

NATIONS ENTANGLED OVER TURKISH REFORMS

St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.—It is expected that Russia and Great Britain will enter into an agreement for joint action in regard to the situation in Macedonia and that they will be supported by France and perhaps by Italy. If such a coalition is made the Russian undoubtedly will be the latest developments at Constantinople, and the fact that Germany intends to abandon her allies and adopt the center proposals of the sultan, which from the Russian point of view is tantamount to no reform at all, Russia regards the situation as equally threatening to the Moroccan entanglement in international importance.

addition of a boarding house, with a first-class cook. Those who wish to camp but do not wish to do their own cooking may secure excellent board. This was noticeably absent last year, and Mr. Croner says he would have done a still better business than he did if this had been a feature. The resort will be opened earlier than last year, and by the time the season begins everything at the springs will be in ship shape.

RUSSIANS ENLIST TO FIGHT JAPAN

New York, Feb. 14.—The United States is gaining soldiers trapped in the recent war between Japan and Russia. A large number of Russians who participated in it have applied for enlistment in the United States army, according to the statement of an officer in New York.

CRONER WILL AGAIN RUN BELKNAP SPRINGS

George Croner, of this city, will again conduct the Belknap Springs summer resort next season and will make some extensive improvements in the place, among them being the

OREGON CITY SCHOOL CLERK IS UNDER ARREST

Portland, Feb. 14.—A special dispatch to the Evening Telegram from Oregon City reports the arrest last night of Otto F. Olson, for the past twelve years clerk of Willamette school district. Olson is charged with embezzling \$3000 which had been drawn for the purpose of taking up a bond held by an Eastern surety company. He is also trustee and financial agent for the Methodist Episcopal church of this city, and is electrical superintendent at the station of the Portland General Electric Co. Olson fell from the top of a transformer a week ago and was badly injured, and for that reason was taken to a hospital and is under surveillance instead of in jail.

FREDERICK JEFFS' FATE UNCERTAIN

Norwalk, Conn., Feb. 14.—Mrs. J. Claridge, sister of Frederick Jeffs, wrecked on one of the Galapagos islands in July, received word from

Norway that all of the crew except Jeffs, who was ill, journeyed to another part of the island and were picked up by a ship. The rescuing ship was insufficiently provisioned and could not go after Jeffs. His sister fears the attempt to rescue him which is to be made by one of the ships of Admiral Evans' fleet will be too late.

GRAND OLD FIREMAN DIES AT HIS POST

New York, Feb. 14.—Deputy Chief Charles W. Kruger, the "grand old man" of the fire department, lost his life today at a fire in Canal street. He plunged through a trap door into a basement filled with water and was taken out in a few minutes dead.

Buffalo, Feb. 14.—Fire in the Courier Lithographing Company early today caused a loss of \$250,000. The press department of the Buffalo Evening Times adjoining was damaged to the extent of \$50,000.

W. S. U'Ren, champion of the initiative and referendum law, has issued a challenge to Judge S. A. Lowell, of Pendleton, for a debate on Statement No. 1 of the primary law. Mr. U'Ren wants to defend the law.

ABE RUEF'S STORY TOLD IN AFFIDAVIT FILED BY COUNSEL



ABRAHAM RUEF.

In Judge Lawlor's court today. It relates the pressure that was brought to bear on Ruef through his mother, father, sister, Rev. Jacob Nieto and Rev. Bernard Kaplan, who, with the agents of the prosecution, urged him to testify before the grand jury for "the good of the community," and now Ruef finally, at the most positive assurance and guarantee of immunity and with permission to withdraw his plea of guilty, went before the grand jury and testified.

The affidavits of Ruef's mother and sister were also read and corroborated Ruef's statements, that he was to be given immunity. The case went over until this afternoon. Superior Judge Frank H. Dunno, when approached for an affidavit as to what transpired at the alleged midnight meeting, when he said he gave his assurance that he would allow Ruef to withdraw his plea of guilty, today ordered Frank J. Murphy, associate counsel of Ruef, from his chambers. Murphy promises further developments.

OFFICIAL FORECAST FOR NORTHWEST

Portland, Feb. 14.—Western Oregon and Western Washington—Occasional rain tonight and Saturday; southerly winds. Eastern Oregon—Fair tonight and Saturday. Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho—Rain or snow tonight or Saturday; colder tonight.

San Francisco, Feb. 14.—A lengthy affidavit by Abe Ruef, disclosing considerable history of the now famous "immunity contract" and the alleged pressure brought upon Ruef to induce him to tell "all he knew" was read by Henry Ach, counsel for Ruef.

TORNADOES BRING DEATH AND RUIN TO MANY TOWNS

MOSSVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, IS COMPLETELY DESTROYED AND GREAT LOSS OF LIFE IS REPORTED—SERVICE WAS ALSO STRUCK, AS WELL AS SEVERAL TOWNS OF TEXAS—DETAILS ARE LACKING

Hattiesburg, Miss., Feb. 14.—Shortly after noon today a tornado of terrific speed passed over Jones county, north of here. The whole town of Mossville, ten miles from Laurel, Miss., is reported to have been blown away. All that was left, according to reports received here, is the depot on the M. J. and K. C. R. R. The population of the town was five hundred.

The northbound train got within a short distance from Laurel and was obliged to return on account of the wreckage. The passengers report seeing half a dozen dead negroes, but could not estimate the probable number killed.

At Service, Miss., near Laurel, the home of Ike Holloway was blown away and two children were killed.

Buildings Wrecked. Mobile, Feb. 14.—A special dispatch from Mossville, Miss., says a tornado struck that place early today, blowing two negroes and injuring several. Twelve buildings were demolished.

Several Were Killed. Dallas, Feb. 14.—Reports have been received here that a tornado struck Tyler, Tex., today. Several are reported killed.

Rummage Sale ..Friday and Saturday..

Friday and Saturday will be days of tremendous price cutting. Days of unusual reductions in prices in all departments--the days to buy, the days to save. We are going to move odds and ends from all over the store--Goods at half price, one fourth price--YES and Less Than One-Fourth Price. We are clearing the store of broken lines. Make these your economizing days.

Children's Dresses at Half
\$2.00 to \$6.00 cashmere and all wool serge suits for misses from 6 to 12 years; must be closed out; Rummage sale price, \$1.00 to \$3.00

Rummage Sale of Suits
All Suits of blue, black and Copenhagen Suiting, Jackets satin or silk lined, Rummage Sale each \$5.00

Children's Red and Gray Astrachan Coats
\$3.00 children's coats, well made and worth the money; Rummage sale, \$1.60

Laces For Less
10c to 12 1-2c laces, all widths at Rummage sale price, the yard 4c

LADIES' COATS
\$12.50 and \$15 Coats, Skinners satin lined, blue, black and mode broadcloth, Rummage Sale price \$2.50

Embroideries For Less
12c and 15c Embroideries up to 6 inches wide; Rummage sale price, yd. 7c

Apron Gingham
\$1/2 apron gingham, blue, brown and green check; Rummage sale price, the yard 7c

Shirt Waists
These goods almost given away, \$1.25 to \$3.50 Waists, Rummage Sale price each 50c

Lonsdale Muslin
Lonsdale muslin at the lowest price yet; Rummage sale price, the yard .9 1/2c

Men's Sox
Men's sox worth 20c, fancy colors; Rummage sale price, the pair 12 1/2c

Ladies' Wrappers
Ladies' Percale Wrappers, worth \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.75 Rummage Sale price each 50c

Men's Hats
Men's \$3.00 Hats for Less—Men's \$3.00 hats; Rummage sale price, each \$1.75

Children's Shopping Bags
Children's shopping bags; Rummage sale, each 3c

Boys' Suits
Every Boys' \$2.50 two-piece suit in the store must move out at a Rummage Sale price ea \$1.60

Ladies' White Wool Sweaters
\$2.50 ladies' wool sweaters; Rummage sale price, each \$1.50

Hampton Bros.
Where Cash Beats Credit

SENATOR BOURNE IN DEFENSE OF STATEMENT NO. 1

Washington, Feb. 13.—Galled by the attacks being made upon Statement No. 1 and the primary law, Senator Bourne today prepared and is sending to every voter in Oregon a 1500-word circular letter bitterly denouncing the traducers of the law. In his letter he says: "Daily it is becoming apparent that there is a disposition on the part of certain individuals to overthrow the primary law and Statement No. 1. Those who are lending themselves to this conspiracy are not very numerous, but are noisy, and public attention should therefore be called to the issue their noise involves." He attacks the machine politicians and ridicules the idea that the primary law is destroying party organization. Mr. Bourne quotes Lincoln, Roosevelt and Washington, saying that they all supported the principles underlying the primary law. He admits that the law and Statement No. 1 are not perfect, but continues: "But they have proven as reasonably effective as their hampering environments will permit, and have given life and potency in Oregon at least to the public demand for the elimination of the boss and his machine from party control and have provided for the exclusion of United States senators from the auction block at Salem." Mr. Bourne says that the men who foisted the primary law onto the political system of Oregon "are in the very highest sense of the term Republicans by nature." His circular continues by urging his friends and constituents to vote strictly according to Statement No. 1, declaring that only by so doing can they perpetuate Republican party principles.

MRS. PARKHURST AND COLLEAGUES SENT TO JAIL

London, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Parkhurst, leader of the Woman Suffragists, and other delegates arrested for their demonstration in the house of commons, went to jail today for six weeks rather than give bonds for good behavior.



CHRISTABEL PANKHURST. Leader of the British women known as "suffragettes" who are fighting for woman suffrage.

SMITHERMAN BUILDS ANOTHER SHOP

BURNED OUT TWICE BY INCENDIARIES, HE WILL TRY AGAIN—ALSO BUILDS RESIDENCE ADJOINING

A. L. Smitherman, the blacksmith who has lost two shops by fire during the past three or four years, the first supposedly being of incendiary origin, has just completed a third building for a shop and will try his luck again. The building is located on the site of the other two, a few yards south of the approach to the bridge across the Willamette at the foot of Ferry street. It is 29x30 in dimensions and two stories in height. Since the burning of the last building last fall Mr. Smitherman has been doing business in a large tent. He has also built a small residence adjoining the shop and hopes, if any one attempts to burn him out again to catch the person at his nefarious work or to extinguish the flames before they gain much headway.

GRAND JURY AFTER LABOR UNIONISTS
New Orleans, Feb. 14.—The United States grand jury has indicted representatives of nearly every labor union of New Orleans, charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

REPUBLICANS MET AND FORMED ORGANIZATION

Thirty-three men responded to the call for the Republican meeting at the courthouse last night. The meeting was opened by Dr. D. A. Paine in the absence of E. R. Mummery, chairman of the county central committee. J. M. Williams was elected secretary of the meeting. After Dr. Paine had stated the object of the meeting and made the usual opening speech, others were called upon and short addresses were made by Col. J. M. Williams, Capt. C. J. Dodd, who is a candidate for representative, Dr. W. Kuykendall, Col. Mercer, Ex-Mayor F. M. Wilkins, and others, all favoring the organization of a Republican club. Committees were appointed as follows: Permanent organization—J. M. Williams, G. W. Griffin, W. G. Gilstrap, Program—D. A. Paine, B. L. Bogart, J. I. Jones (Cottage Grove), F. M. Wilkins, M. Svarverud.

Adopts Resolutions. A set of resolutions were presented and unanimously adopted. They are as follows: Whereas, The direct primary law points out specifically that political parties are a necessity, and further declares that party organization is the best method yet found through which to select candidates for office; and Whereas, We believe it to be the intent and purpose of the direct primary law as enacted by a Republican legislature that, through party action, the people of the state are empowered to name their party choice for United States senator to still be voted for by legislators-elect as party choices for senator; be it therefore Resolved, by Lane county Republicans here assembled, that we do pledge our support to the Republican candidates for the legislature from Lane county who pledge themselves to vote in the legislature for the Republican voters' choice for United States senator.

MARRIED

At Portland, February 12, 1908, Lloyd Bellman and Miss Verula Henderson, both of Eugene, Rev. W. S. Gilbert officiating. The happy couple are now in this city and will take up their residence on West Seventh street. The groom is a salesman in F. E. Dunn's dry goods store and his bride is a popular young lady who has resided here all her life. Their many friends tender congratulations.

REACHES LOW MARK FOR MAY WHEAT

Minneapolis, Feb. 14.—May wheat sold at \$1 on the local exchange today, the lowest price for May wheat on the 1907 crop. Chicago Quotations. Chicago, Feb. 14.—May, 93 1-2; July, 90 1-4; September, 87 7-8.