

# GOING TO BE "IT"

## Many Aspire to Figure as Host During President Taft's Brief Visit in Portland—Diplomatic Tangles May Result.

Who is going to say "Hello, Bill" first, when President Taft puts his august foot on Portland soil Saturday morning, October 31? Then, the great question, who is going to pay for his bed and board, show him the sights, tell him news, and pilot him about? Don't know, up to September 31?

You see, it is this way: President Taft does not know, apparently, that there is a feud between various men of Portland, a political feud that might be called. There is a bright young man named Carpenter, who holds the position of secretary to the president, who apparently does not know either. Out of that lack of knowledge grave diplomatic tangles have resulted.

First it was announced that President Taft intended to make a visit to the Pacific coast. Then it was officially stated that he would stay a while in Portland. Then E. B. Wilcox, who is a personal friend of the president, invited him to make his home at the Wilcox residence during the hours he would be in Rose City. President Taft, through Secretary Carpenter, answered that the president desired to be the guest of the people of Portland while here.

Then it was requested that Mayor Elliott appoint a committee to make arrangements for the entertainment and reception of the president. This was done, Mr. Wilcox being appointed as chairman of the committee. This committee provided a program, which was submitted to Secretary Carpenter. The latter, however, who is the president's personal secretary, would play a friendly game of golf with Senator Bourne. Then things began to happen.

**Golf Game Starts Trouble.**

As a result of the happenings the golf game was out and Dr. Wetherbee, president of the Commercial club, invited the president to dine at the Commercial club. That was not favorably smiled upon by the president, and the matter was attributed by providing for a public address, in the Army presumably, to take the place of the golf game.

Things went along very quietly for a few moments when it was discovered that Senator Bourne was engaged for the night of the president's visit. President Taft, with a suite adjoining for himself, and that the senator, would be the exclusive host of the president from Saturday noon until the departure Sunday night, with a private dinner thrown in for good measure.

And that is the way it is. The committee representing the city government objects to allowing the president to be entertained by Senator Bourne. Senator Bourne is going ahead on his own hook and preparing to be a large part of the entertainment. This committee has telegraphed to Secretary Carpenter, asking to be told whose guest the president will be. They expect an answer this afternoon.

**There is No Telling.**

In the meantime the members of the committee say they guess they will take their medicine, if they have to. Mayor Simon says he does not know anything new about the situation. Chairman Wilcox says he is not talking for publication about the matter. President Wetherbee is bemoaning the fact that he is liable to be compelled to pilot a mere secret service man about the city while Senator Bourne tucks his legs under the growing board with the aid of the smiling chief of state.

Senator Bourne is preparing to pay rent on a part of the Portland for a couple of days and getting ready to put on his best bib and tucker on the occasion when the dignitaries of the city will give him the glad hand and the steps out of the car by the side of Mr. President and tell him "welcome home."

The program as outlined by Secretary Carpenter, subject to changes from instant request, is as follows:

Friday, September 25, at 7 a. m. Saturday, October 2, is met by local committee and military escort, and taken to Hotel Portland for breakfast with committee.

Spends forenoon with staff and members of local committee. Dinner at city luncheon at Hotel Portland at noon. After luncheon, becomes guest of Senator Bourne; afterwards, "Dines at Portland as guest of Bourne."

In the evening addresses public at Arbory; sleeps at Hotel Portland at 10 o'clock.

Sunday is guest of Senator Bourne, but will lay cornerstone of Universalist church at 10 o'clock.

Leaves Portland for the south at 4 p. m.

**TELEGRAPHERS WILL ASSEMBLE HERE**

The Western Oldtime Telegraphers' association will hold a reunion at Portland, Or., Saturday, September 25. A general plan of reorganization has been suggested whereby each city will organize a local association, who in turn will elect delegates to a general convention, which will be held in the different cities chosen for the purpose. A. Samuel Morse, the present president of the Morse alphabet, who was born at Charleston, Mass., on April 27, 1791. An effort will also be made to commemorate the Morse anniversary by gaining the consent of the companies to a suspension of business for five minutes on that day.

An elaborate program is being arranged at Portland for this occasion, and transportation concessions have been solicited for those desiring to attend. Secretary Craib of Portland has received quite a number of new applications from outside districts for membership.

**YACHT HELEN WINS RACE AT MARBLEHEAD**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Marblehead, Mass., Aug. 31.—Ideal weather marked the second day's racing for the Taft cup. In addition to President Taft, Governor Taft, Governor was also an interested spectator. The yacht Helen had no trouble in winning the race. She took the lead at the start and was never headed. The Wolf, Joyette, Havilla and Margaretha finished in the order named.

**Organized Labor in Politics.**

Boston, Mass., Aug. 31.—With the avowed purpose of defeating Governor Draper for reelection, a special committee appointed by the Massachusetts state branch of the American Federation of Labor met in this city today to discuss plans for active participation in the state campaign this fall. The reason given for labor's opposition to the governor is his attitude in regard to the eight hour bill, which was defeated at the last session of the Massachusetts legislature.

## WINNER OF AUTOMOBILE IN JOURNAL CONTEST



Miss Pearl Barde, who won the Buick Automobile in The Journal's recent contest. Although Miss Barde has only had the auto a few days, she has become quite expert in the handling of it.

## HARRIMAN'S NOT BEEN OFF THE JOB

**Vice President of the Union Pacific Refutes Statement of Illness.**

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Omaha, Aug. 31.—Harriman has not been off the job, declared Vice President Mohler of the Union Pacific today, in reply to the question when Harriman would return to work. Mohler received a letter from Harriman today, which was mailed from Arden, the wizard's home where he is now confined.

Mohler refused to give excerpts for publication, but said that the manager's physical condition is not alarming. "At no time has Harriman been so sick as to compel him to abandon his work," Mohler concluded.

## WIRELESS SILENT WHILE OHIO HERO IS LAID TO REST

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 31.—From 2 o'clock until 2:30 today, all the wireless stations of the United States were silent out of respect for George C. Eccles, the wireless operator on board the Ohio when she was wrecked, and who lost his life while at his post calling for aid.

The general order issued by Manager Armstrong read: "Out of respect to the memory of George C. Eccles, killed in the Ohio disaster, all wireless communication will cease during the funeral services to be held between the hours of 2 p. m. and 2:30 today, August 31."

## STUDENTS WILL GIVE EXHIBITION DRILL

Arrangements have been made by which the Salt Lake high school cadets who will reach Seattle tomorrow will give an exhibition drill in Multnomah park. The party, numbering about 300, has been in Seattle visiting the fair, and Portland people who know of the cadets are anxious to have them as warmly welcomed here as they were in the home city. W. E. Donohue and John M. Scott, who have charge of the entertainment plans for the party, have arranged to have them entertained at the depot to the Multnomah club grounds. The parade will be headed by Governor Sprague, Mayor Simon and Chief of Police Cox with a platoon of police. The party will leave the depot at 2:30, and march over Sixth street to Morrison.

## DESTROY PROPERTY BUT TAKE NOTHING

Dr. F. H. Danmash of 547 Third street today sent word to the police station that his home had been entered by unknown men last Thursday night, while the family was away from home. Nothing was stolen, though valuable articles were lying about loose, but about six square feet of plaster was knocked off the kitchen ceiling.

While Mrs. J. W. Parklow and family were at the seaside last week some one entered the family home at 104 East Twelfth street and turned everything in the house upside down, the beds included. So far as the owners have been able to find, nothing was stolen, although the silverware was in plain sight.

## COURT TAKES CASE UNDER ADVISEMENT

County Judge Webster this morning concluded the hearing of testimony on the petition of W. E. Buffum to be relieved from paying \$55 per month for the support of his wife and child. He claims that his wife is not a fit person to have the custody of the child, and the testimony took on a race aspect. The child is now at the detention home, when it was taken by Chief Probation Officer Teuscher of the juvenile court. Judge Webster has taken the case under advisement.

## ROBBED WHILE ASLEEP ON S. P. TRAIN

### California Man Finds Himself Stranded in Portland.

Robbed of his savings while asleep on the Southern Pacific train, which arrived from the south this morning, Gilbert of Huntington Beach, 25, with his wife and three young children, is in Portland without funds with which to pay for transportation to Grantville, Idaho, where work has been promised him.

Gilbert told the police today that the robbery occurred last night, between 12:20 o'clock in the morning, when the train left Sacramento, and 3 o'clock in the morning, when it arrived in Portland. He said he was asleep and when he awoke the money, which was in his hip pocket, was gone.

Harry Alder of Los Angeles, whom Gilbert suspected of the theft, was arrested this morning by Patrolman Hartman as he got off the train. He has considerable money on him, and will be asked to explain where he got it.

Gilbert is a rancher and is en route to Grantville, Idaho, where his brother, whom he has not seen for 20 years, has promised to get work for him. With but \$2 in change, Gilbert is endeavoring to find some means of securing transportation for himself and family.

Ernest, a new arrival from the south, reported to the police today that he was robbed of about \$25 in a house at 1111 Grand street. He was drunk and was unable to give the police the address on description of the house.

George Laughlin of Grand Rapids, Mich., reported that he had had his watch had been stolen from him in a rooming house, the location of which he could not remember. He valued the timepiece at \$37.

## BLACK EAGLE MINE REPORTS BIG STRIKE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Aug. 31.—The opening up of the main vein of ore in the Black Eagle mine in the Santiam district has brought news of a rich strike. The main vein of this mine, which is 1,500 feet long, was discovered Saturday, S. Y. Sorenson, manager of the mine, reported that he had discovered a rich vein of ore, which he had been showing his sample of ore for half a mile. The Black Eagle people have been working for several months in hope of reaching the ore body.

## RUNAWAY NEARLY FATAL TO TWO MEN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Stevenson, Wash., Aug. 31.—Mangled and unconscious victims of a runaway horse, Ed Lambert, a friend of Rutledge, were picked up last night by Mrs. Garvey, who offered to sign away Stevenson early yesterday on a business trip to Carson, had spent several hours there and started home. The horses swerved at a corner, throwing both men against trees, injuring them seriously.

## NO COMPROMISE FOR MRS. BLEAKLEY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, Aug. 31.—Mrs. Bleakley this afternoon declared that she was opposed to the compromise suggested by Mrs. Garvey, who offered to sign away "incubator baby," providing all prosecution on the kidnaping charge was dropped.

Not only did Mrs. Bleakley refuse to agree to the compromise, but she also refused to sign the alleged kidnaping papers to the fullest extent of the law.

## TO PROMOTE ELECTRIC LINE FROM SUISLAW

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 31.—N. B. Leonard, of Eugene is trying to interest Coos county people in the building of an electric line from the Suislaw to Marshfield. Leonard is an engineer and promoter for the electric line which is being built by Eugene Electric Co. and the plan is to extend it on to Coos bay, provided the people of this locality and those along the line can be interested.

## MICHIGAN MAN HIGH SCHOOL HEAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Aug. 31.—Professor E. P. Alvord, of Goldsboro, Mich., was elected principal of the Albany high school this morning. Professor A. L. Owens is Alford's first negro student to the position a month ago, having resigned. The Albany school will open September 20.

## GAS TANK EXPLODES KILLING TWO MEN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 31.—Two men were injured and a gas tank in the plant of the Minneapolis Acetylene Gas company exploded. The explosion was so violent that the roof of the structure housing the tank was blown off.

## EARTHQUAKE FELT AT THE VATICAN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Rome, Aug. 31.—A slight earthquake was felt here this afternoon, which, although no damage was done, frightened the people. The quake was felt by Pope Pius at the Vatican. The vibrations lasted but a few seconds.

## COLORED WEDDING CELEBRATED AT VALE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vale, Or., Aug. 31.—The first colored wedding that ever took place in Vale was solemnized on Friday, when Miss Bura Edwards of Oklahoma became the bride of M. E. Owens of Vale. Mr. Owens is the first negro student of Vale. They will make their future home in Vale.

## Complain of Late Trains.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 31.—A. F. Will of Arora, has complained to the railroad commission of the late train service maintained by the Southern Pacific at Arora. The train due to arrive at 2:25 o'clock in the morning is from two to four hours late regularly, says Mr. Will, and that city had about as well not have any train as far as it is an accommodation to passengers and shippers.

## Small Loss From Fire.

Fire, which broke out in the rear of a warehouse at Thirteenth and Lovejoy streets about 1:30 o'clock last night, caused great excitement in the neighborhood, before it was extinguished with small loss by the fire department.

## U. S. Financial Condition.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, Aug. 31.—The report of the secretary of the treasury shows receipts \$1,092,203.92. Expenditures, \$3,427,555.12.

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## SKAMANIA COUNTY WILL CRUISE TIMBER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Stevenson, Wash., Aug. 31.—Skamania county has been selected to cruise 600,000 annually by reason of short assessment of timber. This fact has been shown conclusively by the assessor and last night the county commissioners gave him power to make the assessment to what it should be.

A contract was let to Cruiser Shurtlett to cruise the 3,000,000,000 feet of standing timber in the county. He to employ assistants and rush the work. A fund of \$6000 was set aside to pay for the work.

## ELKS ENJOY CLAM BAKE AT OCEAN BEACH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 31.—The members of the new Elks' lodge and their out of town visitors left on a chartered steambot this morning for the Ocean beach in the lower bay to attend a clam bake. The steamer was draped with banners and was saluted by the militia. It passed down the bay. The clam bake will be the most elaborate ever given here and is in charge of Dr. W. H. Hays. Tonight the Elks' festivities will close with a banquet at the Hotel Chandler. The new members were initiated last night by the team from Ashland, composed of G. Livingstone, E. S. Staples, John Potter and Golding Herndon.

## FATAL EXPLOSION LAUNCH PIRATE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Aug. 31.—The explosion of an oil lamp last night on the launch Pirate, which was being towed by Carl Schoene, 20 years old, who had been working as a deckhand. The launch was towing a barge of oil and was opposite Pinnac when the explosion occurred. Captain Daniel Webster and Ole Nelson, the mate, jumped to the barge, and fearing that the blasting launch might start the barge on burning, the rope was cut.

## DREDGE OREGON WILL BE REMOVED SOON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 31.—Captain Peters, who has had charge of the government dredge Oregon at work in Coos bay, has returned from Portland and announces that the dredge is to be removed in a week and taken to Columbia river for repairs. The work started here is as yet uncompleted, but the efforts of the people to keep the dredge here fruitless. It is quite likely that the port commissioners will build a dredge of their own.

## COURT WILL HOLD \$1 UNTIL CALLED FOR

The final report in the estate of William Kleatsch, filed in the county court today, shows \$14,870 on hand. Three thousand dollars in cash and legacies were paid, but the executor was unable to pay Ernest F. W. Owens the \$1 bequeathed to him, as his whereabouts are unknown. This \$1 will be paid into court to be held until the missing man comes to claim it. To settle claims against the estate the executor advanced \$2583 of her own money.

## WILL BE ARRESTED FOR HIRING MINORS

Warrants were sworn out in the office of Constable Lou Wagner today for the arrest of W. A. Robb, manager of the local office of the Western Union Telegraph company, and F. Eggert of the Egbert Shoe company, both being charged with unlawfully employing minors. The two will probably be arraigned in justice court this afternoon.

## Notarial Commissions.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 31.—Notarial commissions have been issued to W. S. Newberry, Baker City; Lewis Russell, G. G. Rogers, and J. Johnson, Portland, and C. R. Wade, Bandon.

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