

STILL PAY SHERIFF

No Changes to Be Made in Tax Collection Laws.

DECIDED IN COMMITTEE

Recommendation Made by Tax Commission Is Turned Down in House—Senate Discovers a Laughable Blunder.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Sheriffs will continue to be tax collectors in Oregon, notwithstanding the recommendation of the Tax Commission that the County Treasurers be made collectors, as well as custodians of the public revenue. The bill upon this subject was introduced in the House as drafted by the commission, but was amended by striking out the word "Treasurer" and inserting "Sheriff."

Sheriff Stevens, of Multnomah County, endeavored to have the bill left so that the Sheriff would be made the custodian of the funds until distributed, but the Senate committee could not see it that way and has recommended the insertion of other provisions requiring him to turn the tax collections over to the County Treasurer once a week, as he is required to do under the existing law.

NEW COUNTY BILLS DEAD

Last One Is Slaughtered in Hood River Scheme.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—All bills for new counties are in the cemetery, the last one being killed today by the House, which took from the table the measure of Representative Moore, of Baker, creating Hood River County and indefinitely postponing it. This bill was introduced in the House after a similar bill presented by Senator J. N. Smith, of Marion, for annexation of a piece of land under the name of Cascade, had been indefinitely postponed in the Senate.

PORTLAND MAN IS TREASURER

Swedish-Lutheran Synod Elects Officers at Spokane.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—At today's session of the Columbia conference of the Augustana Synod, the Swedish Lutheran Church the following delegates responded to the roll call: C. J. Johnson, of Tacoma; M. Valander, of Seattle; Andrew Nelson, of Moscow; Axel Olson, of Troy; and J. A. Sandgren, of Lewville, Idaho, lay delegates; and the Revs. Gustave E. Rydquist, of Astoria, Or.; C. A. Tolt, of Portland, Or.; G. A. Anderson, of La Conner; C. E. Frisk, of Tacoma; M. L. Larson, of Seattle; V. N. Thoren, of Everett, Wash.; N. J. W. Nelson, of Moscow, Idaho; and J. Jespersen, of this city.

GOES 1000 MILES AFTER AID

Sea Captain Covers Distance on Foot and Finds Rich Gold Mine.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Unable to secure medicine necessary for his sick son aboard his vessel, the Quikstep, in winter quarters on the Kuskokwim, Captain W. G. Gelger left the boat on November 16 last, and mushed it alone a distance of 700 miles to Nome. In efforts to secure transportation from Eskimos and others, he traveled 300 miles on side paths, so that he actually covered 1000 miles, arriving at Nome December 7. En route to Nome he prospected briefly in a field between the Kuskokwim and the Yukon Rivers, which have been scarcely touched, and found a place where \$5.50 of free gold to the pan was panned out.

FORTUNE FAVORS JANITRESS

Seattle Woman Gets Word She Is to Receive \$300,000.

SEATTLE, Feb. 21.—Through a letter received yesterday by Postmaster Stewart, Mrs. Max Wimpf, of this city, has been informed that she is one of the heirs to a fortune of \$300,000 left by a relative in Germany, to be divided among his heirs, one of whom was the late husband of Mrs. Wimpf. When informed of

her good fortune, Mrs. Wimpf, who is employed as assistant janitress in the Grand Opera House here, stated that she would continue her present employment until she had received at least a part of the inheritance. She has been a resident of this city for about 15 years.

Injured by Falling Bridge.

FALLS CITY, Or., Feb. 21.—Willis Frink is thought to be fatally injured and Jonah Lowe, Samuel Lackey and Ira Melching are painfully bruised as a result of the collapse Tuesday of a wagon bridge in the course of construction here. Mr. Frink was caught by two huge timbers and pinned to the river bed until assistance came. One of his lungs is crushed and one rib broken. He has not regained consciousness since the accident. He is about 28 years old and married.

Northern Road Still Blocked.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—North Yakima is still cut off from the outside world, but it is reported by railway men that repairs to the road west of Ellensburg will be completed in time to let trains pass through to Seattle tonight. All eastbound mail was sent out of here this evening on a local train via Seattle and Portland. The road to the eastward is still closed as a result of the washout near Lind.

Yakima to Build High School.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The Board of Education today accepted the combined plans of Architect Deveux, of this city, and Architect Heath, of Tacoma, for the North Yakima High School. The estimated cost is \$85,000. Plans for two eight-room wings of buildings were also accepted. Bids for contracts will be called for in a short time.

Cover Diamond With Canvas.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 21.—Manager Brown, of the Aberdeen Club, is to have a canvas prepared for use in protecting the diamond at the ballpark. The canvas will be large enough to cover the diamond and will be elevated at night so that in the event of rain the diamond will be in shape for ball the following day.

SUES DUNBAR FOR HIS FEES

L. H. McMAHAN WANTS RETURN OF \$100,000.

Suit Filed in Circuit Court of Marion County Against ex-Secretary of State.

SALEM, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Suit was filed in the Circuit Court here this afternoon against ex-Secretary of State F. I. Dunbar, alleging that during the past eight years he has collected fees to the amount of \$100,000 to which he was not entitled, and an accounting is asked for the purpose of ascertaining the amount due the state. The complaint was filed by L. H. McMahon, an attorney for J. K. Sears, a warehouseman at McCoy, Polk County. Sears brings this suit as a taxpayer of the state.

The right of the Secretary of State to charge and collect fees in addition to his constitutional salary is a question which McMahon has agitated for a dozen years and more. He fought the fee system when George W. McBride was Secretary of State, and renewed the fight when the collections of fees reached their highest tide during the administration of Harrison R. Kincaid. This is the first time, however, that the question has been taken into court.

About a year ago McMahon began a suit to require the superintendent of the penitentiary to account for certain funds alleged to have been misapplied but the Supreme Court decided that a suit cannot be maintained by a taxpayer to recover money after it has been paid. The complaint in the present case is in much the same form as that in the penitentiary suit, but since it has been brought with the knowledge of the decision in the former case it is apparent that McMahon thinks he has found a way to get around the decision and secure a hearing upon the question of the right of the Secretary to charge the fees that have been collected in this state for two years and more.

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SENATE KILLS TEST OATH

IDAHO MORMONS WILL RETAIN RIGHT OF FRANCHISE.

Clearwater County Bill Passes House by Safe Vote—Governor Signs Other County Bills.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The Senate today rejected the amendments to the test oath bill. This was by a strict party vote, 14 to 6, one Republican and five Democrats. The action of the Senate was preceded by considerable debate in which the question was threshed over pretty much as it was in the House, the Democrats insisting that every disqualification mentioned in the constitution should be incorporated and the Republicans maintaining that patriarchal and celestial marriage could be omitted without violation of the constitution and should be taken to a belief and not to a practice.

The Senate indefinitely postponed the bill for changing the form of ballots so as to eliminate emblems. It passed the employers' liability measure, prepared by the committee on immigration and labor of the two Houses. This measure applies to railroading and mining only, and recognizes contributory negligence on the part of an employe injured.

One of the great fights of the session was settled in the House, so far as it could be settled in that body, by passage of the bill creating the County of Clearwater out of the eastern portion of Nez Perce. The combination between the insurgent Republicans and Democrats held together pretty well on the measure, two of the former and one of the latter voting against the bill. One Democrat for the bill was paired. Cassell of Idaho was the Democrat who went over against the bill. It is claimed that Surridge of Idaho would have voted against it if his vote could effect the result, and thus defeat the measure. But as the vote was 26 to 23, that change would not have affected the result.

It was expected to be 26 to 24, without Surridge, but a pair had been arranged between Weaver and Staley, and thus took success out of reach of the opposition.

Idaho Doctors Want Bill Killed.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Lewiston physicians are working hard in conjunction with the State Medical Association to kill two bills in the Idaho Legislature which provide that where the applicant fails to pass the state examinations he may invoke the aid of some medical school and force the State Board of Examiners to give him a license to practice. It is contended that the passage of these two bills would have the effect of killing the present medical examination laws which regulate practice in Idaho. A request has been made of every physician in the city to use his personal efforts to secure a defeat of the measures.

Kansas City Livestock Dealer.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21.—Robert McLaughlin, of Kansas City, one of the largest importers and dealers in livestock in the country, died today at The Palms, a suburb of Los Angeles, from a blood clot on the brain, caused by a fall from a streetcar at The Palms two weeks ago. McLaughlin came here several weeks ago and was to have been joined shortly by his family.

Jail Delivery Narrowly Averted.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Four prisoners in the county jail at Jacksonville made an effort to escape last night by removing the brick about the door of the jail covered by the jailer, the door fell in with a crash. The jail is perfectly secure, but the prisoners were allowed the run of the corridor.

Dallas to Play Salem Tonight.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Willamette University basketball team will play Dallas College on the

POOR SHOW FOR THE DYSPEPTIC

Poisoned Stomach, Clogged Brain, Wavering Ambition, Failure—Unless He Seizes His Opportunity.

There's no good reason for any man's remaining a dyspeptic—a burden to himself and his family, when he should be a producer. There's only one reason why he has been a dyspeptic and that is because he has overworked his stomach so that it cannot secrete the juices which are the muscles necessary to digest the food.

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Willamette floor tomorrow night. This is the most important that has been played in the legislature this year as it will decide whether Dallas is to carry off the pennant or whether Dallas and Willamette must play off the tie on a neutral floor. The Dallas team will bring over a large crowd and more interest is being taken in this game than in any that has been played in Salem this year.

MAKE SUNDAY INTERESTING

Rev. A. J. Montgomery Tells How to Keep Children Entertained.

The Home Training Association, which held its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon in the City Hall committee rooms, heard an address by Rev. A. J. Montgomery on "The Children's Sunday." Mr. Montgomery took a liberal viewpoint in planning ways to make Sunday interesting to children and a day to be anticipated pleasantly instead of dreaded. His subject was that above all the child should be taught that Sunday is a day of worship and should be taken to church or Sunday school regularly. But when the long Sunday afternoon comes, with no play nor school, and the mother is often put to her wits' end to keep the little ones content, then, so he told his listeners, the father should bear quite as much of this burden as the mother, and both should plan to occupy the minds of the children. Literature was given first place, the older children to be provided with good books and the younger stories to be read to younger ones. A sand table on which Biblical history could be worked out was given as one good suggestion for the amusement of youngsters.

There will be a meeting of the executive board of the Home Training Association of Clearwater county, in the City Hall, when plans for the year will be mapped. It is hoped to have new ideas to follow, but nothing has been laid before the board so far.

BULLET STOPS EXTORTION

Wife of Michael McDonald Kills Man Who Hounded Her.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Webster H. Guerrin, alias Louis Fisher, proprietor of the Harrison Art Company, was today shot and killed in his office in the Omaha building at La Salle and Van Buren streets by Mrs. Flora McDonald, wife of Michael C. McDonald, a millionaire who was for many years a political boss.

The motive for the killing is not exactly known. Mrs. McDonald became acquainted immediately after the shooting and was unable to make a statement. It is said, however, that for some time Guerrin had obtained money from her by the threat of making disclosures to her husband.

Mrs. McDonald went to Guerrin's office shortly before noon. A quarrel ensued and then came the shooting. Mrs. McDonald was arrested, but refused to give her name. She later was identified at the Harrison-street police station by her uncle, B. M. Shaffer, an attorney.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Henri Moissane, Nobel Prize Man.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Professor Henri Moissane, who recently received the Nobel prize for his experiments in the isolation of fluorine, his researches into its nature and the application of the electric furnace to the scientific uses, is dead.

Stephen Clark, Pioneer Telegrapher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Stephen Clark died here yesterday, aged 88 years. He came to Chicago in 1851 and had charge of the first telegraph office, sending and receiving the first messages in and out of Chicago. He was later a railroad contractor, and was active and successful in the business from the early '60s to 1889, when he started a wholesale tobacco house.

TULL & GIBBS A SPLENDID SHOWING OF HIGH-GRADE UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE. Pieces that possess that distinctiveness and character of design and superiority of construction, workmanship and finish as classes as furniture of the highest quality—that fulfil the most exacting demands for comfort and attractiveness. Our showing of such furniture at this time includes a selection of the best productions of the foremost makers of high-grade upholstered furniture—splendid examples of the cabinetmaker's and upholsterer's art—pieces that embrace quality, style and comfort throughout. Massive and lighter designs in davenport, settees, divans, arm rockers and chairs, in the very best woods and their richest and most popular finishes—pieces specially intended for the parlor, livingroom and library.

TULL & GIBBS COMPLETE-HOUSE-FURNISHERS. SHIPPERS APPEAL TO HILL. LUMBERMEN WANT SHIPPING EMBARGO RAISED. Unless Relief Is Granted by Railroads, Mills Must Close and Hundreds of Men Quit Work.

Big Corn Fair in Chicago. CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The greatest corn exposition ever held in America will be opened in Chicago next Autumn, under the auspices of the National Corn Exposition Association, organized recently in this city. Plans for the exposition were formulated last night at a dinner of the executive committee of the association. It was decided to expend \$25,000 in carrying out the enterprise, which is estimated will bring between 100,000 and 200,000 visitors to Chicago from all parts of the country.

Baby Mine. Every mother feels a great dread of the pain and danger attendant upon the most critical period of her life. Becoming a mother should be a source of joy to all, but the suffering and danger incident to the ordeal makes its anticipation one of misery. Mother's Friend is the only remedy which relieves women of the great pain and danger of maternity; this hour which is dreaded as woman's severest trial is not only made painless, but all the danger is avoided by its use. Those who use this remedy are no longer despondent or gloomy; nervousness, nausea and other distressing conditions are overcome, the system is made ready for the coming event, and the serious accidents so common to the critical hour are obviated by the use of Mother's Friend. "It is worth its weight in gold," says many who have used it. \$1.00 per bottle at drug stores. Book containing valuable information of interest to all women, will be sent to any address free upon application to BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.

Women's Ready-to-Wear Apparel AT MANUFACTURERS' PRICES. Spring garments bought for our new store coming in daily. We've made room for the new Millinery Department. We must sell new, seasonable Suits, Waists, Petticoats, Jackets, Gowns and Millinery at Clearance Prices. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EXTRA SPECIALS. SUITS. About 50 Suits bought to sell at the new store for \$25 and \$30—no room for them—will go at \$12.75. COATS. A lot of COATS, light colors, in all-wool Coverts and Raincoats; regular \$25.00 value; go at \$5.00. WAISTS. 60 Waists, just unpacked, in Lingerie, Silk and Net; values up to \$15. Friday only. On display in our windows. \$6.75. PETTICOATS. \$1.50 Sateen Petticoats; Friday and Saturday 70 Cts. \$2.00 Sateen Petticoats; Friday and Saturday 98 Cts. SKIRTS. 200 Skirts, in black, light and dark grays, also mixtures; bought to sell for \$7.50 and \$10. Half extra sizes. \$3.98. JACKETS. A new assortment in Broadcloth and Covert Jackets, box and fitted; purchased to sell up to \$17.50. Friday and Saturday \$8.98. MILLINERY. Selected personally by Mr. F. M. Hamburger for immediate wear at very reasonable prices. Merchant Tailoring Temporary Location 132 FIFTH STREET. THE J. M. ACHESON CO. 131 Fifth Street Bet. Alder and Wash.