

WHERE IS PILES AT?

Seattle Expected Results at Tacoma Convention.

CANNOT DISCOVER ANYTHING

if King Delegation Brought Back Foster's Scalp, Nobody in the Sound Town Has Seen It—Committee Keeps Out of Sight.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—Seattle politicians cannot understand the Republican State Convention yet, and the business men who saw the delegation of its leave for Tacoma are hopefully lost in the story of the convention. The delegates, since their return, have had an unpleasant time of it, for there is not a politician or business man interested in the Senatorial fight who has not either criticized the delegation's action or begged for particulars.

For several weeks the assistance of the Piles committee that the Senatorial candidate should have the delegation to the state convention for trading purposes had been repeated to the politicians and business men in Seattle. No one was particularly anxious to do the delegation to the state convention and the repetition of the demand many to believe that it was the only way that Piles could ever get started in the fight.

Among the smaller political workers and business men an exaggerated idea of the importance of the delegation grew until the impression prevailed that practically all the delegates to the Senatorial fight would be sent to Piles. In some manner, no one ever attempted to explain how, it was believed, this delegation would gather in the Senatorial seat that Foster occupies and bring it back with them. The majority of the people of Seattle expected Piles' election to be made certain by the state convention.

They were not entirely to blame, as has been indicated, for so much stress was laid upon the delegation to the state convention that the public in general accepted the view that a Senatorial campaign consisted of one delegation to the state convention. And when the delegates were turned over to Piles the average King County man thought he had elected a Senator.

The Seattle politicians and business men do not know yet whether Piles added any to his strength by his Tacoma fight. Naturally the men closest to Piles will not divulge the nature of any pledges that were received, if one was obtained. And because nothing shows on the surface the town is divided between those who are indignant and those who are keenly disappointed.

The delegates are being met with repeated demands for particulars and wise men that they are, the delegates are responding to every inquiry with the declaration: "I do not know. Ask some member of the steering committee. We did just as we were told."

There is a remarkable agreement in the stories told by the delegates to the people who inquire. They were hopelessly in the dark while negotiations were being made and the smaller politicians and business men do not understand it. That an entire delegation should be without full particulars has created a degree of amazement that the news men who have been signing the Piles petitions and endorsing the Piles boom wanted results proclaimed from the roof tops, and because they are not they are growing more and more impatient.

The members of the Piles steering committee have kept persistently out of sight. Whether anything was accomplished or not these men do not seem to care. It is and they have adopted the water policy of dodging inquisitive persons.

And so the spectacle of an entire town starving for news and unable to get a crumb of inside information is presented.

M'CROSBY YIELDS TO TURNER

Garfield Man Says He Should Lead the Democratic Ticket.

GARFIELD, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—Senator R. C. McCrosby, of Garfield, who is being urged to announce himself a candidate for Governor by the Democrats and McBride Republicans of Eastern Washington, in an interview today announced that he desires to state that he has never positively said I would be a candidate for Governor. Every man should in the present monopoly-ridden condition of the state, lay aside personal ambition and favor that candidate who is best fitted and most available. I expect to see the same corrupt influences that dominated the Republican Convention stalk into the Democratic primary and endeavor to get in their deadly work. If we resist those influences and present to the voters of the state a candidate of unquestioned ability and loyalty to the commonwealth, we will win in my mind but that the people will triumph.

"We have such a man and one upon whom all can agree without disparagement to the other members of the state whose names have been mentioned in connection with the high office of Governor. I desire to say that I am in favor of George Turner, of Spokane. He comes nearest to the exponent of the commission cause than any other man in the state and his masterful presentation of the monopoly-ridden condition of the Republic and the commonwealth would set the voters afoot and cause reform to sweep over the state like a whirlwind."

Tomlin Declares Candidacy. SPOKANE, May 14.—(Special.)—"I am a candidate for Governor," said Senator Warren W. Tomlin today. "That is about all there is to say. I stand on my record in the Legislature and at home. I shall endeavor to secure the nomination from the Democratic State Convention."

FORTIFICATION OF VANCOUVER

Recommendations of Lord Dundonald to Be Carried Out.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 14.—(Special.)—Vanouver harbor is to be fortified upon the recommendation of Lord Dundonald, general officer commanding the Canadian militia, who inspected this port a few months ago and was struck with its lack of protection in case of war. The necessary guns have been ordered in England and will be delivered in Vancouver this summer.

Belonging of Candidate Mead.

BELLEVILLE, Wash., May 14.—A non-partisan congratulatory reception was this evening tendered A. Mead, of this city, who on Wednesday last was nominated for Governor by the Republican State Convention at Tacoma.

Democratic Committee Completed.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—J. W. Godwin, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, today announced the following appointments, which complete the organization:

(ary: M. M. Godman, Dayton, treasurer; W. C. Chidester, Tacoma; R. Lee Purdin, Ellensburg; E. E. Hardin, Bellingham; A. G. Mitchum, Harrington, and W. L. Turney, South Bend, members of the executive committee.

The state committee meets here June 11 to fix the date of the state nominating convention, which will be held at Bellingham. The apportionment gives one delegate for every 50 votes or major fraction cast for Congressman. An August date is being strongly urged.

Columbia Voters Registering.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Up to date 1890 voters have registered and it is believed the total registration will reach 1800, a gain of 314 over the registration of two years ago. Republican managers are jubilant over the large increase, as they claim it means the election of the entire Republican ticket.

Yamhill Local Option Rally.

MINNIVILLE, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—A big rally for local option was held in the Courthouse last night. Mayor North-up presided. Excellent addresses were delivered by President A. M. Brumback, of McMinnville College; Rev. Joseph Roberts, Fred Cullen, W. S. Warren, George Miller and C. E. Mills. Musical numbers were given by the college quartet. The courtroom was well filled.

CAPTURE OF A DESERTER.

Linn County Sheriff's Hard Trip in Heart of Cascades.

ALBANY, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—After a three-day chase through the mountains, part of the trip being made on foot over almost impassable roads, Sheriff Huston Wednesday night succeeded in capturing Norman Scott, a deserter from the United States Army, at the Mountain House, a stopping place at the foot of Seven-Mile Mountain, in the heart of the Cascade Range of mountains, 69 miles east of Albany. Scott is now lodged in the County Jail at Albany and will be taken to Vancouver by Sheriff North Huston tomorrow.

Scott was enlisted in Company B, Nineteenth United States Infantry stationed at Vancouver, Wash., from which place he deserted last February. The story of his desertion is one of the most daring on record. He was in the guardhouse wearing heavy double legions, and was chained to the floor. One Sunday morning a fellow soldier furnished Scott with a saw with which he succeeded in severing the chain. He then punched a hole through the roof of the guardhouse, and weighted down as he was with heavy legions, succeeded in drawing himself through the roof. He then took the desperate leap of 15 feet to the ground.

The weight of the iron carried Scott down so rapidly that he suffered injuries from which he has not yet recovered. His escape was soon discovered and a cavalry patrol sent in pursuit, at one time the pursuers were within 50 feet of the pursued, who was secreted in the woods along the Columbia River. Scott finally reached friends who removed the iron from his legs. He then made his way to Dayton, Wash., where he spent some time, coming thence to Albany. Here he worked for a week in the warehouse of Umphrey & Devaney.

But the fear of capture was too much for Scott and he began the trip to Eastern Oregon, something that is considered almost impossible at this time of the year when the mountain streams are tearing at the banks. When found at the Mountain House Scott was unarmed and offered no resistance. He is about 25 years of age and six feet tall. The report from his captors that Scott was one of their most desperate men.

PARROT'S PATHETIC DEATH.

Shot by Lighthouse-keeper, Who Mistook for Predatory Fowl.

VICTORIA, B. C., May 14.—(Special.)—Race Rocks Lighthouse, which stands out in the middle of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, about ten miles from Victoria, was the scene of a rather day, of a very pathetic little incident. Around the lighthouse there is just enough ground to permit of the keeper rearing a few hens, but one of the most serious drawbacks to poultry-keeping there is the continual presence of large and very fierce eagles which fly across from the forests of the Olympian Mountains on the Washington side, and prey upon the chickens.

The keeper defends his flock with a shotgun, and has brought down not a few of the predatory fowl, which are sent to Victoria to be mounted. One day recently the lighthouse-keeper's wife ran into the house and told her husband that a big owl was circling over the poultry yard, evidently bent upon an attack. The keeper snatched up his fowling-piece, ran outside, caught sight of the owl, and fired. The bird dropped, a bundle of feathers, amongst the kelp-strewn rocks some distance off, and the keeper walked over to recover his quarry. As he neared the spot he heard a voice say with singular clearness:

"Pretty Polly, what's o'clock?" "Poor Polly, let's have some tea."

It was a beautiful little American parrot, and as the blood dived out over the gaudy plumage, and the glassiness of swiftly-approaching death came over its eyes, it prattled its little pieces, intermingling the speech with a perfect imitation of a little child laughing heartily. The keeper took up the wounded bird tenderly and tried to stop the bleeding, but his aim had been too true, in the midst of a peep of shrill childish laughter the parrot died in his hands, while he felt, he says, like one who had taken his brother's life.

The unfortunate parrot had escaped from one of the passing steamships, and had apparently sought an asylum for the night at the lighthouse. The lighthouse-keeper says that he would not have shot the poor bird for any consideration had he but observed what it was before he pulled the trigger.

LOOKING FOR JONES.

HALLUCINATION THAT SENDS SHEEP-HERDER TO THE ASYLUM. BAKER CITY, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Clinton Still, a sheepherder from Unity, was adjudged insane and sentenced to Salem by Judge Travillion yesterday.

Still was in the employ of Mr. Brassfield, a prominent sheepowner of Unity. Several days ago he showed signs of insanity, but did not appear to be dangerous. Wednesday he became violent and Sheriff Brown placed him in the County Jail yesterday. When examined Still talked as rational as any man on most subjects. He had a good memory and could tell where he has been for several years back.

HIT BY A FALLING TREE.

George Irving, a Cathlamet Youth, Killed in Logging Camp.

ASTORIA, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—George Irving, the 17-year-old son of Thomas Irving, of Cathlamet, was almost instantly killed today while at work in the Pelton Armstrong Logging Company's camp near that place by a tree falling on him.



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Whether you are going to St. Louis or whether you remain at home you will soon need lighter clothing—and choosing is always at its best early.

Fabrics are Homespun, Cheviot and Worsted—Patterns are all New. Like all our clothes, they are Made Right, Fit Right and Priced Right.

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FIRST CLIPS ARE SOLD

SCOURING MILL WORKING NIGHT AND DAY ON PRODUCT.

Better Wools Are Grown in the Interior, and Sales Take Place Later.

THE DALLES, May 14.—(Special.)—The scouring mill in this city is now running a double crew of sorters daily, and the mill night and day, turning out 8000 pounds of scoured product every 24 hours. The wool purchases made thus far have been from stations along the line of the Northern Pacific in Yakima County, and at Columbia River points, such as The Dalles, Arlington and Echo, where the sealed bid plan that was inaugurated in the state three years ago does not obtain.

The first clips shown are nearly all from the warm Columbia River ranges, which wools are more or less earthy and are sought only by dealers in the scoured product. The wools bought up to the present time have been by representatives of the following firms: H. C. Judd & Root, Hartford, Conn.; S. Koshland & Co., and C. S. Moses, Co., San Francisco, Cal.; and Luce & Manning, Boston, Mass. The prices paid for this class of wool varies according to the sand they carry. Some very shrunky clips have been bought for 10 cents at the railroad station, while others in the scouring class, lighter in shrinkage, brought 15 cents. These prices are fully up to those paid last year for similar wools.

There seems to be no disposition on the part of the growers to hold this class of wool, and buyers are apparently glad to take them, as they are being absorbed by the dealers as fast as they are offered.

The choice Eastern Oregon wools sought for shipment in the interior are now being shown. This class that in former years was marketed at The Dalles, and gave this city the distinction of receiving and shipping more wool direct from the growers than any other place in the United States, has, since the completion of the Columbia Southern Railway been transferred to Shaniko. There the wools are all offered under the sealed bid system. The first sale there is set for June 2, the second for June 14, and the third and last for July 1.

Pendleton leads off with the first sealed bid sale of the season on the 23d instant, and Heppner follows on the 26th, with its first sale. The other two points in the state where wools will be offered upon sealed bids are Baker City on June 17, and Elgin on June 25.

A large attendance of buyers at all of these sales is confidently expected as the Eastern Oregon wools are said to be in exceptionally good condition this season. The mild winter and the abundance of grass on the Spring ranges insure a larger proportion of the choice staple wools than usual.

Such buyers as have expressed their views on the market, represent that the margin of profit on last year's purchases was too small to warrant their paying as much this season unless the condition of the wool proves to be materially better.

NEW MINISTERS ADMITTED.

JEFFERSON, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Six ministers, four of them from the East, have been received into the Oregon conference session, as follows: Theodore Schauer, of Dakota Conference; J. H. Spaul, of Illinois; J. Hoffman, of Wisconsin; H. O. Henderson, of Ohio, and J. E. Crooks. A new mission will be located in Eastern Oregon, either at The Dalles or at Pendleton, and a work will also be established at Everett, Wash. The church on the Coast is in a more promising financial condition than ever before, so it is possible to begin new work.

RHEUMATIC SUFFERER.

Many sufferers from this painful disease have been surprised and delighted at the prompt relief obtained by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. A permanent cure may be effected by continuing its use for a short time. It will cost you 25 cents to try it. One application relieves the pain. For sale by all druggists.

DEATH ENDED THE RACE

DEER ISLAND RANCHER THROWN FROM WAGON AND KILLED.

Companion is Badly Injured, but is Expected to Recover—Wheel Struck a Stump.

ST. HELENS, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—Arne Freeman and Patrick Hughes, farmers residing at Deer Island, left St. Helens this afternoon in a wagon hauled by a spirited team. On their way home a man named Freebels, on horseback, accompanied them, and on the way a race occurred between the team and the saddle-horse, during which the team ran into a stump, overturning the wagon and throwing out its occupants.

Freeman was almost instantly killed, his skull being crushed in, and Hughes is thought seriously injured, though it is quite he will recover. Both men are well known hereabouts, and were among the prosperous farmers. Freeman was about 40 years of age and is a man of family.

BROWN MAY GET BAIL.

Turnbow is Recovering, and Will Appear at Trial.

COLFAX, Wash., May 14.—(Special.)—J. E. Brown, who shot T. J. Turnbow, a rival real estate agent of Garfield, August 5, 1903, and has been in the County Jail awaiting trial since that date, will probably be released on bonds within a few days. Brown was held in \$10,000 bonds by the Justice of the Peace before whom the preliminary hearing was held, and, being unable to give bonds in that sum, was committed to jail, where he has been for more than nine months.

Today he made application to the Superior Court to have the bonds reduced to \$500, and Judge Clark, who ordered the sum reduced to \$500, which his friends say will be given as soon as the bondsmen can qualify. Hiram Graag, Brown's brother-in-law, with others, have promised to sign the bonds and qualify in the required amount.

Brown shot Turnbow in the shoulder, the bullet penetrating the spinal column, causing complete paralysis below the shoulders. Turnbow has been confined to his bed since that time, and is wholly paralyzed, but has always been in good spirits and insisted that he will recover, even when the physicians declared he could live but a few days. He is now stronger and brighter than at any time since he was shot, and will appear at the trial to testify against Brown.

The trial of Brown, who was originally charged with assault with intent to commit murder, has been set several times, but postponed each time under the belief that Turnbow would soon die, when another trial on a charge of murder would be necessary, should his death occur within one year from the day he was shot. Judge Chadwick will call Brown's case Monday and fix the date for trial.

MASKED MEN HOLD UP SALOON

Hilgard Man is Slightly Wounded by Nervous Thieves.

HILGAR, Or., May 14.—(Special.)—About 10:30 last night two masked men walked into the saloon of Nels Holverson, at Hilgard, with pistols in their hands and fired one shot into a crowd of seven or eight men, hitting John Thompson just below the ear and cutting a gash about half an inch along the side of his neck, at the same time ordering hands up and demanding the money in the till from Holverson.

One man jumped over the counter and took the money amounting to about \$75. The other occupants of the saloon were not molested. There is no clue to the robbers, who appeared to be badly rattled, as though they were new hands at the business.

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At stated times every month "John McQuick" or some other John will be brought to the police station and a trumped-up charge made against him. Rather than stay in a cell all night, he will put up \$300 cash bail, which will be declared forfeited the next day in the Police Court. The other big houses will put up similar amounts in the same way, and the small houses will pay in proportion.

McQuick was arrested Thursday and forfeited his bail yesterday. The system of having the gamblers put up bail which is to be forfeited has been agreed upon, as it offers better protection to them than the plan of fining them in the Police Court. If they were brought into court to be fined, a curious or over-conscious Judge might inquire too closely into the case and end by binding the offender over to the Superior Court on the charge of violating the state gambling laws.

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