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"Better Apologize for the Weather Now Than the Fruit Later"—O'Gara

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

THE WEATHER
Fair tonight and tomorrow.
The Message of the Flags.
White—Fair weather.
Blue—Rain or snow.
White and blue—Local showers.
Black triangles—Above white, warmer; below white, colder.
White with black center—Cold.

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IMPORTANT COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR JACKSON COUNTY DELEGATION

RUSK GIVES EGGLESTON AND WESTERLUND IMPORTANT PLACES

FISHERIES TO COOS COUNTY

Eastern Oregon Steam Roller Put In Motion and Thompson Charged With Making Deals Gets No Chairmanship—Eaton Gets Place.

SALEM, Jan. 16.—The Jackson county delegation fared extremely well at the hands of Speaker Rusk today in the matter of committee assignments.

Representative Westerlund received the chairmanship of the committee on horticulture and got places on the committee on mining and the one on banking.

Representative Eggleston got the chairmanship of the committee on statistics and emigration and a place on the committee on roads and highways and also a place on the committee on ways and means.

Senator Von der Hellen, in the senate, also fared well. He received the chairmanship of the committee on roads and highways, which at this session is most important. He was also placed on the committees on banking, counties, federal relations, fishing industries and public lands.

The committee appointments in the house were surprising. The eastern Oregon steam roller was put in motion and Thompson, who was charged with making deals for politics, gets no chairmanship.

Eaton, Rusk's principal opponent, gets enrolled bills, while engrossed bills goes to Lenneweber. Eaton loses the committee on rules and the same goes to Clemens of Portland. Fisheries goes to Pierce of Coos and Curry.

TAMMANY WARS ON SHEPARD

Despite This, However, He Seems Certain of Going to United States Senate—Dix's Influence Will Probably Go to Shepard.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—That New York's next United States senator, despite the wry faces made by Tammany hall, will be Edward M. Shepard is the general impression here, where the democratic legislative caucus is in the worst mood even this state has seen in years.

RESOLUTION DECLARES BALLINGER UNWORTHY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—A resolution declaring Secretary of the Interior Ballinger an unfaithful public servant and asserting he should not longer be retained in office, was introduced today by Senator Purcell of North Dakota.

Purcell was a member of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee.

DISPATCHERS TO ASK MORE PAY

Will Demand \$25 a Month More— Say Their Work Has More Than Doubled During Past Year Owing to Salary Increase.

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Train dispatchers employed on all northwestern roads today presented demands for a salary increase of \$25 a month. Trainmasters also made a demand for a substantial addition to the remuneration they now receive.

The dispatchers based their demand on the grounds that their work has practically doubled recently, owing to the rapid growth of traffic, while their salaries have practically remained stationary. As further reason they declare that trainmen employed in lesser capacities receive higher pay. The average salary of dispatchers in the west is \$140.

If the demands are not acted upon before June, the dispatchers say that they will organize as a labor union and present their demands as a union.

BITTER ATTACK ON HIGHER RATES

Western Shippers Declare That Proposed Increase Will Cost Them \$12,000,000 Annually—Watering Stocks Blamed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Declaring that the proposed increase in railroad rates will cost not less than \$12,000,000 annually, western shippers today made a most bitter attack on the proposed advance at the final hearing of the matter before the interstate commerce commission.

BOARD REJECTS ASYLUM SITE

Recent Lands Purchased at Pendleton Are Not Accepted—Governor Sends Special Message to Legislature Regarding It.

SALEM, Jan. 16.—The state board consisting of Governor West and Treasurer Kay today decided to reject the lands purchased at Pendleton for a site for the Eastern Oregon asylum for the insane. They have asked a committee of five prominent citizens, including State Engineer Lewis, to act in conjunction with a joint committee of the legislature to examine the site and report to the legislature, either condemning it or asking authority to purchase additional lands, as none of the 32 acres purchased for about \$40,000 by the outgoing governor and state treasurer affords a suitable building place for the \$1,000,000 structure to be erected.

Governor West this afternoon sent a special message to the legislature on the subject, making the above recommendations.

LODGE MAY LOSE SEAT IN SENATE

Although His Re-Election Is Proclaimed to the World as Being Certain His Friends Are Becoming Nervous—Foss Bitterly Opposing.

BOSTON, Jan. 16.—Although proclaiming to the world at large that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge is sure of re-election to the United States senate on the first ballot in the legislature tomorrow, evidence that his supporters are not a little nervous is seen here today in the announcement that Congressman Augustus Gardner, Lodge's son-in-law, and Senator Murray Crane will be here this afternoon from Washington to stiffen the battle line for the "scholar in politics."

Steady and persistent opposition to the return of Lodge to the senate by Governor Eugene N. Foss—a personal enemy—is admitted to have been making the work of Congressman Butler Ames in opposing Lodge much easier than it otherwise would have been, and the "standpat" tendencies of Lodge, coupled with the influence of Foss and Ames make his victory—if he is victorious—only one bought after hard fighting.

The arrival of Crane and Gardner on the scene is expected greatly to strengthen the hands of Lodge. Crane has great influence throughout the state. Political promises will be used unparagonably to aid Lodge as his defeat, following upon retirement of Senators Hale and Aldrich, would mean the practical passing of the most strongly standpat warriors of New England, and the coming into power of a free trade element which is fought bitterly by all the big tariff-benefiting interests of this part of the country.

Perhaps most of your "bad luck" consists in failing to answer the want ads that contain opportunities for you.

PITTMAN DEAD; MURDERCHARGE IS EXPECTED

Coroner Holding Inquest This Afternoon—Many Witnesses Called—Mother Will Be Forced to Go On Stand and Testify.

SELF DEFENSE WILL PROBABLY BE DEFENSE

Robinson Now in County Jail— Many Features Will Be Brought Out at Trial.

Coroner A. C. Kellogg will hold an inquest this afternoon over the remains of Sidney Pittman who died early Sunday morning at the Southern Oregon hospital as the result of injuries sustained in a quarrel with Charles Robinson last Monday night.

An effort will be made to secure testimony which will show to what extent Robinson was provoked by the dead man, Robinson, in the meantime, sticking steadfastly to his former assertion that he only hit Pittman with a shovel after the latter had attempted to stab him with a knife.

Among the witnesses who will be called upon to testify is Robinson's mother. She, it is alleged, came to this city from Roseburg in company with the dead man on the Friday before Pittman was struck down. On the day of their arrival here Pittman told a bartender in a Front street saloon, whom he had known in Eugene a year ago, that his "wife" was here with him and it was at the direction of this man that Pittman went to the South Grape street rooming house, in front of which the quarrel between him and Robinson occurred, and secured a room. He had a woman with him at these lodgings and Robinson, when arrested, told the people that she was his mother and that it was while he was in her room that Pittman came in and picked the fatal quarrel with him.

Pittman died at the hospital early Sunday morning without ever having regained consciousness. He was admitted to that institution last Tuesday morning after having been seen walking up and down S. Central avenue in a dazed condition. An operation performed on Pittman Tuesday by City Physician J. E. Shearer resulted in the removal of a large blood clot from his brain but the arteries in the neighborhood of the compound fracture of the skull inflicted by the blow with the shovel were so badly ruptured that the injured man was beyond hope of recovery.

Robinson, who is now being held by the county authorities in default of \$5000 bail or a charge of assault with a deadly weapon will be brought to the inquest, the finding of the coroner's jury at which will decide whether the 15-year-old boy be held to answer to a charge of murder or of assault.

WORK STARTS SOON ON A HUGE DAM

BOISE, Ida., Jan. 16.—The reclamation bureau in this city has just been notified by Secretary Ballinger that \$1,000,000 of the reclamation bond issue appropriated by congress at the last session will be used immediately to commence construction work on what the service asserts will be the largest irrigation dam in the world. This dam will be on the Boise river, 35 miles northeast of this city. The water will be used on the Payette-Boise irrigation project, comprising 270,000 acres. The dam will be 318 feet high, raising the water in the reservoir to 212 feet. It will cost \$5,150,000, and create a reservoir of 150,000 acre feet capacity.

Atlee Pomerene, Ohio's New Senator, Example of Self Made Man.



Lieutenant Governor Elect Atlee Pomerene, progressive Democrat, who has been selected as the next United States senator from Ohio, succeeding Charles Dick, is a self made man. He was born at Berlin, O., forty-seven years ago, a poor boy. He worked his way through school and through Princeton. He practiced law in Canton. In 1898 he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor and was defeated by Harmon. In November he was Harmon's running mate. He is married, but has no children. Through Pomerene's selection a coal miner may become governor of Ohio. William Green, president pro tem. of the senate, will succeed to the office of lieutenant governor. Should Governor Harmon become the Democratic candidate for president he probably would resign as governor and Senator Green would succeed him. Green was a former president of the Ohio miners.

DID YOU SEE THE JEFF-JACK FILMS

They Were Shown Saturday Night While Certain Worthy Gentlemen Were Conferring as Best Way of Stopping Them Here.

While several prominent citizens were engaged last Saturday night in adapting the words "Those pictures shall not show tonight" of that old "curfew" stunt a wily and oily promoter, aided and abetted by a local impressario, pulled off the Jeff-Johnson fight fiasco pictures under their very noses.

The alarm that caused the wholesale rehearsing of the anvil chorus was first received Saturday morning when a telephone message from Grants Pass was received here telling that the man with the universally tabooed films was heading this way. Immediately the central girls were made as busy as central girls would have you believe they always are passing the dreadful news around among several congregations, with the result that the aforementioned song, to have been worked for the special benefit of Mayor Cannon this morning, was faithfully re-rehearsed.

But—as the immortal bard once put it—"there's many a slip," etc, for, while the dutiful citizens were lashing themselves into a state of frenzy preparatory to demanding that a ban be placed on the showing of the films here, the wily promoter, with the assistance of the management of the Savoy theater, put the pictures on shortly after 10 o'clock Saturday night.

Only a few were present, and those paid no admission and early Sunday morning the story of the fall of the hope of the white race, neatly coiled around a film holder together with the man that owes it departed from our midst as quietly as they had come.

The pictures are said to have been good reproductions of the original encounter which, as everyone knows, ran a close second to Cook's alleged polar adventures from the standpoint of a "hoax."

Idaho's Census.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The population of the following Idaho cities was announced by the census bureau today: Coeur d'Alene, 7,292; Lewiston, 6,043; Pocatello, 9,110; Twin Falls, 5,258.

UGLY SCANDAL SHAKES NAVY; ADMIRAL OUT

Rear Admiral Barry, Commanding Pacific Squadron, Retired From His Command—Will Force Grand Jury Investigation.

CHARGES PREFERRED BY OFFICERS UNDER HIM

Six Sailors Said to Be Involved Are Held Incommunicado in Hospital—Details Are Unprintable

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 16.—Either a court martial or a grand jury investigation today confronts Rear Admiral Edward B. Barry, commander of the Pacific squadron, who before evening will have been succeeded in his command by Rear Admiral Chauncey Thomas, as the result, it is said, of charges of moral turpitude which have convulsed navy circles the country over.

This announcement was made today by District Attorney Fickert following a consultation with Admiral Thomas. "If charges calling for a court martial are made," said Fickert, "of course Admiral Barry will be first dealt with by the navy department. If no such charges are made the county will take cognizance of the alleged offense which is said to have been committed within its limits."

Back This Afternoon
Still in command of his flagship, the West Virginia, and accompanied by the cruiser Maryland, Admiral Barry is absent today on a 24 hour coal testing cruise, and is not expected to return before late this afternoon, when the formal transfer of his authority to Admiral Thomas will take place. Whether the retiring admiral will receive the customary honors upon relinquishing his command is as yet uncertain. Reports are current that the thirteen gun salute which is usual on such occasions will not be accorded the retiring officer and that the officers of the ship will not row him ashore. No confirmation of these reports is obtainable, the officers of the fleet, now here and Admiral Thomas steadfastly refusing to talk of the matter in any of its phases.

Six Sailors Held
In connection with the charges against Admiral Barry, it is said that six sailors from the West Virginia are held incommunicado in the Mare Island naval hospital. Among them is L. A. Warner, the sailor mentioned in a statement by Admiral Barry as one of those in his cabin when officers of the ship, peering through a port hole, are said to have witnessed the alleged criminal actions of the aged admiral. Kennedy, another sailor, said to have been involved, is said to have vanished.

COURT MARTIAL PROBABLE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—While little information is obtainable here at the navy department as to the details of the ugly scandal which is said to be at the bottom of Rear Admiral Barry's retirement from the command of the Pacific squadron, the impression is general that a court martial of that officer is probable.

Admiral Barry's telegraphic request for retirement in the effort to get it here before the arrival of mailed charges by the officers of his flagship, the cruiser West Virginia, is not expected to prove sufficient to hush up the affair, though such a course is urged by persons prominent in navy circles as the best thing for the service, which, it is declared, could only be seriously hurt by any probe into the affair.

Basis For Charges
One report of the incident current here among the friends of the accused admiral is that a boy who had been hurt in a football game was detained on guard duty at his door. Barry is declared to have snypa

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