PRESS GRADUATES NOW IN CONGRESS

Representatives Johnson, McArthur and Dill Once Labored on Papers.

"BOSS" FOUND IN CAPITAL

When Spokane Man Is Elected He Locates Washington Correspondent as man Under Whom He Formerly Worked in 1908.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 11.—The new issue of the Congressional Directory for the 64th Congress discloses the presence of three ex-newspaperman in the House of Representatives from the Northwest, Representative C. N. McArthur, of Portland; Representative Albert Johnson, of Hoquiam, and Representative C. C. Dill, of Spokane.

Representative McArthur, according to his biography, was on the staff of The Oregonian from 1901 to 1903, so his experience in the newspaper business was comparatively brief.

Not so with Representative Johnson, who is a newspaper veteran. Mr. Johnson held editorial positions on the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, the Washington Post and the New Haven Register before he went West in 1898 to become editor of the Tacoma Daily News. He held that position for eight years, and in 1906 was made news editor of the Seattle Times. Later he purchased the Daily Washingtonian at Hoquiam, and is still the proprietor of that enterprising plant.

Mr. Dill Finds "Boss" in Capital.

Mr. Dill was never an editor, but held "reportorial positions on the Cleveland Press and Plain Dealer and the Spokesman-Review, of Spokane." And when Mr. Dill came to Washington as Congressman he found as Washington correspondent of the Spokane papers the man who had been city editor and his "boss" back in 1908 and 1909.

Senator Chamberlain's biography in the new directory is substantially the same as in the last issue. Senator Lane, ditto. But Senator Lane has achieved distinction by writing the shortest biography in the big book.

This is all there is to it:

"Harry Lane, Democrat. Term expires March 3, 1919."

Career Facts Left to Senator.

If anyone wants to know anything of the career of Senator Lane he will have to apply to the Senator for the facts. There are none "on the taps" in the Congressional Directory.

The biographies of Representatives Hawley and Sinnott are practically the same as appeared during the last Congress, save that they give the results of the election by which they were returned to Congress in 1914.

Representative McArthur's biography, as it appears, is as follows:

Clifton Nesmith McArthur, Republican, of Portland, was born at The Dalles, Or., June 10, 1879, eldest son of Lewis Linn and Harriet Nesmith McArthur; was graduated from University of Oregon in 1901, receiving A. B. degree; reporter on Morning Oregonian 1901-1903; farmer at Rickreall, Or., 1903-1906; admitted to the bar 1906 and began the practice of his profession in Portland; married to Lucile Smith, of Portland, June 25, 1913; member of Multnomah and University Clubs, Chamber of Commerce, Scottish Rite Masons, Shrine, Sons of American Revolution, and Trinity Episcopal Church, all in his home city; has devoted much time to farming and stock raising and also to public affairs; secretary Republican State Central Committee 1908; secretary to Governor Frank W. Benson 1909-1911; served in lower house of Oregon Legislature 1909 and 1913 and was elected Speaker of the House each time; nominated for Representative in Congress at Republican primary election May 15, 1914; elected to Sixty-fourth Congress, receiving 26,626 votes, to 23,497 for A. F. Flegel, Democrat; 2,829 for A. W. Lafferty, Independent; 3779 for Arthur L. Moulton, Progressive-Prohibitionist, and 2533 for Albert Straiff, Socialist.

In the Washington section Senator Jones is observed to have cut his sketch to six lines; heretofore it was very full. His new sketch says that he was "reelected in 1914 without having been in the state during the primary or election campaigns."

Senator Poindexter again turns up in the Republican column. In the last Congress he classed himself as a "Progressive." In his new sketch, written by himself, the word "Progressive" is stricken out and the word "Republican" is substituted. There is no qualification. He is, according to his own writing, now a Republican without frills. His biography says that he was elected to Congress in 1908 as a Progressive-Republican. Two years later, he says, he ran for the Senate as a Progressive-Republican, but after his election and after the Republican convention at Chicago in 1912, Poindexter wrote himself down a Progressive without the Republican suffix. Now the "Progressive" has disappeared, and the Senator is a "Republican" without prefix or suffix, and without the hyphen.

ORGY BAR IS PLANNED

MOVE AFOOT TO MAKE TACOMA DRY BEFORE JANUARY 1.

Attitude of Council on Question of Closing Saloons 48 Hours Previous Is Being Tested.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Saloons in every section of Tacoma will be closed 48 hours before January 1, 1916, if the City Council heeds demands of persons, presumably prominent prohibitionists, who have called each Commissioner and the Mayor, in person, on the telephone and requested that they use their influence to pass a special ordinance which will preclude the possibility of a wild orgy on the night of December 31.

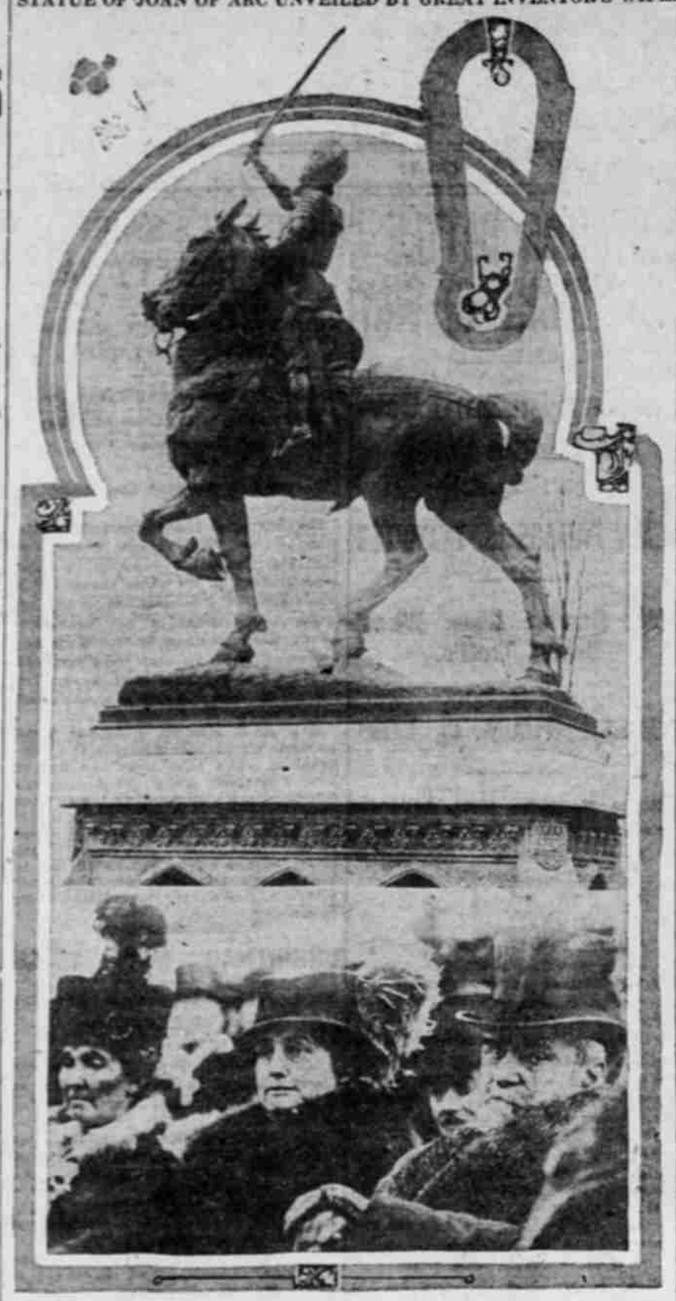
"I was called to the telephone early and asked if I would, as one member of the City Council, lend my co-operation to a special measure revoking the licenses of all saloons in Tacoma before New Year's eve," said Commissioner Atkins today. "Of course, I could not give any definite answer because I did not know the legal premises of the Council in attempting a measure of that kind, which would undoubtedly presume to take precedence over the state law legalizing the sale of liquor until January 1, 1916."

Mayor Fawcett and Commissioners Mills and Woods are confined to their beds at home, suffering from severe colds.

Centralia Baptists Elect Officers.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the local Baptist Church was held Thursday night. George J. Galvin, son of the Mayor-elect, was elected superintendent of the Sunday school and Fred Stockbridge assistant. Practically all of the other officers were re-elected.

STATUE OF JOAN OF ARC UNVEILED BY GREAT INVENTOR'S WIFE.



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Insert (Left to Right)—Mme. Jean Jusserand, Wife of French Ambassador; Mrs. Thomas A. Edison and Ambassador Jusserand.

A beautiful equestrienne statue of Joan of Arc, which, in the words of Ambassador Jean J. Jusserand, "would cement more strongly the friendship which has bound this country to the French republic," was unveiled by Mrs. Thomas A. Edison, the wife of the noted inventor, in the presence of a gathering of distinguished guests on Riverside Drive, New York, December 6. The statue was designed by Anna V. Hyatt, an American sculptress.

SCHOOL TIME SAVED

Individual Instruction Advocated by Normal President.

LOCKSTEP SYSTEM SCORED

Trial of New Method Declared to Prove Most Pupils Can Complete Course Before Time They Set for Leaving School.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Results of two years' experience in operating a system of individual instruction at the San Francisco State Normal School challenge the futility of the present lockstep system of teaching children in classes, regardless of their manifest difference and varying rates of progress, according to Monograph C, issued today by President Burk, of the Normal School.

Of children the pamphlet says at the outset:

"There are misfit schools, misfit texts and studies, misfit dogmas and traditions of pedants and pedantry, but in the nature of things there can be no misfit children."

Against "lockstep schooling" this indictment is returned:

"Fifty different children may have 50 different sticking places and under the class system all wait for each or else drag one another ahead before the difficulties are safely overcome. This is the chief cause of the retardation of pupils."

More than 500 children attending the first to the eighth grades participated in the trying out of the individual system. From careful observations the following conclusions are drawn.

First—That the usual eight grades of the elementary school will be completed by the slowest pupils, in normal health of body and mind, in not more than seven years. That the fastest pupils will finish in not more than five years. Between these extremes the rates are evenly distributed.

Second—That practically all pupils will complete the course before they reach the ages at which they at present seek to leave the schools, thus dissipating the appalling fact that 60 per cent or more of the youth of the land enter upon world life without the equipment of at least an elementary schooling.

Third—That the individual system must upon principle and does in fact give a thoroughness and efficiency to every pupil quite beyond any possibility of the lockstep schooling.

Fourth—That individual instruction costs less than class instruction, because the huge wastes inherent in the class system, amounting to more than 50 per cent, are eliminated.

Fifth—The number of pupils per teacher is reduced by the individual system, because if pupils make faster progress through the grades, the number of pupils in any one class will be reduced proportionally to the increase in rapidity of progress. The data shows that classes of 40 to 50 pupils will be automatically reduced to 20 to 30 under individual instruction which eliminates the repeaters, introduces acceleration and economizes school time in other ways.

"The vital question on which hinges the essential issue of instruction by classes," says Monograph C, "is whether or not the variation in the rates of progress of different pupils is really so great as to demand the overthrow of this system of education."

Then it is stated that this variation is very easily and accurately demonstrable and numerous records of pupils, not taken at random, but alphabetically in sequence, are set forth in figures.

CATARRH LEADS TO CONSUMPTION

Catarrh is as much a blood disease as scrofula or rheumatism. It may be relieved, but it cannot be removed by simply local treatment. It causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, affects the voice, deranges the digestion and breaks down the general health. It weakens the delicate lung tissues and leads to consumption.

Hood's Sarsaparilla goes to the seat of the trouble, purifies the blood and is so successful that it is known as the best remedy for catarrh.

Hood's Sarsaparilla strengthens and tones the whole system. It builds up. Ask your druggist for Hood's and insist on having it. There is no real substitute, no "just-as-good" medicine.

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS PHONOGRAPH FROM REED-FRENCH TENTH and STARK

FORD TO BE IGNORED

Holland Will Give No Recognition or Support.

NOTICE IS NOT ANSWERED

If Party's Activities Become Embarrassing Invitation to Transfer Headquarters Probably Will Be Extended.

THE HAGUE, via London, Dec. 11.—Neither encouragement, recognition nor support in any form will be offered to the Ford peace party by The Netherlands government, according to information from official sources given to a correspondent of the Associated Press. Government officials, it was indicated, naturally noted the party's departure and also received a notification thereof from the leader, but no reply was forwarded.

No opposition, however, will be placed in the way of the party's landing in Holland, but, should the activities of its members become embarrassing while there, they will in all probability be requested to transfer their headquarters to other than Dutch territory.

Private pacificists, of whom there are many in this country, probably will welcome the Ford party as an addition to their ranks.

The impression prevails that the general public and the press are inclined to regard the Ford party as without the slightest chance of success, as the opinion is widely prevalent here that peace will not be achieved by the efforts of pacificists, but as a result of hard-fought battles in which one antagonist succumbs.

Candidates Fail to File Accounts.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Twelve of the 20 candidates who sought nominations at the recent primary election have violated the law by failing to file with the City Clerk statements of their campaign expenses. The law, which provides for the filing of such statements within 10 days after the primary, also provides for a fine of from $25 to $500 or imprisonment in the county jail of from 10 days to six months. Those who failed to file include M. E. Cue, Frank Roberts and Theodore Hoss, candidates for Mayor; C. A. Berlin, F. T. McNitt, William Scales, William Camby, Caleb Berry, Theodore Madison, H. H. Tilley, R. L. Taylor and Herman Young, candidates for Commissioner.

In the new British Pharmacopoeia a "drop" is defined as coming from a tube of which the external diameter is exactly three millimeters, 20 such drops of water at 15 degrees Centigrade being equivalent to one millimeter or cubic centimeter.

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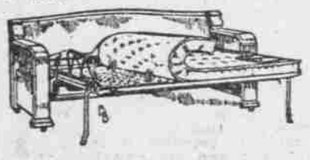

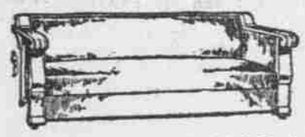

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—These Chests are the most attractive styles we have ever seen, with rather massive copper trimmings and highly polished.

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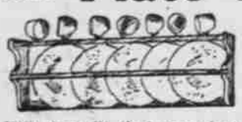

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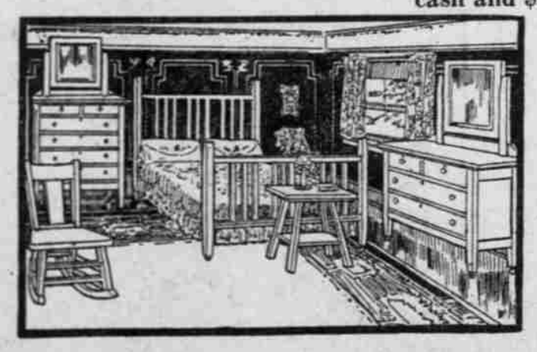

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DINING-ROOM $79.50

Beautiful waxed golden or fumed quarter-sawed oak, including Medium-Sized Buffet at $23.50; Six-Foot Dining Table, has 45-inch top and best construction, $19; five Straight Diners and one Arm Chair, with full box-seat construction of solid quartered oak, upholstered with genuine Spanish leather, slip seats, $23.75; real Brussels Rug, your choice of 8-3x10-6 seamless in new Orientals or conventional designs, $13.25.

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