

COLONEL HIS OWN ONLY CANDIDATE

"I Propose to Nominate Myself Against Bosses." Supporter Is Told.

"FIGHT IS NATION-WIDE"

In Letter to St. Paul Chairman, T. R. Says He Is Convinced That No Other "Progressive" Can Be Nominated.

NEW YORK, May 10.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt has written a letter to R. A. Caswell, of St. Paul, chairman of the Roosevelt committee there, in which he says:

"Nine states have now held Presidential primaries or their equivalent—North Dakota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Oregon, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Maryland. These states, the only ones in which there has been a free chance for the expression of the popular will, are to be represented by 136 delegates in the Chicago convention. Forty of these delegates are instructed for President Taft and 316 are against him. He has carried but two of the nine states—New Hampshire and Massachusetts—while in Massachusetts the Roosevelt delegates-at-large were elected by over twice the majority which Mr. Taft obtained on the preferential vote.

Roll of "Bosses" Called. "In all the nine states together, about three out of every four Republicans who voted at the primaries were against Mr. Taft. If primaries could be held in all the states, there would undoubtedly be no substantial variation from these figures, and Mr. Taft could by no possibility have 200 votes in the Chicago convention.

"After a prolonged experience of me as President, practically all of the big bosses in the Republican party dislike me so heartily that they opposed Mr. Taft's nomination because I favored it. They were afraid that Mr. Taft would give them the same kind of trouble that I had given them.

"After three years and a half of experience of Mr. Taft since he has been elected, these same men have turned around and heartily favor his re-nomination.

"These men include, for instance, Mr. Gallinger in New Hampshire; Mr. Aldrich, in Rhode Island; Mr. Penrose, in Pennsylvania; Mr. Keating, in Indiana; Mr. Lorimer, in Illinois; Messrs. Guggenheim and Evans, in Colorado; Mr. Calhoun and the Southern Pacific Railroad in California and the Amalgamated Copper Company crowd in Montana, and in your state they include Mr. Smith and Mr. Tawney. The fight is a Nation-wide fight of the plain people against the bosses.

Colonel His Only Candidate. "There is just one candidate whom I propose to nominate against the bosses, and this is myself. Every vote for every other candidate from now on is in favor of Taft. My only fight is against the bosses in Minnesota, as it is everywhere else. A vote for Mr. Taft is a vote for the bosses; it is a vote for Lorimer, for Guggenheim, for Gallinger and for all the rest of them; and it is a vote for these men, whether it is cast in Minnesota or in Massachusetts or in Ohio or New Jersey or California. "I became a candidate only when I became convinced that no other progressive candidate could by any possibility be nominated against Mr. Taft. The contest has gone so far as to make it now evident that I certainly can be nominated against Mr. Taft, and that either I shall be nominated or else a reactionary will be nominated."

EAST SIDE FAVORS HILL Improvement Association Asks Council to Grant Franchises.

A resolution was adopted at the meeting of the North East Side Improvement Association last night, declaring that the rental offer of the O. W. R. & N. for the use of the upper deck of the railroad bridge is too high, and the secretary was instructed to convey to the County Court the sentiment of the club. Also the association unanimously passed a resolution asking the City Council to grant the franchises asked by the Hill and allied lines for entrance to the East Side. It was set forth that these franchises should contain common-user provisions and the rights of the people should be safeguarded.

HAZEL MOORE IS INDICTED Affinity of Ortils Hamilton Held on White Slave Charge.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 10.—Mrs. Florence Hazel Moore, of Oakland, Cal., whose name was associated with that of ex-Adjutant-General Hamilton of the Washington National Guard, when he was tried and convicted three years ago of embezzling from the state militia fund, was indicted on six counts by the Federal grand jury today, charged with violating the anti-white slave act. Mrs. Moore was arraigned and pleaded not guilty.

TRIP ON TITANIC ESCAPED Business Pressure Just Saves Man En Route to Oregon.

BAKER, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—Missing the Titanic by the sudden pressure of extra business, J. Dale came later on the Arabic and arrived in Baker for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Day, of Eleventh street. He made the trip to see his 6-month-old grandson and had said that the reunion today was a most touching one.

PROMINENT RESIDENT OF PORTLAND FOR HALF CENTURY, WHOSE FUNERAL WILL BE HELD TOMORROW.



BENJAMIN G. WHITEHOUSE.—Photo by Aune.

PORTLAND PIONEER OF 1859 STRICKEN

Benjamin G. Whitehouse, Prominent as Mason, Dies of Heart Disease.

ATTACK COMES SUDDENLY

Taken Ill Saturday Night Widely Known Oregonian, Apparently Is Recovering Until He Suffers Unexpected Relapse.

After suffering for six days from heart disease, Benjamin G. Whitehouse, an Oregon pioneer of 1859, ex-manager of the Portland Gas & Coke Company and one of the most widely-known Masons in Oregon, died Thursday night at his home, 512 Kearney street. Death came as a shock to his hundreds of friends, many of whom saw him at his post at the Masonic Temple, where he was recorder for Al Kader Temple of the Mystic Shrine, as late as last Saturday.

Residence Portland Lane. Mr. Whitehouse was born in Boston in 1835. He was 77 years old last January. He came to Portland from Maine shortly after his marriage there 52 years ago. His first home in Portland, taking up the business of clerk in one of the old-time hotels. From this position he went to the Portland office of the Oregon-California Stage Line, where, after a short time, he took charge of the local end of the business.

Widow Survives Mr. Whitehouse. In late years no name has been more prominent in Masonry than that of Mr. Whitehouse. He was a 33rd degree Mason, a Knight Templar and a member of the Shrine. He was a past eminent commander of the Oregon Commandery, Knights Templars and a member of Portland Lodge, No. 55.

Eight Divorces Granted Ties of Mismatched Pairs Severed by Judge Kavanagh. Eight divorce decrees were allowed by Judge Kavanagh yesterday as follows: Ella from Frederick W. La Forge, drunkenness and cruelty; A. G. from Doris Wilson, infidelity; Alma from Ernest Sheppard, infidelity; Iva from Edward O. Cuddington, cruelty; Giuseppe from Felicia Bearzatti, infidelity; Florence from John H. Prince, desertion; Maud from Sam Oden, cruelty; Forest from Myrtle Williamson, desertion.

ELECTRIC MERGER MADE Enterprise, Lostine and Wallowa Plants Under One Owner.

ENTERPRISE, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—The financial consolidation of the electric power companies of Enterprise, Lostine and Wallowa practically is accomplished. George Jacobs, of Portland, either owns outright or owns a controlling interest in each of the

companies. The physical consolidation, the next logical step, probably will follow within a year. It will be brought about by the stringing of wires to carry the current between Enterprise and Wallowa, so that current can be supplied for the entire circuit from the power plants at either of these cities. The Lostine power plant, a much lighter outfit supplying a limited circuit, probably will be discontinued.

FISH SEEKS FISH LICENSE

He Has to "Angle Some" to Make Woman Deputy Understand.

OREGON CITY, May 10.—(Special.)—I was with much repitition that Will Fish, of Scott's Mills, applied for a license to angle today.

When he entered the County Clerk's office, Miss Ivy Harrington, one of the accommodating deputies, asked: "What will you have?" "What is a license to fish?" "What is the name?" "Fish."

"Yes, I know you want a license to fish, but what is your name?" "Fish—Will Fish." "It's good fun," said a bystander, sotto voce. "You must give your name," said the deputy clerk. "It must go on the record."

WAGE BILL TO BE STUDIED Labor Federation Committee Will Consider Proposition.

At a meeting next Tuesday night, the executive committee of the Oregon State Federation of Labor will give final consideration to the proposed initiative bill providing a minimum wage and maximum hour workday for laboring men and women in the state. This measure was drafted by a committee representing the State Federation, which will submit it to the voters in the November election for the approval of the people.

HERMISTON BERRIES RIPEN First Fruit of Season Picked—Boxes Ready for Rush.

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MARION RESIDENT IS SUICIDE. TURNER, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—Henry Green, of Marion County, living two miles west of this town, committed suicide early this afternoon by drinking carbolic acid. He was found by his daughter, but died before medical assistance could reach him. Mr. Green was 25 years old and had lived in this vicinity for 30 years. A widow, five sons and four daughters survive him.

Note: A copy of today's Oregonian will be placed in the hermetically sealed copper box that is to be buried in the massive corner stone of Reed College, which will be set today.

CHANNEL ALL RIGHT

Vosburg Out of Course, Says Nehalem Correspondent.

COLLISION DOES DAMAGE

J. J. Walter Defends Nehalem and Declares Tug Ran Aground in Calm Weather With Smooth Sea and High Tide.

NEHALEM, Or., May 5.—(To the Editor.)—Your special correspondence from Tillamook and Bay City, touching the grounding of the George R. Vosburg, towing the lumber barge Nehalem, is so far wide of the facts that I am sending you a report of an eyewitness.

The steamer and tow came down the coast last Friday, reaching the mouth of the Nehalem River at high tide, a little after 12 o'clock. There was no fog and the sea was perfectly calm. A crew on a pile driver near the mouth of the river were surprised to see the Vosburg skirting the shore line close to the breakers, and when she reached the mouth of the river she paid no attention to the buoy marking the channel, but turned sharply around the south end of Nehalem Beach and by that move she missed the channel by fully a quarter of a mile, and went aground on a rock.

WIFE, 17, GETS DIVORCE Albany Girl Declares Her Husband Treated Her Cruelly.

ALBANY, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—Alice McKanney, a 17-year-old girl, of Albany, secured a divorce yesterday in the State Circuit Court here from W. J. Kanney, now residing at Roseburg.

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HALSEY MAN ON TITANIC Ringo Butler's Body Recovered by White Star Company.

ALBANY, Or., May 10.—(Special.)—It has been discovered that a Linn County man, Ringo Butler, of Halsey, was among those lost in the wreck of the Titanic. Butler had written from England to friends in Halsey that he expected to return on the Titanic, but through some oversight his name did not appear in most of the lists of passengers which were published after the

FANCY CATS WILL PARADE

Blooded Felines to Ride in Autos During Rose Festival.

Real live cats will take part in the automobile parade during the Rose Festival—cats that know how to behave themselves. Not the sort of cat that raises its melodious strains long after curfew has tolled its warning knell, but the genuine aristocratic feline that will maintain an attitude of dignity and disdain even amid the ruse and rattle of the road.

Such was one of the decisions at the last regular meeting of the Oregon Cat Club, held in the office of Dr. P. A. Trullinger in the Selling building Wednesday evening.

Among other business discussed at the meeting was the placing of mite boxes in public places to raise funds for carrying on humane work.

disaster. It has been learned now, however, that he went down with the ship and his name now appears in the list of bodies recovered and identified.

Butler came to Halsey about a year ago. He was a foreman for the Oregon Power Company in the work of building the power line from Springfield to Albany and worked for some time in the vicinity of Halsey. He liked that city, and when his work for the power company was completed he stayed there.

Butler was 26 years old and unmarried. He returned to his home in England last winter, supposedly for the purpose of securing money with which to buy land near Halsey. Butler joined the Oddfellows' Lodge at Halsey last winter and the lodge is now carrying on correspondence with the steamship company regarding the disposition of his body.

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FRIENDS OF THE NEXT CENTURY, GREETING!

Would that we of today could but dream of your Portland of tomorrow!

Would that we could, even faintly, realize what this, our Reed College, means to you!

Would that some flash, akin to the lightning, would merely hint to us today, what Eastmoreland is to you!

The descendants of some of our far-sighted investors will live among you and likely profit handsomely by an Eastmoreland \$1000 homesite purchased in our day.

We hope we have built well for you.

F. N. CLARK,

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SUNDAY TRAIN TO THE P. R. & N. Beaches

VIA THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC LEAVES UNION DEPOT 8:45 A. M. VIA 4TH STREET ARRIVES BEACH POINTS EARLY AFTERNOON.

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