

GOVERNOR LISTER IS IN STATE HOSPITAL

Physician Persuades Executive to Leave Olympia.

OVERWORK CAUSES ILLNESS

Lieutenant Governor Hart Temporarily Assumes Duties of Office.

BILLS TO BECOME LAWS.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Governor Ernest Lister, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, this afternoon was taken in a steam-heated ambulance from his home in Olympia to the private residence of Superintendent W. N. Keller, at the Washington state hospital near Tacoma.

Dr. Keller, as family physician for Governor Lister, yesterday was called in consultation with the executive from the military medical corps, in which he has served with the rank of major during the war. He agreed to resign his commission and give his immediate personal attention on condition that Governor Lister consent to removal from Olympia at once, in order to assure absolute freedom from official concerns, and give himself and physician every possible advantage.

Governor to Lay Aside Duties. As a trip to California was found on further investigation to be inadvisable at this time, Dr. Keller insisted that the governor be taken to the state hospital, where he could have every benefit of modern treatment and nursing. Governor Lister's consent to lay aside his official duties and submit to this arrangement was not obtained until late today, when he was finally convinced that it offered his only chance for recovery.

It is understood that he was frankly told he could not expect to live more than 10 days under present conditions. Dr. Keller was with Governor Lister in Chicago when the executive was first stricken last summer and compelled to go to a sanitarium. The governor has had a losing fight since then to regain his health, due to the fact that he insisted upon remaining at his office the customary long hours and personally attending to executive work.

Executive Determined to Work.

The governor was indifferent to medical advice. For several months he steadily lost strength until at the opening of the legislature he was tottering on his feet, yet still determined to do his work. As a forced compromise he consented to remaining at his home here, with Dr. Henry Suzzallo and Attorney-General W. V. Tanner acting as his advisory representatives at the executive office, but retained authority over all executive statements and actions and insisted upon being closely informed upon all matters outside of routine. He was especially active prior to and during the recent general strike, when he personally directed the executive for providing troops and all other necessary safeguards of law and order. These exertions are reported to be largely responsible for the governor's present crisis, which amounted last night to an immediately dangerous relapse. Today, however, the governor appeared cheerfully willing to continue work, and the combined arguments of wife, daughter and physicians were necessary to induce him to decide to submit to temporary retirement. Mrs. Lister accompanied him to the state hospital, and Florence Lister followed shortly.

Acting Governor Assumes Duties.

Governor Lister's trouble is generally stated as a complication of organic illness, carrying diabetic symptoms, and resulting, it is stated, from overwork and lack of exercise and relaxation. He is 48 years old and his six years as governor have been marked

with ceaseless activity. In both elections he was the only successful democrat on the state ticket. In assuming the position of acting governor, Lieutenant-Governor Hart issued the following statement: "Knowing that I voice the prayer of all the people of the state in expressing the sincere wish for speedy and complete recovery of Governor Lister to his accustomed strength and vigor, I temporarily assume the duties of chief executive at a time when much laborious detail work incident to a legislative session must of necessity prevent me from giving deep and continuous study to those grave questions so important to the state in its rehabilitation and readjustment of affairs.

"We must all realize that the stupendous task of repairing to meet those questions and handle them in the interest of the people has undermined the health of Governor Lister and deprived the state temporarily of his sound judgment and well-stored mind."

Bills to Become Law.

"During the time that I am acting governor, which we all hope will be brief, I shall meet every question fearlessly and so far as I have the knowledge and ability, carry out the policies and ideas of Governor Lister, so that upon his return to active duty he will find the least possible embarrassment in effecting and perfecting his policies in the business of our people and the welfare of the state."

Senator P. H. Carlyn, as president been signed by the lieutenant-governor Hart's place in presiding over the senate. Sixteen bills passed by the present legislature and already sent to Governor Lister for consideration will probably become laws without executive signature, since they have already been signed by the lieutenant-governor as presiding officer of the senate and cannot be signed again by him in the dual capacity of acting governor. Governor Lister is not known to have any objection to these bills becoming laws, as he has already approved the important measures in which he was most interested.

The legislature will convene tomorrow after recess for Lincoln's birthday.

PASCO TO FORM COMPANY

SALE OF DISTRICT IRRIGATION BONDS IS PURPOSE.

Committee to Draft Constitution and Articles of Incorporation; Mass Meeting Held.

PASCO, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—For the purpose of discussing ways and means for solving the irrigation water problem now confronting this community a mass meeting was held here yesterday.

City Attorney O'Brien outlined his plan as follows: A company should be organized with a capital of \$50,000, the stock to be subscribed by the citizens of Pasco at \$10 a share. A board of directors should be elected, whose duty should be to see that the capital of the company is invested in some securities which would bring the maximum of return on the investment and at the same time assist in the development of the community.

Mr. O'Brien explained that considerable land under the Franklin county irrigation district was to be sold on February 21 for delinquent taxes. It is necessary that these taxes be collected so that the district can sell its bonds to improve and enlarge its system. The proposed company could purchase the certificate of sale of lands, making it possible for the irrigation district to sell its bonds, which would in turn make it possible for it to furnish water for irrigating lawns and gardens, and as these certificates draw 12 per cent interest, it would be a paying investment for the company. This, Mr. O'Brien explained, is only one of the ways the company could assist in the development work of the community and at the same time make a safe investment for the stockholders.

It was unanimously agreed that a committee should be appointed to draft a constitution and bylaws and articles of incorporation for such a company.

KELSO CITIZEN PASSES

J. L. Sparling's Death in Portland of More Than Usual Interest.

KELSO, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—In the death of J. L. Sparling at Portland Monday, following an operation for appendicitis, Kelso and Cowlitz county lost one of its best and most progressive citizens, a man who had devoted himself to the upbuilding of this county and has played an unusually large part in its affairs for the past 10 years. He came to Kelso about 11 years ago and organized the Grananger Telephone and Telegraph company, which soon afterwards absorbed the competing Bell system. In addition to his duties as manager of the telephone company, Mr. Sparling had other business interests here, and gave much of his time to public affairs and particularly to politics.

Mr. Sparling was one of Kelso's most active boosters, and for years was secretary of the Kelso commercial club. He was a warm follower of the late Theodore Roosevelt and was a strong believer in his political ideals.

55 MEN REFUSE TO FIGHT

Aberdeen Prepares List of Persons Surrendering Citizenship.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Fifty-five draft registrants in district No. 2, comprising Aberdeen and Hoquiam, surrendered their citizenship when summoned to service with the United States, according to a list just completed. What action will be taken against the men is not known.

The list shows that Finns led 22 of the 55 being of that nationality; followed by Germans, 7; Austrians, 5; German, 1; Prussian, 1; Danes, Greek and Hawaiians, 1 each.

Yakima Prisoner Cuts Wrist.

YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—James Carey, a rural prisoner in the Yakima county jail, where he had but seven days yet to serve, cut his wrist with a razor on Sunday in what is claimed to have been an attempt at suicide. Carey was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. While serving his sentence he escaped, and was recently recaptured and held to finish his sentence. He inflicted a severe wound, but dangerous loss of blood was prevented by prompt attention.

Importers Operate at Hood River.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Importers who cheat the public by an apocryphal "patriotic" have made their appearance in Hood River. After the authorities took cognizance of their activities two men in uniform, selling buttons to raise a fund for the relief of needy returned soldiers, left the city without ceremony. Maxime E. L. Schoebel has issued a warning.

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IDAHO COUNTIES NOW 44

BANNOCK DIVIDED, MAKING DIVISION KNOWN AS CARIBOU.

Soda Springs Made County Seat. Election to Be Held to Decide Fate of Townships.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The 44th county in this state came into existence yesterday when Governor Davis signed house bill No. 4, by White-man, creating the county of Caribou out of territory now included in Bannock county. It is probably the last new county that will be created by the present legislature, and is the third that has passed both houses, meeting their approval and that of the governor. The only amendment to the bill is that this spring there is to be held an election to determine whether a few townships shall vote to go into the old county or remain in the new. Soda Springs is made the county seat.

The administration bill proposing a cabinet or commission form of government for the state, consolidating many departments to reduce government expenses will likely be passed today. The joint conference committee reported the amendment of the house to the senate, in which the senate at first declined to concur. The disagreement arose over clerical errors and not the substance of the amendments.

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and Charles Elliott, Kelso high school graduates. Lake Davolt and Arthur Tohill, former local high school boys, who are with the 65th coast artillery, are now speeding across country to Portland, and all these boys will be accorded a royal welcome on their arrival home.

KALAMA MEN ARE ARRESTED

Charge of Having Liquor in Possession is Preferred.

KELSO, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Charged with having liquor in their possession contrary to the state laws, Charles Ross, superintendent of the Kalama sawmill; W. H. Kockritz, proprietor of Kalama's leading hotel, a discharged soldier and men named Johnson and Stevens were arrested Saturday night by Sheriff John Hoggatt, of Cowlitz county, and his deputy, John Taylor.

The men were arrested while on their way from the mill to Kalama in Kockritz' auto, and the officers secured about 50 quarts of liquor in a suitcase in the auto and elsewhere following the arrest. Kockritz and Ross asked time in which to make their pleading and were given until February 24. The others pleaded not guilty.

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