

ACT OF R. MAKES W. B. AYER AND TAFT

Leader of Portland Campaign for President Raps Colonel as Ungrateful Chief.

SACRED PRECEDENT UPSET

Chairman of Local Organization Declares Roosevelt's Candidacy a Violation of Venerated Custom Established by Washington.

REGISTRATION TOTAL NOW IS 22,210.

Exclusive of the registration of yesterday, which will be announced this morning, 22,210 voters in Multnomah County have signed the registration books. Of these 17,771 are Republicans, 5242 are Democrats and 1297 are independents.

Resentment against the ambition of Colonel Roosevelt to gain a third term as President despite the precedent established by George Washington lived up to by every President since Roosevelt, was the direct cause of W. B. Ayer consenting Monday to give up time from his business affairs to accept the chairmanship of the Taft campaign committee. This was his statement yesterday when he formally took charge of the Taft campaign headquarters and entered into the lively campaign being carried on by the committee.

"I am an admirer and a supporter of President Taft," said Mr. Ayer, "but I should have refused the position of chairman of the Taft committee before Monday, when Mr. Roosevelt was not in the race. When he asked his name into the ring I felt that the political situation had changed to such a degree that I would be disgraced if I did not take an active part in the Taft campaign. It is a matter of which a matter of working for President Taft as it is fighting this third-term proposition.

Colonel Rapped as Ungrateful.

"Roosevelt has established himself as a very ungrateful person. He has been as ungrateful to La Follette as he has been to President Taft and with this in view it is necessary for us to combat his ambition to obtain a third term.

"The announcement of Mr. Roosevelt that he will be a candidate for President I consider a direct violation of what is almost a sacred precedent. George Washington was the father of the precedent. As president he was and as capable as he was of guiding the Nation through those trying times, he refused to accept a third term.

"The House of Representatives in reply to Washington's address made this striking declaration: 'For our country's sake, for the sake of Republican liberty, in our earnest wish that we may be the guide of your successors, and this after being the ornament and safeguard of the present age become the patrimony of our descendants.'

Jefferson Honored President. "Mr. Jefferson followed the example of Washington. Many times he put on record his approval of the limitation of terms. In 1800 he wrote to his friend Taylor: 'George Washington set the example of voluntary retirement after eight years. I shall follow it. And a few more precedents will oppose the obstacle of habit to anyone after a while who shall endeavor to extend his term.' Again, on June 7, 1807, he wrote to Mr. Wayne: 'If he were not fixed, either by the Constitution or by practice, to the service of the First Magistrate, his office, though nominally elective, would in fact be a life, and that will soon degenerate into an inheritance.'

"Perhaps the most striking utterance is the following which is found in the Kansas Republican platform of 1874: 'The unwritten law enacted by the father of his country in declining re-election to a third term is as controlling as though it were incorporated in the National Constitution and ought to never be violated.'

"The House of Representatives passed the following resolution on December 15, 1875, by a vote of 123 to 21: 'Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, the precedent established by Washington and other Presidents of the United States in retiring from the Presidential office after their second term has become, by universal consent, a part of our republican system of government and that any departure from this time-honored custom would be unwelcome, unpatriotic and fraught with peril to our free institutions.'

"President Roosevelt said in 1904: 'On the 4th of March next I shall have served three and a half years, and these three and a half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the President to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination.'

T. R. Declared a Violator.

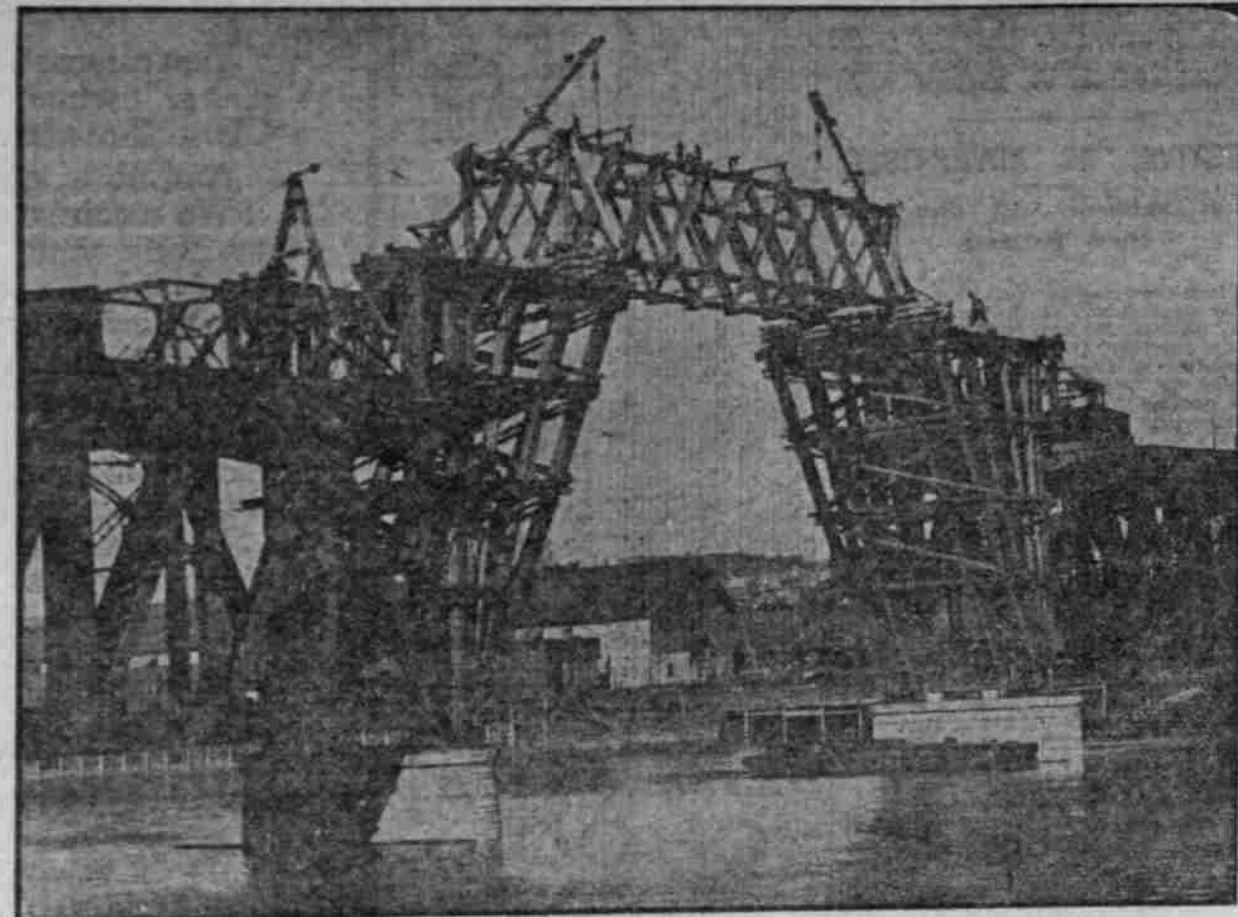
"This last expression by Mr. Roosevelt shows clearly his views on the question of the third-term proposition. He considers in 1904 that he was serving his first term and he considers so yet, I believe, I do not think there can be any doubt about the nomination and election which he seeks being a direct violation of the country's greatest and most important precedent. 'I am in the race to stay until Mr. Taft is nominated and elected. I am sacrificing my business affairs to do this work, but I feel justified in the face of such a condition. I will be in the Taft headquarters every afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock at least and will be glad to meet everyone interested in the present political situation.'

FOUR FILE AT CAPITAL

Petitions of Two Portland Candidates are Recorded.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—William C. Harbottle, of Portland, today declared himself as a candidate for Circuit Judge in Department No. 2, Multnomah County, promising to administer the office according to the rules of law and to assist in every way to facilitate the trial of causes and the immediate rendition of just decisions. Thomas R. Hodson, of Falls City, appeared as a candidate for delegate to the Republican National Convention. George M. Brown also announced himself as a candidate for delegate to the Republican National Convention. The Oregon Attorney General, comprised of Douglas, One and Curry Counties. Completed petitions of W. Y. Masters

TRUSSES COMPLETED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LIFT SPAN OF NEW O. W. R. & N. BRIDGE.



WORKMEN CAN BE SEEN ON TOP OF TRUSSES, 150 FEET ABOVE WILLAMETTE. After much preliminary work, the task of laying the mammoth trusses on which the lift span of the new O. W. R. & N. bridge will be constructed was completed yesterday. The height of the trusses above the river is 113 feet. They weigh 77 tons. The cribbing on the falsework enabled the contractors to place the trusses five feet higher than was the original intention. This was done at the request of steamship men, who expressed some doubt that many steamers would be able to get under them. All the steel for the lift span has been delivered and is lying near the east approach of the structure. Workmen engaged in the work will be laying steel at a height of 150 feet above the river.

and Waldemar Seton were filed with the Secretary of State today. Both are candidates for the position of Circuit Judge in Department No. 4, Multnomah County and both are Republicans.

F. A. Turner, of Salem, filed today as a candidate for the Legislature from Marion County. He adopts Statement No. 1, declares that he will use his best efforts to reduce taxes and will oppose the creation of any new offices or commissions and that he is in favor of repealing old laws rather than enacting new ones.

COFFEY FOR FLAT SALARY

Candidate for County Clerk's Post Files Declaration.

"Flat salary. Interest money, fees and all emoluments belong to the county," is the slogan adopted by Jacob B. Coffey, Mayor Rushlight's Police Commissioner, who filed with County Clerk Fields yesterday notice of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for County Clerk. Mr. Coffey indirectly attacks Moses Bloch, the Court House monopolist, in the statement. "I will not grant special favors to warrant shavers and loan sharks."

BAR COMMITTEES NAMED

New Multnomah President Keeps Investigating Body Intact.

The investigating committee of the Multnomah County Bar Association, which was only recently appointed was continued with practically the same personnel by E. E. Heckbert, the newly elected president, in his appointment of committee members yesterday. G. N. Davis is chairman. The other members are Harrison Allen, R. E. Moody, J. L. Conley and A. Carter. The committees were appointed as follows: Membership, R. P. Hurst, H. E. Hanes, R. W. Montague, W. G. Hale, W. L. Bryan; entertainment, Harrison Allen, J. F. Booth, C. P. Olson, E. W. Hardy, Samuel White; auditing, J. Silverstone, G. G. Schmidt, R. Wright; legislative committee, C. J. Schabert, E. E. Covert, W. M. Davis, C. W. Fulton and J. B. Kerr. Arrangements will be made as soon as possible, by the entertainment committee, for the annual banquet of the Bar Association, which will take the place of the regular monthly meeting in March.

Roller Skating Record Broken.

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Feb. 28.—What is said to be a new world's record for two miles on roller skates was made here last night by Louis Bradbury, the Milwaukee champion. He covered the distance in 5 minutes, 50 seconds.

TRAVELERS SEE TAFT GAIN BY "HAT IN RING"

Nebraska Says Roosevelt's Entry is Boost for President—Washington Senator Predicts Incumbent's Nomination—Others Express Same Views.

OF course you understand that Nebraska is always insurgent and that the lines between the old parties have disappeared," said Dr. G. L. Simons, of Sidney, Neb., at the Portland meeting. "My part of the state is so near a part of Colorado and Wyoming that it is really a state by itself, with all business and political interests the same. Bryan, the original insurgent, is a dead issue; his unhealthy virus infected us, but now we are Republicans again. Roosevelt came along and we followed him with some satisfaction and then felt safe when Taft was his successor. All the talk about Roosevelt running again looked like a boost for Taft when I left home a week ago and I am certain that it will have the effect of making that district solid for Taft."

Taft's Nomination Predicted.

Stewart, State Senator, is and has been of importance in the Republican party of the state and is at present a member of the Congressional committee. In speaking at the Oregon Hotel of the announcement of Colonel Roosevelt as a candidate for the Presidency, Senator Stewart said: "It always has been a pure Republican with all this progressiveness not leading me from the well-trodden paths of the party. Polindexter and some others have been making a pretense of being for La Follette and it fooled some. When the same crowd comes out and shouts for Roosevelt there will be an awakening and the convention will decide for Taft. This is the only convention we will have in the state, and when it meets the 'Insurgents' and 'progressives' will come in and bag

ALL SEATTLE WON

Elks and Admen Herald Big Convention Vivaciously.

POTLACH ALSO BOOSTED

New Northwest Spirit Permeates Whole Visit of Portland Men to Puget Sound Metropolis.

Friendship Pact Made.

If there is any one in Seattle who doesn't know that the National convention of Elks will be held in Portland from July 8 to 11, he is numbered among the innumerate, which is Potlatch for the less classic expression, "dead ones."

Seattle to Send 6000.

Through its influence the Seattle lodge of Elks, which previously had arranged to attend the convention 1000 strong, announced its intention of bringing at least 6000 other citizens with them and to note the fact that Portland is to be the meeting place of their order whenever possible. Through the influence of this new spirit six Portland citizens of considerable local prominence were made to pledge unswerving and devoted support to the Potlatch. One penalty will be inflicted on any of that six should he violate the pledge faithfully and solemnly made before the "Lord High Priest" of the Order of Ben Hur and a company of Knights of the Potlatch assembled in sacred session before an

Interested audience of Elks and Admen in the Elks' lodge rooms at Seattle.

Meticulously inquiring and delightful personal was the High Priest in his interrogation of his six victims. "It is charged," he said, as John B. Coffey, police commissioner of Portland, was led before him, "that to further your own political ambitions you have made numerous attempts, through your official position, to clean up a district known in Portland as the North End."

Mr. Coffey answered affirmatively.

"After gaining a reputation throughout the Northwest as a chivalrous Southern gentleman it is charged that you have deserted the religion of the South and joined the Republican party that you may be elected sheriff of Portland. I am charged with the duty of examining you through which Harry C. McAllister, secretary of the Elks' convention commission, was elected."

Mr. Moore, district commercial superintendent of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, was charged with using the time of his employees in the service of various commercial and fraternal organizations of Portland. He was made to promise to root for the opposing baseball teams against Portland if he fails to boom the Potlatch.

You are charged with being the original knocker of Seattle," was the blunt exclamation uttered to Tom Richardson, who was among the six.

Mr. Richardson nodded his assent.

You are charged with being the original dispenser of "hot sheet" was the question and Mr. Richardson said "Yes."

Wings Put on Hyland.

When George M. Hyland was brought in he was provided with a pair of wooden solentis, but before he was conducted through the examination the wings were ordered removed to prevent him from "flitting about too much," so that he might stay and help exploit the Potlatch. He was twitted about his Congressional aspirations and about his numerous fraternal and commercial connections. Frank D. Kabanoff was accused of undue familiarity with John B. Coffey, thus enabling him to be acquainted with all the evils that the police commissioner has been trying to "clean up."

While these initiation ceremonies, which were conducted with elaborate wooden solentis, were among the extreme, the meeting had its serious side too. Orators representing both Seattle and Portland were called to the platform in the Elks' lodge rooms to discuss the new doctrine of "Northwest spirit."

C. K. Henry, Tom Richardson, C. B. Merrick, J. Fred Johnson, K. Kabanoff, were the speakers of the Portland delegation spoken on this subject.

The chief musical feature of the night was the singing by Frank D. Kabanoff, who was the musical director of the Portland lodge of Elks, composed of Joe Casey, George Stahley, Ross W. Fishburn and William Anderson, Oregon City; A. S. Haeg, Roseburg; I. E. Staples, Portland. The following committee of Portland jewelers was appointed on arrangement: Frank Holtkamp, president; E. J. Jaeger and I. E. Staples, vice-presidents; W. F. Sielchneider, McMinnville, and William Anderson, Oregon City; A. S. Haeg, Roseburg; I. E. Staples, Portland. The executive board discussed the fraudulent advertisement and sale of cheap jewelry, but really that old independent feeling of not being bossed. It only took Roosevelt to throw his hat into the ring and make a demand for them to rally around him, and show what their true feelings are. He might carry the voters of Harvard College and the suburban educational town, but the cities, commercial and manufacturing, will be for Taft. Watch what I say."

Roosevelt's Act Censured.

ILLINOIS is Republican under natural conditions, but that man Wilson seems to have set the citizens crazy to vote for him," declared M. C. Beymer, manufacturer of railroad supplies, at the Multnomah Hotel. "When I left home a week ago we discussed the proposed declaration of Colonel Roosevelt and we fully agreed that it would be an endorsement of President Taft and that he would promise to jump into the fray and fight for him to a finish. This is what he should have done, and if little bunch at home, with all its influence, has already formed a Taft club."

BIGGER PORTLAND PLANS DAY IS HERE

Committees to Comb City Today to Enroll 10,000 in Association.

BUTTONS GO AT \$1 EACH

Whirlwind Canvass is Outlined to Align Multitude to Build Metropolis in Accordance With Bennett Map.

GREATER PORTLAND PLANS DAY PROGRAMME.

10:30 to 10:45—Steamboat, factory and train whistles and bells throughout city announce the opening of Greater Portland Plans day. Canvases of the city by members of association committee will continue throughout the day.

4 P. M.—Mass meeting at Multnomah Hotel, where Bennett plans will be shown and addresses on the Greater Portland movement will be delivered.

Membership badges will be numbered in rotation so no one will be asked to contribute more than 11 membership fee, whereas he will receive his badge of membership.

V. V. Jones will preside over the campaign with headquarters at Fourth and Oak streets. Telephone Main 5821.

Excepting membership badges in the Greater Portland Plans Association which are numbered 1, 13, 23 and 10,000, there will be afloat on the streets of Portland today, for sale at the regular membership fee of \$1, 10,000 badges of membership in the Greater Portland Plans Association. Every citizen of Portland will be given an opportunity to ally himself with the movement for the adoption and execution of the Bennett plans, and to contribute \$1 to the cause of the organization which is trying to get them before the people and adopted as the plan upon which Portland is to grow.

The four numbers aforementioned were auctioned off at the meeting of the Ad Club yesterday at sums ranging from \$25 to \$10, and are the only buttons where the membership fee only buttons \$1.

Many Aid Canvass.

In preparation for the membership campaign commercial organizations and business men of the city have been liberal in their support. V. V. Jones, "general" in charge of the campaign, announced that \$600 in advertising space had been contributed by Foster & Kleiser; that the City Council had passed an ordinance appropriating \$3000 for the publication of the plans; that many of the merchants of Portland had already placed orders for badges and membership for their entire staff of employees; that the Behm-Walker Business College would send its students today to help in the canvass; that the Rotary and Progressive Business Men's Clubs had volunteered 200 men each for the canvass, and that the Ad Club has detailed 40 to help.

Fully 400 men will go forth into the different districts of the city today when whistles and bells announce the opening of the campaign. They will travel in pairs and will not relax their labors until they are prepared to return to headquarters and announce that the 10,000 badges are sold and that the membership of the association that is working for a "bigger and better Portland" is increased to the number they set out to reach.

All City Urged to Aid.

While the Greater Portland day is not technically a legal holiday, Mayor Rushlight has lent the sanction of the city to it by a proclamation giving it recognition as a day in which the citizens shall turn their efforts to the common end of building up Portland.

If 97 men gave \$21,000 to prepare plans for a more beautiful and more practical Portland, you can give \$1 to become a member of the association pledged to carry out these plans."

MILLIONS OF FAMILIES are using SYRUP OF FIGS and ELIXIR OF SENNA WITH MOST SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

NOTE NAME OF CO. CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. IN THE CIRCLE.

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna is especially adapted to the needs of men, women and children, to cleanse the system gently, yet effectively, to dispel colds and headaches, to prevent indigestion, sour stomach, gas and fermentation due to constipation and biliousness. As it is free from every injurious or objectionable substance, it is equally beneficial for young and old.

NOTE NAME OF CO. CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. Printed straight across near the bottom and also in the circle near the top of every package of the genuine; for sale by all leading druggists; regular price 50 cents per bottle.

The growing popularity of the genuine Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna has led unscrupulous manufacturers to offer imitations in order to make a larger profit at the expense of their customers. If a dealer asks which size you wish, or what make you wish, when you ask for Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, he is preparing to deceive you. Tell him that you wish the genuine, Manufactured by the

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. TO GET ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS, DECLINE ALL IMITATIONS.

That is the claim that will be urged upon every one who is asked to become a member. "Remember," said "General" Jones, in his instructions to his captains Wednesday night and in his address to the

A BLOOD MEDICINE WITHOUT ALCOHOL.

Recently it has been definitely proven by experiments on animals that alcohol lowers the germicidal power of the body and that alcohol paralyzes the white corpuscles of the blood and renders them unable to take up and destroy disease germs. Disease germs cause the death of over one-half of the human race.

A blood medicine, made entirely without alcohol, which is a pure glyceric extract of roots, such as Bloodroot, Queen's root, Golden Seal, Mandrake and Stone root, has been extensively sold by druggists for the past forty years as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The refreshing influence of this extract is like Nature's influence—the blood is bathed in the tonic which gives life to the blood—the vital force of the body burn brighter and their increased activity consumes the tissue rubbish which has accumulated during the winter.

Dr. R. V. Pierce, the founder of the Invalide Hotel and Surgical Institute, and a physician of large experience and practice, was the first to make up an ALTERATIVE EXTRACT of roots, without a particle of alcohol or narcotic.

"It is with the greatest of pleasure, that I write to let you know of the great benefit derived from the use of your medicine and self-treatment at home," writes Mrs. Wm. HAYES, of Lafayette, N. C. "I suffered for three years from a running sore. Consulted four doctors but they failed to cure me. Finally I was told I was in consumption and would have to consult a specialist concerning my ear, that the dead bone must be cut out before the wound would heal. A kind friend advised me to write to Dr. Pierce, which I did, and after seven months' use of the treatment the sore is healed, and I enjoy better health than I ever did. I dressed the wound with Dr. Pierce's All-Healing Salve and took the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and Pleasant Pellets for my troubles. I shall always recommend your medicines.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate liver and bowels.

ALL STOMACH TROUBLE VANISHES AFTER TAKING A LITTLE DIAPEPSIN

Indigestion, Gas, Heartburn, Headache and Other Distress Will Go in Five Minutes.

If you had some Diapepsin handy and would take a little now your stomach distress or indigestion would vanish in five minutes and you would feel fine.

This harmless preparation will digest anything you eat and overcome a sour, out-of-order stomach before you realize it.

If your meals don't tempt you, or what little you do eat seems to fill you or lays like a lump of lead in your stomach, or if you have heartburn, that is a sign of indigestion.

Ask your Pharmacist for a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin and take a little just as soon as you can. There will be no sour risings, no belching of undigested food mixed with acid, no stomach gas or heartburn, fullness or heavy feeling in the stomach, Nausea, Debilitating Headaches, Dizziness or intestinal griping. This will all go, and, besides, there will be no undigested food left over in the stomach to poison your breath with nauseous odors.

Pape's Diapepsin is certain cure for out-of-order stomach, because it prevents fermentation and takes hold of your food and digests it just the same as if your stomach wasn't there.

Relief in five minutes from all stomach misery is at any drug store waiting for you.

These large 50-cent cases contain more than sufficient to thoroughly cure almost any case of Dyspepsia, Indigestion or other stomach disturbance.

\$42.30 LOS ANGELES \$42.30 AND RETURN VIA THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC

ACCOUNT THE Rodeo Wild West Round-Up Tuesday, March 5, 1912. Tickets on sale March 5, with going limit March 8, final return limit March 31st. Three through trains to San Francisco daily, including Shasta Limited, which connects with the "Owl" at Port Costa. Call on City Ticket Agent, Third and Washington, for further particulars, reservations, etc., or address JOHN M. SCOTT, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon.

DON'T BUY ANOTHER PIECE OF FURNITURE until you read about the biggest sale ever started in the Northwest Sunday. "Quality" Cigars 3 - for - 25c and Upward. H. A. GUNST & CO.—"The Haver-Super" Distributors.

MEDICINE OF NATURE. Why turn yourself into a medicine-chest, filling it with every new concoction that comes along? Nature does the curing, not medicine. Ask your Doctor if SUNSHINE AND SCOTT'S EMULSION is not the treatment for Coughs and Colds, Grippe, and many other ills. ALL DRUGGISTS 11-12

A Duty Dodger. —is our factory in Tampa, Fla. The finest tobacco grown—Vuelta Abajo tobacco—we ship from Cuba in the leaf, thereby saving cigar duty which fully equals the tobacco's cost. This saving is not ours—it goes into the cigar, into expert Cuban workmanship—into fragrance and flavor—and is yours in

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RATE REDUCTION. The Northwestern Line Makes Concessions to Tourists. The Northwestern Line announces the sale of Colonist tickets from March 1 to April 15 from all Eastern points to the Pacific Northwest. Take advantage of this golden opportunity to bring friends or relatives West. Deposit your money with R. V. Holder, 102 Third street, who will make the necessary arrangements by wire.

Van Dyck "Quality" Cigars 3 - for - 25c and Upward. H. A. GUNST & CO.—"The Haver-Super" Distributors.