

NATIONAL GUARD HAS NEW CHIEF

Adjutant-General White Announces Constructive Programme for Service.

MERIT TO BE REWARDED

New Chief of Staff Wants Organization Efficient Unit for National Defense but Objects to Performing Police Duty.

Adjutant-General George A. White yesterday took up his duties as head of the Oregon National Guard, taking the oath of office in the morning and at once entering upon the work of the office at National Guard headquarters in the Morgan building. The retirement of General Finzer became effective at the same time, following 12 years of duty. Under the state law, General White's tenure of office holds until he reaches the age of retirement.

A constructive programme for building up the Oregon National Guard as a unit in the national defense was announced by the new chief of staff. His principal aim, impartial recognition of merit was announced as his policy in dealing with officers and men of the various organizations.

"During recent years," said General White, "the sphere of the National Guard of the country has been widened until it is no longer a mere force for use in quelling local disturbances. It has come to be part and parcel of the first defense line of the country. In view of the smallness of the American Army and our limited military resources the National Guard must be prepared, equipped and trained for possible field service on short notice."

"It is with this in view that the young men of today goes into the National Guard service. The average Guardsman means business. He is ready and willing to perform actual field service and wants to learn himself in times of peace by preparing those military lessons that it is fatal to attempt learning in wartime. I know it to be a fact that the thought of any other form of service is obnoxious to the Guardsman of today and he should be relieved of possible duty in local disturbances unless, of course, a state of absolute insurrection should arise. Even then the situation should be met by an auxiliary force of state police rather than by the National Guard. In short the citizen soldier has developed into a National reserve soldier for war service and should not be regarded as merely a state policeman."

Recognition to Be Given Merit.
"In my dealings with the officers and men of the organizations," continued General White, "it will be my policy to recognize merit and encourage in every way possible those active officers of the line who are performing unusual duty at a great personal sacrifice of their own time and interest. I intend to keep posted thoroughly as to the activity and efficiency of the various officers and organizations and to bear their work in mind in making up details for special service. There will be no other basis of making these details. Officers who are making good with their organizations will be given the preference without their application being presented."

General White has been in the National Guard for more than 12 years and served in the volunteer service through the Spanish-American War. He announced yesterday the severance of all other connections and will devote his entire time to the direction of National Guard matters.

MUCH ACTIVE SERVICE SEEN

New Guard Officer Has Risen to Captaincy From Private.

Eighteen years in the regular Army, part of the time as a private and non-commissioned officer and most of the time in active field service in the Philippines, is the record of Captain Cleland McLaughlin, of the Twenty-first Infantry, U. S. A., who has been assigned by the War Department to the post of Colonel of the Third Regiment, Oregon National Guard, in place of Colonel C. H. Martin, who was recently transferred back to his regular command in Arizona. Colonel Martin gave up his post yesterday and Colonel McLaughlin took charge.

Colonel McLaughlin enlisted in the Nineteenth Infantry in Fort Wayne, Mich., in 1897, entering as a private. Prior to that he had served in the National Guard of Michigan for two years. While at Fort Wayne he climbed from the ranks to Corporal and later to Sergeant. When the Spanish-American war broke out he went with his regiment to Porto Rico, where he served during the greater part of the year.

Returning to the United States, the Nineteenth Infantry was stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill., at which place Mr. McLaughlin took an examination for Second Lieutenant. He passed and was assigned to the Twenty-first Infantry. He joined the regiment in 1899 in the Philippine Islands. He remained in active field service with the Twenty-first Infantry in the islands until the middle of May, 1902. During this time he participated in the campaigns against the insurgents. In June, 1902, he was promoted to a First Lieutenant. From the islands the Twenty-first Infantry went to Fort Yates, N. D. Mr. McLaughlin was transferred then to a company at Fort Snelling, Minn., where he served until the latter part of 1904.

At that time his regiment was ordered to go to the Philippine Islands again and the transfer was made shortly after January 1, 1905. The regiment went to Sumas and Layte and saw field service during the Pulilan uprising. Late in 1906 the regiment returned to the United States and went to Fort Logan, Colo.

Late in 1909 the regiment with which Mr. McLaughlin was serving was ordered to the Philippine Islands again, being stationed at Marikina, where it saw service in the campaign against the hostile Moros. In March, 1911, Mr. McLaughlin was promoted to the rank of Captain and assigned to the Twenty-first Infantry. He returned to the United States in May, 1912, and was stationed at Vancouver Barracks. Here he served as regiment Adjutant and post Adjutant until November 20, 1912 when he was detailed as inspector-instructor of the Oregon National Guard. Since his appointment to that position he has lived in Portland.

ORGANISTS GIVE RECITAL

Oregon Chapter of American Guild Holds Public Service.

The Oregon Chapter American Guild of Organists held its fifth public service last night at 5 o'clock at the First Universalist Church, East Twenty-

fourth and Broadway. The following programme has been arranged: Organ solo, (a) "In Winter" (Kullak-Paulsen), (b) "Andante Cantabile" (Fourth Symphony), (c) "Widow" (Hans Glas Morgan), (d) "First Christian Church"; anthem, "Sing, O Heavens" (Paul Ambrose), First Universalist Church Quartet, under the direction of Miss May Carolyn Williams; organ solo, (a) "A. D. M. D. C. X. V." (St. George), (b) "Meditation" (St. George), (c) "Fugue" (Matthews), Mrs. Annette Stoddard, organist Trinity Episcopal Church; anthem, "The Lord is a Soldier" (Woman of Samaria) (Stierdale-Bennett); organ solo, (a) "The Fall" (Volkmann), Daniel H. Wilson, organist of St. Philip Neri Church; Miss Flora Crego, organist of the First Universalist Church, accompanied the services, and Rev. J. D. Corby gave a short address.

The American Guild of Organists has for its principal object the raising of the standard of organ music in all its forms. This is being done by means of public services in the churches, organ recitals and invitation concerts to the school children of the city. The local officers are: Frederick W. Goodrich, dean; Carl Denton, sub-dean; Daniel H. Wilson, secretary, and James A. Bamford, treasurer.

G. C. OBER WINS POST

ASSISTANT MANAGER OF PORTLAND HOTEL IS PICKED.

Successor of G. H. Kaufmann to Begin Supervision of Improvement to Great Big Travel Expected.

Edward Boyce, president of the Portland Hotel Company, yesterday announced the appointment of George C. Ober, who has been assistant manager



George C. Ober, New Manager of Hotel Portland.

of the hotel for the past two years, to succeed G. J. Kaufmann to the management.

"It is the policy of the hotel," said Mr. Boyce, "to promote employees who show ability in their work and faithfulness to duty. These qualifications have been noted in Mr. Ober during his services with the company, hence his promotion to the position of manager of the hotel."

"Beginning tomorrow, under Mr. Ober's supervision the company will spend \$15,000 decorating and improving the interior of the hotel in preparation for the great travel that is expected to come to Portland in the coming year."

George C. Ober has been prominent in the hotel business of Portland for the past seven years. He was with the Oregon Hotel for four years and then spent a short time in Chicago, returned to this city as assistant manager of the Portland, which position he held until his elevation to the management.

Before coming to Oregon he was in various hotels in Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin for nearly 15 years. He was manager of the Wales Hotel, the leading hotel of Dubuque, Iowa, at the time he decided to come to Portland and identify himself with the hotel business of the Northwest.

HUSBAND CONTESTS WILL

A. E. King Alleges Sister-in-Law Had Influence Over His Wife.

Alleging undue influence on the part of his sister-in-law, A. E. King yesterday filed contest proceedings against the will of his wife, who died January 15, disposing of property valued at \$2700. The will, which was drawn January 2, distributed the estate among relatives to whom he is not related.

Mr. King alleges that at the time she made the will his wife, Sue Parrot King, was "not of sound and disposing mind," and that undue influence was brought to bear on her by her sister, Harriet May Tomsing. The will names the husband, Henry Tomsing, a brother-in-law, as executor.

Cincinnati Court Clerk Is Suicide.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—Frank Loveland, clerk of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Cincinnati, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor at his home here today. His health is believed to have been the cause.

RUTH ST. DENIS TO BE SEEN HERE THIS WEEK

Miss Hilda Beyer, Member of Company, Declared Most Perfectly Formed Girl in America—Ancient and Modern Dances in Repertoire.

UNUSUAL interest is centered in the appearance of Ruth St. Denis and her company of noted dancers who are to appear at the Heilig Theater, Broadway at Taylor street, Friday and Saturday nights, with a special matinee Saturday, offering a repertoire of dances that includes everything from the ancient dance of the Egyptians to the latest modern society dance.

Miss St. Denis will be supported by Ted Shawn, America's foremost classic dancer. Miss Hilda Beyer, the beautiful Grecian dancer, said to be the most perfectly formed girl in America; Saldée Von Hoff, premier ballet and classic dancer; Willard Foote, Winifred Fairbank, Ruth St. Denis and Joan Mitchell, expert exponents of the latest modern dances, most of which have been created by Miss St. Denis and her solo dancers.

TAXES PAID \$9559.10

First Day's Receipts Slightly Lower Than Last Year.

NO COMPLAINTS ARE HEARD

Payments Vary From \$2279.97 to 18 Cents—Several Make First Installment and Old Question May Go Into Court.

When Chief Deputy Tax Collector Hookabay closed his office at 5 o'clock last night the county coffers were richer by \$9559.10, and 184 people had paid their taxes on the first day of the collection season.

This amount is somewhat lower than the first day's results last year, according to figures furnished by Cashier McCann. Taxes last year were higher, and the first day's business netted \$12,454.58. "Scarcely a man today had an objection as to the amount of his taxes," said Mr. McCann, "and it was paid without a murmur—quite different from last year, when the higher taxes caused them nearly all to grumble."

L. R. Ziemer, 518 Worcester building, was waiting outside when the doors opened yesterday morning, and won the honor of being the first to pay his taxes \$23.71. E. Lombard, 1277 East Madison street, was right behind him with \$23.45. The third man to pay was O. M. Beatty, of the Third National Bank, 114 Walla Walla, Wash., whose taxes, altogether, amounted to 71 cents.

High honors for the day went to John L. Vetal, 825 Water street, who wrote out a check for \$2729.97. The smallest amount paid was 18 cents by L. C. Staley, of Pullman, Wash.

Six people made half payments on their taxes yesterday, and it is indicated that some difficulty may arise again this year over this point. Under the tax law a penalty must be indicated on the other half of the taxes if it remains unpaid after April 1.

A ruling made by County Judge Cleaton last year, however, is that penalties cannot be charged unless there is a half payment has been made, until September 1, when the taxes become delinquent. Inasmuch as no relief from this tangled situation can be expected from the Legislature this year, it is probable that some of the cases will have to be settled in court.

KEEP PENSION IS PLEA

WORKER ON BOARD OPPOSES CHANGES IN WIDOWS' LAW.

Success of System in Meeting Urgent Needs Is Set Forth After Work and Study Under Act.

Movements in the State Legislature to change the widows' pension act are opposed vigorously by Mrs. R. E. Bondurant, who has served on the Widows' Pension Board and who for the past year or more has been studying the workings of the act in Multnomah County.

In the time since it was enacted, Mrs. Bondurant holds that the pension act has more nearly met the requirements for which it was designed than they ever met before and urges that the legislators, social workers and officials of the county unite in their efforts to continue to make the administration of the law, as it stands, a success.

"In Multnomah County, Judge Gates interpreted a successful administration of the law to mean more than a roof over the head, sufficient food for the stomach and clothes for the back," she says. "The circumstances, conditions, needs and resources of every family, of necessity, must differ, and those were ascertained by sympathetic study, observation and inquiry."

"Those who opposed the law feared that it would 'dry up' the well-springs of human sympathy." On the contrary, the administrators of the law have had the most whole-hearted and loyal support of their brother social workers. Working together, questions of housing, employment, adjustment of family, care claims, school attendance and the continuance of children in school were adjusted satisfactorily.

"Naturally those interested in reaching for remedies have come to study and recognize causes. We will rejoice when some form of insurance or any other more satisfactory or equitable plan can be devised to meet the difficulty of the dependent child. In the meantime, do not let us forget that he is here to be cared for."

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WORK FOR IDLE ASKED

J. DANNELLS URGES INCREASE OF 10 PER CENT OF ALL PAYROLLS.

Unemployed Problem Believed Solved If Men Are Restored to Jobs.
February 15 Date Set.

In his address yesterday at the luncheon of the East Side Business Men's Club at the Hotel Edwards, J. Dannelles, manager of the United States Laundry, declared that the way to solve the unemployed question is to put men to work, and called for the co-operation of concerns in the city to add to their working forces at once. After discussing the situation Mr. Dannelles said:

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FOR Coughs, Colds, CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH, BRONCHITIS.

There are 10,000 more idle men in Portland than last year. You say, what will we do? My answer is, to put them to work all of the same day. We had them working a year ago. Why not now? If the idle men are put to work, conditions will be the same as they were then. It will put \$9,000 into circulation every day and prosperity will result.

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