

SEATTLE LAWYER'S SUSPENSION ASKED

Washington Board of Bar Examiners Acts in Case of Edgar G. Mills.

ALLEGED BLACKMAIL BASIS

Attorney Held to Have Failed to Prevent Client's Attempt at Extortion From Former U. S. Ambassador.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—As the outcome of an alleged attempt in 1914 to extort from E. G. Thompson out of \$24,000 and valuable property rights, the State Board of Bar Examiners today filed recommendations in the Supreme Court that Edgar G. Mills, of Seattle, be suspended from law practice for one year.

Mills, two years ago, was a close candidate for the State Supreme Court in the primaries. Thompson was formerly United States Ambassador to Brazil. He was at Lake Crescent, in Clallam County, when the alleged blackmail was attempted.

Frank J. Richards, of Lincoln, Neb., which was Thompson's old home, was subsequently convicted as a result of prompt prosecution by Thompson. Mills, according to the findings, as attorney for Richards, had previously advised the latter that the matter he had prepared against Thompson was defamatory and libelous if published and circulated, but the board finds that in later delivering a sealed package from Richards to Thompson, Mills knew or had good reason to know that the package contained the libelous matter, and was sent to Thompson by Richards for the purpose of extortion.

The board also finds that Mills took no steps to prevent commission of the crime by Richards, but rather aided and abetted it, in violation of the statutes and code of ethics. He was prosecuted before the board on charges brought by the State Bar Association.

An reasons for advising suspension instead of disbarment, the board notes that in the trial of Richards and Dr. Dechman on the blackmail charges, Dechman was acquitted and Richards was pardoned after commission of the crime by Richards, acting Governor at the time. It is cited in Mills' favor that in both trials he testified for and aided the state on an immunity understanding, and the charges against him were subsequently dismissed. The board also mentions his advanced years and the fact that he has no income except from the law.

Mills has 30 days in which to appeal to the Supreme Court from the board's decision. Disposal of the case rests with the court.

DAIRYMEN POOL OUTPUT

LEWIS COUNTY PRODUCERS FORM CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

Milk From 4500 Cows Pledged, But Members May Sell in Any Market If Hauling Price Is Higher.

CHEHALIS, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—The greatest gathering of men engaged in farming ever assembled in this section of the state was held here last night to organize the Lewis County Dairy Association. More than 500 dairymen were said to be in attendance.

A close co-operative association was formed, which has the milk output from more than 4500 cows pledged to its support. Asher Hobson, head of the farm markets division of the State College, Pullman, was present and assisted in the work of completing the organization.

Under the agreement signed by the members, all milk is to be turned over to the association for marketing, although the agreement does not bind a member to deliver his milk if he can get a higher price outside the association.

Directors chosen last night include J. A. Scollard, Chehalis; Harvey Shoultes, Adna; J. C. Bush, Chehalis; Herman Young, Centralia; T. O. Hendricks, Forest; E. E. Wilkinson, Curtis; A. N. Bennett, Chehalis; V. M. Bullard, Menlo, Pacific County; George Olden, Elsie. The officers elected by this board include J. A. Scollard, president; Harvey Shoultes, vice-president; J. C. Bush, secretary, and Herman Young, treasurer.

The severe cut in the price of milk made within recent months was the immediate cause that prompted the formation of the association. The price at one time ruled as high as \$3.25 per 100 at the condensary here, but later was cut to \$2.75. Figures agreed upon at a recent conference in Seattle have satisfied the dairymen interested that milk production at this time costs upwards of \$2.25 per 100. The avowed purpose of the organization is to see some plan cannot be worked out whereby the dairymen can at least make the cost of his product out of the milk produced.

Grandview Postmistress Sued.

YAKIMA, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—Anna Sykes, postmistress of Grandview, in this county, has been made defendant in a slander damage suit for \$2500. The plaintiff, Lawrence D. Geaney, an automobile dealer of Grandview, claims that, after receiving rental for a lock box in the Grandview office, Postmistress Sykes refused to let him get mail except through the general delivery and started the report that he had refused to pay rental for the box.

Pendleton Regulates Hotels.

PENDLETON, Or., May 17.—(Special.)—An ordinance regulating hotels, rooming-houses and boarding-houses and requiring a license fee of \$1 a year, similar to that now in force in Portland and in other cities of the state, has been passed by the Pendleton City Council and will go into effect immediately. The ordinance was passed on the suggestion of the State Highway officer and Army officials as a further measure of safeguard for the soldiers to be. The extreme penalty is \$100 or 20 days in jail or both.

Pendleton Hurries Stamp Sale.

PENDLETON, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—To push the sale of thrift stamps in the city, J. V. Tallman, who is manager of the campaign among the retail merchants, has inaugurated a thrift stamp day for the stores. Saturday two women from the Thrift Society recently organized here will be posted in each store in the city to sell stamps. Further features designed to keep alive interest in the campaign are to be staged occasionally.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Beautiful Elsie Ferguson in 'The Song of Songs' at Peoples Tomorrow.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.

Majestic—Thoda Bara, 'The Forbidden Path'; Peoples—Billie Burke, 'Let's Get a Divorce'; Columbia—Mitchell Lewis, 'The Sign Invisible'; Star—Douglas Fairbanks, 'Reaching for the Moon'; Sunbeam—The Submarine 'Eye'; Charlie Chaplin, 'The Tramp'; Liberty—W. Wallace Reid, 'The House of Silence'; Globe—Margaret Livingston, 'The Inner Shrine'.

Majestic.

THODA BARA, William Fox's vampire de luxe, will be seen at the Majestic Theater today in 'The Forbidden Path,' a modern photo-tale to give Miss Bara every opportunity to display her peculiar talents. Another of these famous lion comedies and Pathe News of world events will also be on the bill.

Star.

From poverty and obscurity to a royal crown is the story of an American youth. And when the pretender to the throne objects to his occupancy and hires assassins to remove the new monarch, who is a determined and athletic young man, there is apt to be considerable excitement. This is one of the trends of the Douglas Fairbanks photoplay, 'Reaching for the Moon,' which will be shown commencing today at the Star Theater.

Screen Gossip.

Here are some sayings charged to Charlie Murray, formerly of Murray and Mack and now one of Mack Sennett's chief funsters.

A liberty button will hold up the pants of government.

Mack Sennett went fishing and got a wonderful amount of exercise.

There are 40 stars of the Mack Sennett service flag—and several in the studio.

Robert Gordon, who made such a hit as Huckleberry Finn in the two Mark Twain pictures made by Paramount, will be seen with Mary Pickford in 'Captain Kidd, Jr.'

Gloria Hope, another young film newcomer, is Charlie Ray's sister—in a new picture.

The Russian, Italian, English or French picture is a novelty in this country, but wherever the motion picture has penetrated American stars are known and American pictures sought.

Earle Fox is married to Betty Scott, of the New York musical stage.

Geraldine Farrar will make a picture or two for Goldwyn this Summer. Yes,

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FOOD SAVING COSTLY

Hoover's Annual Expenses Jump to 12 Millions.

CONGRESS GETS ESTIMATE

Grain Boarders in Holland Threaten to Plow Up Crops in Retaliation Against Search by Government.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Federal Food Administration costs have risen from \$2,500,000 a year to \$12,000,000 a year, according to estimates submitted to Congress today by the Food Administration.

Food Administrator Hoover practices what he preaches not only in food conservation, but in other measures to help with the war.

Today he sold his large automobile, discharged his chauffeur and began operating a small car himself.

"I could not think of withholding a man from industry who should be building ships," said the Food Administrator.

New regulations putting the distribution of wheat imports under control of the food administration were issued today by the War Trade Board.

Applicants for import license must guarantee not to sell imported wheat or wheat flour without first obtaining approval of the Food Administration, whose rules will govern all sales and distribution. The regulations do not apply to small importations from Canada.

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