

FACTIONS DISRUPT NATIONAL GUARD

Washington Legislators Recommend All Above Captain to Be Retired.

FEW EXCEPTIONS ARE MADE

Report of Investigators Blames Colonel Lamping for Condition of Militia - Bookkeeping System Is Lax.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Declaring that the Washington National Guard is so divided by two factions that officers are quitting the militia and recruits are refusing to enlist, the special legislative investigating committee recommended to the Senate this evening that every officer above the rank of captain be retired, excepting the Adjutant-General, Assistant Adjutant-General and the medical corps.

The report says the Coast Artillery has controlled the administration of the militia for years and that the officers of the infantry have been refused consideration in practically everything. George E. Lamping, formerly Colonel, is blamed as being responsible in a large measure for the present demoralized condition of the Guard.

On motion of Senator Stevenson, of Asotin, one of the members of the committee, the report was made a special order for 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. The report says in part:

Two Factions Seen. The National Guard of Washington is composed in part of ambitious and patriotic officers and enlisted men. Unfortunately there are two pronounced factions, one headed by Colonel Matt H. Gormley and nearly, if not all, of the higher officers belonging to the Coast Artillery. The other faction is headed by Colonel Otto A. Case and nearly, if not all, of the officers who should belong to the infantry. The former have for years absolutely controlled the administration of affairs of the National Guard, being able to dictate who should be Adjutant-General and having been able to secure for themselves and for their friends among the officers, rapid promotion and advancement. The latter have not benefited by this condition were often unjustly superseded by officers formerly their juniors.

Referring to Colonel George E. Lamping, retired, the report says: "He paid practically no attention to the administration of the affairs of the National Guard; he adopted no policies for its upbuilding; he rendered little if any assistance to the various company commanders in the performance of their work."

Retirement Is Provided. The report continues: "All officers of the National Guard above the grade of rank of Captain and now on duty therewith or upon waiting orders, are hereby relieved from further active duty and command and are hereby notified to accept of the rank and position of the National Guard of Washington from the date this act becomes effective; provided that this section shall not apply to the Adjutant-General or to the Medical Corps."

The report says that no proper bookkeeping was kept of the receipts of the money in the hands of Captain Denton Crow, of Spokane, and that the \$1029.55 which had not been accounted for by Crow, at the time the investigation commenced, has been paid over to the State Treasurer.

Deficiency Fund Asked. The committee recommends that \$22,228 be appropriated to cover the deficiency of the biennial and urged that the appropriation for the next biennial be sufficiently large to maintain the Guard at the highest possible state of efficiency.

The report is signed by Senators Landon and Stevenson and Representatives Behrman, Chalmers and Denton. By 48 to 41 the House defeated a bill which would have made it a misdemeanor for any elective officer to have signed a pledge for or against any measure, provided a pledge had not been filed with the County Auditor ten days before election.

Before the measure was voted down several speeches were made by members protesting against the flood of requests they were compelled to consider from persons desiring to pledge them on legislation.

Primary Bills Postponed. Consideration of other measures was made possible by postponing until tomorrow afternoon bills affecting the direct primary, which had been made a special order for today. This decision was not reached until 10 o'clock. As there are many bills proposing changes in the primary law, the House found it difficult to determine which bills to consider. It was evident that the author of each believed his bill was the most important.

By 75 to 3 the House passed a Senate bill making it a gross misdemeanor for any judge of a court not of record to use vile or improper language during the trial of a case.

A bill requiring all County Commissioners in counties having cities of more than 100,000 population to establish public morgues was passed, 52 to 27. The House postponed indefinitely a bill which would have prevented companies employing large numbers of laborers from contracting with laymen for the professional services of physicians. In support of the bill Ghent, a physician, said it was the practice of large logging companies to arrange with lay contractors who agree to provide hospital services for injured employees. He said local doctors were therefore required to come down to the prices of outside combinations.

Bills passed in the Senate were: Senate Bill—Establishing standard for condensed milk and butter, similar to the Oregon law. Senate Bill—For safety of passengers and employees of railroads. Senate Bill—Providing for election of city attorneys in office beyond claim. Senate Bill—Permitting termination of special tax levy. Engrossed House Bill—Relating to qualifications of applicants for admission to the bar. Senate Bill—Amending anti-cigarette law. Senate Bill—Re-classifying counties of the state.

ROAD METHOD OPPOSED Cottage Grove Citizens Sue County for Use of General Fund.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The complaint in an injunction suit to restrain the County Court of Lane County from paying for road and bridge repairs and the salaries of road

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CORVALLIS & ALSEA RIVER ROAD IS BUILT.

Portland, Eugene & Eastern Company Takes Over Line—Salem-Eugene Gap to Be Spanned.

CORVALLIS, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—It was announced here today that the Corvallis & Alsea River Railway has been sold to the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Company. The stock of the Corvallis & Alsea River Railway was held by Corvallis people, the road being a local line from Corvallis to Monroe in Benton County and engaged largely in the logging business.

The deal with the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Company embodies exchange of the C. & A. R. stock for stock in the P. E. & E. road, and it is announced that the president of the local road and the principal stockholder, Stephen Carver, and a majority of the other stockholders have already made the transfer.

The line will be electrified at once, and it is expected to have the motor cars running within two months. The taking over of the Corvallis & Alsea River Road completes another link in the system the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Company will have extending through the Willamette Valley when its various scattered branches are connected.

The Corvallis-Monroe line will be at once extended to close the gap between Salem and Eugene. The new line will cross the Willamette at Corvallis and follow the east bank north to Salem via Albany. From Monroe it will extend on the west side to Eugene.

The proposed county bridge across the Willamette at Corvallis will be widened and strengthened to carry the electric road.

Another important improvement contemplated with the river crossing is a levee to prevent overflow of the big reservoir behind the Corvallis dam, through which the new road will run.

This move by the P. E. & E. Company places Corvallis on the long-desired through line to Portland, and the announcement of the extensive programme is received with great satisfaction here. Incidentally, the coming of the new road will definitely end the Corvallis problem at Corvallis. Opposition to the county bridge may now be overcome, as South Benton will have as vital interest in the structure as the county seat and vicinity.

APPLE GRADES ADOPTED

EXTRA FANCY, STANDARD AND "C" ARE AGREED UPON.

Scab Size of Nickel Will Be Permitted in Standard—Selling Plan Meets Approval.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Fruitgrowers representing the various districts of the Northwest, talking at once got little to business. As a result the first day's work shows agreement on a uniform system of grading apples, in which red varieties are to show 75 per cent color and part-colored varieties 60 per cent. The standard is the same, save that a slight tinge of scab, size of nickel and lack of color is permissible. "C" grade includes all other merchantable apples.

The scab clause in the standard grade was secured by C. H. Sprout of Hood River, who said the apple industry of Oregon would be seriously affected if scab were not allowed to exist in standard apples. It is against the Washington law, but will be permitted in Oregon shipments.

The establishment of the central selling agency seems certain, there being no opposition so far as can be ascertained. A committee of seven is working on the details of a plan similar to that of the fruit exchange of California and it is probable that it will be adopted tomorrow or Thursday.

YOUNG HUSBAND IS HELD

Portland Dental Student Accused of Failure to Support Wife.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—N. C. Butler, said to be the son of a wealthy Portland attorney and a student at the Pacific Northwest Dental College in Portland, who is charged with having deserted his wife, Bertha Butler, in Redding, Cal., last July, was bound over by justice of the Peace Dox at Jacksonville today in \$200 bail, which at a late hour he had not given.

The couple were married in Redding, Cal., in February, 1910. Mr. Butler testified that he had about \$1000 in the bank, all of which was spent by the defendant. In July, she declared, after she had become ill, Butler left her in Redding and went to the home of his father in Portland. She followed him there some time afterwards, but he refused to recognize her. Since then, he said, she has worked in Ashland.

The defense produced no witnesses, although Butler, who was arrested by the police of Portland upon a telegraphic request from here, was in court. Ralph Butler, father of N. C. Butler, contends that the marriage is void, because Mrs. Butler had not been divorced from her former husband six months when she was married to his son.

CARD OF THANKS.

Friends kindly accept thanks for sympathy shown us during illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Andrew F. Freeman, who died Feb. 27, 1911. MRS. JULIA A. FREEMAN AND FAMILY.

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BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Legislative leaders today are gasping over the sensational developments that took place last night in a session of the joint legislative investigation committee, when ex-Governor Gooding faced his accusers, who charged him with illegal conduct in 1906 with the so-called Emmitt bench land deal.

Fluic encounter almost resulted between Representative Hutton of Wallace and Gooding when the ex-Governor said Hutton, his accuser, was not a gentleman. Hutton retorted that Gooding for several minutes pandemonium reigned.

Witnesses told how they waited in line overnight to inspect the drawings, although first in line, were turned away with the information that the land had been filed upon. It was said that friends of state officials obtained the drawings. Gooding declared the attack on him is made by character-assassins organized for that purpose in the Democratic party.

Closing Days Bitter. Bitterness marks the closing of the 11th session of the Legislature to charges of corruption influence, railroad donation and disregard for party pledges. Two planks on which state interest was centered—the Railroad Commission and the constitutional amendment—were killed, the former by the Republicans of the Senate and the latter by Republican Representatives. Trading votes on county division measures was the means taken to dispose of the measures.

There is smugness between the two houses. It came out last week and held sway over the first few days of the last week of the session. The House resentful of the killing of the constitutional bill by the Senate and immediately passed a constitutional amendment for a Commission. The Senate shelved the measure by sending it to the corporation committee. The House resented openly. In turn it passed the Power County division bill that the Senate killed.

Another which was an insult to the House meant it as such. Complaints are made by the Senate that the House has held up Senate bills and as a result both houses are using the legislative process as a means of stalling and of importance to many sections of the state.

There are 14 Republican Senators. Eight refused to sign the bill. Senator Fisher, Democrat, and Coats, Republican, were pledged in their county platforms to vote against the measure. None of the other Republican Senators was pledged to vote against the measure.

Next Perce Sliced Twice. The Legislature today divided the County of Nez Perce into two counties through passage of the Lewis County division bill, naming Nez Perce as the county seat. The new county takes all of the territory of the Northwest portion of Nez Perce, or the wheat belt. It will be signed by the Governor tomorrow and a mass meeting will be held in the new county in the town of Clearwater. The bill was the first to divide Nez Perce. It takes off the western portion of the old county at the timber belt. It was signed today by Governor Hawley.

LEBANON CHURCH OPENED Methodists Dedicate New \$20,000 Edifice Last Sunday.

LEBANON, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Sunday was a notable day for the Methodists in the town of Lebanon, when the new \$20,000 church building erected in this city was formally dedicated by President Fletcher Homan, of Willamette University, assisted by Dr. J. T. Abbott and six other ministers, most of whom had at one time been pastor of the local church.

The new church was taxed to its limit to seat the 750 people who attended the morning and evening services. Over \$5000 was contributed at the three services towards paying for the new church.

The Dr. Homan preached the morning sermon and Dr. J. T. Abbott was the speaker for the evening. The laymen's meeting in the afternoon R. A. Booth was one of the chief speakers. J. R. Van Winkle, of Albany; W. M. Brown, Mayor of Medford; N. M. Newport, all of this city, were the other speakers.

A chorus choir of 40 voices, under the direction of E. H. Day, of this city, furnished the music for the day.

RIDE STOLEN; FOOT LOST

Portland Man Severely Injured in Trying to Board Freight Train.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Charles E. Meader, aged 30 years, residing at 425 Clinton street, Portland, had one foot nearly cut off and was badly bruised and possibly injured internally by being run over by a freight train which he was trying to board at Pacific and Eleventh streets this afternoon.

He is said to have been trying to steal a ride. He had been employed as a cook by the Northern Pacific and was taken to the company's hospital. His condition tonight is precarious and amputation of the foot was found necessary.

FILM HOUSE TO BE HUGE

New Sullivan & Considine Enterprise in Seattle to Set Mark.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The largest moving picture show house in the world is soon to be completed in Seattle, John W. Considine, having completed arrangements to convert the present Orpheum Theatre at Third and James street into a film house as soon as the Orpheum shows are playing in the new house, now under course of construction at the corner of Third avenue and Madison street. The present Orpheum has a seating capacity of 2600, and the highest price for any seat under the film arrangement will be 10 cents. The house will be run according to the system prevailing in the film business, and using only first-run films. These will be carefully censored and such features as now tend to bring the business into ill repute with churches and other discriminating influences will be avoided.

Mr. Considine contemplates adding vaudeville features to the film entertainment as the Sullivan & Considine circuit always has acts of sufficient class available to its booking office, and can consequently supply them at lowest cost to themselves. It is expected that the new Orpheum will be ready to be opened by the last Monday in April or the first of May. The house will open not more than a week later.

CONVICT IS INNOCENT

CONFESION OF FELLOW-PRISONER CLEARS OVERDORF.

Pardon Issued After Several Months' of Sentence of One Year Have Been Served.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—The real criminal, fled by fellow-prisoner in the penitentiary, Benjamin Overdorf, who has already served several months of a year's sentence in the penitentiary, was today pardoned by Governor West. His absolute innocence of crime, and accordingly he was pardoned today. Arthur Barrett, a prisoner also serving a sentence of a year for the same crime, completely exonerated his companion and told how Overdorf was the victim of circumstances.

Overdorf was made to believe that he was a regularly deputized officer, according to Barrett, and was taken to a man whom Barrett had made to appear as a criminal for whom there was a reward. For granting the man freedom on payment of \$50 and later securing \$50 from a saloonkeeper under threat of violence, Overdorf was captured and sentenced. Overdorf's connection with the affair was entirely innocent, Barrett says.

The real criminal, tells of meeting Overdorf in Duran on June 10, last, and of being introduced to him by the City Marshal as a man of experience in private detective work. He says he told of a \$2000 reward for the capture of Jack Monroe for feloniously entering the Hotel Phillips in Portland and killing of the hotel proprietor. He says he signed an agreement to give Overdorf half the reward and had him deputized by Justice Frazier. He also writes that a warrant for the arrest of Monroe.

The next day, he says, he hired a heavy team and drove to the Deschutes River where Monroe ran a "gallon-house." Monroe was then arrested and Barrett tells how he took Monroe apart from Overdorf and accepted \$50 to let him go.

Driving to the next "gallon-house," Barrett says, he gave the driver a dollar to buy whisky and thereupon told John Conroy, the proprietor, to choose between paying him and being arrested for selling whisky illegally. Conroy, he says, gave him the money and the next day both men were arrested for June 20. Barrett affirms that he and he alone investigated the scheme and carried it out, enemies of the law went into it in good faith and had no way of knowing but that he was to assist in a legal arrest and to receive \$1000 for his work.

TESTIMONY HURTS HILLMAN Realty Dealer's Assistant Tells of Strange Use of Mails.

SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—C. J. Rowland occupied the witness stand most of the day in the trial of Clarence D. Hillman, the millionaire real estate dealer, accused of using the mails to defraud Rowland, who was the manager of Hillman's Boston Harbor property, said that Hillman had spent approximately \$8000 in developing the townsite.

Rowland admitted on cross-examination that he rented a box at the Olympia Postoffice under the name of Anderson and that he opened letters addressed to the fictitious Mr. Anderson and sent stereotyped answers prepared by Hillman. The Anderson letters were used to make faltering purchasers believe that a railway was being built to Boston Harbor and Birmingham, another Hillman project, and that right of way was desired through their property. The railways, the government alleges, were the creatures of Hillman's imagination.

OFFICER IS EXONERATED

Fisherman's Death Attributed to His Resisting Arrest.

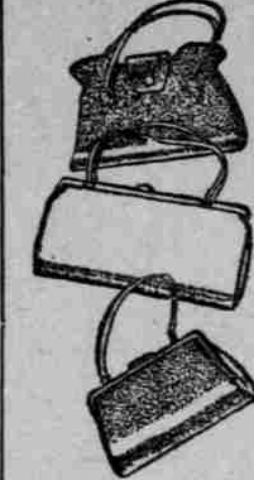
TILLAMOOK, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—A coroner's jury today exonerated City Marshal Reading of blame for the death of Tom Johnson, the Garibaldi fisherman who died yesterday after resisting arrest. Witnesses said that Johnson was insanely drunk, that he assaulted the marshal and his assistant, and that when the marshal struck him with a billy he fell heavily, his head striking the curbstone. The evidence was that the marshal did not deal an unusually severe blow.

RANCHER KILLED IN RUNAWAY.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 28.—(Special.)—Alex Annala, a rancher, residing near Olney, was killed this afternoon as he was driving home from this city. He was going down a steep grade when the team ran away, throwing Annala out of the wagon. One of the wheels ran over him, crushing him to death. The deceased was a native of Finland, about 50 years of age, and left a widow and one son.

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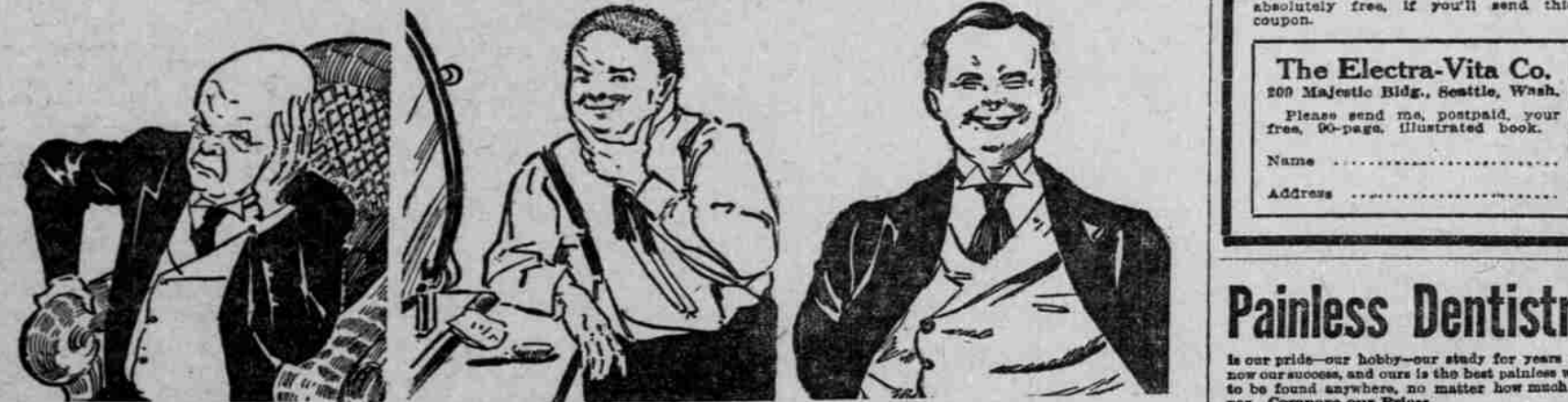
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