

ADMIRAL'S STAFF BRAVES AGONY OF RIDE OVER SWELLS

Equilibrium of His Majesty's Yacht Is Much Disturbed by Them; Those Who Survive Are "Kangarooed."

(Special to The Journal.)
Astoria, Or., Aug. 29.—Admiral Beall and his staff of 40 true and tried navigators are making the seventeenth annual regatta highly interesting, for every moment the live wires see to it that there is something doing. Time is not permitted to drag. The admiral is an early riser and issues orders through his chief of staff, John McNulty, accordingly. He believes in and practices the teachings of "early to bed and early to rise," as far as possible. Last night was an exception, on account of the regatta ball, always the leading social function of the regatta. It is said the affair last night eclipsed all former efforts along that line.

Yesterday morning the admiral, staff and friends enjoyed a ride on the bay and each and every one stood the trip splendidly, in spite of swells that rolled in from the open sea and disturbed the equilibrium of his majesty's yacht.

Many a Kangaroo Arrested.
Perfect organization of the staff was completed shortly after the admiral took formal charge and the strictest of discipline is and will be observed till the close of the regatta. Thursday afternoon Vice Admiral George W. Kleiser and J. R. Rogers were placed under arrest and incarcerated in the city hall for failing to promptly obey orders. The arrests were made by officers of the maritime police under the direction of Captains W. C. North and K. K. Kuhl, and Commander Fred J. Larson.

Shepherd Escapes by Flight.
Retired Admiral George S. Shepherd would have suffered the fate that befell Rear Admiral George M. Ilyland, who was deprived of his liberty and cast into the dark and damp dungeon of the flagship Shoshoni for an hour or more, but for the fact that his experience at sea stood him well in hand. He managed to escape by beating the 100 yard dash record through the labyrinth of the craft.

A Variety of Offenses.
Vice Admiral R. W. Foster was disciplined for failing to report promptly for duty and Vice Admiral Rogers was told to appear before a court martial when he rebelled against the orders to look after buoys some miles from the flagship, where a reception was being held.

Boy Guilty of Slaying High School Maiden.
San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 29.—After deliberating for eight hours, the jury in the trial of Charles Bonner, the 19-year-old slayer of Bernice Godair, a high school girl, returned a verdict of murder in the second degree here early today.

Half an hour before the verdict was rendered, the jury asked the court to draw the distinction between first and second degree murder.

Judge Bonner announced that he would sentence Bonner at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Springfield Woman Dead.
Springfield, Or., Aug. 29.—Funeral services will be held tomorrow for the late Mrs. Mary Smithson, who died at the family home here Wednesday evening, aged 64 years. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smithson came to Lane county from Missouri before Springfield was founded, and have lived in this vicinity ever since. Mrs. Smithson leaves four daughters and three sons, besides many other relatives.

CONDITION OF KAISER IS IMPROVED TODAY



Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Cassel, Germany, Aug. 29.—Kaiser Wilhelm, who has been confined to his bed here suffering from a throat affection, will leave for Switzerland next week unless a relapse sets in, according to the announcement here today of the royal physicians.

The Kaiser's condition was reported to be very much improved yesterday, and it is thought he is well on the road to recovery.

LIQUOR MEN DENY PLAN TO RECALL GOV. WEST

Portland, Aug. 29.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The press has given wide publicity to the fact that it is the intention of the liquor interests to invoke the "recall" on Governor West.

In view of this fact I take this opportunity to inform you and the public that the Retail Liquor Dealers' association of the state of Oregon has nothing whatever to do with any recall that may be invoked in regard to Governor West, and I also wish through your paper to inform the public that on or about June 29 of this year our association received a communication from Governor West to meet him at the Armory in the city of Portland on June 29, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to take up and discuss with him the enforcement of all laws, and that pursuant to said request, the officers of the association and over 50 members of the Retail Liquor Dealers' association of the state of Oregon assembled at the Armory at the time indicated, preparatory to taking up with Governor West the subject of law enforcement, and that the members of the association waited for over one hour for the appearance of the governor, but he did not present himself for the conference, and we have received no other communication from Governor West for a conference.

In conclusion I wish to state that the Retail Liquor Dealers' association is in favor of law enforcement, and that it will assist in every honorable way any officer actuated with pure motives in regard to the enforcement of all laws. Yours very truly,

FRANK HOFFMAN, President.

DEMOCRATIC FINANCE COMMITTEE NAMED

A finance committee of the Democratic national committee for the state of Oregon has been announced from national headquarters, to take charge of plans for the collection of a fund for the election of Wilson and Marshall. It is composed as follows:

C. S. Jackson of Portland, chairman; J. H. Albert of Salem, Dr. C. J. Smith of Pendleton, Herman Wise of Astoria, Joseph N. Teal of Portland, Stephen P. Jewell of Grants Pass and T. M. Baldwin of Prineville.

A letter from Henry Morgenthau of New York, chairman of the general finance committee of the Democratic national committee, requests the calling of an early meeting of the Oregon finance committee, and particular emphasis is placed upon the importance of observing the wishes of the candidates by making this a campaign of popular subscriptions in all its phases.

DATE FOR SPECIAL ELECTION WILL BE SET TOMORROW

Proposed Amendments Also to Be Considered by the Council; New Pay Day Ordinance Meets Defeat.

An adjourned session of the city council will be held tomorrow morning for the special purpose of considering proposed charter amendments and of fixing a date for a special election some time in advance of the regular fall election. At this special election all proposed charter amendments ordered on the ballot by the council will be submitted to a vote of the people.

The council yesterday afternoon ordered the municipal vice commission to turn over every scrap of evidence gathered by it on vice conditions in Portland to the mayor for the use of the police department. In a recent report to the council the commission declared that immorality is widespread throughout hotels and lodging houses.

To Give Evidence to Police.
The report contains the accounts of special investigators, but mentions no names, these being kept in confidence by the commission. The council wants the mayor and the police to have all this information.

A fight waged by Councilman Maguire led to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the advisability of having the \$408,000 case of Wakefield vs. the city tried before a jury. The evidence in the case is now being reviewed by a referee, former Judge Cleland of the circuit court. Councilman Maguire has stated that he believes Cleland may not give the city an impartial and unbiased decision. The special committee consists of Councilmen Burgard, Daly and Maguire. It will make a report to the council tomorrow. If the council sees fit it may demand a trial by jury and the dismissal of the referee.

The ordinance providing for a twice a month pay day met with defeat by a vote of 8 to 5, after having been favorably recommended by the ways and means committee.

Employees Disappointed.
The failure of the council to pass the ordinance was a keen disappointment to hundreds of employees of the city, who had hoped for the establishment of a more frequent pay disbursement.

The monthly pay day, it is said, practically exiles some of the employees, especially those who work in the street cleaning, sewer repair and park departments, to buy all their necessities from those merchants with whom they can get credit. Many poor people who work would like to be able to use cash in making purchases.

When Councilman Clyde first drafted the pay ordinance, he thought of making the pay day a weekly affair. The city auditor, however, objected to this, saying it would make too much work. He said he thought it would be more convenient to pay twice a month, if any change were made.

Unexpected opposition came from the office of the mayor's clerk. This official has to sign all the warrants issued by the city and the passage of the twice a month pay measure would have doubled his labors.

Though two important reasons were urged for the removal of the old steel bridge and for its closing to traffic at the time of the completion of the new railroad bridge, no move has yet been made by the O. W. R. & N. company to tear down the ancient span.

The railroad's contract with the government calls for the complete removal of the old bridge, including piers, within six months after the completion of the new bridge.

Where the railroad tracks pass under the west approach of the old bridge the clearance is only 15 feet, when it should be at least 22 feet, making the passage dangerous to breakdown on freight trains. These were the reasons urged for speedy removal of the old bridge.

"I expect work on the tearing away of the old bridge to begin within the next day or two," said Chief Engineer G. W. Boschke of the O. W. R. & N. company this morning. "I have simply been waiting on the management to approve the contract for the removal of the bridge. There will be no unnecessary delay, as we are anxious to have the old bridge out of the way."

CALIFORNIANS WILL STORM TACOMA, TOO

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 29.—When the "flying legion," composed of 100 distinguished Californians, boosting the Panama-Pacific exposition, arrives in Tacoma tomorrow it will be met at the depot by 1200 members of the Commercial club and chamber of commerce in a great train of automobiles. Some time will be spent in touring the city, after which a reception will be held.

REMOVAL OF BULLET LONG IN CHEST CURES

(Special to The Journal.)
Cottage Grove, Or., Aug. 29.—The removal of a bullet which he had carried for 17 years has cured H. D. Bennett of Borena of what he thought to be serious lung trouble. He came here for medical treatment. The doctor diagnosed the case as best he could, but could not make out the trouble, and at last put him under the X-ray. Its mysterious power revealed the presence of a foreign substance in the chest, and then the patient remembered that he had been accidentally shot by his brother some 17 years before with a .22 caliber rifle. The bullet was removed without trouble and Mr. Bennett suffers no serious inconvenience.

Excursion to 1200 Acre Nursery.
(Special to The Journal.)
Orengo, Or., Aug. 29.—The Portland Floral association made a special trip to this place this week to inspect the forthcoming crop of the 1200 acre nursery of the Oregon Nursery company. This is the first of a series of excursions to be made by the association. A business session was also held, there being about 40 members present.

FAMOUS COMPOSER'S WORK AT AN END



The death of Jules Massenet last Tuesday spread gloom in the artistic world of Paris. Several of Massenet's operas are well known here, particularly "Thais," "Manon," "Le Jongleur de Notre Dame," and "Werther." He was a poor musician with a wage of \$16 a month before his art was recognized. He declined several offers of American engagements, fearing to cross the sea.

PATHFINDER CAR MAKES GOOD RECORD ON TRIP

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New Orleans, Aug. 29.—Exactly 28 days after leaving Detroit, the Flanders Colonial Pathfinder car of the American Automobile association, W. O. Westgard, official pathfinder, arrived in New Orleans in good condition. The actual running time was 21 1/2 days. This is the first time New Orleans has ever been the terminus of a Glidden tour, now known as the A. A. A. tour. It is the first time an electric has ever been used as an official pathfinder. The arrival of the pathfinder is the first step toward the annual A. A. A. tour which will occur in October. The pathfinding crew was royally entertained in New Orleans. Mr. Westgard presented Mayor Gorman with a silk flag carried by the pathfinder from Mayor Thompson of Detroit.

ALBANY WANTS OPEN WATER DITCHES CLOSED

(Special to The Journal.)
Albany, Or., Aug. 29.—At last evening's meeting of the Albany council the city recorder was instructed to inform the Oregon Power company that next Wednesday will be the last day of grace for its officers to appear before the council and show cause why a certain

ordinance that has already reached the second reading shall not be passed. The ordinance provides that all open ditches in the city shall be covered within 60 days after the final passage of the ordinance. Representatives of the company appeared before the council after the bill was first introduced and asked

for time to submit a proposition to the council. The Oregon Power company has a considerable length of open ditch within the city limits. The power company recently completed one of the most modern filter plants at a cost of about \$85,000. The city's supply of water is

brought from the Santiam river near Lebanon in an open ditch, and the waste from the filter is discharged into the river. An electrically driven machine to split kindling wood is a novelty.

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