WARDEN MINTO GIVEN FREE HAND TO WORK REFORMS AT PRISON There is practically no ventilation in the cells, and no urinals or toilets and prison officials say it is impossible to

dors from becoming beastly foul every Parole Officer Keller Blamed

HARMONY IS NOW DESIRED

Members of State Board of Control, Von Tirpitz Wanted Continue Their Investigation.

By Will T. Kirk,

Salem, Or., Aug. 25 .- Parts of two State Olcott and State Treasurer Kay receipt of a mail report from Gerinvestigating conditions at the state They say they have found nothing serious but expect to make their investigation thorough be- Grand Admiral von Tripitz urging a fore making a report.

Here are the results so far Inside employes and convicts told them that the convicts were in a very the text of the proclamation and no bad mood over existing conditions, necessitating unusual care and watchfulness on the part of prison authorities. Convicts told them that this was of the proclamation and upon von Tir-chiefly due to their dislike of and lack pitz's present connection with the of confidence in Joseph Keller, state German government, it was said at parole officer, and the manner in which they assert the purole board plays fa-

They learned that the factional strife Oregon Guardsmen between Keller and his followers and Deputy Warden Sherwood and his followers has much to do with it.

They learned, also, that it was partly due to rules and regulations that have been enforced by Warden Minto. Among these were the arbitrary rule restricting the freedom of prison chaplains, the rule against smoking clearettes and the severe punishment inflicted for its violation, the cutting they will be entertained. down for a time of the amount of tobacco allowed each prisoner a month, the censorship of all newspapers and reading matter entering the prison.

Dungeon Is Used. They have obtained no confirmation of the charges frequently made that severe and cruel punishment is used at the prison, with the exception of the use of the dungeon. They learned that men have, been kept in the dungeon, which is a solid iron ceil with but small air holes at the top and the bottom of the door, for as long as 30 days. This is a practice that has been followed by preceding administrations. They learned that the institution has bedbugs, and that the warden says the inmates are given "dope" with which to fight the insects, and it has

been up to the men to keep their cells The investigation, however, has but barely begun. Mr. Kay will be out of town the rest of the week, but Mr. Olcott is again at the prison today.

continuing his inquiries. So apparent was it to both Olcott and Kay that factional strife was an important factor in the disturbances that they immediately, after Governor Withycombe asked for help in handling the situation, informed Warden Minto that they were going to give him a free hand to conduct the institution, including the discharge and appointment of the parole officer, and hold him responsible for its success or failure,

Mr. Kay said, however, that he advised Mr. Minto to seek to harmonize the factions and discharge no one if the two sides can get along without

"But if they cannot get along peaceably," said Mr. Kay, "I told the war-den he could discharge any one or all of them and I would back him up."

Keller May Go. Warden Minto attributes all the trouble to Keller and intimated that

he will discharge him in the near fusteps already taken by Minto, at the suggestion

of Olcott and Kay, to improve conditions are the restoration of prison chaplains to their former freedom, the abolition of the rule against cigarette smoking, the toning down of punish-ment for trivial offenses. Minto had already increased the tobacco al-Warden Minto said also that 'he re-

cent installation of a group of solitary sells will enable him to practically tease using the dungeon. Both Olcott and Kay said last night

they had no objection to the appointment of a commission to make a surrey of the penitentiary, but they oblect to the form of the resolution introduced by the governor at the board meeting Monday. They say they obect to a commission entering upon an investigation for the purpose of straightening out present difficulties n the management of the institution, as they declare they feel fully compeent to do that task themselves.

Prison Is Old. The prison was built 45 years ago. It has about 300 cells and in Febru-

aryjof this year 566 convicts were confined within its walls. This meant two convicts in nearly every cell, which is contrary to the principle upon which nearly all modern prisons are conducted. The cells are narrow and small, with the old style bunks in them, one above the other. There is practically no ventilation in AFTER EXTENDED TRIP

Warden Minto says no way is at Delegate to Methodist Church hand for segregation of first offend. for Present Unsatisfactory ers and youthful inmates from the Conference Talked Politics hardened criminals. In his biennial re-Condition; May Lose Place port he says he is going to recommend Going and Coming. that the legislature make an appropriation for the construction of the first

prevent the air in the cells and corri-

unit of a new prison, which can be

Washington, Aug. 25 .- (U. P.) -Sec-

retary Lansing has admitted the

sued about a month ago by former

warfare. The report did not contain

comment could be made, Lansing said.

the matter depends upon the wording

of the proclamation and upon von Tir-

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"I believe that President Wilson

handler, editor of the Blue Mountain many mentioning a proclamation is- Eagle of Canyon City, based upon information gleaned during a 12,000mile trip to the Atlantic coast and back. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler and turn yesterday and are staying at the Imperial for a short Portland visit

> before returning to Canyon City. Mr. Chandler was elected as a delegate to the general conference of the railroad company was a heavy Methodist Episcopal church held at Saratoga in May, and went east in April. Since that time he has covered 12.000 miles by rail and boat and durthe sentiment of those with whom he traveled regarding the presidential campaign.

Bace Will Be Tight.

to Have Day at Fair "It is going to be a tight race, judging from the talk that I heard six months ago she sustained a frac-throughout my trip," Mr. Chandler ture of the hip from a fall, and The Chamber of Commerce is planning said in discussing the matter. It is concernation with the exposition to set not going to be a walkaway by any cooperation with the exposition to set means. I would not be surprised if not be restored because of her adaside a day for the Oregon militiamen the final results were so close that vanced age. Mrs. Hart was one of on guard duty near here, when the fair will be thrown open to them and the New York electoral vote would the oldest members of the First Bapswing the election one way or the tist church of this city, joining in other. dance will hold sway half the night and

during the day special events will be from Republicans with whom I talked, he order for the entertainment of the and who say they are going to vote Mrs. Martha W. Zeller, and several for Wilson, is that the president has grandchildren and great grandchildren kept the United States out of war, and Bathing, automobiling, fishing, golfthat for that reason they intend to "My father is a veteran of the Civil Breakers, Wash.—Adv. ing, tennis, billiards, pool, at Breakers support him for reelection.
hotel, Breakers, Wash, Adv.

war. He has always been a saunch Republican and, so far as I know, has N. Jersey 'Skeeters' never voted the Democratic ticket. "He told me the other day that he ntended to vote for Wilson, and when

expressed my surprise and asked his reasons he said: 'I served throughout the Civil war, and I know what war means, and what it would mean to the people and to the country. Wilson has kept the country out of war and he entitled to my support for that.'

"I heard much the same sentiment expressed throughout my trip. I made a point to talk with people whom I met in the hotels, on the trains and boats and wherever I went. The sentiment was pretty evenly divided, but lassing it all to the best of my ability. I am of the opinion that President Wilson will be reelected."

EXPECTS TIGHT CONTEST Jitneys Oust Trains On Seaside Schedule

S., P. & S. Company Will Withdraw Pour Local Trains Prom the Astoria-Seaside Bun.

Because of jitney competition, four ocal trains operated by the S., P. & S. company between Astoria and Seaside will be withdrawn Sunday. The 19-mile road between the coast cities is splendidly paved and

the automobile mode of transportarenewal of unrestricted submarine family reached Portland on their re- tion has proved more popular than he steam train The jitney, charging more than the railroad, is getting the business on a road, to the cost of which

tributor through road taxes. Hart Funeral Tomorrow.

The funeral of Mrs. Barbara who died Thursday morning. will be held from the Holman chapel at Third and Salmon streets tomorrow at 2:30 .p. m. Mrs. Hart was native of Manchester, England, and was in her eighty-eighth year. About six months ago she sustained a fracfrom the shock and suffering she lost vitality and strength that could 1873, and being an active worker "The predominant expression heard its undertakings for many years. William A. Hart; a daughter, survive her.

Suits

Nearly Kill Teachers

Party of Three Warrowly Escape Terrible Death While Marooned on Swampy Island in Passaic River.

Pinebrook, N. J., Aug. 25 .- (U. P.)-Poisoned by the stings of thousands N. S.)-Lost in the San Bernardino of mosquitoes and narrowly rescued from a terrible death, two Brooklyn schoolteachers, Catherine Novette and Caroline Meyer, and Adolph Goodman condition today. The three were marooned on a swampy island in the Passaic river when their canoe upset.

Chief of Police on Trip to Minnesota hat worn by one of the women.

John Clark, chief of police, left last night for St. Paul, Minn., where he was onnected with the police department as its head for so many years, to P. & S. company, has been named as spend a vacation of two weeks. This successor to George Carlson as chief will be his first visit to the old home clerk in the office of A. B. Jackson, since he left there four or five years general agent for the North Bank sysago. While the chief is away, Senior Captain John T. Moore will act as head of the department. Chief Clark was accompanied by his wife and daughter.

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Three Women Perish L. Samuel Funeral in Mountains, Belief Is Conducted Today

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San Bernardino, Cal., Aug. 25 .- (P. home, 381 Twelfth street, Dr. Jonah B. of Caldwell, N. J., are in a critical Searching parties left here at midnight E. N. Strong, H. R. Blauvelt, E. S. and at daylight to try to find the wo- Beeson, W. J. Sheeliy, Sanford Smith. Honorary pallbearers were A. L. Mills. Dr. A. J. Giesy, Adolphe Wolf, L. G. Clarke, C. Feldenheimer, A. H. Devers. Mount San Bernardino, 12,000 feet high, The body was cremated. Mr. Samuel to witness the storm from above the was the organizer of the Oregon Life clouds. The searchers found only a Insurance company, and had been an active factor in the business and commercial community since 1871. He was born in Germany in 1847, and is survived by two sons and two daugh-Paul Chamberlain, freight rate clerk in the local general offices of the S.

Change in Firm Is Made,

K K Kubli will be president of the Kubli-Howell company, successors of the Kubli-Miller company. Mr. Daniel tem at Spokane. Mr. Carlson has resigned to accept a position as traffic B. Howell, who has had considerable manager for the local offices of the experience in handling stationery and Portland, Mrs. V. G. Benvie, depart-Ford Motor company. office supplies, will become secretary ment president Ladies of the G. A. R. and manager.

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Army Veterans to Attend Encampment

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in Kansas City on August 28. The party will there be quartered at will last until September 2

Judge Charles G. Burton, past com-mander-in-chief of the G. A. R., left yesterday with Mrs. Burton, but will join the Oregon party later. He has been spending a year in Portland for the benefit of his health, and expects to return again in a few months. Kansas City is his permanent resi-

Among those who will be in the Oregon party are. Dr. J. E. Hall, dc-partment commander, W. W. Stockton of Sheridan, G. C. Thomas of Forest Grove, J. W. Moore of Newberg, B. Coppie of Hood River, Z. T. Bryant. E. D. Heinecke and A. W. France of

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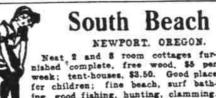
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