MORPHINE SLAVE A PITIFUL SIGHT

West Point Graduate, Son of New York Millionaire, Found Wandering on Street.

AGED FATHER APPEARS WITH BOY IN COURT

Drug Habit Result of Injections Given Edward Martin, Oregon University Student, While Suffering From Malaria in Cuban War.

A graduate from West Point in the class of '98, son of a millionaire, formerly a lieutenant in the artillery corps, United States army, active participant in the Cuban campaign, at one time on the staff of General Merritt, detailed for duty as ordnance expert at the Sandy Hook testing grounds, at present a student in the department of the University of Oregon, yet withal a confirmed slave of the morphine habit, is the pathetic and highly interesting story of Edward H. Martin, who was taken into custody by Patrolman Leisey early yesterday morning at Sixteenth and Davis streets.

Was Wandering on Street.

Martin was found acting in a suspicious manner at the location mentioned and owing to his inability to give a satisfactory account of himself was placed under arrest. In the police court this morning Martin pere and Rev. Father McDevitt were on hand to intercede for the fallen man. The former army officer was brought before Judge Cameron and presented a pitiable spectacle.

Gaunt, hollow-eyed and emaciated from excessive use of the deadly drug, Martin stood trembling before the court. Although a nervous wreck, Martin's military training asserted itself at times and with squared shoulders, heels together and head to the front, the soldier in the man became evident.

Signs Agreement.

Judge Cameron, after a consultation with Father McDevitt and the elder Martin, determined to give the young man a chance. To that end, a stipulation was prepared, which Martin signed. The agreement provides that in the event that he is ever brought before the police tribunal again the extreme penalty of 180 days on the rockpile will be meted out to him.

Hugh Martin, the father, is a wealthy real estate dealer of New York and resides at 627 East 149th street in that city. Desirous of ascertaining how his son was prospering in the west, Martin senior came to the coast a few days ago, only to find that a change of climate and scenery failed to break his son of his terrible vice. Upon hearing of the arrest of his boy yesterday the broken-hearted old man visited Chief Gritzmacher to secure advice as to what action to take. The chief advised confinement at Kelly Butte as a cure but apparently Martin was averse to having his child incarcerated with the criminals confined there.

To a Journal representative this morning the New Yorker stated that his son contracted the morphine habit while in Cuba during the Spanish-American war. Stricken with malaria, one of the army surgeons prescribed a compound containing morphine for the young officer, and as this mixture was the only thing that gave him relief Martin was soon a slave to the drug.

After the war young Martin was on the staff of General Merritt and was assigned for duty at Sandy Hook. He is an expert mathematician and was one of the officers in charge of testing high-power guns. He became involved in some difficulty with Major-General Corbin and was ordered court-martialed. Before the trial, however, Martin tendered his resignation, which was accepted by the officials.

The young man's wife resides with him here.

NOOSE HIS ESCAPE FROM IMAGINARY FOES

Charles Vandell Commits Suicide in County Jail and Mike Johnson Cuts His Throat.

Laboring under the delusion that he was being pursued by enemies who wished to rob him of his money, Charles Vandell hanged himself some time early Sunday morning at the county jail. Within a few hours of the time Vandell hanged himself, Mike Johnson, a county charge, committed suicide at the county poor farm by cutting his throat.

Vandell was brought to the county jail last Friday and was examined as to his sanity. It was the intention of the county to send him to Salem, where he would be placed in the state asylum.

Jailer Mitchell is firm in the belief that had a night watchman been allotted to the jail, Vandell would be alive today. Mitchell said that he got up from his bed at midnight and went to Vandell's cell, where he found the man crying. After quieting him, Mitchell induced him to lie down and go to sleep. Sunday morning his body was found suspended from above his cell door.

Vandell possessed about $600 and left a sister in Finland. Coroner Finley notified the sister of her brother's death.

Johnson, who committed suicide at the county farm, was a consumptive and had but a few days to live. Rather than linger in pain he secured a razor and slashed his throat so that he bled to death.

Vandell was about 32 years of age and Johnson 36.

STEUNENBERG CASE AT BOISE EARLY IN MAY

(Journal Special Service.)

Caldwell, Ida., March 25.—Judge Fremont Wood this morning overruled the motion for a change of venue in the case of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, but gave the defense its option of having the trial at Boise or Caldwell. The defense announced a preference for Boise. The trial will be had soon after May 1.

Funeral of Ursela Tapfer.

Funeral services over the body of Ursela Tapfer will be held at Finley's chapel tomorrow at 1 p. m. Friends are invited to attend. The interment will be at Greenwood cemetery.

WANT CANDIDATES TO LEAVE WOODS

Voters Awaitnig Further Announcements Before They Register for Election.

Voters who have changed their residence or who are entitled to vote for the first time since the last election are slow in registering their names and residences with County Clerk Fields, for only 139 new voters have registered and but 239 changes of residence have been noted on the books.

Of the new voters, 118 are Republicans and 21 Democrats. While this is an unusual showing it is not considered significant at this time because of the small number of men who have registered. The expectation among the courthouse attaches is that the voters will wait, as the taxpayers did last month, and not register until the last few days, when a rush will occur that will swamp the office.

Many voters have come to the courthouse in the past few days, stood around for a short time and then arrived at the conclusion that they would wait until near the close of the registration period in order to find out who the candidates will be. The reason assigned for this action on the part of the voters is that many of them have friends in both parties who are likely to be candidates. In order to vote for their friend's nomination at the primaries, they must be registered as belonging the same party as the candidate. They are said to do this whether they intend to vote for their friend at the election or not.

The books are open only for voters at the coming city election. Inasmuch as part of precinct 87 has been taken into the city limits since the last registration, the voters residing in that part of precinct 87 which has been taken in, will vote in precincts 33, 34, 35. Notices have been sent to all the voters in the section affected and they will have to register anew at this time or lose their vote.

STRIKE SITUATION IS BECOMING MORE ACUTE

Thirty-Seven Thousand Firemen and Engineers Make New Demands for Wages.

Chicago, March 25.—The railroad situation is more acute today. New demands for increased wages and reduced hours have been made by the 37,000 firemen and engineers who were formerly firemen. Grand Master Harahan is holding a conference with the managers, who are also considering the conductors' and railway trainmen's grievances.

The railroad men sum up the situation as the last straw. They say the legislation regulating freight and reducing fares, together with advanced rates of interest and the slumping of stocks are all detrimental and the roads will be hampered to the extent of imperiling the country's prosperity.

It is officially announced that with half of the vote counted the trainmen favor standing by the demands of the railroad firemen and engineers for a 12 per cent increase in wages and shorter hours. The railroads declare they will not grant them. The next step is a decision by either side, or the strike committee here has full power to call a strike. Another vote will be taken before the order is given to involve other unions. The managers' committee will confer again Tuesday.

GOOD MORNING'S WORK PERFORMED

Y. M. C. A. Solicitors Report Fine Progress in the Campaign at Noon Today.

In two hours this morning the 20 "Everybody Gives" committees secured for the Y. M. C. A. building fund a total of $2,282. This announcement was made at the noon luncheon given the workers at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, and makes a total reported to noon today of about $16,000 that has been subscribed within the few hours the campaign has been under way.

The committees are today working in the territory between Stark and Alder streets, from the river on the west side to Twenty-third street.

The largest amount secured by the committees this morning was $304.50, secured by committee No. 3, and second came committee No. 4, with a total of $251.

That the entire $90,000 will be raised and raised easily before the end of this week is considered certain, not only by the executive committee but by every man of the 100 who is discovering how the citizens of the city are taking hold of this campaign.

POLICE STEP ON THEIR OWN TOES

Took Eight of Them to Arrest Boy and Then Fail to Sustain Charge in Court.

Harry Coleman, an 18-year-old youth, employed by the Western Union Telegraph company, was arrested at 11:30 o'clock last night by Detectives Kay and Kienlin and a posse of six patrolmen, on a charge of resisting an officer and drunkenness, after an exciting chase across the housetops at Fourth and Washington streets.

In the police court this morning there was no evidence to substantiate the charges preferred against the defendant and he was released from custody. Detective Kienlin, whom the youth struck in the face, swore to a complaint on an assault and battery charge.

Coleman and another lad became engaged in an altercation over which should escort a young girl to her home. Kay and Kienlin appeared on the scene and the latter attempted to separate the warring youths. Kienlin received a shortarm jolt on the jaw from Coleman. Detective Kay rushed in and struck Coleman on the head with the butt end of a revolver.

Coleman then took to his heels and ran into the building in the rear of the telegraph office on Stark street. The two officers, reinforced by six patrolmen, took up the chase and Coleman in an attempt to avoid capture jumped through a skylight and was stunned.

VENGEANCE ON DEMURRAGE MEN

Northern Lines Propose to Make It More Than Hot for Lumber Shippers.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Seattle, Wash., March 25.—That lumbermen who urged the legislature to pass a law enabling the railroad commission to deliver cars when ordered by shippers and providing for the collection of $1 per day demurrage on cars not delivered after six days' notice, will be begging for a special session of the legislature to repeal the demurrage act is the prediction of high railroad officials who were present at the executive conference in Seattle Saturday.

That conference was the most momentous that has been held by railroad dignitaries in Seattle for many days. It was called ostensibly to consider the new rules promulgated by the railroad business of the state. The reciprocal demurrage act, that new law which the lumber manufacturers and shingle-makers of the state hope to see grow into a club mightier than the big stick at Washington, was held up for the contemplation of the heads of the legal and traffic departments of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Harriman systems.

Fifty Per Cent Raise in Rails.

That the word "war" was mentioned is not denied. That the war will be in the shape of vigorous and far-reaching reprisals against the lumbermen who framed the offensive bill is admitted. Guarded though the men who attended that conference are, it is known positively that, acting with the knowledge and tacit approval of James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern and the controlling factor in the Northern Pacific, the legal department of the Northern Pacific on the west end urged that the rate on lumber from the sound to Minneapolis and St. Paul be raised to a point where the earnings would take care of any possible expense the railroads would be put to because of the operations of the demurrage measure.

The figure was put at 60 cents, as against the prevailing rate of 40 cents per hundred.

It is admitted that if this rate goes into effect it will be attacked as extortionate by the lumbermen before the interstate commerce commission.

RAILROADS WANT NO REGULATION

Lesson Taught by Railroad Agitation That Public Should Not Yield Authority.

(Journal Special Service.)

Chicago, March 25.—William J. Bryan, speaking here today on railroad agitation, said:

"The only political lesson taught by the present agitation toward federal regulation is that the public should not give local authority over to railroads at the request of managers who don't want to be regulated at all.

"We should preserve the dual character of our government, congress regulating interstate business and allowing states the regulation of their internal matters such as transportation and so forth.

"The fact that railroad managers wish to rid themselves of state authority and substitute congressional authority is only another proof that the farther removed is a legislature from the people, the less responsible it is to the people. The railroad managers prefer to deal with one legislative body rather than with forty-five of them."

Bryan does not think that the federal control outlined by Rockefeller, Harriman, and others is in keeping with his speech at Madison Square last fall. He said:

"The ultimate result of the railroad situation will necessarily be government ownership." Bryan would not discuss Roosevelt's attitude in favoring the control of all the roads under a new rate law. Bryan's position has taken by surprise the railroad men and is a bombshell to their desires.

EASTER FASHIONS BRING OUT CROWDS

In spite of the un-Easter weather the dress salons of Olds, Wortman & King's store have been visited by many eager fashion-watchers today. A peep at the beautiful windows outside has been enough to draw them in for never has the store arranged prettier show windows. Imported gowns representing the new shades of russet brown and sulphur greens are the handsomest showings of the spring season and elaborate hats to match are dreams of loveliness.

In street suits there has never been such a season for stripes and checks. They are made up more elaborately than before, combining straight with bias or horizontal stripes. Silk combination suits are extremely good with silk coats and woll skirts showing the same color in stripe, plaid or check. Silk coats will be used much again, also in stripes and checks. The eton jacket is the best thing but the cutaway is the latest and has gained much popularity. The box coat is still good. Sleeves are elaborate and lean toward the Gibson style to give the broad shoulder effect. The new kimono sleeve is popular in coats. Waists and evening dresses are steadily growing more elaborate with an abundance of hand embroidery.

Hats, too, show a tendency to become more elaborate. Real ostrich tips in more than one shade are popular and load down the pattern hats. Quantities of roses are used again. Many hats are made of real lace and some of moline in many thicknesses. But the braids, the milam, the horsehair and leghorn are the thing. The hats are large and made mostly in the drooping styles. There are many quaint shapes that show a tendency to revive the old-fashioned, picturesque bonnet-hat, made with lots of ribbon and flowers.

JUDGMENT AGAINST PENNSYLVANIA ROAD

(Journal Special Service.)

Trenton, N. J., March 25.—Judgment for $1,134,748 was recorded in the supreme court today against the Pennsylvania road, for failing to obey the order of the chief justice to pay one-half of one per cent of the main stem tax under the Perkins law. This includes the yearly tax, with interest and costs.

"HALF DOLLAR" STABS NEGRESS

Son of Dollar Bill St. Clair Is Sought by the Police for Crime.

Belle Murray, a young negress, was stabbed twice in the neck at an early hour this morning by Robert St. Clair, better known as "Half Dollar," and the son of "Dollar Bill" St. Clair, a well-known colored real estate dealer. The cutting affray occurred in Jackson's restaurant, Ninth and Flanders streets, soon after 2 a. m., and St. Clair is now being sought by the police. The woman lies at the Good Samaritan hospital suffering from two serious wounds in the neck, but she is expected to recover.

Jealousy is assigned as the motive for the crime. The woman in the case entered Jackson's restaurant about 2 o'clock this morning and was later joined by an unknown colored man. Soon afterward St. Clair entered the place and demanded to have a private conversation with the girl. A quarrel ensued between them and upon the return of the restaurant proprietor from the kitchen, the Murray woman demanded that St. Clair be ejected.

Jackson refused to interfere and while he went into an adjoining room, St. Clair suddenly drew a knife, and holding the woman by the throat, jabbed the knife twice into her neck. She struggled desperately to free herself from the grasp of the murderous negro, and Jackson, hearing the commotion, rushed to her assistance. Seizing a bottle of catsup, he struck St. Clair on the head, causing the latter to release his hold on his victim.

After the crime, St. Clair ran from the place and at Second and Couch streets encountered Patrolmen Tenant and Edgerton. The spectacle of a man running hatless through the streets at such an hour and bleeding profusely from a cut on the head, caused the officers to call upon St. Clair to halt. The young negro paid no heed to the command, whereupon Tenant fired three shots at him without effect. The fleeing man dodged into a nearby building and made his escape.

Captain Bailey was notified at police headquarters and dispatched several patrolmen to assist in the search. Patrolmen Gustafson and Phillips in crossing the Burnside bridge were notified that St. Clair had passed over the river a few minutes before apparently headed for his home at 348 Tillamook street. The police found upon investigation that the knife wielder had not been near the residence, and they later ascertained from the driver of a bakery wagon that St. Clair had been seen near the east end of the Burnside bridge.

After the cutting, the injured woman was removed to the Good Samaritan hospital in the patrol wagon and is reported to be resting easily. Dr. Ziegler states that no important blood vessel was severed, and the woman's chances for recovery are excellent. Several detectives have been detailed on the case, but up to noon no clue had been secured of the whereabouts of St. Clair.

DINNER BELL ALONE MAKES SLAVICH STOP

Defendant in Divorce Case Wants to Keep on Talking to Court and Jury.

Charges and counter charges as to the personal reputation of the parties concerned were made in the divorce suit of Annie Slavich against Jerry Slavich which was placed on trial in the state circuit court before Judge Gantenbein this morning.

Mrs. Slavich testified this morning that Slavich has abused her cruelly and inhumanely since the birth of their 10-year-old daughter; that he has mistreated their daughter and, when the child was but three weeks old, held her up by the heels and beat her across the back with a cloth. Mrs. Slavich testified that he treated her like a slave.

Slavich accused Mrs. Slavich of being insane; told her brothers that they were trying to take his wife and child away from him; that they wanted his money; that Mrs. Welsh was trying to get his wife and child away from him and finally wound up, as the last person was leaving the courtroom, by accusing Mrs. Slavich's attorney, William G. Hale, of trying to take his wife and child away from him.

PENINSULA WANTS MORE REPRESENTATION

In order to secure additional representation in the city council, to which the voters of the peninsula believe they are entitled, the Nolta Progressive club tonight endeavor to choose a candidate for councilman at large who will receive the support and indorsement of the entire peninsula in the primaries.

Councilman Vaughn now represents the ward which includes the peninsula, but the residents of that part of the city think that they have grown to that extent where they need more representation. At the regular meeting tonight the club will also complete the organization of a volunteer fire department for the Piedmont district.

COOS BAY AGENT TO GO AFTER NORWEGIANS

Salem, March 25.—Captain O. Hellessadh of the Salvation Army, at one time in charge of the local post, left today for Portland. He is now stationed at Marshfield, Coos county, and is optimistic as to the future development of that country. It is understood he is to be engaged by the Marshfield board of trade to take a trip to Norway and place the immense resources of the Coos bay section before his countrymen in an attractive manner so as to urge immigration westward.

DAMAGE IN CALIFORNIA FLOOD IS TEN MILLIONS

(Journal Special Service.)

Stockton, Cal., March 25.—Flood conditions are steadily improving today. Most of the water has run off. Not a reclamation section in this district, with the possible exception of Grand Island, is above water. No loss of life has resulted from the second flood. Since Saturday the property loss in the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys is conservatively estimated at $10,000,000.

PLAYWRIGHTS IN BITTER WAR

Mrs. Ordway Comes Back at Mrs. Dow-Currier, Assistant on Oregon.

The difficulties that arose between Mrs. June McMillen Ordway and Mrs. Ada Dow-Currier in the recent writing and staging of the play, "Oregon," are being tried out before Judge Reid in the justice court today. Some sensational charges and counter charges are made in the suit.

Ada Dow-Currier brings suit against Mrs. Ordway for money due her according to the contract alleged to have been made between Mrs. Ordway and herself last summer. Mrs. Dow-Currier was engaged by Mrs. Ordway to assist in writing and preparing for presentation the play which appeared at the Baker in February. Ada Dow-Currier was represented by Mrs. Ordway as a competent person and came from San Francisco for the purpose above mentioned at the solicitation of Mrs. Ordway. There are altogether five counts upon which the suit is based.

In the defense Mrs. Ordway states that the "plaintiff did all things which she should not have done and nothing that she should have done." She says that Mrs. Dow-Currier actually caused her damage that will amount to at least $2,000.

Mrs. Ordway alleges that Ada Dow-Currier advised unnecessary costumes and scenery "to enrich and favor intimate friends"; that she "grafted board and lodging on a pretense of reading the play, was in fact a household leech." The defense claims that all the work she was to have done had to be done by some one else and at an additional cost.

According to the defence, Mrs. Dow-Currier became "overbearing, dictatorial and arrogant"; knowing that Mrs. Ordway was of a nervous temperament she "insidiously and threateningly sought to intimidate and control her" and at one time informed Mrs. Ordway that she knew how to kill people without fear of detection; and that she used such tactics as a means of extortion.

SEND NO MAIL TO AUSTRALIA

Oceanic Steamship Company Will Withdraw Mail Steamers in April.

(Journal Special Service.)

New York, March 25.—A special to the Sun from Washington says:

"Owing to the inability of the government to pay a subsidy in the absence of specific appropriations by the congress, the Ocean Steamship company has notified the postmaster-general that on April 6 it will withdraw its steamers now engaged in carrying mails by direct route from San Francisco to New Zealand and Australia.

"Postmasters throughout the United States have been instructed to decline to receive packages addressed for delivery in the countries named until further orders, which will be issued as soon as other arrangements can be made for the transportation of such mail. The authorities expect that contracts will soon be made for the carriage of mail to Australia and New Zealand by steamers sailing regularly from Vancouver and by a round about way via Liverpool or London.

The postal authorities declare that until congress authorizes a subsidy it will be impossible to dispatch mail by direct route for long distances across the Pacific. For some years the Oceanic Steamship company has had a contract for transporting mails to Australia and New Zealand.

Under the law the government was able to pay no more than $2 per outward mile for the service. Seventeen trips a year were made. Australia paid a subsidy, but this, with the amount allowed by the United States, was not sufficient to make the enterprise profitable.

The company threatened some time ago that if liberal allowances were not made it would discontinue the San Francisco-Sydney route, and hoped the subsidy bill would be enacted into a law. When it failed the company made arrangements to go out of the mail transportation business.

Officials of the postoffice department say the Oceanic is the only transportation company that has ever made a bid on the American-Sydney contracts under the law of 1891, which limits the expenditure for the carriage of mail on that route to $2 per outward mile. It was supposed when the law was passed that the competition for the contracts would be active. The authorities are hopeful that a measure will be passed at the next session which will make possible a direct mail route to Australia and New Zealand as well as to South America.

PREACHERS TALK STRIKE PROBLEM

Favor Formation of a Permanent Board of Arbitration to Settle Difficulties.

Members of the ministerial association who compose the fraternal delegation to the Trades' union, discussed the streetcar strike and walkout of the millmen this morning at their regular meeting. The delegation is composed of Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, Rev. E. M. Sharp, Dr. Clarence True Wilson, Rev. E. M. Muckley and Charles H. Foster of the Federated Trades' council.

Definite action by the delegates was postponed until after the peace meetinging which is to be held Wednesday night. At that time business men and others will discuss the feasibility of perfecting a permanent board of arbitration for the purpose of settling as quickly and satisfactorily as possible any difficulties which arise in the future between employers and employed. The ministers belonging to the fraternal organization believe that such a board should be appointed, and they will wait the outcome of the meeting the middle of this week.

Asks to Have Cases Advanced.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, March 25.—The department of justice has asked the supreme court to advance the cases of those under jail sentence in connection with land frauds.

CHASE GERMS FROM COACHES

State Board of Health Will Require Railroads to Clean Cars Thoroughly.

The Oregon state board of health, in session this morning at the office of Dr. B. C. Yenney, secretary, decided to proceed immediately with the enforcement of the new statute, requiring railway companies to have certain places in the state where their passenger coaches shall be swept and cleaned, and also providing that no coach shall be swept while containing passengers.

The board agreed that one of the most fruitful sources of spreading disease, such as tuberculosis, diphtheria, etc., was this custom of sweeping railway coaches while crowded with passengers. Heretofore there has been no law by which this could be controlled, but the recent legislature gave the state board of health ample power to regulate the situation.

The board also decided to advocate the general cleaning up of cities and towns. A provision in the new quarantine law makes it a duty of the board to enforce a higher standard of sanitation in the smaller cities and towns of the state.

The board took up the subject of spinal meningitis, an epidemic of which is on at Seattle, and three cases have been reported in Oregon within the past month; one at Umatilla, one near Salem and one at Astoria. It was decided to enforce a strict quarantine in all spinal meningitis cases.

Dr. C. J. Smith reported that two children at Umatilla had recently died of diphtheria and that practically the entire town had been exposed to the disease. Dr. Smith was called in and immunized the 20 persons that had been particularly exposed.

The typhoid situation, especially with reference to the eastern Oregon towns that had been flooded as a result of the heavy spring rains, was discussed, but just how to handle this subject was not determined at this morning's session.

WOMAN TELLS STORY OF ASTORIA TRAGEDY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Astoria, Or., March 25.—Coroner Pohl is investigating the shooting affray of Friday night in which a soldier named Lewis committed suicide after attempting to kill Mrs. Robinson, his companion. From her testimony it seems the pair had been carousing from one saloon to another over the city since last Wednesday. She stated Lewis would not let her leave him, saying he would kill her first. They quareled over the possession of a gun owned by Lewis. She managed to get it from him but just before the shooting he snatched it from her. The husband of the woman was arrested yesterday for being drunk and disorderly. He was rushing around saying that if Lewis had not committed suicide he would have killed him.

TO ENTHUSE SALEM FOR BOOSTING TOUR

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., March 25.—President H. B. Thielsen of the board of trade has stirred up renewed interest in the excursion of business men to the Inland Empire by appointing the following committee to arouse enthusiasm for the trip: Fred W. Steusloff, E. T. Barnes, George W. Johnson, H. D. Patton and John W. Roland.

The itinerary of the excursionists as now planned will include Hood River, The Dalles, Pendleton, Walla Walla, Spokane and North Yakima, with return through Seattle, Tacoma and Portland.

From present indications at least two Pullman coaches of excursionists will boost for Salem and absorb ideas in civic improvements.

CONGRESSIONAL PARTY QUARANTINED AT COLON

(Journal Special Service.)

Colon, March 25.—Speaker Cannon and the congressional party were not permitted to land here today when they arrived, because the steamer Bleucher, on which they came, had not been seven days out from Venezuela, as required by the quarantine law. The party is on board the ship and will not land until the provisions of the quarantine against Venezuela have been complied with.

PERSONAL

H. C. Pressey, vice-president of the Lester Piano company, of Lester, Pennsylvania, is visiting in Portland. Mr. Pressey is making his headquarters, while in the city with the Ellers Piano company, who are the Portland agents of the Lester Piano.

State Senator W. T. Schelfield of Astoria was a Portland visitor yesterday, returning to his home this morning.

F. T. Steusloff, a prominent business man of Salem, is transacting business in the city and is at the Imperial.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Bagley of Hillsboro are registered at the Imperial for a short visit in the city.

Walter Lyons of Albany, editor of the Albany Herald, is at the Imperial for a brief visit with business friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. King of Ontario were guests of the Oregon yesterday while en route to Salem from their eastern Oregon home. They will now make their home in Salem permanently since the appointment of Mr. King to the position of associate justice of the supreme court.

STORM AT HARRISBURG

Sheepmen Expect to Lose Many Lambs Because of Cold Rains.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Harrisburg, Or., March 25.—This section was visited Friday with a severe wind storm, making it difficult and unpleasant for those compelled to be out of doors. Friday afternoon the rain fell in torrents for some time and continued since Saturday, although not so heavy. Sheepmen in this section are greatly worried on account of their lambs, many of which they expect to lose if this weather continues. Snow fell on the foothills Friday night, the line being quite low, and the cold in the valley was of unseasonable severity.

More Snow at Ashland.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Ashland, Or., March 25.—The snow storm was resumed last evening, falling heavily for several hours. It lies three feet deep at Siskiyou.

A Polk county man sold a yearling colt for $75 and a 2-year-old for $125.

SAYS LOCKWOOD DISOBEYED LAW

Deputy District Attorney Moser Takes Lawyer to Task for His Statements.

WEBSTER'S ORDERS NOT CARRIED OUT

Judge Sears Sustained County Court and Ordered Lockwood to Deliver Certificate—He Refused and the Sheriff Arrested Him.

In answer to interviews given by Mr. Charles E. Lockwood in recent issues of this paper, Deputy District Attorney Gus C. Moser has made the following statement:

Mr. Lockwood asserts in substance that he is the victim of a political conspiracy, and that in pursuance thereof he has been deprived of certain rights, and, therefore, he refuses to comply with an order of the county court which has been held by Judge Sears to be valid and a proper order. He also asserts that a petition is pending for the removal of Richard Lynch as administrator of the Jerry Lynch estate, because he is a non-resident, and not competent to act as such administrator.

Lynch Administrator.

The facts briefly stated are substantially these: About six years ago Mr. Lockwood, acting as attorney for Richard Lynch, procured the appointment of Richard Lynch as administrator of the estate of his deceased brother, Jerry Lynch. It is true that at that time Mr. Lynch was not a resident of Oregon, but of Washington, but this Mr. Lockwood knew when he procured his appointment. He is now and has been for several years a resident of Oregon.

After Mr. Lockwood had been looking after the estate for about a year, during which time considerable money was realized from the assets of the estate, Mr. Lynch was unable to obtain any settlement with Mr. Lockwood, and employed the firm of Murdoch & Moser to recover from Mr. Lockwood the funds of the estate then in his possession. A petition was filed in the county court, and a citation was issued requiring Mr. Lockwood to appear and answer under oath concerning the property in his possession belonging to said estate.

Dispute Over Money.

After several days' hearing the evidence developed that after paying various expenses there was in the Merchants' National bank of this city a certificate of deposit for $200, made payable to Charles E. Lockwood, and there was a dispute as to the further sum of $680 which Mr. Lynch claimed Mr. Lockwood had in his possession, and which Mr. Lockwood claimed he had paid over to Mr. Lynch.

A further petition was then filed by Mr. Lynch charging Mr. Lockwood with having in his possession the $680 and the certificate of deposit for $200, and a citation was issued, based on said petition, requiring Mr. Lockwood to appear and show cause why he should not pay the $680 and indorse and deliver to the administrator the certificate of deposit for $200, or be punished for contempt. After a hearing upon this petition Judge Webster held that the county court had no jurisdiction to direct the payment of the $680, as there was a substantial controversy as to who had possession thereof, and that the only court having jurisdiction to settle that controversy was the circuit court, but Judge Webster further held that as there was no controversy as to the $200 certificate, Mr. Lockwood should indorse and deliver the same to the administrator and he further decided that Mr. Lockwood had no lien upon the $200 for any fees he might have earned as attorney for the estate.

Claims He Paid.

As the court had no jurisdiction to determine the dispute concerning the $680, no judgment was entered concerning the same.

"Concerning the $680, Mr. Lockwood claims he paid it to Mr. Lynch on the day it was drawn from the bank, and that Mr. Lynch receipted to him therefor, while Mr. Lynch and his wife testify that he did not receive any of this money from Mr. Lockwood, and that the receipt which Mr. Lockwood holds was obtained from Mr. Lynch on the representation of Mr. Lockwood that it was a petition to be submitted to the county court in connection with the estate. Mr. Lynch is uneducated, can hardly read and cannot write at all, except his name.

"The order requiring Mr. Lockwood to indorse the certificate was made over a year ago. He took a writ of review to the circuit court, and Judge Sears dismissed his writ and sustained Judge Webster. Thereupon Judge Webster again made an order requiring Mr. Lockwood to indorse and deliver the certificate, and upon his refusal to do so he was committed to the county jail for contempt until he should do so. He petitioned for a writ of habeas corpus, the sheriff made return, based upon the records of the county court, Mr. Lockwood demurred to the return, and on Saturday morning his demurrer was overruled, and Judge Sears thereby decided that Mr. Lockwood was being legally held in custody by the sheriff.

Politics Not Mixed In.

"Politics has absolutely nothing to do with this proceeding. It is simply a question of whether Mr. Lockwood shall be permitted to openly defy the order of Judge Webster, and refuse to turn over the property belonging to the estate. He has been blocking the recovery of this money for three or four years, and during that time has been represented by at least six different attorneys, who have dropped out one by one as they have become familiar with the facts in the case.

"I have absolutely no personal or political reasons for being unfriendly towards Mr. Lockwood, but I have good reasons as a member of the bar of this state, and as attorney for Mr. Lynch, to insist that he shall obey the lawful order of the court."

SILVERWARE CACHE FOUND AT ASTORIA

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Astoria, March 25.—Peter Bayard, a well-known citizen of Astoria, found yesterday in a gulch 48 pieces of silverware that was stolen from the residence of ex-County Commissioner C. C. Masten over three months ago. The gulch is back of Masten's residence. The silverware was in a large nail keg in a pillowcase and must have lain there since the robbery. Bayard turned it over to the chief of police.

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