

HOOPER MAY GET CABINET PLACE

Temperament Held Handicap to Real Team Work.

ABILITY NOT QUESTIONED

Post of Department of Public Works, if Created, Regarded as Ideal for Californian.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.

Herbert Hoover is mentioned for the cabinet more often than any other man, and is mentioned for more posts than any one else. Occasionally he is mentioned for secretary of state.

Occasionally when Hoover comes into direct personal contact with the public there is a feeling of disappointment. The reason is that Hoover as a legend is one thing, and the real Hoover is another.

Hoover Never Goes "Stale." Every speech that Hoover makes—and he is in more demand for speeches than almost any other man—contains fresh material.

Hoover is in demand for the freshness and thoroughness of his thought, not for any platitudinous after-dinner oratory, nor because he is funny, nor for any kind of entertainment.

In considering Hoover as a cabinet member, it is to be remembered that he has a public following. He ranks with Wilson, Woodrow, and Taft, and a few others as a man whose guidance and counsel about public affairs have comforted persons who accept no faith.

These things commend Hoover for the cabinet. They do not make him inevitable. No man is inevitable in the cabinet.

It is Harding's privilege to apply personal judgment and personal comfort in the selection of members of the cabinet.

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SPRUCE CHANGES HANDS

James Manary of Portland In on 13,000-Acre Deal.

Defeated Officials Tell Stories in Washington Regarding November Landslide.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 12.—With the return of congress, Washington is for the first time getting the first details of the terrible avalanche which swept over the country on November 2.

McARTHUR GAINS IN RANK Oregon Representative Leading Member of Naval Committee.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 12.—Because of the death of Representative Browning of New Jersey and the transfer of Representative Kelley of Michigan to the senate, McArthur now ranks in sixth place on the committee on naval affairs.

F. W. RICHTER, 54, DIES Portland Symphony Orchestra Musician Well Known in City.

Frederick W. Richter, aged 54, 322 Failing street, died suddenly at his home at 1:15 yesterday following a hemorrhage. Although in poor health for some time, Mr. Richter died with his work.

QUOTA IS FAR EXCEEDED

W. C. T. U. Fund Oversubscribed by People of Linn County. Albany, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Albany, alone has subscribed more than the entire quota of Linn County for the Oregon W. C. T. U. fund.

HUSBAND SLAYER SUSPECT

Two weeks. They had been living at 245 Second street for two months. Husband ex-switchman. Tevis is 29 years old and formerly was employed by the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad as a switchman.

BODY LURES SLAYER ON

taken to the county jail. The confession, the officers declared, was made without duress in any form and following a first confession which was false in so many details that under cross-examination Howard became so tangled that he finally broke down and told a straight story.

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