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THE SOLDIERS' HOME

New Board Favors a Most Rigid Retrenchment.

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NEW BOARD FOR RETRENCHMENT. The old soldiers' home board asked, at the hands of the legislature, about \$46,000, and had a \$10,000 deficiency. It was evidently their intention to build up a \$100,000 institution. Neither the Grand Army nor the legislature were in sympathy with these demands and the appropriation was only about \$5,000. It is evidently the intention of the new board to hold down expenses of that institution to a minimum. The full details of the meeting are not yet made public but from the general character of the men and their records it is assumed that there will be no balloon financing and no soft snaps for favorites. Governor Lord is understood to coincide with this policy.

THE BOARD'S FIRST MEETING. The new board of trustees of the Oregon Soldiers' Home met in Roseburg Tuesday morning and elected S. B. Ormsby president, and Wm. Galloway, vice president. C. Graham, of Roseburg, was made secretary protem. Auditing committee, Ormsby, Robertson, and Galloway; executive committee, Ormsby, Alley and Robertson. The board spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the home making a kind of a general inspection, going over the books, accounts, etc., and getting into the details of everyday life and work there. Their idea was to thoroughly inspect everything and reorganize matters, wherever they consider a change advisable. Regarding salaries, the board have made the following changes in the line of retrenchment:

	NEW	OLD
Commandant	\$750	\$1000
Matron	300	650
Adjutant	300	600
Surgeon	400	500
Laundress	240	240
Cook	480	600
Walker	120	144
House girl	120	144
Teamster	—	360
Farmer and teamster (consolidated)	300	—
Extra help	350	—
Secretary	100	400

The net saving according to the new schedule will be over \$1400 a year. Up to Thursday no new officers have been elected by the board, and it is not probable that any changes will be made for the present, except in commandant. W. H. Byars stands the best show for that place, and Capt. Humphrey, of Portland, and Knapp throughout the state, will be elected to the office of secretary of the board. Much pressure has been brought to bear upon the members of the board by the candidates for office, and they are naturally reticent in respect to the action they will take concerning appointments.

NO FUGITIVE MILEAGE will be allowed themselves by members of the board. Trustee Rust of Baker City, was quite set about that. At Portland he had an interview with Superintendent Kuebler of the Southern Pacific on this subject and that gentleman readily agreed that where the officials are charging mileage it is unjust for them to ride on passes, and the policy of the road would be to not furnish them any. If members of the board ride on passes they will not bring in bills against the Soldiers' Home appropriation, and meetings will not be held unless they once a quarter.

NEW COMMANDANT. The report reached Salem last night that Hon. W. H. Byars, ex-state legislator and U. S. attorney general for Oregon, will be the new commandant of the state Soldiers' Home at Roseburg. Byars is a well-known man in Oregon and has been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic for many years.

burg. Mr. Byars is now at his farm near Mebama, where he is engaged in the raising of Angora goats for mohair. Henry Rogers and R. R. Ryan of Salem, were also applicants for the position. The news of Mr. Byars' appointment will be very agreeable to his many friends in Marion county, and is especially so to THE JOURNAL, in which he has been a charter stockholder.

TWO BURNED. MURDERESS CONFESSES. A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

OMAHA, Neb., March 29.—Cora Smith, formerly of Des Moines, who has lived in this city since last September, was arrested here and taken to Des Moines this morning. She confessed of having assisted in murdering her father, a crime for which her mother, who is serving a life term, is innocent.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Mrs. William Reeves and young daughter were burned to death at North Port, L. I., today in Mrs. Reeves' father's residence, Israel Higbee, a wealthy farmer. Mrs. Reeves got her father and mother out safely and went back for the daughter, but too late.

LEBANON, Pa., March 29.—Yesterday the bottling works of John F. Hann were destroyed by fire. During the progress of the fire Mrs. Harry Boyer, who resides across the street, had a remarkable escape. A gas cylinder, charged at the time with a pressure of 120 pounds to the square inch, burst, and a large fragment went crashing through the walls and across the street into the window of the house where she resides. The woman happened to be sick in bed at the time, in the very room which the cylinder entered. It shot across her room, crashed through the head of her bed and through the wall back of it. She was found covered with debris and badly frightened but unhurt. The escape was little less than miraculous.

SPAIN APOLOGIZES

By Relieving the Commander Who Fired on the Alliance.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The report that the Spanish government is taking steps to grant the request of the United States in the Alliance affair, and that the commander of the said Spanish cruiser has been relieved, and orders sent to other Spanish commanders in Cuban waters to observe the requirements of international laws and refrain from improper interference with ships of the United States or other foreign nations, has caused much gratification in official circles.

Consolidated Cities.

ST. PAUL, March 29.—A joint resolution was introduced by Senator Spencer in the senate this morning, and promptly passed under the suspension rules, looking to annexation of that part of Wisconsin, in which the city of Superior is located, to Minnesota, in order that the cities of Duluth and Superior may be consolidated into a large city.

Fred Douglass' Will.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 29.—The will of Frederick Douglass was filed today. The will was witnessed only by two persons. The law requires three, making it invalid as far as real estate is concerned.

Behring Sea Matters.

LONDON, March 29.—It is officially learned that whatever Canada may desire, the decision of the Paris Behring sea arbitration will be strictly adhered to during the ensuing season, and no side issue will be allowed to affect that decision.

Hot in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 29.—Chicago had a furnace of summer today. The mercury this afternoon registered at 77°. It is the warmest day in March for 24 years.

Admission Declared.

TUPELO, March 29.—Reports of a fire here declare an unconditional strike by the mill hands.

Mr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

TUPPER'S RESIGNATION

As Part of a Prearranged Plan of the Party.

THE MANITOBA SCHOOL ISSUE

No Vote on the Separate School Question.

OTTAWA, March 29.—The latest rumor is that Sir Charles Tupper's resignation is part of a prearranged plan to relieve Premier Bower of the introduction of remedial legislation, which would alienate his Ontario Orange supporters. Sir Charles Tupper will introduce a bill re-establishing Catholic schools in Manitoba, and as a private measure the members of the cabinet can vote for or against it, according to the political complexion of their constituencies. This, while making an easy path for the premier out of a tight place, would insure to Sir Charles Tupper honor as the fearless champion of the minority in Manitoba.

It is officially stated here that there is not the slightest truth in the report that Lord Aberdeen has been recalled to England, or is likely to be.

WINNIPEG, Man., March 29.—Premier Greenway made an official statement to the Manitoba legislature, late Thursday afternoon, on the separate parochial school question. He commenced by stating that his government saw no reason, whatever, why it should change its position in regard to the school system of Manitoba national schools for all and no separate schools. The receipt of the message from Ottawa, with a copy of the remedial order made by the Dominion government raised constitutional questions exceeding in gravity and importance, to his mind, any legislative question that has heretofore arisen in any legislative assembly in Canada since the day when the Canadian provinces were confederated. These questions affected not only the province of Manitoba but every province in the Dominion. In view of these facts, the government has decided to ask that the legislature adjourn until May 9, in order that ample time may be given for full and deliberate consideration of the whole matter.

The premier's remarks were received with cheers, and the motion to adjourn will be agreed to today. The Catholics charge that this is an attempt to shirk the issue, but it is denied by the government. They say that the order from Ottawa is an unprecedented one, and must be well weighed or there is danger of a disruption of the confederation.

The premier was asked by a correspondent whether the Dominion government would be likely to take this proposed adjournment of the local house as a refusal on the part of the province to act in the matter of the order. He replied that no such construction could be put upon the adjournment, inasmuch as the provincial government was taking the order into consideration, and there was no likelihood that the Dominion government, having a clear three weeks of session before the provincial house meets again, and sends its answer, would act in the matter before hearing from Manitoba.

The Orange lodge of Manitoba, in session here, adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That we view with great alarm the present state of affairs which exists between the Dominion and Manitoba; and we desire to express our approval of the stand taken by our representatives in the provincial legislature in Manitoba, for our rights and privileges, involving an interference by the Dominion government in our domestic affairs; and we call upon all patriots to support our candidates."

Children Cry for Pitcher's Gasteria.

THE COUNTERFEITERS.

Biggest Haul Made in Many Years.

ISSUED CHINESE CERTIFICATES

Portland Gets an Asiatic Steamer Line.

Story of a Florida Expedition.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 29.—It was reported here last night that a secret movement is on foot to organize equip and embark direct from Jacksonville and Fernandino an army of 15,000 Cubans and negroes, for service in the insurrection in Cuba. The movement is reported to be managed by the Cuban revolutionists. The ground reported to be taken by the managers is that, as Spanish officials here deny that an insurrection exists in Cuba, Spain cannot make valid complaint at Washington against filibustering expeditions; that the United States can and will proceed against filibustering only when Spain gives formal notice that an insurrection exists in Cuba and that an expedition is leaving the United States to aid the rebels, and thereby violate the treaty between Spain and this government. It may be that the movement reported to be secretly taking form here is merely an audacious bluff to frighten Spain into acknowledging the insurrection; but, whether it is or not, conspicuous names are identified with the enterprise.

Gonzales de Queda, of New York, and Colonel Figueroa and Valdez Dominguoz, of Tampa, who are leaders in the movement, are reported to be wealthy and are contributing large sums to the cause. An influential citizen of Jacksonville, who will be a conspicuous member of the expedition, which meets next week at Tallahassee, is familiar with the formation of all such clubs. He talked freely of the expedition. Solicitors are at work throughout Florida gathering money and engaging men to join the expedition. He said, an effort will be made, after the meeting to organize an army of 15,000 Cubans and negroes. The army will be in command of an American soldier, an officer of the Grand Army, who has volunteered for the enterprise. The plan of the club is to charter fast steam vessels and embark at Jacksonville and Fernandino. The expedition will be prepared to fight as soon as it leaves. It will go straight for a small Cuban port and join the patriots.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The government has been informed that three shipments of arms have been made to Cuban insurgents from the United States within the past three weeks. In one case arms were sent from Philadelphia by Savannah and transferred from that point to Santiago de Cuba, the homes of the insurgents, by means of fishing smacks. The government is doing all it can to prevent these shipments, but it is said they are constantly being made. General Campes' appointment as captain-general of Cuba is viewed here as meaning a vigorous campaign against insurgents.

The contract to do the government improvement at the St. Louis site on the Mississippi river, involving the expenditure of \$2,000,000 appropriated last year, has been let. The work includes the construction of 100,000 tons of masonry and the dumping of 1,000,000 tons of rock.

English Steeples Chase.

LONDON, March 29.—In spite of a cold and foggy day and bad weather a great crowd assembled today at Abingdon to witness the great national steeple chase. John Winger's gelding, Wildwood, was best of the field, followed by second Major A. Crawley's Yearling (arg. third). A note is below tea.

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