

# VICTOR MURDOCK IS 'POLITICAL ORPHAN'

### Noted Kansas Editor Says He's a Thousand Miles Away From Either Party.

## IDEALS NOT SURRENDERED

### Prospect of Mr. Taft's Appointment to Supreme Bench on One Hand and "Dishonorable" Pact With Carranza on Other, Cited.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

It is difficult matter to get a native of Kansas to talk about anything except Kansas, and Victor Murdock is no different from the rest. On the contrary, he is so firm a believer in the Sunflower State that he has an idea the air of that state is purer, the winds softer, the rays of the sun brighter and the people superior to those of any other land on earth. So for the first half hour of my talk with Mr. Murdock at his hotel yesterday morning we did not get away from Kansas, from the Kansas people, from the glories of the dear old state.

We went over the days of the '80s in some detail. We called up with fond recollections those whom we knew a generation ago, from Preston B. Plumb and John J. Ingalls, two of the famous Senators of Kansas, down to the postmaster at Larned, the editor of The Globe at Dodge City and the Prosecuting Attorney of Garden City, Henry P. Mason, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Kansas. Next we came to boom towns of the early days, and I could not help asking about the four lots I sold Marsh Murdock, the father of Victor, in Ulysses, Grant County, Kansas, in 1884. Victor admitted that the lots are still there, but said the town has moved a few miles to the west.

**Answer Is Evasive.**

"But," said I, "I am here at the request of the editor of the Oregonian to get your views on certain political matters; so let me ask you a question: Are you going to ride the tiger outside the donkey or get aboard the elephant with the great majority of the Progressives for the coming campaign?"

Mr. Murdock's answer was given in detail—and yet it was not an answer. Still, as he gave his views at length, he probably gave as much information on the subject as he will give out for publication for some time to come; perhaps he will sit tight in his tent until the campaign is over, and Hughes seated in the White House.

"I have," he said, "certain fixed convictions from which I cannot and will not swerve. First, I believe in Government ownership; secondly, in National prohibition; third, in a ten-year term for Federal judges; I do not believe any man should hold office for life; fourthly, I believe in a Presidential primary; fourthly, in the establishment of National science, art and music; fifthly, I believe there should be some simpler method of changing the Constitution of the United States. "My great wish is to see a democracy of ours will flower into a more perfect form of government. I am now contented with the alternative of two parties, neither of which is within a thousand miles of the advocacy or realization of my ideals. I find myself simply a political orphan."

**Silence Regarded as Luxury.**

"Not being a member of any office and feeling that my opinion is only of interest to myself, for the first time in my life I am luxuriating in the privilege of taking my own time to form my opinions. Of course, I am suffering considerable mental travail when I look at Hughes. I know him to be a big, strong personality with a truly splendid Arctic isolation; but when I think of him appointing William Howard Taft to the Supreme bench I have pain in the heart."

"There is much about our scholarly President that I admire; many of his acts I indorse; but when I think of how he is patching it up with Carranza for releasing a few prisoners at Chihuahua and at the same time is absolutely ignoring the atrocious murder of our soldiers at Carrizal, it makes me sick at heart."

"In other words, I am up in the air except on one thing—I know that my country must prepare. It is big, rich, ambitious, aggressive and is at the present moment physically soft. We must harden ourselves against the certain menaces which are all about us, and both parties are now claiming equally a readiness to do that."

"I have not for some moment surrendered my belief that there must come in this country a new organization which will give me a kind of chance to express ourselves politically. In the meantime I shall continue, for a while at least, to view the political landscape over and to chew the cud of contemplation vouchsafed to a man up a tree."

"In other words, I do not know where I am at, and with my own time to find out. I am like a man on a raft in the open sea, with nothing but a white shirt and a broomstick aboard and no vessels in sight. I am not fazed, but I am subdued."

## PORTLAND SECOND CHOICE

### National Education Association Honors Idaho Man.

NEW YORK, July 8.—The board of directors of the National Education Association today elected the following as members of the executive committee: J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Schools of North Carolina; W. R. Siders, Superintendent of Schools of Pontotoc, Idaho; and George B. Cook, State Superintendent of Schools of Arkansas. The committee is now complete.

The directors took a preferential ballot in regard to the location of the next convention.

The first choice was Asbury Park, N. J.; the second, Portland, Ore.; the third, Cincinnati, and the fourth, Milwaukee. The board of trustees and the executive committee, acting jointly, will choose the place of convention.

## Major McAlexander Leaves.

Major U. G. McAlexander, United States Army, and recently in command of the Oregon Agricultural College cadet corps, left Portland Friday night to take command of the preparedness training camp of the San Francisco business men, which will be located at Monterey. He expects to return to Oregon about August.

## Auto Victim May Recover.

Mrs. G. A. Snyder, of 349 East Thirtieth street, who was struck by an auto Friday afternoon, sustaining a fracture of the skull, has recovered consciousness at Good Samaritan Hospital. It is now thought that she will recover. Her husband is the proprietor of Snyder's Coffee House, 467 1/2 Washington street.

NOTED KANSAN WHO REACHED PORTLAND YESTERDAY AND DELEGATION WHICH MET HIM.



## 6 KILLED; 187 HURT

### Traffic Accidents of Six Months Compiled.

### VIOLATIONS NUMBER 2183

### Of Those Who Erred, 563 Escaped With Warnings, 1618 Were Arrested, 796 Fined and 20 Sent to Jail in Aggravated Cases.

Six persons were killed and 187 injured by traffic accidents in the city of Portland in the six months ended June 30, 1916.

The accepted average of deaths in other cities, due to traffic accidents, is from 10 to 60 each month—not every six months.

Harry Coffin, chairman of the Public Safety Commission, has prepared a tabulated report of traffic accidents and violations of the traffic ordinances occurring in the city during the past six months.

This report shows that alcohol and gasoline do not mix in Municipal Court. For each intoxicated driver who appeared before Judge Langwith in that period was sentenced to jail.

During the six months a total of 565 violators were warned or paroled by the police without being sent to court. These were mostly minor offenders who blocked the entrances to buildings or erred in other trifling manner. All were first offenders, but 1618 were really arrested and stood before the wooden rail of the city's court for trial.

A total of 796 were fined; 694 had their cases continued for sentence; fines were suspended for 21 the City Jail housed a score of penitents, thirty-time offenders for the most part; two got suspended jail sentences; nine were minors and went to the Juvenile Court; 140 cases were dismissed, and 24 warrants were issued for those who forgot their obligation to appear in court.

## Crest of Wave in April.

The crest of the wave of violators surged into the police station in April, when 427 violators were dealt with in court, and 29 warned and paroled by the police. Court cases were lighter in May, when 243 violators appeared for trial, and 187 were sentenced, 148 cautioned by the police totaled 277 for the month.

Five of the fatalities were caused in automobile accidents, two in February, two in March and one in May. The sixth death was due to a streetcar accident and occurred in May. Of the 187 persons who were injured, 148 came to grief in motor-vehicle accidents and collisions, 21 in streetcar accidents, 18 in interurban car accidents, nine in ordinary vehicle accidents and six in coaster accidents. The crest of the accident wave corresponds to that of our cases, attaining a maximum of 40 injured persons during April.

## Jail Yawns for Drinkers.

Of a grand total of 2103 traffic violations during the six-month period, 16 were for driving while intoxicated, 72 for reckless driving and 180 for speeding. For passing a streetcar while stopped 76 arrests were made. The remaining violations were for obstructing traffic, obstructing fire hydrants, obstructing mail boxes and building entrances, no license, jockeying, muffler open and a score of minor faults.

Under the jitney ordinance 125 violations are recorded, ranging from 51 in January to seven in June.

There were 256 automobile collisions during the six months, 69 being rated as of accidental nature, while 187 are charged to carelessness. There were 18 collisions of streetcars and automobiles and three collisions of streetcars and other vehicles.

As for the pedestrians who saw the juggernaut too late to escape injury, the record chronicles 103 persons. Four of these tabulated Mr. Coffin came to hurt through their own recklessness, while 48 were injured by recklessly driven autos. Auto accidents caused the injury of 29. Three pedestrians were injured by streetcars through their own carelessness and five were accidentally injured by streetcars.

Nine fell from streetcars, and two were injured by interurban electric.

## WOMAN WINS MOTORBOAT

### Jury Decides ex-Husband Does Not Own Craft.

The motorboat Thistle, taken from the houseboat of Mrs. Marie Riddell by her former husband, Alex G. Riddell, came to hurt through their own recklessness, while 48 were injured by recklessly driven autos. Auto accidents caused the injury of 29. Three pedestrians were injured by streetcars through their own carelessness and five were accidentally injured by streetcars.

Nine fell from streetcars, and two were injured by interurban electric.

## Electric Company's Flume Completed

LA PINE, Or., July 8.—(Special.)—The Pacific Electric Company has completed its flume and turned on the water. Installation of the machinery for the power house will commence next week. Plans are to have electric power available in La Pine by September.

Why buy used, unimproved pianos at same price as new 1916 models, with all the up-to-date improvements, 50 per cent more tone and efficiency, during make-room sale at Schwan Piano Co., 111 Fourth street.—Adv.



Above (Left to Right)—Victor Murdock, Mrs. Lee Davenport, Lee Davenport, Addison Bennett, Dave Hazen and Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp. Below—Close-Up View of Mr. Murdock, One of the Original "Progressives."

## FUND IS GIVEN BOOST

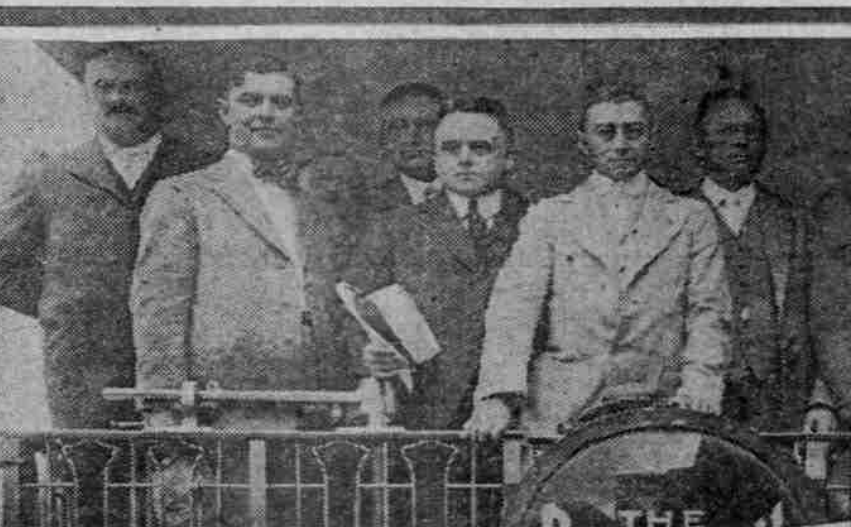
### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES GIVE \$100 TO ARMENIANS.

### Many contributors, Recognizing Need of Immediate Relief for Sufferers, Double Donations.

A little more than \$4300 has been contributed toward the \$15,000 fund which it is necessary to raise in Oregon for the relief of the Armenians who are perishing in Turkey.

The largest gift received for some time came yesterday from the Congregational church of Portland. It amounted to \$190.25. A. H. Devers sent a second donation of \$10 for the fund.

## PORTLAND ELKS PHOTOGRAPHED AT SEATTLE ON WAY TO ANNUAL CONVENTION AT BALTIMORE.



THE OLYMPIAN



HAPPY PARTY POSE ON WAY EAST. Oregon Elks and their families formed a happy party when they started last week for the National convention of their order at Baltimore. When they got to Seattle they were photographed on the observation end of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul's fast train, the Olympian. James W. Casey, traveling passenger agent for the railroad in Portland, went with them as far as Seattle and started them safely on their transcontinental journey. W. R. McDonald, past exalted ruler of the Portland lodge, is the delegate from Portland. He is accompanied by Mrs. McDonald. Other Portland Elks in the party are Dr. Louis Buck and F. W. Fletcher. Additional members of the party are: C. H. Chandler, of Baker; O. V. Robinson, of Eugene; William Parker, of Albany; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McGowan, of Medford; Mr. and Mrs. E. Fletcher, of McMinnville; S. S. Josephson, Mrs. W. E. Master-son, of Astoria; Mrs. H. E. Coolidge, of Eugene.

## SCENIC HIGHWAY IS OPEN FOR MOTORS

### Hours of Traffic During Time Paving Is Being Laid Are Announced.

## FLOWER PICKING IS TABOO

### John B. Yeon Estimates That 2600 Cars Made Use of Columbia Drive July 4 and That Owners Paid \$3600 for Gasoline in Day.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR TRAFFIC ON COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY.**

Twenty-five miles an hour on straight way.

Fifteen miles on all curves.

Keep to the extreme right on all curves.

Do not stop or park machines on any turns.

Do not pick flowers or shrub-beries.

Never pass a machine on turns.

Roadmaster John B. Yeon expects a heavy volume of traffic over the Columbia River Highway today and has made ample arrangements to accommodate the crowd.

The road will be open for traffic over the entire route all day long, including the unit between Bonneville and the county line.

On other days of the week the following regulations apply to this section of the road:

The road will be open to traffic from Bonneville to the county line from 12 M. to 1 P. M. and from 7 P. M. to 6 A. M. during the paving construction, except on Saturday, when it will be open from 6 P. M. to 5 A. M. Open all day on Sundays.

**Flower Picking Barred.**

Mr. Yeon again wishes to request people not to remove any of the flowers or shrubbery along the highway. Within the last few weeks, he reports, numerous beautiful plants have been removed. This mars the beauty of the highway and if persisted in soon will ruin the famous road of one of its characteristic charms.

There is not much objection to folks going back from the highway a few hundred feet and getting ferns and grasses. Their removal from any point not visible from the road is not objected to, but the removal of plants that add to the beauty of the route is regarded as highly objectionable.

## Traffic July 4 is 2600 Cars.

An aggregate of 2600 automobiles passed over the road on July 4, according to Mr. Yeon's reports, and based on this figure he has prepared the following statistics:

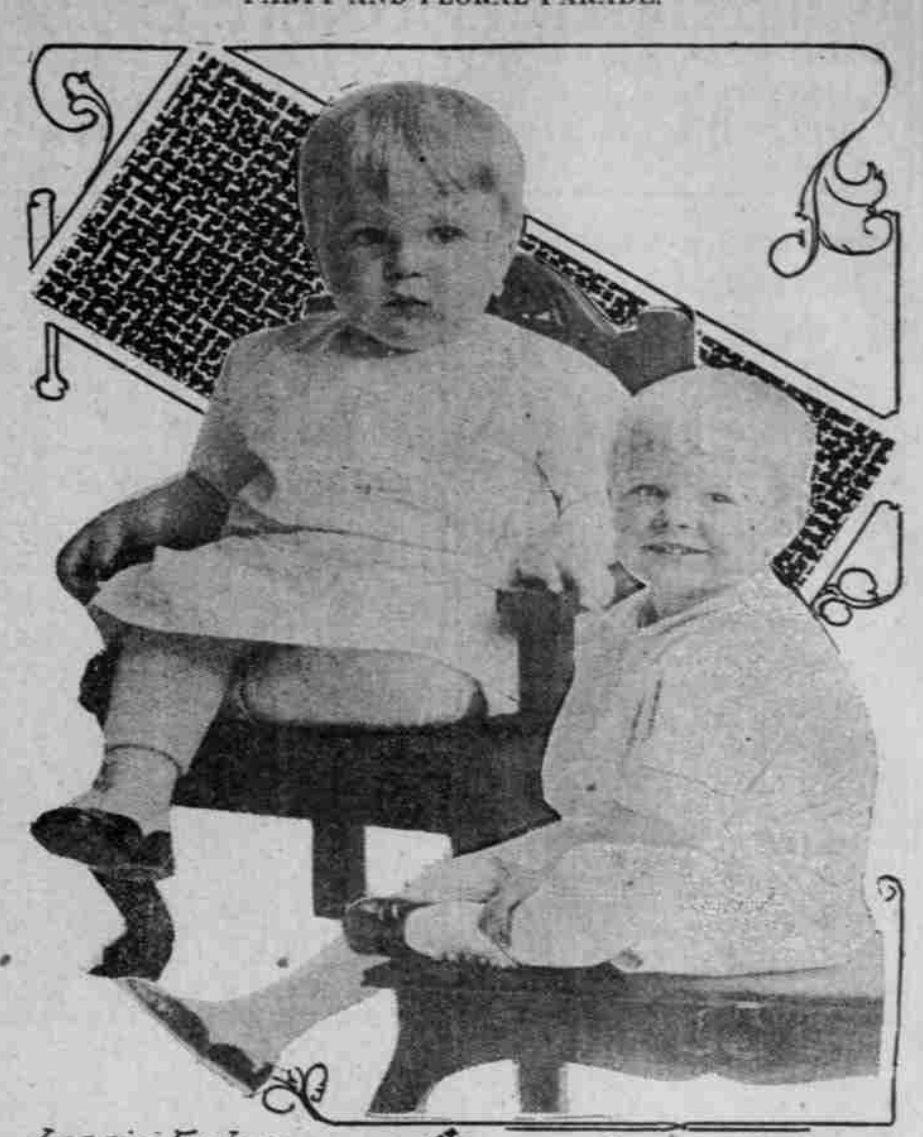
Twenty-six hundred machines, averaging five people each, total 13,000; spacing each auto 150 feet apart would make a continuous line of automobiles seven and a half miles long. Value of machines on average of \$2000 each would be \$5,200,000. Horsepower exercised on average 30 to each machine would make 78,000 horsepower. Allowing 75 miles average to each machine for the round trip would mean 195,000 miles. Allowing 75 miles to each machine and seven gallons gasoline, they would consume 18,000 gallons of gasoline at a cost of 20 cents a gallon, or \$3600.

These 2600 machines would pay toward Multnomah County's taxes \$80,000; also would pay \$17,800 towards state license tax, making a total tax of \$97,800.

Arrangements have been made for the policing today of the Columbia Highway, that will, it is believed, practically obviate accidents. A number of special traffic officers will be employed.

Roadmaster Yeon will have special deputy sheriffs stationed at each point of interest, while the roadway will be constantly patrolled by motorcycle officers.

TWO LAURELHURST CHILDREN WHO ENTERTAINED AT UNIQUE PARTY AND FLORAL PARADE.



Lewis Forbes BUSHNELL-POSTS James Forbes

Grownups who give fancy dress parties were surpassed several degrees by Masters Lewis and James Forbes, of Laurelhurst, who with their guests participated in a juvenile floral parade, Thursday afternoon. The affair took place in the Laurelhurst district, near the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Forbes, a block of pavement having been reserved by the city for the mobilization of the floats.

Decorated perambulators, velocipedes, toy automobiles and other vehicles of small size were accompanied over the line of march by the small participants. The floats were headed by the two boys, appropriately costumed for the occasion. Fairies in teams, harlequins and a number of other well-known characters figured among the assembly.

Fremont Smith, equipped with a snare drum, led the parade in the costume of Uncle Sam.

## CHILE RICH IN ORE

### Santiago Publication Sets Forth Market Advantages.

### CONSUL FURNISHES COPY

### Statement Is Made That South American Country Possesses Eight-Tenths of World's Available Supply of Product.

Ramon Escobedo, Chilean Consul in this city, is in receipt of a copy of the South Pacific Mail, published at Santiago, of May 4, in which is set forth in a lengthy article the details of the world's iron production and the part that his country plays in that production.

Bearing a preface in which the report of the entire production by continents is given, the article asserts that "after analyzing the situation of the rich iron ore of Sweden and Brazil, which are eliminated from the world's consumption, Chile possesses eight-tenths of the rich iron ore existing in the world."

It is stated that "The prohibition of the Swedish government to exportation of pure iron from that country and the world's consumption of 1,925,000,000 tons."

**Chilean Haul Shorter.**

"The matter of the distance to the Coast and the cost of transportation must not be forgotten," the article continues. "Brazilian iron ore has to be transported to the coast and the cost of railway to reach the port of Victoria. In view of which distance these ores are also eliminated from the world's consumption for the present."

It is stated in the article that the nearness of the Chilean deposits to the Coast makes them available for the world's consumption for the present. The deposits being 36 kilometers, or approximately 14 miles.

According to the article from the South Pacific Mail, it is asserted that "the iron ore deposits of Zapallo and Pileto, Cerro Negro, Llano de Cristales, and Cortado contain six-tenths of the world's rich iron ore of the world of the hematite class, and the owners were on the point of closing near by, and the world's consumption of iron ore when the war broke out, on which account the business remained in abeyance."

**American Largest Consumer.**

"The world's consumption of iron ore is 200,000,000 tons a year. Of this quantity the United States consumes one half, England and Germany one quarter, and the other quarter is consumed by the other countries of the world."

Of the Chilean deposits, the Bethlehem Steel Company rents the "El Tofo" deposit from a French company. At the time the transaction was made there were measured 45,000,000 tons.

The consumption of the United States is provided at the present time partly from Cuba and in the greater part from the deposits of Lake Superior, the ores of which are now extracted at a depth of more than 500 meters, and it is probable that the grade has gone down considerably. The iron ore has to be transported in the Great Lakes, 2000 miles in extent, which takes over in winter, and moreover have to pay a toll in the Santa Maria Canal, which toll is the same as that charged in the Panama Canal.

"It can be seen, therefore, that the Bethlehem Company with its lease on the Tofo and other high grade deposits existing in Chile, can, on account of their high grades, compete favorably with the deposits of the United States and Germany, where the iron grades have gone down below 30 per cent."

## Canadian to Be Deported.

Deportation will be the lot of John Adams, ex-British soldier, who was arrested on Friday while pilfering from the Fourth-street Department Store. This decision was reached by immigration officials yesterday, after an investigation of Adams' record. He was a private in the British army, stationed in Canada. An injury that incapacitated him and his discharge from the service. He has served two sentences.

## Jewelers to Close Earlier.

During the Summer months the retail jewelry stores of the city will close at 6 o'clock on Saturday nights, according to an agreement just made among them. The stores to be under this closing schedule are: Jaeger Brothers, Felix Bloch, A. & C. Poldenheimer, L. C. Henriksen Company, G. Heikemper, E. Friedlander, H. Selommo, Herman J. Alstock, Fritz Abendroth, N. L. Smith and James Cline.

There are 37,272 blind in the United States.

## Maternity! The Word of Words

It is written into life's expectations that motherhood is the one sublime accomplishment. And if there is anything, no matter how simple, how apparently trivial it may seem, if it can aid, help, assist or in any way comfort the expectant mother, it is a blessing. And such is a remedy called "Mother's Friend." You apply it over the stomach muscles. It is gently rubbed on the surface, and makes the muscles pliant; this relieves the strain on ligaments, natural expansion takes place without undue effect upon the nerves. And as the time approaches, the mind has gone through a period of repose, of gentle expectancy, and this has an unquestionable influence upon the future child. That this is true is evidenced by the fact that three generations of mothers have used it, and make it "Mother's Friend." Ask your nearest druggist for a bottle of this splendid remedy. He will get it for you from the Atlanta and Georgia Col. 497 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. For a most interesting book of information on the practice of mothers, it is mailed free. Write today. It is a book you will enjoy.

## Try Magnesia For Stomach Trouble

It Neutralizes Stomach Acidity. Prevents Food Fermentation.

Doubtless, if you are a sufferer from indigestion, you have already tried pepto-bismol, soda, charcoal, drugs, and various digestive acids and you know these things will not cure your trouble—in some cases do not even give relief.

But before giving up hope and deciding you are a chronic dyspeptic just try the effect of a little magnesia—ask the druggist for carbonate, citrate, oxide or milk, but the pure bisulphated magnesia which you can obtain from practically any druggist in either powdered or tablet form. Take a teaspoonful of the powder or two compressed tablets with a little water after your next meal, and see what difference this makes. It will instantly neutralize the dangerous, harmful acid in your stomach which now causes your food to ferment and sour, making gas, wind, flatulence, heartburn, and the bloated or heavy lumpy feeling that seems to follow most overeating you eat.

You will find that, provided you take a little bisulphated magnesia immediately after a meal you can eat almost anything and enjoy it without any danger of pain or discomfort to follow and moreover the continued use of the bisulphated magnesia causes the stomach in any way so long as there are any symptoms of acid indigestion.

## Drink or Drug Users "Marked"

From the day that high-class men or women commence using liquor or drugs regularly or excessively they are "marked" for miserable lives and untimely deaths. "Marked" means they retain and "store up" the virulent poisons, causing a diseased condition, which forces continued indulgence.

There is no longer any excuse for high-class men becoming mental, moral and physical wrecks. In your own home, hotel or club or in one of the fine private rooms of the Neal Institute, No. 349 College, corner Broadway, Portland, Or., the Neal Treatments will eliminate the poison and restore normal conditions. 60 Neal Institutes in principal cities.