

COMMISSIONER FOR HAWAII

Petition for Creation of Office of Resident Commissioner of Hawaii is Being Circulated Successfully.

(By Associated Press.)
HONOLULU, Sept. 11.—A petition to the Filipino legislature for the creation of an office to be known as the resident commissioner of Hawaii, who shall reside in the territory to serve the interests of Filipino laborers, is being circulated for signatures by union leaders here and will be forwarded to Manila in the near future.

The petition was drafted by Pablo Manlapit, president of the Filipino labor union, following the adoption by a Filipino mass meeting of a resolution authorizing the action.

"Your petitioners' interests in the territory have been unprotected for the past 15 years and as most of them are uneducated serious misunderstandings are apt to arise," the petition states. "Such misunderstandings resulted in the sugar plantation strike of 1920 and for a time it looked as though it would be impossible to restore harmonious feeling between your petitioners and their employers."

"For the most part, the Filipinos felt there was no intention on the part of their employers to treat them fairly and in accordance with the promises held out to them. This situation was doubly unfortunate; it made most of your petitioners unhappy and discontented with their situation in Hawaii; and it took from the employers a great mass of needed labor."

"Your petitioners do not desire repetitions of the said past occurrences and if our petition is granted the commissioner could adjust disputes between capital and labor and thus avoid future misunderstandings. Your petitioners ask that immediate action be taken."

The resolution which authorized the drafting of the petition said: "Acute sufferings and hardships as well as serious financial loss to the territory and the general demoralization of the sugar industry" had resulted from the plantation strike of 1920. Copies of the petition also will be sent to Secretary of Labor James Davis, to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and other labor organizations, Manlapit said.

STARKEY HAS FROST AND ICE

(Special to The Observer)
STARKEY, Sept. 11.—Heavy frosts and ice are becoming a common thing now when morning breaks. The high altitude brings earlier cold weather and the nights are quite chilly in this section.

The rains that the stock men prayed for have not come yet and the range is very short and poor. So poor that the sheep men can hardly hold their sheep in their range.

John Wells will finish his wheat cutting Saturday and will move over to J. S. Rose to cut his wheat. John Wells, Sr., is out from the Imbler country ranch to visit his son John Wells, Jr., this week.

If They Fall



Makes you dizzy just to look at the photograph of these fellows perched on Overhanging Rock in Yosemite National Park. Look how far they'd drop before they'd land if they were to slip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanlin and son Gail, of Kamela, were out to Starkey for a day's outing.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Loftus of Pendleton and Mr. Gavin of La Grande came down from their summer camp at the Indiana mine, where they have been camped the past two months and have gone to their homes feeling fine. Mr. Loftus has caught on an average of 100 trout a week while there.

Len Ingham made a trip to La Grande Friday for his grain sacks. Marion Van Schoildt, Smythe brothers' superintendent, came in to look over the range here that is getting quite short.

Hunters are having very poor luck for deer. They are farther back yet. Too many sheep in the hills.

Bert Rose went back to Gibbon to help put up 100 acres of straw there.

Mrs. Len Ingham and daughter Dorothy, and children visited Mrs. Ralph Sullivan Friday.

Mr. Jones, Smythe brothers' teamster, hauled in a load of feed for the bucks, which they brought in Thursday.

H. L. Sullivan made a trip to La Grande Saturday to take his little son Leslie, in to go to school there. His little nephew, Donald McHugh, who has been spending a few weeks at his home, also returned home to La Grande to be on hand for school.

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FLAPPER REIGN IS AT AN END

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—That the reign of the flapper is at an end and rather than her abbreviated skirt, exposed knees and bobbed hair will appear a graceful, long-skirted figure, with hair piled high on her head and pink ears showing, is the unanimous decree of fashion for the fall and winter by leading American fashion artists who compose the membership of the Fashion Art League of America, here for the thirty-fourth semi-annual convention.

Contrary to the usual pre-meeting gossip of business and plans for strategic maneuvers and swinging convention policies, the advance guard of the more than 200 fashion creators who are expected to attend, lived up the hours by drawing descriptive pictures of gowns, wraps, suits and other women's apparel to be displayed for Madame's approval. Mme. Alla Ripley, president of the league, promises some alluring departures in feminine costume.

The elaborate semi-annual feature of the league, the "Fashion Show Extraordinary," will be held on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, September 13. The creations exhibited will be entirely those of American fashion artists, and will be featured on the most attractive mannequins available.

"The league has accomplished a work of outstanding importance in bringing the American fashion artist to the attention of the women of America," declared Mme. Ripley. "Well dressed American women no longer find it necessary to go abroad in quest of the latest modes. This is of great importance not only to the fashion artistry of America, but to the American textile industry."

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BLIND VENDORS RECEIVE GIFT

(By Associated Press.)
SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 11.—Elmer Gibbs and Sargent George, blind local news vendors, have been provided with covered chairs to supplement the boxes and stools which have served them as newsstands for many years. The chairs are gifts of Louis M. Davenport, proprietor of a local hotel.

The chairs are of elaborate construction and are covered with a waterproof awning for inclement weather. Each chair has a metal name plate on it, on which is engraved the name of the news salesman who occupies it. The chairs are fastened to the side of the hotel building, at the same posts from which the blind newsboys have called out their wares for years. They are so built that they can be folded up against the side of the building when not in use.

In order to install the new chairs it was necessary for changes to be made in the hotel building, which occupies a full city block. In order that the necessary changes in the architecture of the building and that the design of the chairs might be in conformity with the general architecture of the hotel building, Mr. Davenport had the chairs designed by an architect.

REVISEMENT OF COMMERCE COURSE

CORVALLIS, Sept. 11.—Dean J. A. Pexel of the college school of commerce has been appointed chairman of a committee to revise the course of study for commercial subjects in the high schools of Oregon. It has been announced from the office of J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction. Other members of the committee are J. F. Elton, principal of the high school of commerce, Portland, and Merritt Davis, head of the commercial department of Salem high school. The committee will report to the commerce section of the state teachers' association in December.

Irrigation Meet

CORVALLIS, Sept. 11.—Many farmers of the Willamette valley are expressing interest in the Willamette valley irrigation field meet to be held at the college Saturday. A large attendance from all sections of the valley is expected. Dry weather of the last few months has increased interest in irrigation.

NORTH POWDER COUNCIL JOLTED

NORTH POWDER, Sept. 11.—The city council received a shock at their last meeting when the representatives of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company presented a bill for a little over \$118 for power that was used but unpaid for. This, of course, was no fault of the city as light and power bills were paid, according to statements rendered by the power company.

The fault lay with the meter readers, who did not realize that the power meter installed at the pump house was of a different make than that of ordinary light meters, being slowed down to record but one-tenth of the power used, and the readings should have been multiplied by ten. The company discovered their mistake and had a representative on hand to explain the situation Wednesday evening. The matter was left for discussion and settlement at the next regular council meeting.

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seized the first rye whiskey still ever confiscated in Deschutes county a few days ago, according to a Portland daily. The plant was found in the alfalfa section and was running full blast, but its owner was missing.

BALLARD'S ARTICLES RECEIVE ATTENTION

CORVALLIS, Sept. 11.—F. L. Ballard, assistant county agent leader, has placed six articles with the Country Gentleman in the last two or three months and has been asked by the editor for more. The current issue contains an article by Mr. Ballard on the Oregon state fair and its elimination of fakirs and cheap amusements generally, entitled "What's Not at Our Fair." Last week an article, "Where I Would Plant my Orchard," was rare. It dealt with pear-growing in the Rogue river valley. The articles were illustrated. Mr. Ballard formerly was editor of the O. A. C. Barometer.

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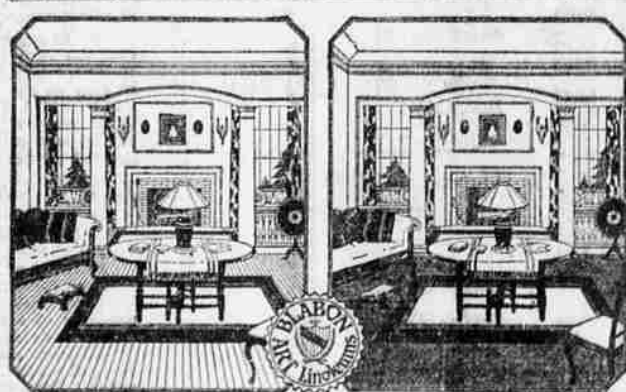
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