

MULTINOMAH JUDGES READY SELECTED

Governor to Name Successors to Davis and Gantenbein When Resignations Come.

MANY SEEK APPOINTMENT

Gossip Names E. V. Littlefield and G. W. Stapleton as "Best Bets," With Conrad Olson and Frank Grant Next.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe today declared that his mind is made up as to who will be the successors to Circuit Judges Davis and Gantenbein, of Multnomah County, in event they resign after receiving commissions in the United States Army.

The executive, however, refused to offer any intimation as to whom he has decided upon.

"I cannot announce the names of the successors to men who have not yet resigned," said the Governor.

"I do wish to state that it is useless to flood this office with literature and recommendations as to the successors of Judges Gantenbein and Davis. If the resignations are sent in the announcement of the appointment of their successors will be made immediately.

"There will be no hesitancy and there will be no use of making further applications or recommendations."

Over 20 letters were received by the Governor today carrying endorsements for various candidates. This is a sample of the grist which has been flooding his office for weeks from Multnomah County.

While the Governor is silent as to the appointees whom he has in mind for the two places, speculation places E. V. Littlefield and G. W. Stapleton as the two best bets, with the names of Conrad Olson and Frank Grant also discussed.

But the flood of recommendations also represents a large number of applicants besides the four men named.

It is thought probable that the resignations of the two judges will be received early next week, and their successors will be named immediately.

SHOTGUNS ARE WANTED

IRVINGTON MILITARY COMPANY ALSO SEEKS MEN.

Wicked Weapons of 12-Gauge Pump Variety Much in Demand by Independent Home Guard Band.

Men with shotguns and shotguns without men are in demand by the Irvington Military Company, an independent home guard organization, which will take as many of them—men and shotguns, but particularly the latter—as it can get.

After careful consideration the 12-gauge pump shotgun was deemed as wicked and effective a weapon as could be employed in emergency duty. The gauge is specified because it is essential that the company be uniformly armed.

There are more men than guns at present, and the company will guarantee the care of any guns sent to it. Volunteers, or those with guns, are requested to communicate with C. W. Jones, Main 122 or East 5268.

Professor Robert Krohn, physical director of the Portland public schools, is captain of the company. Dr. B. P. Shepherd, First Lieutenant, and A. B. Wardell, Second Lieutenant.

IRISH WHEAT CROP BIG

PRODUCTION MORE THAN DOUBLES AVERAGE FOR 1911-15.

Total Crop From Six Nations In Seventeenth of 1 Per Cent More Than for Year 1916.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Ireland's farmers this year have produced a wheat crop 53.8 per cent larger than last year's and 137.1 per cent more than the average crop for 1911-15.

Cablegrams from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome to the Department of Agriculture today give Ireland's wheat crop as 4,347,000 bushels and the combined wheat crops of Ireland, Spain, France, India, Japan and the United States 1,266,000,000 bushels, or seven-tenths of 1 per cent more than last year.

The United States, Spain and Ireland, the estimates show, will produce 34,000,000 bushels of rye this year, or 10 per cent more than last year; 28,000,000 bushels of barley, or 4.9 per cent more than last year, and 1,574,000,000 bushels of oats, or 15.9 per cent more than last year.

EDITORS WILL CONVEENE

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION TO MEET AUGUST 23 TO 25.

Programme Arranged at Chehalis Includes Motor Trip Through Surrounding Dairy Country.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The programme for the State Press Association meeting to be held here August 23 to 25, inclusive, is as follows:

Thursday forenoon, 9:30—Registration; Payment of dues.

10:30—Opening of the convention; address of welcome, President Chehalis Citizens Club; response, Wallace B. Jessup, president of the association; appointment of convention committee; suggestions, question box; "An Appreciation of the Press," by Mrs. R. A. Small, Superintendent Snohomish County Schools.

Situation and the Future," W. W. Ball, president and manager, Paper Warehouse Company, Seattle; "Cost Systems and Profits," Lloyd Riches, business manager, Oregonian, Portland; "Starting Something," Chapin D. Foster, Grandview Herald; "Prospects Worth Going After," E. E. Truxell, executive secretary, Washington Newspaper Association, former advertising instructor, University of Washington School of Journalism; "Our Association in the Days of Albert Johnson," Frank B. Cole, Trade Register, Tacoma; discussion; suggestions; good of the order; luncheon.

"Friday afternoon, 1:30—Business-Getting Opportunities," Frank J. Alben, editor and publisher; "New and Greater Responsibility," Institute of Journalism, University of Washington School of Journalism, Seattle Post-Intelligencer; "The Newspaper—A National Business," Edgar B. Piper, editor The Oregonian, Portland; "Getting Even—With Piper and Others," Major W. Patton, editor-publisher Hoquiam Washingtonian; "The Newspaper as a Community Builder," Orin Dale Strong, publisher New West Trade, Spokane.

"Friday evening, 6:00—Concert by Chehalis Band, recited by clever musical organization. 7:00, banquet for visiting newspapermen, their wives and guests.

Saturday morning, 9:30—"Washington Newspapers, Workers and Ambitions," Professor Colin V. Dymond, head Department of Journalism, University of Washington; "In Oregon," Professor Eric W. Allen, dean School of Journalism, University of Oregon; "Legislation," J. Clifford Kaynor, editor Elensburg Record, vice-president Oregon State Press Association; "Possibilities Through an Alliance," for Oregon, E. E. Association; A. E. Voorhies, president Oregon Editorial Association; Phil S. Baies, editor Oregonian, Portland; "The Newspaper Association," N. Russell Hill, secretary association, Davenport, Lincoln County, Times.

Unfinished business, discussion of officers, choosing convention city for 1918.

Saturday afternoon, 1:30—Convention delegates to the guests of citizens of Chehalis on an extended auto tour through the rich and fertile Chehalis Valley, celebrated for its dairy production and advancement. Adjournment.

Convention delegates who may desire to remain over Saturday night in Chehalis are assured informal entertainment of a kind that is hoped will pay for the time taken. All are welcome.

SLACKER IS FOUND OUT

WIFE TAKES OATH TO KEEP HUSBAND FROM WAR.

So Far From Being Dependent Mrs. Mattson, of Oregon City, Works in Mills at \$2.25 a Day.

VIOLIN TEACHER IS NAMED

Professor Henry L. Bettman Goes to Willamette University.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Professor Henry L. Bettman, of Portland, has been elected to teach violin in the Willamette University college of music.

Professor Bettman studied for one year at the Leipzig Conservatory with Henry Schradieck and Father Herrmann on the violin, and was a pupil of Dr. Richter's in harmony. Following this, he took violin from Henri Petri for four years and harmony and counterpoint from Richard Hoffman for the same length of time. Later he spent one and one-half years at Brussels, studying violin under Ysaey, and he then was with Hugo Hermann at Frankfurt for two years.

Professor Bettman taught violin for five years at King Conservatory, San Jose, Cal., and five years at the University of Pacific, one year at Columbia College, Seattle, and was violin soloist for the Portland Symphony Orchestra.

While Mr. Center was successful in all phases of agricultural college work—experiment station, instruction and extension—it was on his record as extension director at Idaho that his selection for the Oregon position was largely made. Of this work, President Melvin A. Brannon says:

"Director O. D. Center unquestionably is one of the ablest men in the extension work in the United States. The organization of this division of our institution is one of the most scientific and efficient of any that I have been able to examine, and I am familiar with several in the States. When Director Center came to Idaho three years ago our extension work was nothing less than a joke. He has transformed it into an agency which reaches every part of this widely-diversified state and gives satisfactory service to the various phases of agriculture, such as farm crops, livestock and dairy interests, pure seed production, boys' and girls' club work, home economics, and, most of all, to the making of a better citizenship for Idaho."

He is said by C. B. Smith, chief of the states relation service, to be a strong, tactful director, under whom the cordial relations heretofore existing between the states relation service and the Oregon Agricultural College will be continued. L. A. Clinton, acting chief, says that he understands Western conditions, has his work well organized in Idaho, and is a worthy successor to Professor Hetzel. "He has always made good and I am confident that he is the kind who always will," says Edward O. Sisson, ex-commissioner of Education for Idaho, and well-known in Oregon educational circles. "He has a powerful physique and seems not to know what it is to run out of power. He is a good speaker, a good organizer, and has the gift of ingenuity in extension work, in the way of 'getting things across.' He is a practical farmer and has added to that the best scientific training in the country for farmers."

President Kerr is confident that in Mr. Center the people of Oregon will find a man exceptionally well qualified to direct the work of agricultural and home economics extension.

Anson J. Kibbe is Buried.

Funeral services for Anson J. Kibbe were held yesterday at the chapel of J. P. Finley & Son, Rev. G. H. Pease officiating. Harmony Lodge of Masons, officiating.

Oswego Man Hit by Auto.

George Schneller, of Oswego, was knocked down and bruised badly last night by an automobile driven by W. Leaton, 785 First street, at Second and Market streets. Mr. Leaton took the injured man home, where he was attended by Dr. Guy Mount, of Oregon City.

Fireworks Injure C. Beardsley.

Charles Beardsley, caretaker at the Oregon Yacht Club, sustained severe injuries to his hand while setting off fireworks last night. A skyrocket exploded prematurely and two of his fingers were burned and lacerated badly.

Delivery Boy Injured.

Alfred Bleich, 15, a delivery boy for the postoffice, sustained a dislocated shoulder last night when his bicycle collided with a telephone pole at Thirty-second and Thurman streets. He was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital.

Twenty-Four Women Arrested.

Twenty-four women were arrested last night in a series of raids on North End hotels, in accordance with Chief of Police Johnson's orders to suppress disorderly houses in that district.

DIRECTOR IS NAMED

Orlo D. Center Succeeds Professor Hetzel at Corvallis.

EXTENSION RECORD GOOD

Ex-Member of University of Idaho Faculty Highly Recommended for Place With Oregon Agricultural College.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Corvallis, Aug. 18.—(Special.)—The appointment of Orlo D. Center, extension director of the University of Idaho, as director of the Oregon Agricultural College extension service, to succeed Professor R. D. Hetzel, resigned, has been announced by President Kerr.

Mr. Center was selected by President Kerr as the man best fitted to take up the extension work in Oregon, where it was laid down by Professor Hetzel, and

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In fact, he is seeking exemption on one of the most novel grounds that have yet crossed the attention of local exemption boards. He is seeking to escape the Army draft for the sole reason that he is a member of the Oregon Humane Society.

Although the draft officials, no doubt, will look upon this exemption claim with humanitarian hearts, it is predicted that this plea alone will fail to save the young man from his country's service. His application for exemption has not been filed yet, but it was witnessed yesterday by officials at the Courthouse, who declined to give out the young man's name.

PEACE PACTS NEAR END

CENTRAL AMERICAN NATIONS CONSIDER NEW UNION.

Treaty of 1907 Guaranteed Neutrality of Honduras, Making War Impossible Among Four Countries.

LA LIBERTAD, San Salvador, Aug. 18.—The government of Costa Rica has approached the other Central American governments with a proposal for the signing of their plenipotentiaries to consider the prorogation of the Washington treaty of 1907. The government of Costa Rica avails itself of the opportunity to suggest to Congress to study the possible unification of the five Central American republics, including, besides itself, Guatemala, Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras.

The Honduran and Salvadorean newspapers are printing articles in favor of the union.

In December, 1907, Guatemala, San Salvador, Nicaragua and Costa Rica pledged themselves to preserve the absolute neutrality of Honduras. As it is impossible for troops to go from one country to another without crossing some part of Honduras, war would be physically impossible while the treaty was observed. In addition, all matters of dispute between the Central American countries were to be referred to a court established in Costa Rica for a period of 10 years commencing in 1907.

MEXICAN BOATS BURNED

CIGARETTE STUB CAUSES FIRE IN WHICH THREE ARE INJURED.

Lighthouse Tenders on Way Down Mississippi River Are Destroyed While at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—Two steel boats, bought by the Mexican government in Chicago for lighthouse tenders, were destroyed in a series of four explosions while the boats were on the Mississippi River here tonight, en route to Mexico. Twenty men were hurt, several of them being Mexican members of the crews. The loss is estimated at \$70,000.

Jose L. Gerard, captain of one of the boats, and M. R. Malpion, lieutenant of captain Gerard's boat, probably will die of burns. A third man seriously hurt was Lieutenant James Angelo, of the St. Louis fire department.

The boats, La Azteca and La Fairista, had been taking on gasoline, food and other supplies, preparatory to resuming the journey south Sunday morning. While making a final test of the engine on the La Azteca the engineer threw a cigarette stub into a corner. A few seconds later fire broke out, followed by a terrific explosion.

The La Fairista caught fire from sparks from the other boat and in a few seconds two more explosions occurred, both boats going down. Each boat was 45 feet long, gasoline propelled.

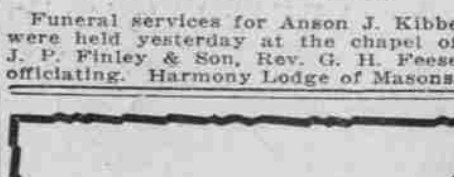
DRY WEATHER HINDERS

Output of Vancouver, Wash., Cannery Is Greatly Curtailed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—Dry weather has seriously curtailed the output of the cannery of the Oregon Packing Company in this city. With the completion of the pack of cherries, the plant has had little fruit and vegetables to work on, and unless rain comes within a few days the large acreage of beans planted for the cannery under contract will be a total failure.

Few berries were available for canning purposes this year. The prospects for the pear crop locally are not up

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No. 12, held services at the grave. Mrs. C. D. Lazenby sang "Just for Today," "Sometime, Somewhere" and "God Will Take Care of You." The pallbearers were George Harvey, G. W. Rust, G. D. Williamson, S. C. Dotson, W. K. Royal and William N. DeLain. Interment was in Riverview Cemetery. Mr. Kibbe is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary E. Kibbe, and three sons, Glen E., of this city; Dr. Orrel A., of Canton, Minn.; and Dale S. Kibbe, of Chicago, Ill.

Exemption Sought on Plea of Humanity.

Husky Youth Tells Board He Couldn't Bear to Take Life.

COMES now a Portland youth and makes his bid for the war draft. He is strong and husky and would make a striking figure in a new khaki suit. But—he just could not stand to hurl a hand grenade at a quaking Boche. His eyes could not look upon that fiery barrage as the "Sammies" advance toward German trenches. It is his desire to follow more peaceful pursuits.

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Advertisement for Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co. featuring a clearance sale of Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits. Includes a list of suit prices and information about Palm Beach and Cool Cloth suits.

Advertisement for a \$25,000 farm deal made in Washougal, and a 45 men obtained from 270 called in Elma, Wash.

Advertisement for AEROPLANES VISIT PARIS, mentioning City Endangered from Three Until 4:05 in Morning.

Large advertisement for LOUISE GLAUM AS GOLDEN ROULETTE KATE, featuring a portrait of a woman and promotional text for the film.