

OREGON DEMOCRATS PARCE JOBS TODAY

Portland Meeting Is Magnet for "Deserving" Brethren and Office-Seekers.

OFFICIAL HEADS MAY FALL

Postmaster Myers, and Some Others Downstate, Unlikely to Be Recommended for Reappointment—Montag Is Uncertain.

A meeting that many a perfectly deserving Democratic brother would give his gold teeth to attend will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the office of Judge Samuel White, chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee.

Members of the Democratic State Central Committee will be here in throngs from all parts of the state.

G. H. Watson Is Backed.

A determined effort will be made to obtain the endorsement of the committee for George W. Watson, Democratic county chairman in Multnomah County.

John Montag, United States Marshal, is another Democrat not in the best of standing with the state committee.

Frank R. Tichenor, Representative in the Legislature from Clatsop county, is another Democrat not in the best of standing with the state committee.

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MARIE HAMILTON EXPLAINS WHY STOCKING KNITTERS QUIT

Actress From Marietta, O., Also Says It's Practically Impossible for Any Girl Left Alone in Bohemian Life of Music Centers to Stay Pure.

BY LEONE CASS BAER. FOR a long time a lot of us curious folk have been wondering what has become of the old-fashioned actress who used to rush into print daily with her knitting of socks for the soldiers.

The horrors of the continued war, and the knitting and the press, and for months and months we've had no word about the girls who ran to stocking manufacturing. We've wondered why, too, and where they'd gone?

Believe me, Marietta, has produced something new. Marietta, for Marie Hamilton put the place on the map as far as my knowledge of geography is concerned. This little girl is the daughter of a Bohemian artist, and early in the game Marie decided that Marietta had its limitations when a little girl had a big voice and wanted to go into grand opera.

"At first it's the novelty, then the fact that they're so far away from home that they fancy no one will hear of their lapses from the straight and narrow, gets girls to do a lot of things they'd never do otherwise. Offener it's just desperate loneliness.

Bohemian Atmosphere Seductive. "Several years ago some opera singer returned from Europe said for print that no American girl could stay good and live in European music centers.

RIVERS BILL PASSED

President's Plan to Co-ordinate Improvements Rejected.

NORTHWEST ITEMS REMAIN

Merit Is Admitted and None Is Assailed as "Pork"—Engineers Report in Favor of Improving Nehalem Bay.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The annual rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying \$38,000,000, including more than \$10,000,000 for new projects, was passed by the House today by a vote of 221 to 131.

The President, although opposing the proposed public buildings bill now awaiting action in the Senate, has expressed his approval of the rivers and harbors bill, and has approved appropriations for existing projects are concerned.

Plan of Co-ordination Rejected.

The House struck out the provision to create a commission of cabinet officers and members of the Senate and House committees to investigate river and harbor improvement, drainage, reclamation, irrigation and flood control problems, with a view to recommending to Congress next December plans for co-ordinating all such activities.

Merit of Projects Conceded.

Never since the fight on "pork" started have the Northwestern items been assailed in Congress for lack of merit. The local engineers at Portland have forwarded to Washington a report favoring the further improvement of Nehalem Bay, but the report is confidential, as it has not yet been passed upon by the River and Harbor Board.

MILK PLANT PROJECTED

LIBBY, McNEILL & LIBBY WILL ADD TO FACTORIES.

W. F. Burrows, President of Concern, Also Announces That Sauerkraut Factory Is Planned.

Close to Portland an evaporated milk plant is to rise soon. It will be another adjunct to the tremendous holdings in the way of canning and packing plants maintained by Libby, McNeill & Libby.

Somewhere in Washington a sauerkraut factory is to be established by the same firm, cabbage grown extensively in that particular region being the drawing card.

W. F. Burrows, president of Libby, McNeill & Libby, who arrived here yesterday from Chicago via Puget Sound, says he is simply on a tour of the territory to look over plants now operating having decided on the trip as a change from the former programme of having the district manager meet each year at the Chicago headquarters, and he mentioned the new plants as incidentals of his journey.

Mrs. Burrows accompanies him. "I never saw such a demand in the market, and I think everyone is making money," says Mr. Burrows. Alaska salmon business is particularly strong, he observed, and in fact, all lines, from canned milk to pineapples, today are in a most encouraging state. Today Mr. Burrows will go to The Dalles to look over the company's cannery there, which is to be enlarged.

"We will pack all they can bring up," he remarked in speaking of The Dalles property.

SLIDE DELAYS HONEYMOON

MR. AND MRS. E. C. STILES COME TO PORTLAND BY MOTOR BUS.

A slide along the tracks of the O-W. R. & N. near Bridal Veil yesterday morning delayed the bridal tour of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stiles, who were married in La Grande Thursday. After a wait of several hours while the tracks were being cleared, arrangements were made for a continuation of the trip to Portland by motor bus, and the party arrived at the Hotel Imperial at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The couple were accompanied on the trip by Fred J. Holmes and D. M. Donald, of La Grande, who are here to attend the convention of Shriners. Mr. Stiles is a railroad contractor.

Progress of the War.

SPIRITED fighting has taken place northwest of Verdun on the front in France, near Riga on the Russian front and Southwest of Kut-el-Amara in the Mesopotamian theater.

German forces have been successful in the operations in the first two weeks while British troops have taken positions from the Turks along the Tigris in the latter.

Attacking in force on a front of 1600 meters against Hill 304, northwest of Verdun, Teutonic soldiers stormed French trenches and took 500 prisoners. French troops, the latest French communiqué says, have recaptured most of the trench positions gained by the Germans. Counter attacks by the French failed, as did further attempts to regain the lost ground, according to Berlin.

German troops also gained ground on Le Mort Homme and Avocourt. The fighting around Hill 304, Paris says, was of the nature of hand-to-hand combats at times.

West of Riga in the Tirlu swamp region and along the river Aa the Germans and Russians continue at grips in heavy fighting. German attacks, Berlin says, were successful and additional ground and 500 prisoners were taken. Counter attacks by Russian troops were repulsed in both sectors of the battle front, with heavy losses to the attackers along the Aa.

Petrograd announces that the Russians, after advancing more than a mile in the battle zone, were forced to return to their position under the pressure of the attacking Germans.

Turkish first-line trenches on a front 1100 yards were gained by the British in their attacks southwest of Kut-el-Amara. In addition, London says, second-line positions on the right bank of the Tigris were taken. West of the Saz River four counter attacks by Turkish troops were repulsed with heavy losses.

There has been no great activity in Roumania. On the northern portion of the French front British troops have carried out several successful raids.

An attack on the English coast near Lowestoft, reported by London, was carried out by German light sea forces. The German ships, Berlin says, were able to approach the English coast and to return to their base without sighting a hostile vessel. One small vessel, London records officially, fired shells at the coast. Only a few reached land and there were no casualties. The damage is reported as insignificant.

JAPANESE TAKE OVER THE OPPIEY OF CHINA

Foreign Minister Says Policy of Self-Interest Is Not Intent of Tokio.

OTHERS TO BE REGARDED

Bad Situation Created by Former Cabinet to Be Repaired—Collapse and Dismemberment Must Be Avoided.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Further light on Japan's policy toward China and the difference between the attitude of the former Japanese cabinet and that of the new ministry is shown by dispatches received by the State Department today from the American Embassy at Tokio, quoting from the speech of Foreign Minister Motono the convening last Tuesday of the Parliament shortly afterward dissolved because of its opposition to the Cabinet.

Speaking of the substance of Motono's declaration, the minister said that the Japanese cabinet had already reached this country in press dispatches. Speaking of China, Viscount Motono declared that Japan had special interest in South Manchuria and Eastern Inner Mongolia, which it was necessary to safeguard by treaties and arrangements. Adding that treaties and arrangements were being observed, "it is absolutely impossible to expect friendship between Japan and China," he said.

He frankly asserted however, that interference with China's internal policies by the former cabinet had been a mistake, and that it was necessary for the sake of both Japan and China to sweep away. "I do not hesitate to declare here," said the minister, "that the present Cabinet made a declaration positively not to adopt such a policy. The imperial government sincerely and earnestly desires friendly relations with China. The imperial government intends to exert its utmost efforts in order to establish friendly relations with sincerity, but China will have to decide for herself whether she shall rely on the imperial government or not. The imperial government positively declares that it has no intention of specially supporting certain parties in China.

In short the thing most essential for the imperial government is that China shall progress smoothly to a state of civilization. That which causes the imperial government the most unfavorable anxiety is that China might fall into a state of disintegration as a result of the uninterrupted continuation of the present situation. "I think that since it is most necessary to preserve its territorial integrity and preserve its independence, and exert all its energy in order to develop, if possible, collapse and dismemberment of China." "Japan does not intend to adopt a policy of self-interest in China. It earnestly desires to preserve harmony and friendly relations with all nations in China. Taking the opinion of the imperial government, it believes that if every one approaches the matter in this spirit, the matter will be satisfactorily understood satisfactory to both China, herself and to the powers."

TEUTONS RAID SUFFOLK

UNIDENTIFIED CRAFT ATTACKS IN NIGHT. DAMAGE SLIGHT.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—An unidentified German vessel shelled the Suffolk coast of England last night. There were no casualties and only insignificant damage. The following official announcement was given out today: "A small unidentified German vessel shelled the Suffolk coast last night and fired a number of shells, only a portion of which reached the land. There were no casualties and only insignificant damage."

LOWESTOFT, England, Jan. 26.—A hostile vessel arrived off the coast at about 11 o'clock. The night was very dark and the warship could not be made out from the shore. Before beginning the bombardment she fired a number of shells, probably for the purpose of identifying possible objectives. The warship then fired a number of shells, several of which exploded, but the nature of the damage was not known. Most of the shells exploded on open ground. The bombardment lasted only three minutes. There was no panic.

Dent Mowrey, Pianist, Gives Concert.

BY JOSEPH MACQUEEN. IN estimating and establishing the value of the art of Dent Mowrey, the Paris pianist, the lasting decision must be that he is best as an impressionist. He has apparently studied different schools of pianism, and while his own style is in many departments of that branch of music, he is wise in specializing in that direction where his most precious, most poetic gifts flourish. He loves to create prisms and delicate shadows.

At the Little Theater last night, before a capacity audience, including many of Portland's professional pianists, Dent Mowrey, assisted by Mrs. Mowrey, at a second piano, appeared in an interesting program.

In keeping with the impressionistic nature of the event, the background of the piano was played in black. Mr. Mowrey played all lighting in the auditorium was turned off, and light from a red-shaded lamp at the rear of the platform cast a red glow over the pianist as he bent over the piano keys. He has reddish, fair hair—quite a touselled mass of it.

In the Mowrey program last night the usual Chopin and Liszt compositions noted at many recitals were absent. There were no piano fireworks. We revealed in dreamy bits of Bach, Magillini, Beethoven, Schumann, Grieg, Brahms, Debussy, Mozart and—Dent Mowrey. His own, a beautiful depicting—"Winged Victory," Leonardo's "Mona Lisa," and others, were among the notable, surprisingly excellent of the program.

Mozart's "Fantasia" played by Mr. and Mrs. Mowrey, Mrs. Mowrey wisely substituted her art to that of her husband, and the effect was superb.

Both pianists were cordially received. The recital shows that Mr. Mowrey, American who makes his home temporarily in this city, gives new evidence of the assured position he holds among the ranks of first-class younger American concert pianists.

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Wholesale Fraud in Pensions Found in Montana.

BUSINESS BLOCKS OWNED

Women Who Are Provided For by Insurance Policies Are Found to Be Getting Aid Also for Each of Minor Children.

TEUTONS RAID SUFFOLK

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 26.—Wholesale deception of the county authorities in the matter of aid for needy widows with minor children was uncovered before the probate division of the District Court today.

DEPOSED GERMAN DEAD

Ex-Governor von Puttkamer, of Kamerun, Passes in Berlin.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Jan. 26.—Roelisch Westfaelische Zeitung prints a Berlin dispatch announcing the sudden death there of Baron Jesko von Puttkamer, ex-Governor of the German Kamerun, West Africa.

Auto Found Deserted.

A sensation was caused in 1906 by the announcement that Baron von Puttkamer, who was at the time Governor of the Kamerun, would resign on account of ill health. Early in the next year, after he had been removed from his post, he was found guilty in the Imperial Disciplinary Court at Potsdam on three charges of breach of discipline, and reprimanded. One of the charges against the Baron was that he had taken an actress to the Kamerun under a fictitious name.

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Don't let skin trouble spoil your good time Resinol heals sick skins

New Perkins Hotel

Last Times Today Owen Moore Irene Fenwick In a fascinating comedy-drama of unflinching appeal to the particular: "A Girl Like That" Smiles Chasing Thrills PEOPLES Alder at West Park STARTING TOMORROW The Exquisite, Fascinating Marie Doro In an exceptional photodramatic treat—a picture crowded with cleverness—tomorrow. The Quinine That Does Not Cause Nervousness or Ringing in Head

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