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THOSE SENATORIAL ASPIRANTS

When the venerable Evan Reames, of Medford, accepted the appointment to fill out the unexpired term of Fred Steiwer in the United States Senate he let it be known that he would not seek election and he thereby left this important position open to a grand free-for-all. For those who may be interested we offer the following opinion of the candidates:

DEMOCRATS

Carl C. Donough—present United States district attorney for Oregon and an able active and honest man, rendered invaluable help in cutting red tape at Washington on Lane county's post office-museum trade. He is a loyal but not blind partizan of the New Deal and would represent Oregon interests capably. Can't understand why he wants to give up a good post for a gamble but recommend him cordially.

Willie Mahoney—ex-mayor of Klamath Falls and ex-candidate for governor, senator and this and that. Swiftest quick change artist in Oregon's political vaudeville. Appears as Townsend, New Dealer, laborite, Leftist, Rightist, Grand-Right-And-Leftist. Quack!

REPUBLICANS

Rufus C. Holman—present state treasurer and a mighty good one. Honest and fearless. Progressive but not fantastic. Our pick!

Robert N. Standfield—former U. S. Senator, highly respected but in our opinion not in Holman's class for ability.

SENATE SHORT TERM

(From election day to Jan. 3, 1939)

Robert A. Miller has filed for the Democratic nomination for this piece of pie. Alex G. Barry, Read M. Ireland and a gent who ballots himself as T. McNary Weed are competing for the Republican nomination. We have no personal acquaintance with any of 'em. All the ultimate winner will get out of this remnant is the right to be called Senator the rest of his days and about a month's pay and travel allowances to offset campaign expense. We suggest writing in for the short term the name of your main candidate. If enough people can remember to do this, the chiselers will be chiseled out.

THEY WOULD GO TO CONGRESS

All of Oregon which lies west of the Cascades and south of Clackamas is in the First Congressional District. In the primaries you will find the following aspirants for the chair and perquisites now held by Jim Mott:

DEMOCRATS

Andrew C. Burk—former sheriff of Marion county, an old-fashioned politico who knows how to dish the promises out.

W. T. Miller—Josephine county's offering to the New Deal, said to be a very decent and competent citizen.

Earl A. Nott—Yamhill county attorney, described by the railbirds as warming up for future campaigns, described as able, progressive and a comer.

REPUBLICANS

James W. Mott—present incumbent, knows his way around and has shown real ability to get results in such practical matters as prying loose federal aid highway funds and the Willamette flood control project. Keeps on good terms with the New Dealers without endangering his standing in the small but exclusive minority lodge of GOP. Deserves the call!

Walter Norblad—Al Norblad's boy, graduate of University, has served in state legislature with considerable ability. Another "warm-up."

Do not think that because we speak gaily we regard this office lightly. Our senators are "statesmen," but our congressmen are the lads who hustle for the district. Senators are born great but congressmen have to achieve it unless it is thrust upon them. It is a tribute to Jim Mott that no big names on either side have been submitted in this race.

\$11,300,000 FOR FLOOD CONTROL

Unless something goes wrong in House or Senate, the Willamette Valley Project for flood control, with all the benefits for irrigation, navigation and conservation which are entailed is now assured. The flood control committee of the House has approved Col. Robins' plans for the project and out of \$350,000,000 set up for flood control works in various parts of the nation, \$11,300,000 is allocated to this valley to be spent now. As a rule recommendations of this committee are accepted as final.

This money, as R. H. Kipp points out will be as much as can be spent in one year. It will require many years to bring the project to completion, but the future of the plan seems assured. It is to be hoped that completion can be attained before we get around to that "flood disaster" which the engineers tell us with cold statistics may be expected about twice in every hundred years. There are few who remember the great flood of '61 or the flood of '82, but the records have said plainly it can and will happen here.

To save the now densely populated Willamette valley from such horror is the first

purpose of flood control. To develop its industrial and agricultural resources for additional millions of people is the ultimate goal. The engineers will cooperate with us in the working out of the detailed plans. Our problem is to see that the project is not neglected after it is started, to see that progress is made year by year.

Speaking of politix, Lane county has something with Angus Gibson, the Scotch Dane in the Hill and Dale Chase for the nomination.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(Special)—"Drunkness in the United States and all territories thereof is hereby prohibited."

That will be the next amendment to the Constitution of the United States if Congressman Gomer Smith, of Oklahoma, can put it over with the aid of two-thirds of each House of Congress and the legislatures of three-fourths of the states, whose ratification would be necessary.

This Gomer Smith is the same Gomer Smith who used to be a power in the Townsend old age pensions movement and he is serving his first term in Congress.

Gomer's proposed amendment, already introduced in the House, ambitiously proceeds to provide that Congress and the states shall have power to enforce this prohibition and to fix penalties for violation.

Not Gomer's Idea

The idea of making it a federal offense to get spiffed is admittedly not the brain child of Congressman Smith himself, who says a committee of prominent Baptist ministers got him to introduce the amendment, promising him that they would promote it as a rallying point for a temperance program. But Smith thinks it's a good idea just the same.

Although he blames the administration for all the drunkenness that has been going on, Gomer admits that most persons can drink normally and endanger neither themselves nor others. He decries the notion that men and women get drunk only because they want to.

"Many of us are allergic to alcohol," he says, "and such a person will, if he takes one drink, get drunk just as surely as there is enough liquor in sight to accomplish that purpose. Will power will not help him at all. You might as well say that a man suffering from hay fever, who is allergic to golden rod, could walk through a field of golden rod and not sneeze—on will power. It cannot be done that way."

Realizing that he has a long-range proposition on his hands Gomer Smith has not gotten around to figuring the appropriate federal penalties for drunkenness or to the question of who is to decide whether a citizen is drunk or just merely jingled.

Wets Unworried

Members of Repeal Associates, the organization which was carried over from the old Association Against the Prohibition Amendment to watch the drys on behalf of the wets, say they're not worrying about the Gomer Smith amendment. They find the drys are chiefly busy trying to get towns and counties to adopt local option dry laws, and the associates have trouble combating this because they would run into local resentment against "outside interference" if they were to try to run counter-campaigns in the counties.

The next major dry offensive, the wets figure, will be aimed at making individual states go dry. Since the old A. A. P. A. fought the 18th amendment on the ground that states should control liquor traffic within their borders without federal interference, its heirs find the prospect of lobbying against state prohibition laws a bit embarrassing. Capt. William H. Stayton, whose friends call him "father of repeal," is head of Repeal Associates. Miss Elizabeth Livingston, veteran of the repeal battle, is executive secretary. Most of the funds are contributed by wealthy members of the advisory committee, chaired by Pierre S. DuPont.

Bosses on Spot

Federal employees who don't like their bosses and feel they haven't been promoted as they deserved have been having a field day. Senator Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana is investigating alleged favoritism and discrimination in the civil service and promises to call bureau chiefs and minor officials before his committee and question them on the basis of secret complaints from employees whose names he has promised not to reveal.

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AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

Sometimes within the mouth and on the tongue there appear irregularly shaped, hardened and white patches which the skin specialist calls leukoplakia, and which are sometimes called smokers' patches.

These spots usually come on in older people; very seldom in the young. They are seen most often on the back of the tongue, the inner surfaces of the cheeks, and along the edges of the gums.

Usually the spots begin as a small place which is irritated, but eventually the whiteness appears with hardening of the tissues, and finally, because of the lack of flexibility, line of fissures may form between the hardened spots.

There have been many different ideas as to the cause of this condition. Sometimes it has been asserted that it is due to smoking; on other occasions that it is the result of some constitutional disease like syphilis. It has also been related to infections elsewhere in the body, and even to cancer.

Recently records of veterans were studied which indicated that there were 327 cases of this condition among almost seventeen thousand veterans who were examined.

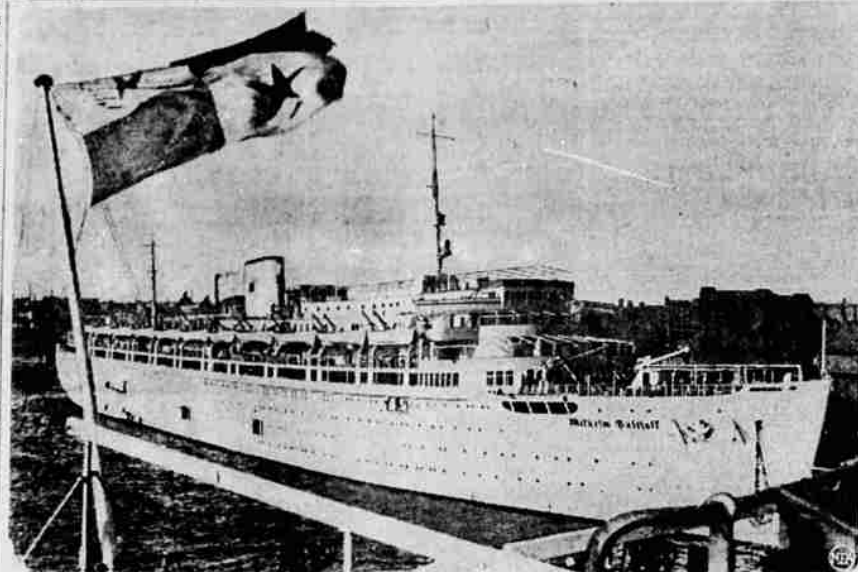
Although all of the patients except five used tobacco, and although syphilis occurred very frequently among these patients as contrasted with persons who did not have leukoplakia, the investigators were inclined to eliminate both tobacco and syphilis as important causes. Indeed, over 80 per cent of all of the patients were free from syphilis. Many of the patients also had infections elsewhere in the body, but no definite relationship could be traced between these infections and the occurrence of the leukoplakia.

Finally, there was cancer directly associated with the leukoplakia in four of the 327 patients which, obviously, does not indicate that cancer is a factor.

The investigators were inclined to believe as a result of their studies that leukoplakia does not follow any constitutional disease but that there is a tendency in people who have leukoplakia to have overgrowth of the tissues following irritation. Several specialists in diseases of skin have expressed the opinion that the presence in the mouth of jagged, rough teeth may be a factor.

In this condition the specialists recognize that there are many cases which cannot be cured, because the condition has progressed too far to permit suitable treatment.

When there are single small spots, it is possible for the specialist in disease of the skin to remove these spots or to diminish their extent, and thus to relieve to a considerable extent any disturbance to the patient by the disease.



JOY will be on the wing when vacationing German workers get free trips in German cruise ships such as the new Wilhelm Gustloff, above, forerunner of a fleet of 20 being built by the Reich to bring Nazi citizens "strength through joy." But aerial photos of the 25,000-ton vessel, showing an unusually long upper deck obstructed only by a single funnel, have given rise to speculation in England on whether it might not really be intended as an aircraft carrier. Modified for war service, the boat could accommodate 35 planes.

Churchmen Bombed By Jap Warplanes

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Japanese troops to capture the city and placing them in a position to advance on Tangshan, Lunghai railway station, 30 miles to the north.

Masayuki Tani, Japanese envoy to China, sent a letter to all foreign ambassadors and ministers urging that all foreign nationals be evacuated immediately from zones along the Lunghai-Tientsin-Pukow and Peiping-Hankow railways.

Churches Hit

(A) Hankow dispatch said two American Presbyterian houses of worship were damaged in Japanese raids on Suchow Wednesday and Thursday despite the fact that large American flags were painted on the roofs. No foreigners were injured. Officials of the missions reported the incidents to the American embassy.

(Another dispatch from Kaileng, Lunghai railway station, said the Anglo-American China inland mission hospital was crowded with wounded after intensive Japanese air raids Thursday. The Kaileng railroad station was destroyed.)

Scattered fighting was reported continuing on Amoy island off the south China coast, where Japanese marines were mopping up isolated Chinese units.

The United States cruiser Marblehead left Hongkong for Amoy to join the gunboat Asheville, which had already was standing by.

Springfield Pupils Give May Program

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her attendants were dressed in orange and gold gowns of pastel shades.

Group singing followed coronation ceremonies. Other program numbers were: Selections by the rhythm band, under the direction of Mrs. Arthur Neet; folk dance by Brattain school first grade under direction of Mrs. Harold Santee, Miss Jean Cochran and Miss Norma Gibbons; chorus numbers under direction of Miss Cynthia Hobbs; May pole dance by Brattain school first and second grade, under Mrs. Neet and Miss Miriam Male; high school chorus numbers, under direction of Alvin Templer; feature dance, Romona Drollinger; folk dance by Lincoln school children, under Mrs. Eleanor Turrell; May pole winding by third and fourth grade girls of Brattain, under Mrs. Paul Sanford and Miss Frances Frizelle; high school band drills, formations and music folk dance by Lincoln school girls; O. S. C. song by assembled group.

In the afternoon, competitive games were played with all schools, including several from outside districts taking part. Eugene high school and Springfield high school played a double-header baseball program.

Sawmill Workers To Get Jobless Benefits

PORTLAND, May 13.—(Special)—Sawmill workers in six Portland plants won their fight for state unemployment benefits yesterday when the commission approved payment of more than \$250,000 to 3,000 workers.

The benefits were allowed, T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the commission, said, after employers and workers stipulated that no labor disputes existed in the mills.

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after dates ranging from February 2 to April 15. Employees of some of the mills were idle for six months or more during an AFL-CIO jurisdictional dispute.

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Bill Walker Leading Coast League Hurler

LOS ANGELES, May 13.—(AP)—With an unblemished record of four straight wins, southpaw Bill Walker of Sacramento led Coast league hurlers in games won through last Tuesday, but the strike-out king of the circuit was Gene Lillard of Los Angeles with 23 batters in the last two games.

to run his mark for the year to 50.

FLOOD UNNOTICED
MINNEAPOLIS, May 13.—(AP)—What army engineers said was crest of Mississippi river, low waters that had inundated areas to the north around Lake Minn., reached Minneapolis and St. Paul today, almost unnoticed because of the stream's high banks here.

"4 STAR" PRIZE CONTEST

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