

GOVERNOR SLYV FREES ARCH CROOK

Political Motive Seen Behind Secret Release of Hugh Trainer From Prison.

PAROLE BOARD NOT ASKED

Judge Before Whom Notorious Bunco Man Was Convicted and Dis- trict Attorney Are Amazed. Not One Day of Term Served.

Whatever the influences, political or otherwise, that obtained the parole by Governor West last week of Hugh Trainer, alias Charles Clark, alias John Harris, confidence man and general crook, with a record that covers many cities, officials of the Multnomah County courts, where he was convicted last March of fleeing a sick man of \$2000 and sentenced to the penitentiary to serve a term of one year for larceny, believe such a travesty on justice has been enacted as, happily, but rarely occurs. Trainer was paroled without serving a day in the Penitentiary.

Wholly without warrant from any viewpoint, it is believed that this persistent crook was not only unjustified but also irregular, so eager, apparently, was Governor West to cheat justice.

From whatever motive the Governor acted he did not waste any time. The Parole Board was not called into consultation, the Governor, himself granting the parole. Trainer was whisked out to the Penitentiary, held less than three hours and released. There is evidence that the District Attorney West had intended to keep the whole remarkable procedure secret, but was unsuccessful.

It is customary to consult the Judge, District Attorney and Sheriff, who had the prisoner's case before them prior to passing upon an application for parole. Sheriff Word was the only one who was asked about the Trainer case prior to the issuance of the parole. A request came to Judge Kavanaugh, who tried the man, after the parole had been signed. District Attorney Evans received no suggestion that he make recommendations in the Trainer case.

Those familiar with the wide-spreading criminal operations of Trainer, a seasoned crook and persistent offender of 33 years, have been asking whence came the influence that set him free and in whose behalf it was exerted. That it was political is the common belief and it is generally the opinion that the judicial and penal machinery of the state has been subverted for political purposes by Governor West.

The crime for which Trainer was convicted was such that in the opinion of those who followed the case, the full sentence of ten years' imprisonment would have been sufficiently light as a punishment. Trainer, with his accomplices, fled an Idaho farmer out of \$2000 by means of a fake horse race game in June, 1912. His victim, Creighton Syme, was an invalid, part of the time he was in Portland being spent in the hospital.

Conviction Is Prompt.
Obtaining his money, Trainer escaped to California. Search was made for him, the District Attorney's office exchanging telegrams with the police of various California cities and he was finally arrested in Oakland. After extradition formalities were completed, he was brought back for trial and was promptly convicted last March before Judge Kavanaugh in the Circuit Court.

Trainer to Salem October 7. He took his prisoner direct to the prison and the assistant warden and clerk took him in charge and gave Mr. Potter a receipt for his man.

Trainer, it appears, knew he was to be set free and understood he was to be given nothing less than a pardon. He was somewhat annoyed when he found a parole had been given him. This was not the case, however, by letter, once a month to the Parole Board.

The papers were not at the penitentiary and this caused a slight delay, which was also most annoying to the prisoner. A messenger was sent to the Governor's office for the papers, so that Trainer was within the penitentiary walls quite two hours and a half before he was sent on his way. He left soon for California.

Criminal Career Long.
Trainer is not a callow first offender, nor a second offender, nor a third. He is a man more than 50 years old, and back toward his youth a well-known well-connected trail of wrongdoings, along which are scattered the victims of his oily and seductive cunning.

Trainer, well-dressed and affluent in appearance, acted as a decoy for James Sheehan, in December, 1913, in the saloon. He struck up an acquaintance with two young Englishmen, who were going from Winnipeg to Seattle, where they were to be married. He had an iron foundry, and where, he said, he was going himself. He said he thought he could assist them in their journey.

Stolen Money Found.
The sharpers affected an air of injured innocence, but \$50 in Canadian money was taken from Sheehan's pockets. Both were indicted.

They were tried before Judge Sears, separate trials being given, in December, 1912. Sheehan, convicted, served time in the penitentiary. Trainer was convicted and was released on a pure technicality. He had been set free after the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

ECONOMY ONE FEATURE
MRS. VAUGHN'S COOKERY DEMONSTRATIONS TO BE PRACTICABLE.
Considerable Attention Given to Balanced Ration and Variance of Menus Will Be Taught.

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OFFICIALS SEE WA Election May Be Ordered With- out Assuming Responsibility.

WATER VOTE IS WANTED

Supreme Court Decision on Validity of Recall Expected Daily, but if Not Handed Down Voters Will Act October 27.

Although George Mason, of the Non-Partisan League, has notified City Auditor Barbur and members of the City Commission that he will hold the officials personally responsible for expenditures made for the proposed Albee-Dick-Brewster recall election in the city, the State Supreme Court holds the recall to be invalid, it developed yesterday that the recall election can be held without the officials assuming responsibility, by reason of the presence on the ballot of the water rate measure proposed by Commissioner Daly.

The special election as set forth in the official call is for vote upon the water question as well as on the recall. If the election should be held, the recall declared invalid, the election expenses would be credited to the special election for vote on the water question. There being no question about the legality of an election for this purpose, it is said that the officials responsible for the election could not be held for the costs.

Wilson TO OPEN SHOW
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO START
LAND PRODUCTS EXHIBIT.
Special Wire to Carry Word Is Run to
Armory Stage Where Programme
Will Be Held.

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Pythian Sisters Elect
Three-Day Session, Attended by Delegates From 40 Temples, Ends.

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At \$18.50 Women's and misses' handsome new Dresses of silk or wool. One especially attractive model is in basque effect of Duchesse satin—with hip girder, tunic skirt with white satin trimmed cuffs and collars. Others with box-plaited tunics. Great variety of styles to select from in various weaves and serviceable dark colors. Complete line \$18.50 of sizes. Priced at only \$22.50

\$1.75 Middies 89c

Department, Second Floor.
Odd lines children's Middy Blouses in Balkan and straight effects with large collars and ties to match. Made of excellent quality of materials. Grades selling to \$1.75. 89c are placed on sale for Thursday at

Men's \$2.50 Slippers at \$1.69 Per Pair

Bargain Circle—First Floor
Special one-day sale of men's soft vici kid House Slippers in black or tan. One style with elastic sides—others in opera and Everett models. Reg. \$2.50 grades. Priced for Thursday's selling at the pair, only \$1.69

Charming New Trimmed Hats \$6.75

An Unusually Attractive Group of Smartly Trimmed Hats Priced for Thursday's Selling Much Under Their Regular Worth. Scores of Styles in the Newest Effects

40c O W K Coffee 29c

Fourth Floor—Coffee will not be delivered except with other purchases made in the grocery department. Regular 40c O W K Imperial Roast Coffee 29c on sale at the pound

Demonstration "Wear-Ever" Aluminum

\$3.55 Kitchen Set At \$2.45
Three-piece Wear-Ever Aluminum Kitchen Set, consisting of one \$2.00 Double Boiler, one 95c Covered Sauce Pan and one 60c Shallow Stew Pan, total value \$3.55. Entire set for this \$2.45 sale at the pound

Special Round Trip Fares

MANUFACTURERS AND LAND PRODUCTS SHOW
Portland, October 26 to Nov. 14

Hotel Multnomah

Afternoon and Evening Entertainment
The Hotel Multnomah with its afternoon teas, dinner dances, table d'hote dinners with an entertainment consisting of the world's noted dancers and stars from grand opera, and after-dinner dances affords pleasure without limit. Take your friends there.

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