

JESSE POMEROY

Boston, Jan. 24.—Jesse Pomeroy, who has been for 41 years in solitary confinement in the state prison at Charlestown, was granted equal privileges with other prisoners by the state executive council today. Convicted of murder at 15, Pomeroy two years later was locked up in a cell lighted from a window in the ceiling so that he might not gaze on his fellowmen. He was exercised apart from the other men and barred, as far as possible, from human companionship. Two years ago the sentence was enforced less rigorously to accord with modern ideas of prison reform. He was allowed more latitude for exercise in the yard and was allowed to attend church services twice on Sundays, sitting apart from the other prisoners.

When Pomeroy began his sentence he was poorly educated. Now he can read in seven languages, and at the age of 57 is studying Arabic. His last known attempt to escape was four years ago. Since then he has been diligently studying law as it bears on his case. Beyond his attempts to break through steel and brick to freedom, he has been on the whole, his keepers say, a quiet and model prisoner.

HERE AND THERE

Benton Courier: January 12, the Courier printed the following item:

January 11 sees the maple trees, lilac trees, rose bushes and other shrubbery in bud, the grass as green as in spring, and the thermometer has stood between 40 and 50 since January 1. Where can you find such climate in mid-winter?

A man at Casa Lake, Minnesota, read the item, attached it to a note which read:

I had to cut this enclosed clipping from your last issue, and can say that you got nothing on us Minnesota folks—only that we pick the buds from our cheeks and noses—42 degrees below zero last night.

NEW BILLS

By Callan, establishing office of state fire marshal.
By Kuhl, anti-picketing bill.
By Elgin, amending Bancroft bonding act permitting sale of property within 20 days and fixing rate of interest on delinquent assessments.

Making every millage tax a part of general fund and declaring an emergency.

By Gordon, providing that contract is not void if it fails to state a consideration.

By Thomas, appropriating \$25,000 annually for agricultural investigations in cooperation with federal government.

By Thomas, requiring husband to maintain and support wife during pendency of divorce proceedings.

By Crandall, establishing thirteenth and fourteenth grades in district schools on petition of one-third of legal voters.

By Mann, appropriating \$20,000 for Bonnevillie fish hatchery.

By Al Jones, authorizing stallion registration board to standardize registration of stallions and jacks.

By Callan, providing for foreclosure of a second mortgage.

Substitute H. R. 95 by Thomas, reorganizing state tax commissions, placing duties in hands of board of control.

WHITE SLAVERY

Oakland, Cal., Jan. 24.—Jesse Fox, wealthy rancher of Eugene, Or., is expected to take charge of his daughter here today. Miss Gussie Fox, companion of Harley Hamm, 23 years old, in jail here on a white slave charge.

Hamm, the son of a gardener of Eugene, was arrested at a local apartment house where he and the girl had been living as man and wife.

Miss Fox disappeared from home about two months ago.

Hamm told the police that the girl wanted to go home but that he tore up her letters to her folks asking for money.

READ OUR WANT ADS

GOOD LAND DRAINAGE

State Drainage Association Plans Aggressive Campaign to Reclaim Wet Lands

Corvallis, Jan. 25.—The Oregon State Drainage Association has approved a plan to print the biennial reports and stenographic records of meetings held last two years and thus give other persons interested in better drainage an opportunity to learn something of the methods and results of drainage on wet lands and alkaline irrigated lands.

"The drainage sentiment is growing very fast now, and calls for assistance in planning and carrying on the work are greater than at any time heretofore," says W. L. Powers, head of irrigation and drainage work at the Agricultural college and secretary of the state association. More real progress was made at the recent meeting held here than at any previous meeting.

The general movement for agricultural lime has developed the fact that drainage is indispensable to the use of agricultural lime and that any lime movement to succeed must first prepare the way by suitable drainage. The extent of general interest is seen in the fact that the 5,000 edition of the college bulletin on drainage issued last July is just about exhausted.

The State Association is comprised of six districts with directors as follows: Wm. Hanley, of Burns, Central Oregon; A. A. Mahaffey, Klamath Falls, Oregon; Walter Pierce, La Grande, Oregon; B. Beal, Tillamook, Oregon; Wm. Egan, Gervais, Oregon; T. G. Smith, Echo, Oregon. C. C. Chapman is director at large. The officers are W. N. Edwards, Monroe, president; W. L. Powers, Corvallis, secretary, and J. E. Larson, Corvallis, chairman program committee.

MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS

War and Navy Departments To Furnish Medical Instructors To American Colleges.

Washington, Jan. 25.—(By United Press)—Following the general program of "preparedness," instructors in military sanitation and medicine furnished by the War and Navy Departments probably will be placed in 95 of the foremost medical colleges of the United States, February 1. This action is intended to equip our institutions of medicine and surgery with a course of training that will fit the future medical profession of the country to promote betterment of health in times of peace, and to prepare for its duty in any untoward crisis. It followed a conference in Washington January 6 in which deans of medical schools in all sections of the country, members of the Advisory Commission of the Council of National Defense, members of the Committee of American Physicians, and high officers of the Army and Navy participated. The invitations to the conference were extended by Secretary of War Baker following the suggestion of the Council of National Defense which had the hearty endorsement of the Committee of American Physicians. The latter organization is strong in advocacy of medical preparedness and desired to cooperate with the government to prepare the profession for their patriotic duty in times of stress. It is the idea of the council to finish the graduating classes of medical schools with a rudimentary military training and it is estimated that this action will furnish 3,000 young medical men fairly well equipped for the medical military service on June 1, the date of their graduation this year. The Secretaries of War and Navy will supply the necessary instructors.

This move in medical preparedness has the distinction of claiming the support of both militarists and pacifists in that the physician and surgeon engaged in the humane efforts of life saving throughout the horrible destructions of war.

Such a course of training is not contemplated with the sole thought of war, but also that future members of the profession may be prepared to face the problems arising from national calamity and catastrophe in times of peace.

At Mrs. Snellings—

The members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian church enjoyed a pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. Snelling on Fourth street. Forty-three of them spent several hours together.

Was Good Feed—

A good crowd of Albany people enjoyed the fine feed served by the men of the Presbyterian church last night, appreciating the fine menu, the aesthetic service and the universal courtesy and good will displayed. A good lump was added to the church fund.

DESCENDANT OF GEORGE WASHINGTON IN THE MOVIES

The unique distinction is enjoyed by the Fox Film Corporation of having shown the President of the United States his first photoplay, "A Daughter of the Gods," in a motion picture theatre, and of just having signed a great-grand-niece of the first president of the Republic.

The new acquisition with the distinguished ancestry is Eleanor Washington, who will soon appear in a forthcoming William Fox production.

In "Jealousy," which William Fox released not long ago, and which is shown at the Rolfe Friday, a prominent part was taken by Charles Mayfield who is a grandniece of Abraham Lincoln.

Miss Washington is descended directly from John Austin Washington, who was a full brother of the "Father of His Country." She is descended even more directly from Bushrod Washington, the associate justice of the United States Supreme Court and executor of Washington's estate and from Corbin Washington.

Miss Washington has colonial furniture worth a fortune. She values a card table particularly that was once the property of one of the Dukes of Argyle. The table has been in the family's possession for more than 150 years.

Thomas Blackburn Washington, the father of the new Fox player, owned a copy of George Washington's will with his signature on each page. He had also the General's violin. This was sold to Ben Butler, of Civil War fame.

Miss Washington was born in Bradock, Virginia, and was educated at the Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Staunton, Virginia. After much persuasion she obtained the consent of her parents to go on the stage. Now, Miss Washington says, she believes that her family takes a secret pride in her work.

Her first theatrical position was in Charles Frohman's presentation of "Ulysses," in the supporting cast of Tyrone Power and Rose Coghlan.

Later she played with Frank Sheridan, Mrs. Patrick Campbell, Wallace Eddenger and other stage notables. She entered motion pictures in 1912, with the Majestic Company, in Hollywood.

Miss Washington is the wife of Harris L. Forbes, the photoplay director.

DIFFICULT SUBJECT

What Is Patriotism? To Be Discussed By Famous Men And Women Today

Washington, Jan. 25.—(By United Press)—Famous men and women Americans gathered here from all parts of the United States to discuss "What is Patriotism?" Included in the list are such personages as Elihu Root, former War Secretary Stimson, Rear Admiral Fiske, Theodore Roosevelt, Medill McCormick, Mayor Mitchell, Altou B. Parker, Howard E. Coffin, Samuel Gompers, William Roscoe Thayer, Herman Hagedorn, Senator Borah, Prof. Edward A. Steiner and others. This meeting is called The Congress of Constructive Patriotism, is under the auspices of the National Security League and is aimed at better military, naval and industrial preparedness in the United States. There are seventy three delegates from New York City alone.

The subject is to be discussed in a non-partisan, non-political spirit. Women are to take an important part in the discussions. There are expected to be about 1,000 delegates present.

"The object," said S. Stanwood Manken, Chairman of the League's committee on Congress, today, "is to establish a lecture system by experts who will take up the matter of preparedness at points throughout the country in a non-partisan, non-political way. Professor Albert Bushnell Hard of Harvard has this branch of the work in charge. 'The well known men and women citizens present today are expected to give their personal definitions of what patriotism really is.

Taken Seriously—

The request of Salem, Or., for other Salems in the U. S. to change their names in order to prevent confusion, was actually taken seriously in some places. The Boston Herald had a big story about it as one of the cheekiest propositions on record. Requests have come to Salem for pictures of the city and information generally. As an advertising affair, which is all it is, it beats Hartog's girl in the glass of water.

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ROLFE THEATRE

TODAY ONLY

Sessue Hayakawa

The distinguished Japanese Actor, in

"The Honorable Friend"

with TSURI AOKI, the beautiful Japanese actress, as the picture offering

An unusual Photoplay offering

COMEDY

FORD WEEKLY

Any Seat 15c

Children 5c

GRANBY LEARNS THERE IS MUCH IN APPEARANCES

Even A Card Can Give False Impression, Fox Actor Discovers.

Joseph Granby, to be seen in William Fox's "Jealousy," at the Rolfe, Friday, was for several months a member of one of the road companies which played "Fine Feathers."

When the actors passed through New York, Mr. Granby decided to visit an old friend he had known as a boy, who was then the head of a large women's wear concern in the city.

He went to the man's office and sent in a card.

"Mr. Johnson will see you in a minute, he was told. So he sat down to wait.

Granby waited half an hour. Then he picked up his hat and started to go when his friend came out.

Greetings followed and the two went into Johnson's office.

"Why didn't you let me know you were here?" Johnson asked.

"I did," said Granby. "My card is on your desk now." He pointed to it. The friend glanced at the pasteboard.

"I hadn't noticed it was your card," he said. "I thought you were on the stage now."

"So I am," said the actor.

"Selling feathers as a side-line, eh?"

"No, I haven't anything to do with feathers."

The man looked puzzled for a minute. Then he turned to Granby, pointed to the card and said:

"Then what does this mean? I thought you were a drummer."

Across the bottom of the card was printed, "Fine Feathers Co."

RARE BOOKS

Huntington to Sell \$100,000 Worth of His \$3,000,000 Library

New York, Jan. 24.—(By United Press)—The late Collis P. Huntington's nephew, Henry E. Huntington, who married his uncle's widow and who has spent three of the 60 million dollars the railroad baron left him, for rare books, will sell \$100,000 worth of duplicate volumes at auction at the Anderson galleries here, today and tomorrow.

Huntington possesses probably the most remarkable and valuable library in the country and one of the finest in the world. It is believed that before he has done his collections will be unrivalled by that of any collector past or present.

Huntington bought a million dollars worth of books from the Hoe collection alone. He paid half a million cash for the Duke of Devonshire's library and has bought a dozen other world famous collections from which he has skimmed the cream and disposed of the balance. He employs a small army of clerks and catalogers and spends a fortune annually for the care of his books.

It is believed Huntington intends to center his main collection at his home in Los Angeles. He is at present living on Fifth Avenue in New York, but he has shipped several hundred thousand dollars worth of his books to the West coast and there is talk that he may erect a special library for them.

Collectors are here from throughout the country today to bid for the rare volumes Huntington offers. This is partly due to the fact that not only does Huntington possess one, but in some cases several and in a few instances all the rare first editions of mighty rare volumes.

A PROBLEM

Will The U. S. Have Neither Congress Nor President March 4th?

Washington, Jan. 25.—(By United Press)—A nation without an executive, and without a legislative body is what this United States may be on March 4, unless Constitutional sparks trying to prevent it succeed.

Sunday, March 4th, is the death-day of the 64th Congress and of President Wilson's first term.

Three precedents are found in American history—in 1821, 1849 and in 1877—for adjourning Congress on March 3rd at noon, as Sunday fell on the fourth. No precedent is found for continuing its sessions until the fifth.

Resolution introduced by Senator Walsh of Montana, declares it is the sense of the Senate that the present session expire on March 4, at noon, t. n.

It has been referred to the Senate Judiciary committee.

No decision has yet been reached as to when President Wilson and Vice-President Marshall will take their oaths of office. Either could, if necessary, take it the third, or again, be sworn in on Sunday the fourth, and then again on Monday, as a "guarantee" against fault in doing it Sunday.

Constitutional experts say the oath administered on Sunday would be completely legal and binding.

New Bills—

Copies of three long senate bills were received this morning. One is a new banking bill, regulating the banking business, and forbidding the use of the words trust and trustee except in certain cases. Then there are two vehicle bills, one by Senator Lewis and the other by Senator Vin-



Sessue Hayakawa, famous Japanese actor, who will be seen at the Rolfe today.

RETRIBUTION

Overtakes the woman who neglects her home and tries to find her happiness elsewhere in the

WILLIAM FOX

Photoplay

"Jealously"

The character of the woman, as taken by

VALESKA SURATT

has all the fire and vivid power of real life

W. S. Davis wrote and directed this Feature Production

VOGUE COMEDY
MUTUAL WEEKLYChildren 5c Matinee 10c
Evenings 15cFRIDAY
ROLFEThe Big Skirt Sale
Still on at Bikman's

Included are many Spring Styles
selling from \$2.95 up to \$6.50

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Tomorrow we will commence to show

New Spring Coats and Suits

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The improved way to cook—the clean, odorless, satisfactory way—is an Electric Range, science's latest and best aid to successful cooking.

Cook with Electricity and you will never be bothered with smoke, ashes, soot, dirt or blackened pans and kettles.

Electric cooking is not expensive—it saves fuel and food—is quick and reliable.

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