOULD SUPPORT; AND WILLIAM F. SHEEHAN, LEADING FIGURE IN DEADLOCK. (PHOTOS COPYRIGHTED, 1910, BY GEORGE GRANTHAM BAKER.)