

### CLARK OF PORTLAND ELECTED BY ADMEN

#### Los Angeles Gets Assurance of 1915 Convention With Suitable Date.

### BLETHEN QUILTS CONTEST

#### Vancouver, B. C., Chosen as Meeting Place Next Year—Little Mildred Tucker to Be Sent to National Convention.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 21.—(Special.)—A. G. Clark, of Portland, was today unanimously elected president of the Pacific Coast Association of Advertising Men, and Vancouver, B. C., was chosen as the place for holding the 1914 meeting.

This result was obtained after a long and heated struggle before a joint session of the committee on selection of officers and place of meeting, where clubs from the north and south of the California line locked horns.

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the things she wants and live respectably on \$5 a week," she testified.

Dr. George B. Mangold, director of the School of Social Economy of Washington University, told the committee a girl ought to have \$75 a year for clothes, 50 cents a week for medical attention and 55 cents a week for laundry.

One-fourth of the working women of St. Louis, he said, were away from home and absolutely dependent on their own efforts. The others, he testified, had some help from members of their families.

Medicine Industry Investigated. The committee also inquired into labor conditions in the medicine manufacturing industry here. A young woman employed by a medicine company said that ten years ago she received \$4 a week working for the company and now earns \$6.50. She said that a girl could not live respectably in St. Louis without outside assistance for less than \$9 a week. This witness lives at home. None of the women employed there, she said, were paid more than she.

Another girl employed at the same place testified that she went to work in the factory eight months ago at \$5 a week and out of that wage she helped support her mother.

Her mother owns their home, however, but has no income. The girl said she managed to get along on what she earned, but that a girl could not live with any degree of comfort on less than \$9 a week.

G. F. Lang, superintendent of the company, said the lowest wage paid by the company was \$4 a week and the highest \$16.

### 1000 DELEGATES PARADE

#### ODDFELLOWS AND REBEKAHS IN SESSION AT MEDFORD.

#### Next Meeting Place Probably Will Be McMinnville With Klamath Falls Contender for 1915.

MEDFORD, Or., May 21.—(Special.)—Headed by the Medford police force and the Central Post band, 1000 delegates to the state convention of the Oddfellows and Rebekahs marched through the business streets today and, with the election of officers for the Rebekahs and high links by the 55th session of the Oregon Grand Lodge and associated bodies was well filled. The following officers were elected by the Rebekah Lodge:

President, Mrs. Charlotte Woodman, of Portland; vice-president, Mrs. Kate Lande, of Marshfield; secretary, Mrs. Ora Cosper, of Dallas; grand warden, Mrs. Cosper, of Baker City; treasurer, Miss Eda Jacobs, of Portland.

Decorations of civility were conferred upon deserving members of the grand assembly of the Rebekahs by Commander F. A. Hance, assisted by local cantons under Captain E. G. Sneider, of Medford, as follows: Mrs. Nannie Wolf, of Medford, and Mrs. Ulrich, second noble grand, of Jacksonville.

Mrs. Wolf is 75 years old and a charter member of the Medford Lodge.

The parade, reaching nearly ten blocks, was the longest ever seen in Medford. In an automobile rode the two oldest past grand masters in the state, William Morton, of Portland, over 90 years old, who was grand master in 1866, and J. P. Bloomfield, of Oakland, who was grand master in 1867.

An amusing feature of the parade was a mock initiation team, impersonated by the local lodge, consisting of several goats and grotesquely attired members, one of whom was astride a fractious mountain burro. The convention will end tomorrow with closing sessions of the Oddfellows and Rebekahs and the election of officers of the grand lodge.

The first resolution of the convention for 1914 will be decided upon, but in all probability McMinnville will be chosen, and the largest delegation, from Klamath Falls, is determined to secure the convention in 1915.

### CURRENCY BILL IS NEAR

#### MEASURE EXPECTED TO BE OUTLINED WITHIN WEEK.

#### Wilson Has Three Conferences and Opinion Grows That Early Action Is Possible.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—President Wilson had three conferences today on the currency reform. He discussed with Senator Kern, the majority leader, the prospects of currency legislation at this session, and learned that attention has been focused so sharply on the tariff that there was no agreement in sight as yet as to the advisability of banking reform.

The president talked with Chairman Owen, of the Senate banking and currency committee, early today and later saw Representative Glass, chairman of the House banking committee. He merely inquired into the progress being made by those working on a currency bill. Indications are that within another week a bill will be completed, the fundamentals of which will have Administration approval.

The Senate currency committee is scheduled to meet Friday and Chairman Owen and other members are preparing the list of questions to be submitted to bankers and financial experts. Although many Senators believe currency legislation at the special session is impossible, the opinion is growing that a determined effort may be expected to put a bill through both houses.

### SUNDAY OUTING TRIP, 25C

Excursion to Metzger, in the beautiful Tualatin Valley, next Sunday. Mounting, Mrs. L. J. Babcock, will be killed instantly yesterday when a cottonwood tree fell. Not a breath of air was stirring when the big tree dropped across the tent.

Mrs. Babcock was struck on the head and pinned to the ground. Her husband, a lumberman of Cle Elum, was cruising in the forest preparatory to starting a crew of men. With his wife he went to Easton from Cle Elum early in the morning and did not return to camp until supper time, when he found her crushed under the cottonwood. The tree had rotted at the root. The body was removed to Cle Elum, where the funeral will be held.

### GIRLS DIFFER ON WAGES

(Continued From First Page.) One said she was assisting in supporting herself. She claimed to be an expert nutpicker and said she earned \$7 to \$9 a week when work was good.

Another woman witness said she earned \$10 to \$12 a week and supported herself.

"A girl can live well, have most of

### ARMOR PLATE BIDS CALLED FABRICAL

#### Daniels Says Competition Is Wholly Lacking and Department Is Blamed.

### MAKERS FIX OWN PRICES

#### If Subsidy Is Intended, for Purpose of Making Plants Available in War, Secretary Would Do So Openly.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Responsibility for price agreements among manufacturers furnishing armor plate for American warships was placed directly upon the Navy Department itself today by Secretary Daniels.

In a statement following his announcement yesterday of his intention to submit a plan for a Government armor plant, the Secretary declared that the policy of the department in dividing plate contracts among all bidders at the lowest figure offered "makes all pretense of competitive bidding to get the lowest market price a farce that Congress possibly deceives anyone acquainted with the facts."

Mr. Daniels said he was glad a resolution for an investigation was before Congress and that he fully anticipated a formal statement which he proposed to prepare requiring relief from "an intolerable situation."

Bids Almost Identical. How contracts for armor for the new battleship Pennsylvania were let by Secretary Daniels last March was told in detail in the statement. Three steel companies submitted virtually identical bids and the contracts were divided among them.

"If we are going to subsidize the Carnegie, Midvale and Bethlehem companies," said Secretary Daniels, "so as to have the advantage of armor plate contracts in the war, then let us do so honestly and man-fashion, by statute, without concealment or attempt at hypocritical evasion of the intent of Congress for competition and award contracts to the lowest bidder. If, on the other hand, we are going honestly to award our contracts to the lowest bidder, let us do so. The effect will be possibly to encourage real competition among the companies, provided always that the present intention of the Department of Justice that the steel companies are a combination is disproved by the evidence."

Bids Modestly Advertised For. "Bids for the Pennsylvania armor were opened," the statement continued, "after the publication of a notice one inch long in the smallest type, in one paper only, the Philadelphia Item, that sealed proposals would be received at the Navy Department, February 18, with no hint of the amount and only four weeks in advance of the date set for the receiving of the bids."

It would be reaching, the statement continues, "to suppose that the lowest bidder would receive the award, but such was not the case, nor has it been the case for a long time, and where the winner is known in advance, the theory that all three companies must be encouraged to maintain their armor plate departments, the contract was divided arbitrarily among them. All three companies agreed to a price of \$454 a ton for class A, \$518 for turret armor, \$496 for class B and \$548 for class C. Under the circumstances, an arm priced at the moment of the bids, because under this theory that we must distribute the work at the lowest price bid among three firms, I don't see what any thing but a defeat of a Congressional investigation keeps them from putting in say \$700 a ton as their lowest bid."

Candid Letters Published. The Secretary made public two letters which he received from companies which submitted bids for the Pennsylvania contract, because he said they were "so remarkable for their frankness and so completely illustrating from their own words the evils of the situation."

The Midvale Steel Company, of Philadelphia, wrote: "It has been the custom to divide the work between the companies at the price of the lowest bidder after asking the other companies if they would accept the work at his price; this method being deemed the best for the department. On subsequent bids for similar material it was but natural for the competing companies to bid the price set by the previous bidder."

The Bethlehem Steel Company, of South Bethlehem, Pa., told practically the same story.

### FAN THREATENS "JOSHER"

#### Baker Man Gets Gun to Resent Bartender's Jocular Remark.

BAKER, Or., May 21.—(Special.)—Baseball is a tender subject in this city even if considered the best fan city in the Western Tri-State League. Joking over a Baker defeat has ended in the police court.

L. V. Case "joshed" James Taylor over the game and it is charged that Taylor immediately secured a loaded gun and threatened to shoot Case as soon as he was off duty. Case is a barkeeper in the Scott saloon.

Taylor was arrested and brought before Justice F. Hubbard today, pleaded not guilty and he will have his preliminary hearing Friday. The charge is threatening to kill.

### Women to Discuss Voting.

A regular meeting of the Women's Good Government Club will be held today at 2:30 o'clock in the new quarters at the Bungalow Theater. The preferential voting system will be debated from both the "single shot" and three-choice angles. Several of the charter amendments will be discussed, and Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway will be the guest of honor. Alice R. Nugent will preside.

### Physical Culture Union to Meet.

The local Physical Culture Union will hold its regular meeting tonight in the East Side Library, at East Eleventh and East Alder streets, at 8 o'clock. Some subject of interest will be delivered by the official lecturer and opened for discussion. All interested in acquiring and retaining health are especially invited. These meetings are free and public.

### Hood River Girl Weds.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 21.—(Special.)—The wedding of Frank B. Vernon, son of Mr. Viola Vernon, of Vancouver, Wash., to Miss Blanche Howe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howe, was solemnized here yesterday at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon left immediately after the ceremony for Portland. They will make their home in Vancouver.



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—All the popular shades and colorings, such as navy, blue, black, white, brown, Copenhagen, brown, wine, gray, tan, Nell Rose, green and bright blues.

Dresses Selling to \$12.00, Thursday \$7.50  
Of fine all-wool serge in black, navy blue and white.

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Of fine French serge in navy blue, brown and Copenhagen.

Dresses Selling to \$22.50, Thursday \$13.85  
Of Charmeuse and Silk Poplins in black, navy blue, brown, wine, Copenhagen, gray, tan and Nell Rose.

Dresses Selling to \$25.00, Thursday \$15.00  
Of Crepe de Chine, Eponge and French serge.

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Of extra heavy Charmeuse and fine French Serges.

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Of soft silks and fine serges in many colors. Third Floor.

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—Models that would regularly sell at \$75, \$80 and \$85 and \$90 each. Also One-Piece Dresses Special \$50.00

### Free Classes in the Art Real Lace Making

—These classes will be continued for another week, so as to give our patrons an opportunity to learn the A B C's of this interesting work.

### Recent French Books

Thomas L'Agelet, Ferrero, La Nationalite Francaise, D'Anriac, La Colline Inspiree, Barres, Un Bon Petit Diablot, Rostand, La Mort, Maeterlinck.

### SCHWAB AIMS HIGH

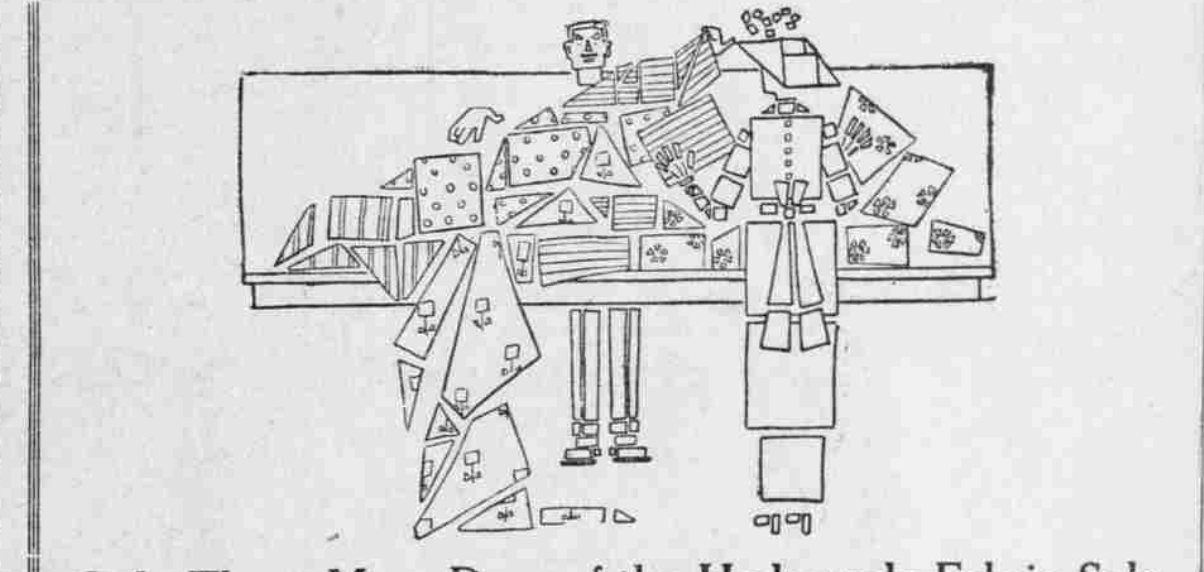
#### Bethlehem Intended to Be Real Competitor in Steel.

### CARNEGIE THREAT DENIED

Witness in Government Suit Says He Never Discussed Prospective Building of Rival Steel Tube Plant.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Because the United States Steel Corporation owned some 75 per cent of the reserves of the country, it would have been impossible in 1901 to have organized another corporation its equal, Charles M. Schwab, first president of the corporation, testified today in the Government suit to dissolve the corporation as an illegal combination.

Mr. Schwab said, however, that ores could have been imported from foreign countries and a corporation as big as the United States Steel Company organized, provided its plant were situated in the East. He conceded, on the other hand, that there were no other financial interests in the United States as strong as those which went into the



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HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 29c HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 33c  
50c SILK STRIPED VOILE — 50c BEDFORD RATINE —  
HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 39c HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 39c  
50c FAMOUS SUNRAY SILKS — 45c PEBBLE RATINE —  
HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 39c HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 33c  
35c SILK STRIPED VOILE — 35c NEW CREX CREPE —  
HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 24c HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 24c  
25c NORMANDY SUITING — 40c SNOWFLAKE RATINE —  
HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 18c HYDEGRADE WEEK PRICE 29c

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