

STOCKMAN WOULD DIVIDE NORTHWEST

William Hanley Wants Sagebrush Country in One State and Coast in Another.

ADVANTAGES SET FORTH

Harney County Resident Would Determine Boundaries by Considering Sections' Industrial and Commercial Activities.

"Let the sagebrush country together."

With this object in view, William Hanley, wealthy stockman and extensive landowner, of Burns, Harney County, proposes a division of the Pacific Northwest country into two large states, whose boundaries would be determined solely by a consideration of the industrial and commercial activities common to each.

In effecting this desired reorganization, Mr. Hanley would erase existing state lines, ignore established political influence and its domination in administrative affairs, substitute a form of government that would be more responsive to the needs of the different sections and introduce a program of individual human efficiency which, he avers, would insure desired results.

Means Are Set FORTH

"Existing state boundary lines today mean nothing except arbitrarily to define the jurisdiction of a form of state government that has been provided," declared Mr. Hanley, yesterday. "The boundary lines should be determined and fixed more with reference to the similarity of interests and industrial activities of the territory embraced therein."

"Beginning at the British Columbia line and extending southerly to the California line, I would embrace into one state all that territory lying west of the Cascades to the Pacific Coast. The interests of that entire section are identical."

"But would that not make a large and rather cumbersome state for purposes of government?" was asked. "That is true. But there is no need for small organizations in order to insure efficiency," explained the volunteer state builder. "The best efficiency comes from large corporations through organized and intelligent effort and direction."

Politics Not Considered

"Where would you have the seat of government located—Portland, Seattle, Tacoma or Astoria?" was asked. "My reorganization plan does not take politics into consideration," was the ready response. "It is not politics that works out the best interests of any community. Politics are considered as a factor in any plan of development and should always be secondary in consideration. The question of whether Portland, Seattle, Tacoma or Seaside is the capital is of no consequence."

"Having thus disposed of the section lying west of the Cascades, I would assemble under one state government the remaining portions of Oregon and Washington, together with Nevada and Idaho and, possibly, parts of Utah and Montana. What I want to do is to get the sagebrush country together for two reasons. Primarily, under such an arrangement, these sections have their irrigation and land problems which are entirely unrelated and foreign to the interests of that section lying between the Cascades and the Pacific Coast. Secondly, under my proposed plan the vast arid land district east of the Cascades would be in a position to work out these problems satisfactorily and efficiently."

Office Reduction Favored

"Under the existing organization of states in this section the political machinery follows the centers of population, with the result that the sparsely settled districts east of the mountains are not strong enough numerically to gain deserved recognition."

"The crying need of this country today is increased production of food-stuffs," continued Mr. Hanley, discussing somewhat from his state division views, "and the need for cultivating and making productive every available acre in the country. This means an increased demand for people on the land and yet under the draft, the country districts have suffered more than the cities."

"The Government has at last awakened to the value of efficiency in its various wartime activities and is going the limit. There is no reason why we should not adopt the same general plan of efficiency in our state affairs. We should have some sort of drafting plan that would extend through our entire population and compel each person to render an accounting of what he is doing. Individual efficiency must be demanded of everybody. The man who does not produce more than he destroys is a burden and the balance of society has to pick him along."

Mr. Hanley said he had serious doubts that his plan of state reorganization would get very far in the way of realization, but he still believes his position is sound and that, if carried out, is willing to wager the result would more than warrant the experiment he proposes.

STRIKERS WANT COURTESY

Governor Withycombe Asked to Control Special Agents at Oregon City.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Complaint has been received by Governor Withycombe from paper-mill strikers of Clackamas County that special agents on duty there are discourteous and harsh to the strikers, under the control of the Sheriff and Chief of Police. A request is made that the agents be put back under state control again.

The Governor will hear a statement from the other side before determining what action he will take.

CHILD HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Ten-Year-Old Run Over by Horses and Wagon Slightly Hurt.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Although a team of horses and a heavy farm wagon passed over him, Cyril, the 10-year-old son of John Perry, of Halfway, is not only still alive, but is only slightly injured.

The youngster was driving the team yesterday, when he was jerked down between the horses, which ran away. An examination by a doctor disclosed the fact that with the exception of a broken hand and a few bruises the lad was unharmed.

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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Douglas Fairbanks and Marguerite Dew in 'The Masque of Life' at Frontier Theater

**TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.**  
Sunset—William S. Hart, "The Disciple."  
Columbia—Marguerite Clark, "The Seven Swains."  
Liberty—"Alimony."  
Majestic—"For the Freedom of the World."  
Peoples—Lina Cavalieri, "The Eternal Tempress."  
Star—"The Masque of Life."  
Globe—Wallace Reid and Katharine Williams, "Big Timber."

**Star.**  
"The Masque of Life," the photoplay of 1918 thrillers, a film novelty made by the same company which gave the cinema world Maciste in "The Warrior" is the unusual attraction scheduled for the Star Theater today.

This new Italian-made production is entirely different from anything ever shown before in the United States. It was produced at a cost of more than half a million dollars and required seven months in the making. It is a melodrama pure and simple, but it is a melodrama, having as its background the most remarkable series of exciting events ever seen in a photoplay.

Unlike most spectacles, "The Masque of Life" has a real story interest. It involves a beautiful circus girl and the heroine, her father, the young prince who loves her and a famous educated monkey. The exciting scenes are topped by a fight between the girl and the chimpanzee atop a 360-foot chimney, and tremendous fire scenes, when the entire circus smothered burns down and wild animals stampede. Spectacular ballet and pageantry scenes also are introduced.

**Majestic.**  
"For the Freedom of the World," said to be the greatest war spectacle film ever conceived, with a cast headed by beautiful Barbara Castleton, E. K. Lincoln and Romaine Fielding, will be shown at the Majestic Theater commencing this morning.

The story—a tale of love and deception, cowardice, and heroism of the highest order—is written by Captain Edward Bower Hesser of the Canadian expeditionary forces. Its scenes are laid in Canada, the United States and on the battlefields of Western France.

Probably never before has a war picture been seen which sets forth in a more effective manner a pictorial exposition of the reasons why the United States has gone into the great world conflict—and gone in to win! In the course of the film story spectators may see a realistic photographic reproduction of the life of their sons, brothers, fathers and others they love, as at present living in the training camps throughout the country and the hardships they must be privileged to undergo in the trenches "over there."

**Screen Gossip.**  
Eastman, through the Government, is warning manufacturers against a film shortage because of ammunition needs. The suggestion is made that the Government confiscate all positives on the market more than a year old. This would help the Government, and help the industry by getting rid of a mass of junk. That would mean no more of that old, faded, scratched, broken and disconnected film the public has been forced to see in so many theaters.

Mary Pickford now has a personal press agent. His name is Al Cohn.

Jack Mulhall, former Bluebird star, will make his Triangle debut with Margery Wilson.

A Selig revival seems due. Reports say that five corporations will be working in California next Spring under the direction of Colin Campbell. Now if some one will revive Biograph.

Walter McGrath, who has been playing in the O. Henry pictures, has enlisted in the Navy.

Oiga Petrova is surrounded by such screen players as Thomas Hojding, Lumsden Hare and Wyndham Standing.

Alma Reubens, the dusky beauty, seems destined to reach a high altitude in film stardom during 1918.

John Bowers is leading man for both Ethel Clayton and June Elvidge at the World Studios, Fort Lee, N. J.

Jewel Carmen, former Portland girl, is at Truckee, Cal., with a Fox company, working on a picture of the Alaska gold-rush days. Theda Bara, as well as Bill Farnum, will be making pictures in California soon.

Bill Hart is making a Northwestern lumber camp picture, but the filming is being done in California instead of Oregon or Washington.

H. O. Davis has bought "The Servant in the House" for Trixie's pictorialization.

In Mary Pickford's next production

AUTO MISDEEDS KEEP COURT BUSY

Traffic Law Violations on Decrease, but Still Too Numerous.

ONE JURY TRIAL GRANTED

Fines, Lectures and Arguments Feature Session in Judge Rossman's Department—Police Vigilance Is Helping Situation.

Speeding past schoolhouses, having no rear lights and "cutting" corners featured the jam of traffic cases before Municipal Judge Rossman yesterday morning, when fines, lectures and arguments were handed out.

For the first time since Judge Rossman has been on the bench a jury trial was demanded and granted in a case of alleged traffic violation. Lon I. Parker, who recently approached the court on this subject and was rebuffed for asking this "on a trivial case," came back into court and insisted upon his client's rights.

"Well, if you are going to take this case so seriously we will take it seriously, too," Judge Rossman remarked. "That's all right, that's your prerogative," retorted Mr. Parker, "but my client is entitled to a jury trial and you have no right to deprive him of it. It is trivial to arrest a man, we shall go to the bottom of it and let the jury decide it."

Law Infractions Decrease.

Constant vigilance upon the part of the traffic officers is having its effect on the number of cases in court, but still there is a large number.

Grief was in store for those who sped past the Woodlawn School Wednesday afternoon, for Policeman Norene, of the traffic squad, was on the job and arrested several.

The ordinance requires drivers to slow down to 10 miles an hour during school hours when passing any public school, but it seemed from the statements of drivers before the judge yesterday that many of them are not aware of this. Some of them admitted going as fast as 30 miles, but explained that they were of the belief that it was only when the pupils were out at recess or when their studies that the rate is 10 miles. Fines of 45 were levied in these cases.

Excuses Held Not Reasonable.

Several men and women were in court because they were burning no rear lights and all had excuses, but Judge Rossman said these were not reasons. He insisted that rear lights be burned and, as a means of insuring this, suggested that two lights should be carried, so that if one should go out the other would probably be burning and thus save the driver from trouble.

Judge Rossman fined Dan Voss \$5 for speeding. It being shown that the defendant was running from 25 to 35 miles an hour. In addition to the fine the court stipulated that the "bug" driven by Voss shall be laid up for 30 days as a punishment for his excessive speed.

Many Fines Imposed.

Cases were disposed of as follows: J. Brown, \$2.50; W. M. Thoresen, \$1; Joe Zimmermann, \$2; George Chonka, \$5; M. R. Buckingham, \$1; L. Harrington, \$5; A. L. Long, \$5; E. A. Land, \$1; E. F. McKeown, \$5; C. P. Carzallin, \$5; J. L. Davidson, \$2.50; Stanton Gusman, \$2.50; J. Brinker, \$5; A. Bohme, \$2.50; W. R. Fink, \$2.50; Peter Grant, \$5; W. H. Zivony, \$5; A. E. Cunniff, \$5; M. C. McCreary, \$2; J. B. Goddard, \$1; N. Munson, \$3.50; A. R. Kimberley, \$1; A. Gross, \$2; L. L. Barrett, \$2.50; C. Christensen, \$2; A. E. Palmer, \$1; Guy L. Graham, \$2.50; Dan Voss, \$5; Joe Amato, \$5; P. Hillwell, \$2; Fred Bate, \$1; J. J. McHenry, \$2.50; James Chopp, \$5; S. Aral, \$2.

'GAMBLERS' FINES HEAVY

J. WILSON ASSESSED \$250 ON FOURTH APPEARANCE.

District Attorney Evans Wants to Proceed Against Two Clubs on Allegations of Gambling.

When he appeared before Municipal Judge Rossman for the fourth time since he took the bench last July, J. Wilson, proprietor of a poker game in what is known as the Culinary Club, 85 1/2 Fifth street, pleaded not guilty, but was convicted, and, instead of being fined a nominal sum as on previous occasions, was fined \$250.

Fourteen men who were caught in the raid, which was made several mornings ago by Policemen Hunt, Teters and Martin, were fined \$35 each, and five visitors were fined \$15 each.

Paul M. Long, counsel for Wilson and the others, evidently expected that his clients would escape with a small fine, and was much surprised at the action of the Judge. Deputy City Attorney Ed. Lind said it was "about time the court let these men know that their illegal business is not tolerated by the city."

"It's a fine proposition for these men to get a technical plea of not guilty, and then, 'in a nice way,' explain that they helped the officers to get the evidence, and therefore should be treated leniently," said Mr. Deich. "I insist upon heavy fines in this case."

Immediate revocation of the charters heretofore granted to the Culinary Club, 18 1/2 Fifth street, and the Portland Stewards' Association in the Buchanan building is sought by District Attorney Evans, who wrote yesterday to Governor Withycombe asking that he be permitted to take official action against the two social clubs on the grounds that they are alleged gambling resorts.

In his letter to the Governor Mr. Evans calls attention to the fact that the Culinary Club has been raided by the police five times within the past year and that the Stewards' Association has also been raided as a gambling resort.

WATER REVENUE DWINDLES

Receipts for 1917 Nearly \$42,000 Less Than in Previous Year.

Owing to a cut in the rates charged by the city for water furnished through meters, the revenue of the Water Bureau for 1917 amounted to \$41,935, less than the revenue for 1916, according to the annual report of revenues made public yesterday. The total receipts for 1917 were \$720,262, while in 1916 they were \$752,300.

The loss of revenue is even greater than is shown by these figures, due to the fact that in 1917 the Water Bureau had a much bigger business than in 1916, owing to the increased

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FISHING BUSINESS POOR

Inability to Secure Product Reduces Sales at Municipal Market.

Fishing is poor and therefore the city's fishing business is poor. City Commissioner Kellahey says his inability to get a varied supply of fish for some time past has materially decreased the sales and therefore the receipts of the city's market on Third street.

"The high water," Commissioner Kellahey says, "has driven the fish out of the rivers. We hope to be able to resume business on the old basis soon." Mr. Kellahey is still negotiating for a boat for use as a municipal fishing craft.

HARDWICK ASSAILS WILSON

Holding Over of Cabinet Declared Affront to Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Senator Hardwick (Dem.) declared in the Senate today that President Wilson's action in holding over his Cabinet from his first term, without submitting nominations was a "contemptuous disregard" of Senatorial courtesy and he introduced a resolution calling on the President to inform the Senate by what "warrants of law or authority," the present Cabinet officers hold their offices. The resolution went over without action and Senator Hardwick promised to make a speech on it later.

BEND'S TAX TOO LOW

GROWING CITY IS HURT BY CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATION.

BEND, Or., Jan. 4.—(Special.)—Whether the constitutional 6 per cent tax limitation affects the situation created by the addition of a large territory to the city since the last tax levy is now puzzling the City Council of Bend.

The problem has been passed on to the County Assessor, and through him to the State Tax Commission. On its decision will depend whether or not the city has a few thousand dollars extra for municipal purposes during the coming year. That the money is needed is indicated by the fact that the Council's budget estimates called for \$25,000, but this amount, being in excess of the 6 per cent limitation, had to be voted on by the people and the proposed levy was defeated.

In order to raise the largest amount possible the Council now wishes to have the amount to be raised from the city as formerly bounded increased by 8 per cent, and to have the same rate apply to the territory included in the city limits since the last tax levy. If this is not allowed, because of the 6 per cent limit, and the Council is forced to confine itself to raising last year's amount plus 6 per cent in the city as now bounded, the rate will be forced

down, but there will be little money to pay the bills, which have grown large since the city made its great growth.

Don't fill the room with fresh flowers. Keep one or two bouquets in the room at a time. Change every two or three hours if you have a great many.

LIBERTY

LAST CALL

Alimony Inside information on the Divorce Question.

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