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Governor West's Prison Reform System Shows This One Concrete Result.

RECORD IS FOR 18 MONTHS

Two Years, 1910 and 1911, Most Prolific Period for Fugitives Before, Show Only 22 Convicts Taking "French Leave."

SALEM, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special).—After 18 months of the so-called "honor system" of Governor West one concrete result has arisen from the practical workings of the whole system. This is the fact that three-fourths of the escaped convicts during the portion of the biennial period, from which records are available, were "honor men." During these 18 months there were 58 prisoners who escaped from the institution. Of these 58 prisoners 40 were "honor men."

These "honor men," under the system inaugurated by the Governor, were employed outside of the prison at various institutions and on road work and were unguarded in their employment. The scheme of the honor system, inaugurated in April with eight men out on "honor" has developed into more than half of the inmates of the institution have been at times placed under similar conditions. The result has been wholesale escapes. While prison officials have placed the blame for this large number of escapes on the fact that there have been great numbers of men unguarded around the various institutions and on road work in isolated camps, nevertheless it has been pointed out that this unguarded position of the convicts has resulted in the wholesale escapes.

In 18 months 58 Escapes. During 1909 and 1910, when the escapes were more numerous than ever before in the prison's history, but 22 men escaped. During the next 18 months there were 58 escapes. An average for the 18 months shows that there were 91 men out on "honor" each month during the entire time. This number fluctuated greatly, however, month by month.

Starting with eight men in April, 1911, following is a record of the men out for the 18 months: 1911—April, 8; May, 39; June, 76; July, 82; August, 93; September, 123; October, 91; November, 85; December, 134. 1912—January, 101; February, 83; March, 107; April, 132; May, 87; June, 105; July, 109; August, 99; September, 80. This brings the number up to the conclusion of the biennial period.

During those two years there were 58 escapes from "honor" men. As a comparison, during the entire preceding two years representing the same period of time, there were but 22 escapes. Of these 22 escapes, some were from the State School for the Feeble-Minded, where the convicts work together under guard of men and in the buildings for that institution.

16 Fugitives Returned. During the period represented under the present system, out of the 58 men escaping 16 have been returned to the Penitentiary and some are serving time in other prisons outside of Oregon. One of the men was killed by falling from a train near Eugene.

Penitentiary statistics show that about one-fourth of the total number of men who escaped, escaped from the prison itself. Out of the 137 men and grounds while the other three-fourths were from other institutions, road work or outside work. Virtually three-fourths of the 58 escapes were made by the "honor" men. Some of these were from the asylum, some from the asylum farm, some from the tuberculosis sanatorium, some from the others from the camp Benson road work near Shellrock and others from the Crater Lake road work in Southern Oregon. A large share of the honor men was had at the State School for the Feeble-Minded from which place bad breaks were made during the preceding two years.

One Terrorist Country.

A large number of these men were placed at work at these institutions and the escapes became numerous. It was from here that Jesse Hall escaped and terrorized the country for several days, until he was captured in Benton County on his way to the Coast. Finally the men were withdrawn entirely from the institution, Superintendent Smith protesting against keeping them further.

The annual average of escapes for the two years when the "honor" men have been in use is placed at 26, not counting the men who have been returned to the prison. This record during two years the annual average of escapes was 11.

VANCOUVER MILL RESUMES

Pittcock & Leadbetter Plant Soon to Employ 100 Men.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special).—The sawmill plant of the Pittcock & Leadbetter Lumber Company, in this city, resumed operations today, after a cessation of two years. Only a small crew is employed, but the whole mill will be working and this number will be increased to 100 before long. Business is picking up and prices have advanced materially during the past two weeks, according to dealers who say that twice as many inquiries were received during the past week as the preceding week.

PRUSSIAN'S TRIP DIFFICULT

Boy of 16, Unable to Speak English, Takes 5 Weeks to Reach Idaho.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 4.—(Special).—The boy, who was sent to Idaho for the past five weeks, after five times in American cities, using depots as sleeping quarters, and unable to speak a word of English, Schurman Schentz, of Spandan, a city in Prussia, arrived in Lewiston today and left to visit relatives in Cottonwood. The lad is only 16 years old and bore tags designating his destination. To a comrade who could speak the language of his "Waterloo" the boy told of his adventures in reaching American relatives.

WEST ISSUES STATEMENT

Governor Shows Subjects Taken Up at Last Legislature.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special).—Governor West issued the following

statement today showing what subjects were discussed and recommendations made in his message to the last Legislature and what action, if any, was taken in regard to these recommendations:

Passed by Legislature—More effective banking laws, flat salary for State Printer, state purchasing board, indeterminate sentence law, changing name of reform school, additional building at capital, more effective forestry laws, topographic and hydrographic surveys, fish and game department, state game refuges, labeling prison made goods, public service commission, commission to revise judicial system, state booklet advertising resources, white slavery law, income tax amendment.

Passed by Initiative—Double liability for bank stockholders, working prisons on roads, good roads measures eight hour law state work, some tax measures.

No action—Auditing state and county books, uniform system of accounts, Mountain water supply, purchase of certain lands by state at tax sales, transportation of convicts by prison guards.

Lost—Anti-capital punishment. Being taken care of without legislation—Insurance commission to revise code, compensation commission, checking land titles, investigating school fund loans, hurrying approval of land selections, cutting off useless printing, establishing state forest, re-

GRANTS PASS AND TILLAMOOK RE-ELECT MAYORS OF PROGRESSIVE IDEAS FOR CITY UPBUILDING.



R. G. SMITH, MAYOR OF GRANTS PASS.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special).—Mayor-elect R. G. Smith of Grants Pass is a native Oregonian, having passed his childhood in Jackson County. He came to Grants Pass in 1895. He served in the State Legislature in 1896 and 1898. He was elected Mayor last year and re-elected Mayor again this year in a three-cornered fight by 185 to get the railroad from Grants Pass to Crescent City and to have the city pass a \$200,000 bond issue to own the Grants Pass end of the line.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special).—John R. Haster, who was re-elected Mayor of Tillamook City on Monday, won out over H. T. Botts by a small majority. The city has grown substantially under Mayor Haster's progressive administration, a new sewer system and 60 blocks of pavement having been laid.

organization of Carey act projects, purchasing of Oregon City docks.

SWIFT OF BAKER CHOSEN

OREGON-IDAHO FARMERS' UNION ELECTS OFFICERS.

New Heads of Organization Installed by National President Barrett.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 4.—(Special).—In the election of officers for the coming year for the Oregon-Idaho Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union today at the second day of its convention, A. V. Swift, of Baker County, was chosen president. Mr. Swift was selected for the first place with little opposition, having only one man nominated against him, and defeating this one with a comfortable majority.

A. R. Shunway, of Umatilla, his opponent, was chosen by acclamation as vice-president, and E. A. Sikas, of Milton, was re-elected to the position of secretary-treasurer. J. T. Atkinson, of Wasco County; W. W. Harrah, of Umatilla, and W. O. Parks, of Union, were chosen to fill the vacancies on the executive board. Mrs. Edith Carmichael, of Weston, was appointed chaplain.

The new officers were installed this afternoon by National President Barrett, who will leave tonight for North Carolina. They will assume their duties during the rest of the convention, which will continue tomorrow. The morning session was a closed session and devoted entirely to business. Reports of the various county presidents were finished today from the yesterday session. Other reports were those of the county officers, and various committees were confined more to recommendations than to financial statements. The former put forth the suggestion of systematic marketing and the latter the latter the suggestion that elevators be constructed in view of the fact that the product will soon be handled in bulk instead of sacks.

The attendance was not so large today, but much more enthusiastic over the work. The session today closed with a banquet at the Elks Hall 10 o'clock. Henry McKinney, of Lower Powder, presided.

BOY FACES JURY OF WOMEN

Lad of 17 on Trial Second Time for Selling Liquor.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special).—The boy, who was on trial yesterday, Albert Estabennett, 17 years old, will be tried on a charge of selling whiskey without a license. This is the second time that Estabennett has stood trial, a jury of men in the first case disagreeing.

The women on the jury tomorrow are Mrs. Scott, Miss Eddings, Mrs. Harriet Wilkinson, Miss Cora McComber and Mrs. Olive Groff. They are two married women, two widows and two single women.

Vancouver Lures Tramps.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special).—The cold, rainy weather has a tendency to drive scores of beggars and tramps from the country to the city, and Vancouver at the present time is overrun with them. Practically all of the arrests made by the police for several days are for begging on the street.

Hunter Is Wounded.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 4.—(Special).—While out hunting this afternoon, Jesse Haggard, 27 years old, was accidentally shot in the side with fine caliber from the country to the Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland. Mr. Haggard is a brother-in-law of W. S. Lindsey, County Commissioner. His home is near Manor.

WOMAN LACKS ONE VOTE OF MAYORSHIP

Dr. Louisa Wright, Candidate at Camas, Gets 200 but Opponent Gets 201.

J. W. DUVAL IS RE-ELECTED

Physician Declares Preposterous Circulation of Report That Liquor Element Back of Candidacy. Town Went Dry Nov. 5.

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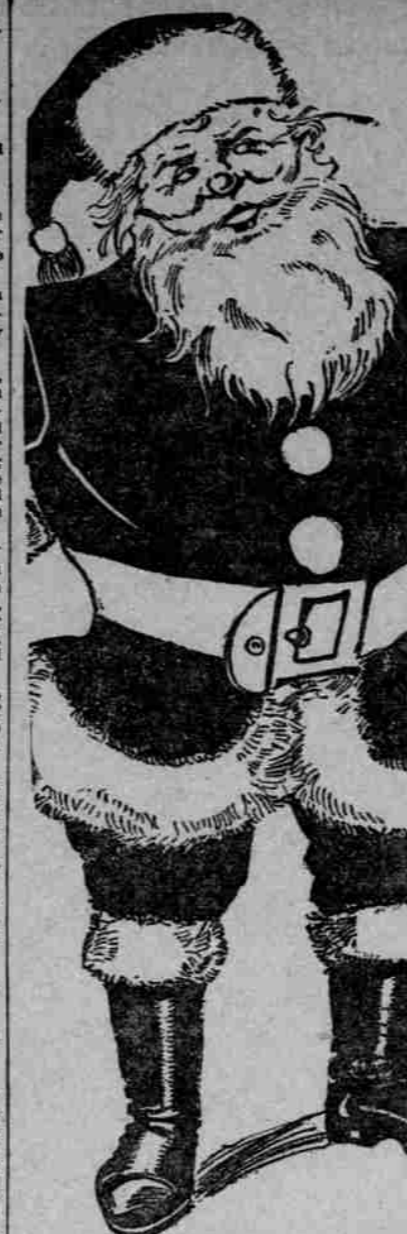
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Walla Walla Oddfellows Will Use Electricity and Steam Heat.

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(Special).—Brought around Cape Horn in 1880 and shipped to Walla Walla from Portland that year, a massive chandelier, which has lighted the Oddfellows' hall, Fifth and Main streets, for 32 years will be superseded this week by electric lights.

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