

JUDGE MAY LEAVE SEAT TO CAMPAIGN

Gantenbein Considers Retirement to Devote All Time to Fight for Congress.

TERM ENDS NEXT JANUARY

Withdrawal From Bench Would Leave Appointment to West. Many Candidates for Judgeship May Appear.

Judge Gantenbein, of the Circuit Court, who has announced his intention to seek nomination for the post of Representative to Congress on the Republican ticket, may resign from the bench before entering into his active campaign.

"I want to conduct my campaign in a straightforward manner," Judge Gantenbein said last night. "I have decided whether it would be proper for me to hold my position as judge in the Circuit Court, while seeking political favors. I intend to resign before reaching any conclusion."

Friends of Judge Gantenbein say he is sensitive as to his duty on the bench and desires to leave no room for suspicion that any of his actions on the bench might be influenced by his political aspirations. His term does not expire until next January. If he resigns, Governor West will make an appointment to the position until the expiration of the term in January, at which time a judge to be elected at the next election will take the place.

Stapleton After Place. There are a number of candidates in the field already and more are considered entering the race within the next week or two. In addition to those who have made their announcements is George W. Stapleton, an attorney who has been asked to seek the nomination. He said last night that he has not decided yet what action to take. It is understood also that W. C. Benbow, a deputy in the City Attorney's office, may seek the nomination. It is said he is backed by many labor unions.

More candidates for County Commissioner are expected to put in an appearance within the next week or two. Among these are T. A. Sweeney, P. J. Kruder, Dan McAllen and George K. McCord. Mr. McCord, who is private secretary to Mayor Rushlight, says he has been asked to seek the nomination, but probably will not consider it. W. L. Lightner, who is a candidate to succeed himself as Commissioner, announced yesterday that he has decided not to enter the race and to indulge in a lively campaign and if things I have done as Commissioner won't win for me, I'll willingly give way to someone else.

Lightner Helms on Record. In his announcement a week ago Commissioner Lightner gave his motto as "Honesty, Efficiency, Economy and Progressiveness."

It is thought the present week will bring out a number of new candidates for the various positions to be filled at the election next Fall. At least two more candidates are expected to appear on the Republican ticket and two or three for District Attorney are expected to file their announcements.

With the numerous candidates in the field the political pot is beginning to boil in lively fashion. Campaign cigars are already beginning to put in an appearance.

PHOTO-PLAYS AT PEOPLE'S

Twenty-five thousand feet of brand new original film production was turned loose yesterday by the People's Amusement Company in its various first-run picture theaters.

The Star Theater offered five subjects and two musical turns. Cinematograph "Bookkeeper" was easily the feature photo-play, but two comedies added much to the general pleasure of the bill. Mrs. Charles Alisky (formerly Pearl Gilman) and a sister, Maybell Gilman, who married Corey, one of the steel kings, will be on the programme for the Wednesday's change of programme.

CUMMINS PROPHECY CITED

Lewis M. Head Says He Foresew Candidacy of Iowan. Lewis M. Head, engaged in the advertising business in this city, is a personal friend of long standing of Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, who has announced himself a candidate for the Presidency. Mr. Head believes himself to be the "original Cummins man."

the National committee. At the conclusion of that campaign, Mr. Cummins told me that he believed that the state of Iowa had been saved for McKinley through the efforts that I put forth at that time. "Senator Cummins was then attorney for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, associated with the law firm of Cummins, Hewitt & Wright. Very shortly after 1894, when visiting Senator Cummins at his home in Des Moines, I laughingly made a prophecy, stating that I believed he would become Governor of Iowa, then United States Senator, and finally, President of the United States. He turned it aside in a joking manner, but I have not forgotten to remind him of the prophecy from time to time, as these facts in his life developed. But he did become Governor after a vicious fight and was soon recognized in his own state as possessing the material required for vigorous representation in the United States Senate. His career there, as leader of the progressive forces, is well known. It is his recent espousal of progressive thought that has forced him to announce himself a candidate.

SUIT IS LAID TO WILDE

P. L. WILLIS, ONE OF DEFENDANTS, SEES REVENGE.

Complaint Alleging Misuse of German-American Bank Funds Called "Dastardly Means."

P. L. Willis, who is one of five accused in the suit filed by Arthur I. Finley of mismanagement and misappropriation of the funds of the German-American Bank, charges in reply that "Wilde and his confederates are trying to get back by this dastardly means."

In general, Mark A. M. Ashley, Charles G. Rumelin and S. G. Reed, also plaintiffs in the suit, declined to make any statement, and beyond passing responsibility to Louis J. Wilde, Mr. Willis said he had nothing to say. "I am surprised at Mr. Finley allowing his name to be used for such a distasteful purpose," remarked Mr. Willis, after he had implied that full responsibility for the suit rested with Wilde and his advisers.

BOYS ESCAPE ON PONIES

Youths at Detention Home Take Shetland Horses and Decamp. Stealing two Shetland mares to aid their escape, two boys decamped from the Detention Home Saturday night and are still at large.

The ponies are the property of E. J. Robinson, 715 Multnomah street, and were taken from a barn at East Eleventh and Pacific streets, early yesterday morning. The boys were seen with the ponies at Union avenue and Market street about 7:30 yesterday morning. They were missed from the home at 4 o'clock.

It is believed that the youngsters have hidden the ponies out of the city and police in other places have been asked to keep a watch for them.

The Victrola will furnish more entertainment than any other instrument. Sherman, Clay & Co., on Morrison, at Sixth, have all the records.

FOREIGN TONGUES THOUGHT SLIGHTED

Consolidated German Societies Denounce Two-Year Study as Too Short.

WOMEN VOTE FIRST TIME

United 35 Organizations Give Fair Delegates Voice in Proceedings.

Portland Consulate Wanted. H. Enke New President.

Strongly opposing the new high school course recently outlined by L. R. Alderman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, whereby the study of foreign languages would be limited to two years, the Consolidated German Societies, consisting of 35 representative German organizations throughout the state, in their annual meeting at the German Hall, 164 1/2 Eleventh street, adopted resolutions urging that an elective four years' course of German should not be abolished. Among the speakers supporting the resolution was Professor E. G. G. Schmidt, head of the department of German at the University of Oregon, and a delegate to the meeting.

The suggestion, sets forth the resolution, "is based upon the irrational assumption that knowledge can be compressed and cut and piled up indiscriminately like so many bales of hay. Under such an arrangement the time devoted to German is so short and the number of participants so limited that it can be nothing else than an imaginary quantity in our public education."

German Needed, is Plea. The resolution recites many reasons why German should be a part of the curriculum, among them, the large number of Germans in this country, the increasing commercial relations with Germany and the consequent demand in the business and the professional world for speakers of the language. For the study of the sciences it is also necessary, says the resolution, as German savants rank foremost among the world's scientists.

The resolution cites further that the English language is in its formation and structure essentially a German language and concludes: "The Consolidated German Speaking Societies believe that they are advocating the cause of higher education in the state by submitting this resolution to your kind consideration, asking you at the same time to introduce a four-year course of German in the high schools of Oregon, and to make it elective."

It is proposed to distribute copies of the resolutions to Germans throughout the state, to obtain their signatures in its behalf.

Consulate Wanted Back. Another step taken at the meeting was the adoption of a resolution asking that the German Consulate, which was transferred to Seattle three years ago and re-established in this city.

"We have fully as large a German population as Washington, yet that state has two German Consulates, one at Tacoma, and another at Seattle," said F. Busch, of Oregon City. "We think we are fully justified in asking that a Consulate be re-established in Portland. There are from 50,000 to 60,000 Germans in the state and over 22,000 to 23,000 in Portland, and yet all of them are compelled to deal with their national representative in another state. Moreover, we look to a large increase in the German population and an immense growth of German trade after the opening of the Panama Canal."

The question will be submitted to the German Ambassador at Washington. Among the speakers were J. Hahn, of Astoria, who urged more German activity in political affairs; Casper Junker, of Sandy; N. Joergler, of Pendleton, and H. Bringmann, of Portland. Reference was made by some of the speakers to the treatment of immigrants landing in New York, particularly that feature which does not allow members of families already in this country to join them should they be found physically imperfect, even when the families guarantee their maintenance.

Annual Celebration Approved. It was decided that annual celebration would be held by the consolidated societies, for the benefit of the German Old People's Home at Mount Tabor. The first of these is planned for next May. It was voted yesterday to give women delegates a voice in the affairs of the societies, and for the first time since

they were organized, women were seated in a meeting yesterday. Six women delegates were on hand. Business not finished yesterday will be taken up at a special meeting February 7. At the election of officers G. Schnoor, of Willamette, who presided at the meeting, was re-elected vice-president. He has held this position since the society was organized. In the absence of Dr. F. H. Dammach, the outgoing president of the society, who is in Europe, Mr. Schnoor had held the office of acting president, and he received the nomination for president yesterday but declined. H. Enke, of Multnomah Lodge Sons of Herman, was elected president to succeed Dr. Dammach. Edgar Winter, managing editor of the Nachrichten, was re-elected secretary, and L. Kuehn, of the German Benevolent Society, was elected treasurer to succeed Mr. Enke, the new president. As trustees, Theodore Bergmann, A. Rahn and R. Buetikofer were elected.

Thirty-Five Societies Represented. The following societies were represented: From Portland—Social Turnverein, German Benevolent Society, Eintracht Society, Veteran Verband, Schrabben Verein, Gruttl Verein, Helvetia Society, Austrian-Hungarian Society, Arion Society, Foresters German Lodge, Germania, Thurneida, and Hoffnungs Lodges, Sons of Herman, Astoria, Oregon City; Deutscher Verein, Salem; Deutscher Verein, Cottage Grove; Deutscher Verein, Mountaineer Verein, Germania, Mackeburg; Deutscher Verein, Baker; Deutscher Verein, Pendleton; Deutscher Verein, Scappoose. The ladies' lodges were the Germania, Thurneida, and Hoffnungs Lodges, Sons of Herman, of Portland.

OUTSIDE ELKS TO BOOST

Those Not Affiliated With Lodge 142 Organize Special Club.

To help boost for the Elks' convention here next Summer 170 Portland Elks, who are not affiliated with lodge No. 142, have formed an organization to be known as the "Nineteen-Twelve Roosters' Club," and will begin at once to assist in the general advertising campaign for the fair.

At a meeting of the members, Albert Backus was elected president and W. C. Lynch secretary. Tentative plans were made for the organization to get into the active campaign which lodge No. 142 has started.

Secretary Lynch announced yesterday that the club will hold another meeting tomorrow night and its membership will be increased to nearly 400 members. He says there are more than 300 Elks in the city at present, and that those who have not joined the booster club, "These Elks are requested to attend the meeting Tuesday night," of Secretary Lynch yesterday. At that time they will be admitted to the booster club membership. All who cannot attend the meeting are requested to send their names to the secretary at once and they will be enrolled with the others.

The new club will assist the local lodge in many ways by sending out cards and aiding in the publicity campaign.

MAINE WRECK IS SHOWN

Moving Pictures of Raising of Wreck at Hellig Saturday.

One of the most interesting moving picture films ever taken entitled "The Mystery of the Maine," will be shown at the Hellig next Saturday and Sunday. The film was taken in Havana harbor by special permission from the United States Government and shows how the Government employed hundreds of men and expended thousands of dollars in solving the mystery of the destruction of the Maine.

A private exhibition of the film, which has been already shown in New York City and Washington, D. C., was attended yesterday by several newspaper men and theatrical managers and revealed pictures of historic and absorbing interest.

RAIL CHIEFTAINS ARE BUSY

Sproule and Calvin Not to Inspect Branch Lines This Trip.

William J. Sproule, president, and E. E. Calvin, general manager of the Southern Pacific, kept closely to their rooms at the Portland Hotel yesterday, giving over reports of work and railroad conditions in Oregon. Mr. Calvin said that he expected their stay in Oregon would last over several days and that at this time it was not contemplated to get out on any of the Southern Pacific branch lines for an inspection trip, the visit to Portland being confined to obtaining a general knowledge of conditions in this city and vicinity.

Entries in Our Third Annual Amateur Aviation Contest Close February 12th--Full Details Are on the Fifth Floor

Act Now--Today Begins the Last Week of Meier & Frank's Annual Clearance and White Sales

The greatest stock-reducing event in Portland's history ends next Saturday night at store closing time! Those who have lingered can't afford to wait longer, for to purchase now means warm apparel with which to finish out Winter. Home-fittings and staple merchandise of every kind at tremendous savings. For specific of erings today see Sunday's papers. Make up your mind to come today--this morning.

Every Article Reduced, Except Contract Goods

- Last Week of the Shoe Reductions. Last Week of Men's Clothing Reductions. Last Week of Blanket Reductions. Last Week of Boys' Clothing Reductions. Last Week of Drapery Reductions. Last Week of Carpet and Rug Reductions. Last Week of Silverware Reductions. Last Week of the Cut Glass Reductions. Last Week of Glove Reductions. Last Week of Housefurnishing Reductions. Last Week of Furniture Reductions. Last Week of Picture Reductions. Last Week of the Trunk Reductions. Last Week of Leather Goods Reductions. Last Week of Knit Underwear Reductions. Last Week of Ribbon Reductions. Last Week of Dress Goods Reductions. Last Week of Neckwear Reductions. Last Week of Men's Wear Reductions. Last Week of the Umbrella Reductions. Last Week of Linen Reductions. Last Week of Handkerchief Reductions. Last Week of the Hosiery Reductions. Last Week of White Goods Reductions. Last Week of Embroidery Reductions. Last Week of Women's Suit Reductions. Last Week of Jewelry Reductions. Last Week of Ladies' Waist Reductions. Last Week of Book Reductions. Last Week of Muslin Underw. Reductions.

Big January Sale of Pure Foods Opens Today--A Full Page of Details Sunday

Look up the Sunday Oregonian right away if you failed to see the big page announcement of our great January Sale in the Pure Food Grocery! It's filled with vital news for the housewife--hundreds of wanted items at worth-while savings! Phone your Grocery orders any time after 7 o'clock this morning to Private Exchange 4 or A 6101.



3 NEW LINES PLAN

Mount Tabor Property-owners to Pay for Extensions. Woodlawn Road Assured. Residents of South Mount Tabor Subscribe for Service, but Route Not Yet Settled--Cost of Work Will Be \$40,000.

Three street railway extensions on the East Side are being arranged for to be paid for by the property owners--South Mount Tabor to cost approximately \$40,000, which the residents of that district are now raising; extension of the Mount Tabor railway to East Eighty-second street, for which the property owners have raised \$18,000, and the extension of the Woodlawn railway on Dekum avenue to East Thirtieth street, at a cost of \$20,000, which has been subscribed and mostly paid in. The South Mount Tabor project is yet unsettled, but the two other extensions are virtually sure to be built this Spring.

At the meeting of the property owners Saturday night at the South Mount Tabor schoolhouse to consider the railroad extension for the district, a committee of seven was appointed to confer with the officials of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company and the members of the Council on the subject. Reports were given as to the result of the meeting with the Council committee Friday afternoon. It was the sense of the meeting that the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company be asked to operate the extension.

Money Being Subscribed. Considerable progress is being made on the raising of the money with which to construct the extension. Three routes are proposed--Section Line road, Twenty-sixth and Twenty-ninth avenues. Twenty-sixth and Twenty-ninth avenues are between the Section Line and Powell Valley roads, the latter avenue being about midway between the two roads. The subscriptions so far are as follows: For the Twenty-sixth avenue route, \$14,000; Twenty-ninth avenue route, \$30,000; Section Line road, \$10,000. The nearer the route to Powell Valley road the larger the subscriptions. There is no friction between these routes, but the subscription agreements are so drawn that the subscriber may designate where he would like to have the extension constructed. From the way subscriptions are being made Twenty-ninth avenue seems to be the favorite route for the extension, which is half way between the two roads.

The Section Line road is out of the question as the route, as the county cannot give a franchise on any county road, says City Attorney Grant, but Twenty-sixth and Twenty-ninth avenues are streets on which franchises may be obtained, although they are not opened to the city limits. The committee appointed at the meeting Saturday night will get into touch with the street railway company to-day, if possible.

Paying Affects Cost. It is estimated that it will cost \$18,000 to build the track from the end of the Hawthorne line to East Eighty-second street without paving between the tracks, and \$30,000 if the space is paved. The officials of the Mount Hood Railway & Power Company estimate that it will cost \$23,000 to construct a branch from its main line at Russellville, by way of Kelly Butte, the county rock quarry, where material is being turned out, to Hawthorne avenue and East Sixtieth street. It is considered almost certain that the money for the extension can be raised, at least \$40,000, as the district east of the city limits wants the extension. The county is seeking link connection with the Mount Hood line so it may ship its crushed rock to the eastern roads in the county. It is believed that out of the movement the South Mount Tabor district and the territory beyond will get a street railway.

Five Surveys Made. Five surveys have been made for a route for the extension of the Mount Tabor Railway from East Sixty-ninth to East Eighty-second street, the east slope of Mount Tabor, but the route has not been definitely settled. One survey passes through a corner of the Mount Tabor Park, but this route may not be selected. The property owners, so it was reported, have subscribed \$18,000 to defray the cost of constructing the extension. The company is seeking a route which will not be more than a 7 per cent grade. It will be 13 blocks long and serve a settled district on the east slope of Mount Tabor, south of the Base Line road.

Money for the extension of the Woodlawn carline to East Thirtieth street on Dekum avenue, in Woodlawn, has been subscribed, and all paid in except about \$200. At the meeting of the Woodlawn Improvement Club Friday night \$1000 was subscribed. The money is in the bank and it is expected that the other subscriptions will be collected within a few days.

Learn to Say--El Rayo

Health comes first, as all concede; Everyone knows it's our greatest need; Illustrious men and doctors great Declare that health and vigor mate; Else our duties we can't attend; Live each day and try to mend; Buffets gotten in the fight; Elucidate the bad from sight; Right away you'll find you mend; Grasp the chance and for it send.

Beer that makes you well and strong, Every time it rights that wrong; Enmity is turned to cheer; Remedy all with Heidelberg Beer.

Heidelberg Beer, All Dealers

CONSOLIDATED GERMAN SOCIETIES OF OREGON IN SESSION AT ELEVENTH AND MORRISON STREETS YESTERDAY.



REPRESENTATIVES OF THIRTY-FIVE ORGANIZATIONS FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE STATE GATHERED IN ANNUAL MEETING TO DISCUSS GERMAN AFFAIRS.