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JUDGE CRAWFORD DIES IN LA GRANDE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LA GRANDE, March 27.—Judge T. H. Crawford, a pioneer of Eastern Oregon, who was campaign manager for Governor Walter M. Pierce, died here today after a lingering illness. Judge Crawford was 78 last Wednesday. He was former president of the Union county pioneer association, a regent of Oregon Agricultural College and was a member of the law firm of Crawford and Eakin. He had been prominent in civic, community and state affairs for many years.

CREASON ESTATE TO BE PROBATED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, March 27.—The probate court today ordered the estate of Lynn A. Creason to be probated. The estate is valued at \$250,000.

Adopted Son Asks Appointment of Attorney as Administrator.

Lynn Creason in his petition represents that he is the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Creason. Mrs. Creason was an aunt of Lynn Creason, and in adopting him in 1901 he was made a full heir.

COURT FIGHT POSSIBLE

Attorney Wimberly, who was appointed administrator of the estate, declined to make any statement concerning the case. He stated that he hoped a settlement would be reached without court action, but it is understood that if a settlement is not obtained the matter will go into the courts involving the rights of Lynn Creason to a share in the entire Creason estate, which some estimates place at around one million dollars in value.

ALLEGED AUTO THIEVES HELD

Frank Abacco, George Williams and Carl Adams, were arrested here last night by Night Officer Raymond Rausch charged with stealing a Chevrolet coupe at Eugene. The car, the property of a tourist from Tacoma, Washington, was being driven by them at the time they were picked up here and is being held for the owner, Adams, an I. W. W. organizer, confessed to the theft and said that the machine was stolen from in front of the Osborne Hotel in Eugene. They will be taken back to Lane county to stand trial on an auto theft charge.

TO ARGUE CASE

The mandamus action of Stanley Taylor and O. O. Jennings against the city of Roseburg to compel a vote on the Alexander bridge matter, will be argued tomorrow morning before Circuit Judge Hamilton.

DAUGHERTY IS DUE TO RETIRE

Developments in the Near Future Expected Result Serious Charges.

LOAD IS TOO GREAT

Administration Cannot Stand Up Under Charges Which Are Daily Piling Up Against Him.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Retirement of Attorney-General Daugherty from the Coolidge cabinet has again been brought under serious consideration and indications today point to developments in the near future.

President Coolidge has almost, if not entirely, come to agreement with many of his closest advisors that with charges piling up daily against Mr. Daugherty's administration of the department of justice, continuation of the attorney-general in office, is more of a load than any administration can be justly called upon to bear.

Inquiries made by the president are understood to have failed to convince him that the current business of the department is being administered with the expedition the country has a right to demand. This circumstance is believed to have weighed more heavily with Mr. Coolidge than any other factor.

Two conferences held by the president with his attorney-general yesterday are understood to have been devoted largely to a consideration of this subject and to have brought the matter nearer to a head than it ever has been before.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Roxie Stinson, divorced wife of Jess Smith, submitted herself today to a cross-examination by counsel for Attorney-General Daugherty against whom she has made a long series of charges before the senate investigating committee, winding up in the assertion that the attorney general was "morally responsible" for her former husband's suicide.

Paul Howland, lifetime friend of the attorney general, conducted the cross-examination which was decided upon after the committee had held that further inquiry into the story of a \$33,000,000 profit to five men from a deal in oil stocks was without its scope.

Howland said he had "only a few questions to ask" and first took up the "White Motor stock", which Miss Stinson has mentioned in her testimony, as being received from Jess Smith.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The senate Daugherty committee today ordered M. S. Daugherty, brother of the attorney general, summoned by the sergeant at arms when he failed to appear in answer to a summons Senator Wheeler said had been served.

Senator Wheeler moved that failure of Mal Daugherty and certain Ohio bank officials to appear reported to the senate.

Senator Wheeler's motion contemplated contempt proceedings by the senator against Mal Daugherty and the bank officials.

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NO REFUND WILL BE MADE FOR STATE TAX

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SALEM, March 27.—Even should the state income tax law be held invalid in the suit of the Standard Lumber company attacking its validity and praying for an injunction to prohibit its enforcement, now pending in the Marion county circuit court, there will be no refunds of taxes already paid, except where such payments were made under protest.

LADY ASTOR SPEAKS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LONDON, March 27.—Lady Astor confessed herself disillusioned in politics in an address at a meeting of young people last night. She said she did not consider the work of politicians very important. People who went into politics unless they had the highest ideals, took up a very disappointing job. It was disappointing that the things one tried to do were so far away and one got blamed for all that was wrong in the world.

REBEL LEADER LOST

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
MEXICO CITY, March 27.—The report from New Orleans that Adolfo de La Huerta, rebel leader, has been lost at sea while fleeing from Mexico, lacks corroboration.

JOHNSON LEAD INCREASED.

SIoux FALLS, March 27.—Based on their statements on nearly complete unofficial returns the Sioux Falls Argus-Leader and the Mitchell Republican this afternoon declared Senator Hiram Johnson won Tuesday's republican presidential preference primary in South Dakota.

These returns gave the California senator a lead of 1,743 votes over President Coolidge when all but 150 of the state's precincts had reported.

These returns from 1,684 precincts out of a few more than 1825 in the state gave Johnson 49,243 and Coolidge 28,500.

Despite this vote, T. B. Roberts, state manager of the Coolidge campaign, declared late today at Pierre that his private reports showed Coolidge still in the lead and a probable winner by a 1,000 majority.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., March 27.—Senator Hiram Johnson increased his lead over President Coolidge to 297 in returns today from another hundred precincts reporting on Tuesday's state-wide republican presidential primary in South Dakota.

When returns had been tabulated from 1,469 of the state's 1,825 precincts the California senator had a vote of 36,583 as compared to 32,286 for the president. All of the new returns came from rural precincts.

Coolidge trimmed a few votes off Johnson's lead in the next 43 precincts to report unofficial returns, the count in 1,512 precincts giving Johnson 37,156 and Coolidge 36,965, a Johnson lead of 221.

COAST BUSINESS SHOWING GROWTH

Twelfth Federal Reserve Board Report Indicates a Steady Expansion.

TRADE IS MORE ACTIVE

Production Has Been of Large Volume and Building Trades Have Been Unusually Active.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—Steady expansion of business activities in the 12th federal reserve district (states of the Pacific slope) continued during February and by the close of that month the high levels of 1923 had been reached or surpassed, according to a report issued today by John Perrin, federal reserve agent, and chairman of the federal reserve board.

"Distribution and trade, in particular are substantially more active than a year ago," said the report.

"Production has been of large volume, notwithstanding curtailments of operations in lumbering and copper mining, the result of temporary excess of output over current consumption. Credit for financing business has been abundant and rates of interest relatively low.

"Checks drawn against individual accounts (bank deposits) at banks in 20 clearing house centers, the best index of general business conditions in the district were 20.4 per cent greater during February, 1924, than during February, 1923. After making due allowance for the normal business increase this increase still indicates an unusual gain in the total volume of trade.

Building trades, one of the chief factors, has been more than seasonally active and continuance of activity at high levels is indicated by the figures of building permits issued during February. They were 26.3 per cent greater in number and 18.5 per cent greater in value than during February, 1923, itself a record month in the industry in this district.

"Of principal interest among factors relating to the productive industries of the district was the reported curtailment of lumber and copper output during the latter part of February, although production of both of these commodities has continued at high levels. Lumber mills of the district, temporarily at least, have produced more lumber than the market will readily absorb at prevailing prices, and a reduction in output has followed.

"Unemployment during February was reported slightly larger in volume than during February, 1923, as a result of declining demand for unskilled labor in agriculture and in the lumbering and mining industries.

"Trade at retail, as reported by 35 department stores in six principal cities of the district was 17.7 per cent greater in value during February, 1924, than during February, 1923. Trade at wholesale improved during February eight of the 11 lines of the business for which the bank collects figures, showing increases in value of sales over a year.

"The general level of prices changed little during February, the index number of the United States bureau of labor standing at 125 (1913 prices equal 100) compared with 151 a month ago and 157 a year ago. Irregularity characterized the movement of prices of the principal product of the district. Notable general changes were advances in prices of livestock and metals and declines in prices of grains and lumber."

NEW DIRECTORS FOR ROTARY CLUB

Outside of a few short talks and a song by the Rotary quartette no program had been arranged for today's meeting, owing to the fact that the regular election of officers for the ensuing year occurred. The new board of directors who will have charge of the club's affairs for the coming year are Max Hamm, Gib Finlay, Bert Sutherland, John Ryan and Moss Elze. At their first meeting they will choose one member of the board of directors to act in the capacity of president, replacing President Seely, who has ably conducted the club's affairs for the past year.

NURSE IS SENT TO PRISON FOR MURDER

TACOMA, March 27.—Justice moved quickly in the case of Mrs. F. E. Pratt, who is in the county jail today waiting transfer to the state prison to serve a sentence of from one to ten years for manslaughter. Mrs. Pratt, a nurse, was arrested yesterday afternoon in connection with the death Tuesday afternoon of Edith Houston, of Centralia, as a result of a criminal operation. Mrs. Pratt pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to the penitentiary by W. O. Chapman in superior court within 24 hours after the death of the girl.

HIRAM SAYS CAL USED MUCH CASH

Charges That Reckless and Shameless Expenditure of Funds Made.

SAYS BATTLE IS HARD

Says Bascom Slemp Was Not Made Secretary to President for Ornamental Purposes.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
ST. LOUIS, March 27.—Senator Hiram Johnson of California, in a statement here today commenting on the South Dakota presidential preference primary, charged that "if ever an effort was made to buy an election, it has been done in that state."

"In the fight in South Dakota, the most reckless and shameless use of money was made by the president," said Senator Johnson, "not only in hiring an army of orators, but in buying full page advertisements in every paper in South Dakota and in utilizing circulation without stint. Unemployment of politicians gave way to most industrious employment at very high salaries. There was no purchasable element which was not purchased and the result is the largest tribute that can be made to a citizenship. For if ever an attempt was made to buy a citizenship it was made in South Dakota."

"If I win out there it will be a marvelous demonstration of how the people of the west feel toward Mr. Coolidge.

"It's a hard fight I'm making. For on every side I am opposed by postmasters, slathers of money and an antagonistic attitude on the part of the newspapers which want the Mellon tax enacted into law.

"I can not undertake to predict what will happen in Cleveland. There are no tactics that the Coolidge people will not use. For C. Bascom Slemp was not made secretary to the president for an ornamental purpose."

RAIN INTERFERES WITH FLIGHT PLANS

SEATTLE, March 27.—In an intermittent drizzle of rain that began yesterday, preparation of four airplanes of the United States army for continuation of a flight around the earth was pressed today. The sun peeped through the clouds betimes as mechanics hurried about the job.

The rain, which followed a period of perfect spring weather beginning last Thursday when the planes landed here, after beginning their adventure March 17 at Los Angeles, has interfered little with the work, according to Lieutenant Theodore J. Koenig, commandant of Sand Point aviation field, where the task has been going forward.

Lieutenant Koenig explained that installation of pontoons to enable the fliers to reach the other side of the Pacific ocean, and replacement of the motor in the plane Boston, flown by Lieutenant Leigh Wade had taken more time than was expected.

CITIZENS HEAR BOOSTER TALKS

Chamber of Commerce Banquet Last Night Attended by Over 200 Citizens.

PORTLAND MEN SPEAK

Tell of Wonderful Advertising Being Done in the East and of Millions Who Are Headed West.

There has been much talk in Roseburg of co-operation, progress, and a community spirit, and much theorizing as to what should be done along those lines, but only comparatively recently has it become evident, to even the most hardened knocker that Roseburg and Douglas county business men have abandoned talk for action, and if any further assurance of this were necessary it could be found in abundance at the Chamber of Commerce dinner at the South Methodist church last night.

Over two hundred business men and women of Roseburg and Douglas county gathered together to talk over with representatives of the Portland and State Chambers of Commerce the best means of advancing this section, and the state, is an inspiring sight, and the purpose and enthusiasm by which they were actuated, one long to be remembered.

Before seating themselves at the delicious chicken dinner served by the ladies of the South Methodist church, America was sung, and Whitney L. Boise, chairman of the land settlement committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce was introduced by Attorney Dexter Rice acting as toastmaster. Mr. Boise had a great deal of practical information at his command, and stated briefly and concisely the facts most interesting to the people here. He brought out the fact again that Oregon has less people to the square mile than any of the other states, while they have the best advantages to offer than any other section. This conditions of affairs has been due up to the present time to lack of organization among the business men to advertise Oregon, its climates and its products.

"Portland investigated what other states had done along the lines of advertising and raised a fund of \$310,000 to advertise Oregon," said Mr. Boise. "This money will be spent in three divisions, for publicity and advertising, better marketing conditions and land settlement. There will be more money spent this year to bring settlers to Oregon, than has ever been spent any one year by California." Mr. Boise stated that the tourists are the second largest resource of the state, and basing his estimate on past figures, said that 30 or 40 millions of dollars will be spent by them here this year. Ten per cent of the tourists are prospective settlers, and Oregon must awake to the opportunity and keep that ten per cent here," he said.

"The one thing that the Portland Chamber of Commerce wants this county to do is to appoint a committee that will prepare a list of the farm lands for sale in this county, appraising them at a fair value, for the prospective settler, and send a copy of this list to the State Chamber, and keep a list at the Chamber here," said Mr. Boise. "We must have concrete facts to show the settler when he asks for information. Portland will keep a man at the camp ground the entire summer whose business it will be just to interview and add prospective settlers."

Marshall Dana, associate editor of the Portland Journal spoke further along the same lines as Mr. Boise, pointing in graphic word pictures the advantages that Oregon had to offer compared with other states. He stated among other things that the pioneer era of the state had gone, and the era of prosperity was coming whether we wanted it or not, that we would see towns grow into cities, and crossroads into towns and even if we wanted to we could not stop them.

W. G. Ide of the farm lands bureau of the state chamber of Commerce gave practical information concerning what the state body is doing along the lines of advertising and publicity, and the number of inquiries that are being received from families who wish to settle here. R. H. Kipp of the agricultural and better marketing committee of the Portland Chamber gave an insight

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DO YOU KNOW THAT

Roseburg have over 20 miles of paved streets?