

CRANK WANTS PRESIDENT TO CHANGE NAME SYSTEM

He Claims Present Method of Naming People Has Caused a World Wide Fly War.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Edward Relgar, who gave his address as Chicago, was arrested at the White House today and locked up, pending an inquiry into his mental condition. Relgar evidently is of unbalanced mind. He has written many letters to the president, suggesting that people be named in accordance with their occupations. Thus he maintains that a dealer in wood should be named Wood, a carpenter should be named Carpenter, and so on throughout the list. He says that the present scheme of naming people has caused a war among the flies which may be ended only by the adoption of his suggestion.

Officers have been on the lookout for him, and when he appeared today he was promptly placed in custody. Relgar desired to see the president to ascertain why his letters had not been answered. When he was searched a loaded revolver and a box of cartridges were found in his pockets. The officers had no difficulty in getting him away from the White House. He was then taken to police headquarters, where he was turned over to the authorities. Relgar says he is a miner and railroad man. He arrived here Saturday night. An examination of his effects disclosed copies of several letters he had written to the president and some documents indicating that he was interested in patent devices.

CONVENTION IS POSTPONED.

Democrats Put Off Ticket Until After Republican Primaries.

Portland, Feb. 22.—At a meeting of the democratic state central committee this afternoon, it was decided not to put any ticket in the field until after the republicans had held their primaries and to that end decided not to hold the state convention until April 19.

In Memory of Washington.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—The anniversary of the birth of Washington was observed here today by the Union League Club with two meetings at the auditorium theater, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon, and a banquet tonight to the members of the club. The principal service was held in the afternoon when Ellhu Root, former secretary of war, delivered an address on the "Ethics of the Panama Question."

FUNSTON COMING TODAY.

General Funston and Others Will Visit The Dredge Chinook.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 22.—A distinguished party of United States army officers and government officials will leave here tomorrow morning for the mouth of the Columbia river, to watch the operations of the dredge Chinook. The party consists of General Funston, Colonel Tucker, Majors Evans, Rees, Bethel and Langfitt, Colonel David M. Dunne collector of internal revenue, and Collector of Customs Patterson.

It is stated the trip is purely unofficial and has no connection with the recent trouble which occurred on board the dredge.

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Engine Blows Up.

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All German soldiers must learn to swim. Some of them are so expert that, with their clothing on their heads and carrying guns and ammunition, they can swim streams several hundred yards wide.

Ambassador Entertains.

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—Baron Speck Von Sternberg, the German ambassador to the United States, upon whom the university of Pennsylvania today conferred the degree of doctor of laws,

was the principal speaker at the large monthly meeting tonight of the American academy of political and social science at the new century drawing room. The large audience warmly greeted the baron. After the ambassador had concluded his address, he was tendered a reception by the members of the academy.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. H. E. Judge is in the city from Portland visiting with Mrs. E. W. Tallant.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Pendleton have returned home from Portland. Mr. Pendleton is very much improved in health.

Mrs. Campbell, who has been ill in one of Portland's hospitals for some weeks, is home again, greatly improved in health.

Miss Grace Wright, who has been visiting with her uncle's family, Rev. Mr. Larson, left yesterday for her home in Oakland, Cal.

Charles Isaacson, who has been in the city for the past few days in connection with the settling up of his father's estate, is now en route for the east, having obtained a satisfactory settlement.

Rev. Oscar Ostrom returned yesterday from Chinook, where he spent last Sunday. He expects to leave this evening for Tacoma to attend the annual meeting of the Columbia conference of Lutheran churches.

L. L. Paetz, formerly of Astoria, is in the city from Portland for a brief visit with friends.

Captain Latham returned yesterday from Salem, where he attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, Edward Lamb, one of the best known printers in Oregon.

Captain Richardson, of the Columbine, has recovered from an attack of bilious fever.

Mrs. Sam Ross has returned from a visit in San Francisco.

H. C. Wortman, son and daughter, of Portland, spent Sunday in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dunbar.

E. C. Kindred is seriously ill and fears are entertained that he may not recover. His illness has lasted for some time and there is no improvement in his condition.

Manager Humphries, of the Postal, spent Sunday in Oregon City.

Convention Date Fixed.

Helena, Feb. 22.—The republican state committee, at a meeting today, fixed April 12 as the date for holding the state convention to elect delegates to the national republican convention. The convention will meet at Helena.

Chinese Brigands Operate

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—Heavy snows and blizzards over the Siberian railway, especially east of Iakal, are largely increasing the difficulties of transporting troops, beside better enabling the Chinese brigands to operate. Japanese agents are reported north of Vladivostok, inciting the brigands to action.

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