TREASURER STEEL SEEKS NEW BOND

Must Raise \$600,000 Security for State Funds Within Twenty Days.

FAILING, HE MAY LOSE JOB

Law Provides That Legal Proceedings May Be Taken Against Official for Malfeasance or Negligence-Old Bond Canceled.

State Treasurer Steel yesterday be gan the task of raising new bonds to the amount of \$600,000 demanded of Governor Chamberlain, Mr. Steel has been given 20 days to file ap-proved bonds in that amount. Falling to present to the Governor the re-quired security for state funds in his possession within the prescribed time, he will be delinquent in one of his offiduties and may be proceeded

against by law.

These new bonds are to replace those formerly furnished that official by the American Surety Company and which cancelled Saturday when that company arranged to settle with the state in full its claims against the State Treasurer for state funds de-posited in the Merchants National and the Title Guarantee & Trust Company

Since the surety company has declined longer to carry Mr. Steel, he will be obliged, it is understood, to procure personal bondsmen. Other than to say he apprehends no trouble in raising the new bonds that have been required, Mr. Steel has nothing to an-nounce. He spent yesterday in his home county, Clackamas, presumably in the interest of obtaining a part of the security he must raise. It is considered no small undertaking for a man to raise \$630,300 of bonds in a period of 20 days—an average of \$30,000 a day, including Sundays and legal holidays— but that is the feat imposed on Mr. Steel by the fortunes or misfortunes of natifical life.

May Look to Political Friends.

A discussion of Mr. Steel's dilemma suggests two sources from which he may succeed in securing the necessary bondsmen. It will be recalled that in the primary nominating election in the Spring of 1906, Mr. Steel was the only one of several Republican aspirants for the office of State Treasurer who did not piedge himself unqualifiedly to re-turn to the treasury the earnings of all state funds on deposit. His nomination by a large majority was proof of resourceful political strength to which he may now look for assistance without disappointment. Again it is rumored that the bankers in different sections of the state may feel disposed to come forward and collectively supply the heavy bond. Under the law authorizing the loaning of state funds, properly protected by adequate securi-ties, Mr. Steel has distributed several hundred thousand dollars of state money among the banks throughout the state. It is pointed out the bankers could at this time very graciously assist the state's loan agent.

Computing the 20 days from last Satur-day, Mr. Stebl has until December 28 to complete the bond and file it with the

uld be the method of procedure should Mr. Steel fall to give the bond that has been required. In demanding the additional security of the State Treasurer the Governor is acting clearly within the aw, which contains the following pro-rision under the caption "Additional Bond May Be Required of Treasurer"

State Law on Treasurer's Bond.

Section 2413. Whenever the funds in the the Treasurer's bond, or whenever the Governor deems such bond insufficient from any suse, he shall require the Treasurer to give an additional bond within such time, in such emonable amount, and with such security,

Failure on the part of Mr. Steel to furaish new bonds would undoubtedly be considered by the Governor a failure or refusal by the Treasurer to fulfill a part of his official duty. The question would then arise as to what form of punishment is provided in the statutes for what would clearly constitute official delinquency. On this subject article 7, section 19, of the state constitution, covering "Official De-

Public officers shall not be impeached; but ncompetency, corruption, malfeasance, or de-inquency in office may be tried in the same manner as criminal offenses, and judgment may be given of dismissal from office, and such further punishment as may have been

Malfeasance or Negligence.

Supplemental, however, to this consti-tutional provision is a state law on "Mal-feasance or Negligence in Office," under which the delinquency might be punished. This statute reads as follows:

Section 1892—If any officer of this state, or any county, town, or other municipal corporation therein, other than the Governor. Justices of the Supreme Court, or members of the legislative assembly, shall wilfully and knowingly charge, take or receive any fee or compensation other than that authorized or permitted by law, for any official service or duty performed by such officer, or shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform any duty or service perfaning to his office. or shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform any duty or service pertaining to his office, with intent to injure or defraud any one, or shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform such duty or service to the injury of any one, or the mainfest hindrance or obstruction of public justice or business, whether such injury, hindrance or obstruction was particularly intended or not, such officer, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than six months nor more than one year, or by imprisonment in the county jall not less than three months nor more than one year, or by a fine of not less than \$50 our more than \$50 our more than \$50 our more than office with or without either or any of such punishments.

If it became necessary to resort to this

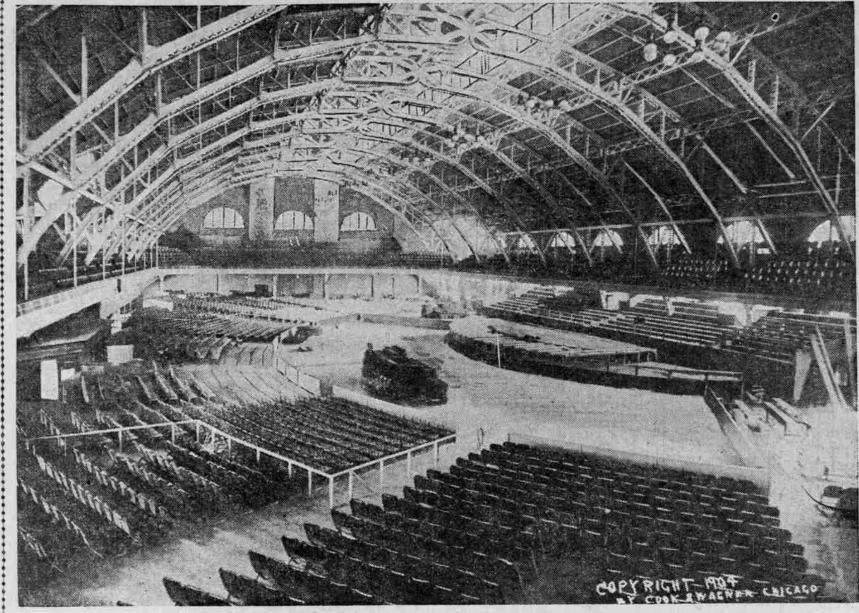
the circuit court. From the verdict of the jury the accused official would learn of his expulsion from public office.

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SCENE OF REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION OF 1908

Receiver Hill's Statement Is Ready for Federal Court.

OUTLOOK SAID TO BE GOOD

Promising Prospect, According to Receiver, That Title Guarantee & Trust Company Will Eventually Pay in Full.

Receiver George H. Hill, of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, will file his report on the condition of the defunct bank this morning with Judge Wolverton in Federal Court. He has completed the statement he will submit to the court showing just what the status of the bank is and of what the assets and liabilities

full." said Receiver Hill last night. "At any rate the outcome will be much bet-ter than people think after having read what has been published about the bank n the papers. The bank will undoubtreal estate market and practically everything else goes to smash, which seems very unlikely. If that happened, it would be difficult to realize fully on our bill receivable and that would, of course make the payment of the bank's cred-lters difficult.
"Assets of the bank are over \$3,000,000.

Deposits are approximately \$2,000,000. Careful administration of the bank's affairs and the proper disposition of the assets should pay off the claims against the bank in full. Of course, this very desirable ending depends a good deal upon real estate and other conditions but there is every reason to believe that everything will terminate satisfactorily. "Now that the report has been completed, a vigorous campaign of collec-tion of outstanding accounts will be started. It is not our intention to be harsh with debtors and we will not crowd them unduly but bills receivable will be realized upon just as fast as is consist-ent with the best interests of the bank." The savings account have been guaranteed by W. M. Ladd in a statement anteed by W. M. Ladd in a statement made some time ago. Trust funds are also secured for the trust accounts are the preferred creditors. The largest creditor of the bank is the banking firm of Ladd & Tilton, whose claim amounts to about \$600,000. Second in size to this account is that of the American Surety Company, whose payment of the state's deposit in the bank makes that firm a

creditor to the amount of \$39,000.

The trust funds are provided for as these accounts were filed a few days before the bank closed its doors. the best assets of the closed bank are the Marquam building and the Commer-cial block, while real estate held by various holding companies is valuable and may be converted into cash without

GAMBLING RAIDS CEASE

Chinese Appear to Be Enjoying Season of Immunity.

For the past four days no Chinese gam bling raids have been made by fire police. Whether this lethargy on the part of the dinions can be ascribed to Attorney Dan Malarkey's policy of demanding separate jury trial for each of the accused, or to the absence of Detective Tom Kay, the leader of the Chinatown squad, remains to be guessed, but the fact remains that since Friday night none of the Celestial samblers have been taken to the station. gamblers have been taken to the station The trial of Ah Jew, another of the bunch of 30 gamblers caught by Detective Sergeant Baty and Detectives Price and Coleman on the night of November 28 will be held today in the Municipal Court. Malarkey will go ahead with his policy of demanding jury trials, and according to law this request must be granted. Persons acquainted with police circles give this move of Mr. Malarkey's as the give this move of Mr. Malarkey's as the real cause of the sudden bull in gambling raids. It is a well-known fact in police circles that an officer does not care to at-tend court, for, outside of the loss of time and annoyance in the grillings which officers are usually given by lawyers for the defense, attendance in court means that the officer's time off duty is broken

For this reason, it is surmised by a creat many persons intimate with the ing has ceased.

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Detective Kay's absence may have something to do with the luli. Kay is well acquainted with the wily manners of the Chinese, and during the time that he has had charge of Chinatown he has done more to break up gambling than any other officer.

Six Hives of Bees Are Robber's Loot

Thief Invades Premises of G. Gross and Carries Away His Bees and Their Produce.

"S TUNG!" might have been the dis-East Fourteenth street, when he discov ered yesterday that someone had carried away his six hives of bees, leaving not even a drop of honey behind. When Mr. Grass went out to his aviary yesterday, intending to pry off the lid of one of the lives and extract a dripping comb of condensed sweetness, it was to find hives, bees and honey missing.

After conducting a "rigid" investigation of the neighborhood (all investigations are girld and finding nobody who had

are rigid) and finding nobody who had any number of just plain, common-p bees, it occurred to Mr. Grass that the police, who are often said to be drones, might be able to locate the missing honey. The police have been asked to find straying dogs, stolen wives and any num ber of odd things, for it is on record tha a thief once stole a red-hot stove, but this is the first known instance of the police department being routed out to search for bee-stealers. Anyhow, two de ectives took the trail armed with micro copes. Their plan of campaign is to go over the bare skin of each member of a gang of small boys of the neighborhood, who is suspected in the hope of finding traces of the hives.

SIGNAL STATION HELD UP

Cape Hancock Will Have to Await Action by Congress.

That the Weather Bureau at Washing-ton has no authority to establish a new signal station at Cape Hancock, and that an appropriation for that purpose will have to be secured from Congress, is the information conveyed by a letter received recently by Edward W. Beals in charge of the local Weather Bureau The communication is from Willis S Moore, Chief of the United State Weather Bureau at Washington. Under the appropriation bill passed by Congress last Winter the authority to establish new stations was eliminated. provide for the station at Cape Hancock it will now be necessary to bring the matter to the attention of Oregon's delegation in Congress, which the local Chamber of Commerce is arranging to do. Mr. Moore's letter is as follows: "In answer to your letter of the 23d instant, relative to the establishing of another station at Cape Hancock or Fort Canby, permit me to say that the Weather Bureau has no authority under the present law to establish additional stations or to construct additional build-ings, and the estimates forwarded by the ecretary to the appropriation committee of Congress do not provide for addi-tional stations or buildings for the next fiscal year. The authority to establish additional stations was eliminated from appropriation bill by Congress last

After Hatchery Site.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Fish Warden Van Dusen is negotiating with the Portland Railway. Light & Power Company for the purchase of a tract of land below the company's dam in the Clackamas River near Cazadero on which to establish a salmon hatchery. During to establish a salmon hatchery. Durin the past season the state fisheries depar-ment maintained a station at that poin ment maintained a station at that point, securing 2,500,000 Chinook eggs. During the past few weeks thousands of silversides have gone over the Cazadero dam through the new fishery and to the natural spawning grounds in the upper

Robbers Beat Woman. SEATTLE, Dec. 8.—The sleeping apartment of Mrs. James A. Wood, wife of the A.-Y.-P. Commissioner-General to the Jamestown Exposition, was entered early today by burglars, who after striking Mrs. Wood over the head with a revolver and threatening to kill her if she interfered, robbed her. of several pieces of jewelry. The robbers escaped.

INEXPENSIVE FOR CHRISTMAS.

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Special Meeting to Take Up Street Improvements.

HOLIDAYS HOLD UP WORK

As Soon as Ended Provision Will Be Made for Carrying Out Large Number of Projects-Contractors Suffer.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held, probably one week from tomorrow, as now intended, to set in motion the machinery for clearimportant matters that have been tied up during the bank holidays. Urgent business demands a session of the body at the earliest practicable time, but there must be some delay in order to give the public opportunity to file re

monstrances against proposed work.

An immense volume of business has been tied up during the legal irolldays, mostly improvement work. This cre-ated what was considered a most serious situation last week, when the heads of the various municipal departments in a conference to devise means of relief. Contractors, he stat ed, were facing bankruptcy, and must have some of the money due them for city work; but on that date Governor Chamberlain announced that the bank colidays would be lifted December 14 and no action was taken at the meet

City Auditor Barbur, during the holl days, has had his office force at work clearing up all business that had ac-cumulated, and he said yesterday that everything is in readiness, so far as he is iconcerned, to start the great bulk of improvement work the minute Governor Chamberlain lifts the ban. While the legal holidays are to be ended Saturday, December 14, it is thought wise by Mayor Lane and other ity officials to postpone the special council meeting until Wednesday, Decomber 16, as this will give opportunity for remonstrances against proposed as-sessments for improvements throughout the city, should there be any who

The big accumulation of improve ment work that awaits the special meeting of the City Council is in de-

tall as follows: mprovement of Elia Street, War-ren Construction Company, improvement of East Sixth Street, Harry Howard, ONeil & Co., Concrete Construction Company contractors

Total Proposed assessments prepared for publication—
Goldsmith Street, completed, accepted Sept. 27, '07, contractor Pacific Bridge Company. \$ 26,781.15
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Leo Avenue, Keenan Bros. Co.,
part completed.
Marlon Avenue, Glebisch & Jop-

Marion Avenue, Gleblsch & Joplin

East Oak Street, Pacific Bridge
Company, accepted Oct. 25, '07.

East Taylor Street, Harry Howard
and Concrete Construction
Company, part completed.

East Twenty-fifth Street, Concrete Construction Company,
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Van Houten Street, Joplin &
Meeks, completed

Williamsette Blyd, H. J. Ewing,
part completed

East Eighteenth Street, sewer,
completed

ALASKA TIRED OF SWADDLING CLOTHES, SAYS MR. TOZIER.

Fully Two-thirds of People Demand Formation of Territory, Declares Fairbanks Lawyer.

"Fully two-thirds of the Alaskans de mand a territorial form of government,' said Leroy Tozier, a lawyer of Fairbanks at the Oregon last night. "As a better means of presenting our claims to Congress, the residents of this territory are organizing themselves into political par tles and in that way hope to gain selfgovernment more quickly than through lack of organized effort.

"In opposing territorial government Governor Hoggatt does not voice the wishes of more than one-third of its inhabitants, President Roosevett has a better conception of our wants than our own Governor will confess. In his message to Congress the President recom-mends a legislative branch for the gov-ernment of Alaska as declared for in the platform adopted at the Republican convention held at Juneau November 14 last. At this convention delegates from two of the three fudicial districts, of which Nome and Fairbanks are the principal cities, combined and declared for a complete territorial form of government whereupon Governor Hoggatt and his as-sociates bolted the convention, which proceeded to elect Judge James L. Wickersham a delegate to the Republican Na

tional convention.
"The chairman of the Republican convention has issued a call for another meeting to be held at Ketchikan next May, when a delegate will be nominated to succeed Thomas Cale, our present delegate to Congress. The people of the territory are now complaining seriously against the practice of permitting the judges, who are appointive by the President, in turn to appoint commissioners and to regulate the liquor traffic. These matters will probably be taken up at this session of Congress and amended to sat-isfy the people.
"While I am not sure the time has ar-

rived that we should have an unre-stricted territorial form of government still I believe we should be provided with some legislative body in which we can enact at least a part of our own laws. Alaska has a ponulation of 60,000, or more than that of Nevada when that territory was admitted to statehood. We are not as remote as some of the non-contiguous dependencies which are allowed a legis-lative form of government. In view of these facts, we cannot but feel that when our position and our needs are better understood, Congress will grant our ap-

peals for self-government."

Mr. Tozier is a native of Portland and has been in the interior of Alaska since 1897. In the practice of law at Pairbanks he is associated with Albert R. Heilig, a brother of Calvin Heilig. Mr. Tozler firmly believes that with a slight effort through its commercial organiza-tions Portland can get a large part of the Alaskan trade. He considers that it is a mistake for them to pay all of their attention to markets more convenient of access when such a resourceful field is offered to the North.

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Will Act for Surety Co. and State in Bank Inquiry.

CLOSE SCRUTINY PROMISED

Searchlight on Title Guarantee & Trust Company's Acts-Treasurer Steel's Personal Bond of \$50,-000 Remains in Effect.

It is doubly certain that if there were any fraudulent transactions in connection with the management of the Title Guar antee & Trust Company, the guilty persons will be prosecuted. In addition to the investigation that is being conducted by District Attorney Manning, who is gathering some strong evidence in support of the indictment charging the officers of the bank with receiving deposits when they knew the institution to be inwhen they knew the institution to be in-solvent, United States Attorney Bristol, who has been retained as special coun-sel by the American Surety Company, the largest individual creditor of the sus-pended bank, will also make an examina-tion of its administration.

"Haying just been appointed to look

"Having just been appointed to look after the interests of the American Sure-ty Company, I am not prepared at this time to make any statement other than to say I propose to Investigate the af-fairs of the bank closely, and will pro-ceed on the facts as I find them," said Mr. Bristol yesterday. "I do not know what the condition of the bank is but that will be the purpose of the examina-tion I shall make. Until that is done I will not be in a position to announce what will follow."

Saturday when the American Surety Company agreed to reimburse the state for nearly \$460,000 that had been de-posited with the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, the state not only surrendered to the bonding company all of the se-curities and other collateral it had received from the bank together with all other rights it might have had to appear in the courts, but it also appointed and empowered Mr. Bristol special attorney for the surety company with the right to bring suit either in the name of the state or that of the company in what-ever litigation might be found necessary to bring against the bank and its of-ficers. With this authority Mr. Bristol is doubly fortified to make such investigations and to conduct such prosecu-tions he may conclude. That he will extions he may conclude. That he will exercise every right vested in him by the state goes without question in view of the announcement by F. W. Lafrentz, controller for the American Surety Company who has declared that it is the policy of his company to bring to account those guilty of questionable banking methods, particularly when the company sustains a loss of several thousand dollars as will probably prove the case in that of the suspended Portland bank. At the conference between the state officials and the representatives of the surety company Saturday, when the claims of the state were satisfied in full, claims of the state were satisfied in full, the men who executed the first bond of \$50,000 and by which State Treasurer Steel qualified for the office he holds, refused to participate in the proceedings or to assume any part of the liability of the principal. As a result this bond, while it is not recognized by Governor Cham-berlain, remains in force and effect. It was not included among the assets that were turned over by the state to the surety company in consideration of its full settlement of all claims. This bond was executed and filed with Governor

was executed and filed with Governor Chamberlain at Salem in July, 1906, and is signed by J. Thorburn Ross, Louis G. Clarke, J. H. Peterson, J. W. Cook, M. B. Rankin and Wallace McCamant.

Mr. Bristol will begin an immediate investigation of the character of the securities and other collateral the security company holds against the bank. He would not indicate yesterday the details of his proposed examination of the bank and its records but if there is discovered anything crooked, it is safe to predict that severe action will be taken. Surety companies do not make a practice of paying claims of nearly \$500,000 in one lump without making effort either to be reimbursed or to punish those who are responsible for inflicting such a heavy

PAY "HOLDBACKS" IN DRIBS Depositors' Association Will Peti-

Depositors in the Oregon Trust & Sav Depositors in the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank who have participated in the reorganization plan have asked President Day of the Depositors' Association to call a meeting and frame a petition to the court asking that those depositors who have not signed for telephone bonds, bank stock or certificates of deposit, in lieu of a part of their deposits in the bank, be said from the free court of the be paid from the funds of the bank in small installments. It is suggested that these payments be from 3 to 5 per cent each month of the total amount on de-posit. This petition is provisional upon the reorganization being successful through this disposition of deposits not

tion Court for Order.

yet subscribed.

The depositors who have helped in the reorganization plan represent nine-tentlis of the whole body of creditors. This plan will give the bank a little time to realize on its securities so that . can pay the demands upon it. It is felt that those who have not cared to take bonds or bank stock should aid the reorganization in some way and hope is entertaine that the court will make such an orde as is in accordance with justice. The executive board of the Depositor

Association will meet within the days and will consider the calling of this meeting and the drafting of such a peti-

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