

WHITE APPOINTMENT IS CONDEMNED BY PROMINENT WOMEN

Temperamentally Incompetent to Conduct Institution as Fraser Home, Is Claim.

MAN PERSONALLY GOOD

Complaint Made by All Is Practically All as to Unfitness of Appointment.

San White, recently appointed for a second time superintendent of the Fraser Detention Home, is temperamentally unfit to manage such an institution, in the opinion of many of the members of the advisory committee that investigated conditions at the home about a year ago, when White was superintendent.

Eleven of Portland's most prominent women were members of this committee and the investigation showed the home to be in an unsatisfactory condition.

They had no fault to find with Mr. White personally, but the committee was unanimous in the opinion that he was not temperamentally fitted for such a position and was not competent to handle the institution.

An effort was made to get a meeting of the committee yesterday morning to consider the matter, but it was found impossible to get the members together on such short notice.

Previous Work Criticized.

"After a number of women have given of their time in an effort to improve conditions at the detention home, it is very sad to think that the institution is to be placed in the hands of another man," said Mrs. W. B. Fechtelner, a member of the committee. "Mr. White is not competent. He is not suited to handling children. I cannot understand his appointment, unless it is due to political influence."

White resigned as head of the institution a little less than a year ago, after his work had been criticized by the committee. Through the efforts of the committee Miss Van Waters, a trained worker in institutional work, was brought from the institution to the position of superintendent. Her work was declared to be very satisfactory, but two or three months ago her health broke down and she was compelled to give up the work.

"Mr. White is not a man who can run an institution of that kind," declared Mrs. F. E. Kamm. "It is too big a job for him, and he is not fitted for that kind of work. I hope Judge Cleaton will reconsider the appointment."

Miss Valentine Pritchard was chairman of the committee. She said she would rather see the institution abandoned than have it conducted as it has been in the past. She said conditions have not been at the home for a number of years. She said there was not proper equipment in the first place, not enough beds, not proper segregation of delinquent and dependent children.

Were Good People.

"Although Mr. and Mrs. White were incompetent, they were very good people," said Mrs. R. E. Bondurant. "I stood loyally by them during their administration. But they were disloyal to the county commissioners and to Judge Gatens. What assurances has Judge Cleaton that they will be loyal to him?"

Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst, another member of the committee, spoke very highly of the work of Mrs. White, but said she was not qualified to handle an institution for children. She said Mrs. White was a capable worker.

"Mr. White is not qualified by temperament or training for the place," said Mrs. A. L. Veazie. "He was in poor health and very nervous. So far as I know the committee was unanimous in the opinion that he was not competent."

Other members of the committee were Mrs. W. B. Ayer, Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett, Mrs. Harriett McArthur, Mrs. J. P. O'Brien and Mrs. Ben Selling.

Comedy Feature at Sunset This Week

Aside from the Keystone comedy, the picture that probably will prove most interesting at the Sunset is "Shorty's Trouble Sleep," a broncho western of the most interesting type. One of the funniest scenes in the work of the eastern pool shark. Shorty's ride in the prairie schooner and his fight with the robbers are situations filled with laughs. "Gussie Rivals Jonah" is the Keystone, and the title suggests that it concerns itself with the water and much that is connected with it. There are some very funny scenes. Syd Chaplin and his company are rapidly forging ahead as favorites in their Gussie series. "The Name-Back" is a two part Majestic drama which is frankly melodramatic in its plot, that culminates as all melodramas should, with a tragic ending and heroine. "Son of the Dog" is an Indian and army story of days gone by.

Bureau Chief to Be Luncheon Guest

Plans for the visit of Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of the foreign and domestic commerce bureau of the United States department of commerce, who will be in Portland June 1. Include a luncheon of members of the trade and commerce bureau of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, at which Dr. Pratt will speak.

One of the objects of the official's visit is the establishment of a branch of the bureau in Portland, in connection with the chamber. Dr. Pratt will confer with President Campbell of the University of Oregon, and H. E. Miller, director of the university school of commerce, regarding establishment of closer relations between department and school.

Star's Bill One Of Wide Variety

Although featuring a film version of the late Clyde Fitch's well known play, "The Moth and the Flame," the Star has a bill of wide variety. Of particular interest at this time are the pictures of the Lusitania as she left New York on her last voyage. Views of the vessel in different stages of

departure are shown, as well as some of her noted passengers on board, among them Charles Frohman. In contrast are the pictures of submarines. The Paramount travel men have now reached Key West on their journey to South America, and this installment of the series is all in that vicinity. If Clyde Fitch had not written "The Moth and the Flame," it would be called melodrama, and it truly is just that. But the old play holds up well and makes a fairly interesting feature that is splendidly produced and well acted. The wedding scene is excellently done. A Nestor comedy, "They Were Heroes," completes a good bill.

Umatilla Picnic Set.

Freewater, Or., May 21.—Darrell Harris, 35, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harris of Milton and a well known young farmer, died Tuesday morning. He had been ill for a few days with grippe. He was unmarried. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Seventh Day Adventist church, of which he was a member.

The executive board of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union is planning to hold the annual Umatilla county picnic at Pilot Rock, May 29. They have secured as speakers National Speaker O. F. Dornblaser of Texas and State President J. D. Brown of Arlington.

Albert E. White has been engaged as principal of the Freewater public school for the coming year. Mr. White was a teacher here one year ago, and has since been the principal of the DeHaven school above Milton.

Warnings Are Posted.

County Superintendent of Bridges Welch informed the county commissioners that signs have been placed on the steel bridge forbidding automobile and motorcycle drivers the use of the roadways and warning them to keep in the center of the bridge with the car tracks.

MANY PAINTINGS IN OIL AND WATER ON EXHIBIT AT LIBRARY

Mutual Art Association Opens Second Annual Display in This City.

The second annual exhibit of the Mutual Art association is on at the library. It will continue until June 5. There are more than 100 pictures, of subjects ranging from rugged mountain scenery to baskets of eggs and garden stuff.

There is also a display of ceramics, and a considerable collection of antiquities. Loaned paintings include specimens by Thomas Hill, N. A.; Julian Rix, N. A.; Lucy E. Ramberg; Alfonso De Neuville-French, and Joseph Hannon Watson, A. N. A.

Members of the association who are contributing to the exhibit: George E. Bingham; Dana Bartlett; Mrs. P. J. Bannon; Mrs. Mary Bradford; Laura Baldwin Doolittle; E. D. M. Fowle; Mrs. L. S. Eastman; George H. Fowler; Mrs. Katherine Gabriel; C. Elmore Grove; Edward Hill; H. F. Higby; Clyde Leon Keller; W. L. Everett Knowles; Paul Laurits; Adelaide Archibald Lowden; Harry McIntosh; Colonel Robert A. Miller; Hugo Newman; Mrs. Cynthia Rudler Osgood; Charles W. Post; Ethel Post; Alfred Rix; Dr. Clement B. Shaw; Mrs. Charles E. Waring; James Sigler; J. D. Jewett; Mrs. Alice

Welster; Mrs. M. F. Woods and Melvin T. Wire. Ceramics are loaned by Mrs. Gertrude J. Denny, and exhibited by Mrs. Angelyne N. Lincoln. Miss Geneva Barnes, Mrs. P. J. Bannon, Mrs. L. S. Eastman, Mrs. Clyde Keller, Nellie G. Leyman, Mrs. Edwina Smith and Mrs. M. F. Woods, who shows also three statuettes. Photographs are exhibited by B. Gifford and Rachael Morgan, George M. Welster, C. Elmore Grove, and Charles W. Post, who submits two experiments taken without lenses.

N. P. Co.'s New Line Drawing Attention

Company Has Spent \$2,000,000 on Road for Steel, Bridges and General Improvement.

Local railroad men are interested in the Northern Pacific's new line northward from Seattle toward Vancouver, B. C., on which about \$2,000,000 has been spent in new steel, bridges and general improvement. The date of the opening has not been fixed, explained A. D. Charlton, assistant general passenger agent, but it will be in operation some time during the summer.

The line will be opened first as far as Huntington, near the Canadian boundary. From there, regular through service will be run over Great Northern rails into Vancouver. About \$2,000,000 worth of steel equipment has been ordered, much of it to be used on this line.

Says Husband Threatened.

Carrie L. Kessler has filed suit for divorce against Fred G. Kessler, a bartender, alleging that Kessler threatened last Monday to get a gun and shoot her if she did not furnish him with \$1000 at once. The Kesslers were married in Vancouver, Wash., September 22, 1908.

NEW SCHOOL LAW CAN'T BE FOLLOWED AT THIS ELECTION

Old Requirements Will Have to Be the Rule in Some Respects.

As the impossible cannot be expected in connection with an election, Attorneys Nicholas McCoy have advised School Clerk Thomas that certain provisions of the new law governing school elections will have to be ignored at the election to be held June 19.

This provision is to the effect that when voters register they must state whether or not they are taxpayers. Only taxpayers are eligible to vote at a school election. The law further provides that the registration books shall be delivered to the election officials in the various precincts for the school election and be used the same as in other elections.

This caused the question to be raised as to what procedure should be adopted for the school election June 19, as the registration books do not show who are taxpayers, and registration time is past. The board's attorneys advised Clerk Thomas that the school election should proceed as in the past. The election officials can ask the voters if they are taxpayers. If doubt exists the voters may be required to make an affidavit that they are taxpayers.

In past school elections a citizen taxpayer could vote at any polling place in the district, but at the forthcoming election all must vote in the precincts in which they are registered. The school board is given authority, however, to group precincts according to convenience and have but one polling place for each group of precincts. When the new laws go into effect the corrupt practices act will also apply to school elections.

NEW STATE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION IS TO MEET WEDNESDAY

Appointment of Wardens and Secretary Among First Things to Be Undertaken.

The first meeting of the new state fish and game commission will be held in Salem next Wednesday. Notices of the meeting have been sent to the members, who have been appointed by Governor Withycombe.

One of the first things to be taken up, it is expected, will be the appointment of a state game warden and a master fish warden and a secretary of the commission.

Under the new law Governor Withycombe will be chairman of the commission. The other four members are I. N. Fleischner and Frank Warren of Portland, Marion Jack of Pendleton, and C. E. Stone of Klamath Falls.

Prediction is made in interested circles that R. E. Clanton, the present master fish warden, will be retained in that position, but there appears to be more uncertainty and more of a scramble for the position of state game warden, as it is considered a foregone conclusion that W. L. Finley, the present state biologist, will be appointed state biologist, a position newly created by the law.

For state game warden the applicants include Ralph Ewing of Medford, Ed Morgan of Gaston, C. K. Cranston, formerly president of the fish and game commission, of Pend-

Building at Albany.

Albany, Or., May 21.—That Albany will soon have another large department store, one that will occupy the lot made vacant by the burning of the Hamilton store last February, was intimated today by Dr. J. P. Wallace, owner of the property on First street, which is now being excavated. He said that he would know in a week what kind of building he would put up and who it would be built for.

Two well known authorities on the raising of China pheasants have joined the Pheasants' Albany's marching club. They are Gene Simpson, manager of the state game farm near Corvallis, and J. W. Dodge, also near Corvallis, who makes a business of raising pheasants.

Saturday, May 29, is the date selected for Albany's next public sales day. A. L. Fisher, chairman of the committee in charge, today said that he expects a big list of stock will be offered at this sale.

The Albany Pheasants have been invited to attend the Lebanon Strawberry Fair on May 27 and 28 and will probably accept. If so, it will be the Pheasants' first appearance at a celebration of this kind in its history.

ton; F. M. Brown of Brownsville, A. H. Lea, J. E. Cullison and L. P. G. Quimby of Portland. As two of the members of the commission come from Multnomah county and it appears probable that the master fish warden and state biologist will be appointed from Portland, the argument is being made that the state game warden should be appointed from one of the applicants outside of Multnomah. Ewing is considered one of the strongest possibilities, although some of Lea's friends think he has the inside track with the governor. There are several applicants for master fish warden, among them being R. L. Adams, a brother of City Treasurer William Adams and C. F. Huntley of Oregon City.

The Light of Economy Shines Like a Beacon From Meier & Frank's GIGANTIC REMOVAL SALE EVERY ARTICLE REDUCED (Contract Merchandise, "Silk Maid" Hose and Groceries Excepted) All New Seasonable and Desirable Merchandise Tomorrow Men's Day Every department of our two mammoth buildings joins in this sale. Buy now! Buy liberally! Buy at Meier & Frank's! That's the surest way we know by which you may save money. NEW FOUR-IN-HAND TIES, 19c Regularly 50c Buy liberally tomorrow at this price. MEN'S NEW STRAW HATS, 98c Regularly \$2.00 Lots of shapes to choose from. MEN'S POROSKNIT UNION SUITS, 63c Regularly \$1.00 Short sleeves, knee lengths. MEN'S SHIRTS, DRAWERS, 29c Regularly 50c Balbriggan, Summer weight. —Temp. Annex, 1st Flr. Young Men's Suits \$9.85 Every Suit a \$15 or \$18 Value All-wool woads, velours, cassimeres and chevots. The very newest patterns that include Farris checks, Glen Urquhart plaids, fancy light and dark gray mixtures. Sizes 32 to 38 only. —Temporary Annex, Second Floor. "ONYX" LISLE SOCKS, 15c Regularly 25c Pair Black, tans, grays, navy. MEN'S SUSPENDERS, 19c Regularly 35c Fine web, fast colors. —Temp. Annex, 1st Flr. MEN'S SHOES TOMORROW \$4.85 Discontinued \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00 Grades of the French, Shriner & Urner Make Black calfskin, tan Russia calf and patent leathers. All styles. All sizes. —Third Floor, 6th-8th Bldg. MEN'S SOCKS, PAIR, 8c Regularly 15c "Astratton" gray, navy and tan. MEN'S NEW SHIRTS, 83c Regularly \$1.50 Soft-cuff Summer style. Boys' "K & E and Bell" Blouses 68c, 35c Entire Stock—Formerly \$1.00, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50 New patterns and fabrics that include madras, repps, cords, solerette, satens, chambrays, khaki, percale and gingham, as well as a full line of plain and pleated white blouses for dress wear. —Temporary Annex, Second Floor.

A Most Startling Sale of One Thousand Exquisitely Beautiful and Artistic Sample Combs, Barrettes and Hairpins at \$1.00 Purchased in the Regular Way, Would Sell for \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$6 and Up to \$10 Each The headlines alone are sufficient to "mob" this department for this great sale within a few minutes after store opening time tomorrow. The offering is unprecedented—the trade has never seen anything like it before. Extremely beautiful jet and aluminum ornaments in loveliest carved effects. Amber Combs—jeweled and inlaid. All new—all beautiful—hundreds of styles and shapes, suitable for the new high and low coiffures. Pearl girth combs with sapphires, emeralds and amethysts; also white stones. Demi-amber inlaid and jeweled combs in profuse variety. In fact, every conceivable kind of a hair comb for misses, young women and their elders—and for the last a lovely collection specially adapted for women with gray hair. The valuations on these are not arbitrary—we have a few of the same styles right in stock at regular prices—they are going into this sale also. Your choice of them tomorrow \$1. —First Floor, Sixth-st. Bldg. Meier & Frank Co. Pure Cane Sugar, 10-lb. Sack Tomorrow for 67c BUTTER, ROYAL BRAND, 55c GON MAKE, ROLL, 25c TOASTED MARSH, 29c MALLOW, POUND, 29c PEAS, VICTOR BRAND, EXCEPTIONAL, 25c WALNUTS, LARGE, 15c HARD SHELLS, LB., 15c BOILED HAM, SLICED, 35c TO ORDER, LB., 35c BACON, STRIP, WELL CURED, 22c L E A N, H A L F STRIPS, POUND, 22c 60c CANDIED CHERRIES, POUND, 39c 50c WHIPPED CREAM, HOCOLATES, THE POUND, 39c PICNIC HAMS, SUGAR CURED, WELL SMOKED, 12c 50c CANDIED JORDAN ALMONDS, POUND, 39c Pure Food Grocery, Basement, Sixth-St. Bldg. THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND 1857 1915 FREE! A Teddy Bear or Doll Pattern Given Tomorrow to Every Boy or Girl Accompanied by Adult Visiting Our Top Store, Annex Building, 6th Floor. FREE! \$10.00 LA FREMOETTE, JR., OR NO. 1 3 1/2x4 1/2, FILM PRIMO AT \$7.50—ALSO 50c WOODEN TRIPDS AT 29c (ARCADE, FIFTH STREET, MAIN BLDG.)