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NUVEEN SCORES REAMES FOR TELEGRAM

DECEMBER COURT TERM IS OPENED

Grand Jury Selected This Morning--Large Docket Is Up For Consideration During This Term

The December term of the circuit court, Judge H. K. Hanna, presiding, opened this morning in Jacksonville with a large docket.

The only business coming before the court Monday morning was roll call and the selection of a grand jury.

The personnel of the grand jury is: C. C. Taylor, Charles True, R. E. Tucker, A. C. Hubbard, W. K. Price, Fred C. Holmes and Polk Hull.

The following is the docket of the circuit court:

- Criminal Actions. State of Oregon vs. Elder Bond; disturbing the peace. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff. State of Oregon vs. Sam Hudson; rape. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff. State of Oregon vs. Augustine Duce; assault with intent to kill. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff. State of Oregon vs. Jack Montgomery; selling liquor without a license. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff. State of Oregon vs. Jack Montgomery; maliciously breaking a ditch. B. F. Mulkey, attorney for plaintiff. (Continued on Page 2.)

TAFT TO VISIT CANAL ZONE

Makes Definite Announcement to That Effect in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—President-elect Taft signalled his visit to this city today by the definite announcement that he intends to visit the Panama canal zone late in January.

He stated that the purpose of his trip was to "expose the lies" which have recently been current throughout the country. His purpose has been encouraged by the attitude of President Roosevelt. Since the recent campaign accusations against the administration were published.

Taft intimated that Frank Kellogg, the "trust buster," was to be attorney general.

KLAMATH FALLS TAX RATE IS THIRTEEN MILLS

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 14.—The tax levy for the city of Klamath Falls for the year was fixed at 13 mills by the city council at its last regular meeting. Ten mills of this will go to wards paying the running expenses of the city, and the other three mills is a special levy made to pay off some of the interest that has accrued on the outstanding warrants.

The assessed valuation of the city is \$743,988, and it is thought that the money raised in this way, together with that coming from the poll tax, fines and licenses, will be enough to run the municipality. It is likely that the city will be bonded for the sum sufficient to build a sewerage system before another year goes by.

FLEET STOPS AT CEYLON; ADMIRAL PAYS HIS RESPECTS

CEYLON, Ceylon, Dec. 14.—The United States and Ceylon paid their respects to each other today through official visits between Admiral Sperry and Governor Edward McAlum. The ships are coaling for the trip through the Suez canal.

FOREIGN AID TO PROTECT ROGUE FISH

Portland and San Francisco Men Join Rogue River Fish Protective Association.

Not alone are the residents of the Rogue River valley in the effort to protect the fish of Rogue river, but aid is coming from all sides.

Fred H. Hopkins did some splendid missionary work in Portland last week, sending in the names of nine new members, which included that of R. P. Scherwin, the foremost Harriman man on the Pacific coast and general manager of the Pacific Mail Steamship company. Mr. Scherwin will utilize the aid of San Francisco anglers, who know the Rogue and much good will result.

The association is fast becoming one of the largest organizations of the kind in Oregon, and no doubt will be able to accomplish much good along the lines for which it was organized.

COMPANY IS PLANTING OUT 200 MORE ACRES OF ORCHARD

The Western Orchards company are making great strides with the improvement of their property. At the present time the company is planting out some 200 acres of young trees, which will bring their total holding which have been set out to orchard to over 1100 acres.

J. A. Westerlund has decided to reside in the valley and will hereafter take personal charge of the company's holdings in the valley.

SITUATION GROWS MORE TENSE IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The controversy between congress and the president regarding the secret service has developed into one of the tensest situations the capital has seen in years. Undoubtedly deep feeling has been aroused on all sides by the president's alleged insult in his annual message referring to the investigation of members of congress by government agents.

FORMER RICH MAN NOW INMATE OF POORHOUSE

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 14.—E. A. Thornley, the first selected chief of police of Seattle, is an inmate of the King county poorhouse. He was rich in Seattle 25 years ago—He lost heavily in the panic of 1892.

CIVIC FEDERATION OPENS ANNUAL SESSION

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—With President-elect Taft, Henry Gomper, John Mitchell, Andrew Carnegie, president-elect of Harvard and famous capitalist, leaders as guests, the National Civic Federation opened its annual session today. The general theme is the promotion of friendly relations between labor and capital.

THORNTON HAINS AT LAST IS PLACED ON TRIAL

FLASHING, L. I., Dec. 14.—Thornton Hains, the brother of Captain Peter C. Hains, who is charged with participation in the killing of William Annis because of suspected relations of Annis with the captain's wife, faced trial today. The attorneys argued over the drawing of the panel.

YEGGUM WRECK SALOON; SECURE ONLY \$120 FOR EFFORTS

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 14.—Yeggum wrecked a saloon at Lind, Wash., early this morning with nitro-glycerine. They stole \$120. The charge shattered the windows of the adjoining houses.

IS COMPELLED TO "IGNORE" THE "UNDIGNIFIED" WIRE

NEED NOT SEE LAND TO PROVE

Past Precedents of Land Department Overthrown By New Ruling.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 14.—The old ruling of the department of the interior that a person who has filed under the timber and stone act must see the land before he can prove up on it, has been overruled. In the case of Mary S. Ness, wife of S. P. Ness, of this city to secure a writ of mandamus in the court of the District of Columbia, to compel Secretary Garfield of the department of the interior to allow her to prove up on her timber claim on the Coast fork of the Willamette river without personally visiting the land, the court granted the mandamus, overthrowing past precedents.

Heretofore a citizen could not prove up on his claim without visiting it. Thus, if he were sick, no patent would be granted him, and the timber people would have to take their patrons to the land, whether able to go or not.

S. P. Ness received a telegram today from his attorney stating that his wife had won and that the land office had lost.

IMMENSE 14-INCH GUN URGED BY ADMIRAL MASON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—In his annual report, Rear Admiral Mason, chief of the bureau of ordinance, declares that the 12-inch guns mounted on our latest eight battleships already in commission are equal or superior in power to any 12-inch gun yet afloat anywhere in the world, and that the 12-inch guns of our battleships in course of construction will be equal or superior in power to any 12-inch gun of which we have authentic information.

Anticipating the possible need of a more powerful gun he favors the partial remodeling of the naval gunshop factory at the Washington navy yard in order to construct an immense 14-inch gun, designed to fire a 1400 pound projectile.

The capacities of the government plants are probably now such that during the continuance of peace, the government may be considered nearly independent of the Dupont Powder companies, and there is no danger of it having to purchase at exorbitant prices," says Admiral Mason. He recommends that the factory at Indian Head be extended, but that it be run at less than its full capacity, so that enough work will be left for private plants to encourage their owners to maintain them in condition and to retain their valuable forces of chemists and workmen.

CITY ELECTION HELD AT ASHLAND TUESDAY

ASHLAND, Dec. 14.—The struggle for supremacy in the city is drawing to a close. Tuesday ends the contest. Both the wets and the dries are hopeful of winning the day—the wets because Medford has profited by Ashland's dry spell and the dries because of the strong church vote. The city council fight will set a figure in the prohibition result.

Captain Eggleston does not suit some of the voters, so Oliver C. Tiffany has been brought out to contest the re-election. The chances favor Eggleston's re-election by a big majority. A strenuous campaign is being waged in behalf of certain candidates. Sam Snel has the lead in the fight for mayor over C. W. Root, Snel being the candidate of the progressive element.

Taft & Anderson have opened up another addition to the City of Medford. They will sell the first six lots at less than real value. Already there is a nice cottage going up on the property. In six months it will be dotted with neat homes. The streets are full 60 feet wide and alleys in rear of all lots. In two years Medford will be a city of 10,000 to 12,000 inhabitants. Now is the time to get a nice building lot that in a short time may be out of your reach. One hundred dollars down, balance your own time.

WILL PAY INTEREST ON THE REMAINDER OF THE BOND ISSUE

Sends Wire to Vawter, but Does Not Reply to Reames—Asks Vawter to Have Bank Attorney Block Any Move for Resale.

In a telegram to W. I. Vawter of this city on Saturday, John Nuveen & Company of Chicago, after characterizing the telegram sent them Thursday by A. E. Reames, special attorney for the city in the matter of the bond issue, as "undignified" and stating that they were therefore "compelled to ignore it," the bond buyers asked Mr. Vawter to take charge of their interests in this city and have his bank attorneys block and move which might be made for a resale of bonds. Nuveen further stated that they would pay par and accrued interest on all remaining bonds.

The telegram being signed by Recorder Collins, although dictated by Mr. Reames, the bond buyers throughout the telegram refer to the recorder. The telegram follows:

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 12.—W. I. Vawter, Medford, Or.: In an undignified telegram which we are compelled to ignore, Recorder attempts making of conditions and threatens to make a resale of bonds. Have your bank attorney stand ready to block any move for such resale and violation of our contract. We personally assure you that we will pay par and accrued interest on all remaining bonds, as we subsequently agreed, but we do object to the recorder making unauthorized terms and conditions, and if he does not waive right to collect accrued interest on bonds previously delivered, why should he object to our not waiving our rights for all of the interest under our contract with the city? Kindly inform Mayor Reddy of our position and state that we look to him as mayor to prevent the recorder sending up unauthorized telegrams, making threats and his own conditions, not authorized by mayor or city council.

AGED MAN DIES AS RESULT OF BEATING BY ROBBER

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 14.—Without regaining consciousness, Robert Livingston, aged 60, who was beaten insensibly in his cabin at Goble, Or., where he was employed in the railroad yards, died in the Portland hospital early this morning. His head was crushed by a heavy instrument Thursday night. He was found yesterday morning and brought to Portland in the hope of saving his life.

Engagement Extraordinary at the Bijou Theater.

Mr. F. W. Walters, one of America's best tenors, has been engaged to sing at the Bijou this week. All music lovers should not fail to hear Mr. Walters. Read what the Oregonian says of Mr. Walters when he sang in Portland with the Russian Opera company: "One would have to recall the name of the very best tenor heard in Portland this season to make a comparison with the tenor with the Russian Opera company, F. W. Walters. His voice was a revelation, clear as the tone of a bell, resonant and smooth as velvet. His 'The You'll Remember Me' and 'Fair Land of Poland' from the opera 'Bohemian Girl' aroused the audience to scenes of enthusiasm, which the writer was spontaneously compelled to join."

Most Popular Baby According to Ballot

The following is the standing of the contestants in the baby contest up to Saturday night at King & Long's.

Elizabeth Welch 256
Arleen Butler 225
Dorothy Hutchings 219
Caroline Andrews 206
Mary Brown 194
Frances Burnett 182
Baby Perkins 178
Katherine Tuttle 162
Ethel West 154
Baby Phipps 146
Myrabel Both 122
Fern Brockman 94
Mary Wright 83
Ruberta Pierce 70

NEW PETITION IS ON FILE

Over 200 Sign Initiative Petition Asking For Vote on Charter Amendment

With over 200 signers, the initiative petition asking that the people be allowed to vote on the matter of amending the city charter so that it will be made to conform with the local option law of the state, was placed on file with the city recorder Saturday afternoon.

Since the supreme court recently decided that the territory within the corporate limits of the city of Medford was exempt from any law that might be passed by the people at large regarding the sale of liquor, the prohibitionists have been active in their efforts to get the charter changed so that the next time Jackson county votes dry Medford will be carried with it into the dry column.

The dry forces announced some time ago their intention of filing this petition and during the past week have been busy. Over 200 legal voters have signed the petition.

DIED.

Mrs. Mary A. Chenoweth, resident of Roseburg, but who has been at the home of her adopted daughter, Mrs. William Hudson, in this city, died December 11, 1908. She was 72 years of age. Her death was due to injuries sustained while shopping on the streets of Medford about one month ago. She accidentally stepped from the sidewalk curbing and fell so forcibly as to fracture a hip bone and hurt herself in such other ways as to render recovery impossible in her advanced age. The remains were taken to Roseburg for interment.

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FULTON IS LECTURED BY TEDDY

Started for White House to Call Down President But Gets Called Down Instead.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senator Fulton of Oregon is considerably worked up over the fact that President Roosevelt greeted Governor Chamberlain here last week as "senator-to-be."

It is stated here that Senator Fulton made some progress in a postal end vote getting system by telling Oregonians that both President Roosevelt and President elect Taft wanted him, Fulton, elected. This was knocked out by the president's greeting to Chamberlain.

The day following the greeting of Chamberlain by Roosevelt, Senator Fulton started for the White House, intimating that he was to give the president a lecture.

He emerged from the White House bearing the appearance of a man who had been lectured.

THREE INSTANTLY KILLED BY ENGINE EXPLOSION

BEAUMONT, Cal., Dec. 14.—Three men were killed and one perhaps fatally hurt Saturday by the explosion of a Southern Pacific engine while pulling a heavy train out of the Beaumont yard. The dead are Dave McDonald, engineer; Roy Reynolds, fireman; G. P. Brockman, conductor; E. K. Williams, brakeman may die. All of the men lived in Los Angeles. The locomotive was demolished.

MEMBER OF ROYALTY GRANTED DIVORCE FROM HUSBAND

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Jessie Drummond, who claims to be a daughter-in-law of Lord Drummond Hay the British peer, former ambassador to Europe, was granted a divorce. She said she was forced to leave her husband on account of brutal treatment and seek a position as a school teacher in this country.

SITUATION GROWS TENSE

Controversy Between the President and Congress Does Not Improve.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The controversy between congress and the president regarding the secret service has developed into one of the tensest situations the national capital has seen in years and there is growing speculation as to what the outcome may be.

There can be no doubt that deep feeling has been aroused on all sides by the president's alleged insult in his annual message, with reference to the investigation of members of congress by the government agents.

A system of espionage of the public and private life of congressmen became evident following the Upton Sinclair exposure of the Chicago stockyards. Senators and representatives are wondering what the president may be concealing. There is a general expectation of an explosion.

It is considered possible that the president holds information that would shock "the folks at home," and it is understood he is in a belligerent mood with reference to action of congress in reousting the statements in his message.

GALVESTON, Tex., Dec. 14.—Colonel William J. Bryan was today charged with having exceeded the limit in the destruction of ducks at Lake Burris.

The laws permit no one hunter to kill more than 25 ducks in one day.

GOLD HILL MAN WOULD BREAK WILL

Waldo Dikeman Has Instituted Contest--Alleges That Father Was Piled With Whisky.

OAKLAND, Dec. 14.—A contest of the will of the late Simon H. Dikeman, who died some months ago in Berkeley, leaving an estate valued at about \$100,000, was filed in the superior court this morning by a son, Waldo Dikeman of Gold Hill, Or. The will had been probated and James M. Dikeman, a son of the deceased, was appointed executor.

The complaint is based on sensational grounds, among the charges being that the executor has not as yet filed an inventory of the estate, and also that the decedent, when as was on the point of death, was plied with whisky by those members of his family who were remembered in the bequests.

There were four children, James, Henry, Matilda and Waldo Dikeman. Henry was allowed \$10, Waldo was given nothing, and James and Matilda are to inherit the estate after the death of the mother, the widow of the deceased. Henry and Matilda are now under the care of guardians.

Brother Denies Charges. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Waldo Dikeman, who has commenced suit in Oakland to break the will of his father, Simon Dikeman, lives in Gold Hill, Or., where his wife is at present. He is a miner and has been prospecting in southern Oregon, making his headquarters at Gold Hill. He originally came from Chicago, but has been residing in Gold Hill about a year.

James Dikeman, a brother, against whom the suit is chiefly directed, said tonight: "Waldo was disinherited by his family many years ago. Since that time he has been following mining, but I know very little of what he has accomplished. There is no truth in the allegations that he has made in his suit."

CUTTING UP BIG TRACT

Large Acreage Being Subdivided Near Grants Pass For Small Holders.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 14.—One of the most important moves which has ever been undertaken near Grants Pass in the way of getting ready for fruit-growing is now going on, on the south side of Rogue river. C. W. Ament, who owns a 280-acre tract of land east of the city park, has laid it off into 28 ten-acre fruit farms. Men and teams are now at work plowing and clearing and getting the land ready for tree planting. Mr. Ament will put out the choicest apples, pears, cherries and grapes. Each orchard is intended to be a paying business proposition and as such will be sold to those who take up fruit-growing as a business. Purchasers of these fruit farms must agree to irrigate them the coming season, providing the movement which is now under way results in bringing water to these lands for the crop season of 1909. The soil of these orchards is equal to the best to be found in Oregon and being so close to the city will become very valuable. All that is required is for them to fall into the hands of men skilled in fruit-growing. The locality where these farms have been laid out has been named Parkside, because of its close proximity to the city park. There is every reason to believe that there will be a family on each of these ten-acre tracts within the next six months and these new residents will add no little to the business interests of Grants Pass.