

## CROWELL, AUTHOR OF CITY CHARTER, UPON AMENDMENT

"By all means the amendment to the city charter to be voted upon tomorrow should carry" stated W. S. Crowell, author of the Medford charter, this morning. "As it will remove a possible ambiguity from the section of the charter referring to city appointments. I wrote the original section of the charter in 1901 and was the first mayor to serve under it, and at that time my object in writing it was to provide exactly what the amendment, if carried, will do. To my mind the present section is not ambiguous but that may be because I realize its intent.

"When I wrote the section which it is now proposed to amend I desired to give the mayor power to suspend for any offense but prohibited the mayor from removing an official. Continuous suspensions such as we are now having in regard to the city engineer are equivalent to removals on the part of the mayor which should not be allowed. By all means the amendment should be carried at the election.

"As a citizen I would urge the council and mayor to get together and work for the common good. I regret to see this fight spread to such an extent that one party feels obligated to go back two years and dig up a charge to use as a club to whip another into line."

## LANE SEEKS ACTION ON LAND GRANT

WASHINGTON, March 21.—When Senator Harry Lane called in company with Congressman Lafferty and Sinnott and National Committeeman King, of Oregon, upon Assistant Attorney General Knaebel, the other day, to ask that a federal suit against the Southern Pacific railroad interests be pressed, he let that official know just what sort of a senator he will be for the coming six years.

"We want this case really prosecuted," he said in substance. "We want the land grant of 3,100,000 acres made to the California & Oregon Railroad company in 1869 and 1870 annulled, because the land has not been sold at \$2.50 an acre nor to actual settlers nor in maximum areas of 160 acres, as the grant provides. We want to recover for the people the 2,300,000 acres still held by the Harriman interests. The suit was started six years ago, and it is time it were brought to trial.

"The fact that the railroads have been able to hold this land through their influence has brought me to the senate, though Oregon has a republican majority of 80,000. If it keeps on getting no better, the socialists will carry the state next time."

Knaebel, who is in charge of the Washington end of the suit, promised to try to get action from the federal attorneys in Oregon.

## GRAND JURY WILL ADJOURN SATURDAY

The grand jury which has been in session during the week will complete its labors Saturday and adjourn after a very busy session. A large number of cases have been before them.

Much of the time of the grand jury today was given to the charges against George H. Miller of this city. No return has as yet been made. Today a number of high school boys were subpoenaed and appeared before the jury.

## LIVED IN SAME HOUSE TWO YEARS WITHOUT SPEAKING

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., March 21.—After they are alleged to have lived in the same house in Belvedere, Cal., for two years without speaking to each other, Mrs. Bertha May Paff has filed divorce papers here today against her husband, Charles Paff, architect and San Francisco clubman.

According to Mrs. Paff, the couple wrote notes to each other when it was necessary for them to communicate. They have five children.

## CHINESE ASSASSIN SLAYS MINISTER OF EDUCATION

SHANGHAI, March 21.—Shot by an assassin while on his way to attend the opening of parliament at Peking, General Sung, former minister of education, is near death here today. The shooting occurred in the Shanghai railroad station.

## A GLIMPSE AT A PRACTICE GAME ON THE BERMUDA DIAMOND



DANIELS STEALING HOME, WILLIAMS CATCHING. This photograph, taken at Hamilton, Bermuda, shows Daniels, the Yankees' outfielder, and Williams, catcher, at play during a practice game.

## POISON PESTS WITH PLASTER OF PARIS

WASHINGTON, March 21.—When scientists about the year 3000 A. D. in excavating the ruins of San Francisco, New York or Chicago, come across minute casts of strange little animals, they will probably never know that they represent the result of the 1913 styles in rat killing just promulgated by Dr. W. C. Rucker, assistant surgeon general of the United States health service.

Under Dr. Rucker's plan, plaster of paris, embellished with a little pulverized sugar, sardine oil or beef juice and flour, is fed to the unsuspecting rodent, with the result that a few hours after he suffers arteriosclerosis or, in other words, plaster of paris hardening, and succumbs.

The poison consists of six parts of the plaster of paris, one part of sugar and just enough meat juice to make it smell nice. Its effect is absolutely certain, the assistant surgeon general declares.

### To the Citizens of Medford

A great many people have asked us the real purpose and effect of the proposed charter amendment which has to do with the relative power of the mayor and city council.

We believe that the mayor has too little power rather than too much power as the charter now reads, and the proposed amendment would render the mayor absolutely helpless as he could accomplish nothing against a majority of the council. Under the proposed amendment the council could keep in power all of the old appointments regardless of their competency and without giving the people or the mayor any reason therefor. We believe the council should confirm the mayor's appointments unless he appoints incompetents since the mayor has to supervise the work of such officers, and is responsible for their work.

As regards ourselves, whether the amendment carries or is defeated we expect to continue to confirm the mayor's appointments if such appointees seem to us to be competent and capable, in accordance with established custom, thus giving the present mayor the same right all former mayors have had, but we shall expect to vote against any appointments he may make, if they seem to us to be incompetent and incapable of giving good service to the people.

Respectfully,

J. W. MITCHELL.  
(Paid Adv.) GEO. W. PORTER.

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## COLLEGE BRED WOMAN POLICE NEED OF DAY

SEATTLE, March 21.—"We need collegebred policemen."

Thus said Miss Rhoda White, dean of women at the Washington state college, while visiting in Seattle last evening. Miss White heard Police-woman Brown tell of how the feminine force had saved hundreds of young girls from going wrong in cafes and dancehalls. Immediately she saw a new field for her girls at Pullman to enter.

A vocational conference will be held in Pullman soon and Miss White will have the police work fully explained to the women under her charge. She says she hopes some of them will take it up.

## CORNERED CORN CROP BUT DIED PENNILESS

NEW YORK, March 21.—Although credited with having cornered the country's corn market here in 1891, Stephen V. White, once a sensational New York speculator, died penniless. It was learned here today. When asked why an administrator for his estate was not appointed, relatives declared there was nothing to administer.

White made three monster fortunes in rapid succession, but lost all through speculation. He died in January, aged 81.

## DEMURRER FILED IN CHANGELING CASE

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—On behalf of Dr. W. W. Fraser of Weaverville, Cal., who figures prominently in the Slingsby changing case a demurrer was filed here today in Superior Judge Dunne's court. It will be argued before the court on April 2.

The demurrer in Fraser's case objects to all the statutory allegations. He is charged with falsifying a birth certificate by means of which the child of another was made to appear as the true heir to great estates, held in Yorkshire, England, by Lieutenant Charles Henry Slingsby.

The Slingsbys, who maintain that the child in question is their true issue, are expected to be in San Francisco by the time the Fraser case opens.

## COLD WEATHER OVER EASTERN OREGON

PORTLAND, March 21.—Low temperatures continued to prevail throughout the northwest today. Snow has fallen to a depth of from two to three inches in many places in eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, and Idaho and the storms there are reported to be the most severe ever experienced at this time of the year. Slight damage to crops are reported thus far.

## AMERICA'S CLAIMS TO SOUTH POLAR HONORS VINDICATED

ROME, March 21.—America's claims to South Polar honors are to be vindicated before the entire world. Following the recent discoveries of Professor Mawson at the South Pole, Major General A. W. Greeley, U. S. A., who headed the famous Lady Franklin Bay expedition, arranged today to present at the coming session in Rome of the Internal Geographical congress the evidence necessary to show that Professor Mawson's success verifies discoveries made by American explorers years ago, but which European geographers up to the present time have refused to accept. General Greeley today prepared for the United Press the following statement of America's claims:

"The news of the finding of new lands sent northward from Professor Mawson's wireless station will be welcomed by all persons in thrilling stories of American polar successes. The dispatches that the explorers under Professor Mawson have proved the continuity of the Antarctic land through eight degrees of longitude through Victoria Land of Ross to Adelle Land of Dr. Novels and Termination Land of Wilkes.

"Mawson and his companions have thus permanently placed on the maps of the world the disputed areas of Antarctica. This continent was discovered in 1821 by one American sailor, a sealing captain named Palmer, and more fully explored by another sailor, Charles Wilkes, U. S. N., in 1840. Wilkes officially reported that "we have discovered a large body of land within the Antarctic circle, which I have named the Antarctic continent."

"This addition of a new continent was discredited for 70 years by prejudiced European geographers, and as late as 1905 a British explorer reported that he had "once and for all definitely disposed of Wilkes' Land." It is gratifying to American explorers that British subjects by their endurance and by their well conducted operations have justified the accuracy and judgment of one of their kin across the seas. Already famous by his work in visiting and locating the south magnetic pole under Shackleton, Professor Mawson has now raised himself to high rank as an organizer and leader of scientific and adventurous expeditions."

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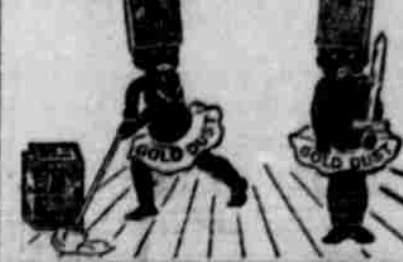
THE Village Sewing Circle met to gossip, in their little set, but one opinion seemed to hold despite the tendency to "scold." When vexing problems, such as say, "What shall we do on Cleaning Day?" confront the Housewife, she may feel that Gold Dust tackles them with zeal.

### The Envid Housewife

Staid matrons told of what a bore it was to scrub each dirty floor; young housewives thought that dishes claimed more worry than some others named. All uniformly took a "bit" from household work and argued it, while all in turn were loud in praise of what a part their Gold Dust plays.

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