

CHARGES MADE AGAINST DR. COE

Violation of Contract With Inland Irrigation Company Alleged.

\$102,411 HELD TO BE DUE

Statement Alleges False Showing by Portland Physician, but Is Not Answer to Suit for \$1,400,000 Already Filed.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, of Portland, is charged with having grossly, wilfully and wrongfully violated every term of his contract with the Inland Irrigation Company.

The statement is a lengthy document and gives in detail, for the first time, the charges which have been made against Dr. Coe.

The document is signed by the Inland Irrigation Company, by E. P. Marshall, vice-president, and E. H. Irwin, secretary.

It is set forth in the statement filed that on July 2, 1916, Dr. Coe had collected all the sums of \$102,411, in various ways, from lands owned by the company.

When the strength of the false showing made, it is asserted, is conditional, extension of time was granted Dr. Coe in making payments.

COE HOLDS COUNTER-CLAIMS Portland Physician Says All His Transactions Are Legal.

"I have counter claims against the furnish people to offset all of their claims, and probably \$10,000 in addition," said Dr. H. W. Coe last night.

"All my collections were made under agreement with furnish. I have an bill of \$20,000 in commissions which remains unpaid, and many other bills besides. The whole matter will be settled in the courts, where it will be properly determined who is right."

"The statement that I duplicated notes or carried on any other transaction not altogether in good faith is absolutely false."

"The meat of the whole situation is that when I left for the Orient I turned over to furnish and the trustees sufficient contracts upon which one-third or one-half of the payments had been made by buyers of land to pay off all the balances against the company, including the bonds and every other debt except that which they owe me."

"Beyond the claims which furnish had against the company he had no interest in the enterprise. At the time I left for the Orient the relatives of furnish had sworn to the United States Government that they had paid \$20,000 into the treasury of the company, which sum of money had not been paid to the trustee. At this time the Inland Irrigation Company was out of debt. Besides the bonds held by furnish and me, I had already put in some \$20,000 in the Diamond reserve, and had arranged to raise additional money. My main misfortune was in confiding to furnish, whom I considered a trusted partner, the plans which I had in hand."

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ing. Case, accompanied by an old man named Williams, was returning to his home and was opposite to Nicholas's house met Dr. C. A. Stuart in his automobile driving towards this city. Case was driving a double team—one a young colt that he was breaking and the team became frightened at the machine.

Seeing the fear of one of the horses, Dr. Stuart slowed down his machine and finally came to a full stop. Case happened to be driving a double team.

Case had a heavy refrigerator in the wagon and when he felt this heavy icebox fell on top of him. Williams was thrown from the wagon and landed astride a barbed wire fence.

Dr. Stuart helped down by Dr. Stuart. The team, released by the parting of the gear at the coupling, ran for home and was standing quietly in the farm yard when found by Williams.

Williams was not seriously injured, suffering but a few slight cuts and bruises. When the refrigerator was removed from the wagon it was found to be seriously injured and was bleeding profusely.

Dr. Stuart bound up his wounds temporarily and taking him to his office in the Willamette building.

Careful examination of Mr. Case revealed the fact that his nose was broken. He had a bad cut in the back of his head, and a second cut across the front and top of his head allowed a section of the scalp to fall down over his eyes.

It is not thought that serious complications will arise.

IDAHO PROPOSES LAWS COUNTRY LIFE COMMISSION IS DIRECTING LEGISLATION.

Solons Plan to Bring Producer and Consumer Into Closer and Natural Relations.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 20.—(Special.)—The Country Life Commission of Idaho will play a prominent part in the molding of legislation in the coming session of the Legislature favorable to the farmer and designed to bring the producer and consumer into closer relationship.

Back of the commission are the Grange and the Farmer's Union.

Paul Clagstone, ex-Speaker of the House and defeated Republican candidate for Governor, will direct the launching of remedial measures along the following lines:

First, a pure seed law; second, noxious weed law; third, appropriations to the extent experiment work begun at last session; the commission believes every county should have an experimental station; fourth, amendments to the grain law regarding scientific and measures and money for the grain commission; fifth, an appropriation for a laboratory to check the spread of typhoid fever in rural districts; sixth, health laws, to allow strict inspection in rural districts.

The commission will also ask for the following memorials to Congress: First, requesting publication of the National Country Life Commission appointed by Roosevelt, and for a continuation of the work.

Second, asking for an amendment allowing preliminary surveys for reclamation of swamp-land in the United States, to provide homes and improve sanitary conditions.

Third, asking for the completion of the soil survey of Idaho.

Neighbors Help Make Arrests for Robbing Fruit Cellar.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Though William Nuckols, a Stanton rancher, awoke yesterday morning and found that in the night his cellar door had been pried from its hinges and that a grocery quantity of canned fruit and his overcoat had been taken, he was angry.

Not waiting to notify the officers in this city he called two neighbors, Will Isaacs and J. Peterson, and started in pursuit. By means of a light fall of snow which covered the ground they were able to track the burglars 10 miles to Vansycle station, where they found them asleep in the bunkhouse of a grain warehouse.

The two men, Jack Wilson and Steve Selner, protested their innocence they were placed under arrest by the self-appointed officers and this morning were brought to Pendleton and turned over to Sheriff Taylor.

GILL'S RECALL DEMANDED Petition Filed in Seattle Contains 11,300 Names, 631 of Women.

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—The petition for the recall of Mayor W. H. Gill, which is charged with permitting gambling and other vice to be conducted by syndicates which paid for their privileges, was filed in the Controller's office today by executive committee of the Public Welfare League.

The Public Welfare League has already checked the petition, and has stricken out all names that are not questionable. There are 2699 names in excess of the required number to insure a recall election. The Controller has 10 days in which to check the names and send the petition to the Council, which must call the election in not less than 60 days. Hence the election will take place late in January or early in February.

FISH "TRUST" CASE FAILS California Court Dismisses Charge of Law's Violation.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The prosecution of the so-called fish trust case to an end today when Judge Cabanis dismissed the charge of conspiracy in restraint of trade against the Western Fish Company and Frank Brune, a minor member of the alleged combine.

Tull & Gibbs, Inc. Morrison at Seventh

Splendid Christmas Displays, Trustworthy Merchandise and a Store Service for Your Convenience and Comfort Are the Inducements of This Store to Christmas Shoppers.

Miss Grace Cameron to Preside in the Red Cross Booth Here Today From 3:30 to 4:30 P. M.

Dainty Miss Cameron, the talented comedienne who is appearing at the Bungalow this week in her latest success, "Nancy," is another favorite who, unsolicited, has offered her services to the American Red Cross.

Christmas Savings in Bedding

Special \$4.95 for sateen-covered and down-filled Comforters in Persian and floral designs. Regular price \$7.50.

Christmas Bargains Today in the Basement Store

Tobacco Jars, imported stoneware, in artistic shapes with sponge receptacle in covers. Decorated. Special at \$1.38.

Christmas Savings in Furniture

\$3.25 Mission Book Rack in weathered oak—\$1.75. \$14.00 Shaving Stand in Mission design, weathered oak—\$6.95.

ACADEMY IS OUTGROWN TUALATIN TRUSTEES WOULD END PREPARATORY WORK.

Argument Advanced for Placing Pacific University in Class With Other Institutions.

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Case Seriously Injured Team, Affrighted by Auto, Overturns Wagon, Injuring Driver.

OREGON CITY, Dec. 20.—Clay Case, living near Parkplace, met with a serious accident at 11:30 o'clock this morn-

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Gift Suggestions Here a-Plenty This Week in the Special Christmas Selling of Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits and Dresses, Coats, Fine Furs, Etc.

The Toy Sale—One-Fourth Off ALL Toys

It's the event that is attracting hundreds of toy buyers to the Toy Store these days—This list hurriedly selected from the interesting gathering here.

- Tailored Suits that were \$25 and \$27.50—now \$13.85. Tailored Suits that were \$29.50 and \$32.50—now \$19.50. Tailored Suits that were \$35, \$40 and \$47.50—now \$29.50 only. Tailored Suits that were \$50, \$55, \$60 and \$69.50—now \$38.75. All of our Fancy Tailored Suits at... Half Price.

Rugs as Gifts Are Appreciated—These Bargains

- French Wilton Rugs 27x54 Reg. \$7.50 Special \$5.75. French Wilton Rugs 36x63 Reg. 10.00 Special 7.75. Royal Wilton Rugs 27x54 Reg. 5.50 Special 3.95.

Furniture A Few Gift Suggestions

- Telephone stands in fumed oak and golden oak, with swinging brackets and seats. Without brackets as low as \$7. Magazine Racks in fumed oak, as low as \$4.95.

ROBBERS ORDER SUPPER

CASTLE ROCK WOMAN IS COMPELLED TO COOK MEAL. Thieves Make Their Demands Known in Writing—Secure Some Money; Overlook Larger Sum.

NEW JAILER SUCCEEDS VETERAN.

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Wasco County has a new jailer, "Uncle John" Fitzgerald, who has been acting in that capacity more than 23 years, after a stroke of paralysis three weeks ago, from which he has not recovered, and the Sheriff was compelled to appoint John Beattie to take his place today.

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