

HUMES AFTER IT?

Seattle Mayor May Seek Postoffice.

COULD RELY ON ANKENY

Deadlock Appears to Be as Strong as Ever.

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Cushman Has His Hands Full in Keeping His Brother in the Attorney's Office in the Face of Another Appointment.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—Will E. Humphrey has the question of the Seattle postoffice still under advisement. Some day local politicians may know what the Seattle member of Congress intends to recommend to the President, but at present, they are informed, he has not yet decided the matter.

To local politicians the question of a new postmaster at Seattle resolves itself down to a choice between George M. Stewart, the present incumbent, and W. A. Cule, who has the endorsement of the King County legislative delegation, or rather that portion of the delegation that voted for Senator Levi Ankeny. Now and then some one mentions Mayor Thomas J. Humes as a possible compromise candidate, mindful, probably, of the fact that Humes and Ankeny have been intimate personal and political friends.

Humes on a Still Hunt. The suggestion that Humes might be a candidate for postmaster, or that he was considering the possibility of acquiring that position, has not been raised abroad in Seattle. Here there are comparatively few who know that Mayor Humes is reported to have told a few of his intimate friends that he will not be a candidate to succeed himself. Most Seattle politicians expect him to make the fight for Mayor again, if conditions are at all favorable, and it would not be a bit surprising if in time the Mayor did enter the coming contest. But at present the postmaster's position appears to him.

This is the attitude of Humes, looked at from the standpoint of men who are regarded as close to him. For himself the Mayor is silent. He is not gifted with the habit of taking the public into his confidence, and there are few politicians in Seattle who can say they have had any intimation of his future plans from Mayor Humes.

Incense Wielded by Stewart. That George M. Stewart is a serious candidate for postmaster has always been understood. He was named more than four years ago, just at the close of the term of Senator John L. Wilson. Stewart had been treasurer of the Republican State Central Committee for several years, and was a strong King County supporter of Wilson. It is extremely doubtful whether he is again the choice of Stewart for the Seattle postoffice, and Wilson did not leave the question open for doubt.

During the last Senatorial contest the fortunes of George M. Stewart were made the particular care of his brother, A. B. Stewart, who was one of the most prominent of the King County business men who were supporting Foster. When the latter was shown to be an impossible candidate, A. B. Stewart made every effort to guarantee the reappointment of his brother, but failed to secure any pledge of support.

Senator Ankeny is quoted as having declared positively that Stewart could not be reappointed. There is no doubt that Senator Ankeny is strongly averse to reappointing the present postmaster, or that he will fight his appointment, so long as there is opportunity for so doing.

The office is regarded as one that falls within the list of Senatorial appointments. Ordinarily, politicians would conclude that the decision of Ankeny that Stewart must go would settle the matter, especially as Senator Foster will not quarrel with him over the place. But, inasmuch as Seattle is the home of Representative Humphrey, there is a question whether the two Senators will be allowed to dictate the appointment of a new postmaster here.

Whether Humphrey has a choice has been concealed from politicians. Mr. Humphrey has not "made up his mind," and whether he will interfere is an open question.

Foster and Jones With Ankeny. That Senator Foster and Representative Jones will support any recommendation that Senator Ankeny makes is entirely probable, and that Senator Ankeny agreed that the King County men who voted for him should control King County politics is undoubted. So it is well understood that so far as the majority of the Washington Congressional delegation is concerned, it is strongly opposed to Stewart, and will permit the opponents of Stewart to name the new man. Whether Cushman could be induced to take a hand in the matter is questionable. Mr. Cushman is playing the best politics he can at present, and he will not make a fight unless he can see an advantage in it for himself. All of which is good policy, but complicates the situation regarding the appointment.

Cushman Has Troubles of His Own. Cushman has been successful in blocking the appointment of Charles Bedford, of Tacoma, as Assistant United States District Attorney. District Attorney Jesse Fry has recommended Bedford's appointment, urging that conditions in the attorney's office are not harmonious and declaring that Bedford would serve better. He makes no charge against the personal or professional character of the present deputy, E. E. Cushman, a brother of the Representative.

This fact has given Representative Cushman the opportunity of declaring to the Department of Justice that the United States Attorney, aided by the Foster politicians, are making an attack upon his brother in order to reach himself. Furthermore, he has urged the good reputation of his brother and has succeeded in holding up the appointment.

One thing that has added Cushman somewhat is that Bedford was formerly a clerk in the office of Indian Commissioner C. A. Snowdon at Tacoma. As such, he

QUEEN OF THE ASTORIA REGATTA.



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left his post and went to Washington during the Crocker-Ida fight over Collector of Customs. He was reinstated and finally allowed to resign. While this was a matter that pertained solely to the Interior Department, it is held it has had an effect upon the Department of Justice.

Another Good Birth for Someone. Though there is a nice berth in the United States Assayer's office awaiting a new appointment, the Congressional delegation has not yet decided upon a recommendation. Fred Wing, who has held the position of Assayer since the office was established, is anxious to remain, but thus far he has received no assurance that he will not be disturbed. The place, under the terms of the Ankeny agreement, is likely to be filled upon the recommendation of the King County members of the Legislature. It has been suggested that one of their number might be chosen, but this is extremely doubtful. In any event, those men to whom Ankeny, Foster and Jones are most apt to listen have made no recommendation.

Foster followers are alleging that the controversies over the land offices at Vancouver and Spokane will be settled to their satisfaction. It is conceded there has been a hard fight over the places and that the opponents of the Foster-Ankeny combination have made the situation extremely difficult. But Foster men contend that pressure will be brought to bear to effect an amicable understanding and deliver the berths to them. The offices will be brought to the attention of Federal officials when Congress reconvenes.

Foster is extremely anxious that Hal Cole should be appointed in Spokane. This has been his own fight, while Ankeny has looked after the Vancouver office. Foster wants the services of Cole and his friends in Spokane County, and though he will probably have their support anyway, he would feel surer of it if he were the right on the subject. For that reason the Spokane land office has been given considerable attention recently.

Extension of Sumpter Valley Road Opens New Belts. BAKER CITY, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—The actively noticeable in the matter of timber land locations now in occasional principally by the extension of the Sumpter Valley railroad. Into a new timber land belt, where there is to be found sections after section of the finest timber land in America. Of course the power behind the railroad are not neglecting their own interests, in the matter of timber land, but the Eastern Oregon timber sections are large, and it is an easy matter to find vacant sections that can be located under the timber and stone act.

The school land and lieu land sections still fresh in the minds of the people, and while the schemers who were mixed up in that deal are not dead, they are doomed to enforced idleness for a time. Some of the 300,000 acres of timber land that was included in the big lieu land grants last Fall will be taken up by other speculators this year. Probably the only difference between the majority of the people who are after timber land now and the lieu land grabbers is that the lieu land crown was going to be a wholesale business, while the others will be retailers.

LOGGER LOSES LIFE IN HOQUIAM. Upset His Boat—His Companion Gets to Shore. HOQUIAM, Wash., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—Jack Simpkins, foreman for the Lytle Logging & Mercantile Company, was drowned in the Hoquiam River yesterday evening at 5:30 on his way to camp. Simpkins had been in town for a few days, and in company with a foreman, started for the camp, about 12 miles up the river, in a small rowboat. Both men had been drinking before leaving town. Simpkins fell asleep. When he wakened and attempted to rise he swamped the boat. The foreman managed to reach shore, but Simpkins went down.

Mr. Simpkins was a well-known logger in this section and had many friends in both the city and the camps. He was a steady man and about 37 years old. He was unmarried. The body has not been recovered, although a large force of men has left the camps and are dragging the river.

MURKIN EYE REMEDY. Cures Bare Eyes. Makes weak Eyes strong. Murkin don't smart. It soothes Eye pain. Druggists and opticians.

GREAT VALUE OF SOILING

CONCLUSIVE EXPERIMENTS AT THE STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Alfalfa Can Be Grown on Many Acres of Western Oregon, With Good Results.

CORVALLIS, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—Efforts to emphasize the importance and value of soiling as a means of economical feeding on farms are in progress at the State Agricultural College. The effort promises to do much to make up for the pasture deficiency, which has long been a source of regret to Oregon farmers. Two years ago Dr. Withycombe began experiments in soiling and so far they afford most favorable results. Under a test now in progress, 17 head of cattle and 25 head of hogs have been maintained since the 15th of May last on 4 1/2 acres of ground. Of the cattle 13 head were dairy cows. The feeding began with crimson clover, which was cut green and fed until a first crop of alfalfa was ready, which was first fed about June 1. After the latter crop was exhausted, oats and peas were used until a succeeding crop of alfalfa was ready. At the present time a third crop of alfalfa, 18 inches high, and affording approximately three tons to the acre, is ready for use, and will continue to sustain the herd of cows and swine for a couple of weeks to come.

Careful account of the expense of soiling has been kept, and it has been found that from May 12 to August 1 the added cost of labor for cutting and feeding has been 2 cents per cow per day. Estimated on a basis of present prices for dairy products, the gross income from the soiling is \$24.33. The result shows the immense value that attaches to soiling as a means of profitable feeding on Oregon farms. The method is not only valuable for the abundance of the food product, but the growing plants renew the nitrogen in the soil and supply the necessary element for which Eastern farmers now pay large sums in the way of fertilizers. Dr. Withycombe believes that the experiments have already demonstrated that the plan is destined ultimately to come into general use among farmers, and that the sooner it is generally adopted the better will the agriculturists come into their best profits.

The alfalfa experiments undertaken in connection with the soiling have shown conclusively that on thousands of acres in Western Oregon the plan may be profitably and successfully grown. On a small tract of two acres, sown in the Spring of last year, two crops have already been cut, and a third crop, 18 inches high, is now ready. No commercial fertilizer was used on the tract. The test in the alfalfa experiment, as on the other grounds used in the soiling, has been on ordinary land, and under the conditions that prevail on any well-kept farm, where barnyard manure is considered an asset in the business.

The first crop of alfalfa yielded approximately 10 tons per acre; the second about four tons, and the third about three tons per acre. Dr. Withycombe is certain that alfalfa can be most profitably grown along all the river bottoms and much of the other lands, without irrigation.

ETTlinger's LAWYER LEAVES HIM. Increased That His Client Disregarded His Advice. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—Bernard Ettlinger, a member of the firm of Eppinger & Co., was on the witness stand before Judge Green today. Ettlinger testified that he had charge of the land interests of the company and that Jacob Eppinger had charge of the finances of the firm. During the testimony the management of the land interests had been purchased in Mrs. Eppinger's name, which upon her death were devised to the witness and were after devised by him to a corporation known as the "Ettlinger Company." The stock of that company was divided by Ettlinger among his children, one-quarter to Hattie Strous and the remainder to other children. Ettlinger answered several questions regarding the warehouse business of the firm, despite the instructions of Attorney Ash that he need not do so. Ash then withdrew as counsel for the witness, whose testimony was continued until Wednesday. Joseph Eppinger testified that on June

ONE CONVICT RECAPTURED

ROBERTS TAKEN WITHIN 35 MILES OF FOLSOM.

Howard Was His Companion, and Search is Made for Him—Other Foes Has No Luck.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—James Roberts, one of the 13 convicts who escaped from Folsom Prison, was captured today near Paradise, about 35 miles from Folsom. It is thought that Roberts was accompanied by Convict Howard, and a detail of officers is now searching for Howard near Paradise. Of the many reports that have drifted in today regarding the pursuit of the remaining convicts in the neighborhood of Paradise, the most promising is the discovery at Paradise Springs, the case and one more of the fugitives were in that vicinity Monday night. A telephone message was received from Paradise tonight, that the work of the posse in that neighborhood had been fruitless.

Put in Davisville Jail. SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 5.—Convict James Roberts, one of the band of fugitives from the prison, was captured near Davisville today. He was dressed as a tramp and carried under his arm a roll of blankets. He had a revolver. The Sheriff's officers, immediately after securing Roberts in the Davisville jail, started in search of Hooker, his comrade.

M'DONNELLS WIN THEIR SUIT. Washington Supreme Court Decides Against Fruit Company. OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—A lower court of the Supreme Court today deals with the troubles of the Stearns Fruit Land Company, which in 1894 began operations on an extensive scale in Clark County, and whose business was afterwards conducted by the Title Guarantee & Trust Company. Considerable of the history of the heavy speculation of the company in fruit lands is related.

In 1894 the Stearns Fruit Land Company entered into an agreement with Columbus and Margaret McDonnell by the terms of which it was to plant into five-acre tracts 25.4 acres of land owned by the McDonnells. These tracts were to be sold to individuals under a contract providing that they should be planted to prune trees by the company and put into a bearing condition. The fruit company assumed certain mortgage indebtedness of the McDonnells, and was to receive clear title to the tracts as they were disposed of at certain prices, with the privilege of taking the whole of the lands within a certain time.

There were afterward four supplemental agreements entered into, by the terms of which the company was to pay as high as \$300 per acre for some of the lands and through which the Title Guarantee & Trust Company became the trustee for the Stearns Fruit Land Company.

The outcome of the agreements was that the speculators lost on the operations. They decided 167.35 acres to individuals, on which mortgages for deferred payments amounting to \$248,120 were held by Vincent Cook and second mortgages valued on their face at \$211.25 were held by the Title Guarantee & Trust Company. There was still \$48,500 acres remaining unsold.

When this much had been accomplished the company found that it had expended \$200,230 more than it had received. It then brought suit against the McDonnells, claiming that it was the trustee for both the Stearns Fruit Land Company and the McDonnells, and was entitled to \$163,230, with 8 per cent interest for its services.

The McDonnells set up a counter claim that the Title Guarantee & Trust Company was the actual purchaser of all the lands, and that it was to them for sale in the sum of \$25,570.54.

The main question at issue was whether the company had agreed to purchase the lands or was a trustee empowered with authority to sell to the McDonnells the lands for the benefit of the McDonnells.

The lower court found for the McDonnells, and gave judgment against the Title Guarantee & Trust Company for \$23,677.73, and directed the company to satisfy the Vincent Cook mortgages and other judgments, known as the Slocum and Winter judgments.

The company appealed, and the Supreme Court reverses the lower court and finds that the Title Guarantee & Trust Company is indebted to the McDonnells in the sum of \$248,120, with interest. It directs the appellant to pay the balance due on the original mortgage assumed by the Stearns Fruit Land Company at the time of purchase, charging the record of the Slocum and Winter judgments; convey to respondents all lands not heretofore conveyed to contract purchasers, and turn back to respondents the title and mortgage held by it on certain Walla Walla lands, the appellant to be awarded all the mortgages on the deed five-acre tracts now in its hands or in the hands of Vincent Cook. The appellant is given 30 days to comply with this judgment, with the alternative that all the above amounts directed to be paid shall become a first lien on the lands and mortgages now in the hands of the appellant.

ROSEBURG GIRL DIES OF POISON. Body is Found on a Sandbar in the Umpqua, Near Town. ROSEBURG, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—During last night Ida Page, aged 15 years, committed suicide by taking poison. This morning the body was discovered by Corporal M. C. Gregory as he was leaving town with the early southbound freight train. The remains were on a sandbar between the railroad track and the South Umpqua River. Her mother has been notified. There were no evidences of a struggle, nor any marks of violence. No cause is yet assigned for the rash deed.

The girl's father is a hard-working man and a good citizen. Her mother has been for years an invalid. It is said the girl had been somewhat wayward, and unrequited youthful affection perhaps led to her self-destruction.

This afternoon an autopsy was held and it was determined that death was due to carbolic acid. The coroner's jury will give its verdict tomorrow.

FISHWAY AT WILLAMETTE FALLS. Will Be Installed in the Fall at Low Water. OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—H. G. Van Dusen, State Fish Warden, passed through this city last evening from Salem, where he attended the monthly meeting of the State Fish Commission. He reports that the commission has directed J. W. Moffitt, of this city, to prepare plans for the fish ladder that is to be installed by the state at Willamette Falls at this city.

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Marco was formerly in the employ of Mrs. Flein, who ran a restaurant in St. Louis. It is alleged he induced her to sell out and come to this city early last year, and one night, while she was attending a social function, he stole the money she had secreted there. He went to Chicago and she traced him to that city, where one day she recognized him on the street and caused his arrest.

PAINTER HAS TERRIBLE FALL. At The Dalles, C. A. Lawton Suffers From Concussion of the Spine. THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—By the breaking of a rope on a painter's swing this morning, C. A. Lawton, of this city, who was employed in painting the brick walls of a new court, with nothing to break his abser drop of about two stories on the board flooring below.

His physician reports that he is suffering from concussion of the spine, and that his condition is serious. Lawton was but lately discharged from The Dalles Hospital after recovering from painful injuries received in the burning of a boat in the Fourth of July procession.

ROAD TO BLAOK BUTTE MINES. Lane County Court Adds to Private Subscription. EUGENE, Or., Aug. 5.—(Special.)—The County Court at today's session made an appropriation of \$1000 for the improvement of the road from Cottage Grove to the Black Butte Cinnabar mines, a distance of 12 miles. The commission has directed J. W. Moffitt, of this city, to prepare plans for the fish ladder that is to be installed by the state at Willamette Falls at this city.

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Our treatment for specific blood poisons forces the very last taint of virus from the system, and all this is accomplished without the use of dangerous minerals. We frequently accomplish a permanent cure in 60 days.

Stricture

Our method of curing stricture is new and entirely original. No cutting or dilating. The stricture is absorbed and every obstruction in the urinary passage is entirely removed and all affected membranes thoroughly cleaned.

PILES

Quick Cures Certain Cures

We cure the worst cases of piles permanently without the use of ointments, without pain, cutting or detention from business. In from two to three treatments. Our treatment of entirely new and peculiar to ourselves. Remember, no matter who has failed before in your case,