

FLAX PLANT HEAD
FACES LOSS OF JOB

Governor Defends Mr. Cady
and Charges Studied Effort
to Discredit Industry.

CHANGE IS LIKELY SOON

Superintendent Will Be Retained
During Adjustment of Insur-
ance Due to Recent Fire
at State Prison.

SALEM, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—J. C. Cady, superintendent of the Oregon penitentiary flax plant, faces probable removal by the State Board of Control as soon as the insurance on the flax lost in the recent prison fire is adjusted.

This became apparent today at a meeting of the Board of Control, when State Treasurer Kay announced that he stood with Secretary Olcott for a change in suit of the insurance on the plant. Mr. Cady's successor probably will not be chosen immediately, as the flax plant will not begin operations on the new crop for several months.

The crop is now being harvested by convicts in charge of prison officials. At today's meeting Governor Withycombe said that he still had confidence in Mr. Cady's ability. He charged that the superintendent had not had the cooperation of the Board of Control, and officials at the penitentiary. Despite this, he declared he was convinced the flax industry could be made a success. Other members of the board agreed with the executive in this last statement.

Governor Makes Charges.
"There has been a studied effort to discredit the flax industry," said the Governor. "The whole thing has been misrepresented. There has been no co-operation in this office, referring to the secretary of the board, or at the penitentiary. It is well known that teams have stood in the barn because Mr. Cornelius would not co-operate with Mr. Cady."

Both Secretary Goodin and Superintendent Minto, of the penitentiary, protested vehemently that they had no part in the matter. "I want to say," replied Secretary Goodin, "that I have done everything I could to aid Mr. Cady, and that I have consulted with him at every step. He has been informed all along of how affairs at the flax plant were progressing."

"That's all right," interposed the Governor, "but I want to say again that there has been a studied effort by this office (Goodin's) to discredit Mr. Cady. Superintendent Minto flatly contradicted the Governor when he charged lack of co-operation by the penitentiary officials with Mr. Cady."

"That's not right," he said, "so far as I am concerned, I have helped Mr. Cady in every way. Only once, I told Mr. Cady when he had piled a large quantity of straw into the fields last winter, that he had made a mistake." The Governor added, however, to insist that Mr. Cady had not received the proper support from Secretary Goodin on the prison officials.

Treasurer Kay caused surprise when he suggested that it was the proper time to decide what the Board would do in regard to Mr. Cady's retention. He said he believed under the circumstances that Mr. Cady should be relieved. He agreed to postpone action, however, until the Governor's request until the flax insurance controversy had been adjusted, though he declared he did not believe Mr. Cady should "be kept on the payroll just for that."

In response to Secretary Olcott's inquiry as to when the Governor would be present at the meeting of the board, Governor Withycombe said that he would be present at the meeting at Estacada for a few days. Upon Mr. Kay's suggestion, Secretary Goodin was instructed to notify Mr. Cady to return to the penitentiary for the removal of the loss of the burned flax was made. It was decided that Secretary Goodin, Superintendent Minto, and a representative of the insurance company, should meet and fix the amount of the loss.

It developed that a contract had been made with the California Cotton Company of Oakland whereby the state had agreed to furnish a larger amount of fiber and tow than eventually was obtained from the entire crop.

"How did it happen that such a contract was made," queried Secretary Olcott.

Governor Sees Error.
Mr. Goodin explained that he had taken Mr. Cady's estimate of the crop prior to making the contract, and the Governor said he could easily see where Mr. Cady had been in error.

"There is one phase we didn't consider at the beginning," said the Governor, "and that was loss bound to result from inexperience and largely through indifference lost tons. We must study how to overcome losses of this character."

The report of Secretary Goodin as to the disbursements on account of the flax work and the contract with the prison rock crusher was inspected minutely by the board, and a reclassification of some of the items will be made. The report showed that of \$39,900 appropriated by the Legislature, \$38,183.85 had been expended in conducting the flax industry and \$1,716.15 in operating the rock crusher, leaving \$1,716.15 of the appropriation unexpended. From the sale of seed, fiber and tow, the state has so far realized \$3445.98. A portion of the crop yet is unsold. Altogether the state will have approximately \$10,000 to use in financing this year's crop. With this year's crop estimated at about 1500 tons of straw, it may be necessary to call upon the emergency board to furnish enough money to finance it.

about the place where work is being carried on, for the purpose of lawfully and peacefully persuading persons not to engage in work, but when they go beyond this and engage in threats and violence, then it is unlawful.

"And it is not even necessary that they should resort to outright violence, for they may gather so many pickets together as to impede traffic and the peaceful passage of workmen. Or it might be by muttering, or by language such as to create fear and intimidate men from working."

The court said that in giving his decision, he would not review the evidence presented at the hearing.

Strikers Held Peace Breakers.
"It is sufficient to say," he declared, "that there has been in the conduct of this strike a breach of the peace on three or four occasions, brought on by the strikers themselves. Further, it is not denied that on several occasions they have followed wives of strikebreakers from the place of work to their homes."

"Of course, this could have no other result than to intimidate the women and thus intimidate the workmen themselves."

Such practices, Judge Wolverton said, could not be approved by the court nor by any law-abiding citizen. "It is said on the other hand," he continued, "that the company ought not to have employed armed men for the purpose of carrying on the strike breaking."

"I don't myself approve of employers resorting to this method of employing men and providing them with arms where it is probable or possible that it might lead to the shedding of blood. It seems to me that employers might carry on opposition to the strike in some other way without leading to probable altercation and bloodshed."

He spoke of conditions on the waterfront as brought out in the affidavits presented to the court which he had considered in making his ruling.

"The very atmosphere where the strike is being carried on," said Judge Wolverton, "and the fact that it is difficult for men desiring work to pass through the pickets, without anything else, is sufficient to indicate to the court that while there have been breaches of the peace, that if this condition exists there are very likely to be other breaches of the peace."

"So I think the court ought to intervene and grant this injunction, against further acts of violence by the men."

Judge Wolverton then spoke in praise of the instructions issued to strikers by their leaders, directing them to refrain absolutely from language and action of this nature, and to refrain from any acts of violence. The court said, however, that he did not approve of Mr. McCusker's arming the guards.

In conclusion, Judge Wolverton said: "I will say that the court will modify its injunction so it will be carried on peacefully, and that no threats be made, that there be no intimidation, or other intimidation to interfere with the men who come to work for the defendant."

It should appear hereafter that the probability or possibility of further violence by the longshoremen and other waterfront men, very glad to revoke the injunction."

BEND CONTINUES FIGHT
PROPOSAL TO MOVE COUNTY SEAT IS NOT ABANDONED.

Prineville Suggestion for Division of Hinges on Attitude of Terrebonne and Powell Butte Precincts.

BEND, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—The question as to what shall be done to provide a county seat on the west side of Crook County, which would be accessible by railroad and nearer to the center of population is under discussion in a new form following a meeting here last night of representatives from all the West Side voting precincts.

Falling to obtain an agreement with Prineville on division lines early in the month, a bill was introduced to remove the county seat to Bend and the campaign was well under way when an agreement was reached with representatives to work out a compromise. Lines were suggested at a meeting here Monday, on which the Prineville section was ready to hedge the necessary 25 per cent vote.

EXPLOSION WRECKS
GRANTS PASS PLAN

Laborers With Unsatisfied
Claims Against Irrigation
Company Are Suspected.

DAMAGE IS PUT AT \$3000

Loss of Water at Precarious Period
of Beet Crop Regarded as Worst
Feature — Company Re-
ported Involved.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—What is believed to have been an attempt to blow up the pumping plant which supplies the south side and Fruitdale ditches with irrigation water at the dam of the Rogue River Public Service Corporation, three miles east of this city, was made at the pumping station early this morning.

The night watchman at the pumping station had just stepped behind some heavy timbers when a terrific explosion occurred. Upon investigation it appeared evident that a charge of dynamite had been exploded which had torn into the six-foot drive pulley and 41-inch belt operating the large centrifugal pump which drives the water into the upper level ditches of the plant.

The turbines were damaged and timbers ripped off the dam. The damage to the plant will amount to approximately \$3000, although the most serious aspect at the present time is the loss of the irrigation water to several hundreds of acres of sugar beets.

The act is supposed to be the result of labor troubles over the construction of the ditches. Some weeks ago the Southern Oregon Construction Company, an auxiliary corporation of the Rogue River Public Service Corporation, with George E. Sanders as its president and manager, put a large crew of men at work in the construction of the South Side and Fruitdale ditches. After \$5000 in wages had accrued to the laborers they were discharged, with no definite agreement as to when they would be paid.

Persistent demands the laborers file against the dam, ditches and equipment belonging to either the Public Service Corporation or the Oregon Construction Company. More than 100 laborers were represented in this procedure. Frequent promises of payment were made, but were not fulfilled. It was asserted that Mr. Sanders was in Salt Lake attempting to raise money and would return within a few days with money to clear up all the claims. Mr. Sanders arrived the first of the week with his attorney, Edward Plummer, of Chicago, but the first concession he was prepared to make was a payment of 20 per cent of all indebtedness September 15. It is reported that threats were made then that water never would be allowed to flow in the South Side ditch until all the labor claims had been paid.

Mr. Sanders has been arrested again. It is alleged that he is attempting to float bonds for the construction of the ditches. The laborers are now more than \$50,000 of current accounts in the vicinity of Grants Pass.

SELF-DEFENSE PLEA WINS
Lee Jeans, Turner Councillman, Acquitted of Knife Assault.

SALEM, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—Lee Jeans, City Councillman of Turner, was acquitted today by a jury of Circuit Judge Kelly's court of attacking with a knife Robert Hunsaker, a member of the Turner band. The jury returned a verdict after half an hour's deliberation.

The alleged attack took place at Turner on the night of April 1st last, as reported by Hunsaker. He was accompanied by a number of band officials and members of the band over the payment of a license for a carnation business in the town of Turner. Councillman Jeans contended that he used the knife only after being assailed by a crowd of men and in self-defense.

OFFICIAL IN JAIL HALF HOUR
Baker Assessor Is Made Victim of His Own Joke.

BAKER, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—County Assessor Harry G. Hyde learned the life behind bars today. He had made a bantering offer to purchase the shirt worn by Deputy Sheriff Robert Nelson for 25 cents.

Mr. Hyde proffered the quarter and immediately demanded the shirt, but Mr. Nelson refused to make the trade. Mr. Hyde then attempted to take the shirt, and Nelson picked up the assessor and carried him to the jail on the fourth floor of the courthouse where Hyde was locked with the regular visitors for 30 minutes.

CHILDREN'S LIVES PAID FOR
Railroad Settles Action Brought by Parents of Four Victims.

EUGENE, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—Circuit Judge Skpworth today entered an order dismissing cases brought by parents of four children killed when the Shasta Limited struck an automobile belonging to Frank Sly, in which the children were passengers. Sly was also killed. The plaintiffs in the suit were P. W. Treanor, S. S. Morse and H. B. Robinson, fathers of the victims. Damages in the sum of \$7500 were asked for the death of each child. The company settled the claims outside of court, the cases being dismissed by agreement.

apolla was called today for August 3 by Matthew Hale, of Massachusetts, acting chairman of the National committee. The conference will decide whether a convention shall be called to complete the National ticket.

Decision to call the meeting was reached by Mr. Hale after frequent conferences with Bainbridge Colby, leader of the insurgent Progressives in New York State, and other prominent Eastern Progressives.

There will be a frank airing of views at the Indianapolis meeting, it was said. Some Progressives who have not returned to the Republican ranks are desirous that a conference be held to place a ticket in the field. Another section contends, it was said tonight, that such a step would be impracticable because the party machinery in many states was controlled by men who have declared allegiance to the Republican party.

RECRUIT WALKS 33 MILES
Young Men in Eastern Oregon Show Eagerness to Enlist.

BAKER, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—The assertion of Captain Lee M. Clark, state recruiting officer, that he would secure more recruits for the border from Baker than anywhere else in Eastern Oregon, was fulfilled when, while he was preparing headquarters here today, the first applicant appeared. The recruit was Shirburn M. Prescott, 19-year-old Captain A. P. Prescott, Captain in the United States regular Army.

Captain Clark is working among the 58 who signed the petition recently for a charter for a military company here. He came here from Joseph, where he recruited 19-year-old Alfred Hagen, who was so anxious to get to the border that he walked 11 miles from his home to enlist, then went back to the farm to prepare and traveled back to Joseph, walking 33 miles within 24 hours.

PRISON RULES OPPOSED
Governor Pleads for More Opportunity for Chaplains.

SALEM, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—A plea for more freedom of action by chaplains at the Oregon Penitentiary in their relations with prisoners, was made today by Governor Withycombe at a meeting of the State Board of Control.

"If we can't trust the chaplains, whom can we trust?" queried the Governor.

The Governor's statement was made as a result of the Salvation Army workers having complained that they were barred from the prison. According to Superintendent Minto the action was necessary when it was found that one of the Salvation Army workers had been carrying letters from prisoners to persons outside the Penitentiary.

MEN NEEDED IN ALASKA
Government Railroad and Contractors Are More Than 100 Short.

SEATTLE, July 28.—Opening of work on the Turagain Arm section of the United States Railroad has required the employment of so many men that the supply of surplus labor at Anchorage and Seward has been exhausted. In consequence of the need for more men Lieutenant Frederick Mearns, of the Alaska Engineering Commission, today ordered cancelled his warnings against workmen coming here from the states.

Mr. Mearns said 100 additional men are needed to complete his force besides those employed by contractors on station work. Because of the sudden scarcity of labor local contractors have had to pay as much as \$8 a day for laborers.

SHARKS SEEN OFF HOQUIAM
Presence of Animals, Which Are Not Dangerous, Laid to Warm Water.

HOQUIAM, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—Large numbers of sharks have been reported off late in South Bay by employees of the whaling station, according to word brought to Hoquiam. The sharks are what are commonly known as mud sharks and not the man-eating variety. Sharks, while not unknown in Grays Harbor, are quite rare. A phenomenon reported this season is thought to have some bearing on the presence of the sharks in Grays Harbor and also on the run of salmon into Puget Sound past Neah Bay. This is the fact that the water of the Pacific Ocean at the beaches in this district is about 2 degrees warmer this season than in previous Summers.



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PRISON CENSOR DESIRED
PAPERS TO BE READ BEFORE THE
PRISONERS CAN SEE THEM.

Warden Tells Board That Oregon Daily Journal, with False Statements, Makes Control Hard.

SALEM, Or., July 28.—(Special.)—The State Board of Control today granted the request of J. W. Minto, superintendent of the Oregon Penitentiary, that all newspapers entering the prison be censored by the prison officials before they are read by the convicts.

Action of Mr. Minto was made necessary, he told the board, principally because the Oregon Daily Journal, of Portland, has printed articles with an apparent purpose of creating rebellion and discontent among the prisoners.

"You are aware that at the present time there is unrestricted admission of all newspapers, local and foreign, for circulation among the prisoners," said Superintendent Minto, "and some newspapers take advantage of this condition to arouse rebellion and encourage resistance against prison rules and discipline in the minds of the worst characters we have to control."

"This is notably true of the Portland Journal, which, without regard for truth and with apparent evil purpose, keeps up such a policy of attack upon the management as breeds practically all the trouble we have to contend with within the prison. Such attacks cause the prisoners to believe that the public condones their treatment and that they will receive full sympathy for anything they may do to circumvent, disobey and annoy the officials, and you can readily see the consequences of such a feeling."

"I will ask authority from your honorable body for the officials to censor all newspapers for the prisoners, and to eliminate such portions of them as are considered conducive to the discontent and rebellion of the convicts."

Liquor Case Is First in 17 Days.
VANCOUVER, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—It cost Robert F. Mason \$4 to break Vancouver's record of 17 days without an arrest. Mason had been disposing of a surplus of liquor, had left from the wet regime, he said, and this was his first appearance before the Police Magistrate, W. S. T. Derr.

PASCO PYTHIANS TO COME
Uniform Rank Will Compete in Portland Contest.

PASCO, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—The Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias Lodge, No. 21, will leave Pasco Sunday at noon over the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, by special car, to attend the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias lodge in Portland next week.

This is the only uniform rank in the Inland Empire, and while it is the youngest in point of organization of any to compete and has been doing actual drilling for some time, two months, its members hope to make a good showing. Officers of the company are: Captain, Dr. M. H. Fewell, first lieutenant, L. D. Conrad; second lieutenant, Deacon Bonnerman.

ALIENS TO BE TAUGHT
Scandinavians to Urge Others to Become Citizens.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 28.—(Special.)—Hans Hansen, a contractor, has been elected president of a recently organized Scandinavian club here, the purpose of which is to instruct its members in political history and to encourage all unnaturalized Swedes, Norwegians and Danes to take out citizenship papers.

Oscar Larson, merchant, was elected vice-president of this club, and Oscar Hermans, secretary of the Moose Lodge, was named secretary.

The club is conducting a campaign for members and expects to have 250 within the next 30 days.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 28.—The contract for the erection of the public building at Vancouver, Wash., today was awarded the Campbell Building Company, of Salt Lake, whose bid was \$1,447,000.

GIRL BRIDE, 13, ALONE
MOTHER AND UNCLE-HUSBAND ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

Perjury in Securing Wedding License Is Charged—Relationship Denied and Acc Misstated.

CALDWELL, Idaho, July 28.—(Special.)—The law today deprived little 13-year-old Mary Smith, a bride of less than 24 days, of her mother and husband-uncle, when Sheriff Froman arrested Mrs. Selma Dotson, her mother, and Thomas B. Smith, her husband and mother's brother, on a perjury charge. The prisoners were turned over to W. E. Walker, Sheriff of Washington County.

On July 1 Mrs. Dotson accompanied her daughter and brother to Weiser, where they appeared before the County Clerk and secured a marriage license for Mary Dotson and Thomas B. Smith, swearing that the girl was more than 16 years of age, and that no blood relationship existed between the contracting parties. The girl is 13 and the man 24, and the girl's uncle.

Mrs. Dotson, the mother, treated her arrest lightly, declaring she believed that her daughter had a right to marry the man she loved.

The girl bride was not arrested, and is at the home of her father, Wesley Dotson, nine miles south of Caldwell.

MAN WOULD SELL HIS BODY
Offer at Price of Funeral Made to Mayor of Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 28.—Who wants to buy the body of a deformed old man who thinks he is about to die and has no money to pay for his own funeral? This question was asked of Mayor Thompson in a letter received today signed by C. F. Igo, 2229 West Division street, Spokane, Wash.

The man who offers his body for the price of a funeral is 72 years old and has a double curvature of the spine, the letter said.

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