ACCOUNT TO STATE BY M'DONELL

Colonel of Third Regiment Turns in Statement for Three Quarters Showing $400 Balance on Hand—No Shortage Probable.

Charles E. McDonell, colonel of the Third regiment, Oregon National Guard, has nothing worse the matter with his accounts of the regimental funds than a careless system of bookkeeping, according to the officers who have been checking them up and others who know of his system of handling the funds entrusted to his care.

The state fund accounts, or the "accounts current," were checked up yesterday afternoon and turned over to Adjutant General Finzer before that official left for Camp Perry, Ohio, where he has gone to attend the national rifle shoot tournament. These accounts are now in the hands of Colonel James Jackson, who has been directed by General Finzer to check them up.

According to Colonel Jackson these accounts show a balance on hand of $400 up to the end of June last, the close of the last quarter. Out of this balance it will be necessary to take the current expenses of the regiment for the months of July and August, which will leave a balance of close to $250, according to the estimate of Colonel Jackson.

Colonel Jackson to Audit.

Colonel Jackson will check up these reports, as turned in by Colonel McDonell and if the accounts check with the balance given, this check will end the inquiry of the state into the matter. Colonel Jackson this morning said that he was sure that the accounts would check out as given and that they would therefore prove to be correct.

The other and larger account entrusted to the custody of Colonel McDonell is the regimental fund. This fund has not been checked, but Colonel McDonell is now at work on it and will in all probability finish his work tomorrow. Other than to say that he is confident that it will be found in good shape, Colonel McDonell would not discuss the matter today. From other sources, however, the information comes that the work done so far on the account shows it to be correctly kept.

Captain Smith of company E, the ranking officer of the regimental board, now checking the accounts, stated this morning that as far as the board had gone the account was in good shape and that he was confident no fault would be found with it when finally completed.

The rumors of a probable shortage in the accounts of Colonel McDonell, therefore, seem to be baseless and were started because of the fact that an accounting had been called for by Adjutant General Finzer.

Some Loose Bookkeeping.

The fact of the matter seems to be that Colonel McDonell has been negligent in the matter of keeping his books. The last official accounting made to General Finzer was made to cover the quarter ending with the month of September. This left the last quarter of 1908 and the first two quarters of 1909 to be accounted for. Owing to the announcement made by Colonel McDonell that he intended to resign, General Finzer called for an accounting in order to make this resignation possible, since it was necessary that all of the colonel's accounts should be closed and the balances, if any, turned over to his successor.

General Finzer, according to many, is as much to blame for the condition of things as is Colonel McDonell. As the commanding officer of the National Guard it was and is his duty to have all accounts with the state closed at the end of each quarter. This he failed to do, though he did call for the accounts, being told by McDonell that they would be turned in as soon as possible. When more time passed and the accounts were not made out, he did not insist that the work be done, as it is required by the rules of the National Guard.

No Basis for Charge.

The whole tangle, therefore, is a result of loose bookkeeping. There can be no basis for a charge of shortage against Colonel McDonell until after he has made out his reports and submitted them. He has kept all funds intrusted to him in his own account in the bank, if, after he renders his account, he has not the money to cover the balances found from his books, then a shortage could be charged against him. If he turns in his account and the balance in cash called for, and the check of the accounts show them to be correct, then no shortage could be charged, and that seems to be the thing that is going to happen.

The two funds in the care of Colonel McDonell are composed of state funds and funds received for the maintenance of the Armory and other regimental business. The first is the accounts current fund. This comes to the colonel from an allotment of 10 cents for every man under his command. This amounts to approximately $30 a month and is practically all absorbed in the current expenses of the regiment. This is the fund under the care of General Finzer and which has been accounted for with a balance on hand of $400.

The second fund is the regimental fund. This is made up of allotments to the captains from the state, added to by all money received from the rental of the Armory and in other such ways. It totals something like $3000 annually, but is in turn practically all absorbed in paying the expenses of the regimental business. This is the fund which is now being checked up by Colonel McDonell and which is being audited by the regimental board.

Have Report Tomorrow.

Colonel McDonell has until August 23 to make up these reports, but expects to have them prepared and submitted by tomorrow, the state fund already having been turned over to the adjutant general. Much speculation is being indulged in in National Guard circles concerning the successor to Colonel McDonell. It is believed that Major Baker will be elected to that position, though Captain Poorman of Woodburn is also an aspirant.

The companies at Baker City, La Grande, Pendleton and The Dalles will also ballot on the colonelcy and should they unite on some eastern Oregon man and the six Portland companies not be united in their choice, the eastern Oregon companies could control the situation. The successor will not be elected until the beginning of the next quarter, in all probability.

CLARKE'S ENGINEER ALSO IN PORTLAND

F. C. Finkle of Los Angeles, chief engineer for E. P. Clarke, head of the Mount Hood railroad project, is a guest at the Seward. Mr. Clarke is at the Portland. The presence of these two men in the city has given rise to a rumor that they are here to sell out the Mount Hood surveys to the Oregon Trunk railroad for the Hill interests. Purchase of this property, it is held, would make it unnecessary for Hill to build a bridge across the Columbia, as the track could parallel the tracks of the O. R. & N. into Portland.

DIES FIGHTING SISTER'S WILL

Miss Rena Kady Was One of Relatives of Eccentric Philadelphian.

Miss Rena Kady died Friday after a day's illness and the family of her brother, Mark T. Kady, is awaiting the arrival of their sister, Mrs. Wahlstrom of Green Bay, Wis., before the funeral announcements are made. Miss Kady was private secretary for her brother, who is president of the Union Pacific Life Insurance company.

Thursday noon Miss Kady was passing Brandes' restaurant at Sixth and Stark, when she fell in a faint and was taken indoors by Mrs. Brandes' cousin, Miss Pincus. With the latter she made her way, after being revived, but had to stop again at Martin and Rowe's drug store to be revived again. She was then taken to Mr. Kady's office in the Oregonian building, but as it was closed she went to Dr. Ainslee's office next door and there received a stimulant.

At 3 o'clock Mr. Kady took her to his home in an automobile at 62 Wiberg Lane. She complained of a pain in her chest and kept growing weaker till she died the next day at noon. Dr. Biersdorf attended her. Her death was caused by anaemia which had been gradually weakening her and which caused a general collapse of her whole system.

Miss Kady was 52 years of age, and was born in Baltimore. She came to Chicago from there 20 years ago and 10 years ago came to Portland with her mother, who died five years ago. She was living on Washington street, near Trinity Place. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Wahlstrom of Green Bay, Wis., and Mrs. Della Costello of Baltimore, and by her brother.

A third sister, Mrs. George Wood of Philadelphia was found dead last October under strange circumstances, and the sisters and brothers were contesting the will which involved some $200,000 worth of property. She was possessed of a splendid art collection valued at $67,000, which she willed to the Fairmont Park art gallery in Philadelphia, and she left some $90,000 worth of jewelry to prominent Philadelphia women, and her $60,000 home for an art gallery, besides bequeathing various sums to charities.

SPANISH FORCES TURN ON MOORS

New Munitions Landed at Melilla and Garrison Is Again Aggressive.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Madrid, Aug. 16.—Fighting between the Moors and Spaniards was resumed today at Melilla. After a disastrous week for the forces under General Marina, during which the Moors have kept the garrison of 38,000 men closely hugging the walls of the city while they poured shot into the fortifications from the mountainside, Marina moved aggressively against the tribesmen today.

The Spanish general has been handicapped for some time from the lack of supplies. The long expected munitions arrived several days ago and in spite of the attempts of the Moors to prevent a landing, a number of French field cannon have reached Marina.

SEISMOGRAPH SHOWS QUAKE

Instrument at Washington Points to California or Coast of Mexico.

Washington, Aug. 16.—The seismograph here registered an earthquake which believed to have occurred on the Pacific coast or Mexico at 1 o'clock this morning. The shake lasted over an hour.

Possibly in West Indies.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Ann Arbor, Mich., Aug. 16.—The seismograph at the University of Michigan registered an earthquake shock early this morning, which lasted 1 hour and 47 minutes. University scientists believe the shake occurred somewhere in the West Indies.

GOODBYE TO GIRL; GAS JET; RESCUED

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 16.—Pinning a note reading "Goodbye, Dear Girl, Goodbye," beneath a picture on a postal card which was addressed to Miss Lillian C. Austin, Toledo, Ohio, Henry Weld Hardy, a private in company M, eight infantry, stationed at the Presidio, turned on the gas in a lodging house where he had rented a room, and lay down on the bed. The odor of the gas attracted the attention of other roomers and Hardy was rescued. He is now recovering. Hardy denied strenously that unrequited love had caused him to become despondent. His parents, brothers and sisters reside in this city, where his father is employed as a chemist.

A second note which was found in the room today read:

"To whom it may concern—I left my things in a dress suit case at 935 Buchanan street."

Investigation showed that he had rented a room and left the suit case with his belongings there.

DEADLY DUEL OVER JUST THREE DOLLARS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Rafael, Cal., Aug. 16.—John Colombo, an Italian gardener, lies in a local hospital today probably fatally injured from a dozen stiletto wounds in his chest and abdomen, while his assailant, Louis Maggori, a laborer, is in jail, as the results of a knife duel fought in front of the San Rafael house early today. The cause of the affray was a dispute over money.

Colombo had recently returned from Italy, where he was given $3 to turn over to a woman in San Rafael, by a fellow countryman. According to his story, Maggori claimed the money.

The men then grew angry, both drew their knives and Colombo was stabbed. Leaving his victim prostrate on the sidewalk Maggori started to run, but Policeman O'Brien arrested him after a short chase and took him to jail.

American Mining Congress.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 16.—Announcements of the next meeting of the American Mining Congress have reacher the executive office at Salem. Governor Benson will be privileged to appoint 10 delegates from this state to the congress, which meets at Goldfield, Nev., September 27, 28, 29 and 30 and October 1 and 2.

STRIKES WOMAN; MUST PAY FINE

D. J. Coghlan Finds His Brand of Love Expensive.

D. J. Coghlan was the star boarder at Mrs. F. Osborne's Upshur street lodging house. His 30 years didn't prevent him from falling in love with Mrs. Osborne's 40. And once in love, Coghlan went the rest of the way to green jealousy. When he paid his bill last week he stared at his landlady and said grimly, "Woman, wouldst have me heart, must cut out the other mutta."

Mrs. O. gave him the glassy gaze. Also a receipt in full for his bill. "Hence!" said she in icy tones.

Coghlan henced. But he came back. He found Mrs. Osborne chatting to another broader. The other man was bigger and Coghlan waited his chance. Then he approached Mrs. Osborne and batted her one in the right eye. "Dost love me?" he wailed, preparing to get in another punch.

Mrs. Osborne pulled a gun eight inches long and with a shiny steel barrel. "Hence for the last time," said she.

But Coghlan took the gun away from her and prepared for another attack on the beaming eye. At that moment the telephone bell rang and the ardent lover smiled grimly. "Ah ha! another one!" he caroled. And while Mrs. Osborne hastened to the phone he followed.

"Hello!" she said.

At that moment Coghlan took the receiver away from her and hung it up. Then he punched Mrs. O. on the left eye and followed it up till Mrs. O. escaped from his final blow and got the police.

"Judge," said Coghlan, with a tear in his eye, "I loved her."

"Such love is too ardent for this clime," said the judge. "I'll have to charge you $50—$5 a swat."

PEW HOPES TO SAVE BOSTON

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Boston, Aug. 16.—General Pew, commanding the "blues," defending Boston against an attack of the invading "reds" in the sham war maneuvers here, is today moving his men toward Middleboro, which he hopes to reach before being forced into battle. Middleboro is a strong position and General Pew believes he can repulse the reds easily there.

CHASE FOR ESCAPED MOUNTAIN LION

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Las Vegas, N. M., Aug. 16.—Posses of armed men are scouring the desert in the vicinity of this city trying to effect the capture of an immense mountain lion that escaped from a cage in which it was being exhibited and caused a panic among the crowd packed about its cage.

The lion, which measures more than nine feet in length, was caught two weeks ago in the mountains of Arizona by Colonel "Buffalo" Jones, and was brought to this city and placed on exhibition. Last evening while a large crowd was jammed around the frail cage in which it was imprisoned, the huge beast, made furious by the crowd and the glare of the lights, threw itself against the bars of the cage and crashed into the midst of scores of persons in the street.

People fled panic stricken, and the lion, after glaring and blinking for several moments, dashed for the open desert to the north of the city.

SON GETS MOST OF W. A. TOWSLEE'E COIN

William A. Towslee's will, disposing of property valued at $5800, was filed in the county court today. C. H. Towslee, a son, is named as executor and is bequeathed $2325. The remainder is directed to be divided between two grandsons and a daughter-in-law. One son, E. J. Towslee, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, is not mentioned in the will in any way, apparently opening the way for a contest if this son is so disposed. The deceased was about 80 years old when he died on March 24.

T. H. Brown has been appointed administrator of the estate of Blanche Newman, who died on July 22. The heirs are her husband, Henry S. Newman, of Butler, Wash., and a 14-year-old son. The value of the property is about $1000.

CANADIAN FOREST COMMISSION'S INQUIRY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 16.—The timber and forest commission, which opened its sittings here today, will inquire fully into the resources of this province. Not only will resources be investigated, but the commission will take up the question of the preservation of forests, the prevention of fires, the utilization of timber areas, forestation and the diversification of tree growing.

The commission did not examine any witnesses, owing to the fact that one of them, Arthur S. Goodeve, was not present. A. J. Fulton presided.

Mr. Fulton said the commission would be glad to have the help of counsel, but they would be allowed to cross-examine only on questions of fact and not on questions of opinion.

Professor Craig of Cornell university, Ithaca, N. Y., was present and will attend all of the sessions of the commission.

Arrangements have been made also for Gifford Pinchot, head of the United States forestry service, to give evidence before the commission.

DARK COMPLEXION ADDS TO YEARS

Chicago, Aug. 16.—Brunettes, taken as a class, outlive blondes, according to the statement of J. C. Cummins, secretary of the Equitable Life Insurance company of Iowa, made at the yearly meeting of the general agents of the company held at the Sherman house.

It was while commenting on the fact that women who live to be 50 years old outlive men who have reached the same age three to one that Mr. Cummins referred to the longevity of brunettes and blondes. On direct questioning he admitted that artificial blondes did not count, the figures holding good only in case where nature had performed the work. Mr. Cummins said that official figures showed biondes more subject to lung trouble than brunettes.

Didn't Want a Crow.

From Tit-Bits.

A certain officer of the Royal Horse Artillery, having his battery divided into half batteries, which were garrisoned over 40 miles apart by road, applied that he might have an allowance granted him for an extra charger, it being his duty to frequently visit both portions. The war office ruled that this allowance was inadmissible, saying: "Measured by the ordnance map, as the crow flies, the distance is found to be only 23¾ miles."

For a time the officer was nonplussed, but an idea struck him and he seized his pen and wrote:

"There would appear to be some misunderstanding regarding my application. I am asking for an allowance for an additional charger, not an additional crow. I do not ride a crow, I ride a horse."

He got it.

SOLONS BALK PROGRESS OF TRIAL

Nine Senators Absent Themselves and Governor Hay Will Probably Be Forced to Call Another Special Session.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 16.—Nine senators, by absenting themselves today, are assisting to force Governor Hay to call another special session of the legislature. The Attorney General this morning ruled that under the new law the special session must end 60 days from June 12, when it was called. In other words, the session may last five days more, including today. With the Schively charges shot to pieces by recent attacks and amended charges to be brought today, it is practically impossible to complete the Schively trial in five days.

It is claimed that under the general rule, when a session of the legislature ends all unfinished business dies; therefore it will be necessary for the governor to call another special session for next week, that new impeachment charges may be made in the house and the whole procedure started over again. The attorney general has ruled that legislators cannot draw per diem for the long recess, but may draw mileage for coming back last week. Under the latter decision Auditor Clausen will issue the mileage warrants which he had held up.

The senate this morning met at 9 o'clock. The roll call showed Cox, Davis, Fatland, Graves, Hutchinson, McGown, Nichols, Roberts, Rydstrom, Smithson and Stewart absent. After a long debate, including a call of the senate for the arrest of the absentees, it was finally decided to take a recess till 1 o'clock this afternoon to see if the absentees did not return on the noon train.

RUDE BURGLARS DISREGARD SIGN

Blow Up Safe of Which Door Had Been Left Unlocked.

"Please don't blow this safe. Turn the knob and the door will open."

This sign, hung on the front of the safe in a rolling mill at Fairview, of which E. G. McGraw is manager, was not enough to save the safe from destruction in the early Sunday morning hours. Although the safe would have opened if instructions had been followed, the cracksters did not accept the advice, and the receptacle was demolished by a charge of nitroglycerin.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Beatty went to the scene yesterday and returned with two spoons, evidently used to pour the nitro-glycerin, and a piece of the fuse. These were the only clues left behind. The manner in which the job was done indicates that the men were experienced safe blowers.

No loot was obtained by the burglars. The safe was filled with books and papers of no value to outsiders. One man was found who heard the noise of the explosion, but he gave it no thought and fell asleep again without investigating. The mill is near the O. R. & N. depot.

TAFT GOLFS IN DRIVING RAIN

With Brother Charles in Grim Contest for Family Championship.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 16.—Showing that his famous predecessor, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, has nothing on him when it comes to strenuosity, President Taft is today continuing, in the face of a heavy rain, a battle on the golf links started Saturday afternoon with his brother, Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati.

Colonel Roosevelt thought nothing of riding 20 miles in a fierce snow storm, and President Taft is going him one better by remaining on the golf links all day in a driving rain.

After Saturday's games the brothers were tied in the day's score, and so keen is the rivalry between the two that even a heavy downpour could not prevent them from deciding today the golf championship of the Taft family.

RAIL GREASERS FAIL TO APPEAR AT JAIL

Two boys who greased the streetcar track on Portland Heights yesterday afternoon in revenge for being put off the car will have to answer to the juvenile court for their act, which imperiled many lives on a crowded car coming down the grade. The motorman saw the grease on the track in time and stopped his car.

The boys were Edward Krunkhe of East Ash street near Fourteenth street, and Charles Cross of 70 East Ninth street north, each 12 years of age. They had been put off the car because they spent their last nickels to ride up and had no money to pay the return fare. They remained in the vicinity of the greased track, expecting to witness the accident. Later they were taken to the police station by Patrolman Larfield, but were allowed to go in charge of their parents on promise to report to the juvenile court today. Up to noon they had not appeared in juvenile court.

EDITOR BEARD IS OUT FOR CONGRESS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 16.—E. E. Beard, editor and publisher of the Daily Columbian, has announced his candidacy for congress to succeed Congressman Cushman, deceased. The special election in the Third district will be held November 2.

Editor Beard will make his convass along new lines, giving special attention to the river counties, where but little effort has been made herstofore.

Other aspirants for the congressional seat are J. M. Ashton of Tacoma, W. E. Harmon of Chehalis and J. E. Finch of Aberdeen.

HOT POLITICS AT SAN FRANCISCO

Primaries Excite Intense Interest—Heney's Candidacy Discussed.

San Francisco, Aug. 16.—One of the hottest political fights ever seen in this city will take place tomorrow when the first direct primary election will be held for the nomination of complete municipal tickets, including close mayoralty contests, and the actual fight for the office of district attorney will open, with Francis J. Heney, an independent candidate.

The Democrats did not place any name on the ballot for the district attorneyship, on account of the court ruling, which made it impossible for them to name Heney. The Democrats are asked to write in the name of Heney and a strong campaign is being made by his backers in hope of gaining a heavy Republican vote for him as well as support from the Union Labor and Socialist parties.

The regular Republicans have nominated Charles M. Fickert, who also is indorsed by the union labor organization, and Fickert's backers are confident that he will receive the Republican nomination.

Whether Heney is nominated or not, he will be an independent candidate at the election. His supporters said this afternoon, however, that there was no chance of his not being nominated.

The race for mayoralty nominations has aroused great interest and the situation is tense. On the Republican side, Byron Mauzy, candidate of the Independents, is waging a hot contest with William Crocker, whose name has been put up by the regulars. R. H. Countryman also is making a strong fight as an independent candidate for the Republican nomination.

In the Democratis race T. B. W. Leland, the coroner, has been named by the regulars and is opposed by Ralph McLaren and and Edward R. Rock, both named as independents.

The Union Labor party has put forward the names of P. H. McCarthy and Francis J. Sullivan as candidates for the mayoralty nomination and the contest between them is being carried on with much interest. The Socialists have named William McDevitt for the mayoralty nomination.

In addition complete municipal tickets, including supervisors, are to be named. So varied and complex are the various issues presented that the primary is taking on all the appearance of a final election and the interest is almost as great as if the vote tomorrow would settle the race for good. A heavy vote is expected by all sides.

WILL REACH CITY NEXT SATURDAY

Governor of Nebraska Accepts Invitation for Luncheon.

An itinerary and list of the members of the party of Governor Shallenberger of Nebraska, who is to be in Portland August 21 and 22, has been received by the Portland Commercial club, which will have charge of the reception of the governor. B. S. Josselyn and S. C. Beach of the Commercial club will have charge of the program of entertainment.

The party will reach Portland at 7 a. m., August 21, and leave here at 9 a. m., August 22. Those in the party are:

Governor A. C. Shallenberger, wife and daughter.

Private Secretary W. J. Furse and wife.

Adjutant General John C. Hartigan and wife.

Colonel E. M. Westervelt, wife and daughter.

Colonel H. J. Hill and wife.

Colonel D. J. Gates, wife and daughter.

Colonel E. W. Getten and wife.

Colonel J. H. Kelly, wife and friend.

Colonel F. J. McShane.

Colonel B. F. Marshall and wife.

Colonel A. P. Fitzsimmons.

Colonel Robert Oberfelder.

Rev. M. L. Daly.

The following letter was received by Tom Richardson this morning:

"Portland Commercial Club, Portland, Or.—In response to your communication of August 6, which has been forwarded here from Lincoln, Neb., Governor Shallenberger directs me to assure you that his party will be delighted to accept your very courteous invitation to take luncheon with the Portland Commercial club on Saturday, August 21, at 12:30 o'clock.

"I am enclosing you an itinerary of our trip, together with a printed list of the personnel of the party.

"Very respectfully,

"W. J. FURSE, Private Secy."

HAD $10,000,000 LEDGE YET DIED A TRAMP

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 16.—Robert Womack, famed as the discoverer of Cripple Creek, died here in poverty, muttering to the last of new fields. He hoped yet to find a mine to replace the $10,000,000 claim he sold for $500.

Womack was the son of a "Forty-niner," Robert Womack, Sr., who in the latter eighties left to his son the heritage of a dream—that the gold which the father had sought in vain for 40 years would be revealed near Crippie Creek if the son kept up the search. The father died; young Womack took his place as a prospector, and in spite of the jears of others, ranged close about the Creek country with shovel and divining rod—for 20 years.

One day in 1901 he hit the yellow ledge. His friends told him it was "fool's gold"; his brother-in-law and partner took it to the nearest assay office only after five days of protest. He came back with a government certificate to show that the "find" averaged $1100 to the ton.

That news made Bob Womack one day and broke him two days afterward. For, after staking out every claim throughout the length and breadth of the gold lead, he went to town, spent all his nuggets over a bar and at a nearby roulette table, sold all his claims for $500 more in order to make a final wager on the red—and a week later was digging gold with a shovel for the man who had bought his rights to one of the greatest mines the world has ever known.

For the last five years of his life Womack had been too decrepit to work. For two years he had lain bedridden in a little lodging house cared for by an elder sister.

HERE TO CONFER WITH LOCAL MEN

E. H. Merrill, head of the Standard Oil company's offices at San Francisco, accompanied by F. P. Matt and C. A. Craig, his associates, are in Portland conferring with local representatives of the company. They are guests at the Seward.

EARLY MORNING FIRE IN EUGENE STORE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Aug. 16.—Fire broke out at 4 o'clock this morning in Mrs. Seisler's ladies' furnishing goods store, causing about $3000 loss to the stock and $500 damage to the building. The origin of the fire is unknown.

CHIEF OF G. A. R. VISITS PORTLAND

Ex-Governor Van Sant of Minnesota Given Welcome.

Ex-Governor Samuel R. Van Sant of Minnesota, and newly elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, arrived this morning in Portland, accompanied by a number of comrades. In the party were Governor Van Sant's wife, Judge L. W. Collins, past department commander of Minnesota, Judge Ell Torrance, past commander in chief, S. F. Franklin and C. A. Warren of Minneapolis.

An informal reception was held in Commander Van Sant's honor in the parlors of the Hotel Portland this morning, Major James P. Shaw, department commander for the department of Oregon, heading the welcoming committee.

Members of the party will go on to Seattle tonight, but before they go Sumner post will give them an old fashioned campfire meeting at the corner of Grand avenue and East Morrison street. It is proposed to make the campfire one of the most notable features of the Grand Army celebration ever held in Portland, both in point of elaborate preparation and the number of veterans present.

For the next year Commander Van Sant purposes a vigorous campaign among the G. A. R. posts of the nation. This for the purpose, he said this morning, of bringing into the membership every veteran not now a member, and for the sake of uniting the entire membership in plans for future work.

"I have commenced my work in Portland," the new commander in chief said this morning. "My health is splendid. I never appreciated any honor tendered me more than the one given me by my comrades at Salt Lake City."

Commander Van Sant has been twice governor of Minnesota and once speaker of the house of delegates. He is still prominent in Minnesota politics.

Judge Ell Torrance was the man who backed Governor Van Sant's campaign for commander in chief. Judge Torrance spoke with pride of the fact that Minnesota has thrice carried away the honor. "In our state we do things," he said. "We get what we go after. That is the reason why we have secured the honor three times with a membership of only 5000. Our last campaign was vigorously opposed by former attorney general, W. A. Ketcham, of Indiana. General Ketcham declared he did not know how we managed to secure the election with such an overwhelming majority, but we went about it early and worked late, and we had about the flittest man for the place in the nation, too."

Major Shaw related to his comrades this morning a rather amusing story of his experience with a considerate Pullman burglar while on his way back home.

"At Ogden we stopped to replenish the gas tank," he said. "While standing in the yards, someone came along, dexterously reached through the window, took from my pockets more than $70 and my card case, then neatly rolled up the trousers and put them back in place.

"While I am aware that most burglars would have kept the trousers and put me in a terribly embarrassing position, this one was more considerate, and I appreciate his consideration so much that I will be willing to overlook the fact that he left me only a dime and three copper cents if he will return the card case, which contained some addresses of great value to me."

Governor Van Sant, Judge Torrance and Judge Collins, all expressed themselves enthusiastically about the beauty and progressiveness of Portland, saying it is one of the finest cities in point of beauty, solid construction, and progress, that they had ever seen.

NO INTENTION TO SELL ROAD

John Roberts Allen Denies Negotiating With Anyone.

John Roberts Allen, president of the Pacific & Eastern railway, which at present runs 13 miles west of Medford towards Crater lake, is in Portland and stated this morning that he was not thinking of selling his railroad to anyone, and that Mr. Stevens had not offered to buy it and would not buy it. He said:

"All reports that the Pacific & Eastern has been sold to Hill or to anyone else are untrue," said Mr. Allen. "I am the owner of the road and have entered into no arrangement for the sale of it to Mr. Stevens, Mr. Hill or anyone else. My purpose in buying the road was to extend it to Butte Falls and perhaps further, and a greater part of the right of way across Oregon has been secured.

"I am going to Medford within two or three days to look the road over, for I haven't seen it for three years. It is not likely that we will build to the coast. You can readily see that it would be impossible for me to sell the road to Mr. Stevens or Mr. Hill, for that would cut me off at once from all traffic arrangements with the Southern Pacific. I couldn't afford to make such a deal and do not contemplate it."

Dr. J. F. Reddy of Medford said that the extension of the Pacific & Eastern is being pushed rapidly. Between three and four miles of track have been graded within the last few weeks and about a mile and three quarters of track been laid.

FLYING MACHINE MAY REACH POLE

"Flying machines will some day reach the north pole easily," said Charles F. Zeigler of Philadelphia while at the Portland today. Ten years ago Mr. Zeigler backed a scheme to send a balloon to the north police. The lack of success attendant upon this plan may have influenced his next statement. He continued:

"A gas bag will never reach the pole. The heavier than air machine will navigate the air. To reach the pole, equipment not influenced by temperature changes must needs be used. At the same time, propelling machinery which will be tremendously powerful and as compact must be devised. I have never lost the faith I had in aeronautics when I financed Baldwin's scheme. That effort increased interest in aerial flight, the results of which will be seen in the future."

Mr. Zeigler is accounted one of the wealthiest manufacturers of the east. He left for Seattle, accompanied by his wife, this afternoon. Before going he took opportunity to lay tribute to the beauty of Portland. "One of the most promising cities I have ever seen," he declared.

Kavanagh Has a Respite.

Vallejo, Cal., Aug. 16.—The investigation of the alleged inefficiency of Boiler Fireman Edward Kavanagh, scheduled to be continued at Mare Island today, was postponed indefinitely owing to the department of the South Dakota, to which Lieutenant Commander H. O. Stickney and Lieutenant J. C. Fisher, members of the investigating board, are attached. It is expected that the case will be reopened August 28, when the cruiser returns from the north.

Run Down by Streetcar.

J. A. Hutton of 775 Savier street was knocked down by a Twenty-third street car at Tenth and Washington at noon today. He was taken to the Medical building and treated by Dr. Fred Zeigler for various contusions.

SCHOOL HEADS FIGHT OVER DAUGHTERS

Daughter of Whitworth Trustee Refused Place on Faculty and Father Fusses—Lady Discharged for Wearing Slippers.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 16.—"Dr. Kroeze talks too much for his own good," said Dr. A. F. Kirkpatrick, former pastor of the First United Presbyterian church of this city, and member of the board of directors of Whitworth college, this morning, in regard to statements given out by Dr. B. M. Kroeze, president of the college, who has tendered his resignation and made numerous charges against Dr. M. A. Matthews of Seattle, and Dean D. D. McKay, both prominent in the management of the institution.

"Dr. Kirkpatrick has been an 'off' member of the board for four years," said Dr. Kroeze this morning, in reply to Dr. Kirkpatrick's statement. "Four years ago he wanted his daughter given a position in the college as assistant in the English department. I refused to consider the application, and he has been an 'off' member ever since."

"The statement that my daughter applied for a position on the faculty of Whitworth is an absolute falsehood, and I will hold anyone making it responsible for criminal libel," is the indignant rejoinder of Dr. Kirkpatrick, made this morning when informed what Dr. Kroeze said.

Applied For Position.

"Miss Kirkpatrick did apply for the position mentioned and the reason I refused to appoint her was that I deplore nepotism on general principles," says Dr. Kroeze. "If Dr. Kirkpatrick denies that the application was made he is guilty of a falsehood. An application was made in written form by Miss Kirkpatrick and I think I have it still. The doctor also made personal request for the appointment to me. To avoid trouble I told the doctor there was no vacancy in the English department, but that there was one in the mathematics department, knowing that Miss Kirkpatrick was not capable of accepting that. I shall never condone nepotism in an institution of which I am the head. No member of the board or relative of his should profit by his connection with Whitworth."

"My daughter was urged by members of the faculty and friends to apply for a position on the faculty of Whitworth, following her graduation from school," said Rev. Kirkpatrick, "but the application was never made, nor did I request her appointment of Dr. Kroeze or anybody else. The standing of Whitworth is being undermined by these charges and the whole thing is deplorable and unfortunate in the extreme."

Wore Slippers—Discharged.

Dr. Kroeze referred further this morning to his charge that Dr. Matthews discharged a member of the faculty because she wore slippers. He said in this connection:

"Miss Belden was removed through Dr. Matthews' influence, and a relative of one of the Seattle members was appointed in her place. I asked the doctor why he did this, and his reply was, 'Because she wears slippers when she ought to wear shoes.' I don't know what kind of slippers she wore, if she did wear them, and I told Dr. Matthews I thought that a strange reason for discharging a refined, cultured and capable teacher. He replied by saying, 'Have you ever seen her feet?'"

In regard to Dr. McKay, President Kroeze says further:

"Dr. McKay was requested to resign last April by George H. Stone, chairman of the faculty committee. Dr. McKay consented to resign, but consulted with Murdock McLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and was advised to hold in spite of the request that he resign, and he has been here chewing dirt ever since."

STEEL WORKERS ON BEER STRIKE

Six Hundred at Gary Out and Others Expected to Follow.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Gary, Ind., Aug. 16.—"Unless we can have our beer we positively refuse to work."

This ultimatum handed recently to officials of the United States Steel corporation was carried out today when 600 skilled workmen threw down their tools and quit work. Several months ago prohibition was agitated by church workers. Local officials of the company were in favor of it. Company officials were told by the employes that with the closing of the saloons work at the plant would stop. When the saloons closed today 600 employes made good their threat.

Although a number of foreigners are working today, they, too, are protesting against the closing of the saloons, and it is expected that the strike will spread to all parts of the big plant.

EVANS WILL GET OSBURN IF HE CAN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Vallejo, Cal., Aug. 16.—Naval Constructor Holden A. Evans is actively collecting evidence which he hopes to submit when the case is reopened against Lieutenant F. W. Osburn of the Cheyenne, who is accused of wrecking Evans' home.

He has just returned from a trip to San Francisco, where, it is said, he obtained evidence from Mrs. Evans which he intends to use against Osburn.

Evans expressed himself as greatly dissatisfied with the findings of the first inquiry board, which merely ordered a reprimand for the lieutenant for kissing Evans' wife.

Evans took an appeal for another hearing to President Taft. Contrary to general reports, Taft did not order the board to reconvene, but ordered Evans to submit to the navy department any additional evidence that might give the department reason for acting otherwise than as it had.

STRIKERS PATROL AT M'KEES ROCKS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Pittsburg, Aug. 16.—Fifteen hundred strikers are patrolling the Ohio river to prevent the Pressed Steel Car company from ferrying strikebreakers to its McKees Rocks plant.

Fearing a repetition of yesterday's attack, when strikers fired on a steamer loaded with strikebreakers, no attempt was made today to get any workmen into the plant.