

CHAMP CLARK COMING LEADER ILLINOIS IS 90 YEARS OLD TODAY

Noted Missourian Slated to Head Majority in Congress—His Career.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Washington, Dec. 3.—Though the congressional mill will not begin to grind until next week, the usual preliminaries in the way of committee meetings and conferences are already well under way. Of these preliminaries by far the most interesting attaches to the caucus of the Democratic members of the house which has been held Saturday to choose a leader to succeed Representative John Sharp Williams of Mississippi, who retired from the minority leadership last spring upon his election to the senate.

There is little room to doubt that the leadership will fall to Representative Champ Clark of Missouri. Mr. Williams and his friends are supporting the Missourian, and the position of Clark, though the name of Representative Henry of Texas has been mentioned as a possible candidate for the leadership, is virtually a sure thing of the leadership. It is claimed today by the Clark supporters that neither De Armond nor Henry will develop any considerable strength in the caucus.

Comparing Clark With Williams.

Champ Clark is probably the best known figure of the caucus, and without much question, the most popular one. For several reasons his elevation to the minority leadership is expected to be a marked distinction to the leadership of John Sharp Williams. Many Democrats believe, and in this number are some of the best friends of Williams, that Clark will make more of his personal likes and dislikes in the makeup of committees and other matters. He is expected by the Democrats of the house who know him to sink his personal feelings as to members and to make up the committees, on the Democratic side, with reference solely to personal fitness. One of the important committees to which he will have to give attention is the ways and means committee, which is the fact of the revision of the tariff is supposedly near at hand. It is not to be undertaken in the sixtieth congress, but as the ways and means committee is made up at this session it will be for the most part in the sixty-first congress. Clark is now the ranking minority member on the ways and means committee. If he becomes the minority leader he will leave the committee himself and it is expected as a matter of course will put in his place De Armond of Missouri. De Armond is a hard worker and a strong advocate of tariff reform.

Clark's Remarkable Career.

Few members of the house on either side have had a wider range of experience than has Clark. He is 58 years old and a native of Kentucky. He graduated from Kentucky university at Lexington and studied law at the Cincinnati law school. In 1873 and 1874 he was president of the first normal school established in West Virginia. After his experience there he removed to Missouri and became principal of the high school at Louisiana in that state. In 1876 he began the active practice of law and for several years served as city attorney of Louisiana. Then came a period of two years of service as editor of a country newspaper.

THUG ATTACKS IN DAYLIGHT

Beats San Francisco Woman, in Her Own Home; Robs and Then Escapes.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Oakland, Cal., Dec. 3.—Mrs. M. McLeod of 1812 Twelfth street was surprised yesterday afternoon by a thug who held a revolver at her face and, when she disregarded his command not to scream, beat her into insensibility with the weapon and then robbed her of her watch and \$45 which she had just drawn from the savings bank. In making his escape, the robber dropped on the front stairs the white handkerchief, marked with an initial "T," which he had used as a mask.

RIVAL BROTHERS' DEATH COMPACT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Geneva, Dec. 3.—The rivalry of two brothers in a love affair has just had an unusual and dramatic ending. Zurich, Louis and Charles Ferrari were Italian, and had never quarreled until both fell in love with the same girl, a girl of Zurich. Then they became hated rivals, each swearing that he would marry the girl. She did not favor one or the other. The brothers formed a strange compact. It was arranged that one should disappear, and that the first who saw the other after the certain period should have the right to put him out of the way.

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LONG FIGHT WITH WIND AND WAVE

Lighthouse Man Survives Awful Experience on Lake Michigan.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Chicago, Dec. 3.—Edward Skirling, a 19-year-old lighthouse keeper on the Racine, Wis., reef, is in a hospital in this city after a nine-hour battle for his life against an icy storm on Lake Michigan in a disabled launch. Only by a mere chance was his predicament discovered, and he was saved just when worn with exhaustion and frozen stiff, he was ready to give up the struggle.

RICH MAN'S SON IS A BURGLAR

Operated With a Complete Thug Outfit—Friends Say He Is Insane.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salinas, Cal., Dec. 3.—Charles J. Boyle, 22 years of age, son of Henry Boyle, the San Rafael millionaire, was convicted of burglary yesterday afternoon. He is a member of the Twentieth United States infantry.

WATERWAY MEN AT NEW ORLEANS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
New Orleans, Dec. 3.—The advance guard of delegates has arrived in New Orleans for the big inland waterways convention which is to begin a two days' session here tomorrow. The chief purpose of the convention is to discuss plans for the projected inland waterway from New Orleans to the Rio Grande river at Brownsville, Texas. The plans adopted will be presented to the rivers and harbors convention to be held next week in Washington.

FATHER YOUNG UNDER INVESTIGATION AGAIN

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Dec. 3.—An alleged chaotic condition of affairs in the finances of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, of which Father Young, Young was rector, has resulted in a determination on the part of the parishioners to ask an accounting of funds held by Father Young.

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art student. The rector resigned the pastorate and was succeeded by the Rev. Father Dodd of Wisconsin. Father Dodd refused to take over the funds from Father Young until matters were investigated.

Social Scientists Confer.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Minneapolis, Dec. 3.—The annual meeting of the Minnesota Academy of Social Sciences, opening with a public

session at the University of Minnesota this evening, promises to be an extremely interesting and profitable gathering. The meeting will continue over tomorrow. Among the topics scheduled for discussion are the geological and geographical structure of Minnesota, the policy of the state regarding timber lands, social conditions in Minnesota, the state's educational system and its present status and the development of charitable institutions in Minnesota.

Revolution in Lighting.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Rome, Dec. 3.—Professor Pierucci, the eminent Italian physicist of Pisa, announces that he has invented a new species of paper that is destined to

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To meet Catharine the Great in the Subway, or to see Henry the Eighth, with a wooden leg, begging alms on lower Broadway, is not so amazing when you reflect that in America there must be tens of thousands of descendants of kings of that period and earlier. Some astonishing stories connected with the search for ancestors are revealed in this article.

The Thin Santa Claus

By Ellis Parker Butler

Why Mrs. Gratz was awakened on Christmas morning by a great silence; why she didn't like a "taking-away" Santa Claus; why the toberchios bugs freeze up in the winter and get brittle and bust into a thousand pieces—all is told in the drollest Christmas story published in years: a story in which the author of PIGS IS PIGS proves that sometimes chickens is chickens.

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By Brand Whitlock

In the Sleeping Column the Mayor of Toledo tells a remarkable story of a Southern boy, who was not a spy, yet served in both the Union and Confederate armies, and was personally mentioned by the two leading generals of the opposing forces.

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One of the best stories that Mr. Chester ever wrote. It tells how Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford made his first visit to New York, and how peevish he became over the coarse and unimaginative methods of New York's confidence men and green-goods brokers.

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"Pardon, You Are Mademoiselle Girard!"

By Leonard Merrick

All Paris was hunting for Mademoiselle Girard. On the boulevards, in the cafes and shops, was heard on all sides, "Pardon, you are Mademoiselle Girard?" Young men resigned promising occupations to engage in the search. No lady, comely or uncomely, providing she was young, was free from the accusing, "Pardon, you are Mademoiselle Girard!" Who found Mademoiselle Girard is disclosed in one of the most interesting stories of the year.

What Happens at Rehearsals

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