

DOES THE MAIL ORDER HOUSE PAY ANY UNION COUNTY TAXES? THINK IT OVER

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LEADING BROKER IS BANKRUPT

(Scripps News Association)
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 13.—A. J. Cummings, a broker, has announced his failure today. His liabilities are not stated but deemed too heavy.
He was a member of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce and had more offices and lasted wires than any other concern on this side of Chicago. He did an immense business. Early this morning Cummings asked Secretary Chambers to telegraph the announcement of his suspension.

AN ARISTOCRATIC COWBOY

(Scripps News Association)
Sheridan, Wyo., Dec. 13.—John Fallows Wallop, son and heir of the present Earl of Portland, has taken out his first citizenship papers. He has been working as a cowboy for fourteen years and has acquired a large ranch at Little Goose Creek. It is stated that he has renounced his right of success on to the title and estates of his father in favor of his son, John Walker Wallop.

BOOTH'S PROTEGE

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 13.—Rankin Duvell, a protege of Edwin Booth, who is a member of Belasco's company, plunged a cheese knife, while at a lunch counter in a saloon, into his abdomen this morning and it is expected that the wound will prove fatal.

WEISER TRAGEDY

(Scripps News Association)
Weiser, Idaho, Dec. 13.—Albert Wenrich, a saloon keeper was shot and killed this morning by Nellie Lamont, a public character, who then shot herself thru the throat. She is still alive but in a critical condition.

COWS IN ENGLAND

(Scripps News Association)
London, Dec. 13.—The quarterly statistical report issued today shows that the United Kingdom is now milking the largest number of cows in its history, yet the imports of butter and cheese show no decline in quantity. The reason assigned for this is that the British farmers find more profit in selling milk than the making of butter or cheese of it. The production of milk however is not keeping pace with the demand.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

(Scripps News Association)
Mexico, City, Dec. 13.—It is believed that a deal today will be consummated whereby the government will control the majority of the stock of the Mexican Central Railways. The purchase price is about one quarter of a billion dollars.

STODDARD ELECTED TO PRESIDENCY

Mayor Stoddard is now at the head of Grande Ronde Valley Fruit Growers' Union. The directors of that body met in regular monthly meeting yesterday, and elected Maynr J. B. Stoddard to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of L. Oldenburg, the union's former president. As the retiring president was a member of the board of directors, there was, of necessity, a vacancy among the directors, and J. B. Stoddard was also chosen to fill that vacancy. Mr. Stoddard has a large tract of orchard land which is now flourishing, and the mayor's knowledge of fruit growing, will enable him to all the more proficiently fulfill the duties of his office.

GRAIN MARKETS

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Dec. 13.—Wheat opened at 74½, closed at 74½; corn opened at 41½, closed at 42¼; oats opened at 34½, closed at 34½.

TWELVE MILES OF RAILROAD

The steel gang, which has been laying steel for the new Wallowa railroad, arrived in the city last evening, and reports that the work of laying steel has been suspended until next spring, likely in May. Tracks have been placed, complete, for a distance of twelve miles out of Elgin. The grading is all but finished to Wallowa. A crew has been working in Wallowa for some time and now has the ground for the depot at that place, graded.

BOSTON WOMAN TO BECOME COUNTESS

(Scripps News Association)
Boston, Mass., Dec. 13.—The engagement has been announced of Miss Cornelia Thayer, daughter of Mr. Nathaniel Thayer, a well known banker and Count Von Moltke, a Danish nobleman, and a connection of the late General Von Moltke the famous German warrior. Miss Thayer is well known in this city as a philanthropist, her especial work being amongst the children of the poor. She has taken almost entire charge of the little convalescents at the childrens hospital of which her grandfather Nathaniel Thayer was one of the founders. Count Moltke is in the Diplomatic service. The wedding takes place in January.

UNION COUNTY PIONEER HERE

Commissioner Ben Brown of Union county, the man who built the first cabin in Grande Ronde Valley, and who has been a highly respected citizen of that county for the past 44 years, is in the city today on his way home from a business visit to Hermiston. Mr. Brown is well known to many Pendleton and Umatilla county pioneers, having resided one winter at the Umatilla agency, about 35 years ago. For a number of years he has been assessor of Union county and is now county commissioner. While in the city today Mr. Brown has been the guest of John Hailey, Jr., whom he has known for the past 40 years.—Pend. E. O.

TWENTY CARS OF APPLES

Mr. Spreckleson, a representative of a Los Angeles firm, is in the city today. This morning, the Grande Ronde Fruit Growers' Union closed a deal with him for twenty carloads of Grande Ronde apples to be shipped to Los Angeles at prices ranging from eighty-five cents to one dollar and ten cents per box, f o b La Grande. This is a very desirable contract, and what makes it all the more so is that the representative this morning deposited the money for the entire order in the banks of this city. The money will be drawn as the shipment arrive in Los Angeles.

CONGRESS IS VERY BUSY

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Dec. 13.—Congressman Hayes of California, offered a resolution calling upon Secretary Taft to inform Congress if it is the government's policy to engage Chinese or Japanese on the Panama canal and if so, how many?
The House unanimously passed a resolution directing the Secretary of Commerce and Labor to inquire into the high rate of lumber. Senator Dubois, of Idaho, in the senate this afternoon urged against the seating of Senator Smoot of Utah and charged the President of knowingly and willingly aiding the Idaho Mormons in the last election. He said people in the Mormon states had the right to demand the President of the United States to not use his power in the interests of law defying an un-American organization such as elected Governor Gooding, of Idaho. He said that Smoot represents the church and not the state.

FOURTH ONE DIES IN FAMILY

Still another of the Jones family in Union has died of cerebral meningitis. Yesterday afternoon, while Mr. Jones was at the cemetery, where his wife and two children's bodies were being buried, death visited the home for the fourth time in three days and took away a little boy aged about five years. The last child who has suffered with the disease, shows signs of improving and Doctor Walsh of Union, stated this afternoon that he would likely recover. In regard to whether or not the disease is contagious, Dr. Walsh said: "Get that idea out of your head. It is an infectious disease but not a contagious one. There is no reason why more of the family than is now suffering should be seized with it, that is from contagion." Mr. Jones, out of a family of a wife and six children, has but three little tots, two of them girls, to live thru life with him. He is under the burden of grief and sorrow.
The funeral of the fourth victim was held this afternoon.

NAMPA TRAGEDY

(Scripps News Association)
Boise, Idaho, Dec. 13.—Thomas Daily, foreman of a saw mill, was shot and mortally wounded in a disreputable house in Nampa, by Grace Davis, who claimed it was only an accident and when she realized what she had done, placed the pistol to her brains and blew out her brains.

TO GROW TEA IN TEXAS

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Dec. 13.—A company is being formed here to grow tea on a large scale in Texas. Recent investigations by botanists disclosed the feasibility of tea growing in that state, and the no land has as yet been acquired it is intended to establish a large plantation in the neighborhood of San Antonio.

TROUBLE IS STILL BREWING

(Scripps News Association)
Paris, Dec. 13.—There were masses this morning in all the Roman Catholic churches. Nothing except the unusual large crowds indicated that there is a monster crisis facing the Catholic church of France. Policemen in citizens clothes attended to preserve order, and to take the names of the priests who were officiating with a government license. Early in the day sixty-nine clergymen were summoned to the diocese of Paris and charged to hold services without the legal authority and were later arrested.
The arrested priests were examined singly. Each answered that French citizens had the right to say prayers wherever they pleased.
Lewis Anderson, of Minam transacted business in La Grande last evening. He returned home this morning.

MAYOR'S BROTHER IS NEXT

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco, Dec. 13.—The trial of Schmitz and Ruef is still before the court. The defendants are contending that the indictments are illegally brot. Schmitz and Ruef greeted each other cordially and there appears no foundation of the rumor that a break exists between the two.

MAYOR'S BROTHER NEXT

Among the matters slated for an early investigation of the grand jury is the alleged connection of Herbert Schmitz, the mayor's brother, with affairs of the Gray contracting firm who have had the lions share of the street contracts. He is supposed to be in the other deals.

TRIAL NEXT MONDAY

Ruef showed his disappointment as a result of the first preliminary skirmish with the counsel for the state. Schmitz displayed no emotion but immediately left the room. The Judge ordered all of the witnesses to be present Monday when the trial will resume. It is now that the trial will proceed without a hitch.

INDICTMENTS MUST STAND

Judge Dunne, late this afternoon, overruled the motion made by the defense to quash the indictments against Schmitz and Ruef, also sustained the objections of the state against questioning Judge Lawyer, regarding Juror Wise, a member of the grand jury which returned the indictments.

SWEDEN'S KING ILL

(Scripps News Association)
Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 13.—It is reported that King Oscar is critically ill with heart failure.

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