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THE HERD AT CHICAGO "MILLING"

According to the dispatches yesterday a pool has been formed among the favorite sons at Chicago that will hold the balance of power, and see that some one of this group, composed of Root, Weeks, Burton, Sherman and Fairbanks will be the nominee. They will join forces as against Hughes and Roosevelt, according to the information handed out, and will fight anyone else outside of the pool. This leaves Cummins, who is really one of the strongest candidates, outside of Hughes and Roosevelt, so far mentioned out of it. The combination looks to an outsider like a strong one, but its members do not want to overlook the fact that in the Colonel they have one of the most resourceful politicians that ever tackled a convention.

Another fact the pool does not want to overlook is, that if things do not suit Teddy, and he thinks an unfair advantage is taken of him, which he will certainly do if he is not nominated, he will jump the fence again, and in that case the nomination may not be worth as much as it cost. It is only ten days until the convention meets, but that does not alter the fact that "it's a long way to Tipperary." Besides there are many impediments in the road. What matters it if a man gain the republican nomination and lose the Roosevelt support?

Another feature of the coming match is the entrance of the "German-American" element into it, with the slogan, "Anyone to beat Roosevelt or Wilson."

Which of the "Fighting Five" has the lead is an open guess. The lead in each case being different as the source from which the estimates issue are different. Each is in the lead according to the reports from the headquarters of the especial one.

Before such an appalling, yet so pitiful a tragedy as that which shocked this city yesterday morning, friends, acquaintances and the whole community can only stand silent and sorrowful, mute from the utter pathos of it. There is nothing to be said, nothing to be done. It is not for us to judge, for that is the hands of a higher court. It is not ours to judge for we have only before us the bare facts of the pitiful tragedy, and the causes that led up to it, the battle that was fought in the mind of the husband and father before he blotted out the lives of those nearest and dearest to him and ended his own, we know nothing of nor will we ever know. So with tender and sympathetic hands we can only lay them away as he would have them, together in death; cover them with flowers and keep green the memory of them before the dawning of yesterday.

The land grant bill as passed by the house Thursday, among other things after providing for selling the timber from the lands, provided logged off lands shall be open to homestead, without charge. No doubt those down easterners thought they were being generous with the public domain. If one of them could be staked out in a bunch of young firs, and among the stumps on a piece of this land and told to get busy and make a home for himself, he would realize that life was far from being one glad sweet song, if that life had to maintain itself from the land. The only thing that can exist on these lands is a goat and he has to have a few days start of the undergrowth. Giving that land to the homesteader is about as generous as the old butcher, who, when he killed a polled Angus ox, gave most of the horns to the poor.

The "How to Keep Well" column in the Oregonian is real good reading and is full of amusing things as a want ad column. Yesterday, replying to someone who asked about a young lady who is thin and also troubled with anemia, the doctor advises that "she eat more cream, milk, bread, rice and candy as a means of increasing her flesh, and for her anemia "to eat more spinach, lettuce, salads, greens, meat and eggs." The young lady is to be congratulated that she has no other troubles, or she might have to eat what the country boy said he lived on at home, which was: "A pretty much, of a good deal of most anything."

According to the Oregonian some democratic paper in this state has asked "who is William Grant Webster?" The Oregonian does not answer, and the Capital Journal admits it does not know. At the same time it calls attention to the fact stated in political history, that when James K. Polk was nominated for the presidency, some one disgustedly asked: "Who in h—l is James K. Polk?" Yet that gentleman was elected president in spite of the fact that he was not known by the inquirer. It is not at all probable the same fate will befall Mr. Webster, but we are taught to believe in this great and glorious country of which George Washington is the father, England the mother and Roosevelt the incorrigible boy, that anyone may be president or vice-president either—if he can get the consent of the people, and the nomination on the right ticket. Maybe Mr. Webster thought the time was ripe for his try at it.

The Waite trial is ended so far as actual evidence is concerned, the defendant admitting the crimes he is charged with committing, and this brings it up to the stage where the expert alienist takes a hand. Dr. Morris Kasper, the first of these to be called, says Waite is mentally unsound, or was at the time of the Peck murder. He called the disease "moral idiocy" or "moral imbecility," saying that a sufferer from such afflictions did not know the nature of his acts. It may be moral imbecility, but it certainly is no more so than the acts of the courts in admitting and harkening to the silly twaddle of hired alienists whose best source of income is the "moral idiocy" of the courts.

The postal department has changed its rules to meet alleged demands. Heretofore no one could have a deposit in the postal savings banks larger than \$500, and not more than \$100 could be deposited in any month. This has been changed so that the total deposit can now be \$1,000, and as much of this as desired can be deposited at one time. This helps things from the department side of the matter, but the hustling of the deposit is just as difficult as ever.

A French paper takes President Wilson to task, and says he is not qualified as a mediator in any settlement that may be proposed between the warring nations because "he tolerated the violation of the neutrality of Belgium." In spite of the terrible conditions by which they are surrounded, those Parisian papers cannot help a bit of humor occasionally. It is in the blood.

When that Montana woman chopped off her husband's head because he took a drink she certainly cured him of the habit. As she used an axe for the job, why not abolish axes? They were in this case at least more dangerous and deadly than booze, bad as that is.

With Kilauea the big Hawaiian volcano in active eruption, Mt. Lassen becoming active again and Roosevelt due in a few days at Chicago the old world should begin to feel relieved of its stomach troubles.

Mrs. Pankhurst says English women are fighting for the ballot. Maybe this war at home is what makes it so hard to recruit troops for the front.

Those who have sampled some of the drink peddled by bootleggers say that bad as the booze habit is, it is nothing compared to the booze itself.

Mr. Charles W. Pepper will manage the Root campaign at Chicago. There should be plenty of "Pep" in that fight.



Rippling Rhymes
by Walt Mason

BIGGEST AND BEST
My friends come back from the babbling brooks, and talk of the things they've done, with their poles and reels, and their lines and hooks, till the setting of the sun. And each at the end remarks, "I wish I had had good luck today; but the biggest fish, and the finest fish, was the fish that got away." I have heard that yarn for a hundred years, and I'll hear it till I die, and when a fisherman bold appears, I leave me a sob and sigh; for I know full well he will stand and dish the story that sold and gray, of the biggest fish, and the finest fish, and the fish that got away. It's the freckled boy with the old time bait, and the fish-line coarse and stout, who sits him down by the brook and waits for a bite from the monster trout; he gets the bite, and his pole goes, "Swish!" Eureka and boom-de-ay! He has caught the fish, the world-famous fish that so often got away!



THE REASON IT TAKES SO LONG!
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FREDERICK W. STECKMAN

Frederick W. Steckman, for the past twelve years a Washington newspaper correspondent, has been selected as the rector of publicity for the Democratic national committee. He is a native of Princeton, Mo., unmarried and thirty-six years old. He was in charge of the Chicago headquarters of the committee in the 1912 campaign and originated the idea of soliciting small contributions for the campaign. This plan netted the committee more than \$100,000. Mr. Steckman's newspaper affiliations date from the time he was less than ten years old, and he has been "in the game" ever since. He represented the St. Louis Republic when he first came to the capital in 1904. He is now a political writer for the Washington Post and correspondent for the New Orleans Daily States.

Election Returns of Polk Canvassed

(Capital Journal Special Service)
Dallas, Ore., May 27.—R. L. Chapman, the undertaker, last week received from Detroit a new six cylinder Cadillac hearse for use in his business in this vicinity. The car was made especially to Mr. Chapman's order and represents an expenditure of about \$3000, it being electrically lighted and hand carved with a lining of mahogany.

Official Count is Made

The official count of the ballots cast at the primary nominating election held last Friday was made Wednesday and shows that several candidates had a close race for the office they coveted. For representative, Conrad Stratton's plurality was 594, W. L. Toose, Jr., for district attorney had a majority of 53. For county clerk, Fred J. Holman's plurality was 319. A. V. R. Snyder received a plurality of 12 votes for the office of county treasurer. For school superintendent, Miss Amelia Fuller had a plurality of 95. Houser A. Hols for the office of county surveyor has a plurality of 49 and for the office of county commis-

sioner, the most contested office on the republican ticket, Mose Maunston received a plurality of 401 votes. On the Democratic ticket Carl Foster received a plurality of 6 votes over Frank Meyer his opponent for the office of county assessor.

County to Oil Roads Again
Through the efforts of the Dallas Commercial club the county court has consented to have the main road of the county treated to a coating of oil this year as in former years. It is the opinion of the court and also the club that the amount of oil used this year will be less than in former years as the roads are in fair condition owing to the oil placed on them the past few years. The court is somewhat cramped for money this year but realized that by passing up one year the good roads that we now have would be ruined.

Favor Sunday Loop
A meeting was held in the county court room Wednesday evening in which the McMinnville Automobile club and the Dallas Commercial club discussed the proposition of perfecting a road from Dallas to McMinnville through Perrydale and Amity for the purpose of advertising an automobile route from Portland through the valley and back to Portland. The idea of the meeting was to call the proposed route the Sunday loop. The said loop to run from Portland to Dallas, across to Salem and thence on to Portland. The route is about 165 miles long and will make an ideal trip for motorists of Portland and will also be a means of advertising the Willamette valley towns.

W. V. Fuller, fire warden for Polk county was a Capital city business visitor Wednesday. A large number of people of this city attended the Robinson circus in Salem Thursday afternoon. H. J. Elliott, manager of the Perrydale flouring mills was a business visitor in the county seat Wednesday. Mrs. Nancy Brown and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Dunkelberger and children are visiting with relatives in Brownsville this week.

Rev. C. P. Gutes of Dayton is a guest this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ella J. Metzger. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Chapin and family of Salem were in Dallas the first of the week the guests of relatives. A. D. Braun left the first of the week for Tualuma, California, where he has purchased a bakery. Mrs. Braun and little son will leave for that place in a few weeks.

The Star transfer company of this city has secured the contract to build five miles of new state road in Tillamook county and A. P. Starr and C. Mizsett will leave next week with a force of men to get things in shape for the beginning of the work.

Mrs. S. Taylor Jones and little son of Portland were Dallas visitors the first of the week. Mrs. George Fiddema has returned to her home at Albion after a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Blessing.

Mrs. Ora Cooper of this city was elected secretary of the Oregon Republican Assembly for the twentieth successive time at a meeting of the grand lodge held at Roseburg this week.

Fred S. Crowley, principal of the Bicknell schools was a Dallas visitor Monday. Mr. Crowley is the Democratic nominee for school superintendent of Polk county.

REV. J. J. O'REARDON DEAD.

Portland, Ore., May 27.—Rev. J. J. O'Reardon, age 65, a member of the faculty of Mount Angel College, died at St. Vincent's hospital Thursday night after an operation. He was a native of Ireland and a graduate of the seminary at Maynooth, Ireland. He taught geology, philosophy and higher English at Mount Angel College.

If you enjoy reading the Journal occasionally—you will be pleased to get it regularly—only 45 cents per month at your door.

SAGE TEA DARKENS HAIR TO ANY SHADE

Don't Stay Gray! Here's a Simple Recipe That Anybody Can Apply with a Hair Brush

The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time. She used it to keep her hair beautifully dark, glossy and attractive. Whenever her hair took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

But brewing at home is messy and out of date. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for a 50 cent bottle of "Wyle's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get this famous old preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients, which can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair.

A well-known downtown druggist says it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, it becomes beautifully dark and glossy.

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TURNER NEWS
(Capital Journal Special Service.)
Turner, Ore., May 27.—Mrs. J. F. Lyle spent Friday afternoon in Salem.
Mrs. H. L. Earl spent Tuesday calling on her many friends.
Miss Alma Baker has finished a very successful school year at Battle Creek.
Richard Waggoner of Portland, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Barr. Mrs. Bert Wagner was called to Ore-