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W. J. Furnish, candidate for Governor, after receiving favors from the Democratic party, not so very long ago, became more ambitious and joined the Republican organization. Still full of energy, this former Southron, desirous of demonstrating the sincerity and permanency of his conversion, announced that he would sacrifice himself and serve the people as the Governor of Oregon. Our Republican friends, in order to encourage desertion to their ranks, should reward the hungeriest of the impatient turncoats with the highest offices within their gift. They should kick out that staunch Republican, Governor T. T. Geer, who has made the best executive Oregon ever had, and install in his place Mr. Furnish.—Woodburn Independent.

An incident which has but little bearing on the South African war is the death this week of Cecil Rhodes. Yet he was probably the prime mover in the piratical Jameson raid, which led to

this most iniquitous war. He is dead, and he dies a much-hated man; probably no man is more bitterly hated by the Boers and many British than Rhodes, unless it be Joseph Chamberlain. Rhodes practically began the war, but Chamberlain carried it on. Both men will hand down their names to posterity, but we do not envy them the kind of odor which will cling to their names.—Argonaut.

We respectfully call the attention of our county exchanges to the example of the Salem Weekly Democrat, which copies our item regarding the sale of the Chadwick tract and gives credit to the DAILY COAST MAIL at both ends of the article. This tends to even things up.

Rev. S. B. McClelland Resigns

At the regular annual meeting of the Presbyterian church, held Monday evening, Rev. S. B. McClelland handed in his resignation as pastor of the church. This was a surprise to all, and many expressions of regret were heard. It seems that Mr. McClelland has received a good offer from Boulder, Montana, and as he thinks the change will be beneficial to the health of his family, he has concluded to make the change. He will stay until the last of this month and it is expected that his place can be filled by that time.

The various reports read at the meeting showed a satisfactory state of affairs. The membership has increased during the past year, and the report of the trustees showed that all liabilities had been met and there was cash in the treasury.

After the meeting a social was held and light refreshments were served.

Cruelty to Animals

A gang of boys were amusing themselves on Front street last evening by tying firecrackers to the tail of every dog that was unlucky enough to get into their clutches. Many valuable dogs are ruined by just such nefarious tricks and it would be hard to prescribe punishment too severe to cover a crime of this kind.

Guild Officers.

The ladies of the Episcopal Guild held their annual election yesterday and elected the following officers. Pres. Mrs. L. M. Noble, Vice President, Mrs. P. P. Norton; Treasurer, Mrs. J. T. McCormac; Secretary, Rev. Horsfall.

Cream of the Week's News.

Published Every Day in the Daily Coast Mail.

Roseburg, Apr. 1.—The first congressional convention was held here today. Judge Hewitt of Albany was chairman and L. V. Stewart of Grants Pass secretary.

Tongue was re-nominated by acclamation by a rising vote.

Dr. Harris, of Eugene was re-elected chairman of the congressional committee.

The entire session lasted but thirty minutes.

Portland, Apr. 1.—By the unit rule the Multnomah delegation decided to cast its 67 votes for Williamson of Crook for congress and defeat Congressman Moody of Wasco for re-nomination.

Portland, Apr. 1.—Today's developments are favorable to the re-nomination of T. T. Geer, the present governor who claims that he will win on the second ballot.

The delegation from Multnomah will, by the unit rule, agree one after another on a state ticket as fast as a slate can be made that will go through the state convention tomorrow.

Geer has a strong delegation here from Marion county doing their utmost for him and they figure out that he is the strongest man in the race today, if left to the free choice of the convention.

The man who had been invited to make the nomination speech for Geer, Frank Davy, of Salem, has wired that he cannot come owing to the critical illness of his little daughter Vera.

The Portland managers, who will have the state convention completely in hand, are preparing the public mind for Furnish as the Republican candidate for governor. It is thrown out for public consumption that the delegation from Multnomah has not yet decided who it is for and it may finally be for Furnish. It will be seen that delegation probably means the will of one man or a very small set of men, who have made the whole state from start to finish.

It has been mildly dropped today that the delegation cannot be made solid for Geer, which means it has never been anything but solidly against Geer, and he might as well have consigned a cargo of ice to the north pole and expect returns as to go for nomination at their hands.

They are showing great wisdom in letting the Geer people down easy and will thus be able to keep them in line after the convention. Ginger and salt water has been rubbed in on the defeated candidates.

It is now admitted that the Multnomah delegation hold the power to nominate the governor. They will caucus tonight. Geer is hopeful of favorable action by the delegation.

New York, Apr. 1.—State Senator Nevada N. Stranahan, of Fulton, Oswego county, today succeeded George R. Bidwell as collector of the port of New York.

One of the Summer bears met his fate Saturday when he inadvertently stepped into a steel trap which Harry Boone had put out. He was a nice, medium sized brown bear, but he is a mangled remains now.

East St. Louis, Apr. 1.—William A. Rodenburg's resignation as civil service commissioner became effective today. Mr. Rodenburg was appointed by President McKinley, in 1901, to his present position. It is thought that Mr. Rodenburg had not been in strict record with Dudley Foulke, President Roosevelt's representative on the commission, and that the president has intimated that his resignation would be accepted.

Louisville, Apr. 1.—The national conference of the Allied (Populist) party to be held here during the next three days is the talk of the hour.

The present conference is the result of the convention of the reform elements, that is the organization opposed to the principles enunciated by the two great parties, which was held at Kansas City last September.

Naturally the liveliest interest is manifested in the platform to be adopted. The leaders of the National Democracy do not attempt to conceal their interest in the conference, while agents of the Socialists and Social Democrats are also openly working in an endeavor to influence the deliberations and declarations of the Allied party. The rank and file of the reform element, however, under the leadership of Chairman Joseph Parker, believe they are strong enough to keep the party in the middle of the road and steer clear of all entangling alliances with other parties. If their counsel prevails, it is probable that an entirely new platform will be adopted. It will not differ materially from the old platform of the Middle-of-the-Road Populists. The resolutions will declare for government ownership of public utilities, scientific paper money, equitable taxation, a member of the cabinet to look after labor matters and other things which the reformers believe are for the public good.

Political Situation in Florida

Tallahassee, Mar. 29.—Things political in the Peninsula State are beginning to look up with the approach of the big primary to be held this summer, and candidates are announcing themselves for the several offices to be filled. The chief interest centers quite naturally in the contest for United States senator. At present there are but two announced candidates, Hon. S. N. Mullary, of Pensacola, the incumbent and former Senator Wilkinson Call. The names of several others are mentioned in connection with the honor, including Congressman Sparksman of Tampa and Hon. Frank Adams of Jasper, so that altogether the contest is likely to be an interesting one.

No Governor is to be chosen this year, but there are a number of other state offices to be filled. For the position of Secretary of State, to fill out the unexpired term of Hon. John L. Crawford, deceased, there is but one avowed candidate at present Hon. H. Clay Crawford the ad interim appointee of Governor Jennings. While it is believed there will be or more other candidate for this place, the prevailing opinion is that Mr. Crawford will be nominated to complete the term for which his father was elected in 1900. State Comptroller A. Church Croxon, another ad interim appointee of the Governor, is a candidate for re-election. The indications are that Mr. Croxon will have no opposition. One Justice of the Supreme Court is to be nominated in the forthcoming primary and as Justice Milton H. Mabry, whose term is about to expire, announces that he will not be a candidate, it is probable that there will be something a contest for the honor. Judge William Hooker, one of the supreme court commissioners is an announced aspirant for Judge Mabry's seat on the supreme bench, and the name of Judge W. B. Young of Jacksonville is mentioned in the same connection.

Successors to two of the railroad commissioners also will be selected at the primary. The two whose terms will expire at the end of the year are John Henry E. Day and Commissioner John M. Bryan. Mr. Bryan, on account of his health, has decided not to stand for re-election. Among the candidates for his place are John G. Ward of Pensacola, state Senator D. H. Baker of Sumter county. It is believed generally that Mr. Day will not be opposed for re-election.

Atlanta, Mar. 29.—In response to the call recently issued by Chairman du Bignon, the Democratic state executive committee meets in Atlanta today. The purpose of the meeting is to arrange for the election of governor and other state officers.

New York, Mar. 29.—The Union Trust Company of Baltimore is financing a syndicate to acquire upwards of 100,000 acres of coal land in Southwest Virginia and to build the old Virginia and southwestern and Ohio River and Charleston railroads. The plan is to organize a new company, with a capitalization of from \$2,000,000 to \$12,000,000. The railroad lines to be completed will form a short route from the coal fields of Wise county to Lincolnton, N. C. From there they will run over the Seaboard Air Line to Southport, N. C., where large coal piers and docks will be built to handle the coal and other business.

Washington, Mar. 31.—The war department has ordered an investigation into charges made by the Manila American to the effect that private Edward Richter while a prisoner in the guard house at Dos Marinus was tortured to death by the lieutenant commanding the detachment. It is said that he was bound hand and foot and several gallons of water was poured on his face drop by drop and that when released he was dead.

Washington, Mar. 31.—The Philippine civil government bill was favorably reported to the Senate today. A minority report was also presented.

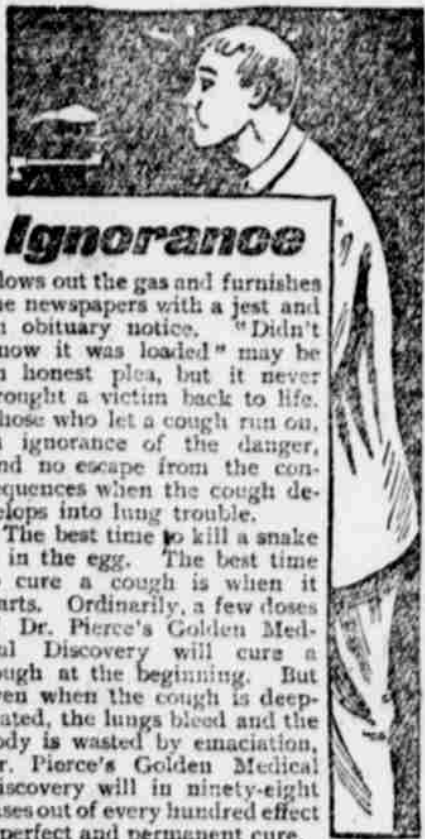
The latter proposes a substitute bill declaring that the United States relinquishes all claim to sovereignty over and title to the Philippines, and provides for the occupation of the islands until the Paris treaty obligations are carried out, peace has been established and an election held for the adoption of a constitution for the archipelago.

New York, Mar. 31.—The steamer, Noordland with 47 passengers taken off the burning ship Pretoria, 150 miles at sea, arrived this morning. The fire in the hold of the Pretoria, which arrived last night, is out.

Washington, Mar. 31.—Secretary Hay announced today that the Columbian government had presented a definite proposal for a treaty between the United States and Columbia by which the latter gives its unqualified consent to the sale of the Panama canal to the United States and provides for an adequate and satisfactory guarantee of maintenance, operation, control and protection of the canal by this government.

The House committee on Ways and Means has ordered a favorable report on the Payne bill, providing reciprocity with Cuba.

Little Rock, Ark., Mar. 31.—The latest returns from doubtful counties show that Senator James K. Jones has been defeated for reelection, by Jas. P. Clarke. In addition to carrying the doubtful counties, Clarke has carried the county hitherto known as Jones' stronghold.



Ignorance
Blows out the gas and furnishes the newspapers with a jest and an obituary notice. "Didn't know it was loaded" may be an honest plea, but it never brought a victim back to life. Those who let a cough run on, in ignorance of the danger, find no escape from the consequences when the cough develops into lung trouble. The best time to kill a snake is in the egg. The best time to cure a cough is when it starts. Ordinarily, a few doses of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure a cough at the beginning. But even when the cough is deep-seated, the lungs bleed and the body is wasted by emaciation, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will in ninety-eight cases out of every hundred effect a perfect and permanent cure.

"My husband had been coughing for years and people frankly told me that he would go into consumption," writes Mrs. John Shireman, of No. 265 23th Place, Chicago, Ill. "He had such terrible coughing spells we not only grew much alarmed but looked for the bursting of a blood-vessel or a hemorrhage at most any time. After three days coughing he was too weak to rise from the room. The doctor did him no good. I stated the case to a druggist, who handed me a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. My husband's recovery was remarkable. In three days after he began using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery he was up and around, and in two more days he went to work. Two bottles cured him."

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