

ARREST A. WOOD

Pension Officials Charge Him With Fraud

IN MAKING AFFIDAVITS

Head of Indian War Veterans Denies His Guilt.

HE IS RELEASED ON \$1000 BONDS

Special Examiner Pleas Files Information That Colonel Wood Assisted in Making False Certificates Concerning Claims.

THE CHARGES AGAINST T. A. WOOD.

The charges against T. A. Wood are that in two instances he assisted in making false certificates and affidavits concerning claims for pensions. This consisted in securing the signature of Rosa B. Richards as witness to the signature of Anna McCoy, and the signature of Ruth Mendenhall to a blank affidavit which was later filled in with certain alleged facts concerning the pension claim of Anna McCoy. To these charges Mr. Wood makes a sweeping denial.

man is alleged to have sworn to one of the false affidavits. "He's a very good man." "Where is he?" "Don't know." "Is Melroth your clerk?" "He was." "Not now?" "No." "Why?" "He's an invalid." "Who is Melroth?" "Oh, he's a veteran of the Cayuse War." "Where is he?" "You'll have to find out for yourself." "When were these affidavits made?" "I don't know." "Can't you remember?" "No." "Is there any truth in the charges?" "None whatever." "Then why are you arrested?" The Colonel refrained from replying to the question. In an interview gained from him several weeks ago when the first announcement of his impending troubles came from Washington he said that the charges were trumped up by spiteful enemies. At that time he was treated with disrespect from the Interior Department. He cited Malcolm A. Moody, Tom Walte, Ben Hayden and



T. A. Wood.

As the result of the investigation of Special Examiner W. A. Pless, T. A. Wood, the well-known pension attorney and Grand Commander of the Indian War Veterans, was arrested yesterday on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the United States.

The arrest was made by Deputy United States Marshal Jacob Proebstel at Colonel Wood's office yesterday morning. Mr. Wood was immediately taken to the United States Commissioner J. A. Sladen, who held him for examination under bond of \$1000. A surety bond was forthcoming, and the hearing was set for next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

The arrest of the grand commander of the Indian War Veterans of Oregon on the charge of "aiding, assisting and procuring" the making of false affidavits and certificates in the matter of three certain pension claims, grows out of charges filed against him in the pension department at Washington early in the past summer. These charges relate chiefly to the excessive fees which it was alleged Attorney Wood was charging for his services in securing pensions for his comrades in the Oregon Indian wars. Instead of requiring the \$25 fee provided by the special act under which he operated, it is charged he held up his clients for \$50, \$75, and in some instances \$100 for his services.

After a time Pension Commissioner Ware became somewhat suspicious that there was wrong with the methods of Colonel Wood and threats to disbar him from practicing before the department were made. Mr. Wood laughed at the talk of disbarment and criticized Commissioner Ware and the entire pension system.

About this time Special Examiner Pless came to Portland and camped on his trail. After procuring what he believes to be the true situation, Mr. Pless moved yesterday and caused his arrest.

In the specific cases involved in the information concerning the pension claims of Rosa B. Richards, Anna M. McCoy and Mary Prather, widows of Indian war veterans, who will testify against him before Commissioner Sladen on Tuesday.

Colonel Wood, although surprised, was cool and collected when arrested at his desk yesterday, and was positive in his statements that he would emerge from the trying situation with honor and credit.

Huck Myers' as conspirators against him. The three last named are well-known Indian War veterans.

"No Truth in the Charges." "Do you not wish to state your side of the case so that the public will be informed?" "No." "Are your lips sealed by your lawyer?" "I haven't any."

"Maybe your lawyer will speak for you?" "He doesn't know anything about it. I don't know anything about it myself."

"Were you present when the Prather acknowledgment was signed?" "Don't remember."

"Won't you say anything at all?" "Only this: I don't remember the affidavits, but I do know there's no truth in the charges. Good day."

IS ENROLLING MEMBERS. Colonel Kahlo Has Good Success Among Portland Manufacturers. Good progress is being made by Colonel Charles Kahlo in organizing the Portland manufacturers in the National Association of Manufacturers. The association now counts 11 members in this city, of whom eight have been enrolled by Colonel Kahlo. They are: Inman, Paulsen & Co., Nottingham & Co., Pacific Coast Biscuit Company, Portland Lumber Company, Eastern and Western Lumber Company, North Pacific Lumber Company, Doornbecher Manufacturing Company, Northwest Door Company, North Pacific Planing Mill Company, Willamette Iron & Steel Works, W. H. McMonies & Co.

SOULS OF TRUMPET

Ushers in the New Year for Jewish People.

THEY WILL NOT ACCEPT CHRIST

Dr. Levine Conducts Splendid Services, and Speaks With Incredulity of Union of Jews and Christians—His Hope in Zionism.

"If Christ should come again, the Jews would not accept him," said Rev. Dr. David Levine, in an interview in his room at the Portland yesterday. "Dr. Hirsch, of Chicago, is mistaken when he holds out hope for the Jewish world today just as it did in old Judea nineteen hundred and three years ago."

Yesterday was the Jewish New Year, and throughout the entire world it was observed by Jewish people. In Portland the Jewish business houses, comprising some of the principal establishments in the city, were closed, special observances were held in many homes, and elaborate religious services were held.

The program was under the direction of Mrs. Rose Bloch-Bauer, and the work of the choir and organist was especially effective. The service was by Schlesinger, and afforded each of the singers an opportunity for solos. It included "O Be Joyful"; "Bor'chu"; the response, "Shina Yisroel"; "Boruch Shem"; "Mi Chomcho"; "Boruch Atzo"; party traditions; "Kogol"; "May Me Words"; "Seu Sheorim"; "Adonai Adonai"; "The Soundings of the Shofar"; "Hodo el Eretz"; "Eli Chayim"; "Adoration"; "On That Day"; "Eli Kehena"; "Not"; "Apar"; "Thou Light Divine"; and "Bouch Attoh Adonay."

Throughout the service the cornet was used with the finest playing. The notes of the instrument being emblematic of the blowing of trumpets, the day having been originally known as the Feast of the Trumpets.

After special prayers by Dr. Stephen S. Wise and D. Solis Cohen, Dr. Levine preached the sermon of the occasion. He took for his subject "The Pure Heart" and spoke of the lessons which were to be learned from the lives of the patriarchs. The speaker impressed upon his hearers the beauty of pure lives, happy homes and the importance of good will toward all.

Dr. Levine made an eloquent plea for justice and charity toward the unfortunate and downtrodden, and for closer relationship between man and man. Services will be held this morning by the Neva Zedeck Talmud Torah congregation, at which Dr. Levine will preach "The Day of Atonement, which falls upon October 1, is the occasion for humiliation and confession of sins, annually observed in the Jewish religion, and on the evening of September 30 a penitential service will be held at Temple Beth Israel.

When asked whether or not the Jewish Church was growing in this country, Dr. Levine looked first surprised and then amused. "No, the church is not growing, except by immigration. We do not proselyte and do not welcome converts, and our religion and Aryans are races apart, and can never fuse. Centuries of persecution have only strengthened the people of Israel in their faith, and they will never accept a union with their oppressors."

Jako, Harry Columbus and Jimmy Sulzkin, had a hearing yesterday and today on the charge of killing the Indian doctor, W. H. Melroth, a few weeks ago. The three men were arraigned in the courtroom before United States Commissioner L. S. Howlett. The two former were discharged on account of insufficient evidence and the case against the latter was postponed till next week.

HER BANKS MOST SOLID

Boast of Pittsburgher, Who Says His City Beats Chicago.

"Pittsburg stands first among the cities of the United States in the security of its banks afforded depositors," said John L. McCutcheon, of that city, who with C. R. Miller, also of Pittsburgh, is in the city on a tour of the Coast and is making his headquarters at the Hotel McCutcheon. He is one of the steel manufacturers who lost their occupation by selling out to the steel trust and has since been practicing law and engaged in the banking business. He was formerly a member of the firm of Lindsay & McCutcheon. Mr. Miller is head of the leading real estate firm of Pittsburgh.

"What I mean is that if all the deposits were wiped out, the capital and undivided profits would be sufficient to pay the depositors 42 per cent. New York could only pay about 25 per cent from the same source and Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston could only do about as well as New York. There must be 150 banks in Pittsburgh and the suburbs. There are 11 in one block and that is more than the entire number of banks and trust companies in the entire City of Buffalo.

"Another fact which is not generally known is that the entire freight tonnage in and out of Pittsburgh is greater than that of all the capitals of the continent of Europe, leaving out England. The tonnage of New York, Boston and Philadelphia combined is largely owing to the tremendous coal and iron shipments."

"The expansion of the city in the last 15 years is wonderful. Take a radius of 50 miles around the center of Chicago and Pittsburgh has a larger population. Both sides of the Monongahela River for 20 miles up an solidly lined with buildings, and the same condition exists for the same distance up the Allegheny River. They are also spreading away down the Ohio River and even Neville Island, seven miles up the river, is being covered."

"I was on an excursion to the Mediterranean with a party of Pittsburghers and offered to bet a member of the party that I could name 50 persons in Pittsburgh who were multi-millionaires—that is worth three millions or more—and I was not long in doing it."

Mr. McCutcheon is an enthusiastic chess player and is now playing a match by letter with Lasker, one of the champions of the world.

CENSUS OF EVERYTHING.

Permanent Bureau Collects Annual Statistics of Cotton Output.

"We are just winding up our work on the statistics of the mining industry," said Z. C. Elkin, an agent of the Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, who with J. A. Boshard, another census agent, arrived at the Portland yesterday from California on their way to Idaho. "We have done all the work except a small section of Idaho, to which we are now going. These figures are taken every ten years and show an enormous increase. They show the number of men, amount paid in taxes, and the value of the work done by machinery installed."

Meier & Frank Company Meier & Frank Company

Sole Portland agents for the famous "Peninsular" Stoves and Ranges—Basement. Our "Willamette" Sewing Machines at \$25 to \$26.50 are the equal of any \$50 or \$60 machine on the market—every one fully guaranteed for 10 years. See them—2d Floor.

Today's Bargain List

Running into a bargain is easy here today—a brilliant array of seasonable and high-class merchandise at prices you can't resist. Special selling features have been provided for today—bargains that should bring a great throng of eager buyers to our counters early this morning. We've made preparations for the busiest September day in our history.

\$10 Walking Skirts \$6.89 Ladies' handsome panne chevier Walking Skirts, in black, gray and blue, yoke effects, tab and button trimmed; all new skirts—\$10.00 values \$6.89.

50c Dress Goods at 38c Yard 38-inch Zibelines in plain colors and plaids, oxfords, browns, grays, tans—all the 50c Tweeds in the new colors and combinations—choice of entire lot today, 38c yard.

\$1.25 Night Gowns 67c Ladies' fine embroidery trimmed and tucked Night Gowns, yoke and sleeves embroidery trimmed; big, full sizes, well made—\$1.25 values, 67c.

Boys' School Waists 29c BOYS' HEAVY PERCALE SCHOOL WAISTS in good patterns, detachable waistband—waists other stores call 50c value, 29c.

\$5.00 Lace Curtains \$3.25 Pair For today we offer 200 pairs handsome Brussels Lace Curtains, 50 inches wide, newest and best patterns. All the regular \$5.00 patterns, today \$3.25.

98c Scratch Felt Hats 45c Ladies' scratch felt Hats—Flats in Oxford, brown, navy and red. All the regular 98c values go on sale today for 45c.—Second Floor.

Great Notion Bargains Nainsook rubber-lined Dress Shields, No. 2 for 8c; No. 3 for 10c. Cube of 100 jet pins, assorted sizes, 4c. All 10c ink Writing Tablets, 4c.

Great Jardiniere Sale Handsome glazed styles, best colorings. For today only at these prices: 6-inch 20c values for 12c; 7-inch 35c values for 15c; 8-inch 50c values for 33c.

\$1.65 Black Taffeta \$1.35 Yard 36-inch best \$1.65 value for \$1.35 yard. See "Phalanx" silk sale below. Silk and wool Crepe—all the leading shades. Great bargain today, 98c yard.

Miscellaneous Bargains Great lot of \$1.25 Umbrellas in natural, Dresden and Princess handles, 73c. Oxidized and French gray belt Pins, 9c ea. Children's Sadirons, 15c val. 8c; 25c val. 14c.

Drug Sundry Bargains Pure Olive Oil Castile Soap, 3c cake. 25c Shell-back Combs, big assortment, 12c each. Bargains in school supplies.

Other Important Sales

Great September Sale of Dinner Sets Sale Extraordinary of "Fasso" Corsets Great Sale of "Phalanx" Guaranteed Taffeta Silks September Sale of Blankets and Comforters Great Sale of School Clothing for Boys and Girls

Meier & Frank Company Meier & Frank Company Meier & Frank Company Kingsbury came up from Fort Columbia yesterday and are at the Portland. Representative Martin Both, the logger of Rainier, is at the Imperial. Representative T. J. Kirk, of Athens, is among the arrivals at the Perkins. H. E. Vickers, Superintendent of the Reform School at Salem, is at the Perkins. S. S. Bailey, who formerly owned the Northern Hotel, at Seattle, but is now enjoying life, is at the Perkins. General George F. Alford, Adjutant General of the United Confederate Veterans, of Dallas, Tex., is at the Perkins. E. Bayne Reed, in charge of the Canadian weather bureau service in British Columbia, is spending a few days in the city. He is at the Imperial. Rev. S. A. Hanna, an Oregon pioneer of 1852, who remained here 42 years and has been a resident of Los Angeles for the past eight years, arrived here Monday evening from Seattle and will spend two weeks with his daughter, Mrs. G. B. Hovenden. On October 8 he will go to Corvallis to meet with the synod of Oregon and unite with them in celebrating the semi-centennial anniversary of Corvallis Presbyterian Church, which was organized by him, after which he will return to his home in Los Angeles. He says

he is 80 years of age and has nothing to show for it but his record. NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—(Special).—Northwestern people registered at New York hotels today as follows: Victoria—M. Hoff, Baker City, Or. Morton—J. Campbell, Seattle. Marlborough—E. W. McKinley, Portland. Raleigh—Mrs. E. Cohen, Portland. Albert—R. N. Wiley, Portland. Selling Red Alaska Tails. ASTORIA, Sept. 22.—(Special).—The Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, of this city, was the first company on the Coast to fix the selling price of Alaska red salmon this year, which it did a few days ago at \$1.25 per dozen tails. Its officers report having already sold several lots of salmon at that figure. A telegram received here today states the Alaska Packers' Association will set its opening price on October 2. Bids on Fort Stevens Quarters. ASTORIA, Sept. 22.—(Special).—Captain George L. Goodale, Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. A. opened bids this morning for the construction, plumbing and electric wiring of one set of hospital quarters at Fort Stevens. Four bids were received, as follows: Ferguson



The Late Colonel J. M. Underwood, Soldier, Legislator and Railroad Builder, Who Died in Portland Monday.

the people I desired to meet. Aside from this I have received every attention from the various firms which I have interviewed of the subject.

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And Pay No More Than the Woolen Mills' Price. The best is always the cheapest when it comes to clothing and the new fall stock made by the Woolen Mills is far ahead of anything ever before turned out by them. The best of quality, handsome designs, and stylish fitting, is all combined in a suit. Prices now are \$35.50, \$32.50, \$25.50, \$15, \$16.50, and up to \$50. Brownsville Woolen Mill Store, Washington street, between First and Second.

STEAMER LURLINE.

This favorite steamer, thoroughly repaired and renovated throughout, is regularly on the Portland-Astoria route, leaving Taylor street dock daily, except Sunday, at 3 A. M. If it's a "Garland" that's all you need to know about a Stove or Range.

