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MATLOCK CHOSEN; COMMISSION FAILS

Election in Pendleton Is Hard Fought.

\$40,000 EXCHANGED IN BETS

Arrest Is Made on Charge of Illegal Voting.

DAMAGES MAY BE SOUGHT

Red-Hot Campaign Brings Out 1085 Voters—Grant B. Dimick Is Elected Mayor of Oregon City in Exciting Contest.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS IN PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

Pendleton—W. F. Matlock, elected Mayor; Commission government loses. Oregon City—Grant B. Dimick, elected Mayor. Albany—E. D. Gilbert, elected Mayor on progressive ticket. Sheridan—Ben H. Evans, elected Mayor. Gladstone—H. E. Cross, elected Mayor. Sutherlin—Bonds for \$50,000 water system voted and Commission re-elected. Salem—Non-partisan primary introduced. Five proposed charter amendments fail. "Wet" claim majority in Council as result of election. Grants Pass—H. G. Smith, has slight lead in majority contest, but result is in doubt.

PENDLETON, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—W. F. Matlock, ex-Mayor, pioneer citizen and retired capitalist, is Pendleton's next Mayor, having won out by a margin of 80 votes in the hottest municipal campaign ever waged in this city.

The total of 1085 votes was the largest cast here in many years. Roy Halsey, City Attorney, is the defeated candidate.

The commission form of government lost by a majority of 16 votes. Charles Cole defeated E. I. Smith for Councilman from the Fourth Ward by two votes, while John Selbert won out for Councilman from the Second Ward by one vote.

Forty thousand dollars changed hands on the majority race, the betting being by far the heaviest ever known here. The odds were even, both sides being so confident that several thousand dollars were wagered after the polls closed.

More than half the votes were sworn in today. Both sides were active and challengers stationed at all polling places prevented a number of floaters being voted. One man was arrested for attempting to cast an alleged illegal vote and Roy Halsey, defeated candidate, may be sued for damages as a result. Several ballots went into the boxes marked "challenged."

DIMICK OREGON CITY MAYOR

Winning Candidate Defeats William Andresen by 112 Majority.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The city election here today was featured only by the contest for Mayor, which resulted in the election of Grant B. Dimick over his opponent, William Andresen, by a majority of 112 votes. Mr. Dimick received 286 votes out of a total of 600 cast. Mr. Dimick carried all three wards.

In the First Ward John F. Albright was elected Councilman, defeating M. D. Phillips. Albright received 128 votes to Phillips' 78.

William Beard defeated E. T. Elliott for Councilman in the Third Ward, receiving 86 votes to his opponent's 29. F. J. Toome was elected Councilman in the Second Ward with no opposition, receiving 247 votes.

M. D. Latourette was unopposed for re-election as City Treasurer. By approximately 200 majority the proposition to have a night policeman in the hill section of the city was carried.

GILBERT CHOSEN IN ALBANY

Progressive Candidate Defeats L. M. Curl by 29 Votes.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—P. D. Gilbert was elected Mayor of Albany in the city election here today, defeating L. M. Curl, his nearest competitor, by 29 votes.

The complete unofficial vote is: For Mayor—P. D. Gilbert, Citizens' Progressive League, 205; L. M. Curl, Independent, 176; M. F. Hayes, Socialist, 154; Fred Dawson, Independent, 136.

For Recorder—F. E. Vantassel, Citizens' Progressive League, 401; J. B. Leatherman, Independent, 317; E. V. Smith, Socialist, 119.

STEFFENS' IDEA OF JOKE IS RESENTED

MUCKRAKER'S WORDS AROUSE BUSINESS MEN.

Chicago Labor Leaders, Too, Spurn His Attempt to Hold Up McNamara as Heroic.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Lincoln Steffens' dispatches from Los Angeles, in which he argues that the McNamara case was a play for boys and that since they have confessed the whole affair should be dropped and everybody should shake hands, are treated with derision, mixed with pity, by Chicago folk.

On the Board of Trade, about the hotels, and at other places where hard-headed business men assemble, what is said of Steffens and his utterance would not look well in print.

Bankers and labor leaders treat his statement with more consideration, although the union chiefs say Steffens should stick to muckraking and keep out of their affairs.

Here are two of the milder comments on his statement that "labor and capital both stand convicted by the McNamara confession":

William A. Tilden, president of the Fort Dearborn National Bank—I certainly deny that there is war between capital and labor in Chicago. I do not know the Los Angeles situation. I cannot see that the killing of innocent people is a heroic deed, even if done in the name of labor as a whole.

Mrs. Raymond Robins, president of the Woman's Trade Union League—I don't understand Steffens. I resent the attempt of Steffens to hold the McNamara case up as a labor heroic.

TRAGEDY FOLLOWS CURSE

Marquis of Waterbury Dies Violently Fulfilling Execution.

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The death by drowning of the Marquis of Waterford has revived an old superstition widely prevalent in the south of Ireland that no Marquis of Waterford may die in bed.

The story goes that a young peasant was brought in chains into the courtyard of the head of the Beresfords and that while his widowed mother, on her knees, begged for mercy, the boy was put to death. The mother cursed the Beresfords and prophesied that no head of the clan would ever die in bed.

This is the fourth Marquis of Waterford in succession to die a tragic death. His father was crippled for life in a hunting accident and committed suicide.

His predecessor was found dead in a hunting box, on eating diseased shell fish. The Marquis before him broke his neck by falling from a horse.

OREGON SHEEP EXHIBITED

Rickreall Owner Expects Prize at Chicago Stock Show.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—More than 15,000 visitors, most of whom were from out of town, visited the International Livestock Exposition at the Union Stockyards today. The chief event of the day from the stockmen's point of view was the cattle judging. Experts from abroad had been brought to Chicago to judge this class.

Iowa State College carried off most of the honors, winning three firsts in the short-horn class. Oregon was not represented in the cattle and hog departments, but one sheep, the owner of which believes it will carry away a ribbon when the judges view the animal, has been brought all the way to Chicago by F. A. Koser, of Rickreall.

Mr. Koser has an exhibit in the Cotswold division of the sheep department and it is competing with animals from all over the United States and Canada.

DRUNKS HAVE CARETAKER

Habitually Convivial to Be Chaperoned in Michigan Town.

HANCOCK, Mich., Dec. 4.—Houghton County's chaperon of the convivial assumed his duties today. Frank Raphele is to ferret out habitual drunkards and post their names and photographs in the 250 saloons in the county.

The office was created by the county board after an habitual drunkard inflicted wounds on his wife, from which she may die.

HOTEL BURNS; MANY JUMP

St. Joseph Hostelry on Fire and Big Injured List Is Feared.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 4.—The Metropolitan Hotel, one of the largest hotels in the city, is burning rapidly. Thrilling rescues have been made from upper-story windows and it is feared that many have been seriously injured by jumping.

ELECTRICITY IS FARMER

Trout Lake Rancher Harnesses Waterfalls for Power.

HUSEM, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—A private electric power plant, installed on the D. E. Witt ranch in the Trout Lake section, furnished lights and power for churning, running a separator and grinding wheat.

In fact, all machinery work on the ranch will be accomplished by the aid of electric power.

X-RAY URGED FOR ANTI-TRUST SET

House Cheers as Littleton Defends Name.

INTERESTS' ALLIANCE DENIED

Opening of Congress Marked by Impassioned Speech.

IMPEACHMENT IS ASKED

Secretary of League to Whose Attack New Yorker Replies Would See Latter Ousted as Conspirator With Combines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—An investigation of the operation of the so-called Anti-Trust League was demanded by Republican Leader Mann in the House at the opening session of the 62d Congress today, after a remarkable speech by Representative Martin W. Littleton of New York, who charged Henry B. Martin, secretary of the league, with attempting to defame him.

It was the climax of a dispute between Mr. Littleton and Chairman Stanley of the Steel Corporation investigating committee.

Round after round of applause punctuated Mr. Littleton's defense of his integrity and Democrats and Republicans assured him of their confidence.

Impeachment is asked. Meantime, Mr. Martin had handed to Speaker Clark a petition, asking that Mr. Littleton be impeached on the ground that he had "co-operated and conspired with heads of the trusts," to prevent a continuance of the Steel inquiry. This memorial, however, was not presented to the public.

Mr. Littleton assailed Martin and others in a conspiracy to use the Steel investigating committee to depress the value of stocks in Wall street.

Mr. Mann's resolution which was referred to the rules committee, which expects to take early action on it, follows:

"Whereas, Hon. Martin W. Littleton has, on his responsibility as a member, charged that as a member of this House, acting on behalf of the House in the investigation of the United States Steel Corporation, he has been subjected to a blackmailing attack in a New York newspaper made on behalf of the so-called Anti-Trust League; and Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to investigate the circumstances of the said newspaper attack, the relations of the so-called Anti-Trust League thereto and activities of said league, so far as they may be designed to affect the action of the House or any committee thereof and that the committee have authority to send for persons and papers and take testimony at any time in Washington and other places."

"I propose to fight to the death the (Concluded on Page 2.)"

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Information Is Valuable.
District Attorney Fredericks admitted tonight that in addition to the written confession, both brothers "had furnished information of signal value to the state." It is practically assured that when the men appear tomorrow before Judge Bordwell, the District Attorney will recommend such leniency as the court may see fit to bestow.

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CRISIS PAST FOR WOLGAST

Fighter Laying Plans Already for Scrap With Welsh.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—Ad Wolgast, champion lightweight pugilist who underwent an operation for appendicitis, November 29, today passed what might be termed the crisis of his illness, and from now on his recovery is expected to be rapid. Wolgast, it was predicted, would be out of the hospital within a week.

Manager Tom Jones, for the champion, said that as soon as Wolgast left the hospital he would be taken to Venice-by-the-Sea, Cal., where he would stay until Spring. If his condition then warranted, said the manager, he will go into the mountains for two or three months, after which he will resume his pugilistic activities. "Freddie Welsh will be our first match," said Jones.

M'NAMARAS WILL TELL GRAND JURY

Sentence Awaits Two Dynamiters Today.

JAMES WRITES CONFESSION

Younger Brother's Document Is Not Made Public.

SENSATIONS ARE AWAITED

Decision of Guilty Men to Go Before Inquisitorial Body Is Held of Greatest Importance in Plot Probe.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—James B. and John J. McNamara will appear before the Federal grand jury here tomorrow morning to tell their stories. They will go before that body immediately after sentenced by Judge Walter Bordwell. This declaration was made here late tonight on unimpeachable authority.

The announcement afforded an explanation of the meager confession written late today by James B. McNamara in the jail corridor, in the presence of his attorney, those of the state and his brother, John J. McNamara, in which "Jim" explained how he blew up the Los Angeles Times October 1, 1910, causing a loss of 31 lives.

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COLUMBIA RIVER IS DOWN FOR MILLION

ENGINEERS' RECOMMENDATION APPROVED BY SECRETARY.

Treasury Chief in His Annual Estimates to Congress Favors Other Northwest Projects.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 4.—The Secretary of the Treasury in his annual estimates sent Congress today, approves all the recent recommendations made by the Chief of Engineers for Northwestern river and harbor work, including \$1,000,000 for the mouth of the Columbia River.

In addition to these items, recently given in detail in these dispatches, the Secretary recommends among appropriations for Oregon, the construction of a lightship for Orford Reef, \$150,000; Crater Lake National Park, \$150,000, with the understanding that additional estimates will be submitted later for road construction.

The superintendent of the park recommended an appropriation of \$168,140 for this work, but his estimate is held up pending the receipt of plans for roads from the Army Engineers.

Other recommendations are: Chewawalla Indian School, \$111,000, which includes \$8000 for repairs and improvements; Klamath Agency, \$5000; Warm Springs Indians, \$4000; support of the Walla Walla, Cayuse and Umatilla tribes, \$2600; Grande Ronde and Siletz Indians, \$4000; bridge across Deschutes River on Warm Springs reservation, \$15,000.

There were also the following Washington items: Construction of double barracks at Vancouver Barracks, \$40,000; Puget Sound Navy-Yard, \$23,000; McNeil's Island Penitentiary Improvements, \$25,000; maintenance, \$45,000; Mount Rainier National Park, \$48,000; aids to navigation in Puget Sound, \$45,000; maintenance Cushman Indian School, \$50,000; irrigation of Yakima lands, \$16,000.

Idaho items were: Fort Hall Indians, \$20,000; irrigation of Fort Hall lands, \$20,000.

Special appropriations asked for Alaska are: Light and fog signal at Cape Eklis, \$115,000; investigating coal resources by Bureau of Mines, \$50,000; education of native children, \$248,000.

GIRL FOUND LYING IN RAIN

Doctors Unable to Restore Consciousness to Woman.

Lying hatless and coatless in the rain, a comely girl was picked up in an unconscious condition at First and Hooker streets late last night. How the girl came there or who she may be is a mystery. She made no outcry and was accidentally discovered by F. W. Keller when he opened the door of his home and found the girl lying near his doorstep. The girl is about 20 years old. The clothes she wore and her general appearance indicated that she is a person of refinement. She wore a gold bracelet on her arm. Her hair was made of silk and her other clothes of costly material.

Mr. Keller notified the police and she was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, where at a late hour this morning she was still unconscious.

DISMAYED CO-EDS ROBBED

Thieves Loot Sorority House at Seattle as Girls Tremble.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 4.—Fifteen University of Washington girls huddled trembling and cowered in their rooms on the upper floor of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority house early today while burglars ransacked the entire lower floor, obtaining clothing and jewelry valued at \$250. The thieves took the precaution to cut the telephone wires and when the women were awakened by the movement of the men downstairs, they found they were without means to summon help.

Fearful lest the thieves climb the stairs and attack them, they locked themselves in their rooms where they remained until they heard the burglars leave the building.

SCANDAL HITS STOLYPIN

Secret Agent Found to Have Stirred Up Treason in Duma.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Many facts astounding even to Russia have come to light in connection with the dissolution of the Duma in 1907, which involved the arrest of 65 deputies on charges of treason and the sentencing of 16 of them to hard labor in prison.

In 1907 M. Stolypin, then Prime Minister, deposited before a secret session of the Duma documents accusing 55 members of that body of conspiring to cause an uprising of the garrison in St. Petersburg.

It now has been proved that Senator Trusevich, M. Stolypin's confidential man, commissioned their agent, Provocateur Boleslov Brodskiy, to organize the so-called military conspiracy.

SEATTLE HOTEL ROBBED

Thief Taps Till of Fashionable Hostelry and Gets \$100.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 5.—A sneak thief stole \$100 from the drawer of the Perry Hotel, a fashionable hostelry, tonight while the clerk was temporarily absent from his desk.

It was reported that the hotel had been held up and \$1000 taken, but this was emphatically denied by the management and by the police.

FIVE STATES UNITE TO SAVE FORESTS

Many Plans Made to Stop Annual Fires.

CAMPS MAY BAR CIGARETTES

Western Forestry and Conservation Association Meets.

140 TIMBERMEN GATHER

Fall Set as Best Time to Burn Slashings—Loggers' Foremen Are Blamed for Many Blazes. Electric Power Advocated.

Representing 30 per cent of the timber in the United States, 140 of the leading loggers, lumber manufacturers and practical conservation experts of Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and California gathered in Portland yesterday to attend a forest fire conference of the Western Forestry and Conservation Association.

Conservation of the forests and the best methods for conserving this resource formed the central thought of the addresses before the convention in the Foresters Hall in the Marquam building. The sessions of the convention will close this afternoon.

The addresses yesterday consisted principally of a discussion of forest fires from the standpoint of the slash-and-burn method, the logging hazard and railroad fires. Speakers were generally agreed that the proper time for burning slashings was in the fall, following the early rains, when weather conditions would permit. At the same time, however, it was conceded that this subject, like the tariff, was a local issue, the solution of which depended in large measure on local conditions.

Instead of resorting to the enactment of arbitrary legislation requiring the burning of slashings within a prescribed period, speakers recommended education on the part of the various associations as the most direct means of regulating the destruction of debris and minimizing the danger from loss by fire.

Fall Burning Favored.
This discussion was introduced in a paper by J. L. Bridge, of the Washington Forest Fire Association, which was read by G. M. Cornwall, secretary of the association. Mr. Bridge favored burning slashings in the fall, objecting to Spring burnings because of the ever-present danger that smoldering fires usually remain only to be fanned into a dangerous conflagration at the beginning of the dry season. He urged the necessity of assistance and co-operation between logging operators and timber owners to reduce fire risks.

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Divergent opinions on this subject developed in the discussion which followed. Among the speakers was F. A. Elliott, State Forester of Oregon. Mr. Elliott agreed that local conditions determined in all cases. Too frequently, he said, the foreman of the logging camp in his anxiety to make a new record in the output of his camp became careless and neglected the necessary precautions to prevent fires.

Mr. Adelsperger told of an interesting experiment in progress by a large logging firm in Coos County, which is using electric power in substitution for steam in its operations. He said the experiment had shown that the company, which operated six camps, representing an investment of \$50,000, was effecting a saving to the company of \$150,000 annually, or, in other words, would pay for the entire investment in three years. In the use of electrical equipment for the purpose of having practical experiments made in the use of electrical equipment in logging operations.

Careless Foremen Blamed.
A. W. Laird, of the Potlatch Timber Protective Association, charged that carelessness on the part of the foreman of the logging camp, the indiscriminate smoking by workmen and in-

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