

DESIRE A CHANGE

Seattle People Disgusted With Scandals.

CHANGE FOR DEMOCRATS

Grand Jury Discloses Change in Public Sentiment.

BALD FACTS ARE NAUSEATING

Though Agreements With Gambler Were Indorsed by Popular Vote, Public Proclamation of "Rake-Off" Produces a Change.

Democrats in Seattle hope to carry the municipal election through the disaster into which the present administration and all connected with it have fallen, through disclosures made before the grand jury. A strong Republican, unaffiliated with the present government, could command the large normal Republican majority, but for various reasons such leaders have shown an unwillingness to make the race.

Democratic candidates for the Mayoralty are numerous enough. State Senator W. H. Hickman appears to be the strongest. J. W. Goodwin has striven so often unsuccessfully that his strength is in a measure weakened. William Pigott is handicapped by his name. Below the "dead-line" he will be mistaken for the foreman of the late grand jury.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—A mistake in the head of the ticket committed by the next Republican city convention would give the Democrats strong hope of carrying Seattle. The Democrats are hopeful, anyway. It doesn't injure their chances of success any to look forward with pleasing anticipation of victory and there is a delightful sensation of satisfaction with the world in general, as the Bourbons figure out their chances in the coming municipal fight.

The Democrats have entertained a hope of carrying the city again ever since Emerald went out of office and the "kid committee" passed into political history. But a generous Republican majority has made the contests of the past something of a grotesque quest for spoils and the Democratic enthusiasm stored up to celebrate their first victory has been kept on ice. But now that there is something of a chance of success the Democratic preparations for the coming campaign have something less humorous in their aspect and Republicans would prefer to be well out of the tangle.

Fight on Local Issues.

It seems almost ridiculous to insist that the Democrats have a chance of carrying a city that gave the Republican candidate for Supreme Court Judge a majority of 2300 a year ago, but the fight is more than likely to be made on local issues. Local sentiment will not follow party lines closely if municipal affairs can be made the rallying ground of the Democratic nominee.

There are Democratic candidates in plenty, but a paucity of material exists among the Republicans. There are plenty of good, strong men and men who could carry the city without much trouble, but they do not want the office of Mayor and they do not care particularly about minor places.

The impression prevails among men who have to do with politics that the Mayoralty has proven in the past to be the gateway to the political cemetery, and there are ambitions that will not be laid away even though party duty demands it. This is one of the principal reasons why politicians cannot find strong Republican leaders willing to make the fight for Mayor of Seattle.

Mayor's Salary Insufficient.

There is the other reason, too, that the salary is not commensurate with the duties that the Mayor must perform. This is sufficient to make some Republicans refuse to rise to the bait that is being held out to them. It may be true that some Mayors have not regarded the office as a handicap on their private business interests, but to one outside the office it looks as though the job were big enough to take most of one man's time.

The present trouble that worries Republican politicians is the fact that the only men discussed thus far or who might accept a nomination are connected with the present administration. Mayor T. J. Humes has said he will not be a candidate; his friends say he could be induced to take another nomination, and there is certainly evidence that the Files leaders would like to nominate him. Ellis Morrison will soon make an authoritative announcement of his candidacy. He is of the City Council. Will H. Parry and Dr. J. E. Erickson, of the Council, have been "mentioned."

Ashamed of Indorsed Policy.

It should not be charged against the administration that an "open town" was its doing. The matter has always been put squarely before Seattle voters and they have indorsed it. But repeated scandals have had a nauseating effect.

HIS CRY HEARD

Dreyfus to Get Judicial Examination.

HE FOUGHT LONG AND HARD

The Famous French Officer Wants Sentence Revised.

PROMISE SECOND SENSATION

Ex-Principal Keeper of the Records of the Headquarters Staff Is Said to Have Made Important Revelations.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The efforts of Alfred Dreyfus to secure a judicial examination of his case have at last been crowned with success. After examining the dossier in the case submitted to him by General Andre, the Minister of War, Minister of Justice Vallé has transmitted that document, together with the petition of M. Dreyfus for a revision of his sentence, to M. Durand, the president of a commission instituted by the Ministry of Justice. This commission will pronounce upon the admissibility of the request for a revision of sentence. Dreyfus owes the favorable action taken to the careful consideration of the case by Minister Andre, whose conclusions are regarded as in the highest degree favorable to Dreyfus, since they determined the Minister of Justice to refer the question of a revision to a commission.

Nothing has yet transpired to indicate General Andre has discovered documents of doubtful authenticity, or that there was maneuvering on the part of the Minister of War during the Dreyfus trial to conceal important facts, though assertions to this effect have been made. It is stated M. Grébillin, formerly principal keeper of records of the headquarters staff, has made important revelations. The commission will receive the documents next Wednesday. The decision of Minister of Justice Vallé to refer the question of a revision of the Dreyfus sentence to a commission, it is officially stated, is based upon an article of the criminal code which provides that in case where, after a condemnation, new facts develop, or where previously unknown proof of a nature which would tend to establish innocence, is presented, the condemned person has a right to ask for a revision of sentence, and the right to pass upon such request belongs to the Minister of Justice, who will decide after having taken the opinion of a commission composed of three directors of his Ministry and three members of the Court of Cassation. The present commission consists of MM. Durand, Alphonse and Marignan, of the Court of Cassation, and MM. Mercier, Geoffrey and Dupre, Directors of the Ministry of Justice. M. Alphonse is an Israelite, M. Durand a Catholic and M. Marignan a Protestant.

Press Accepts Decision Calmly.

In the absence of specific information, the morning papers make various statements regarding newly-developed facts. La Lanterne affirms that the decision to grant a revision of the case is based on the fact that false testimony was given at the previous trial, and that M. Grébillin had made alterations in certain documents of process. While recognizing the importance of the issue raised, and the effect of the decision upon all France, most of the papers accept the announcement calmly, though several of the less important journals make savage comments upon the action of the Ministry.

Dreyfus Will Make No Comment.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—M. Dreyfus, in the course of an interview last evening, expressed his happiness because a revision of his case has been granted, but de-

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LOOK TO OREGON

Views of Engineers on Canal Right of Way.

THIS SESSION SHOULD ACT

Held State Can Buy the Land Cheaper Than Others.

APPEAL TO CONGRESS FEARED

Need for an Increase in the Estimate of Cost of The Dalles Project Might Cause Unfavorable Report to Be Made.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 28.—Engineers in Washington are inclined to believe The Dalles-Celilo Canal situation is very much simplified by the fact that there is to be an extra session of the Oregon Legislature. These officers say such a session presents an opportunity for an early and a thoroughly satisfactory solution of the problem raised by the recent restrictive order of the Secretary of War, who demands that right of way for the canal shall cost the Government nothing.

It is the opinion of the engineers that the Legislature should make an ample appropriation to purchase the desired right of way, as they are convinced the state can not only get the needed lands sooner, but cheaper, than could the general Government, should it resort to condemnation proceedings.

Among engineer officers who are known to be friendly to the Dalles-Celilo Canal project, there is a hope that it may not be necessary to go to Congress to ask for a further appropriation for purchasing this right of way. They fear Congress is asked to increase the limit of cost of this work beyond the figure set by the last Congress unfavorable action on the entire project may be taken, which will delay construction indefinitely. They therefore believe it is better that the state shall acquire the right of way under an appropriation of its Legislature, and present the land to the general Government, as was contemplated by the Secretary of War.

If the Legislature will make such an appropriation as has been suggested, there will be no necessity for Congress to give further consideration to The Dalles Canal project, except to make annual appropriations for carrying out the work which has heretofore been authorized, and for the commencement of which there is now over \$300,000 available.

BILLS CUSHMAN WILL FATHER

Washington and Alaska Particularly Interested.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 28.—Representative Cushman will soon introduce the following bills:

Increasing the limit of cost of the public building at Tacoma to \$1,000,000 and at Spokane to \$500,000; providing for the erection of public buildings at Olympia, Aberdeen, Everett and Bellingham; to establish a military post at American Lake; dividing the State of Washington into two judicial districts, north and south; establishing a mint at Tacoma; enlarging and improving the Puyallup Indian School; creating a game preserve in the Olympic Mountains; to construct a Government bridge across Spokane River; appropriating \$100,000 for the improvement of Mount Rainier National Park; establishing a life-saving station at Cape Flattery; amending the Constitution to provide for the election of United States Senators by popular vote; Alaskan delegate bill; providing a territorial government for Alaska; appropriating \$150,000 for a salmon hatchery in

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clined to make any comments, holding he should make communication only to the commission.

Important Discovery by Police.

BOSTON, Nov. 28.—Chas. Watts, of the bureau of criminal investigation, said today he had identified George Murphy, who was sentenced in Newton yesterday to serve ten months for obtaining money under false pretenses, as Dominic Kiloran, brother of "Joe" Kiloran, who is charged with stealing \$2,000,000 from Paris banks.

The identification is regarded by the police as important, because they assert that Dominic Kiloran received \$300,000 of the stolen money.

Wood Investigation Off for Day.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Horatio E. Rubens, of New York, subpoenaed by the Senate committee on military affairs to give testimony in the investigation of charges against General Wood, failed to arrive today. The committee has no witnesses on hand and adjourned until Monday.

TAKE FIRST STEP

O. R. & N. to Build Lewiston-Riparian Line.

COMPANY INCORPORATED

Will Run to Huntington, Oregon, Later On.

MEANS RIGHT-OF-WAY FIGHT

New Road Will Be Main Freight Route From Southeast into Portland and Afford Water Grade All the Way.

The incorporation of a company by the O. R. & N. with the avowed purpose of building a line from Riparian to Lewiston, with an eventual extension to Huntington, is perhaps the most tangible step yet made toward the construction of a railroad in that section of the country.

The effect of the announcement upon the persons who are now promoting other lines in that territory will be probably to stimulate the activity of those proposed roads which are being projected in good faith on a solid foundation, and to put a quietus upon wild-cat lines.

AGAIN SPEAK FOR COLE.

Senators Told Spokane Man Must Explain Away New Charges.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 28.—Senators Foster and Ankeny called on the President today and formally renewed their recommendations that Hal J. Cole be appointed Register of the Spokane Land Office. Their visit was not a success, for they were officially advised that new charges had been made against Cole, and were told that until these charges have been thoroughly investigated no action would be taken looking to the selection of a successor to Register Ludden.

DECLARES PRINCE BEAT HER.

Brother of Princess Alice Says Divorce Suit Will Begin Soon.

ROME, Nov. 28.—Prince Jaime of Bourbon, brother of Princess Alice of Schoenburg-Waldenburg, has arrived at Court. He emphatically asserts the untruth of the recent accusations against his sister, and says a suit for a separation from her husband, Prince Frederic, which will soon be begun at Dresden, will show the falsity of the latter, who even descended to beating his wife.

Blames Husbands for Reports.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—Princess Alice, of Schoenburg-Waldenburg, in an interview with the Genoa correspondent of Le Journal, announced she will leave Genoa Monday for Dresden, where she will use every means possible to secure the speedy granting of a divorce from her husband.

"You can positively deny," she said to the correspondent, "all the reports which have appeared about me. They are monstrous infamies invented by my husband to discredit me with the domestics who were witnesses of his brutality, and who wish to be heard by the Judge before whom the divorce proceedings will be brought. The indignities to which I was subjected by this man have revived my courage, and I will recede before nothing which will enable me to show his conduct."

Count Despe, who is with the Princess, relates a number of instances of Prince Frederic's brutality and added: "When one saw the coachman, he would understand that the report of an elopement could not possibly be true. He is too ugly."

Great Historic Discovery.

VENICE, Nov. 28.—Signor Manfredi, an architect attached to St. Mark's, of Venice, while engaged in reproducing the floor of the Basilica, found the remains of ancient constructions among their portions of a crypt and a tomb, with a Byzantine cross of the seventh century. The discovery is considered of much historic importance.

NEWS OF GROVER CLEVELAND'S RETIREMENT FALLS LIKE A THUNDERBOLT IN LONDON.



I.—"WHEREIN IS THE UTILITY?"
"Stronuous days are over, And pesonal days begun; It's desuetude for Grover, His politics is done."

II.—"GROVER'S QUIT!!!"
"Here, kid, I want a 'Thunderer— Grover's retired, they say— And oh, but I'm a blunderer To be abroad today."

III.—"GOODBYE, EDWARD, I MUST LEAVE YOU."
"Ed'll be sad, I'm thinkin', We kinder took a shine on, But me for good 'n' Lincoln— It's president for mine."

IV.—"I MAY BE INDUCED TO RECONSIDER."
"Bryan leaving Lunnon— Methinks I hear them shout— Well, since there's such a run on Perhaps I may come out."

Will Follow Long-Contested Route.

The Oregon, Washington & Idaho Company's road from Riparian to Lewiston will follow the long-contested route that the O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific have been fighting over for several years past. The company was incorporated with President A. L. Mohler, of the O. R. & N., as its president, and W. H. Kennedy, chief engineer to build the road, as the constructing engineer of the new line. This in itself is sufficient proof that the proposed line is an O. R. & N. concern, but there is no denial of it by officials of the Harlan road.

Both Mr. Mohler and Mr. Kennedy are out of the city, but it is learned from an authoritative source that the company means business, and that work on this section of the new line will commence within the near future.

"I cannot say when, but the road will be built," said an O. R. & N. official. "Not only this portion, but the portion between Lewiston and Huntington, will be built. Of course, the time of its construction is an indefinite matter as yet, but it is coming, and that is a certainty. The other promoters who are talking about building roads through this district will never build. They are bluffing. This proposition is not a bluff."

That a road would be constructed between Lewiston and Riparian has long been expected, but the other part of the plan is a new one. There have been hints that such a project was on foot, and guesses have been made as to who was back of certain schemes that have been floated in the East lately. O. Reed a Colfax attorney, announced in the East a short time ago that he had

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