

CAN A JUDGE DISCHARGE?

KNOTTY POINT ABOUT PATIENTS IN INSANE ASYLUM.

If Relatives Will Undertake the Care, Can County Court Order a Patient's Release?

The authority of Judge Calkins to discharge a person previously committed by him to the insane asylum from that institution will probably be the subject of legal investigation in the State Circuit Court at Salem within a day or two. The case in point is that of Mrs. Margaret A. Ferris, who was sent to the asylum from Portland several months ago, after an examination by Doctors E. E. Joseph and H. F. McKay.

Immediately prior to the commitment there was a hearing in the County Court on an application for the appointment of a guardian for the estate and person of Mrs. Ferris, resulting in the appointment of Thomas Gibbons, her father by adoption, as guardian. A large number of witnesses were examined for and against the petition of the husband, C. T. Ferris, to be named as guardian. There was some evidence that Mrs. Ferris had stated that her husband was unkind to her, but this was explained away and her statements said to be the result of imagination.

The order of Judge Calkins to discharge Mrs. Ferris from the asylum was made in response to a petition filed by her guardian, Thomas Gibbons, which recited that he consented to her removal to the state institution upon the advice of the County Court, and now desires that she be returned to her home and to his custody.

District Attorney Chamberlain objects to the release of Mrs. Ferris unless the asylum authorities believe that it is the best course to pursue and unless she is discharged as cured, which it is thought can be fully accomplished in due course of time. Mr. Chamberlain yesterday advised Superintendent Calbreath, of the insane asylum, not to release the patient unless ordered so to do by the court on a writ of habeas corpus.

This case has been the source of some annoyance already, and was the subject of inquiry by the last grand jury. The District Attorney says that in a family disagreement, and that he does not desire any further trouble about it.

The statute provides that relatives may care for such patients, but whether the section of the statute covers a person once in the asylum, until the authorities of such institution are willing to order the discharge, remains to be seen.

Court Notes.

The suit of John L. Scharf vs. Charles L. Haynes, to foreclose a mortgage, was settled and dismissed in the State Circuit Court yesterday.

The will of Calvin Follett, deceased, was admitted to probate in the County Court yesterday. The estate is valued at about \$10,000, and is devised to the wife and children.

Anna Elizabeth Bard has sued James H. Bard, a former insurance agent in this city, for a divorce, alleging in her complaint that because of numerous acts of impropriety on his part and irregular business conduct he has rendered her life burdensome.

Margaret C. Bridges has commenced suit against Roscoe Bridges in the State Circuit Court for a divorce on the ground of cruel treatment. The principal charges made by Mrs. Bridges are that her husband choked her in October, 1898, at which time they were living at Pendleton, and that in the same year, at Astoria, he struck her in the face, and abused her so that she was compelled to leave him and return to her parents. She further alleges that he did not support her and their child in a proper manner. They were married in this city in December, 1897.

In the suit of H. L. Stephenson against James D. Hennessy for a dissolution of partnership, Judge Calkins yesterday ordered the receivers, O. P. McFall and Al. Strowbridge, to receive competitive bids for the stock of goods, and to leave the same in the hands of the firm. At 10 o'clock A. M. the general understanding is that one partner will buy the other out, and the matter of accounts will be settled. The liabilities of the firm are \$100,000, and there is about \$1500 on hand, so the creditors are amply protected. The total assets amount to \$25,000, of which \$1250 are accounts due to the firm. The assets comprise money and merchandise.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

General von Ketteler Sees Portland and Forms Fine Opinion.

General von Ketteler, late commander of the German contingent in China, and Robert E. Baugh, of Paris, spent part of yesterday in this city. They are on their way home, and arrived at Victoria, B. C., a few days ago, on one of the steamers of the Empress line. They came to Seattle, and, having a desire to visit the chief city of the Northwest, the private car of Samuel Hill, vice-president of the Great Northern Railway, was placed at their service, and they arrived here at 3:30 o'clock Thursday evening. They had a letter of introduction to O. F. Paxton, who took them in charge and showed them over the city yesterday forenoon. They were a little surprised to see so fine a city here, and were much interested in the docks, warehouses and shipping facilities, and were astonished at the magnitude of the exports. Mr. Paxton entertained them at luncheon at the Arlington Club, in company with Judge Bellinger, President Mohler of the O. R. & N., and W. Scott, and at 2 P. M. they started on their return to Seattle, where they will at once proceed East to take steamer for Europe on the 25th inst.

General von Ketteler is a cousin of the German Minister murdered by the Chinese, and left Germany last August to take command of the German troops in China, where he has been for some time. He is an elderly man, and speaks very good English.

Monsieur Baugh is the son of a French capitalist, who has extensive interests in all parts of the world, including large investments in several of the transcontinental railroads of this country. The young man is 35 years of age, and has been in China and Japan in connection with his father's business affairs, and is now on his way home. He speaks good English, and is a very bright young man, with a thorough knowledge of business and a great thirst for all kinds of information about the countries he visits on his way around the world.

LABOR IN GREAT DEMAND.

Male and Female Help Scarcer Than Ever in Portland.

If scarcity of laboring men and house servants is an indication of good times, there certainly is great prosperity in Portland. Employment agents are all complaining of the difficulty in filling orders for men, which are piling in by the hundreds from farms, logging camps, railroad camps and quarries, in all directions. Very few idle men are now seen upon the streets, except those who are idle from choice, and there is no telling when the numerous orders can be filled, if at all. The employment offices, therefore, are doing a very busy business, as all the orders are for help, and none of them are for situations. "We have seen sending hundreds of men to Los Angeles within the past few months," an agent said yesterday. "And we would like to have them back again. Men seem to be plentiful enough east of the mountains, as I have heard of men going

to take part in the harvest. They are now sitting on the curbstones waiting for work, and many would be glad to get a day. When the harvest is well under way, however, these men will all be put to work.

"We are getting orders from Seattle and Tacoma for men to work on the streets and on the electric road to be built between those two cities, and besides this, Los Angeles wants several hundred additional railroad laborers for tunnel work near there. In the meantime the hay harvest is on in Western Oregon, and farmers are trying to get along the best they can without help.

"As for women servants, they are out of the question, and Portland housewives are doing their own work to a greater extent than many of them desire. They have tried Japs, but find these little fellows dirty and stupid, and so 'fire' them without ceremony. Girls can pick their places and change as often as they choose.

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without giving notice, and as many of them understand the situation, they make life a burden for their employers. We are at our wits' end in the dilemma, and don't know what to do. A little later on men will begin coming North, as the California harvest is about drawing to a close. We will have to do the best we can in the meantime. As for girls, they are always scarce, though they are more so than ever now."

EAST SIDE NEWS.

Another View of Annexing Montavilla—Woodstock Sub-Board.

A good many people at Montavilla take issue with O. A. Ayresworth in the matter of incorporating and annexation to Portland. Dr. William Deveny, secretary of the Montavilla Sub-Board of Trade, says: "I read with much interest the interview with Mr. Ayresworth on the question of annexation to Portland. He is way off when he says that the majority of people are opposed to annexation to Portland, and want to become an independent city. I have talked with the leading citizens and I am very positive that not only are they in favor of annexation, but are opposed to incorporation. We favor annexation to Portland for the reason we want a great city and we want to be a part of it. What could a small corporation do? The cost of maintaining a little city at Montavilla would be all out of proportion to any possible imaginary benefits that might result. The truth is a few in Montavilla would like to try to make a little city at Montavilla, but we don't want any such experiment that is contrary to the principles of our Government. We don't want every little settlement around Portland incorporated. We want them all to come in and be part of the metropolis. There are a great many candidates for Mayor, City Marshal, Clerk and all the way down, but I am afraid that our best ones cannot be satisfied. We are not going to have a city. After incorporation we should have to have a City Hall and a 'skookum' house, and all sorts of expenses and grafts would spring up until our expenses would be very great. There would be public and private grafts. Our neighbors would all be candidates, and our burdens would be so great that our backs would bend and our heads would ache."

Made Another Offer.

The committee appointed to raise \$4500, with which to secure a strip of land 1600 ft. wide at Montavilla from the O. R. & N. Railway, has secured \$300, and reports that the remainder cannot be secured. The owner of the property will accept the \$300 for a strip 1000 ft. wide, if this be acceptable to the railway company. Secretary Deveny sent a communication to the company, offering the reduced strip, but is not yet informed whether this offer will be accepted or not. Residents are anxious to secure this side-track.

East Side Notes.

John Shaver, a pioneer and a resident of Portsmouth, is at Willoughby Springs for the benefit of his health.

Miss Teresa Fletcher, of San Francisco, who had been visiting relatives here, was taken with a mild case of smallpox and removed to the pesthouse.

James O. Stephens, of Pleasant Home, was in Portland yesterday on business connected with the coming annual reunion which opens at that place the last of the month. He said that the grounds will accept the \$500 for a strip 1000 ft. wide, if this be acceptable to the railway company. The women have a committee to entertain the speakers from abroad.

Complaint is made that a resident on the Section Line road makes a practice of wheeling on the cycle path at night without lantern or bell, and at the same time going at a high rate of speed. A few nights ago he was wheeling on a pedestrian, striking him in the back, knocking him down and fracturing one of his arms. This particular wheelman seems utterly indifferent to the rights of others.

Any one can take Carter's Little Liver Pills, they are so very small. No trouble to swallow. No pain or griping after taking.

SAFE ON THE SUMMIT

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preparation. Lunches were packed. What to take was a subject of long and ardent discussion. Hardtack, biscuits, slices of meat, dried prunes and raisins, and tablets of chocolate were the principal items in the average lunch. The last supper was served at 4:30, and soon after the procession moved up the mountain side.

Before the start the Mazamas convened and discussed plans for the ascent. Those present were: President Mark O'Neill, Leader C. H. Sholes, Guide O. C. Yocum, Dr. E. W. Young, A. J. Capron, Will G. Smith, H. L. Pitts, and A. P. Fiegel. The route to the summit was thoroughly outlined. It was decided to march in com-

graphed the party crawling over, and a partying shot was taken at a baker's dozen of Mazamas crossing the crevice at Crater Rock.

FOR A CYCLE PATH.

Sewell Sub-Board of Trade Takes Up the Mooted Subject.

At the meeting of the Sewell Sub-Board of Trade, cycle-path construction was the main business discussed. Dr. M. Donagh, president, Professor Edward Curtis said no movement was being made toward building a path on Milwaukee street, and the conditions are such that some action should be taken.

R. G. Morrow, vice-president of the Portland Cycle Association, was present, and on invitation addressed the meeting, saying that he was here to co-operate with the people of Sewell in getting a

NEW STATION AT TATOOSH

VESSELS TO BE REPORTED BY WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

System Will Give Adequate Protection to Canadian and American Shipping.

Experiments with wireless telegraphy for reporting incoming ships will soon be made between Tatoosh Island and Neah Bay at the entrance to Puget Sound. Tatoosh Island is a wind and storm-swept rock off Cape Flattery, on the Straits of Fuca. It commands a wide sweep of the ocean, and is an im-

portant factor in the defense of the coast.

It does not yet appear who is at the bottom of the project for a large new forest reserve in Southern Oregon. It is certain that Commissioner Hermann favored a reserve there and a report by Secretary Hitchcock to the House of Representatives last year named the generous boundaries indicated in The Oregonian. People living in the vicinity of the proposed reserve ought to be able to give the origin of this move.

It is not unlikely that one or two changes in the Atchison board will soon be made for the purpose of giving representation to powerful outside interests that have lately become identified with this property."

CHANGES IN CALIFORNIA.

Report of Consolidation of Southern and Union Pacific Offices.

San Francisco is a little later than Portland in catching on to the report of the proposed consolidation of the offices of the Harriman system. There seems to be no doubt, however, in railroad circles that the consolidation is coming soon. The San Francisco Call reports the following:

"Word has been received in this city that the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific passenger and freight offices in California will be consolidated in the near future. It is stated on the most reliable authority that Traffic Director Stubbs wired from Chicago the latter part of last week to the Union Pacific officials all over California, directing them to once forward to him a list giving the names of all men employed in the Union Pacific in this state, the length of time they have been employed by the company, what salaries they are receiving, also what rent is being paid for the offices, and last, but not least, the actual expenses of the offices. The offices of the two railroads will be consolidated in the near future, and thousands of dollars will be saved to the Harriman syndicate by this move."

"With the new order of things, Colonel D. W. Hitchcock, general agent of the Union Pacific in this city, will be treated exactly the same manner as Jerome Fillmore, the Union Pacific agent at a good salary, in recognition of his splendid work during the many years he has been with the Union Pacific. Thomas Schuchman, a Chicagoan, is now in charge of the Union Pacific, and will hold a responsible position, but he will be moved over to the big yellow building and will be in command of the Union Pacific, who has charge of the Southern Pacific freight train department in this city."

"The following figures that were forwarded to the Director of the Union Pacific, are interesting by the way: At the San Jose office one official is employed at a salary of \$125 a month, the rent is \$25, and the working expenses amount to \$100 more, making a grand total of \$250. The Sacramento office employs two men at \$150 and \$25, respectively. The rent for the office is \$25, and the working expenses amount to \$100 more, making a grand total of \$275. The Los Angeles office of the Union Pacific employs five representatives, one at \$200, two at \$125, one at \$100 and one at \$75, making a grand total of \$500. It is estimated that the salary of the Union Pacific agent in the city of Los Angeles is \$250 a month, and the rent for the office is \$25, and the working expenses amount to \$100 more, making a grand total of \$375."

With the consolidation of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific offices, the Pacific will be cut down materially, and just as good results can be accomplished, at least so Harriman and Stubbs think. Just when the change will be made is not at present known, but it is almost certain to take place in the next 30 days."

HILL'S PROMISE TO LAMONT.

Changes Working Into the Northern Pacific Official Roster.

Even before the recent announcement by J. P. Morgan of the new members to go into the Northern Pacific board, the Kansas City Star printed the following story:

"When Mr. Lamont left the Cleveland Cabinet, it was with the promise of Mr. Hill that he would be named to the Northern Pacific board. The Cleveland Administration closed, and the new Administration opened, and Mr. Hill was made president of the Northern Pacific. At that time Mr. Hill expected that he would be able to keep the promise, but to both his and Mr. Lamont's disappointment he was frustrated by the Mellon interests. Today Mr. Hill is in control of the road, and he has forced the retirement of President Mellon."

"That Mr. Mellon would leave the road seems to be upon unquestioned authority, and it is also stated that the Northern Pacific has been made up of a total of \$200 per share without a hitch."

Mr. Hill would have preferred to make his son, Lewis Hill, head of the road, but that he finally decided to make his promise to Mr. Lamont. "Confirmatory evidence of the break between Mr. Hill and President Mellon was received when announcement was made of the resignation of E. H. Harriman, chief engineer of the company. Mr. McHenry

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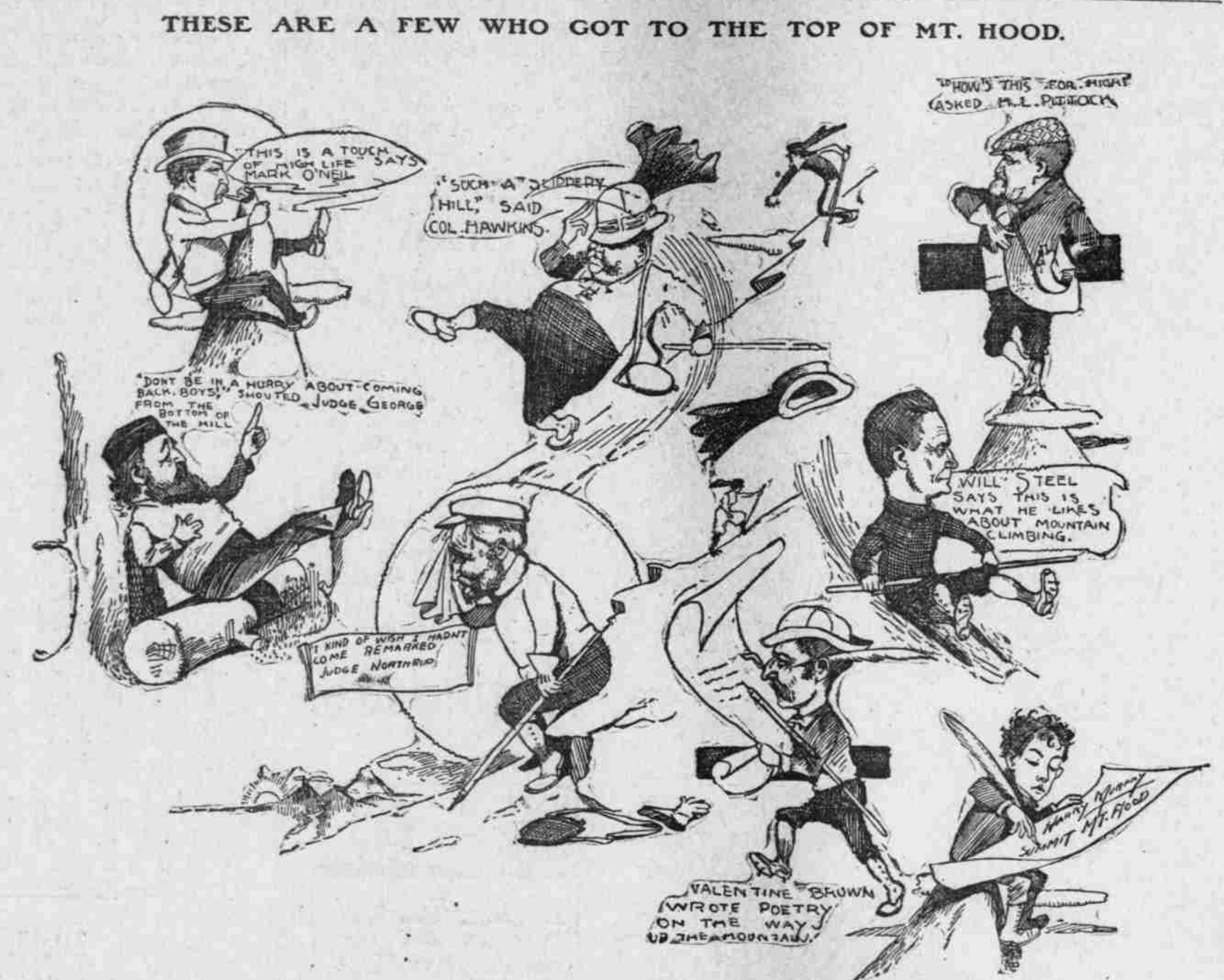
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The A. R. Bremer Company are determined that the worth of their Coke Dandruff Cure shall be fully known and proven before the public is asked to spend a penny. Dandruff is not harmless flakes of cast-off skin, but the evidence of a diseased scalp, which, when left unchecked, results in baldness. Coke Dandruff Cure is guaranteed to cure dandruff, falling hair, and scalp troubles, and is one of the best and most cooling tonics in the world. It takes a bottle home today.

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