

# HOMER RULE SPREADS OVER ASIA MINOR

### Possibility of Autonomy Tends to Increase Good Feeling Between Inhabitants.

## VARIOUS METHODS ADVISED

### Christians Favor Annexation to France, While Moslems Suggest Junction With Egypt—Syria Most Affected.

LONDON, March 23.—(Special.)—The Viceroy of the Daily Telegraph says that the home rule movement in Asia Minor is making great progress. The source of the agitation was Beirut. Thence it passed, via Egypt, into the provinces of Damascus, Aleppo and Jerusalem. It has not yet made its appearance in Mesopotamia, but is believed to have been introduced already. Syria is most profoundly affected by it.

In the four provinces, namely, Beirut, Aleppo, Jerusalem and Damascus, there are about 2,725,000 inhabitants, of whom 350,000 are Christians and 120,000 Jews, but all the rest Moslems. Although the Moslems are in such an overpowering majority, it is unlikely that they would quarrel at the outset with the Christians if the grant of autonomy brought the two races to face. Already they are making strenuous endeavors to acquire the friendship of their Christian fellow-subjects, even at considerable sacrifice.

If Syria had to govern itself without any assistance from outside, the task would doubtless exceed its powers; hence, no influential party in the country desires independence. Some favor separation from Turkey. There is, undoubtedly, a strong feeling among Moslems in favor of annexation to Egypt, and among Christians for annexation to France. The Moslems are profoundly dissatisfied with the unfair treatment meted out to their co-religionists in Algeria, and, on the whole, are contented with the legislature for Mohammedans.

## O. N. G. STAFF IS NAMED

### But One Old Member Is Retained by Governor West.

SALEM, C., April 19.—(Special.)—With but one exception the personnel of the general staff of the Oregon National Guard is changed by appointments to that staff which were made public by Governor West Saturday. This exception is Colonel Creed Hammond, who has been serving on the staff. Adjutant-General Flisner will also remain as a member of the staff, but he serves continuously by virtue of his office.

In addition to Colonel Hammond the other members of the general staff will be Lieutenant-Colonel Berton K. Lawson, Major Cecil H. Bauer and Captain Daniel E. Bowman.

The retiring members of the general staff are Colonel James Jackson, Colonel Samuel White, Captain Hiram W. Welch, Colonel J. M. Poorman and Captain L. A. Bowman. With the exception of Colonel Hammond all of these members served for four years. Colonel Hammond had served but two years and as a result he was appointed by the Governor to serve for two more years.

It was decided to retire those who have served a four-year term each, so that the honors in connection with the appointment to the general staff might be passed on down the line.

The Governor also made the announcement today that John I. Larson of Portland, has been appointed as a member of the Oregon Naval Militia Board.

## WEAK-MINDED BOY SLAYS

### Youth Admits Killing Woman and Two Children in Fit of Temper.

ELGIN, Ill., April 20.—Herman Coppes, whose mentality is so low that at 16 years old he has been only able to advance to the fourth grade in school, confessed today that he was the slayer of Mrs. Manny Sleep and her two small children, whose bodies were found yesterday in a cistern under the kitchen of the Sleep farmhouse, five miles west of Elgin.

Coppes says the killing resulted from Mrs. Sleep's saying she "would see about it" when he had refused in humor to do one of his accustomed chores after school.

## Corvallis Masons to Celebrate.

CORVALLIS, April 20.—(Special.)—Brove Commanders No. 17, Knights Templars, has issued invitations to a social function to be given at the new Masonic Temple on April 25, the occasion commemorating the birth of this commandery a year ago. It is expected that Grand Eminent Commander Grace and Past Grand Thielson, together with prominent Templars from Salem, Albany and Eugene will attend.

## Lebanon Plans May 2 Show.

LEBANON, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—The Woman's Civic Club is planning a "made-in-Lebanon" show to be held May 2. The plan is meeting with much favor among the business men. All space is now being reserved for exhibits. The Commercial Club has invited the railroad officials to visit Lebanon on that date and they will be tendered a banquet at the Hotel Lebanon.

## FLORIDA GIRL, NOW IN PORTLAND, WHO SAYS SHE WAS DECEIVED INTO A FALSE MARRIAGE AND SWINDLED OUT OF \$2650.



MRS. JOSEPH E. ELLIS.

## GIRL TRAPS GUARD

### Sentry Pried With Liquor Lets Prisoner Escape.

## FUGITIVE IS HER FIANCE

### Miss Calkins Tells Police How She Beguiled Sentry and Allowed Her Sweetheart to Make Break for Liberty.

How she beguiled a guard who was keeping watch on her sweetheart, pled him with liquor until he laid down his gun and allowed his prisoner to escape was told last night to Captain Daniel W. Hand and Lieutenant George Clarke Rockwell by Anna Calkins, a pretty young woman who was instrumental in releasing Frank Anthony, a Federal prisoner from the guardhouse at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., Wednesday. The young woman, who was to have been Anthony's wife, was caught by Detective Litchfield and Plain Clothes Officer Griffith in a down town hotel last night.

Anthony, who had been sentenced to one year in the Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kas., for insubordination, is still at large, although he has been in Portland since the day of his escape and soldiers and officers from the barracks have been searching diligently for him. Anthony was at one time a Corporal in Battery F, but had been lowered in rank shortly before his sentence.

Miss Calkins told graphically how she had beguiled the guard, who now is spending his time in solitary confinement at the barracks, into laying down the rifle with which he was doing guard duty. When Anthony made a break for liberty, the guard had only his revolver, with which he fired at his disappearing prisoner, falling to the ground. He must serve his prison term for allowing him to escape, whether Anthony is caught or not.

In letters which were seized by the Portland officers, Anthony wrote Miss Calkins, bemoaning the fact that March 25, the day set for their wedding, saw him under guard and about to serve time for insubordination.

He was accompanied by a soldier on Burnside street, near Second, Friday night, but a man who was with Anthony tripped up the private and in the confusion Anthony escaped. Information that he was in a house near Sixth and Couch streets, two blocks from the police station, sent officers searching there, but he was not found, although he had been there.

Armstrong's Friend Detained.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 20.—(Special.)—Wilbur B. Grover, who was discharged from Company A on April 13, and who was a friend of Frank Anthony, the Federal prisoner who escaped Wednesday, is being held in the city jail here, following his arrest by Police-Sergeant Jack Smith. Grover is suspected of knowing the whereabouts of Anthony, whether he assisted in the escape or not. He was interviewed by Captain Hand and Lieutenant Rockwell last today, but, although he broke down, no information of worth to the authorities was disclosed.

## POULTRY YARD IS SEEN

### PORTLAND Y. M. C. A. CLUB VISITS COLLEGE.

### Members Escorted Through Agricultural School Plant and Study Methods.

Thorough inspection of the poultry plant of the Oregon Agricultural College was made Saturday by the Poultry Club of the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. Members of the club, led by G. C. Hatt, spent the day at Corvallis, returning to Portland late night.

The members were escorted by Professor A. G. Lunn to Shepherd Hall, where luncheon was served. Professor Lunn, acting as toastmaster, explained the college work in poultry husbandry. The work covered experiments in breeding, incubation, brooding and in housing. The plant consisted of ten acres, and there were about 200 hens laying, all of them the offspring of hens with a yearly record of 200 eggs on butter. Under this method of selection the average egg yield of the fowls had been increased.

A feature of the birds under observation this year is a pullet that started

laying early in the Fall and laid 31 eggs in March and 19 eggs up to April 19. One pen, consisting of 12 hens, daughters of a hen whose egg record was 233, had an average yield last year of 230 eggs each.

The individual records kept for each hen and the method of individual breeding adopted enabled the department to give pedigree records of every setting of eggs sent out from the college plan and for every cockerel sent out. After the luncheon, Messrs. Dryden, Lunn, Lamb and Russell conducted the party through the plant, explaining the systems used for record keeping, and the apparatus in use.

A special feature of the work is the experimenting on cross-bred birds and on a new variety of poultry that will have three qualities—heavy egg yield, yellow legs and yellow flesh, and weigh about five pounds. To get this bird requires something between the Leghorn class and the Plymouth Rock class.

The Portland Poultry Club meets every Saturday evening in room 308, Y. M. C. A. building, and visitors are always welcome to its meetings.

## BURGLAR BORES WAY IN

### Third Time Auger Is Used, Thief Makes Off With Typewriter.

A burglar who gains entrance to buildings by boring holes beside the lock with an auger and then reaches in and turns the key, made his third appearance Saturday night, when he broke into the Free Employment Bureau, at Second and Salmon streets, and stole a typewriter. The loss was discovered yesterday by Patrolman Fones, who has access to the buildings.

Two similar deceptions, both in Montavilla, have been reported within the month, in one of which a considerable sum of money was stolen from a drug store.

## Motorboat Trip Is May 17.

A large number of Portland Motorboat Club members had their pleasure boats out for short cruises up the Willamette River yesterday. On May 17 and 18 the club's annual trip to Willamette will be held. Pleasure motorboat races will be the feature of this trip, as the business men of Willamette will have hung up silver trophies for the winners.

## Library Plans Completed.

ONTARIO, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—The site for the new Carnegie library has been purchased and is all paid for. The plans for the building have been forwarded to the Carnegie corporation for its approval. The library will cost \$7500 exclusive of the site. Work probably will be commenced on the building in the next 60 days.

## RAILROADS NOTIFIED OF ARREST OF MAN WHO ADMITS MANY THEFTS.

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Information was sent yesterday to all railroads in the United States and Canada concerning Romeo E. Stephens, alias Harold E. Martin, the confessed Tualatin station robber, who, after a day's work as agent, left with \$70 and was arrested Friday night.

Stephens confessed under pressure. It is thought that some of his criminal exploits have not been brought to light yet, and it is thought that other robberies may be found when records of missing money from small stations are received here.

## CHARTER FIGHT IS ASSUMING WARMTH

### Various Views of Proposed Change in Government to Be Expounded Daily.

## RUSHLIGHT TO TAKE STUMP

### All Candidates for Majority Express Confidence in Outcome Except H. R. Albee, Who "Waits to Be Called Forward."

With election less than two weeks distant, the campaign for nomination for municipal office and for or against the proposed commission charter gives every prospect of becoming hotter and hotter until the voters announce their decision. Every day will see meetings in various parts of the city, at which political pyrotechnics will be displayed. The various candidates and their supporters will speak before mothers' clubs, parent-teachers associations, improvement clubs and other organizations.

The new charter and its desirability or worthlessness, as a future code of guidance for municipal affairs, will be the central topic of the campaign oratory. Supporters of the charter are enthusiastic over its prospects of carrying, and mean to proclaim its excellence to every voter in the city between now and the night of May 2. Its opponents are equally sanguine that the people will return a negative verdict, but they, too, are taking no chances on their faith in the result, and will bend every effort to let everybody know why they believe the charter should not be adopted.

"The charter will carry by a safe margin," declared George L. Baker, of the charter campaign committee, last night. "Because the people of Portland are studying the question and are becoming satisfied that the commission form of government, as proposed by the new charter, is peculiarly fitted to meet the needs and problems of a city that has outgrown its old charter, as it has many other things that make the commission form a better one for which they are being devised."

"The commission charter is doomed," said Gay Lombard, candidate for the Republican nomination for Mayor against Mayor Rushlight and Councilman Maguire, last night. "It is an inglorious document, and the people recognize it as such. While they may believe in the commission form of government, they will show by their votes that they do not approve of it in the shape in which it will be submitted to them on the night of May 2."

Mr. Lombard expressed himself as being well satisfied with the progress of the campaign thus far, and said that he had no fear of the result of his own candidacy.

Lombard Expresses Confidence.

"I will win beyond the peradventure of a doubt," he said. "The attitude I have taken on the charter, I find, is acceptable to an ever-increasing number of people. There is no reason or excuse for the adoption of the charter, and simply from motives for the good of the city, I trust that the proposed charter will be rejected, as I feel certain it will be."

"I will get more votes than my two Republican opponents together," said Mayor Rushlight last night. "There is no mistake in the opinion of the people, and wherever I go I meet the same cordial reception. I have every reason to believe that I will be nominated and that the vote will be an emphatic endorsement of my administration."

H. Russell Albee, candidate for the Progressive majority nomination, said he was simply a candidate, and not a politician or political prophet. "I have no idea what the result will be, but I am not worrying in the least. I have put my candidacy before the people and will occupy a back seat until I am called forward."

Maguire "Not Hiring Halls."

"Things look fairly good," said Councilman Maguire, with Rushlight and Lombard somewhat in the lead, in his endorsement of the Republican nomination for mayor.

"I am making a quiet campaign, not hiring any halls and speaking only where I am invited. My campaign expenses will not exceed \$100. I am saying that I will be nominated, but I will say that I will not be the low man of the three when the votes are counted."

A candidate is the last man to know how things are going to turn out," said Dan Kellaker, candidate for the Progressive nomination for Mayor, "but from the best information that I can give, I believe that I will be nominated."

For the first time in his career Mayor Rushlight tonight will enter on a campaign of stump speech-making. He is scheduled to appear at the Sons of Hermann Hall, Williams avenue and Fargo street, tonight; at Gevurtz Hall, Front and Gibbs streets, tomorrow night, and will speak elsewhere for every night until the eve of election.

Mr. Lombard will speak at Sunny-side Hall, East Thirty-fourth and Yamhill streets, tonight. He will deal with the commission charter. W. C. Benbow, one of its framers, will be present and advocate its adoption.

## ROAD MATERIAL RECEIVED

### Work on Eugene-Cooch Bay Line Is Progressing Rapidly.

GARDINER, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—The tug L. Roscoe, of Florence, arrived in the Umpqua River Thursday, having in tow the schooner Coghille loaded with powder, lumber and other material for Porter Brothers, to be used in the building of the Eugene-Cooch Bay railroad.

Copenhagen Brothers, who have a contract to build the line from the big tunnel to the Umpqua River, are pushing the work with vigor, employing about 100 men. They are having a cut made by the Larsen dredge about 200 yards long, to change the channel of Schofield Creek and will avoid building a bridge.

## HAND TRUCK AID TO AUTO

### Vancouver Residents Treated to Amusing Incident.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 20.—(Special.)—A two-wheeled truck, used for handling grain, was pressed into use in lieu of a rear wheel on an automobile tonight, and Charles McCafferty, owner of the machine, held down the handles while Clyde Moss, in another car, furnished power to get to a garage. Mr. McCafferty was driving with his family when the rear wheel collapsed on a short turn. The truck was placed under the hub and its appearance in town created considerable amusement.

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## SOCIETY IS SCORED

### Bishop Says Luxury-Loving Class Most Dangerous.

## LEADERS' POWER HELD BAD

### General Deterioration Existing in American Social Structure Extends Its Effect to Church, Declared in Sermon.

## SOME MEN KNOW

### "The most dangerous class in America is that element which, having acquired wealth, great or small, turns its back on all obligations to the church of God and the well-being of society, and deliberately abandons itself to the carnal enjoyment of luxury and ease," declared Rev. J. Cooke, resident bishop for Oregon of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in a sermon yesterday morning.

Bishop Cooke asserted that in the United States today, in spite of supposed culture, literature, arts, sciences and all that makes for advanced civilization here, "the American people, with millions for education, lead the whole world in crime." These conditions he attributed chiefly to the example of the luxury-loving classes, which are recognized as the social leaders of the country, and his sermon was an appeal to these classes to throw their influence with the church, as the only savior of society.

Homicides Are Compared.

"We are a great people," he said. "We have more homicides than Italy, France, Austria, Belgium, Spain, Hungary, Holland, Germany, England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales all put together." The general deterioration which he said existed in the social structure ex-

tended its effects even to the churches, he declared.

"Behold the humiliating conditions on which so many churches are permitted even to exist," he said. "Think of the pitiable devices that often are resorted to in order to drag on a handful of hearers. What sensations are advertised! What clap-trap! What futile efforts to rival opera or cheap vaudeville! What efforts to entertain, to turn the house of God into a competitive picture show, a baseball club or to reduce it to the level of a concert hall! Think of the ingenious arguments that must be manufactured to explain and defend these outlandish methods. And so far as membership is concerned, after an expenditure of millions, the churches of America have done little more than mark time."

Poor Morals Held Result.

"The result of all this will be and can be only moral deterioration, social disintegration and national weakness," he declared.

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