

WOMAN SELECTED FOR SENATE SEAT

Governor Announces Prospective Appointment of Miss Kathryn Clark, Glendale.

DOUBT EXISTS AS TO RIGHT

Vacancy in Douglas County Is Due to Senator Neuner Being Named District Attorney and Legality of That Act Is Questioned.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Miss Marion Towne, of Jackson County, will not be the only woman member of the next General Assembly if the plans of Governor West, announced today, do not go astray. He said that tomorrow he would appoint Miss Kathryn Clark, who conducts a hotel at Glendale, State Senator of Douglas County to succeed George Neuner, recently named District Attorney. The State Senatorship was offered to Dexter Rice, of Roseburg, but he declined it, giving as his reason press of private business affairs. "There is some doubt as to the right of the Governor to make the appointment," said the Executive. "The constitution is not clear on the subject. One section says that vacancies shall fill vacancies by appointment in state offices, and another says vacancies in the Legislature must be filled at special elections called by the Governor. It is not clear whether the Governor has the right to pass upon the qualifications of a member and could unseat Miss Clark if it desired."

The Governor said he did not know Miss Clark's politics, but believed she was a Republican. He emphasized his belief that she would make a capable State Senator and thought she would be satisfactory to the electorate of Douglas County.

"Miss Clark has been an active worker for prohibition," continued the Governor, "and she has done much good work for charity." Attorney-General Crawford, in an off-hand opinion, held that the Governor could not fill vacancies in either branch of the Legislature and that they must be filled under a constitutional provision which provides that the Governor should call special elections. He said the object of the provision was to prevent the Governor from getting control of the Legislature.

Mr. Neuner was appointed to succeed George Brown, the new Attorney-General, as District Attorney of Douglas County. There is some question also as to the legality of this appointment, as it is held that Senator Neuner helped to pass the law under which the office was created which he now seeks to fill.

MISS CLARK WILL ACCEPT

Governor's Cousin Changes Mind at Urgent Request of Friends.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—When first informed that Governor West had announced her prospective appointment as State Senator from Douglas County to succeed George Neuner, Miss Kathryn Clark declared she could not accept the place. "My private business interests will not permit me to serve," she announced, "but nevertheless I appreciate the Governor's courtesy and value the honor." After thinking it over for an hour, however, and after strong urgings by her friends, she announced that she would accept the position. "I have decided to accept," she announced, "and I shall do my best to transact the duties of the office well." Miss Clark's friends are positive she will fill the position tendered with credit to herself, the state and the Governor who selected her. If Miss Clark is seated, Douglas County will have the only woman Senator, as well as the only woman Representative in the Legislature. Miss Marion B. Towne was elected Representative last November. Miss Clark and Governor West are cousins.

ROBBERS LET WOMAN GO

Poverty Touches Highwaymen, Who Refuse to Take Last Quarter.

Two highwaymen who held up Mrs. Cora Zimmerman and Mrs. Hattie Wilson at Milwaukie and Reynolds streets last night permitted both women to go unmolested when they said they had only 25 cents. The women had been to visit a neighbor and were returning to their home at 465 East Flinders street when the robbers accosted them. One of the men carried a gun. Both were unarmed. "Here's all we have," said Mrs. Zimmerman, extending 25 cents in response to their demand. "Thank you, madam," responded one of the robbers gallantly, "if that's your financial condition we wouldn't take a cent. Good-by." The men disappeared in the gathering darkness. The women notified the police.

STOLEN AUTOS ARE FOUND

Cars of One Man at Church and Another at Theater Are Taken.

Thefts of two automobiles were reported to the police last night, and both machines were recovered a short time later. James May, 190 East Twenty-first street, North said that his car had been stolen while he was at services in the White Temple. Motorcycle Patrolmen Tully and Morris located the machine at Ninth and Couch streets before Mr. May had reached home. H. W. Wessinger, 555 Davis street, told the police that his machine had been taken while he was at a matinee in the Heilig Theater. The automobile was later found at Park and Market streets by Patrolman Field.

GOOD TIMES NEAR—M'ADOO

Upon an era of greater financial independence.

In this particular he spoke of the gold reserve which had been liberated and the greater activity of the basic capital of the country, which has come

with the operation of the new system. It is this greater fund of free capital, together with the security from panics and the greater confidence of investors, that the Secretary believes will prove ample for the industrial development of the country that formerly depended to a greater extent on foreign sources of capital.

This financial independence of the country, the Secretary said he believed, would be cumulative. As the amount of interest payments made to European lenders is cut down, the available capital here will be enhanced; and as a greater number of employes obtain work in the expansion of the industries of the country the further increase in the prosperity of the Nation will be evident.

Washington Feels Relief. While Secretary McAdoo prohibited direct quotation of the views he expressed in the course of the conversation, he gave the impression that the tension at Washington over some of the more critical aspects of the financial



Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, Who Predicts Immediate Expansion of National Commercial Interests and Return of Prosperity.

situation had been relieved of late by the healthy tone and greater confidence being manifested in the business of the country.

Secretary McAdoo was accompanied by his wife, who is Eleanor Randolph Wilson, daughter of the President. Tomorrow will be a busy day for them socially. They will be guests during their stay here of officials of the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

JUDGESHIP HEARING ON

ARGUMENTS TO BE MADE IN SALEM TODAY ON LENGTH OF TERMS.

Question is as to Whether Initiative Law and Election of Officers Were Effective at Same Time.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—C. O. Foster, attorney for Harry L. Brown, Judge-elect of Lane County, went to Salem today to assist tomorrow the case of Phy, Union County Judge-elect, against Wright. Mr. Wright, who is County Clerk, refused to issue a certificate of election. The situation in Lane County is identical, and friends of Mr. Brown anticipate that he will be able to take his office within a few weeks.

"In 1910 the term of the judges in the state was increased from four to six years," declared Mr. Foster, "and under a decision of the Supreme Court in October, 1914, it held incidentally that the term of the judges elected in 1910 were affected by the amendment. The court held that the adoption of this amendment, and not the election of the judges, was the act, effective as soon as the polls had closed.

"It is our contention—that of Mr. Phy, Mr. Brown and the other County Judges elected at the November election to succeed Judges elected in 1910—that the constitutional amendment adopted in 1910 did not, under another provision of the constitution, become in force at the time the judges were elected. We hold that it did not become operative until the Governor in December, 1914, by his proclamation, made it so. It was not done until December 3, 1914." Friends of Mr. Thompson, the present County Judge, declare that he exercised his office as Judge before the month is over.

PRESS CLUB PLAN DARK

SURPRISE IN STORE FOR JINKS NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT.

Music, Vaudeville and Stinger Not Yet Announced to Make Things Hum—Meeting Today.

An executive session of the entertainment committee having been called for today, it is believed that a big surprise for the jinks to be held next Friday will be contemplated. Music, vaudeville will be provided, stellar and usual alfresco refreshments will be served. Detailed announcement of the big act of the jinks will not be announced until tomorrow.

As in the December jinks all members of the club, who come unaccompanied by a man friend, will be obliged to enter the clubrooms by the side door. Enforcement of this rule will be left to the reception committee.

It has been announced by the entertainment committee that all entertainers in the next jinks will be new headliners and that pretty girl singers, musicians and dancers will predominate as heretofore. Frank Coffinberry made such a hit as announcer in the pre-holiday jinks he will be called upon to preside again Friday night. There will be no speechmaking and an innovation will be the assembling of all the entertainers at 8:30 o'clock that they may share in the good time before the vaudeville part of the programme begins.

Double Wedding Takes Place.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Mabel E. and Edith F. Wood, of this city, were married at the residence of Portland and Virgil R. Rawson, of The Dalles, respectively, at a double wedding at the Evangelical Church in this city on Wednesday of last week to the daughters of Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Wood of this city. Thirty years ago the father and mother of these brides were married at a double wedding in which brothers married sisters.

4 VOTES DEADLOCK CAUCUS IN SALEM

Republican Majority Fails to Pick Speakership Candidate on Ninth Ballot.

ADA COUNTY HOLDS KEY

John Hart, Mormon, President Pro Tem of Senate, While Democrats Name E. M. Pugmire, Also Mormon, as Floor Leader.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 3.—(Special.)—

Conner was elected Speaker on the 25th ballot. The Republican majority House caucus at a late hour tonight apparently agreed to elect Conner as Speaker, after taking nine votes none of the three candidates, Peter G. Johnston, of Bingham County; J. H. Conner, of Bonner County, and C. R. Koelsch, of Ada County, had received the 17 votes needed to control the caucus. The caucus left the Speakership after the first section of the caucus to elect attaches down to and including assistant enrolling clerk.

David Burrell, of American Falls, was elected chief clerk of the House and Storey Buck of Lewiston, assistant chief clerk. This is as far as the caucus reached at a late hour. Burrell was chief clerk of the House two years ago.

Four Votes Hold Balance.

On the first ballot for Speaker, Conner led by a vote of 14 to 12 over Johnston and Koelsch received six votes. Johnston jumped to the lead on the second ballot and on the succeeding ballots up to and including the ninth, the vote stood, Johnston 15, Conner 13, Koelsch 4. Johnston is the Southern candidate. Conner is the Northern candidate. Koelsch is from Boise and is the Central Idaho candidate.

The Ada County delegation appears to hold the key to the situation for the four votes that are being cast for Koelsch, if given to either of the two other candidates would be sufficient to elect. Koelsch is holding them off in the hope that he may be the compromise as between Johnston and Conner. There are 72 votes in the caucus.

Pugmire Leads Democrats.

The Democratic Senators caucused and elected E. M. Pugmire, of Bear Lake County, of the minority. He is a Mormon. The Democratic minority of the House caucused but failed to take action.

The Republican Senatorial and majority caucus which was finished at an early hour this morning resulted in the election of Senator John Hart, of Malheur, a Mormon, President pro tem of the Senate, and Stephen D. Taylor, of Bonners Ferry, Secretary. Other important appointments were: Chief enrolling clerk, Bessie von Horten, Ada County; assistant enrolling clerk, Frankie E. Smith, Bingham County; enrolling clerk, Jessie E. Warrington, Bonner County; assistant enrolling clerk, Bessie Moore, Ada County; chaplain, D. H. Jones, Ada County; sergeant-at-arms, S. E. Pisk, Canyon County; assistant sergeant-at-arms, W. Jones, Jefferson County; doorkeeper, A. A. Tucker, Bonneville County; janitor, James Daley, Cassia County; pages, Peter Johnston and L. M. Thomas.

PATRONAGE HELD EVIL

MR. BOURNE WOULD CHOOSE FEDERAL OFFICERS BY ELECTION.

Wise Course, Says Ex-Senator, Would Be to Amend Constitution to Meet Changing Need of the Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Ex-Senator George B. Bourne, of Massachusetts, today declared that the President and the Senate over patronage shows the need of changing the system of selecting Federal appointees. "The framers of the Constitution," he said, "did not foresee the task involved in choosing these men. More than 10,000 appointments, he said, are made by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and it is absurd to suppose that any President can intelligently select the desirable men for 10,000 offices out of 100,000 applicants. He adds: "Patronage has become a means by which the Executive rewards those who agree with him on legislation, and punishes those who differ and have courage to exercise the inherent right and sworn duty of independent thought and action."

"Important legislation is now planned and written in the executive branch of Government and forced through Congress partly by the aid of patronage. Such a procedure is a menace to popular and representative government. It is the beginning of dictatorship." Mr. Bourne suggests the adoption of a constitutional amendment divesting the President of his power to nominate postmasters, collectors, customs and internal revenue, registers and receivers of land offices, district attorneys and United States marshals and providing that they shall be elected by the people in their several jurisdictions. "Take from the President the power of their removal," he says, "give him only the right of suspension, with the right of appeal by the suspended employe to the Civil Service Commission, which would have the power of reinstatement or removal. This would in no manner interfere with proper administration of government."

"Thus only can we destroy the evil power of patronage, the power subservient to the White House and make Congress a co-ordinate branch of Government in the sense in which it was intended to be and should be."

SLAYER CLEARS PENDER

(Continued From First Page.) He began to cry. Then he said they would hang him. He didn't want to go to prison.

"Then I took the lock of hair from my pocket and said to him 'This is your hair. It was found in Mrs. Wehrman's hand.' Then he sobbed like a baby, and in a moment started with his confession. When he finished I called in the other men and the confession was repeated virtually as it had been made to me to a stenographer."

Sierks tells in detail of his movements on the afternoon and night of the crime. He had been drinking on a farm near Hillsboro. He went to bed about 7 o'clock in the evening. He got up half an hour later and walked to Valle Vista station and boarded an electric car for Burlington.

on the Northern Pacific road to Scappoose. He "kicked" the car at Parsons station, stole a revolver from a cabin, threw the clawhammer with which he opened the trunk, and then fired the revolver in Pender's tent and proceeded to Mrs. Wehrman's cabin. He made an insulting proposal to her and she got a gun and shot at him. He fired three shots at her. The last one was fired with the pistol point pressing on her breast. Fearing the boy would "squeal" he ran into the house and fired two bullets through the boy's head.

The slayer washed his hands and dried them at the cabin. He threw the key of the house away. Then he took the pistol and had it stolen back to the cabin of its owner and put it in the trunk.

He buried Mrs. Wehrman's gun, and returned home in the morning. He shocked her next morning, and later, when his mother charged him with the crime, he denied his guilt and he said, he said, that she was confident he was guilty.

Governor West, when informed of the confession, said he was not prepared to say what he intended to do for the slayer. Then he made the following statement:

"If this is true I am leaving office a happy man, because it justifies the State in a capital punishment and will make it easy for me to forget the unjust criticism I was forced to bear. Had it not been for my fine feeling of sympathy for an innocent man who would have been murdered by the law."

Details of Crime Told.

The complete confession of Sierks is: "I, John G. H. Sierks, say that on Labor Day, September 4, 1911, I had been drinking with some men on the farm of J. L. Smith, about five miles from Hillsboro, and went to bed about 7 o'clock; then got up about 7:30 and walked over to Valle Vista station on the United Railways, and took the electric car for Burlington. There I got off and stole a speeder from the Burlington car section. I went east and went down to Scappoose on the Northern Pacific line, there crossed over and went on the electric train, which crossed over the woman's place—crossed at Parsons station. There I ditched it and went and stole a revolver out of a trunk in Hanson and Riley's car. I went to the open car and took the clawhammer in Hanson and Riley's cabin. This clawhammer had only one claw. I took the clawhammer and threw it on the floor. I went up to this woman's cabin. I found Mrs. Wehrman coming from the cabin with a lantern. This was about 9 o'clock. I saw her go in the house. She said she objected and spoke to me harshly. She said she would call the police."

Woman's Shot Misses.

"She went into the house and got a gun and shot at me. The bullet went into the cabin at the right. As I went in I pulled my revolver from my hip pocket and fired three shots at her. I fired one shot at her at a distance and she fell and then I placed the gun close to her forehead and fired. I placed it on her chest and fired again. The boy was lying in bed with his clothes on. I thought he would wake up and 'squeal' on me, so I fired at him. I stepped close to his head and fired two shots.

"I found a hatchet in the woodbox and chopped and split her skull. I was afraid some one would catch me. I ran out and washed my hands in a basin on the porch. The towel was hanging by the door and I wiped my hands on it. I took the key and threw it away."

Stolen Gun Returned.

"Then I took the gun back to Riley and Hansen's and put it in the trunk. The gun I took from Mrs. Wehrman's house in the care of the garden. Then I went down where my car was, put it on the track and rode to Burlington. Then I took the midnight car from Burlington to Valle Vista station. I got home about 4 o'clock in the morning. I went to bed. I got up about 6 o'clock that morning and went to work about 7 o'clock. My mother said I talked this over, but I refused to say anything. She believed that I did it."

Higher Price Expected

Many Believe Scheme Will Make Great Market and Growers Will Profit by Competition With Boston Selling Agencies.

A large wool warehouse to handle the clip from Pacific Northwest sheep, thus eliminating the wool speculator and Eastern broker, will be established in Portland if the plans of the Portland Wool Warehouse Company, incorporated last week in Multnomah County, work out.

This warehouse, conceived and backed by large Oregon woolgrowers, will become the selling agency for the \$12,000,000 to \$14,000,000 worth of wool which each year heretofore has gone to the Eastern market, principally Boston. In this way this large sum of money will be centered in Portland, instead of the Eastern market. It practically means there will be established in Portland a wool market that will compete directly with the Boston market, saving thousands of dollars yearly to Oregon, Washington and Montana woolgrowers which has heretofore gone to speculators' profits.

EDWARD CLAYSON DIES

EDITOR OF PATRIARCH AND CRIMEAN WAR VETERAN PASSES.

Illness Fatal to Washington Pioneer to Whom Silver Medal Was Given by Queen Victoria.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Besides the North American editor of the Patriarch and the last veteran on the Pacific Coast who participated in the Swenson bombardment during the Crimean war died Saturday at the Providence Hospital after an illness of several weeks. He was taken to the hospital six days ago. Edward Clayton was a silver medal conferred upon him by the late Queen Victoria at the close of the Crimean war. For more than 40 years Clayton has been a virile figure in the history of the Territory and State of Washington and in Oregon before coming here.

Mr. Clayton, who took up a permanent residence at Seabeck, Kitsap County, 49 years ago, had done more to perpetuate the Chinook Jargon than any other Washington pioneer. He repeatedly made public addresses in that language, and urged its wider use throughout the Northwest.

He was a widower, he is survived by a daughter, Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy, of Portland, and a son, William Clayton, of Cordova, Alaska. Clayton was the father of the late Mrs. Clayton, his daughter at Portland for interment in that city.

Mr. Clayton was in vigorous health until last Summer, when he contracted the illness which terminated in his death. The publication of the Patriarch on account of illness. Cathlamet Wants Road to Coast. CATHLAMET, Wash., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—A delegation of prominent Klamath business men met with the Klamath Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of discussing plans for the building of the state highway from Klamath to the Pacific. The Commercial Club will make every effort to have the road pass through Cathlamet.

WAREHOUSE IS PLAN

Northwest Wool Clip May Be Graded and Sold Here.

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W. E. Downs, of Vancouver, Wash., was arrested on Sauvie Island on a charge of shooting without a license. He will have a hearing at St. Helens this morning before Judge Watkins. B. Smith was charged with the same offense and will be tried at St. Johns before Judge Williams today.

F. J. Cook and W. E. Arnold are charged with shooting ducks after sunset and they will be arraigned before Judge Williams, of St. Johns. Harry E. Day and Charles Dudley, charged with shooting ducks after sunset, will be taken before Judge Watkins, at St. Helens.

ARREST FOLLOWS FIRE

PROPRIETOR OF SHOE STORE AT SALEM TAKEN IN CUSTODY.

Clark in Place Fined by Incendiaries Also Sought—Stock of Gasoline Soaked Place Depleted.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 3.—(Special.)—Morris Silver, proprietor of a shoe store at 263 North Commercial street, here which was fired by incendiaries Saturday night, was arrested early today. He was in Portland when the attempt was made to burn the store.

Aside from saying that he knew nothing of the origin of the blaze, Silver made no statement. He will be holding a further investigation. The blaze was discovered before it had made much headway and was soon extinguished. Gasoline in large quantities had been poured over shoe boxes and cigarette "fuses" were found in various parts of the store. The theory of the police is that the cigarette fuses were lighted when placed on the match boxes and that one ignited match which caused the fire. According to the police, the Chief of Police Welsh makes the shelves were empty, and the stock generally was greatly depleted.

HYPNOTIST'S ACT SCREAM

Barnum Makes Subjects Do Ridiculous Stunts at Heilig Theater.

Barnum, the hypnotist, demonstrated last night at the Heilig Theater that he is a worthy namesake of the police. Chief of Police Welsh makes the shelves were empty, and the stock generally was greatly depleted.

While there was plenty to embarrass the subjects, there was nothing to offend the most sensitive of the spectators. A cake walk scene with subjects in ridiculous costumes taking the parts of women and men closed the demonstration. One subject was trying to kiss his partner, who had been awakened by Barnum, and the embarrassment of the latter, who could not escape, may be imagined.

THIS MAN GLADLY RECOMMENDS AKOZ MINERAL FOR RHEUMATISM

Wm. Goerz, 535 Greenwood Avenue, Portland, Says Remedy Enabled Him to Return to His Work After Layoff.

William Goerz, a well-known young Portland driver, residing at 535 Greenwood avenue, Portland, is thankful for what Akoz, the wonderful California medicinal mineral, did to relieve his neuralgia and rheumatism. When he started to take the remedy he was unable to work. A few days he was back on the job again. His statement follows:

"I took Akoz for neuralgia and a general rheumatic condition. When I started in on the remedy I had been unable to work for some time. In a few days Akoz relieved me of the pains to such an extent that I was able to resume my work. Akoz also relieved the pains over my shoulder in a short period of time. I can gladly recommend Akoz to anyone and am going to use it a few weeks more myself."

Akoz is used both externally and internally. The external application has been found exceptionally effective in relieving pain caused by rheumatism, gout, lumbago, neuralgia, neuritis, burns and cuts, heating ulcers, catarrh, ulcers, piles, skin diseases and other ailments. For sale at all leading drug stores. Where further information may be had regarding this advertisement.

C. J. Mathis & Co.

Men's High-Grade Clothiers

ALTERATION AND EXPANSION SALE

We have leased the store, No. 147 Sixth street, adjoining present location, and also taken new lease on our present room. On or about February 1st we will convert these two rooms into one large store. We are going to add to our clothing a complete line of Men's Furnishings and Hats, all of which will be of the same high standard that has always prevailed in this store.

Window and interior alterations and putting in new fixtures will cause us to practically suspend business for a number of days. Therefore it is our desire TO CLOSE OUT as completely as we can our present stock before commencing these alterations.

Today, Monday, we place on sale every Suit and Overcoat, including blues, blacks and oxford grays, at the following price reductions:

- \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats \$15.50
\$25.00 Suits and Overcoats \$19.50
\$30.00 Suits and Overcoats \$24.50
\$35.00 Suits and Overcoats \$28.50
\$40.00 Suits and Overcoats \$32.50
Full-Dress and Tuxedos Not Included

We expect to have the new store open and ready for business some time before March 1st

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