

POP WILL PROBABLY GET IT.

NATURALITY NOMINATION WILL BE CONCEDED THEM.

This is the Only Manner in Which the Middle-of-the-Roaders Can Be Held in Line to Support Fusion in Coming City Election at Tacoma.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. TACOMA, Feb. 6.—In the language of the "very new" there has been a fresh twist added to the general political situation, affecting the coming municipal election in the ranks of the fusionists, which on the whole tends to show the Populists are now even more than ever before likely to demand the head of the ticket. There is much more in the condition of affairs than would appear at first, for it means that should the Populists win their factional fight, the coming candidate for mayor will be a pronounced middle-of-the-roader. During the past twenty-four hours the Populists, represented by their acknowledged leaders, have had more to say than ordinarily, and from what is to be learned, the fight has switched to a question of what is to be done to secure the vote of the middle-of-the-road contingent. Fawcett, as well as all other Democrats, are declared distasteful to the "howlers," and strangely enough, the Populist rank are lacking in making a general count of every attribute of the old party leaders, whisks and all.

One feature of the Populist fight is their unresisting opposition to Mayor Fawcett. They declare they would rather lead a forlorn hope and knowingly go to defeat than endorse Fawcett for renomination. Then they add he could not be elected were he nominated. Several of the Populists in the party are openly talked about. Commissioner of Public Works Doherty is a leading factor in all of them, and on the one hand he is talked of for mayor, while the wing favoring Fawcett is bent on retaining his present position. Councilman John Hartman, of the Fifth ward, is another unit of the whole, in the calculation of the Pops. Following naturally, the Democrats are the candidates for mayor, another hopes the Silver Republicans will secure the head of the ticket, and figure that in such event Hartman will receive the nomination for controller, although the Democrats to name the treasurer. Still others of the "faithful" talk of Attorney W. H. Garrison for mayor, which, according to those of opposite views means that the double-edged sword will be brandished city attorney, with a new chief of police, but possibly T. E. Doherty retained as commissioner of public works.

William Metcalf, one of the deputies in the county clerk's office, seems to be losing no bet toward getting in line for mayor under the banner of the strictly non-conformists in the fusion ranks—men who insist upon a Populist nomination to head the ticket. He has even gone so far as to head the ticket, and the qualification of the typical Populist, beard included, and is credited with a following that may possibly cut some figure when votes are counted in convention.

Among the most liberal minded of the fusionists a good Democrat is favored for mayor. They hold that any Populist nominated will split both the Democratic and Silver Republican wings, beside precluding any hope of getting a part of the straight Republican vote. Coroner Conrad Hoska is talked of in this connection in the same sentence which declares Fawcett out of it. His past strength at the polls is one of his strong recommendations, and it is not improbable that a turnout of Fawcett would result in Hoska being the choice of the Democrats. His election would probably result in his naming Capt. King for chief of police, and possibly the present city attorney, J. P. Judson, would retain his position should he so desire.

There is an evident difference of opinion in the fusion ranks as to both policy and the choice of a candidate, which to a man the chief of the party, and possibly to a favorite in the pool box. Faction after faction is daily to be heard from, all wanting something that the triple alliance as a unit cannot do. The doctrine of rule or ruin. The conservative element seems to steadily lean toward naming a "howling" Populist to head the ticket, alleging that nothing less than naming the party into line. They preach as if the party were an element in the hoped-for fusion is the avowed Populist; that once this faction shall become satisfied, all is plain sailing and that Democrats and Silver Republicans alike will go to the polls in arm with the Pops, for the simple reason that they will have nothing else to do—no other way to turn (and receive recognition).

THE OCEAN WAVES SCHEDULE.

Will Make But One Trip a Week to Tacoma Hereafter.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. TACOMA, Feb. 6.—The announcement that hereafter the steamer Ocean Wave will make but one weekly trip from Tacoma to Anacortes and Vancouver, B. C., has led to inquiry as to why this change has been made. It seems that the alteration in the sailing schedule is merely a matter of business, and that the freight business from Tacoma does not justify the old schedule, which placed Tacoma on a par with Seattle.

Under the new time card Tacoma will see the steamer once a week, as a port of call, and Seattle will be made the practical terminus at this end of the route, the vessel leaving there each alternate day, or making three round trips a week, with Seattle as a starting point, instead of Tacoma.

An employee of the Washington Navigation Company, lessee of the Ocean Wave, says that on the last few trips of the vessel from Tacoma the freight consignments amounted to little or nothing from this port, and that this is the sole reason for the change of schedule.

DANGEROUS ELECTRIC WIRES.

Two Fires Caused by Imperfect Installation Call Out the Department.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. TACOMA, Feb. 6.—About 11 o'clock last night two fires caused alarm to be turned in. These fires, originating from poorly installed and exposed electric wires, were long to the city. Both fires originated on Pacific avenue, and fortunately did no damage of consequence, but their occurrence is one of the strongest arguments in favor of a general overhauling of the street wiring system. Superintendent F. L. Dame, of the Tacoma fire department, says that the wires were in such a state that they were liable to catch fire at any time.

Accidentally Killed Himself.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 6.—Edwin Harmon, aged 23 years, son of Edwin Harmon, formerly a prominent Denver attorney, was shot and killed today by the accidental discharge of an old revolver which he was handling. He lived but ten minutes after being shot.

Called to Oakland.

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 6.—It is reported that Rev. R. H. Sawyer, of Muscola, Mont., will be called to fill the pulpit of the Central Christian church in this city. A committee was today appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

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come Railways' Company, recently called the attention of the council to the fact that light patterns could not hope to get first-class service until the wiring system should be properly overhauled. He made this statement in reply to an attack upon the power furnished by his company to operate the city's lighting plant, and it now transpires he did not tell the half of what is needed in this connection. The two incipient blazes of last night make plain that even on the main business street the city's wires are unsafe and in need of a steady and adequate electric current. Loose joints and wires without insulation where care should be taken to guard

POINTS TO ANOTHER MURDER.

BLOOD-STAINED CLOTHING FOUND NEAR THE PALOUSE RIVER.

Drafts and Papers Wrapped Therein Indicate That John Schless Has Fallen a Victim to Thugs Who Apparently Infest Whitman County.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. COLFAX, Feb. 6.—Today evidence was found which clearly proves that another foul murder has been added to the large list of Whitman county crimes. E. K. Loyd found two white shirts and an undershirt lying in the mud near the Palouse river. One of the white shirts was covered with blood, and there were five holes, apparently made by a knife. Inside the bundle was a pocket book and a diary wrapped in a flour sack. In the purse were two drafts for \$600 each, issued by the Banco de Occidente of Mexico on the Anglo-California bank, limited, San Francisco, and payable to John Schless. Both were dated May 2, 1892. There was also a certificate of naturalization issued by W. H. Harris, clerk of the court, Multnomah county, Oregon, issued September 14, 1892, and a lot of letters and papers written in Spanish.

The sheriff was notified and took possession of the property. Schless is not

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against fire form but one feature of all that is lacking in the street wiring system. It has been described as a series of patches, without a proper foundation upon which to build them. The street wires as a whole are nothing more than a makeshift, and the two fire alarms of last night have added a shivering danger attached to the shivering system. It is likely that the council will bring up this new phase of the matter at its next meeting and attempt some action toward improvement.

A lineal now has charge of the city's entire electric system, the council having seen fit to abolish the salary attaching to the office of city electrician. If the street wire system is to be overhauled, it is not probable that the city will let it by contract, as it did the repair of the police alarm system.

WANT THEIR PAY RAISED.

Policemen Do Not Think \$50 a Month Is Sufficient.

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PANIC AT A DANCE.

Balcony With Thirty People Falls, But Only One Is Injured.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—A panic among 200 dancers was narrowly averted last night at the North Shore hall. Thirty spectators crowded in the little balcony watching the dance. The supports became loosened and slipped back to the wall. The balcony sank gradually, allowing the spectators to slide topsy turvy on the polished floor. When the creaking and pulling commenced, giving indications that the balcony was falling, the large number of persons gathered underneath stampeded toward the central portion of the hall, leaving John Krusie behind. Krusie was caught by the falling timbers and had his side crumpled in the fall. He was taken to the north end of the balcony commenced to fall the musicians became panic-stricken, and seizing their instruments, made a dash for the door. The dancers followed. Several police officers stationed at the door threw it shut and held it against the panic-stricken dancers, thus averting a certain catastrophe on the narrow stairway.

New Shingle Mill.

SNOHOMISH, Feb. 6.—A car load of machinery was shipped from this place to a point on the International railroad, eight miles above Wenatchee, to put in a shingle mill at that place. James Costello, formerly a prominent Seattle contractor, is in charge of putting the machinery in position for the new mill.

New Incorporations.

OLYMPIA, Feb. 5.—Articles for the following domestic corporations have been filed: Granite Mine Company, of Spokane—Capital \$50,000. Mutual Home Association, of Pierce county—No capital. Hubert Mining Company, of Snohomish—Capital \$2,000. Connecticut and Alaska Mining and

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