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Dr. Nicholas Butler, head of Columbia University, member of the National Civic Federation, member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and almost every other scholastic organization in this country and several in Europe, is 49. He was born April 2, 1862. Dr. Butler is without question, one of the half-dozen leading men in education in the United States. The honors which have come to him are as great as those which have been shown to any man in the country, for to be a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters means that one has achieved notable things in "art, music and literature." The membership of this society is limited to 250 persons.

As an index to the personality and character of the man, it may be stated that Dr. Butler is a close friend of Colonel Roosevelt, and during the latter's administration as president of the United States he offered Dr. Butler several high places, among them the ambassadorship to the court of St. James. What is especially noteworthy is the fact that he is now comparatively a young man. Cambridge University, England, has conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. He has lectured at the universities of Copenhagen, Stockholm and Christiania.

"He is dying very calmly," observed the physician, as he felt the pulse of the sufferer.

"So like John," softly spoke the prospective widow; "he was always an easygoing man."

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The villain smiled sardonically, for he had taken the precaution of removing her hat pin.

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PERSONAL MENTION OF ADAMS PEOPLE

(Special Correspondence.)

Adams, Ore., April 3.—The Woodward brothers loaded their caterpillar engine to ship to Adams county on Friday morning, as they have 1100 acres of ground to plow there which will take about eight weeks to plow it.

J. T. L'Heuallen was the guest of Dr. T. A. L'Heuallen of Pilot Rock Friday.

Mrs. Piper of Helix is an Adams business visitor Saturday.

Miss Winifred Gless visited in the city of Pendleton Saturday.

Martin Madison of Kins station, was a business visitor in Adams Saturday.

Mrs. Esselstyn visited in the city of Pendleton Saturday.

Miss Nellie Darr, teacher in the Echo public school, came up Friday night to spend Sunday at home. We are always glad to see Nellie.

Fred Blake came up from Pendleton Saturday night and returned Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Musselman of Helix are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. King over Sunday.

Lola and Gwendoline Rogers came up from Pendleton Friday night to spend Sunday at home and will return to school Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Marquis visited in the city of Pendleton Saturday.

Miss Anis Barnes returned to Adams Monday morning after spending Sunday at her home in Weston.

Mr. and Mrs. John King of the Inland Mercantile company, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henry, the city blacksmith, Bert Kieby, manager of the Inland Mercantile company, and Edith Peringer, Earl Simonton and Minnie Peringer, Eleck McKeuzle and Winifred Gless and Claud Wallan and Ethel Peringer, Otis L'Heuallen and Hobart Peringer all spent Sunday at the river and report the climate there much warmer than at Adams and all had a fine time.

C. B. Cole, a student of the Whitman college of Walla Walla, addressed the people of Adams Sunday evening and he had a good attendance.

Casper Woodward and Frank Whitely left Sunday for the Woodward brothers' ranch in Adams county, to do their spring plowing with their caterpillar engine there.

Dr. McKenny and Charley Logan, marshal of Helix, were business visitors in Adams Sunday.

Frank Wallan and A. M. Coffey and Jim Chestnut and F. Martin, councilmen of Adams, made a business trip to Helix Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Christopher and children visited their son Chester Sunday at the hospital in Pendleton, who was hurt Friday and he is doing nicely.

SPOKANE IS PREPARING FOR ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Spokane, Wash., April 4.—One of the most unique and wholesome spectacles ever witnessed on this continent will be the cleaning and special arbor day celebration in Spokane the latter part of April, when the city commissioners will cooperate with the residents in an effort to make Spokane a "spotless town." Mayor William J. Hindley will proclaim a public holiday to start the campaign after which the city beautiful committee of the chamber of commerce and allied organizations will take charge.

"Our arrangements are not yet completed," Mayor Hindley said, "but I believe we can bring out from 45,000 to 50,000 men and women, including railroad and bank presidents, manufacturers, wholesale and retail dealers and society matrons, on the opening day to assist in beautifying the residence districts. The city crematory department will take care of the business streets and alleys and special detachments of firemen will be on hand to avert fires. The refuse will be destroyed under their direction."

Aubrey Lee White, president of the Spokane park commission, is the originator of the municipal cleaning day plan, first worked out in this city early in the spring of 1906 through the city beautiful committee of the 150,000 club, now headed by C. Herbert Moore, formerly mayor of the city. It has become an annual institution in Spokane and has been taken up by other cities in the United States and the dominion of Canada.

The city beautiful committee is declared to be one of the best organized bodies in America. In addition to the chairman and permanent secretary, there is a vice chairman in each ward, a captain in each precinct and a lieutenant in every block within the incorporated city limits. There also is a joint committee of 20 business men, making up the sub-committees on cleaning day, public buildings, parks, driveways and alleys, streets, bridges and tree planting. The joint committee meets twice a week, when plans are submitted for discussion, and upon adoption the work is carried out through the captains in the various wards.

The older boys in colleges and high schools are organized to assist the officers of the association in reporting districts or lots that require attention. The captains and lieutenants of the companies of boys make tours of every block in their neighborhoods, to oversee the work. They are supplied with blanks to make reports on the location of ashpiles, refuse-littered alleys, neglected lawns and trees and broken fences and sidewalks, and as soon as these are checked the work of betterment begins.

The success of the several campaigns resulted in the formation of a civic plan commission, consisting of 50 liberal and esthetically educated business and professional men to work out a practical program for water, sewer, transportation, parks and boulevard system and municipal art in Spokane for the next 50 years. Experts declare this is one of the most important and far-reaching pieces of

business wisdom yet advanced by any American city.

George Wharton James, one of the foremost municipal art critics in America, said after examining the Spokane plan:

"I look upon Spokane as one of the younger cities in regard to general civic art improvements that the United States has today, and I heartily recommend its spirit to those who are seeking the way to educate and arouse public sentiment in their own cities as to what should and can be done."

EUROPEAN NEWS AND VIEWS.

London, April 4.—While everyone is busy preparing for the coronation, the real estate agents, who were ahead of all others in volume of trade a few weeks ago, are beginning to worry. When the rush for houses and apartments was on, they rented the less desirable places first, reserving the choicest ones for the later comers at top-notch prices. Of course, rich Americans were the ones for whom these choice places were principally intended. These same Americans, however, have "gotten wise" to the proposition, and not only have many who were depended upon to spend the season in London decided not to do so, but several who leased houses have forfeited their initial payments as the cheapest way out of a bad bargain and will summer in other parts of Europe or stay at home.

One of France's famous men has just celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday. It is Auguste Gaucher, widely known as the champion wine taster in the world, who is now living in retirement at Montiemis, in the department of Indre-et-Loire. From his youth he possessed that rare gift which the French wine expert describes as "having a tongue." At the age of 20 Auguste Gaucher's palate was already widely appreciated by wine growers and vintners throughout France and rarely was a big contract signed without his verdict in the particular growth. Gaucher pursued his connoisseur's vocation for fifty-five years and he kept minute records of all the wines he sampled in the course of his professional career. When he retired at the age of 715 he had tasted from and certified 450,000 barrels of wine. He received many civic honors.

The sudden illness of Lord Crewe has done more than anything else to make prominent the weakness of the liberal party in the house of lords.

With the exception of Lord Morley they have not a man there who can fittingly lead the party, now that the able and popular Crewe is absent; and Lord Morley, in retiring from the India office, openly announced that he was seeking repose. Britain's ministers are over-worked. Since the liberals came into power at the end of 1905 they have led strenuous lives and this has turned the hair of the cabinet prematurely grey. It is a matter of general comment that there is scarcely a member of it who has not aged more rapidly than the length of this service warrants. Three general elections in five years and four extra autumn sessions of parliament together with the preparation of a record number of bills, have produced a mass of administrative work which is proving too much for ministers and opposition leaders alike.

The new Russian Imperial railway train in which the czar and czarina travel, is said to be the most luxurious in the world, eclipsing even the kaiser's elaborate train de luxe. The czar's train consists of eleven carriages. It is entirely on the corridor system, is fitted with electric bells and lighted by electricity. The carriages of the emperor and empress are in the middle of the train. The emperor's drawing room has the walls covered with pale rose silk and her bedchamber is hung with light blue satin, the furniture being covered with English cretonne of the same color. Each sleeping saloon has a bathroom and dressing room attached, by the fact that he uses his dining saloon for a study and it is there he transacts all his business with the help of his two secretaries.

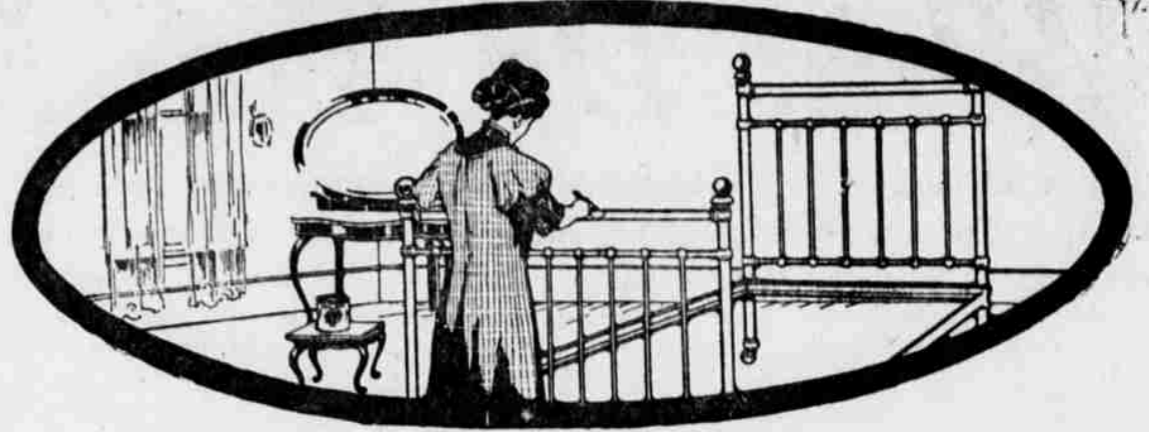
Germany is deeply bitten with the boxing craze and as one travels about in train, in street car or in the street one hears continually excited talk about "boxen matches," "cienches" and "obercuts." In the Tiergartenhof in Berlin contests are held almost daily, and tough young men from over the sea are doing their best to turn slow footed Germans into active fighters. It is the same in Leipzig, Munich, Hamburg and other important centers. In the lower ranks of the army boxing is also becoming popular under the encouragement of sporting officers.

No Permanent or Effective National Guard Can Be Built Up Without Adequate Pay.

I am strongly of the opinion that no permanent and effective national guard or reserve army can ever be built up unless the members thereof are paid and paid adequately, for the amount of training required is continually increasing, and as this training must be obtained outside of the time which each individual devotes to his business or trade, it is becoming more and more burdensome. Moreover, the organized militia, which comprises perhaps 1 per cent of the unorganized militia, is doing the work which ought, in a republic, to fall upon every voter; that is, the preparation for service in war for the defense of the country.—Adjutant-General Pearson, of Massachusetts, in March Columbian.

"BEHIND THE SCENES."

Eastern Oregon will take special interest in a book dealing with the recent legislature entitled "Behind the scenes at Salem," as it contains estimates of the work of the late legislature by Senator Claude McCulloch



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and Speaker John P. Hask. It is the opinion of McCulloch that much time was frittered away by the Bowerman people and too little attention given to constructive legislation.

This opinion finds vigorous support from Speaker Rusk and from Representatives Derby and Brownhill. Representative Eaton, who was a candidate for speaker against Rusk writes the only defense.

politics played, the intrigues of the corporation interests and the secret currents that run through the state house are told in good, vigorous English. Members of both houses are frankly dealt with and their records, as based on roll calls are placed in view for the inspection of the voters. Representative Peterson of Umatilla, is praised, while Representative Mann receives some criticism for playing politics as a member of the old guard.

The main part of the book, which consists of 80 well printed pages, is devoted to brief stories of each of the chief subjects of legislation. The part

Some of the chapters in the book giving an index to its character, are: "The Old Guard in the House," "The

Speakership Fight," "Did Bowerman Play Politics," "Rural Suspicion Kills Good Roads," "Corporations in the Saddle," "The Senate and the Oregon System," and "The Flat Salary Bill." Carl Smith and H. P. Edward, legislative correspondents of the Portland Journal, are the authors of the book into which they have crowded a lot of interesting reading. It is a novel idea in the way of telling what the lawmakers did and failed to do and it enables the voter to ascertain how his particular senator and representative stood.

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