

KAY TRACES WEST'S PLOT TO 'HONOR' PLAN

Treasurer Says Smith's Predictions of Escapes Led to Governor's Enmity.

RUMBLINGS OF WAR HEARD

Secretary Olcott Holds Deciding Vote and, Although Appointed by West, He Says That Will Carry Little Weight With Him.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—Because Superintendent Smith, of the State School for the Feeble Minded, told Governor West that Jesse Hall, desperado "honor man," would escape from that school and because he pointed out to the Governor that other men would escape and Hall and such other men did escape, State Treasurer Kay says the ire of the Executive has been aroused, and he says West has made allegations in a spiteful spirit, he intends to file charges against Smith for the meeting of next Friday.

Mr. Kay says that in his presence the Governor was told by Superintendent Smith that Hall would probably escape. Smith believed him to be a bad character. A few days afterward Hall did escape and terrorized the country until he was finally recaptured by the Governor himself. Later Superintendent Smith declared that he would not allow his fund to be depreciated "on the books" by payment of \$1 a day to "honor men" at his institution, and had all the men falling under this head who were working at his institution sent back to the prison.

Honor System "Snip Seen."
This, taken by the Governor as a direct slap at his "honor system," also resulted in further peevishness, says the State Treasurer. On top of this, when Superintendent Smith was shot at from ambush while leaving the school one night in an automobile, he made a statement to the officers that he believed one of the "honor men" had fired the shot through spite-work. This so aroused the Governor that he intimated Smith was not shot at by anyone. The Executive offered the inference that the shot was fired for the sole purpose of throwing odium on the Executive's "honor system."

While the Governor so far has not given out what charges he has preferred against Smith, these are given by the State Treasurer as some of the reasons why the Governor has threatened to file charges.

The atmosphere at the State Capitol today was surcharged with the rumblings of the board war that is promised for next Friday. Secretary Olcott seems to be somewhat of a pivotal point as to what will become of both Superintendent Hale and Superintendent Smith. West is backing Hale and Kay is backing Smith. Both of the men hold by virtue of the board. Olcott is the third man and holds the deciding vote.

Olcott Silent as to Decision.
Although he originally received his appointment from West it is said that he will not have considerably weighed in with Olcott in making his decision. In fact he said as much when he left for Pendleton Saturday.

He is expected home tomorrow, but will probably make no statement as to his attitude until after the investigation is formally completed. State Treasurer Kay insists that Superintendent Smith's business management of the Feeble Minded School has been of the best and that in spite of a reduced appropriation from what was asked the school will come out with a little money ahead at the end of the year.

He still says he is at loss to understand what charges may be preferred against Smith and is anxiously awaiting developments.

Mr. Kay tonight issued the following statement concerning his position in the controversy:
"I am satisfied that Governor West is assuming his pet attitude toward Superintendent Smith because of Dr. Smith's position toward the 'honor men' who were employed at the State School for the Feeble Minded. I was present at a conversation between Dr. Smith and Governor West, when Dr. Smith told the Governor that he was living in fear that Jesse Hall would escape. Jesse Hall, with a number of other 'honor men,' had been sent to the school to work under the system which was inaugurated by the Governor.

Governor Requests Delay.
"The Governor told Dr. Smith to let Hall be tried out for a few days and if he misbehaved he could be sent back to the prison. Dr. Smith, who was told that Hall was allowed to remain. A few days afterward Hall escaped.

"Dr. Smith always endeavored to carry out the policies of the Governor in connection with the 'honor men,' but I know that he not only told the Governor that Hall was dangerous and should not be permitted to remain at the institution, but he also told him that other 'honor men' were likely to escape and some of the very men that Dr. Smith said would probably try to escape did escape.

"It is my intention to be perfectly fair in the case of Mr. Hale or any other superintendent, and I wish to see fair play as far as Dr. Smith is concerned. I am satisfied that whatever charges may be trumped up against Dr. Smith will not hold water. I personally know of no charges that could be made against him, and I have not the slightest idea in the world what charges the Governor may make. I do know that Dr. Smith has been eminently successful in the business conduct of the institution.

Revenge Is Charged.
"Governor West is endeavoring to stab Superintendent Smith in the back through a spirit of revenge because of the attitude which he assumes toward the 'honor men' system, and why he should do that to me all at sea. Dr. Smith, to my personal knowledge, endeavored in every way to make that system a success at the school, to avoid a disruption, and only protested against the character of some of the men who were sent as 'honor men' to live at his institution and work there.

EXHIBIT FUND INDORSED

Chamber of Commerce Board to Urge Appropriation by State.

The movement to secure a special appropriation from the Legislature for the establishment of a suitable permanent exhibit to represent Oregon at the Panama-California Exposition, in San Diego, was endorsed by the board of trustees of the Portland Chamber of Commerce in its meeting today. This action on the part of the Chamber of Commerce, although independent of the campaign of the Royal Roarers, who recently visited San Diego and pledged

themselves to such a movement, will have a similar effect and is probably the forerunner of similar action on the part of many other commercial organizations in Portland and other cities of Oregon.

The meeting of the board of trustees of the Chamber yesterday is the last that will be held prior to the annual election of officers, which will be held at the annual meeting and banquet at the Commercial Club Friday night. Besides the endorsement of the San Diego Exposition, little other business was transacted, excepting the endorsement of the movement to raise funds for the support of the Portland Symphony Orchestra and the appointment of President F. C. Knapp, Vice-President A. H. Averill and O. M. Clark to represent the Portland organization at the annual meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce at San Francisco next month.

The annual banquet and business meeting of the Chamber will begin at 6:30 Friday night and will comprise the report of officers, the election of officers and addresses by many of the prominent citizens of Portland who are not directly connected with the Chamber.

LINNTON RESORTS EYED

SHERIFF FINDS OTHER ROAD- HOUSES CLOSED.

Extension of City Limits of Suburb Places Inns Under Linnton Police Control.

"The roadhouses are going out of business, license or no license," declares Sheriff Word.

The only ones now operating are within the corporate limits of the City of Linnton. No roadhouses have been running in the eastern end of the county for more than six months, a fact which the new Sheriff, Clarence Word, he took an automobile trip along the Base Line road Monday night, and the extension of the limits of Linnton to meet the Portland city limits places those on the Linnton road within corporate limits and subject to Linnton police control.

Claremont has always been in the City of Linnton and obtained license to operate from the authorities of that municipality. The license expired about the first of the year and has not been renewed. Cliff Inn and The Hut are still running, says Harry Bulger, the deputy whom Sheriff Stevens had keeping an eye on the roadhouses. Both have county licenses. That of Cliff Inn will expire in February and of The Hut in May. Applications for new licenses have been made to the City Council of Linnton. Mr. Bulger says, but no action has been taken so far.

Fred Ritzinger quit business at Lakeview two months ago. He was arrested last Fall for selling liquor to young girls and pleaded guilty. When his license expired several weeks ago he did not apply for a renewal, the County Court edict that no more county licenses would be issued having gone out in the meantime. The County Court put its action on the ground of lack of police regulation in portions of the county outside incorporated limits. Even if this stand had not been taken Ritzinger would not have been given a license because of the court record against him, which, according to word furnished, ground for a refusal to renew.

"All roadhouses east of the city have been closed since last August," said Harry Bulger. "When Dow Walker was foreman of the grand jury we closed up Loveland, successor to Fred Merrill, at the Twelve-Mile House, and the place has not opened since. The Seven-Mile House, which Fred Brady tried to open after it had been closed for a year, went out of business at the same time. Brady has just got ready to open. We told him that it wouldn't do and he didn't try it. Holly Lodge, near Lents, has not been running for some time. The so-called Eleven-Mile House never was a roadhouse. There was a small grocery and confectionery store there. The proprietor was arrested once for selling liquor and there were no more complaints.

"The action of Sheriff Stevens in forcing county saloons to close at 1 o'clock every night and at 12 o'clock Saturday nights put considerable of a 'crimp' in the roadhouse business from a financial standpoint."

Springfield Church Elects.

SPRINGFIELD, Or., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—At the annual business meeting of the Christian Church of this city, Rev. E. C. Wigmore was unanimously elected as pastor for another year. He has acted in that capacity for three years past. He and his wife were presented with a number of handsome and useful articles by the members of the church as tokens of esteem in which they are held.

MONOLOGIST WHO FIRST AP- PEARED IN PORTLAND 15 YEARS AGO.



John Neff, eccentric monologist at the Empress Theater this week, has a Portland record which extends back 15 years. He visited this city for the first time in 1898 under contract to play a stock engagement of five months' duration at Fritz' music hall, which at that time was among the principal variety showplaces here. Neff's contract required him to present a different act every week. He declares he and his partner, Miller, were at their wits' end to provide new specialties and that frequently they resorted to happenings as recounted in the newspapers to supply them with local color for their comedies. After playing at Fritz' Neff appeared at Erickson's, also a variety theater, and at the Oberon. Later he was an entertainer at the Star Theater when it was first taken over by Sullivan & Considine under the management of Chris O. Brown, of Portland, who has since become the general booking agent for the Empress chain of theaters.



SENATORS GRILL JUDGE ARCHBALD

Jurist Defends Course in Consulting Interested Lawyer About Opinion.

ALL IMPROPRIETY DENIED

Taking of Testimony Comes to End and Three Days Are Assigned for Arguments, After Which Vote Will Be Taken.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The propriety of a Federal judge's writing to an attorney in a case that has been argued before him for information or argument to clear up doubtful points became the point around which members of the Senate fired question after question today at Judge Archbald, of the United States Commerce Court, under trial by impeachment for alleged violation of his oath.

Cross-examination of the accused jurist, begun by Representative Sterling, virtually was taken out of his hands when the charge was reached involving Judge Archbald's correspondence with Attorney Helm Bruce, of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad.

Senators Ask Questions.

Members of the Senate demanded of Judge Archbald time and again whether he thought it improper and unfair to the other parties in a suit to request of an attorney an explanation or correction of evidence without giving him the privilege to the other side. He insisted he thought there was nothing improper in his conduct.

The end of all testimony in the case came before the close of the day's proceedings. There remain the closing arguments and the vote of the Senate as to whether or not Judge Archbald is guilty. The Senate determined to give three days to the arguments, the time to be equally divided.

The Louisville & Nashville charge centered about Judge Archbald's request of Attorney Bruce for information as to a certain point in the so-called Montgomery rate cases, which had been argued before the Commerce Court.

Rest of Court Won Over.

Judge Archbald said he had differed with others of the court. In writing a dissenting opinion he asked Mr. Bruce to clear up a controverted question about whether or not certain rate changes violated the old "Cooley arbitration" agreement, that long had operated over the Southwestern rates.

He declared the correspondence became of no consequence, because later other members of the court, except Judge Mack, took a view similar to his own, and President Judge Knapp finally wrote an opinion favorable to the railroad.

"Was it not due to the arguments you got by writing Mr. Bruce that the court reversed its earlier position?" asked Representative Sterling.

"Absolutely not," said Judge Archbald.

"Why did you not give the attorneys for the other side a chance to present their views?" asked Senator Reed.

"The point amounted to so little that it didn't affect the decision of the case," replied Judge Archbald.

"You set out, did you not, to write an opinion in favor of the railroad and you wanted Mr. Bruce to fortify you in this?" asked Senator Nelson.

"No, I don't think what I did could be characterized in that way," replied Judge Archbald.

"Why did you not give the Bruce letters to your associates on the bench?" asked Senator Culbertson.

"Because they practically did not enter into the case at all," said Judge Archbald.

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PROBE BEGINS FEBRUARY 1
Committee Prepares to Investigate School Management.

The committee of five that was appointed at the annual meeting of the taxpayers of School District No. 1 to make a thorough investigation of the present school management has begun its work and expects about February 1 to announce its plan. Pursuant to the terms of the resolution by which the committee was created the members are already communicating with various experts along different lines of educational work.

George D. Strayer, of Columbia University, has held a conference with R. W. Montague, chairman of the committee, and an effort has been made to get in touch with Edward Elliott, of the University of Wisconsin, and Charles Judd, of the University of Chicago. Mr. Montague's colleagues on the committee are L. A. Lewis, Mrs. Millie R. Trumbull, J. A. Madsen and L. J. Goldsmith.

INDICTMENTS ARE QUASHED

Circuit Court Dismisses Charges Against Seneca Fouts.

Two indictments against Attorney Seneca Fouts, who sought the nomination for District Attorney in the Republican primaries last Summer, have been dismissed in Circuit Court. They were returned several months ago but no attempt was ever made to prosecute on them.

Both grew out of Fouts' strained relations with Marjorie Fouts, his wife, from whom he has since secured a divorce. One charged him with an assault upon her and the other with chewing a portion of the ear of a young man whom he caught in his home one night.

After the indictments were returned Fouts withdrew from the Circuit Court and filed a complaint charging his wife with infidelity. Property rights were settled out of court and he later secured a divorce at Astoria.

FUNERAL WILL BE TODAY

Services for Mrs. Kate F. Meigs to Be at Holman's Chapel.

The funeral of Mrs. Kate F. Meigs, who died at her late home in the Trinity Apartments on Monday, at the age of 59, will be held this morning from Holman's chapel at 10 o'clock, burial following at Riverview Cemetery.

Mrs. Meigs was the widow of A. F. Meigs, well known in Portland for a generation. She had been an invalid for two years. Mrs. Meigs was born in Iowa and married before coming to Portland. Two children were born, both of whom are dead. The only immediate relative is her brother, C. E. Stone, of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

PRESS CLUB TO ENTERTAIN

Life Members to Be Honored at "Beefsteak," January 20.

In honor of its life members, the Portland Press Club will hold a "beefsteak" in the club's jinks room on the night of January 20. For the enlightenment of those who are not already posted, it is explained, that a "beefsteak" is a beefsteak. This information is as elaborate as the program will be executed by members of the club.

"How to Choose Partner" Is Topic. "How to Choose a Partner" will be the subject of the last lecture on vocational training to be given by Professor Morris. After the lecture a club will be organized for a more intense study of the subjects presented at the lectures. The lecture will be held this evening in room 309 Y. M. C. A. and will be free. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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