## IDAHO PARTY HEADS WATCHING LEAGUERS

Combination With Labor Federation Held Doubtful,

NATIONAL GROUP ENTERS

Strong Bids Are Made to Obtain Union Support for Coming Political Campaign.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 17.—(Special.)— The open flirtation of the Non-Parti-san league with the Idaho State Fedcration of Labor, aimed to bring about a political combination of the two so that in the future they might control political offices, both state and legislative, has aroused party learers here. Whether such a combination will be effective is counted doubtful, as it is not believed that either organization could hold its membership to any given object other than the one for

given object other than the one for which it was created.

In the case of labor the object is to promote better labor conditions at a higher rate of pay. The Non-Partisan league was organized to assist farmers in the marketing of their produce, but it entered the political field and there caused such confusion that last year brought it so near disaster that the league, party leaders say, now is forced to seek a combination in the hope of regaining lost tion in the hope of regaining lost

strength.
The one great drawback to the combination is the pledge of union members that they will not be influ-enced politically nor attempt to in-fluence others. Labor has never con-trolled the political destinies of any political party in this state.

League Has Two Papers. When the Non-Partisan league en tered politics in this state it sought to gain control of a number of news-papers to further the propaganda work of the league. It managed to accomplish this aim in a number of instances. Two papers were estab-lished as league organs at Nampa, one the Free Press, a daily, and the sec-ond, a weekly, the Leader. The relationship between these two papers later was not the most

friendly, the Leader people claiming they were the state mouthpiece and the Free Press claiming not to be a

the Free Press claiming not to be a strictly non-partisan paper at all. Other papers were secured in various parts of the state. Under the combination plan another paper is to be designated for both labor and the league, probably at Pocatello.

The state federation in convention assembled at Pocatello during the week was in close conference with Ray McKaig and other leaders of the league. Open bids were the order of the day, so far as the leaguers were concerned. They offered labor everything in the form of office from governor down, as a bait to fall in with the league programme. with the league programme.

A. W. Mulr, vice-president of the labor organization, paid tribute to the efforts of the league in this state during addresses before the conven-

National Party Makes Bid. The national labor party had its representatives on the ground and made a strong bid for the Idaho state federation to affiliate with it. The national party is the outgrowth of the action taken by the Chicago fed erations, later indorsed by the Illinoi state federation, to form an inde-pendent national labor organization and bring into if all state federations. Irrespective of the activities of the labor federation and the league, the two old parties are proceeding along interruption and expect to have their machinery perfected soon for the coming campaign. Within a short time the state central committees will issue calls for state conven-tions to elect delegates to the na-tional convention.

The last legislature repealed the

The last legislature repealed the state-wide primary law and passed as a substitute an act which contains a qualifying clause, which it would seem bars the leaguers from entering the republican party, at least. This qualifying clause is to the effect that where voters are challenged at the election they must produce a certification.

This applies to the primaries. Not having afflisted with the republican party at the last election the leaguers will find it difficult to qualify. They will not have the same difficulty in the democratic party, having voted the democratic ticket at the last general election.

The statement made to The Oregonian tonight Mr. McArthur said:

"I have studied the pending legislation from every angle and have concluded that it is my duty to support the anti-strike provisions of the bill now in conference."

the presidential situation than they are to state politics. It is safe to say that the republican party will be guided in selecting and instructing its delegates to the national republican convention by Senator Borah. Many of the party leaders declare that the Idaho delegation should be instructed of Senator oBrah and that the latter should be made a member of the delegation which would give cluded the matter in my mind. I of the delegation which would give cluded the matter in my mind. I him privileges on the floor of the hope the house will have an opportunity to vote on this important ques-

With the approach of the campaign, Republican party leaders are in close communication with Senator Borah and are being guided by his sugges-

### IDAHO DENTISTS ROUSED Driver Escapes Unhurt in Corvallis

Fight to Restrain Revocation of

Licenses Is Begun BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—
Dentists summoned by the state dental board and the bureau of licenses of the state law-enforcement department to show cause why their licenses should not be revoked will fight the state authorities in the courts. This was the informal announcement delivered to the dental board and Paul Davis, director of the license, bureau, this morning by legal representatives of several of the 86 dentists whose cases were started BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 17 .- (Special.)-

at 11 o'clock.

Action will be taken in both the state and federal courts to obtain in-junctions restraining the dental board and the law-enforcement department from revoking the license of dentists. The cases will probably be filed Monday.

La Grande Boy Is Named.

Business Men Hear Chamberlain.

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of Railroad Bill.

where voters are challenged at the election they must produce a certificate from the county chairman showand did not mince matters in criticing prior affiliation with the party for whose candidates they intend to their recent threat to call a strike in the event of anti-strike legislation. Mr. McArthur's remarks were heard

Leaders in the two old parties are now in conference. I have weighed giving more attention right now to all the arguments pro and con, but the

upon which the senate has ready displayed its courage and patri

### TRUCK RUNS INTO TRAIN

Crossing Accident.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 17.-William Scott and his young son ran into a Southern Pacific freight train this afternoon with an auto truck, smash-

dentists whose cases were started corner.

Seattle Committee Thinks Retailers Should Get 3 Cents.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 17.-New ane sugar will retail for 181/2 cents pound in Seattle, the King county air-price committee has decided. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU.
Washington, Jan. 17.—Frederick N.
Kitzette, son of W. R. Kitzette, of La
Grande, Or., was appointed principal
for midshipman at Annapolis naval
academy by Representative Sinnott
teday. reply were advised that Washington considers 2 cents sufficient.

Northwestern After Fund. CHICAGO, Jan. 17 .- Dr. Lynn Harberlain spoke tonight before the Business Men's association of Brooklyn at the Commodore hotel.

old Hough, president of Northwestern university, will depart July 29 on a speaking tour of the west in the in-

THREAT STIRS M'ARTHUR terests of the campaign to raise \$13,000,000 for the school this year. Dr. Hough's itinerary includes Minneapolis, St. Paul, Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Salem, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Three Fined for Killing Deer

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 17 .- (Spe cial.) - Victor Bergeson, William Braun and Fritz Braun of Veronia pleaded guilty to killing deer out of season and were fined \$25 and costs by J. G. Hazen here today. The men



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