

PORTRAITS OF MEN WHO HAVE FIGURED PROMINENTLY IN THE NEWS OF THE WEEK



R. AMUNDSEN

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—(Special.)—

Ronald Amundsen, the Arctic explorer, who discovered a northwest passage, is in New York on his way West. Interviewed on his arrival, he declared his faith in Dr. Cook's story about the Pole.

Lyman J. Gage, who in the public eye again. In the first place, he is accused by former officers of the Treasury of having failed to investigate charges against the sugar trust, though the evidence was plain. In the second place, he has just married a widow and settled down with her in his home at Point Loma, the theosophist colony established by Mrs. Tingley. It would be interesting to know in which of his remarkable collection of wigs the former Secretary of the Treasury captured



LYMAN J. GAGE

The widow, Mr. Gage has a set of wigs of graduated length which was the wonder of Washington. He changed his wig in progression till his hair ostensibly reached full growth, when he would suddenly appear in the first or shortest of the series, appearing to the casual beholder as having been to the barber shop for a haircut.

W. J. Conners is the chairman of the Democratic State Committee of New York. His popularity is attested by the fact that whenever Hearst and Murphy have a public controversy, the worst either can say of the other is that he was responsible for placing Conners at the head of the State Committee. An effort is to be made to oust Conners from the position. Mr. Conners does not seem to be much concerned about the movement, for he has gone to Florida to recuperate.

W. M. Laffan, who died November 19, after an operation for appendicitis, was for many years the business manager of the New York Sun, and in recent years has been its owner and editor as well. He had a vitriolic pen, and it made him many enemies. But



LEROY CANNON

he was a man of great force and courage. He was born in Dublin, educated by private tutors, and came to America expressly to enter journalism. After an experience in the West, he came to New York and became attached to the Sun. He had one of the finest collections of Oriental porcelain in the world. He was a man of great force and courage. He was born in Dublin, educated by private tutors, and came to America expressly to enter journalism. After an experience in the West, he came to New York and became attached to the Sun. He had one of the finest collections of Oriental porcelain in the world. He was a man of great force and courage. He was born in Dublin, educated by private tutors, and came to America expressly to enter journalism. After an experience in the West, he came to New York and became attached to the Sun. He had one of the finest collections of Oriental porcelain in the world.

This is Jose de Oliveira, who is our Consul at Managua. He is reported on bad terms with President Zelaya and his house is said to be guarded night and day. Oliveira was Commissioner-General to the Central American republics from the St. Louis World's Fair. Before that he was a newspaper reporter.

vicinity as sage brush. I cannot state authoritatively as to acreage containing sagebrush within the State of Nevada, but I would conservatively estimate the area at 5,000,000 acres that could be adapted to a commercial use. In certain portions of this state the sagebrush grows six to eight feet in height and having a base or trunk six to eight inches in diameter. Immediately north of Reno and extending northerly in a direction of nearly 100 miles, there is a dense growth of sagebrush that could be readily obtained for your use, and I will be pleased to accompany any representative you may in the future desire to send to investigate the amount available.

FRANK R. NICHOLAS,
State Engineer.

PLEDGE FOR POSTAL BANK

Figures From England That Give Distinct Encouragement.

PACIFIC GROVE, Cal., Nov. 19.—(To the Editor.)—Thus wrote Lowell half a century ago:

Pledges air swift breezy cattle Which prudent farmers don't turn out. So it remains to this day. Congressman Foster has recently been remarking on the pre-election pledge as to postal savings banks, turned out in election as a desirable vote-getting plank by the Republican party. Here is part of his alleged utterance: "Our platform declared specifically in favor of postal savings banks, and it does seem to me that we should take up and pass a postal savings banks bill. It doesn't make much difference in thirty deposits. The year's business showed deposits 44,770,732; withdrawals 45,395,800. The total expenses of management were 167,978, or considerably less than half of 1 per cent. Interest received to date amounted to 42,772,755; over \$18,000,000. Only 2 per cent is paid and no person's deposit may exceed \$1000."

It happened that the same day I read this I received the latest report of the British Postmaster-General, and also a 1909 New Zealand Post and Telegraph Guide, both of which furnish some very interesting reading. There were at the close of the year 1908 no less than 11,018,351 postal savings bank accounts standing open in Great Britain, with a total of £19,648,214 (or \$98,000,000) deposits. The year's business showed deposits 44,770,732; withdrawals 45,395,800. The total expenses of management were 167,978, or considerably less than half of 1 per cent. Interest received to date amounted to 42,772,755; over \$18,000,000. Only 2 per cent is paid and no person's deposit may exceed \$1000.

In New Zealand, the per cent interest is paid and \$3000 is the limit of individual deposits. In both these countries a much extended, eminently successful system of commercial and savings banks co-exist side by side with postal savings banks. Apart from the postal and telephone systems, which operate on a similar basis, the net profit of the British post-office for the year is estimated at £5,105,000 (\$25,000,000). In both countries domestic telegrams to any part are charged a flat rate of 12 cents for 12 words, and 1 cent for every additional word. So great a public convenience fully compensates the trifling deficit.

But in the operation of a system of postal banks in the United States there need not only be no loss, but an incalculable gain to the Nation by the accumulation of the millions of hidden hoards of dollars that never find their way into banks for reasons so various as distance and distrust. It is reasonable to suppose that if in Great Britain deposits exceed \$200,000,000 they would in this country create a panic-proof fund of over \$2,000,000,000.

Republish! Redeem your pledge, or there will be fences hard to mend!

EDWARD BERWICK,
President Postal Progress League of California.

CUPID "UP AGAINST IT"

Installment Marriage Proves Source of Many Troubles.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Marriage by installments is not likely to become popular if the experience of Harry Block and Miss Jean Ginsberg of this city, is to be the guide of those seeking matrimonial bliss. Last February Block and Miss Ginsberg had a civil ceremony performed in the City Hall. They then went to their respective homes to wait for the family bank account to grow before making their own little nest.

Prosperity came to Harry, so once

more he and his blushing bride make ready. Guests were invited, the wedding cake baked, the rabbi chosen. At 11 o'clock last Sunday all was in readiness.

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Turning Sagebrush Into Money

One Ton Yields \$15 Worth of Products Useful in the Mechanical Arts.

Goldfield News.

SOME few decades ago certain railway builders, when applying to the United States Congress for land grants embracing the area of a few states, as reward for building a railway from San Francisco to the East, diminished the appearance of their demands by stating that Nevada, where a large amount of the land applied for was located, was "nothing but sagebrush and sand, fit only for rattlesnakes and lizards." Now, it appears, the despised sagebrush and greasewood is a real asset, and may in the near future be turned into yellow gold.

For some time past the State Board of Publicity and the State Engineer's office have been endeavoring to secure capital for the manufacturing of various products from the sagebrush of Nevada. Over a quarter of a century ago Thomas Edison, when in Virginia City remarked to some friends that the Lord Almighty never put so much sagebrush or anything else in one place unless he meant it for some economic use.

Various attempts have been made in the past few years to utilize the sagebrush. The late Thomas Wern, experimented with it and produced a very fine quality of tannin oil and Mr. P. R. Edlin, of this city, macerated it and by treating it chemically produced a very excellent quality of rubber. After some Chicago people became interested in getting reports on the extent of the growth of sagebrush in this state and these reports were furnished by the State Engineer.

As a result of the correspondence on the subject a company has been incorporated in Chicago known as the Chemical Produce Company with a capitalization of \$100,000 fully paid up and non-assessable, with a view to put up plants in this state for the extraction of wood alcohol, tar, creosote, pitch, acetic acid and charcoal.

A careful series of experiments demonstrated just what profit there is in 18,000 tons of sagebrush. The yield from that amount was \$28,357 and the cost of producing the commercial products was \$25,000, which gave a net profit of \$3,357. The yield per ton averages something over \$15.

These are cold figures from actual experiments and mean a great deal to this state.

Every man who has ever been in the West knows of the vast expanse of territory covered by sagebrush which has been heretofore known as valueless waste. Millions of acres and hundreds of square miles are covered with it.

Recently four tons of sagebrush was shipped to Evanston, Ill., from the West and a report was built for the purpose of testing it. When the experiment was made it showed the following results:

The yield of the products from 4000 pounds of sagebrush are as follows:

20 gallons of distillate.

150 pounds of charcoal.

The distillate was fractionated and produced: Tar, 23 gallons; wood alcohol, 11 gallons; acetic acid, 46.2 pounds.

The tar was fractionated and produced: Wood oil, 16.25 gallons; creosote oil, 7.70 gallons; pitch, 9 gallons.

Prices and value of product from 4000 pounds of sagebrush:

150 pounds charcoal.....\$2.32

20 gallons wood alcohol.....\$5.50

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