

ANKENY MESSIAH

Strive to Overcome Effect of McBride's Fine Work.

MILLS' DEFECTION JARS THEM

Judge J. W. Robinson Is Given Credit for Starting the Reaction That Is On in Thurston County Politics.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—State and county politics are again in a state of confusion, as a result of the defection of Judge J. W. Robinson from the ranks of the Ankeny faction. The defection of Judge Robinson, who has been one of the most prominent leaders of the Ankeny faction, has caused a reaction in the minds of the people of Thurston County, and has led to a re-examination of the policies of the Ankeny faction.

The first news of the defection of Judge Robinson was given by the Ankeny faction, who claimed that he had been coerced into leaving them. However, Judge Robinson himself has stated that he has left the Ankeny faction of his own free will, and that he has done so because he has been unable to agree with their policies.

For three days the leaders of the "ring" have been attempting to undo the defection of Judge Robinson, but they have been unable to do so. The defection of Judge Robinson has caused a reaction in the minds of the people of Thurston County, and has led to a re-examination of the policies of the Ankeny faction.

To give an idea of the surprise at the turn of events it should be stated that so far as known, Judge Robinson has never been in contact with the members of the Board of Control, and the members of the Board of Control have each and all been on nothing better than speaking terms with Sheriff Mills up to the present moment.

Mills is only 25 years old. He was born and raised in Thurston County. He is now serving his second term as Sheriff, but was at one time employed as reporter on the Daily Olympian, the organ of the political faction that is opposed to Governor McBride's policy. It is conceded that Mills owes his position as Sheriff to this faction.

Mills' Ability Not Demonstrated. There is no denying that Mr. Mills has made an excellent Sheriff, but he has never participated in state politics, and there is nothing involved in the duties of Sheriff that especially brings out or demonstrates an ability on the part of a man to perform the duties of a member of the Board of Control.

It was therefore neither admiration for exceptional qualifications or friendship that turned the tide in the case of Judge Robinson. It was the fact that no man of the Ankeny-Madge element, which is in control of Thurston County politics, presents the name of a man worthy of appointment to a high position. If rumor be true, overtures of peace were once made by the Thurston County political leaders to Governor McBride and his cabinet, but they were turned down by the executive. This was prior to the last election. Relations were strained enough during the campaign of last fall, when the governor was accused of trying to "buy" Thurston County politics. At that time it was stated that the governor had an absorbing desire to bring this county into line on his railroad policy, and a doubt existed as to whether the governor would be able to do so.

Therefore the Sheriff's friends were not responsible for his advancement. Among the members of the dominant Republican faction the only reason assigned for the appointment of Mills is an admission that an attempt is being made to "break up the gang."

In bringing over Judge Mills to camp the governor has admittedly secured one of the most popular men in Thurston County. This popular man occupied a position peculiarly adapted to political work. The Sheriff is an endorsed candidate to every corner of the county, and for that reason the office, from a political standpoint, is the most valuable in the list to the element in control. The governor has therefore accomplished in winning to the governor's camp a man of wide popularity and in depriving the other side of a strong man in an important office.

Billings' Popularity Is Great. The attempt is now on foot to counteract the blow in the Ankeny-Madge camp of popularity and influence was wanted for the position of Sheriff. There is one person who all admit could fill the vacancy in every respect. Such a man is Charles S. Billings. Like Mills, Billings is a native of Thurston County, is young and widely popular. In comparing popularity it would be hard to tell which man is possessed of the greater degree. Billings has already served four years as Sheriff. His father was Sheriff of Thurston County for 24 years, and young Billings served as deputy under his father, beginning as soon as he was old enough. But the trouble is that Mr. Billings has a position as cruiser for the State Land Office that he prefers to that of Sheriff. He was away from the county for some time, and could not be located, but the County Commissioners, spurred on by the controlling faction, appointed him without consulting him. Mr. Billings returned yesterday, and judging from the number of delegations he has received of politicians imploring him to accept, no office ever sought the man more diligently. On the other hand there is quiet work being done by the "Boys" to keep Billings from accepting. Mr. Billings has as yet given no decision, and the question of whether he will or will not accept has reached the point where bets are being laid.

Robinson After Revenge. The person generally credited with having turned the trick by which Thurston County politics were turned over to the Ankeny-Madge faction is Judge J. W. Robinson. In the early '90s Judge Robinson was more nearly boss of Thurston County than any member of the present Ankeny-Madge faction. It is related that the county in 1892, which induced Judge Robinson for Supreme Judge, appointed a committee of three to wait upon Judge Robinson and ask him to select candidates for the county ticket and the names of delegates to the state convention. Among those opposed to bossism at that time were G. W. Mills, father of Jesse Mills, A. A. Phillips, present County Treasurer, and others, and upon his return he found things reversed. G. W. Mills, J. O. B. Scooby, S. A. Madge and others were in control, and all his attempts to remove the reins have so far failed.

Judge Robinson last fall aligned himself with the supporters of the McBride policy. He was a candidate for election as delegate to the county convention, but the Ankeny-Madge faction, in order to sit down on the Judge good and hard, put up a man known throughout the city as ad-

dicted to the morphine habit, and defeated Robinson. Naturally the ex-boss, like the Governor, has an absorbing desire to break up the ring, and it is claimed that the negotiations by which Mills was placed on the Board of Control were conducted through Judge Robinson.

The reversal of political affiliations is made even more pronounced by the fact that the Robinson faction last fall tried to persuade Charles Billings to run for Sheriff, in order to defeat Mills, the candidate of the Scooby-Madge element.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Philip Beal, a Pioneer of 1847, Dies at Forest Grove.

FOREST GROVE, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Philip Beal, an Oregon pioneer of 1847, died here today. The deceased was born in Indiana, March 4, 1835. He moved to Missouri when only 5 years old, where he resided for five years, then came to Washington Territory, where he lived on a farm near this place, where he had resided since, with the exception of the past 12 years, which have been spent at Forest Grove. Mr. Beal came to Forest Grove in 1891, and he had 11 children, three of whom are living—Susie, wife of Frank Waters; John and Orel Beal, all of Forest Grove. Mr. Beal was a charter member of Holbrook Lodge, No. 2, F. & A. M., also a charter member of Washington Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., under whose auspices the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon, and interment will be in the Buxton cemetery.

William Ray.

ELMA, Wash., June 10.—William Ray died at the home of his son, James A. Ray, the lumberman, at Elma, Sunday evening, of old age. The funeral was held at the Methodist Episcopal Church here yesterday, a number of the leading lumbermen of this vicinity being present. The body was sent to his old home at Bellevue, Ill., for burial. Mr. Ray was born in Londonderry, Ireland, in 1820. After his marriage he emigrated to America and lived at St. Joseph, Mo., and at Bellevue, Ill. After the death of his wife he revisited his native land and traveled as far as New Zealand, where he stayed ten years, then coming to Washington.

Funeral of Clarence Adams.

ST. HELENS, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—About 20 members of the St. Helens Knights of Pythias Lodge went to Rainier today to attend the funeral of the late Clarence Adams, who died in Portland Monday of appendicitis. The funeral services were conducted by the Rainier Oddfellows, of which he was noble grand at the time of his death. Mr. Adams was a member of the St. Helens Knights of Pythias Lodge, having been a former resident here. The deceased was a prominent business man of Rainier, aged 51. He left a wife and one child.

Andrew Jackson Baker.

MINNIEVILLE, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Andrew Jackson Baker, aged 81, died here today. He was born in Ashe County, North Carolina, and moved to Tennessee, and thence to Missouri. From there he went to California in 1843. He took part in the Mexican War. In 1849 he came to Oregon, and was in the Indian War. He lived in Yamhill County nearly 50 years. Five children survive him—Charles M. Baker, Mrs. Anna R. Wright, Mrs. R. M. Eckstein, Mrs. A. E. Campbell and Celena Davidson. Three children are dead.

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B. H. Brink.

WAITSBURG, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—B. H. Brink, who came to Waitsburg in 1878, died yesterday from palsy. He was born in Bradford County, Pennsylvania, in 1832. He served in the war as Sergeant. He was also a member of the Oddfellows.

Dr. William Tondro.

EVERETT, Wash., June 10.—Dr. William Tondro, 50 years of age, died last night of diabetes. He was a native of Staunton, England, and served through part of the Civil War in the Ninth Minnesota Infantry.

REUNION IN IDAHO.

State Encampment of the G. A. R. Opens at Nampa.

NAMPA, Idaho, June 10.—(Special.)—The State Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic opened here today to remain in session until the 15th inst. Large delegations are here from various parts of the state and a memorable reunion is being held. Past Commander Geo. W. Walsh, of Everett; M. D. Leehy, of Seattle; Dr. Stuart, of Ballard; chaplain, Rev. Bishop O'Dea, Ballard was chosen as the opening place for the next state convention.

While watching a circus parade, a vandal cut a heavy head of hair from the head of a 12-year-old child.

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After the Healers.

NORTH YAKIMA, June 10.—(Special.)—The authorities are again after the "healers" of this city, who persist in making out death certificates contrary to law. Alfred Clemens, son of C. H. Clemens, Monday night of consumption, aged 21 years. An osteopath attended the sick man and when he died made out a certificate of death. City Health Officer Burns refused to recognize the certificate and before a permit could be issued, Acting Coroner A. J. Taggard made an investigation and issued the required papers to permit burial, which was necessary. The investigation will be pushed further and it is likely an arrest will be made.

Wade Through Scalding Water.

BETTS, Mont., June 10.—James Downard and Michael Smith, two men who had been scalded by hot water, were compelled to wade deep in scalding water, through the breaking of the exhaust pipe in a pump that was used to pump water into the steam of the accident. Downard, a steam fitter, was scalded by the hot water. Smith, a steam fitter, was scalded by the hot water. Both are severely burned.

Labor Scarce at Dallas.

DALLAS, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Quite extensive building improvements are being carried on in and around Dallas. New dwellings are springing up all over the town, and several large brick business houses will be started soon. The greatest drawback that is encountered by builders is the scarcity of laborers, as all have been steadily employed at the present time.

Governor Will Speak at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—The Governor today accepted by letter an invitation to speak here on July 4.

FIRE - BUILDING COSTLY

WHEN DAMAGE RESULTS TO THE PROPERTY OF OTHER PERSONS.

Governor Chamberlain Will Issue a Proclamation Calling Attention to the Laws on the Subject.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—The return of the dry season and the recent forest fires in the New England states recall the great damage that was caused in Oregon last summer by carelessness in setting fires. Later in the season Governor Chamberlain will issue a proclamation calling public attention to the Oregon statutes on this subject and warning all persons against violation of the law. Although the forest-protection bill failed to become a law after being passed by the last Legislature, there are upon the statute books laws so stringent that, if enforced, they would be a great check upon carelessness in starting fires where there is danger of their spreading.

Under section 178 of the code it is made a criminal offense for a person to set a fire on property not his own, whereby some other person's property is damaged, and the offense is punishable even though the fire was kindled without malicious intent.

Terrible Fate of a Millhand at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—C. R. Wyman, aged 35, was killed by falling on a saw in West, & Slade's mill this morning. He was working alone and the body, which had been cut in two, was carried along by the conveyor to the refuse bin, where it would have been consumed by the terrific heat, had not the machinery been stopped in time. Wyman was a member of the Maccabees and leaves a wife and child.

NEITHER ENTITLED TO DIVORCE.

Edgar E. Suro Testifies That He Is a Resident of Portland.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—(Special.)—Judge Hebbard decided today that neither Edgar E. Suro nor his wife, Henrietta Suro, was entitled to a divorce. Mrs. Suro claimed the divorce on the grounds of her husband's infidelity. She declared he lived with another woman in 1896 while she was absent from the city. Her husband's attorneys insisted that the offense was barred by the statute of limitations. Judge Hebbard denied the divorce. Suro then asked permission to prove

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under his cross-complaint that his wife was guilty of desertion. Judge Hebbard told him to go ahead, but when he took the stand about the first thing he testified to was that he now lived in Portland, Or. The second question from Mrs. Suro's lawyer showed that he had lived in Portland for ten months. Consequently, on demand of Mrs. Suro's lawyer, the cross-complaint was dismissed. Suro is a son of the late Adolph Suro, builder of the Suro tunnel in the Comstock.

Land Patents Received.

OREGON CITY, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Thirty-eight patents were received at the Oregon City Land Office today for the following named persons: Nelson J. Treadwell, James McFarlane, Axel Nelson, John Wilson, Edward Kirk, Ernest Hoag, Ernest A. Chamberlain, William F. Burkholder, Wesley Green, Priscilla Robertson, Marion Bailey, Andrew Wemickowski, Charles E. Bickerton, Silas H. Jones, Ulrich Abiker, Charles V. Paul, Arthur Burrell, Ernest W. Knight, Henry F. Kroeger, John K. Whitman, Ivera Ivered, Herbert Doyereil, John Nelson, Henry E. Moore, Clinton Garby, Walter E. Ball, Andrew Singer, Irvin Magee, Perley R. Coulson, Anna E. Roenicke, William Fichtelmeier, Albert Olson, heirs of Helen Purney, John Lawrence Robert, Noah Coulsen, Stanislaus Bombinski, John J. Briggs and Finley M. Edgar.

For Protection of Salem's Harbor.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Congressman-elect Binger Hermann will be in Salem next Friday for the purpose of examining the river front at Salem to see what improvements are needed in order to keep a gravel bar from forming in front of the boat landings. Gravel bar has already extended down the river in front of the docks and if something is not done to prevent the growth of the obstruction, it will take several years to reach down to the boat landings. This making it difficult to reach the docks. Mr. Hermann will come in response to a request from the Greater Salem Commercial Club.

Will Log on a Big Scale.

New Company Buys Up Valuable Timber on Gray's Harbor.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—The new logging company, composed of Poison Bros and Merrill & Ring, have purchased 200 acres of valuable timber land on Congressman J. D. Fourtney. They have also bought 15 quarter sections from D. A. Blodgett, of Baginaw, Mich., and about as much more from R. F. Little. The land is all located in the Hood River. It is rumored that the company is negotiating with the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company for the purchase of 100,000,000 feet of timber in the same vicinity. This timber is located in what is known as the Worm Eaten Belt.

The new logging company is one of the largest, if not the largest, in the state and it is the opinion of some lumbermen of experience that this company is able to exert a strong influence on the price of logs within the next year and may be able to control the price. It is thought that this company will be cutting a big log cut on Gray's Harbor next year, and this fact will doubtless enable them to dictate terms to the mills. Many of the stockholders of the new company reside in Seattle, which place the home office of the corporation is located. Maurice McKelken, of the law firm of Struve, Allen, Hughes & McKelken, is the attorney and legal adviser of the company. He is also one of the directors. The capital stock of the company is \$500,000 and it is said there is no water in this, but the company will buy lands to the full amount of its capital stock.

Lewis and Clark Fair Next Pay.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Crawford has rendered an opinion in answer to an inquiry from Secretary of State Dunbar, holding that the Lewis and Clark Fair corporation is not a concern organized for profit and is not exempt from the payment of license fees under the Eddy law. The corporation's tax will be \$100. The question was submitted at the request of Secretary Henry E. Reed.

Fishermen's Narrow Escape.

ASTORIA, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—While drifting near Peacock spit yesterday afternoon, two Italian fishermen, whose names could not be learned, had a narrow escape from drowning. Their boat capsized, throwing both into the water, but they swam nearly a quarter of a mile to shore before they were picked up. Later their net was recovered, but the boat went onto the rocks and was wrecked.

Official Election Returns.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—Secretary of State Dunbar has received official election returns from 15 of the 17 counties in this Congressional district. Polk and Curry Counties have not reported. The 15 counties give Hermann 14,321; Ream, 12,395; Elmora, 1556; Ingie, 1430.

Walla Walla Farmers Blue.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—There was no relaxation of the bad wheat situation today, though the hot north winds were not quite so pronounced. The thermometer registered 84. Farmers are pretty blue, but rain is promised for tomorrow.

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