

SLATE MAKERS NEW YORK HAVE TO RENAISSANCE LIST

Since It Has Been Discovered That John Mitchell Is Ineligible as Gubernatorial Candidate, Dopesters Get Busy.

New York, Aug. 29.—Verily the lot of the politician is a hard one in these days of uncertainty. For instance, the pre-convention, unofficial slate makers had all fixed it up nicely that John Mitchell, former president of the Miners' union, and present wheel horse of the Civic Federation, should be the Republican candidate for governor of New York. There comes an up state judge with the suggestion that the constitution of the state prescribes that no man can be governor who has not been a resident for five years, whereas Mr. Mitchell has only been a citizen of the Empire state about two years.

Thus is the work of those who pick slates in advance made doubly difficult. Mrs. Andrew Carnegie has contracted the melon habit. She is convinced there is nothing quite so toothsome as a Georgia rattlesnake watermelon or a Rocky Ford muskmelon. Hence since the beginning of the season there has been sent to Skibo Castle every week, a half dozen Georgia rattlesnake and a crate of Colorado Rocky Fords. The melons are carefully selected in Georgia and Colorado and are given the care necessary to get them to be in prime condition.

An Eyesight Qualification.

"Nearly all the school work of the child requires the use of the eyes," says Dr. P. M. Jones of Denver, Colo. "The whole course of instruction is arranged on the supposition that the scholar has good sight. But to suppose good sight for all children is to make a mistake and may work great injustice."

"One of the best health officers Denver has ever had," continued Dr. Jones, "was very near sighted. He knew it when a boy, but was not allowed to wear glasses. One day his teacher told him to read something from the blackboard across the room. He could not do it. The teacher told another boy to do it, and he read it. Then, turning to the boy, who was so near sighted he could not have read it at a quarter of the distance, the teacher again told him to read it. Again the boy said he could not. So his ears were boxed and he got ten demerits for obstinacy.

"The new law requiring the examination of school children's eyes has put to an end everything like that in Colorado. The scholar cannot be abused by a teacher who does not know his sight is defective. Neither can the scholar be abused on the teacher by claiming a defect he has not got. A child who is to be promoted, or who wishes to enter school above the lowest grade, is examined to learn whether he knows enough to go on with his work in any class. This is a requirement which should be the law everywhere."

Apache Proves His Worth.

"The Apache Indian has done a great deal towards wiping out the charges against him," says R. G. Greenhow, of Los Angeles.

"Strange, as it may seem, the members of this once ferocious tribe have done most of their labor in the construction of the greatest monument to civilization which this country now possesses.

"The contrast between the nature of their activities 20 years ago, when they were scalping and burning right and left through the southwest, and now, is remarkable.

"A large part of the labor in the construction of the immense Roosevelt dam in Arizona has been watched them same Apache. I have watched them work, and I learned from men in charge of the construction work that they proved to be tractable as well as industrious.

"The people of the United States will never realize the importance of this dam unless they see it. The structure is composed of sandstone and cement.

"It rises nearly 300 feet above Salt river. It must be as long as from the Arlington to the New York, and the base is as wide as half the length of a good city block in Washington.

"A 29 foot roadway runs along the top. I was told during my visits to the works that the lake which would be formed by this dam would be the largest artificial body of water in the world.

"I am not a statistician, but I learned enough of the purpose of the structure to give me a pretty fair idea of its importance.

"About a quarter of a million acres of land will be irrigated by the stored-up water.

"I was informed that the crops of a single season from this irrigated land would pay for the entire investment of nearly \$5,000,000. It is certainly a remarkable piece of engineering work.

Solution of Negro Problem.

"The south soon would be able to settle the negro question if all communities would adopt the policy of Cullman, Ala.," says J. H. Sanders, of Huntsville, Ala. "Cullman does not allow a negro within her corporate limits. The town was originally settled by a lot of Germans from Europe and Pennsylvania shortly after the Civil war, and after about 10 years' experience with a large number of negroes who lived in the town and surrounding country, the people decided they would have to get along without the 'brother in black.' So they notified all the negroes to get out and stay away for good. Those negroes who owned small properties were paid good prices for their places in the town, and from that day to this a negro has not been allowed in the town.

"They are not even allowed to come within the corporate limits to trade at the stores. The town passes no law on the subject, however. It was just the unanimous opinion of the residents that they didn't want the blacks in the place, the town marshal explains it, and escorts him out of town.

"Cullman is the only town in Alabama, so far as I have heard, where such a race discrimination is known, and this is considered remarkable, as in many parts of Alabama the negro population outnumbers the whites."

For amusement places there has been invented a self-playing piano in which is incorporated a metatophone and snare and bass drums.

REGATTA DRAWS GREAT CROWDS

Five Hundred Leave Portland on Steamer to Witness First Day's Contest.

Five hundred people boarded the steamer Charles R. Spencer yesterday to accompany Admiral W. W. Robinson and his staff of officers to Astoria, where the fifteenth annual regatta of that city opened this morning. The steamer, which acted in the capacity of a flagship for the white-garbed regatta officers, steamed away leaving several hundred disappointed persons on the Washington street dock. The marine regulations of the government limit the number of passengers which the Spencer may carry to 500. Among those left on shore was State Senator Abrahamson, a candidate for governor. The applicant for political honors was attired in the white duck costume of the regatta official.

The Spencer returned from Astoria last night with a few of the passengers of the morning on board, the greater part of these having remained in Astoria for the three days' festivities. During the ride up and down the river a band regaled the steamer's guests.

Accompanying the Spencer on the down trip was the fleet of the Portland Motor Boat club, which included the Wolff II, champion of the Pacific coast, having won the distinction at Seattle last year. Some fast power craft from California will be seen at Astoria when the power boat races begin. There is a determined rivalry between Portland boat owners and those of San Francisco and the latter would like to take the championship south.

E. C. Judd, of Astoria, who is chairman of the regatta, has succeeded in securing a fund of \$5,000 which will be used to buy the trophies awarded to winners in the sailing events and other marine contests of the next three days.

WILL KNOW FATE OF BRIDGE TODAY

Expected Bids to Be Opened This Afternoon Will Total \$200,000.

The fate of the Broadway bridge will be decided this afternoon. It is believed that bids for at least \$200,000 of the \$250,000 first issue of the Broadway bridge bonds will be found acceptable when City Auditor Barber opens the sealed proposals at 2 o'clock. Local subscribers who have not filed bids in legal form attended to these list details this morning.

A number of new bids were received and filed by the Hibernia Savings bank. Three bids total \$100,000. These are: Woodmen of the World, \$50,000; W. K. Smith, \$25,000; Meier & Frank, \$25,000. Two banks have filed bids, the United States National for \$50,000, the Hartman & Thompson bank first for \$35,000, which was reduced to \$25,000. Other bids range from \$50 to \$5,000, and the total legally filed is not less than \$200,000. The business men's committee, which has been campaigning for two weeks endeavoring to awake public sentiment in favor of the bridge and public intelligence to its necessity, hope that when the bids are opened a sufficient number to take up the entire first \$250,000 will be found.

MULLIGAN STEW MAKES HIT AT JOINT PICNIC

More than 100 members of the stereotypers' and photo-engravers' unions boarded the good ship Argo yesterday and proceeded to Sauvie's island down the Willamette, where they enjoyed the second joint picnic of the two organizations this year. The trip down the river consumed about an hour. Two baseball teams were picked out and while the chefs of the expedition prepared a mammoth mulligan stew the rival nines engaged in a Marathon scoring contest from which each side emerged a slimy victory.

After finally conceding the game to the engravers, the stereos fell to with zest on the savory mess of mulligan and were able to turn the tables on their conquerors of the morning. The party returned to Portland in the evening on the Argo. Only men were present at the picnic, it being of a "stag" nature.

INDIANS SHOW INTEREST IN ARCHBISHOP'S SPEECH

Archbishop Alexander Christie returned to Portland last night from the Grande Ronde Indian mission, near McNamara, where he preached the fiftieth anniversary sermon of the founding of the mission by Father Croquet.

About 350 Indians of the Grande Ronde country gathered to hear the archbishop's address, which was an eloquent tribute to the work of the rugged old missionary. The archbishop also celebrated a solemn requiem mass for Father Croquet's soul and confirmed a class of 30 first communicants. The trip from McNamara to the mission was made by automobile.

Investigate Klamath Dairies.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 29.—County Health Officer Dr. R. B. Hamilton has begun the inspection of all the local dairies. During the past few weeks about eight cases of typhoid fever have developed in this city. The health officer is making an effort to locate the source of the sickness. Most of the cases are a very light form and so far not a single death has been reported. It is the opinion of Dr. Hamilton that by taking drastic measures to have the dairies and the city in general cleaned no new cases will develop.

Special Rates Made for National Conservation Congress

The Canadian Pacific announces a special round trip rate of \$60 to St. Paul for the above occasion. Tickets to be on sale September 2, good for stopovers. For full particulars apply at 142 Third street.

Journal Want Ads being routed

SENSATIONAL WILL CASE AT BAKER

Children of J. W. Wright Make Serious Charges Against Stepmother.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker City, Or., Aug. 29.—What promises to be a sensational will case was filed today in the probate court of this county. Nellie Wright and Floyd Wright bring suit to set aside the will of their late father, James W. Wright, alleging that fraud and forgery were practiced in securing the same. Serious charges are made against Fannie H. Wright, his second wife, by Nellie and Floyd, children by his first wife. James W. Wright died in this city February 26, 1910, leaving an estate valued at about \$30,000 and of which amount Nellie and Floyd receive \$500 each, and the remainder goes to his wife.

According to allegations of the children, they have been in Kentucky for the past three years attending school and have not seen their father. They claim that Mrs. Wright kept their letters from her husband and otherwise influenced him against them.

They allege that the purported will is not the last will and testament of the deceased man, and that the signature which is attached to the will is not that of James W. Wright, as the will is dated February 26, the day on which he died, and they claim that on that day he was not sane, either mentally or physically, to sign his name.

The case will be hard fought on both sides and some prominent legal talent will be employed. County Judge Messick has set September 15 as the date for hearing the case, and the plaintiffs ask that it be removed from probate.

PASCO TO HAVE NEW CARNEGIE LIBRARY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pasco, Wash., Aug. 29.—The city council of Pasco has set September 15 as the day on which bids and plans for the new Carnegie library will be received. The new library will cost \$10,000.

The city council at the last regular meeting opened bids which had been submitted for the construction of a sewer system for the city of Pasco. Six bids had been submitted, the lowest being \$122,500, and the highest was \$131,100. All bids were rejected and the clerk instructed to readvertise for bids. It had been estimated that the cost of the system would not exceed \$100,000. The city clerk at this meeting was allowed an additional salary of \$50 per month for one month, and instructed to devote all of his time in getting the books and records of the city, which were destroyed in the recent fire, in shape again.

WATER SYSTEM, TROLLEY LINE FOR SOUTH BEND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) South Bend, Wash., Aug. 29.—A trolley line between the cities of South Bend and Raymond and a new water system for South Bend are now practically assured. J. D. Craver of Aberdeen, who, with the aid of Philadelphia capital, built the line between Aberdeen and Hoquiam, is seeking a franchise to connect this city and Raymond and promises to begin work as soon as his application is granted.

E. E. Hall of Everett is petitioning the city council of this city for a franchise to furnish water and promises an abundant supply for all purposes. He proposes to bring the water from the South Fork of the Willapa river and that stream is capable of furnishing an ample supply for a city of 100,000 people. The city has already outgrown the present system and Mr. Hall's petition will probably be granted without unnecessary delay.

PRESS CLUB FEE FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

At a meeting held yesterday morning on the third floor of the Merchants' Trust building, six of the Washington streets, the lately organized Portland Press club by unanimous consent decided to enlarge its present quarters by the addition of two rooms, and probably three. The house committee was instructed to make arrangements to rent and furnish these rooms. The office has already been furnished and is now in use. The club met in the office yesterday.

Affairs of the young organization are in excellent condition, as shown by the treasurer's report. The associate membership initiation fee was fixed at \$5 and dues of associate members at \$1 a month.

Will Test Law.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Baker City, Or., Aug. 29.—Both wholesale and retail grocers are greatly interested in the case of the state of Oregon vs. Frederick C. Cavers, which will come up for hearing at the September term of court. It is a case to test the constitutionality of the law passed by the last legislature prohibiting peddling without a license, and defining peddler as anyone who sells goods to parties other than retailers.

Cavers is a member of the firm of Gordon & Cavers company of Boise, wholesale grocers, and was fined \$100 in the justice court for Richland for peddling without a license. He makes the defense that he was engaged in interstate commerce and that the Oregon law is unconstitutional. District Attorney Levens will appear for the state and Gustav Anderson, a local attorney, has been engaged to handle the case for Cavers.

Aged Woman Dies at Wallowa.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Wallowa, Or., Aug. 29.—Mrs. R. E. Finley died in this city Wednesday, aged 80 years, 6 months and 1 day. Rachel Eliza Finley, whose maiden name was Powers, was born in Henry county, Tennessee, February 22, 1830, and at the age of 19 years married William Finley. She made her home in Tennessee and Kentucky until last March, when she came to Wallowa to make her home with her sons. She is survived by four sons, Thomas, John, Joshua and Henry, all of this city, and one daughter, Mrs. Frances Wisheart of Calloway county, Kentucky.

KLAMATH INDIAN LANDS TO BE SOLD

Heirs Have Privilege of Selling Inherited Lands—Good Stock Land.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 29.—The first sale of allotted lands on the Klamath Indian reservation will be made at the expiration of 60 days. Under the regulations governing the allotments the heirs of an allottee have the privilege of selling the inherited lands. Three quarter sections are now being advertised. The law requires that before the lands can be transferred they must be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation for a period of 60 days. At the end of this period the sealed bids are opened and if they are up to the estimate placed on the land by the Indian agent and if the bid is satisfactory to the heirs, then a deed can be issued. However, several affidavits must first be made that the parties to the transaction are not conspiring to defraud the government.

The lands to be sold are said to be good for raising stock. Much of the Klamath reservation is especially adapted to raising cattle and horses. During the past week the Indian agent has received 100 full blood Hereford and Shorthorn bulls from Nebraska. These will be distributed among the Indians free of charge. Last year 4000 young heifers were distributed among the Indians. Their herds are being brought up to the standard by the importation of this fine stock. The In-

dians are given full possession, but cannot sell the cattle given them.

It is believed that next year the Klamath reservation will be opened to settlement. The Indians are now using a very small portion of the 48 townships included in the reserve. The allotments made cover a very small portion of the whole area. When this vast area is opened to settlement it will add greatly to the wealth of Klamath county.

TEXAS WOMAN THOUGHT SURVEYOR WAS CRAZY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 29.—J. H. Long, deputy sheriff of Bexar county and expert in the handling of lunatics, has discovered that there are a number of things he does not know, among them the ways of surveyors. To a plaintive message received at sheriff's headquarters from a woman living on the outskirts of the city, Deputy Sheriff Long responded with much acidity. The woman had sent word that a supposed lunatic was acting

querrly, keeping going from one place to another in a very aimless manner and fastening bits of paper to trees, fences and little stakes he had with him.

When Deputy Sheriff Long told the alleged lunatic that he was wanted by his mother downtown a rather odd smile fled over the countenance of the latter. The man of the law then decided to play a more direct game and told him that he was wanted by the law. Why he should be was not clear to the man and after a resulting argument in which Deputy Sheriff Long got the worst of it, both were of the same turn of mind. The surveyor explained to the officer that the bits of paper were intended to show the way to a grading crew, and the woman who accused him of lunacy—for such is the technical charge—has a damage suit ahead of her.

One Candidate in Klamath.

Klamath Falls, Or., Aug. 29.—Klamath county so far has one candidate for a state office. J. Scott Taylor, Democrat, has filed his petition to be-

come a candidate for the office of state printer. Taylor made the run for this office four years ago. While he is in with the minority party he has hoped that he can overcome the natural Republican majority. The same as four years ago, he will advocate placing the state printer on a flat salary.

Florence Crittenton League.

Old Orchard, Me., Aug. 29.—The annual conference of Christian Workers and the Florence Crittenton League of Compassion opened on the Old Orchard camp grounds today and will continue for one week. The gathering is in charge of Rev. William J. Cosens, superintendent of the Florence Crittenton league, who will be assisted by a number of well known ministers and evangelists.

New Theatre at Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 29.—The new Shubert theatre in this city, one of the finest playhouses in the northwest, has its formal opening tonight. Viola Allen in "The White Sister" has been engaged as the initial attraction.

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