

THE WEATHER.

Tonight and Tuesday—Cloudy, possible showers.
Sunday's Temperatures—High 58, low 40, range 51.

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PROMISES OF PARTY AT LAST HAVE CHANCE

Greatest Result of Upheaval in the House, Shearing Cannon of Power, Will Be the Step Taken Toward Fulfilling Platform Pledges of the Republican Party.

Taft's Legislative Program Gets a Show

Democrats Bitter Because Insurgents Did Not Stay With Them and Oust Cannon From the Speakership on Saturday.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The greatest result of the rules resolution in the house of representatives so far as the present session is concerned will be a full discussion of the Taft legislative program on the floor, according to insurgent leaders today.

"No matter how the new committee on rules is constituted," declared Representative Norris, leader of the attack on the organization, "it has been settled that the house can decide for itself what it wants to do. No matter what the new rules committee may do, the house itself will have the last. Our fight has determined that."

To Fulfill Pledges.
"I believe last week's victory was a step towards the fulfillment of the platform pledges of the republican party."

"As to the so-called Taft program, many of us claim the right to say how the pledges shall be redeemed. The change that the new rules committee makes will give us the right to discuss our ideas on the floor of the house."

"As to the Burleson resolution to oust the speaker, I voted against it because it was an entirely different proposition than electing a new speaker. I would never vote for Cannon for speaker, but when it comes to ousting him we must have more against him than we have now."

Insurgents Barred.
Late today the indications were that the insurgents have no place on the rules committee. It is intimated by the leaders that they attend the republican caucus that will decide on the committee membership and they will abide by the caucus' action.

The day's session of the house was without incident. Routine business was transacted and there was nothing to indicate the turbulent times of Saturday.

Want No Responsibility.
Most of the insurgents today seem willing to make no effort to get representation on the new committee. If they had places on the committee they say they would be responsible for its actions, and since there is little chance that they could control the committee, they would rather have no part of the responsibility for its actions.

Victor Murdock of Kansas, one of the insurgent leaders, declared today that if the Burleson resolution had not been presented he believed Cannon would have been ousted before the end of the present week. He declares that the insurgents and the regulars would have caucused and that a new speaker would have been agreed on.

"Pigs is Pigs."

A. M. Helms believes more and more in the axiom that "hogs is hogs," especially at the price that prime porkers are bringing now.

Monday he brought in a couple of shoats that tipped the beam at 575 pounds collectively. When the butcher wrote the check, Al was in possession of forty-seven bucks and a half.

The pigs were of the Poland-China breed and Mr. Helms has more of them. When two hogs at a little over a year old are worth as much as a 2-year-old steer, it looks like the "hog train" would be a good place to ride.

Striking Carmen Reject Company's Offer Still Insist on Full Recognition of Union



PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 21.—By a vote of 7 ayes to 12 noes, the Carmen's union today rejected the proposition of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company looking to a settlement of the streetcar strike. The vote was taken after an all-night session.

The compromise proposed by the traction officials had been drawn up by President W. D. Mahon of the International Carmen's union. Its terms follow:

"Immediate reinstatement of striking employes as far as available positions allow."

"Payment of surplus strikers at a rate of \$2 per day until places for them are provided."

"Wage increase of 3 cents an hour on June 1."

"Annual increase of 1/2-cent an hour until wages reach 25 cents an hour."

"Recognition of a grievance committee."

"A committee consisting of President Kruger of the company and President Driscoll of the local union to decide the fate of 173 carmen whom the company discharged."

"The appointment of a third member of the foregoing committee by Driscoll and Kruger in the event that the company may be able to reach an agreement."

The terms differ from former propositions in that the strikers who cannot be re-employed at the present were to receive \$2 per day instead of \$1.50.

The carmen's executive committee rejected all the propositions in spite of Mahon's advice that they be accepted. The local carmen insist on a full recognition of the union by the traction company. Until this is done conferences will be ineffective, they declare.

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AUTOS KILLING LIVERY BUSINESS

Union Livery & Feed Stable Is Sold by R. O. Duncan, Who Blames the Autos for Inroads Made on Business of Livery Barns.

One result of the popularity of the automobile in Medford is shown by the sale Monday of the Union Livery & Feed Stable by R. O. Duncan, Hubbard Bros. purchased the buildings and property, a 100x140-foot lot and barn on Riverside avenue, between Eighth and Ninth, for \$9200, and will probably use it as a storehouse for agricultural implements.

The livestock, vehicles and harness was purchased by Spencer Childers for \$4000. This includes 20 wagons, 21 head of horses, buggies, harness, etc., and will be disposed of by Mr. Childers within the next 30 days.

"The automobile is to blame," said Mr. Duncan, "for the decreased livery business in Medford. There are only about two-thirds as many horses now in livery as there were three years ago. The high price of hay and feed has taken the profits of the business, for the stableman cannot ask proportionate increases for the use of rigs, as the public will not pay for it. The result is that there is now little profit in the livery business. The large number of autos has decreased the demand for horses, and the horse is not holding his own, at least in the livery business, with the auto."

Mr. Duncan has not yet decided what he will do in the future, but he intends to remain in Medford and engage in other business.

LATE LOCAL NEWS.

H. Von der Hellen of Wellen was a Medford visitor on Monday.

A. J. Olsen of Gold Hill was in Medford Monday.

Professor P. J. O'Gara returned Sunday from a trip to the Umpqua country. Douglas county growers are taking much interest in the year advanced methods in the growing of fruit.

ROCKEFELLER GOES TO CHURCH UNDER GUARD

Much Discussion Aroused by Fact That John D. Went to Church Accompanied by Bodyguard.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The fact that John D. Rockefeller attended the Fifth Avenue Baptist church yesterday with a bodyguard, is the inspiration of much discussion here today.

Rockefeller just returned from the south and it was the first time he attended services since the announcement of his plan to establish the gigantic Rockefeller foundation.

GRAFT SHOWN UP BY COUNCILMEN

Six Former Officials of Pittsburg in Open Court Tell of Wholesale Grafting—Investigating the White Slave Traffic.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 21.—Six former city councilmen and one prominent member of the council today confessed to Judge Fraser in open court their connection with a system of councilmanic grafting. The men will be indicted this afternoon by the local grand jury, according to the district attorney's report.

It is probable that they will be given immunity in exchange for their confessions. The district attorney recently offered an opportunity to some 60 men accused of grafting to come into court and confess their alleged wrong-doing, practically intimating they would escape punishment in exchange for testimony which might implicate more prominent and wealthier men.

The local grand jury today began its investigation of the alleged complexity of the 60 former councilmen of Pittsburg in a system of graft reported to have been revealed by convicted Councilman Charles Klein.

Klein is alleged to have disclosed the operations of a great municipal ring which trafficked in "white slaves." It is alleged that money was collected from inmates of every house of ill-fame in the city and that one former city official has been acting as the representative of the "vice syndicate" in eastern cities.

NASH HOTEL BEING FITTED WITH FIRE-ESCAPES

The Nash hotel building is being fitted with modern fire-escapes for the protection of the guests of that hostelry.

At present only three are in contemplation, one on Main, the second on Front and the third in the rear of the building, thus giving ample means of escape for guests in the upper stories, should the building catch fire.

MANY SOUGHT FAME AT FIVE BUCKS A HEAD

"American Progress Magazine" at Last Comes Out in All Its Glory—"Stung Club" Is Organized Immediately Afterwards—Membership of Thirty-five.

ALL ARE DEPICTED REACHING FOR THE V

Members of Medford Stung Club Are Receiving on All Hands Congratulations of the Envious—Ed Root Is the Only Prominent Man Overlooked.

The "American Progress Magazine," May number, likewise January, February and April numbers rolled into one, comprising a 42-page pamphlet and containing portraits of the famous men of Medford, except Ed Root, has come. It contains also pictures of the celebrated men of Ashland, Roseburg and Eugene, as well as of Yreka, Dunsmuir, Sacramento and other valley cities.

Pencil sketches of some 35 of Medford's leading citizens are presented on page 41. It is true that they are sandwiched together closely, but all have the satisfaction of becoming famous. Five dollars was the average price paid for fame—some, of course, contributed more, others less, so that the page cost \$175. On account of the prominence given to Dr. J. M. Keene as the central figure in the galaxy of the "stung," with a head four or five times as large as other citizens, he has been unanimously elected as president of the "Stung club," whose members have purchased these niches in the hall of fame.

Underneath the picture of the Stung club is the legend, "The boys that have made Medford. The central figure in the above cut is Dr. J. M. Keene, one of the originators of the Commercial club which has made Medford the most conspicuous spot in Oregon today."

What Did Doc Pay?
Members of the Stung club are asking each other how much Doc paid for the honor that is thus thrust upon him. It is popularly supposed that he paid a fat price, with several dinners at the Hotel Nash thrown in.

Among other members conspicuous in the Stung club is C. L. Reames, displaying a large diamond; Dr. J. F. Reddy is labelled "One man that knew a good thing when he saw it," though the inconspicuous position awarded his picture indicates that he did not appreciate the good thing as much as Dr. Keene. A. S. Rosenbaum, another stung booster, has a yearning look in his eye, as though he were seeking for the \$5. J. A. Westerlund is represented holding an apple, with the other hand in his pocket reaching for the five. John D. Owell looks as if somebody had smashed him—evidently the five was quite a blow. Chief of Police Shearer is also among the famous, probably because he let the artist escape. Wes Green is shown digging in his pockets for the five. Judge Crowell has the \$5 piled in currency in front of him. Dr. Thos. Bartholomew is sitting down to dig for his coin. John M. Root is writing a check; Ed Andrews looks very sad, and so do J. A. Perry, Dr. Conroy and W. E. Phipps.

Besides those mentioned, the other members of the Stung club are Dr. C. R. Ray, R. A. Holmes, Benj. Sheldon, E. B. Waterman, B. F. Mulkey, Charles Duffield, T. W. Miles, B. Klum, S. T. Richardson, W. T. Kenney, R. F. S. Barber, W. P. Neeley, F. W. Osgood, O. H. Reichman, Jonas Wald, Holbrook Withington, Bert Anderson, O. C. Boggs, Dr. H. E. Morrison, Art C. Burgess, M. L. Alford, Hal L. Conrad and Geo. Putnam.

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ELECTION ON GAS PLANT IS SLOW AFFAIR

Very Little Interest Is Displayed in Election Called to Amend City Charter Giving More Power.

The election being held today, submitting to the people a charter amendment giving the council power to grant a franchise for a gas plant for a period of 30 years, is probably the most quiet taken in the matter, less than 50 votes being cast at noon. It is probable that the amendment will carry.

42 PERISH IN TRAIN WRECK

Officials Say That Fourteen Bodies Have Been Recovered and That Forty Were Injured—Fully Twenty-five Dead—Result of Collision.

REINBECK, Ia., March 21.—Forty-two persons were killed today in a wreck of a Rock Island train derailed over the Chicago Great Western tracks, owing to another Rock Island wreck.

The train was drawn by two engines and all the cars were derailed. Rock Island officials here say 14 bodies have been recovered from the wreck of the double-header passenger train derailed at Reinbeck.

It is reported that the total number killed is 42 and that 90 were injured.

The wreck occurred at 9 o'clock this morning. The train was the connection of two Minneapolis & St. Paul passengers, one of which left Chicago and the other St. Louis last night.

The train was running over the Chicago Great Western tracks because the Rock Island was blocked by another wreck. The front engine was derailed and dragged the second engine and three cars from the track, according to an official statement here.

land in March, at the Portland Printing House, although it contains the legend, "Published on the 25th of each month preceding date of issue." It is not admitted to the mail and has no volume or serial number. It contains a sketch by John Bidwell, a California pioneer, probably also paid for; brief write-ups of Sacramento valley towns, and those of Southern Oregon, illustrated with a few cuts borrowed from the community pamphlets, and pictures of about 400 boosters and prominent citizens of the districts visited, each of which represents an average probably of \$5, making \$2000 worth of this class of business in the magazine, which was gotten up for this purpose.

The Editors.

For the past two months or more two artists, Chet Wilder and G. D. Heisley, have been visiting the various towns and taking sketches of the leading citizens, who readily fell for the scheme, although none of them had ever seen a number of the American Progress Magazine or heard of it before. Each section was promised an illustrated write-up. Although Mrs. Conrad's name appears over the Medford write-up, it is principally from last year's Medford pamphlet.

Each member of the Stung club furnished a short story of himself to go with his picture in the magazine, which he was given to understand would occupy a prominent place. Therefore, there is some disappointment when the pictures appeared not much larger than a postage stamp.

"The Society of the Stung" can be organized with quite an extensive membership and chapters in all the

KNAPP QUILTS AS MEDIATOR IN DISGUST

Labor Commissioner Neill, However, Still Is Working Like a Trojan to Avoid Great Strike of 25,000 Firemen on Forty-nine of the Western Railroads.

IF UNSUCCESSFUL, HE MAY ALSO QUIT TONIGHT

Chairman Knapp Has Ceased His Efforts and Is Speeding Back to Washington—Decision Is Expected Some Time Tonight.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—Labor Commissioner Neill is working like a Trojan today to avoid a great strike of 25,000 firemen on 49 western railroads.

Chairman Knapp of the interstate commerce commission already apparently has given up his attempt as mediator in disgust. He has returned to Washington.

Unless Neill can bring about an agreement between the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers and the railway managers' committee, it is probable that his efforts to forestall a strike will cease tonight. Neill held conferences all day yesterday until midnight. He then retired for a brief rest and resumed the hearing early today.

FATHER CONRARDY DYING OF LEPROSY

Priest Who Went to Assistance of Father Damien at Molokai, Said to Be Dying on Island Near Canton

CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—According to friends here today, Rev. Lambert Louis Conrardy is slowly dying of leprosy among the lepers of a colony which he founded on an island near Canton about a year and a half ago.

The priest made his name known through the world when he went to the Molokai island leper colony in the Hawaiian islands, in 1888 to aid Father Damien, who was ill.

He remained as Father Damien's companion for a year, and upon the death of his fellow-worker, Father Conrardy continued his work for seven years. He was relieved of his duties then, as the United States government took control of the colony, making personal sacrifice no longer necessary.

Father Conrardy then went to Canton to assist the helpless lepers there who were living in miserable hovels in graveyards.

Later he journeyed to Portland, Or., where he studied medicine to carry on his work. After four years' study he took his degree and started once more for China.

J. Frank Brown of Eagle Point was in Medford Monday looking after business matters.

The members have received the money's worth of fame, and he must be a greedy man indeed who expects to become very prominent for \$3 Members of Medford Stung club at receiving on all hands the congratulations of the envious who were too penurious even to contract for \$5 worth of celebrity.

The opening sesame to the hearts of the local business men or those who had any doubts as to the genuineness of the two artists was their emphatic and oft-repeated statements that they did not want money. The magazine was doing its work free gratis—for the good of the community. But they sold copies of the magazine and collected in advance for the same from those who