

HARPER REJECTED AT PILES' REQUEST

Washington Collector Personally Obnoxious, Says Seattle Senator.

"BROTHER MATT" WILL WIN

Senate's Action Implies That Malcolm and Colwell Will Meet Same Fate to Please Bourne—Rudkin Confirmed as Judge.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 31.—The Senate today rejected the nomination of Frederick C. Harper as Collector of Customs for the State of Washington. This was done on the adverse report of the commerce committee, which was based on the statement that Harper was "personally objectionable."

The committee asked Piles for an explanation and none was given, nor was there any discussion of the nomination when it was adversely reported in executive session of the Senate this afternoon. Piles submitted the report, moved that Harper be rejected, and the Senate rejected his wishes.

Matt Piles Will Get Job.

This means that Harper cannot any longer retain his present office, notwithstanding his good record and his endorsement by Secretary of Treasury and President Taft. Another man must be named, and it is rumored that the President will accept the action of the Senate in good grace and send in the name of Matt Piles of Seattle, brother of the Senator.

Same Rule Applies to Malcolm.

Bourne was present today when Harper was rejected, but made no move to secure rejection of the nomination of Collector Malcolm, of Oregon. It is probable, in view of today's action on Harper, that Malcolm will soon be rejected, because Bourne made the same plea against Malcolm that Piles made against Harper. In the light of the precedent established in the Harper case, neither committee nor Senate can inquire into why Malcolm may be objectionable to Bourne, but must accept his word.

What is true of Malcolm is also true of this President's truist, Marshall Colwell. The Senate after rejecting Harper confirmed Judge F. H. Rudkin, of the Washington Supreme bench, as United States District Judge for Eastern Washington, there being no opposition whatsoever to him in the Senate. He will take his seat on the 15th inst. and has arranged to relinquish his state judgeship.

JUDGE HUNT IS CONFIRMED

Senate Overrules Objection and Commerce Court Is Complete.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Five of President Taft's appointments of United States Circuit Judges were confirmed by the Senate today. They included William H. Hunt, of Montana, against whom a fight was made by Montana land owners; Robert W. Archibald, of Pennsylvania; Julian W. Mack, of Illinois, and John Emmett Carlund, of South Dakota, who were named as additional judges to serve on the new Commerce Court.

The other confirmation was that of Representative Walter L. Smith, to succeed Judge Willis Vandewater, who was promoted to the Supreme Court. Frank H. Rudkin was also confirmed as United States Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Nothing new stands in the way of Judge Hunt in the committee on judiciary, confirmation was not opposed in executive session today. In the case of Judge Smith, of Iowa, a separate vote was demanded by Bristol, but the Kansas Senator was the only member recorded against confirmation. Nothing new stands in the way of the organization of the Commerce Court. Martin A. Knapp, ex-chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who was named as presiding judge, was confirmed before the holiday recess.

WALKER REGISTER AT JUNEAU

Former Portland Land Official Appointed in Alaska.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 31.—President Taft today nominated Clyde H. Walker, of Idaho, as Register of the Juneau Land Office, Alaska. For a year Mr. Walker has been acting Register of the Juneau office, before that having been special agent of the Land Office at Portland.

Mr. Walker was in Portland about a year. At one time he was a newspaper man in Kansas City and Denver. He was in Seattle last fall when the Alaska coal land fraud cases were being tried, having been called as a witness.

Site Ordered at Vancouver.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 31.—The Secretary of the Treasury authorized the purchase of a public building site at Vancouver, Wash., on the east side of Park street, between 12th and 13th, for \$12,500. The property is owned by the corporation of the Catholic Bishop of Nisqually.

McCredie Recommends Stocking.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 31.—Representative McCredie today recommended the appointment of Frank L. Stocking as postmaster at Tacoma, ending a fight which started last Spring. There were seven other candidates.

PRISON TO BE PENALTY

Sportsmen Ask That Elk-Killing Bring Prison Term.

gars and obeats is asked, as a protection for deer. Willamette Valley sportsmen want the duck season to extend to March 1 instead of to February 15, as at present.

Convict-Label Bill for Naught.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—House bill No. 82 practically lost its value this morning in the Senate when it was reported favorably with amendments. The bill provides that all convict-made goods shall be so marked. The amendment, which was adopted, modified this by providing that no such marking will be required under the present Lowenberg-Goling contract, which covers convict-made goods in this state.

Aid Denied Attorney-General.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—The ways and means committee has denied Attorney-General Crawford additional assistance and increased pay for such assistants. In a bill introduced by Buchanan the Attorney-General was to be given one deputy at \$2100 per annum, another at \$1800 and a stenographer at \$1200 per annum. As reported by the committee this office is given one assistant at \$2000 and a stenographer at \$1050.

Candidates Must Be Lawyers.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—To obviate the difficulty of candidates being in the race for the office of Supreme Justice who are not credited members of the bar, Senator Snodgrass introduced a bill this morning which provides that no one, who is a candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court, may have his name written on

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Initiative Change Killed.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Jan. 31.—(Special.)—Intending to raise the number of petitioners required on an initiative petition from 8 per cent to 20 per cent, the resolution of Senator Barstow of Washington was indefinitely postponed today. A report on a resolution endorsing Representative Hawley's bill in Congress to provide pensions for veterans of the Indian wars was also adopted.

J. W. BAILEY INDICTED

NEGLECT TO PUBLISH REPORT IS SPECIFIC CHARGE.

Presentment for Libel Made Against Man Charged With Accusing Woman of Stealing.

J. W. Bailey, State Food and Dairy Commissioner, was indicted by the Multnomah County grand jury yesterday for neglect of official duty. The indictment was presented in the Circuit Court late in the forenoon, together with a batch of lesser bills.

In the indictment it is set out that Bailey is required by law to publish a monthly bulletin containing a report of all analytical and chemical examinations made by him of foods and food products. This, the jurors found, he has wholly failed to do.

The indictment recites that he knowingly and willfully failed, neglected and refused to perform his duty in this regard, adding that such conduct is a manifest hindrance to public justice and business.

G. E. Walling, a real estate man, was indicted for calling in question the honesty of Estella Atherton, cashier in a restaurant conducted by F. Thompson. Walling, the indictment shows, wrote a letter to Thompson signed "One Who Knows," and charging that the cashier was marking down checks in order to get tips from restaurant customers. In the letter Walling is represented as having advised the woman's employer to have her watched, adding that care would have to be taken, as she was "a wife one."

Investigation proved that the girl was honest. It is said, and the charges made against her were then taken up under the libel law. The jury found the evidence sufficient to hold Walling for libel.

Joseph Bennett was held for contributing to the delinquency of a minor child, Harry Harbison, for embossing \$25. Amos Warner for assaulting Marie Parker with a revolver, and John McNerney and John Sharp for attacking R. Heitner with a knife.

300 REPORTED KILLED

ISLE IN PHILIPPINES IS DESOLATED BY VOLCANO.

All Villages in Vicinity of Tamal Have Been Obliterated, Says Cablegram.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—All barrios or villages in the vicinity of Tamal have been obliterated. It is reported that one-third of the people in barrio Tible, in the municipality of Lemery, three children in Panjaja, and 12 people in Talaya were drowned by the tidal wave. Lemery and Talaya are almost deserted.

It is reported by Governor Forbes that a passing acquaintance with the doctrine which he advocates.

U'Ren Now Under Salary.

By announcing his temporary retirement from the profession of the law to enter the service, under salary, of Mr. Fels, W. S. U'ren, of Oregon City, caused some surprise last night at the Masonic Temple, where a large audience was present to hear a discussion of the doctrine of single tax. Mr. U'ren said, when he was introduced by D. Soles Cohen, that he had been misrepresented and that he desired to explain.

FELS SECOND BEST IN LIVELY DEBATE

Reception Guests Proclaim Single Tax Advocate With Pointed Questions.

VANCOUVER'S CASE CITED

Victoria, With Same System, Militantly Not "Live Town" Charge That Oregon Is Most "Corrupt State," Hearsay.

Joseph Fels, millionaire single tax advocate, was the target of some pointed questions from some prominent Portland men at an informal affair at the home of Mrs. Solomon Hirsch, Monday night.

Many who heard the cross-examination were wondering yesterday if Mr. Fels did not come off second best.

There were present at the gathering J. R. Wilson, president of the Portland Academy; Dr. A. J. Giesy, I. N. Fleischer, Ben Selling, J. N. Teal and Sig Sichel. Mr. Fels was accompanied by W. S. U'ren, Daniel Keifer and Robert Scott.

When asked to give his views upon the subject of the "single tax," Mr. Fels dealt with the progress of the cause, mentioning its success in Vancouver, B. C., and other points. He held that the French revolution was due to the lack of such a tax as proposed by Henry George, and that the tax was the one preventive of the encroachments of the rich.

Weyerhaeuser Taken as Text.

Mr. Fels was applauded when he arose to speak. He said that Frederick Weyerhaeuser owned 59,000,000 acres of land.

"His Weyerhaeuser got a contract with Almighty God to have so much land, to will as he chooses and leave without producing anything," said Mr. Fels. "If he has, then I will make a contract with him to make my prayers to God." Referring to England's recent land legislation, the speaker said it was a great step forward, for it permitted for the first time since that "old-fashioned man, Elizabeth, lived" an appraisal of the land values of England.

"When that is in vogue," said the speaker, "some of the Lords or Dukes wearing top hats on their heads, will be to acquire. You know it is an old saying that when England begins to sneeze all the world coughs."

Robert Scott, of Winnipeg, told about the working of the single tax theory in Western Canada. E. S. J. McAllister aided in the introduction of the speaker. Daniel Keifer, president of the Fels fund, was at the door, with Alanson M. Hines, to receive subscriptions for the Fels fund.

ROUTE CHANGE IS URGED

SULLIVAN'S GULCH SEWER DISTRICT MAKES SUGGESTION.

By Ending Main Conduit at East Fifty-First Street It Is Said Saving of \$100,000 Possible.

That from \$100,000 to \$150,000 may be saved to the property owners in Sullivan's Gulch sewer district east of Laurelhurst, including Center Addition, North Mount Tabor and Montavilla, by changing the route of the trunk conduit, was the unanimous sentiment of a representative meeting held last night under auspices of the Montavilla Board of Trade. The subject was gone into thoroughly.

Surveyor Great, of Center Addition, surveyed the new route asked for and had his maps and figures at the meeting to verify the claim that this big saving can be made. According to his statement a saving of more than \$100,000 can be made by running the main conduit from Montavilla into Sullivan's Gulch on East Fifty-first street instead of extending the sewer to East Twenty-ninth street and then excavating a tunnel to Sullivan's Gulch at a great cost.

It was said at the meeting that great necessary expense will be put on the shoulders of the property owners east of Laurelhurst if the present routes are followed out in constructing this big sewer system.

It was also announced that the territory of the Sullivan's Gulch sewer system had been cut down from 4600 to 1988 acres, all of which, it was averred, would pile up the cost on the suburban territory. It was decided to make a formal protest against the present route, and in order to secure the co-operation of the entire interested territory, it was moved to hold a mass meeting in Montavilla on an early date.

Charles Hyle, A. Allen and H. B. Dickinson were appointed to secure a hall and call this meeting. The City Engineer will be asked to attend or send a representative to explain why the present route was selected. Also maps and figures will be presented to show how the big saving can be made by changing the route.

A resolution was adopted endorsing the franchise asked for by the Mount Hood Railroad Company from the Barr Road to the Willamette River. A delegation of farmers was present from the district with a petition asking for the extension of Villa avenue from Rockwood to the Fairview, signed by men representing property valued at \$5,000,000. It was moved to assist the extension every way possible.

One Dead, Four Injured by Fire.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Mrs. Mary Cella jumped to her death and her two daughters were probably fatigued

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