

CHAMBERLAIN MAY BE PARTY'S CHOICE AS RUNNING MATE

Oregon Senator Is Mentioned Favorably as Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate in Coming Campaign.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, Feb. 24.—Reference has been made heretofore to the feeling in the past that Senator Chamberlain is good material for the national ticket. He is mentioned frequently as a proper sort of person to be the running mate of whoever may be named as presidential candidate of the Democratic party. That may be a man from New Jersey or Missouri, or Ohio—and there are several states which could without doubt furnish a nominee for the highest office in the gift of the people.

The senator's sympathies, however, are undeniably with Wilson, and he does not admit that the recent controversies that have raged around the former sage of Princeton have hurt him a particle. On the contrary he thinks Governor Wilson has emerged from the ordeal with flying colors and that he will in all probability be nominated at Baltimore.

Chamberlain Is Content.
As for the senator himself, he is content to serve his country in his own effective but unobtrusive way, and to go about as circumstances may permit preaching the gospel of popular government. As such an evangel he is exceedingly popular and the gift of oratory seems to be growing more pronounced with him for those who are able to hear him, and who can compare his recent efforts with those he made many years ago, say that he has been speaking better than he ever did before in his life.

But he is not losing any sleep over the thought of becoming vice president. It might happen and it might not, but the senator thinks that the nomination is likely to go to a man in colors and with a large vote, where it will be good politics to have a popular man on the ticket. However, it would not be the first time that Oregon furnished a candidate for second place. In 1860 Oregon gave the ticket a man in Lane, who made the race with Breckinridge.

Munsey Paper Comments.
The Washington Times, a Munsey paper, which is pulling for Roosevelt, recently printed this about Senator Chamberlain:

"Senator George E. Chamberlain Oregon will be brought forward for the nomination for vice president I friends in his own state and other states of the Pacific coast and north west."

"The friends of Senator Chamberlain are planning to put his name on the primary ballot in Oregon, and have him endorsed for the nomination for vice president. They will also ask the states of Washington and California as well as Idaho, all neighbors to Oregon, to endorse him."

"Senator Chamberlain is strong in his own state, and there is said to be no doubt he will be endorsed for vice president in the Oregon presidential primary. He also is strong in the Pacific coast region generally."

"The Oregon senator is an avowed supporter of Woodrow Wilson for the nomination for President on the Democratic ticket. He is not particularly seeking the office of vice president, but his friends have urged him to let his name be used, and thus give the far west a chance to get a second place on the ticket. It needs no diagram to show that if Senator Chamberlain runs for president and his own state stands strongly back of him, as well as some of the neighboring states, it will tend to help the Wilson movement in that part of the country."

"Senator Chamberlain is classed as one of the progressive Democrats of the senate, and is thoroughly in accord with the popular government movement in Oregon."

Says Contests Should Be Made Profit for Children



Top, left to right—R. F. Robinson, county superintendent of schools; in her corner garden; a youthful flower fancier. Middle, at left—Gardens at work; right, some prize winners. At bottom, left to right—Picking a nosegay; prize bouquet, asters; boys like flowers, too.

By R. F. Robinson, County School Superintendent, of Multnomah County.

"Claud is secretary of the club, but Paul is the only one that has any potatoes." This mother's remark indicates that office holding in Children's Agricultural clubs does not always mean interest in the real work. In fact the most enthusiastic advocates of great things to be done are often the last to accomplish anything definite in the way of results themselves. Claud is but a type of a large class, each of whom has some reform which he represents but which the other fellow must carry to

success. We need more Pauls—more of those fellows who talk less and do more.

The great problem which confronts enthusiasts over school gardens and Children's Industrial clubs is not how to secure interest in the beginning but how to keep up the interest until results can be secured. Children will quickly accept new ideas and will begin to execute them with much enthusiasm, but they as readily transfer this activity to something else that seems more inviting at the time, and will forget the garden. Hence to succeed in the gardening movement with the children we must adopt methods that will bring quick results or secure the interest of parents to such extent that the care necessary will be given when school is out. The key to success is information and interest—useable information and lasting interest.

The school children of Multnomah county have been interested in growing flowers and vegetables for more than a half dozen years, under the direction of the teachers. Our principal crops have been sweet peas, asters, radishes, popcorn and potatoes. We have enjoyed our radish races perhaps more than any other phase of the work. Children get their ground ready at home, radish seed are secured, all plant the same day. The teacher watches the results and calls for each to bring in a half dozen of his best radishes. Shucers and salt are provided, and after the prizes have been awarded by a committee of parents, a radish feast ends the contest. One little eight-year-old confided to the writer that she had found a secret for making radishes grow fast. When asked to explain he demurred, saying that he wanted to keep that to himself so as to win next time also.

Give the boys and girls enough space to make their garden a source of profit. They will hoe their own garden with greater interest knowing that it may bring some spending money later. A pig, a calf or a colt which really and truly belongs to a boy is an object of his special care. The instinct of ownership is strong with children. For proof examine the pockets of the small lad and the bureau drawer of the larger one. Use this instinct for larger things, and let the boys and girls become real partners with the parents, both in the garden work and the sale of the products. The interest will be kept alive and the gardening movement will have more Pauls and not so many Clauds.

HEADACHE POWDERS LEAD TO USE OF DRUGS

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 24.—Headache powders are making drug fiends of many Kansas people, according to Dr. S. J. Crumline, secretary of the state board of health.

The board was startled by the statement, and at once appointed a committee to make an investigation and report plans to stop the sale of acetanilid, which Dr. Crumline says is the chief component of many headache remedies in Kansas because of its habit forming tendency.

"Acetanilid is taken by the habitual drug users almost as much as morphine and cocaine," said Dr. Crumline, "and it is as dangerous as either. It does not cure the headache, but numbs pain."

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No better opportunity can be found, care. The young agriculturalist learns to impress a correct moral lesson. Arrested development in plants or animals is sure to follow any neglect in with similar results.

INDIANS IN ALASKA LIKELY TO VANISH WITHIN CENTURY

Bureau of Education Urges Appropriations for Hospitals and for Battle Against the White Plague.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, Feb. 24.—The bureau of education is interested in helping Alaskan Indians. It has just issued a statement in which it says:
No Indians in Alaska at all will be left in two or three generations unless the government at once takes vigorous measures to check disease among them. This is in substance the statement made in a report by Dr. M. H. Foster, assistant surgeon in the public health and marine-hospital services, who was sent on special detail to make a survey of the health conditions of southern Alaska. The survey was made for the bureau of education, which has general supervision of Alaska natives, and as a result of it an estimate for an appropriation of \$70,000 for additional medical work among the natives is now before congress.

Dr. Foster discusses the decrease in the native population of Alaska as follows:

Population Decreasing.
"Owing to the usual lack of vital statistics in a pioneer country such as this, the exact facts on which to base an opinion have never been available and most of the statements have been kept by the churches, and they show that for a period of five years and seven months the annual birth rate has been 12.3 per thousand and the annual death rate \$5.4 per thousand. During this period, with an estimated population of 400, there were 29 more deaths than births."

"The returns of the United States census bureau show that in the last 10 years there has been a decrease in the total Indian population approximately equal to 15 per cent, or 1 1/2 per cent per year. This corresponds very closely with the rates as figured at Sitka, and they may be taken as indicating fairly correctly the rates for the whole country. The death rate in the United States varies from 7 to 8 per thousand to 35 per thousand, depending upon the locality. An average death rate may be placed at 22 to 23 per thousand."

"The very unusual mortality in Alaska is to be attributed largely to pulmonary tuberculosis, and unless it is checked in some way it will result in the extinction of the natives in 50 or 10 years. Fortunately, it is counteracted to a certain extent by an unusually large birth rate, but the birth rate will probably decrease as time goes on."

Would Establish Sanitarium.

In accordance with these findings, Dr. Foster's recommendations include the establishment of a tubercular sanitarium, provision for which is made in the appropriation bill which the bureau of education has before congress. Conservative estimates put the proportion of natives suffering from tubercular trouble at from 20 to 50 per cent. This in addition to some 15 per cent who have diseases of the eye and an unusually large percentage of sufferers from specific blood poisoning or allied diseases. Without medical attention, natives mingling with the whites furnish an element of considerable danger to the entire population of Alaska.

The need for a hospital is emphasized by Dr. Foster, who reports:
Hospitals Needed.
"Under present conditions the Indian cannot be effectively treated in his own home except for a few minor complaints. Every physician of experience

in Alaska states that they will not carry out instructions or take medicine as directed. If the drug is palatable or they can feel its effects, they are very likely to take it all at once. If it is distasteful or if no immediate results follow, they take it a few times and then stop.

"I knew of a case where a physician was called to see a native ill with pneumonia. He left some strychnine tablets with explicit directions that one was to be taken every two hours. The brother of the sick man, despite these directions, reasoning that if one was good, more were better, gave the entire supply at one time, and the man died in a few hours.

"While it is not known that the strychnine was the cause of his death, it is very evident from such an occurrence that they cannot be trusted with potent drugs. When a native is really ill, he requires hospital care, and more good can be accomplished by taking three or four into a hospital than by attempting to treat a large number in their villages."

In addition to a sanitarium for consumptives and a home for destitute blind and crippled natives, the estimate of appropriation of \$70,000 now before congress also contemplates additional doctors and nurses, as well as new hospitals for surgical operations and serious diseases other than consumption.

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