

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received for the construction of approximately 400 lineal feet of five foot cement sidewalk on Monroe avenue, bids to be filed with the city recorder before 5 o'clock p. m. September 15th, 1911.

By order of the city council, September 6th, 1911. C. M. HUMPHREYS, City Recorder.

9-8-5t

The twelfth annual convention of the California State Federation of Labor will be held in Bakersfield, commencing October 2.

SALE

AT THE PARIS HAIR STORE. 25 per cent off on all goods; Switches, Combs, Barettes, Bangs. Sale 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th only.



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SUB-TREASURY DEAL IS AIRED

FEDERAL TERM OF COURT MAY EXPLAIN MYSTERY.

Fitzgerald Will Be Tried for Hobbing Government Treasury.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 8.—Chicagoans are wondering if the veil of mystery will be lifted from the \$173,000 sub-treasury when George W. Fitzgerald is tried for the alleged embezzlement at the present term of the federal court.

Public opinion as to the guilt of Fitzgerald or his innocence is divided, as it has ever been since the finger

FRATERNAL ORDERS OF LA GRANDE.

L. F. & A. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M. Lodge No. 101. Meetings first and third Saturdays at 7:30 p. m. Cordial welcome to all Masons. L. M. HOYT, W. M. A. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

P. O. E.—La Grande Lodge No. 433 meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Elk's club, corner of Depot street and Washington avenue. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. H. J. RITTER, Ex. Rai. H. E. COOLIDGE, Rec. Sec.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—La Grande Lodge No. 169 W. O. W. meets every second and fourth Saturdays at K. P. hall. All visiting members welcome. D. FITZGERALD, C. C. J. H. KEENEY, Clerk.

M. W. A.—La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets every Monday in the month at the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend. E. E. DANIELS, ED. HEATH, Clerk.

HEBEKAHS—Crystal Lodge No. 8 meets every Tuesday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting members are invited to attend. MISS HELEN McLAUGHLIN, N. G. MISS ANNA ALEXANDER, Sec.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Red Cross Lodge No. 27 meets every Monday night in Castle hall, (old Elk's hall). A Pythian welcome to all visiting Knights. JESE PAUL, C. C. R. L. LINCOLN, M. of R. & S.

O. E. S.—Hope Chapter No. 13, O. E. S. holds stated communications the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Visiting members cordially invited. CARRIE E. HUNTER, W. M. MARY A. WARNICK, Sec.

of suspicion was first pointed at him. Many persons firmly believe that the accused man is the unfortunate victim of a great mistake. Others do not hesitate to declare their opinion that Fitzgerald is one of the smoothest rogues with which Uncle Sam's secret service men have ever had to deal.

The only point in the case concerning which there is not the slightest doubt is that a fortune in cash—officially stated to be \$173,000—disappeared from within the steel cage and granite walls of the subtreasury as if the money had wings, literally, as well as figuratively, and for nearly five long years its whereabouts has remained an absolute mystery.

The first intimation subtreasury officials had of a shortage was on a Wednesday afternoon, in the summer of 1908, when Fitzgerald, who had been a government employe for seven years, walked from his cage over to that of the cashier, F. C. Russell, and told him he was short \$173,000.

An examination of Fitzgerald's accounts showed that it was not a matter of bookkeeping, but of actual loss. Further investigation, it is said, developed that by strange coincidences the balance retained by the assorting teller in his custody the night before was the exact amount of money missing. Inquiry at Washington showed that the money had not been shipped there by mistake.

Thomas I. Porter, chief of the secret service of the United States for the Chicago district, ascertained that three previous thefts had taken place it is alleged, in Fitzgerald's cage prior to his time. The losses were, respectively, \$500, \$600 and \$900.

Fitzgerald, when questioned, laid suspicion upon a party of workmen who had been employed about the subtreasury the day previous. The money, Fitzgerald said, lay in stacks upon his desk in a dark corner of the cage and might easily have been reached from under the grating. He said that at least a dozen men had access to the cage.

The private life of every employe was investigated, among them Fitzgerald's. His manner of life was simple, his manner genial and he was popular among his associates.

He constantly asserted his innocence with an air of injured dignity which ultimately was effective in diverting suspicion to other quarters.

John E. Wilkie, chief of the United States secret service, after a consultation with secretary of the treasury Shaw and President Roosevelt took personal charge of the case. A widespread and systematic investigation covering the whole country followed, but without obtaining sufficient evidence to warrant an arrest.

Fitzgerald, although out of the service, was never lost sight of for a day. More than two years later interest in the case was revived by the announcement that Fitzgerald had been arrested and charged with the theft. It was said at the time that the secret service men had found that he was spending money very liberally. He was reported to have bought a home for his family and to be in easy circumstances financially. Moreover, a report was circulated that a Chicago business man had confessed that Fitzgerald had offered him a liberal commission if he would pass some \$1,000 bills for him.

However much truth there may have been in these stories the fact of the matter is that the accused man was discharged almost immediately after his arrest and without trial. It was intimated that the officers had made a serious blunder by taking the man into custody before the time was ripe. Fitzgerald explained his alleged liberal expenditures at the time by saying that he had made considerable money by speculating in eggs.

Just when the public had about concluded that the matter had been dropped it was surprised to learn that Fitzgerald was again under arrest on the old charge. It developed that the grand jury had returned a new indictment upon evidence furnished by the secret service men. The indictment was returned secretly a few days before the statute of limitations would have made Fitzgerald, guilty or innocent, safe from all prosecution.

Altogether several thousand unskilled migratory laborers have been organized through the efforts of the California State Federation of Labor within the last few months.

MURDER THEORY CONTRADICTED

LETTER FROM PAYETTE EXPLAINS MINISTER'S DEATH.

Former Summerville Minister Asleep When Train Approached.

Accident and not murder is responsible for the death of Rev. H. P. Peterson at Payette, and until a month ago of Summerville, according to a letter received here today from District Superintendent Halley who was at the scene of the accident the next morning. Writing to Dr. J. D. Gillilan of this city, Mr. Halley says:

Payette, Ida., Sept. 6, 1911. Dear Bro. Gillilan:—Brother Peterson had been working as night freight clerk here since the 1st inst. One duty was to put the mail bag on the crane for No. 18, and guard it until she went by, taking the mail on the fly. She was 15 or 20 minutes late on this morning and passed here at 3:10, going about 40 miles an hour. About 3:30 the night operator went out to see why Peterson did not return and found his lifeless body lying close to the track. Two doctors, the station agent and myself were at once called and we found the whole right side of his skull and face over the temple crushed in, and brains scattered on the ties and gravel. No other scars or wounds. At the inquest it was brought out that he had dozed off sitting on the lowest or bottom step of the crane frame, facing the track. Aroused by the rush and roar of on-coming No. 18, he leaned forward to rise and the right side of his head was struck by the upper pilot beam end, partly turning him around. We found him face downward, within six inches of the track. We found pieces of his glasses 10 to 20 feet down the track, his hat 15 feet away in the direction No. 18 was going. The heavy felt hat was cut. The shape of the wound exactly conforms to the shape of the round iron beam I mentioned above.

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon on the 5th day of August, 1909, creating improvement district No. 1, and designating Adams avenue as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 6th day of September, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Adams avenue, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon cement sidewalks and macadamizing, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made, that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Adams avenue on north side from the west line of Alder street, to a point 200 feet west of Alder street.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

The property owned by the Grande

Roade hospital, described as follows: Commencing at a point 60 feet west of the southwest corner of block 14, of Grandy's second addition to the city of La Grande, Oregon, running thence west 380 feet to the west line of the southeast quarter of Section 6, Twp. 3, S R 28, E W. M, thence north 212 1/2 feet, thence east 389 feet, thence south 212 1/2 feet to the place of beginning.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$651.90. That the council will, on the 20th day of September, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock, p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, September 1911. CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE OREGON. By C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the city of La Grande Oregon 9-8-10t

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STATEMENT.

of the La Grande National Bank of La Grande, county of Union, state of Oregon, showing the amount standing to the credit of every depositor July 1911, who has not made a deposit, or who has not withdrawn any part of his deposit, principal or interest, for a period of more than seven (7) years immediately prior to said date, with the name, last known residence or postoffice address of such depositor, and the fact of his death, if known.

Table with columns: NAME OF DEPOSITOR, Residence or Postoffice Address, Dead, if Fact is Known to Secretary or Cashier, Amt.

State of Oregon, County of Union, ss. I, F. L. MEYERS, being first duly sworn, depose and say upon oath, that I am the cashier of the La Grande National Bank, of La Grande, county of Union, State of Oregon; that the foregoing statement is a full, true, correct and complete statement, showing the name, last known residence or postoffice address, fact of death, if known, and the amount to the credit of each depositor as required by the provisions of Chapter 148, of the general laws of Oregon, 1907.

(Seal) F. L. MEYERS. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July, A. D. 1911. H. A. ZURBRICK, Notary Public for Oregon.

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DR. J. E. STEVENSON DR. G. A. BROWN.

