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DARK HORSE SLATED FOR GARRISON'S JOB

Lane Will Not Get Job Nor Will Goethals—Sherley Looks Like a Winner

Washington, Feb. 11.—The successor to Secretary of War Garrison, resigned, would be a democrat, and his name will be announced within a day, it was learned at the White House today. A "dark horse" appears likely to be the president's choice. Those close to the president said that the persons most prominently mentioned thus far would not get the appointment. President Wilson has decided that necessity, both political and legislative, requires prompt filling of the post. Among those conjectured as possibilities are: Secretary of Interior Lane; Henry M. Pinell, of Peoria, Ill., once named as ambassador to Russia but not appointed; Chairman Sherley of the house fortifications committee; ex-Governor Harmon, of Massachusetts; ex-Governor Harmon, of Ohio; ex-Governor Airs Adams, of Colorado. One report said that Lane would get the war portfolio, and Adams or Joseph Deal, Portland attorney, would succeed Lane. A White House authority, however, indicated that Lane will not be picked, and at the same time it was learned that Major General Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, would not be chosen. Moreover, Pinell is unlikely to get the place as there is some question as to his "regularity" in view of the fact that he twice bolted Bryan

when the latter was a presidential candidate. Representative Sherley, though denying knowledge of any consideration of himself as a successor, is especially equipped for the job, as he has been for years in charge of fortifications and artillery appropriations and has been a close student of military problems. The choice will be a man who can work in harmony with Chairman Hay, whom President Wilson refused to consider in the same light as did Garrison. Hay for some time has been recognized as antagonistic not only to Garrison but to at least one other man in high military position in previous years.

Neither Nut Nor Seed "A Nutlet" Says Expert

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Science was called in to solve the mystery of "when is a Parilla nut a seed" in the United States appraiser's court today. Since 1912 the weighty question has been buffeted about in government circles. It started when importers refuse to pay duty on Parilla oil, claiming it was the product of a nut and duty free. The government declared it was a seed.

Hearings were called—but alas, no one could find a Parilla nut. A year must elapse before another crop in Java, it was announced. But the University of California laboratories yielded several specimens, and these were introduced before W. B. Howell, sitting as judge. Professor H. M. Hull of the botany department was called upon. "Is this a nut or a seed?" he was asked. "It's neither. It's a nutlet," was the sage opinion. A bombshell had burst. For nowhere in the statutes is there anything to cover a nutlet. The government is in a quandary and the importers are puzzled. The judge wears a deep wrinkle.

Trying to Find Out What Is Trouble With Its "Tummy"

Santa Monica, Cal., Feb. 11.—Moving picture folks from Inceville went to Topanga Canyon today to "investigate" the smoking mountain there and find out whether it is a volcano. They carried with them enough dynamite to blow the side out of the hill, if necessary, dig down into its interior and ascertain where all the smoke and fire is coming from. Some hold the disturbance is merely superficial, resulting from action of sulphuric gases. After smoking for a while yesterday, Inceville employes declare a heavy explosion occurred inside the mountain, ripping loose tons of rocks and earth. Immediately flames shot upward, igniting the brush on the hillside. The mystery mountain was in "eruption" about a year ago, but has been very quiet and docile ever since.

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New Strength for Lame Backs and Worn-out Conditions

Dear Mr. Editor: I suffered from a lame back and a tired, worn-out feeling. Was unable to stand erect and scarcely able to get around. It would usually come on at first with crick in small of my back. I took one box of Dr. Pierce's Anuric Tablets and my back commenced to get better soon after starting to take them. I did not have to walk doubled over as I did before using the "Anuric." It is the best remedy I have ever taken for what it is intended to relieve. I hope those who are in need of such a remedy will give these Tablets of Dr. Pierce's a trial.

Yours truly, A. G. DRAKE.
Note—When your kidneys get sluggish and clog, you suffer from headache, sick-headache, dizzy spells, or the twinges and pains of lumbago, rheumatism and gout. The urine is often cloudy, full of sediment; channels often get sore and sleep is disturbed two or three times a night. This is the time you should consult some physician of wide experience—such as Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. Send him 10 cents for large trial package of his new discovery—"Anuric." While him your symptoms and send a sample of urine for test. Experience has taught Dr. Pierce that "Anuric" is the most powerful agent in dissolving uric acid, as hot water melts sugar. Being so many times more active than lithia, it clears the heart valves of any sandy substances which may clog them and checks the degeneration of the blood-vessels, as well as regulating blood pressure. "Anuric" is a regular insurance and life-saver for all big meat eaters and those who deposit lime-salts in their joints. Ask the druggist for "Anuric" put up by Dr. Pierce, in 50-cent packages.

MEMBERS OF BOARD TO TAKE CHARGE OF FAIR DEPARTMENTS

Board Appropriates \$1,500 for Races—M. L. Jones Tells of Gate Frauds

At the business meeting of the state fair board yesterday afternoon it was decided to eliminate the superintendents of the departments for the next fair and to place the departments under the direct charge of different members of the state fair board. W. H. Savage will have the supervision of the livestock department, the dairy and poultry departments will be handled by Mr. Marsters, the grounds by M. L. Jones, the speed events by Secretary Lea and Mrs. Edyth Tozier Wethered will handle the textile, art, educational, and inside fairs departments. She will be assisted in the educational work by Assistant State Superintendent E. F. Carleton. The outside floral decorations will be in charge of Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner.

The racing program will be in charge of Secretary Lea who will be assisted by Dr. H. E. Smith, of Salem, and E. E. Tongue, of Roseburg. The sum of \$1,500 was set aside for the races, \$300 was appropriated for an aid to the Oregon Agricultural college working exhibit, \$1,500 was appropriated for the educational exhibit.

J. E. Reynolds, the new member of the board from La Grande, was delegated to revise the premium lists for horses and the board decided to cut out the Devon class from the cattle exhibits and to substitute the milk strain Short horns.

President M. L. Jones submitted a report in which he stated that there were various reasons for a change in the secretaryship of the board and also that with W. H. Savage he presented the matter of the ticket fraud cases to the district attorney.

His report follows: "For sufficient and satisfactory reasons, within our rights with the law, and within our duty to the state, some members of the state fair board desired a change in the secretary."

"As to the matter of law violation by the ticket seller and a gate tender, Mr. Savage and myself, representing the state fair board, placed the matter in the hands of the district attorney. This we did without any request or suggestion being made by him. There was no politics in this as the district attorney holds his office by appointment from ex-Governor West.

"We consider the state fair board and the state very fortunate in being able to secure the services of A. H. Lea a gentleman of honor, of great business ability and experience, and with a very high reputation. Mr. Lea has quite an extensive knowledge of, and has been associated in the management of many of the fairs of the country. He has been identified with the Oregon state fair for several years as superintendent of a division for which he received very high commendation from our ex-president and for which services he never asked nor received any compensation."

"Our sole aim and purpose is to make every effort to secure the best possible fair for all of the people of the state. To accomplish which we confidently expect and desire the assistance and co-operation of every citizen of Oregon. This board wishes it distinctly understood that this proposition is non-political, non-factional and without personalities or prejudices. We will use every available means to make the Oregon state fair for 1916 of the greatest possible educational value for the development of the immense resources of the state in every field of agriculture and productive industry."

The personnel of the committees announced by President Jones today follows: Finance: A. C. Marsters, J. E. Reynolds and Edyth Tozier Wethered. Publication and program: A. H. Lea, W. H. Savage and Edyth Tozier Wethered. Transportation: E. H. Savage, J. E. Reynolds and Edyth Tozier Wethered. Building: M. L. Jones, A. C. Marsters, and A. H. Lea. Premium list: A. H. Lea, W. H. Savage, J. E. Reynolds, Edyth Tozier Wethered and A. C. Marsters. Speed: A. H. Lea and W. H. Savage.

Legislative committee: A. H. Lea, M. L. Jones, A. C. Marsters, J. E. Reynolds, W. H. Savage and Edyth Tozier Wethered.

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EVELYN MUST DANCE ALONE

Stockton, Cal., Feb. 11.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, now appearing on the Orpheum circuit, will be forced to do her dancing and singing net alone for a while, it was announced today. While investigating a high power air rifle Jack Clifford, her dancing partner had the tip of his finger taken off when the weapon slipped suddenly. He fainted and was rushed to the Emergency hospital where the finger was amputated at the first joint.

PROGRESSIVES WATCHING

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 11.—Progressives in this state are today adopting the policy of "watchful waiting," in accordance with the results of a conference of state leaders here last night. A full state and county ticket will be nominated by the progressives, it was firmly declared at this meeting, unless the republicans nominate a progressive and adopt progressive principles.

MODEST CITY OFFICIALS

Toledo, Ohio, Feb. 11.—Women wearing their skirts higher than three inches above the ankle will be fined if a city ordinance to be introduced Monday becomes a law.

AS WE GROW OLDER

our minds are quite as active as in former years but our strength does not respond when we need it most; perhaps the kidneys are weak, the liver torpid, rheumatic pains or stiffened joints beset us, and we cannot easily throw off the colds that winter brings.

What we need is the rich cod liver oil in Scott's Emulsion to renew the blood and carry strength to every organ of the body, while its glycerine soothes the respiratory tract, and its hypophosphites strengthen the excitable nerves.

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W. AL JONES RAPPED BY EXPERTS WHO CHECKED FAIR BOOKS

John Y. Richardson Recommends "Mechanical" Ticket Sellers at Fair

Ex-Secretary of the state fair board, W. Al Jones, came in for a roasting at the hands of the expert accountants, John Y. Richardson & Co., which firm explicated the books of the state fair after the election of A. H. Lea to succeed Mr. Jones. The summary of the general report states that instead of the fair showing a profit of about \$3,000 under the management of Mr. Jones that it actually showed a loss of \$1,529.89. The accountants reached this conclusion by taking the amount of money received from Frank Meredith which was given as \$9,719.01 and deducted the amount turned over by Jones at the end of his term which was \$8,189.12. This gives the amount \$1,529.89 which the expert's report says is the actual loss in the operation of the fair last year.

The experts make no charges of irregularities in Mr. Jones' accounts but state that careless methods of book-keeping were in use during Mr. Jones' term. Their report goes back only one year. The experts also charge that Mr. Jones entered into unauthorized contracts for certain free attractions which were presented at the fair last year.

Refer "Mechanical" Gatemen.

The experts recommended numbered tickets or mechanical ticket sellers stating that the tickets could then be checked up each night by the numbers and accounted for and advised the employment of a fair auditor to check over the books at the end of each day's business.

JUST ONE APPLICATION AND THE HAIRS VANISH *****

CITY NEWS

L. J. Chapin went to Mt. Angel this afternoon to select seed corn from the samples shown by A. T. Cline, at the St. Paul, Minn., national corn show. Mr. Cline was awarded second prize for western Oregon corn at the St. Paul show was awarded to J. H. Samuelson, of Brownsville. The seed corn for his second prize corn was secured by Mr. Cline about two years ago from Mr. Samuelson and for this reason those interested in better corn believe that the prize winning corn of Mr. Samuelson and Mr. Cline is especially adapted to this valley.

Salem Contractors Among Low Bidders For O. A. C. Building

Corvallis, Or., Feb. 11.—Bids for the construction of a forestry building on the O. A. C. campus were submitted to the building committee of the board of regents on Monday. Twenty bids in all were received. The five lowest, to be set aside for further consideration, were submitted by J. H. Tillman, of Portland; F. A. Erizon, Salem; Horn & Sandstrom Company, Portland; Southwick & Headrick, Salem; and Snook & Traver, of Portland, on the general contract. The two lowest bidders on the heating plant were Theo. H. Barr, Salem, and A. C. Freeman, Corvallis. The total cost of the building, including heating, lighting, finishing, ventilating and sewer and water connections with street mains will total approximately \$38,000. The contract, which will be given out immediately, calls for the completion of the building by September 1.

NEGROES ASSAULT WOMAN

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Marle Harrison is near death today, having been brutally beaten by three negroes who attacked her in a downtown street in the early morning and attempted to drag her into a nearby house. She fought and shrieked whereupon they left her lying senseless with clubs and left her lying senseless.

SEATTLE'S REGISTRATION BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 11.—With 6,255 registrations on the last day, yesterday, the total registration for the coming city election was swelled to 76,343, exceeding all previous records. The highest record heretofore was in 1914 when 74,004 registered. The primary election will be held February 21 and the final election March 7. A mayor, three councilmen, city attorney, treasurer and comptroller are to be elected.

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DEMOCRATS CHOOSING DELEGATES TO PARTY CONVENTION, JUNE 4

Chairman McCombs Sends Out Full Instructions to All Party Members

Full instructions relative to the election of delegates to the Democratic National Convention which is to be held in St. Louis, Missouri, June 14, have been sent out by William F. McCombs, chairman of the Democratic National Executive committee. The following circular letter will be of interest to democrats in aMORON county: To the Democrats of the United States:

By the authority of the Democratic National Executive committee, a national convention of the democratic party is hereby called, to meet in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of June, 1916, at twelve o'clock noon, to nominate candidates for the presidency and vice-presidency of the United States, to declare a party platform, and to take such other action as may be deemed advisable. Delegates and alternates from each state of the union shall be chosen to the number of one delegate and two alternates for every senator and to two delegates and two alternates for every representative from the states respectively in the congress of the United States under the congressional apportionment of districts based upon the sixty-fourth congress. In addition, the territory of Alaska and the District of Columbia are entitled to six delegates and six alternates each, and six delegates and six alternates, and likewise allotted each to the Philippines, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

In the matter of the manner by which delegates and alternates are to be selected attention is called to the following plank in the platform of the party: Presidential Primary.

"The movement towards more popular government should be promoted through legislation in each state which will permit the expression of the preference of the electors for national candidates at presidential primaries."

"We direct that the national committee incorporate in the call for the next nominating convention a requirement that all expressions of preference for presidential candidates shall be given and the selection of delegates and alternates made through a primary election conducted by the party organization in each state where such expression and election are not provided for by the state law. Committees who are hereafter to constitute the membership of the democratic national committee, and whose election is not provided for by law, shall be chosen in each state at such primary elections, and the services and authority of committees, however chosen, shall begin immediately upon the receipt of their credentials, respectively."

WILLIAM F. MCCOMBS, Chairman, Democratic National Executive Committee.

A Letter To our customers and the public:

We desire to call your attention at this time to the unfortunate condition of the merchandise market. There is without doubt going to be a terrible realization and awakening of the public to the unheard advance in prices of all

WEARING APPAREL
The merchant in receiving in every mail, notices that the prices of this and that article will cost so much more in the future, and that the prices quoted today are not guaranteed to stand tomorrow, etc.

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WAR WAR WAR
This is the cry of the manufacturers claiming they cannot purchase dye stuffs, it is only natural that when so necessary a commodity cannot be had, and the little that may be purchased is worth its weight in gold, that the prices of all articles containing dye stuffs, will necessarily be advanced sky high. Therefore it behooves our customers not to delay their purchases of

OVERCOATS, CLOTHING, ETC.,
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Yours truly, **Brick Bros.**

The Wandering Jew

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PREFERS WAR TO PRISON

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—Henri Ferrario, Italian, charged with forging his brother's name to a bad check, pleaded with Judge Griffin today to be allowed to go to the European front instead of prison. His brother, Carlo, told the court the Italian consul had a special fund with which to send Italians to the front and that he had promised to get passage for Ferrario if he were discharged from custody.

MILLIONAIRE INSPECTS THE RACING MACHINES

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 11.—Caleb Bragg, millionaire automobile racer, inspected new and powerful racing machines here today, preparatory to entering some of the scheduled southern California speed events.

Garrison's Resignation Is Victory for Militia

Washington, Feb. 11.—Complete victory for the pro-militia forces in congress was indicated today by the declaration of Chairman Chamberlain of the senate military committee that the state troops must form the nucleus of the general defense program. He favors however, a modification of the present militia system.

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Country Creamery Butter	35c Pound
Parlor Matches (Medley brand) 3 boxes for	10c
Cream Balled Oats (best quality) pound	5c
Arm & Hammer Soda, 2 packages	15c
Yolaban Milk, 2 cans	13c
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