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EXTENT OF TAFT'S POWER QUESTIONED

RIGHT TO MOBILIZE THE NATIONAL GUARD DISPUTED

Military Official Insists State Executives Must First Give Their Con-

National Guard as a possible third division on the Mexican border has raised the question as to the extent of President Taft's authority over the state troops. It developed a conflict of opinions between the war department and Capitol hill authorities.

A military official expressed the opinion that the president could not get the National Guard out of a state without "consulting" the governor and obtaining his consent.

Congressional authority is to the effect that, under a variety of conditions, the president not only can order out all the guardsmen who have qualified under the Dick laws, who but can send them to foreign lands regardless of the feelings of gover-

The first Dick bill, passed in 1903 provided that the organized militta that adopted the organization, armaarmy should share in a fund of \$1 .-000,000 annually and receive, free, all the equipments of regular army soldiers.

The president was authorized, in case of invasion, threatened invasion, rebellion or "to execute the laws of the union," to call out the militia to serve for not more than nine months in any part of the country. No mention was made of governors.

In 1908 a Dick bill to amend the law of 1903 was passed. The annual fund was increased to \$2,000,000. Additional demands were also made were required to serve for the full term of their enlistment in the militia, instead of only nine months. The president was authorized to or-

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When the bill was up in the house Steenerson (rep. Minn.), chairman of the past ten days so Umatilla county the committee that considered it, said must lay claim to spring weather in the president was authorized to enforce the laws of the union. A decaration of war is a law. In order to Bishop O'Reilly Recuperates. nforce such a law it might be neessary to send the militia out of the

"If this bill passes," said Repreresident will have the right to wage war without a declaration by congress and send the entire militia into oreign ports to carry it on. Congress never intended to place the organized militia at the service of the Talk of mobilizing a part of the president to be ordered about at his

> "Under this law," observed Sherley, (dem, Ky.), "the president could send the militia to the Philippines omorrow."

> Despite objections the bill was rushed through and the president, on the Capitol hill basis, seems to have full authority to create a militia dirision on the Rio Grande,

ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT

Entertainment lovers will receive mething extraordinary this evening The Police ourt Docket. when Mrs. Marion Warde Farnum aypears at the Methodist church in a dramatic recital. Her appearance is made under the auspices of the Ladles' Ald society of that church, which orcanization is doing much good in the ity. Besides raising over \$3000 for he church building fund, it has contributed smuch financial and other same charge assistance to people in distress and at the present time has several such To Honor Judge Ellis,

Mrs. Ward will be assisted in her gram. Mrs. Warde herself has made much preparation for her recital and increased appropriation for the fed-criticism. those who attend tonight are assured of an evening of rare enjoyment.

Was Put Off Of Train.

Some excitement was caused at the depot this afternoon when a tall, well talls, dressed man was taken off of the train by Officer Stansberry. Investigation revealed that he was a colonist from Pueblo who had been attempting to der them to serve "either within or ride first class on a second class tickwithout the territory by the United et. He had succeeded in doing it un-States," instead of only in his coun-til he reached Huntington when a new try as provided by the original law. conductor took charge of the train.

The new law stipulated that The matter was arrued until Pendle-The matter was argued until Pendlecalling out the militia the president ton was reached. When the train should "issue orders for that pur- pulled out of the city, the man was pose, though the governors of the still in the observation car and refused states or territories from which such either to pay the difference or to get troops should be called, to such offi- off. The signal to back up was given. cers of the militia as he may think the train came back to the depot, Of- having difficulty in securing witnessficer Stansberry was secured and the The burning question is whether colonist is now in our midst. He be- the time deny having seen any blow submission of orders through the gan immediately to look for a lawyer governors is only a matter of routine stating he would take the matter to

Newsy Notes of Pendleton

A baseball team composed of Penunder the name of the Young Roundoung redskins at the agency,

Roundup Grounds Are Ready. Roundup grounds rapidly and enough will be covered tomorrow to make aseball boys.

Purchases McKay Land.

Harison W. Hoopes and wife have ownship 2, N. R. 32 E. W. M., with ertain reservations. The land lies in City Attorney Paints House. he McKay district.

Spring Is With Us, Today is the first day of spring acand none will deny that the day is ance, an ideal spring one. However, the weather is no different from that of Will Take Hike Sunday.

Bishop O'Reilly whose jurisdiction extends over eastern Oregon, left yesterday for St. Andrew's mission where Captain Ferguson. he will spend a few days. He was sentative Williams (dem. Miss.), the recently operated upon for appendicitis and thinks the mountain air at St. Andrew's will aid him in his re cuperation.

That a meeting of the County Good Roads association will be held at the rooms of the Commercial club Saturday is announced by H. J. Taylor. president of the organization. All those interested in the work of the association are asked to be present.

Circculates Initiative Petitions,

Postmaster J. T. Brown is circulating initiative petitions today to secure the submission of the bonding of the city for water and sewer im provements to the voters at an election to be called by the council soon IS FOR GOOD CAUSE He is meeting with good success in securing the necessary signatures.

John Doe and Richard Roe both forfeited their bail of four and five dollars respectively yesterday afternoon and this morning the city exhequer was enriched by another five dollars when H. C. Walker forfeited his ball for being drunk Hank Collins drew a three day sentence on the

Friends of Congressman W. R. Ellis are today urging the giving of ecital by a number of prominent lo- some social function in honor of the cal musicians, among them Mrs. J. judge upon his return from Washingcontribute a number on the pro- titled to such honer because of his eral building. The matter has been President Smythe states that he will appoint a committee to take charge of the affair and to arrange, the de-

Pinocle Causes Alterention.

Robert Willner swore out a warrant this morning for the arrest of Neal Dozier, charging him with assault and battery and the trial will be held this afternoon at three o'clock. The altercation occured in a local cigar store over a game of pinocle. Willner alleges Dozler struck him in the face with his fist but the latter denies delivering such a blow although admitting he was possessed with a desire to do so. The prosecuting witness is es as the other men in the store at

Some Modern Improvements,

The Peoples Warehouse have J completed some improvements in the interior of their store which makes their establishment more modern and up to date than ever. New shirt cases, new clothing cabinets and new counters have been installed on the men's side and the hat case has been remodeled. By this arrangement, it has become possible to bring the boys' clothing down from the balcony onto the first floor. New seats have been put in the shoe department and the front arrangement of the ladles' side has been changed. The improvements add greatly to the inside appearance of the store as well as conomize space,

Slouch Day Frowned Upon.

Yesterday was "slouch day" at the high school and the boys and girls appeared at their classes garbed in overalls and gingham aprons. The change, however, did not meet with approval from their instructors and the students were dismissed early in the afternoon to go home and attire themselves again as befitted "their rank and station." While the teachers are unanimous in declaring that the amusement caused by the "slouch" idea was only temporary and did not interfere with the work of the stulents, still they are not disposed to allow any practice which might have tendency to detract attention from their studies.

Took the Wrong Box.

The Alexander department store came near being the loser of a box of Your Doubts Panama hats valued at \$150 the other day through the blunder of a farm laborer. The hired man of Al De-If you are undecided as to where to spain came into town last week and send your suit, overcoat or dress to asked Bill Bailey, the popular clerk have it cleaned and pressed the best, in the Alexander store, for an empty drygoods box and he was directed to drive up back of the store and help himself. Now it happened that a shipment of spring hats had just been received at the back entrance of the store and the man, not being of a curious turn of mind, seized the first 206 1-2 E. Alta. box he saw without looking to see

whether it was full or empty. As it happened, it was full and the contents were the afore mentioned Panama hats which were so light that they did not betray their presence. The man drove off in ignorance that he was hauling a load of expensive headgear. Not long after, Bailey armed with a nailpuller went back dieton delivery boys which will play to open up the shipment and discovered the loss. Frantically he called aps will go out to the reservation Sun- the proprietors and reported a darday to cross bats with the team of ing robbery, but it so happened that someone had seen Mr. Despain's man load the box on his wagon and Roy Alexander, suspecting the mistake which had been made, set out in pursuit in his Franklin car. He overtook the man just as he reached the ossible the practicing on it of the Despain ranch and recovered the hats from the dumfounded driver. Henceforth, when giving an empty box away Mr. Bailey will accompany the person to prevent a repetition of the old to John Kopp for \$3500, the alarm which he felt for a few short ortheast quarter of section 22, moments,

The paint man is at work on the house recently purchased by City A:torney J. Roy Raley at the corner of Alta and College streets and a coat ording to the divisions of the season of white greatly improves its appear-

The members of company L will be ordered out Sunday to take a ten mile hike to get them in preparation for service should they be called out. Regular drill will be held tonight and every night this week the guardsmen will be put through their paces by

Do you read the East Oregonian?

MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR COMMENCEMEN

DATES SET AND SENIORS ARE WORKING ON PROGRAM

Thursday, May 25, Will be Class Day -Members of Class Laboring With Their Orations,

Although the end of school is two onths distant, preparations are already under way for high school commencement. The dates have been set, the seniors are preparing their program, and the different committees arrange for the exit of the class of 911 have been appointed.

Thursday May 25 has been selected or Class Day and the day following for Commencement Day, as the exercises will be separate and distinct for these two occasions, according to the present intentions of the seniors and baccalaurate will be held the Sunday previous but who will preach the sermon has not et been decided.

The seniors have now all selected the subjects upon which they will Landers, The male quartet will also ton. They point out that he is en- write their graduating orations and most of them have written the preservice to Pendleton in securing the liminary draft and submitted it for When the final orations are in, about ten members of the class put up to the Commercial club and will be selected to appear on the com-

nencement program. The Class Day exercises will consist

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the class of 1911 since they first en- class. tered the doors of the high school. Miss Mollie McDill has been crowned ders, it is now certain that there will with the laurel wreath and designat- be at least 23 graduates from the high ed as the official class poet and it will school this year with a possibility of become her duty to compose verses several more. There were 23 who on the departure of her illustrious finished last year and the faculty is lass from the halls of learning. Miss pleased that the number will not fall

of a program prepared by the class will and testament for the class makmembers themselves without the su- ing disposition of such belongings as pervision or assistance of the factulty. It possesses. To Miss Emma Rich-For instance Arthur Jordan has been ardson is assigned a task in necromselected as the class historian and ancy, and she must turn over the will recount the adventures and inci-dents in the lives of the members of the destiny of each member of the

According to Superintendent Lan-Nellie Annibal will draw up the last under that this year.

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