

SPEAKERSHIP RACE  
3-CORNERED EVENT

K. K. Kubli Is Confident He Will Capture Prize.

BURDICK IS AGGRESSIVE

Fight for House Leadership at Next Legislature Develops Strength for Thomas Kay.

Before the middle of this week K. K. Kubli of Multnomah expects to have 35 votes pledged to him for speaker of the house of representatives.

The fight for the speakership is three-cornered, the contenders being Kubli of Multnomah, Denton G. Burdick of Deschutes, Jefferson Crook, Klamath and Lake, and Thomas Kay of Marion.

Campaign Is Premature. Of course, the campaigning may appear somewhat premature in view of the fact that not until the general election in November will any of the nominees know whether they will have a seat and a vote in the 1923 session.

Mr. Kubli is known to have the backing of 12 members of the Multnomah house delegation. Two members have not signed up for him yet, and one of these two is Herbert Gordon, who, as reported, has himself in the early stages, is now a supporter of Burdick.

Apparently, Kubli has 24 or 26 definite pledges, his friends say that he has 28, or three short of the constitutional majority, with a good chance of picking up seven or eight more who are friendly to him but who have not placed their names on the dotted line in a written pledge.

Burdick Support Uncertain.

The number of written pledges which Burdick has is uncertain. The number is estimated from a positively known basis of 12 upward.

Mr. Kay's strength is an unknown quantity, although it is conceded that he has made a good start.

There has been afloat for the last six weeks a rumor that a coalition would be formed by Burdick, Gordon and Kay, and that the one who could show the most strength when all the cards were on the table would have the support of the other two.

Kay is reported as vehemently denying and repudiating any such combination insofar as he is concerned.

A pact was entered into between Burdick and Gordon, which involved several other legislators, to the effect that if Burdick could produce the signed pledges of seven eastern Oregon representatives by July 25 that Gordon would give his support to Burdick.

Burdick Convinces Gordon.

When Burdick arrived in Portland a week ago, he accompanied by H. J. Overturn and Senator Upton, he is said to have carried in his portfolio the required number of written promises, which Gordon and Upton said that Gordon was satisfied with the showing made.

Mr. Burdick does not have at this time the solid backing of eastern Oregon, for Kay has in that section one man from that section, and Kubli has reasons for expecting three if not four from that section.

There are about six eastern Oregon votes which are unattached, and if the usual "stick-together" spirit, which heretofore has animated the members east of the Cascades exists now, these half-dozen votes are likely to fall into Burdick's basket.

Western Votes Scattered.

In western Oregon the votes are split. Some of the coast men are committed to Burdick and some have pledged themselves to Kubli. Kay's campaign has been confined largely to the Willamette valley. Burdick, with Overturn and Upton, visited several, but not all, of the nominees in eastern Oregon and are said to have been successful as far as they went. Kay has campaigned chiefly in Portland, in connection with this week Kubli intends scouting around the west side of the Willamette valley, where he already has some adherents and expects to find more.

Someone Being Fooled.

Undoubtedly someone is being fooled, for there are a few legislators-elect who are supposed to be for Burdick, and also for Kubli, and who personally declare that they have not pledged themselves to either, or to Kay.

Organization of the senate has not progressed in recent weeks. The seven senators of eastern Oregon have agreed to stand together and vote as a unit, but they are not committed to any aspirant for president in particular.

Candidates for president are E. D. Cusick of Lincoln, H. J. Eddy of Douglas, Bert Farrell of Multnomah and Gus Moser of Multnomah.

Newspaper Article Leads to Family Reunion.

After Silence of 25 Years Two Branches Meet Again.

PORTLAND COUPLE MADE MAN AND WIFE IN AIRPLANE-CONDUCTED MARRIAGE CEREMONY, AND OFFICIATING PASTOR.



PORTLAND COUPLE WEDDED IN MID-AIR

Novel Ceremony Conducted Via Radiophone.

EVENT FEATURES PICNIC

Miss Eva Burdick and Roy H. Scheffel Are Parties in First Airplane Marriage.

As the first compromise between marriage ties made in heaven and nuptials contracted on terra firma, hovering in an airplane between the celestial unknown and this planet, Miss Eva Burdick and Roy H. Scheffel were united in marriage by Rev. Russell M. Brougher, who conducted the novel ceremony via the radiophone at 7 o'clock last night.

The bridegroom, a former pilot in the naval air service during the war, with his blue-eyed, bobbed-haired, attractive bride, smiling in the face of the novelty and excitement of the occasion, climbed into the tonneau of the Sky Pilot, a Curtis type biplane, piloted by W. L. O'Neal, a few minutes before the scheduled time of the ceremony last night, and took off from Broomfield, Eastmoreland, in the direction of Crystal Lake park, where the Veterans of Foreign Wars staged a picnic yesterday, and over which the rites were to be performed.

"Hello, bride party! Are you there?" came the query via the other waves.

"Let 'er go, person!" flashed back the word, nearly lost in the whirl of the motor.

"You promise to love, honor and—"

"Wh-r-r-r-r-r-r!" interjected the motor.

"I now pronounce you man and wife, a la airplane." Thus was performed what goes on record as the most up-to-date and modernly accented wedding ceremony ever attempted.

To make the ceremony legitimate and avoid any protest from conservative sources, the couple were married at the White Temple by Rev. Mr. Brougher, who has been preaching there during July and who will deliver his final sermon today, prior to his departure for Tacoma, where he will preach during August.

The bride wore a dark blue crepe de chine dress matched with an attractive silk hat. She was presented with a gorgeous bouquet of orchids and white sweet peas, which she cast from her loveliness of the air to the waiting crowd at Crystal Lake park.

Wedding Picnic Event.

The two were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Roos as witnesses. The couple will take a honeymoon trip to Rainier National park and return to make their home in Portland.

The bridegroom, an ex-service man, is one of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which organization presented the couple with complete furnishings for their apartment as a wedding gift. He is at present sales manager for the Danke Canning company.

This unusual wedding ceremony was staged by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who used it as one of the advertising stunts for their mammoth picnic at Milwaukie yesterday, where jollity and entertainment glowed were features of the day.

Bathing girls competed for handsome prizes in a parade in the afternoon. Drivers of note from all over the northwest vied for honors, and the veterans themselves furnished the balance of the joy-making. In addition, the much-talked-of bungalow and two lots were raffled off to the picnickers.

Veterans Expect Guests.

The veterans held the picnic to raise funds for entertainment of visiting delegates to the national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, numbering about 4000, who will pass through this city on their way to Seattle next month.

By this means it is planned to rally about John Walker Jones as candidate for national president of the organization. The veterans are waging a campaign to make Jones the national chief.

HEAD OF BUSINESS HOUSE SELF-SLAIN

Lawrence Endicott Is Found Dead at Home.

BULLET WOUND IN HEAD

Revolver Found Beside Bed; Wife Away at Time; Friends Unable to Account for Act.

Approximately 18 hours after he shot himself through the head, the body of Lawrence Endicott, president of the Endicott Paper company, East Fifth and Flanders streets, was found on the sleeping porch of his home at 985 Westover road at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon by W. L. Walsh, local manager of the company.

Mrs. Endicott went to San Francisco over a week ago to assist in settling the estate of an aunt and was expected back last night, according to Walsh. He said that for eight days, during his wife's absence, Mr. Endicott had not been at his office and the only communication between them had been by telephone.

On Friday afternoon a telegram from Mrs. Endicott reached the office and Walsh telephoned the message to Mr. Endicott. It announced that Mrs. Endicott was starting for home and would arrive on the Shasta limited last night.

In the same conversation Walsh asked Endicott the home to which he was returning, where the office Saturday morning, which the latter agreed to do. When he did not appear Walsh telephoned several times, but Mrs. Endicott never returned to the Endicott residence. Failing to receive any response when he rang, Walsh also called to the upper windows of the building, finding the door wide open, walked in and through the house.

Death Clearly Suicidal.

Lying on the bloodstained bed on the sleeping porch was the body of Endicott, a revolver beside it and a bullet hole completely through the head. On the head of the bed was a mark where the bullet had struck and rebounded from the wall.

Endicott had shot himself while sitting on the edge of the bed and fallen over on his side. Examination of the .38-caliber revolver showed that two shots had been fired. The first one evidently was a trial shot, as the bullet had struck the floor and glanced off against the wall opposite.

Walsh immediately called the police, who after a complete investigation, declared the case clearly one of suicide. The coroner took charge of the body, declaring that death had occurred Friday afternoon, before it was found. Neighbors told the police they heard two shots fired about 7:30 o'clock Friday night and it is thought that Endicott shot himself at that time. Persons living in the vicinity said they had not seen very much of the man since his wife had gone away. When found he wore a khaki suit, woolen shirt and old slippers.

The suicide could be attributed to no definite reason, either by family or company associates. Associates, Walsh said the affairs of the paper company were in excellent shape, and the only business worry Endicott had was the fact that he had caused Endicott a monetary loss, and had troubled him somewhat, but not sufficiently to have caused him to take his life.

Despondent Tone Noted.

His health had been extremely good for quite a while. He had been troubled with high blood pressure and kidney trouble, but he had not considered serious. Walsh did admit, however, that Endicott had seemed gloomy and despondent when he talked with him over the telephone the last time Friday and also in previous conversations.

Lawrence Endicott was 42 years old and was born in Boston. He was a descendant of Governor Endicott, one of the early governors of Massachusetts, and was a graduate of Harvard. Even intimate personal friends do not seem to know many details concerning his life. He came to Portland about three years ago. His wife, who was a Los Angeles girl, they moved into the new house on Westover road last February. There were no children.

Besides being president of the Endicott Paper company in Portland, he was vice-president of the Mutual Paper company in Seattle.

The body will be kept at the coroner's office until the widow arrives in the city and funeral arrangements are made.

DE VALERA DISAPPEARS

EX-CHIEF ON WAY TO AMERICA, RUMOR SAYS.

Belief Is That Former President Will Seek Support Here for Anti-Treaty Faction.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, July 29.—Edmond de Valera has left Ireland secretly and has taken passage on a ship bound for the United States, according to a well-defined rumor circulating in Irish republican circles in this city.

It was pointed out that De Valera has not been seen with the tattered remnants of the republican army in Ireland for several days. It is believed by many of his friends that he has made his way to an Irish seaport and escaped from the country in order once again to seek sympathy and financial support in America for the anti-treaty faction.

De Valera was last heard of in rural districts around Cork, rallying his men after the flight from Dublin and trying to arouse the countryside to join the insurgent cause.

In June, 1919, when affairs in Ireland were at a crisis in negotiations with England, De Valera, then provisional president of the so-called republic of Ireland, suddenly bobbed up in this country. He had worked his way across on a freighter. He was in New York several days before his identity was disclosed.

The Oregonian publishes practically all of the want ads printed in the other three Portland papers, in addition to thousands of exclusive advertisements not printed in any other local paper.

MANY CANDIDATES LOOM

PLACES ON CITY COMMISSION WIDELY DESIRED.

Dr. Parrish and Perkins, Alva L. Stephens and George B. Thomas Named as Possibilities.

Although this is the vacation period, politics is not "adjoined." Quiet boomlets are being fostered for the municipal election to be held in the autumn. Two city commissioners are to be elected in November and there will be a full supply of aspirants in the field prepared to fill these vacancies.

Successors to City Commissioners Bigelow and Pier are to be selected. Mr. Bigelow has been holding down the job of commissioner for many years and has no intention, apparently, of relinquishing his job and returning to private life. What Mr. Pier will do is more uncertain. There has been a belief that Commissioner Pier would not seek another term but of late there has come a rumor that he might, after all, change his mind.

Stanhope Pier, son of the commissioner, has been told by his friends that he should succeed his father. The suggestion has not been rejected and for months past Stanhope Pier has been looking over the situation and studying what his chances would be. Of course, if Commissioner Pier is a candidate for re-election his son will not oppose him.

Dr. George Parrish, city health officer, may try his luck. The doctor has a wide acquaintance and his official position has given him publicity which is valuable for a candidate. A number of years ago the doctor was a candidate, and although unsuccessful at that time he made a strong showing.

Alva Lee Stephens is another name being used with increasing frequency for the position of city commissioner. He is familiarly known as "Big Steve."

Dr. T. L. Perkins, who served several months as a city commissioner, and who has been a member of the legislature in the state senate, has been carefully planning his re-entrance into the race for the time he terminated his brief service at the city hall.

George B. Thomas, member of the school board, had according to his friends, had an eye on a city commissioner's post for some time. He is expected to make the plunge in November. In this connection it is reported that Thomas, Perkins and Stephens are being considered for the endorsement of the federation of patriotic societies. As there are but two commissioners to elect, however, only two candidates are likely to be endorsed.

Only one woman has, thus far, been mentioned for city commissioner. Mrs. Ocean Jolly was gathering support among organizations of women but the printing establishment with which she has been identified is now involved in litigation and this cause may have some effect on her candidacy.

The municipal election, which ordinarily would attract keen interest, is overshadowed by the election of governor and will have to take a back seat when the state campaign warms up. Coming at a time when there is a general state election, it is election instead of being a headline slips back to the place of merely a feature.

Under the charter, officers are elected on a non-partisan basis and candidates are not selected because they are republicans or democrats. The preferential voting system obtains, which does not suit everyone, and the committee now considering a new charter are split 50-50 on whether to retain or reject the preferential system.

Immediately following the vacation period it is expected that aspirants for city commissioner will get into action for the main offensive.

NEW STREETS WANTED

Milwaukie Commercial Club in Favor of Construction.

The necessity of opening new streets in Milwaukie from Monroe to Washington streets and the construction of twenty-second street through the Tcharner tract has been agitated by the Milwaukie commercial club. Investigation proved that no provision for streets had been made in the Tcharner tract, and as a result action will be taken soon to remedy this condition, according to members of the club.

The practice of the Interurban cars of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company in running on the wrong side of the street in the business district of the city was also taken up and a committee appointed to investigate the regulating law or

OLD FRIENDS ARE RIVALS

RHODE ISLAND PROMISES SENSATIONAL FIGHT.

Peter Goelet Gerry and ex-Governor Beekman Seat in United States Senate.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 29.—(By the Associated Press).—A fight for a United States senate seat between Peter Goelet Gerry and former Governor R. Livingston Beekman, both originally from New York, who live next door to each other along the ocean front of Newport and who have hobnobbed over tennis nets and on the polo field, promises to be the feature of the approaching political campaign in Rhode Island.

Mr. Gerry, who is a son of Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry of New York, captured a senate seat from Henry L. Lippitt in 1918. He is a democrat, while Mr. Beekman, who will oppose him, as the republican candidate, served his novitiate in politics as a state representative from Newport and finally as governor.

There are no primaries in this state. Both parties will hold their conventions early in October. While the senatorial nominations are virtually conceded, the rest of both tickets, from governor down, is in doubt.

Prohibition enforcement and the long textile strike have aroused some antagonism within the republican party, which today has all the state offices.

Governor Emery J. San Juan is expected to be a candidate for a second nomination.

Poland Signs Trade Agreement.

WARSAW.—The Polish foreign office, in publishing the ratification of the Franco-Polish commercial treaty, announces that Poland has now signed trade agreements with nine other signatories: Italy, Czechoslovakia, Roumania, Hungary, Austria, Meisel, Spain, Portugal and Yugoslavia, and is making negotiations for similar treaties with England, Japan, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway. Pourparlers with Germany and Russia also have commenced. While no formal treaty has been made between Poland and the United States, an agreement has already been reached.

DO YOU REMEMBER?



The shouting, persuasive "butchers" who sold things that no one wanted to eat or drink at the society circus held at the armory October 25, 26 and 27, 1894? Another phase of the event appeared in this column last February, but this represents a part that will be remembered by anyone who went to the circus because of the determination with which the young men hawked and squawked their wares.

- When Mrs. Amory Holbrook was president of the Ladies' Relief society, which ministered to the poor in distress?
- When Dr. John Folkman—he with the large double convex glasses—published the first German newspaper?
- When the potters' field was one of the most unsightly places in South Portland, now occupied by slightly homes?
- When Rutherford B. Hayes, then president of the United States, threw a pebble across the Columbia river below Celilo?
- When pioneer women, making the voyage to San Francisco, always selected the steamship on which Mary Lynch was stewardess?
- When the contest in Multnomah county conventions always was lively, if not bitter, for nomination as coroner?

Will of Sailor Engraved on Identification Disc.

Man Lost in Jutland Battle Left Strange Testament.

LONDON, July 29.—Strange as the fiction story of any document told in fiction is that of a will which has just been admitted to probate and is now filed in Somerset house.

It is the "last will and testament" of a sailor, William Skinner, who lost his life when his ship, the Indefatigable, was sunk in the battle of Jutland. It is in the form of the ordinary identification disc. On one side, in the usual deeply punched letters, appears the name, number, rating and religion of the man to whom it had been issued.

On the other side of the disc appears, at first sight, to be just a circular piece of smooth, polished brass. But where viewed at a certain angle there can be seen about 75 minutely engraved words. With a microscope they can be plainly read. The constitutor, Skinner's will, by which he bequeaths everything to his wife. The disc had been recovered from the sea with Skinner's body and on being cleaned revealed its secret.

Old Plaza Hotel at San Juan Closed After 72 Years.

No Inn in California to Which More Romance and Historical Color is Attached.

SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, Cal., July 29.—The names of General Vallejo, John C. Fremont, William Tecumseh Sherman, James A. Forbes and Senator Broderick are some of the famous names inscribed on the register of the old Plaza hotel at San Juan, which has been closed after 72 years of operation.

There is probably no hotel in the state to which more romance and historical color is attached. In the first register, 1852 to 1859, afterwards Broderick and some of the famous associations there would be inscribed the man's name and his horse. The civil war was fought out on its pages. One man, writing his signature after hearing of the battle of Bull Run, affixed to it: "Hurrah for the confederacy;" and further down another guest wrote: "To hell with the confederacy."

Every reb. should be hung by the ears." Bayard Taylor, famous for his "Travels Afoot," was one of those who stayed at the Plaza shortly after its opening.