

FLAW SAVES FOUR SUSPECTS.

Los Angeles Jurist Holds That Governor Hart's Signature is not Valid and Four go Free.

Olympia, Wash., Oct. 20.—According to telegraphed notification received today by the governor's office from J. B. Lindsay, prosecuting attorney of Spokane county, a Los Angeles court that Governor Louis F. Hart cannot issue valid requisition papers as acting governor of this state. Under the constitutional rule of succession as construed by the supreme court Governor Hart cannot officially sign himself as other than acting governor for the rest of the term he is filling out as successor to the late Governor Ernest Lister.

The position of the California court, according to notice received today, has resulted in release through habeas corpus of the four McDonalds, two women and two men, who were held in Los Angeles on the charge of murdering W. H. McNutt, a Spokane real estate dealer, whose body was found buried under the ashes of a fire on a ranch 40 miles from Spokane. The Los Angeles judge also refused to honor the signature of Grant Hinkle as assistant secretary of state.

This is the first time the authority of the acting governor or assistant secretary of state has been questioned, since both are expressly empowered to discharge the full duties of their respective departments. Governor Hart will not return from Walla Walla until tomorrow or Monday.

Autocracy in North Dakota

Under the North Dakota plan the state will absolutely control all industry, commerce, enterprise and initiative. Nothing which opposes the non-partisan league will be allowed to stand. As an instance—the state government of North Dakota selects one newspaper in each county as the only one in which public notices and legal notices can be published. This is already operating to drive out of business all the press which refused to bow to the Townley will. It will enable the non-partisan leaguers to feed their propaganda to North Dakota people and force them to swallow it. It is easy to see how completely the opposition to non-partisan league principles will be throttled.—Red Lodge, Mont., Picket Journal.

ANOTHER INITIATIVE BILL.

Provides 4 Per Cent Interest on Money After Due.

Salem, Or., Oct. 20.—An initiative bill submitted by J. F. Albright, of Oregon City, proposing a constitutional amendment to fix the legal rate of interest in Oregon at 4 per cent or money after it becomes due, and providing that on contract not more than 5 per cent may be charged, now has a ballot title. The title was prepared by Attorney General Brown Saturday. It reads as follows:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FIXING LEGAL RATE OF INTEREST IN OREGON.

Purpose: Amending Article IX of the Constitution of Oregon by adding thereto Section 9, which provides that the legal rate of interest in Oregon shall be 4 per cent per annum on all moneys after the same shall become due, but on contract the rate of 5 per cent per annum, but no more, may be charged by express agreement of the parties, which rate shall be inclusive of all brokerage and commissions.

No laws of this state relating to interest or usury are repealed or abrogated by this section except insofar as the legal rate of interest is modified hereby.

Relief Given Douglas.

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 18.—That Douglas county will not be called upon this year to assist in the construction work on the Roseburg-Coos bay highway was the statement contained in a letter received by County Judge Stewart from the state highway commission. The contract for the first section, consisting of 14 miles of improvement, 8 1/2 miles of which are in Douglas county, already has been let and it is expected that the final cost will be about \$50,000.

The state and federal government will co-operate on a 50-50 basis in this work and the county will not be required to furnish funds until the next section is advertised. The county has about \$50,000 available from the \$900,000 bond issue and will devote the amount to the improvement of the road to the coast.

Movement started to rebuild Portland water front.

Oregon has 32 banks with deposits of over one million each.

Portland bankers finance construction of tourist hotel at Seaside.

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE.

Patrick Donegan Died at Stockton, California, Saturday.

Patrick Donegan, a former well-known resident of this city, died at the home of his daughter at Stockton, California, Saturday, October 18, 1919.

Mr. Donegan was born in Ireland, May 16, 1832, and came to the United States when quite young, settling at this city in 1853, he followed his trade of blacksmith for many years and was known to nearly everyone in Jackson county. In 1910 he removed to California, where he resided up to the time of his death.

He is survived by nine children: five sons and four daughters. His wife died about 11 years ago.

Funeral was held in this city Tuesday forenoon in the cemetery on the hill overlooking the place where he had lived almost three score years.

Thousands of Aliens Cross Mexican Border.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Charging that from 3000 to 5000 aliens have come into the United States from Mexico surreptitiously each month during the past few months, Representative Hudspeth of Texas appeared before the house immigration committee yesterday in support of his bill for an appropriation of \$600,000 to enable the immigration inspection division of the department of labor to maintain a more efficient guard.

Among those who have been able to gain admittance illegally, Mr. Hudspeth said, were Japanese and Chinese, Mexicans and Europeans denied access at other ports of entry.

He charged that many who had failed to obtain entry elsewhere had landed at Vera Cruz and Tampico, Mexico, and through the connivance of Mexicans familiar with the territory succeeded in crossing the border.—Portland Telegram.

Alleged Liquor Seller Jailed.

C. C. Myers, charged with selling liquor to an Indian, will await the action of the federal grand jury in the Multnomah county jail. He was held for the action of the grand jury by Bert Thomas, United States commissioner, and being unable to furnish \$1000 bond, was placed in jail. A deputy marshal took Myers to Portland yesterday.

OUR OWN STATE

Some Recent Happenings in Various Parts of Oregon

Courthouse Sale Refused.

The Dalles, Or., Oct. 24.—In the face of a torrent of opposition from taxpayers assembled in the courthouse here today sanction was refused for the sale of the old county courthouse here to the Salvation Army. The objection was by property owners, who said the use of the land and building for Salvation Army purposes would cause a big deterioration to surrounding property. Colonel Scott of Seattle attended the meeting as the Salvationists' representative.

Apple Crop Superb One.

Hood River, Or., Oct. 22.—The Hood River apple crop has even surpassed pre-season estimates, both as to quality and quantity. The yield will exceed 2,000,000 boxes, and the apples are running more than ever before to the extra fancy grade and desirable sizes.

Orchardists have never taken better care of their trees, and the fruit is clear of scab and worms this season. It is likely that the average for the valley will go well beyond 90 per cent extra fancy stock, with but a small percentage in the C. grade.

Cafe Owners Don Apron.

Klamath Falls, Or., Oct. 23.—Proprietors of all local eating places donned caps and aprons this morning in an effort to conduct interrupted service following a strike of the cooks' and waiters' union at midnight.

The employers posted a new wage scale last night, it is alleged, without previous notice or conference with the union. The new scale reduces the hours from ten to eight, on the same hourly basis as before, allowing time and a half for overtime. Union leaders say that the action of the employers was arbitrary and hasty and likely to precipitate a strike situation, involving all organized labor of this district.

Boy is Shot for Deer.

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 19.—Linn Adams age 19, son of a South Deer Creek rancher, when mistaken for a deer while hunting in the hills east of this city today, was shot through the head and fatally wounded by his uncle, Dr. Fred Adams, late of the United States navy. The elder Mr. Adams came here a day or two ago to visit his brother, M. Adams, and to enjoy a hunt before returning to his practice at Harrisburg, where he was located when the needs of the war called him into the service.

Man Lost in Mountains for Week Comes Out.

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 20.—Glen Culver, the young man who had been lost in the mountains west of this city since last Sunday, came out at Marshfield yesterday morning. He had followed down one of the branches of Coos river, until he came to a settlement. Fearing that he would never reach civilization, he had written a note on his collar, and left it along his trail. This was found by the searching party.

Wireless Outfit Stolen.

Marshfield, Or., Oct. 21.—Wireless apparatus belonging to the Marcon station in this city before it was taken over the government at the beginning of the war, has been stolen from the station, where it was securely boxed and labeled "government property."

Chief Stumpf of the naval radio at Edgewood was custodian of the apparatus and has obtained evidence of the theft by boys. Federal suit is threatened if the property is not promptly returned.

Liquor Seized; Two Arrested.

Roseburg, Or., Oct. 28.—About 400 pints of whiskey and beer were seized yesterday when Deputy Sheriff Rafferty arrested two men giving the names of Rettingwill and Ross, just as they were pulling out for the north with their cargo which was carefully loaded in in the tonneau of a big automobile. The machine carried Oregon license 25494. The men were locked up pending a hearing Saturday.

Railroads promise to divert 1000 more cars daily to the sawmills.

LaGrande—\$1,498,000 county good roads bond issue carries.

DIRIGIBLE INVENTED.

Craft Intended to Fly From Rome to South America.

Rome, Oct. 20.—Celestine Uselli, one of the pioneers of aviation in Italy, says he had invented a new dirigible 380 yards long and 80 yards wide and provided with six motors of 500 horsepower each, with which he intends to fly from Rome to South America.

The dirigible, Signor Uselli claims, is capable of transporting a weight of 20 tons and can attain a speed of 45 miles an hour with one motor, 52 miles an hour with two motors and 72 miles an hour with all six motors working. Using one motor alone, it is said, the dirigible can navigate for six days and cover more than 5000 miles.

Signor Uselli asserts the dirigible is so constructed that it can float on water. He expects it will take six days to fly from Rome to South America.

RIFLE CARGO DEPARTS.

Strike Breakers Load Arms for Use Against Bolsheviks.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 20.—The United States shipping board steamer Delight, with five carloads of rifles in its cargo, left here today for Vladivostok.

The departure of the Delight was delayed more than a week when union longshoremen here recently refused to load the rifles because they were intended for use against the bolsheviks. Non-union men loaded the steamer.

Japs Cause Mill Strike.

Chehalis, Wash., Oct. 20.—The Coal Creek Lumber company mill in the north end of the city was shut down today, owing to the refusal of the white men employed at the plant to work with a newly imported crew of about a dozen Japanese that had been put to work this morning. About 80 men are involved in the shutdown.

C. L. Brown is principal owner of the plant.

Cuts Own Appendix Out.

Pomona, Cal., Oct. 20.—Jack Dow, recently discharged from the army, was said by surgeons of the Pomona Valley hospital to have cut out his own appendix today.

Dow suffered a sudden attack of appendicitis. He was rushed to the hospital where he insisted upon taking only a local anaesthetic. When surgeons had progressed in the operation to the point where the appendix was to be cut out, Dow demanded the right to do it himself.

Dow was a medical student at John Hopkins before entering the army.

Truck Driver Killed.

Fossil, Or., Oct. 20.—William Kennedy, age 45 years, was thrown from a truck of lumber Friday and instantly killed.

The accident happened three miles east of Fossil. While going down a steep incline he lost control of the truck, which overturned, throwing him beneath the lumber.

Mr. Kennedy was a resident of Condon, but was well known in this vicinity also. He leaves a widow and four children.

Brief Notes of

Oregon Industry.

Roseburg—Mathews building to be remodelled.

Southern Benton county to get \$400,000 sawmill and logging road.

Oak Creek—5000 acre drainage project near Lebanon revived.

Silver Lake—Anna river irrigation project taking shape.

Hood River pear growers netted as high as \$2000 an acre.

During August \$1,200,000 worth of work done on Oregon roads; September \$1,400,000.

Stanfield—\$30,000 bonds issued to construct and maintain city water works.

Roseburg—Work started on Hamley & Co. brick building.

Myrtle Creek—2900 prune trees here bring in \$10,900.

Reedsport sawmill have payrolls of \$1100 a day.

Forty acres prunes at North Albany netted \$1500.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

Roseburg—Five thousand boxes of tomatoes from five acres of land at Dillard is the record made by T. B. Evans & Son, the largest growers in this section.

Small fruit area in Marion county to be increased by 2,000 acres.

Enterprise—Rebuilding sawmill of Oregon Lumber Co. here is delayed on account of scarcity of labor.

Dallas so short of housing, the jail rooms used by one hotel.

Prineville starts new Masonic temple and has fine building boom.

Hood River—Payroll of the apple pickers will reach \$225,000.

Ashland has sent out seventy cars of fruit.

Klamath Falls—\$90,000 bond issue to irrigate Langell valley approved.

Moro moving for permanent county fair buildings.

Santiam Woolen Mill Co. incorporated for 75,000.

Lebanon—Local capitalists organize to drill for oil and gas.

Roseburg—Sand and gravel plant at Shady Point employs 17 men.

New telephone line going in from Brookings to Crescent City.

Corvallis—Shortage of appleboxes causing loss to growers.

Corvallis—New bakery has installed \$10,000 outfit.

Baker—Rich ore has been found here valued at \$1000 per ton.

Warrenton has ambitions to develop into a live manufacturing and industrial community.

Eastern firm may build knock down houses at Portland.

Albany doing building stunts in spite of high cost of materials.

Salem—Murray Wade, cartoonist, establishing Oregon Monthly.

Plenty of small payrolls make the most prosperous town.

Klamath Falls—Large tract of land to be thrown open for homestead entry.

Gresham—Burns lumber company to build new sawmill.

Corvallis—New machinery installed in the Beaver laundry.

Hood River—Fruit Co. has erected \$10,000 concrete building.

Portland gets another two-story auto building, corner of Broadway and Flanders.

Hubbard—13.5 miles paving between here and Salem completed.

Silver Lake Irrigation district has issued \$300,000 bonds.

Aurora—12,000 cash paid for 81 1/2 acre farm.

Lakeview has a new garage.

Concrete bank building to be erected in Silver Lake.

New fruit dryer being built for Sheridan.

Building up ocean commerce of Oregon requires united work and cooperation of the entire state.

Plans to get 50,000 additional acres small fruits planted in Oregon and Washington to produce \$10,000,000 raw material for canneries and juice industry.

Crater Lake company to build new tourist hotel for next season.

Astoria gets a new wholesale grocery house.

Eugene—Union high school planned for the upper McKenzie district.

North Bend faces revenue deficit of \$10,000 and must raise limit.

State Highway commission takes over Marshfield-Coquille paving contract.

Astoria port elevators handles 247 cars wheat to date this year.

Roseburg—Besides closing schools, business men to close to save fruit crop owing to increasing scarcity of farm labor.

Lakeview looking for railroad connection and box factory.

Fishing industry on lower Umpqua pays \$600,000 a year to employes.

Douglas county prune industry totals 7,500,000 pounds, worth \$1,000,000.

Halfway, Baker county, building concrete cross walks.

LaCombs has organized to push drilling for oil.

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