

### SENATOR VIOLATES BREACH OF TRUST

Walter B. Jones Ordered to Refund \$10,000 to ex-Ward.

### JUDGE GIVES TIME LIMIT

Eugene Solon Must Pay Amount Over to New Guardian or Bond Will Be Forfeited.

Circuit Judge Tazwell yesterday gave Walter B. Jones, state senator from Eugene, until April 15 to refund \$10,000 taken from the estate of Miss Hester M. O'Dell, for which he was guardian, and loaned to a company in which he had a heavy personal interest.

Mr. Jones, who has been ousted as guardian of the estate and whose claim for \$1000 fees in connection with his services was disallowed by Judge Tazwell, lent the money to the firm of Belott & Alpine, which managed the John Jones Coal company of Coos Bay, of which Senator Jones was secretary-treasurer and in which he had a fourth interest.

Estate Valued at \$17,000. Miss O'Dell is a retired school teacher living at the Patton home and had an estate valued originally at \$17,000. The senator was appointed guardian February 8, 1919, when Miss O'Dell's physical infirmities became such that she could no longer administer her own affairs.

Mr. Jones, who is 65 years old and of weak physique, according to Judge Tazwell, she said she was informed by Mr. Jones at that time that he put up \$75,000 surety, whereas the true amount was \$7500.

The \$10,000 loan was placed on deposit in the United States National bank at Eugene and drawn against by Jones as stockholder and agent for the John Jones Coal company. It was secured with a second mortgage on acreage in Wisconsin.

Judge Tazwell yesterday that the land was valuable and that he would be able to make good the amount, if given time. Bond May Be Forfeited. Should the money not be replaced by April 15, Judge Tazwell's order will cause the surety company to forfeit the \$7500, which is the extent of Jones' bond, and Jones or his associates will be held responsible for the rest. The \$10,000 deal was held by Judge Tazwell to be a distinct breach of trust and wholly improper for the guardian of an estate.

Evidence in the hearing showed that some of Miss O'Dell's money had been placed in loans by Grant E. Dimick, Oregon city attorney, and that Mr. Jones accepted about \$1000 in interest and principal on these loans two weeks after he had been relieved of his trust.

The land mortgage held by Mr. Jones and put up as security was for \$8000. The terms of the \$10,000 loan were that, while interest might accrue, none was to be paid for a period of five years from November 10, 1919.

Under the terms of Judge Tazwell's order, the \$10,000 must be paid over to Walter A. Holt, assistant cashier of the United States National bank, who had known Miss O'Dell for 40 years and was appointed guardian when Mr. Jones was relieved.

Until Attorney Kraemer filed a petition for Mr. Jones' removal last week he had never made an accounting of the guardianship. In evidence in the case are checks for \$1000 paid by the John Jones Coal company from the fund on deposit in the Eugene bank. L. J. Belott of the firm of Belott & Alpine is Mr. Jones' brother-in-law.

Postal Team-Work Aim Merchants Asked to Help to Speed Mailing.

Postoffice Rush Could Be Avoided to Great Extent, Declares Inspector Barclay.

Added efficiency in the Portland postal service, through the cooperation of the business firms of the city and the public generally, is sought by Robert H. Barclay, inspector in charge, who declares that a trifle of personal application to the service, by business interests, will rebound to the benefit of all.

Suggestions that are intended for the benefit of the service are especially desired, declares the inspector, who adds that constructive criticism is welcome.

"A great many business concerns do not deposit their correspondence for mailing as it accumulates during the day," said the inspector, "and as a result mailings are congested at the postoffice in the late afternoon, endangering the most expeditious dispatch by the best connections."

"The registering device on the canceling machines through which all first-class mail matter passes shows that approximately only 40 per cent of such mail is deposited throughout the day up to 4 P. M., the remainder coming in between 5 P. M. and 7 P. M. Last month 5,952,679 pieces of first-class matter were deposited for mailing, a gain of 1,074,549 pieces over the month of March a year ago."

"It is appreciated that a considerable amount of the business mail of the city cannot conveniently be mailed early in the day, but it is a fact that much of it could be disposed of at noon, say, or early in the afternoon. It is just as good business to help the postoffice as to give support to any enterprise devoted to public service."

MORE CITIZENS REGISTER Number on Rolls Has Now Reached Total of 84,683.

The impetus given registration in Multnomah county by the intensive campaign of the Portland Ad club this week was reflected yesterday in the totals announced by County Clerk Beveridge for Monday. There were 759 new registrations, which does not include changes of address. This is more than twice as many as on any previous day.

The total in Portland was brought up to 84,683. The suburban registration booths will close next Monday. The main registration office in the courthouse, Fifth and Salmon streets, will close April 23. The division of registration announced yesterday was as follows:

### MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Marguerite Clark, as she appears in the comedy, "Easy to Get," which is showing this week at the Columbia theater.

**TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.** Columbia—Marguerite Clark, "Easy to Get." Republic—Shirley Mason, "Molly and I." Majestic—Henry Walthall, "The Liberty—Norma Talmadge, "She Loves and She Lies." Peoples—Shirley Mason, "Molly and I." Star—Harry Carey, "Overland Red." Circle—Marguerite Clark, "A Girl Named Mary." Globe—June Caprice, "In Walked Mary."

QUEER things may happen on a honeymoon. The queerest events happened to Milly, the four-hours-old bride whose experiences are shown in the comedy farce "Easy to Get," being shown this week at the Columbia.

Marguerite Clark, supported by Harrison Ford, has the leading role. "Easy to Get" is rather prudent in the way it demonstrates the foolishness and attractiveness of the human character, regardless of sex. It points out how foolish a young bride may be and then it proceeds to demonstrate that a young bride may be just as much so. For instance, it was decidedly reckless for Tom to boast just four hours after being married of how simple a matter it is to win and wed the girl of one's choice. Of course, if his bride had not overheard the remark and had not been of such an independent nature, it might not have been so reckless.

On the other hand, it is not always wise to take refuge in the home of seven thieves, even as the story "In Baba" demonstrates. But a woman trying to show a man a thing or two can be as regardless of consequences as her spouse who brags of his "way wid de dames."

Muscle from the English operas is used by the Columbia string orchestra as it accompanies the picture, and particularly noticeable are selections from "The Chimes of Normandy," "Portland" "regimes" will appreciate this week's programme, as it includes a picture of the United States marine in action in Haiti, where they are handling a war of their own.

Screen Gossip. Jensen and Voh Herberg have announced the bookings of all Paramount Arctur productions and the following super productions: Lionel

### TAFT CLUBS QUIETLY FORMED IN OREGON

Presidential Petitions Circulated Without Publicity.

### 5000 NAMES HELD GOAL

Sentiment for ex-President Exceeds Expectations, Declares Charles W. Ackerson.

Petitions to place William Howard Taft's name upon the republican presidential primary ballot are now being circulated in many Oregon counties. The work has proceeded with unusual quiet, but the petitions, it is said, are being freely signed. In addition, a few Taft clubs have been formed, with almost as little publicity as the petitions have attained.

Charles W. Ackerson, who was a progressive in the days of the Bull Moose movement and followed Colonel Roosevelt when the break came at the Chicago convention in 1912, in charge of the Taft petitions. Eight years ago Mr. Ackerson was eager to prevent Mr. Taft's nomination in Chicago, and now he is just as eager to see the ex-president nominated.

1500 Sign Taft Petition. "We have about 1500 signatures already on the Taft petition," states Mr. Ackerson. "One thousand is sufficient, but we're going to do this thing right. We intend getting 5000 signatures if the time permits and make it a regular whale of a petition. The petition will be signed next week."

"There is more Taft sentiment in Oregon than some people suspect. The way the petitions have been signed is a pretty good indication. We'll have Mr. Taft's name on the ballot and then the fight for the ten delegates from Oregon will be between Johnson and Taft. The Wisconsin election has been an eye-opener. Where Johnson is speaking he is getting support, and Johnson is coming to Oregon. Well, Johnson's asset is his fight against the league of nations. There is a mighty big crowd of republicans who want a league, notwithstanding Senator Johnson's views, and Mr. Taft's views on the league are well known throughout the nation. On the league issue the republicans of the state will fight it out. Those who do not want the league will support Senator Johnson, and those who want a league, with or without reservations, will support Mr. Taft."

Taft Clubs Organized. Taft clubs have been organized in Yamhill and Polk counties, according to Mr. Ackerson, who also declares that the Taft petitions have been forwarded for circulation in every county. Aside from the cost of printing the petitions, the movement is without expense, asserts Mr. Ackerson.

Dow Walker, state manager for General Wood, will file the Wood petition at Salem today. The petition contains about 2000 names and in Portland twice the necessary number of precincts are represented on the petition.

The Hoover petition is still being circulated, but will probably be filed the latter part of this week or the early part of next week.

### TEACHERS PROTEST PAY

Four of Kalama Faculty Resign Because Wages Are Not Raised.

KALAMA, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Four of the grade teachers in the Kalama schools resigned their positions Friday evening because the school board refused to raise their wages. Kalama is said to pay its teachers more than any other school in the county, and a special election would have been necessary to have raised the extra amount for salaries. The vacancies were filled by ex-teachers in the town.

### WARNING IS GIVEN MAYOR

Elma Executive Told to Go "Easy" on Moonshiners.

ELMA, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Mayor Crook of Elma, who has been making a determined fight against the moonshine and bootlegging class, Sunday night found a written warning on his table, telling him to go easy. At about the same time his laundry, the largest in the eastern part of Grays Harbor county, was found afire.

### 7 FISHERMEN ARRESTED

GAME WARDEN TO HOLD GEAR FOR CLOSED SEASON.

### Warning Issued Against Taking Fish During Run to Spawning Beds Up River.

War has been declared on commercial fishermen who are now being tempted to operate illegally during the closed season on account of the unusual demand and the high price for salmon, according to Carl D. Shoemaker, state game warden. The Columbia river in the vicinity of Portland seems to be the favorite haunt and in the last 10 days seven fishermen have been arrested near Portland and their gear has been taken and sealed.

"In order to put a stop to closed season fishing," said the game warden yesterday, "I have issued orders to all of the wardens to confiscate nets and boats, remove the gear from the fishermen and put that man out of business until the opening of the season. The spring closed season from March 1 to May 1 is designed to permit the fish to migrate upstream with the two boats which the state of Washington has on the river, the Columbia will be better patrolled this year than ever before."

"Violators who are caught will not only be required to pay their fine, but will suffer loss of their gear during the remainder of the closed season. The commission will decide later whether it will be disposed of or turned back on May 1, when the season opens."

Business for March Biggest. EUGENE, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—The largest month's business since

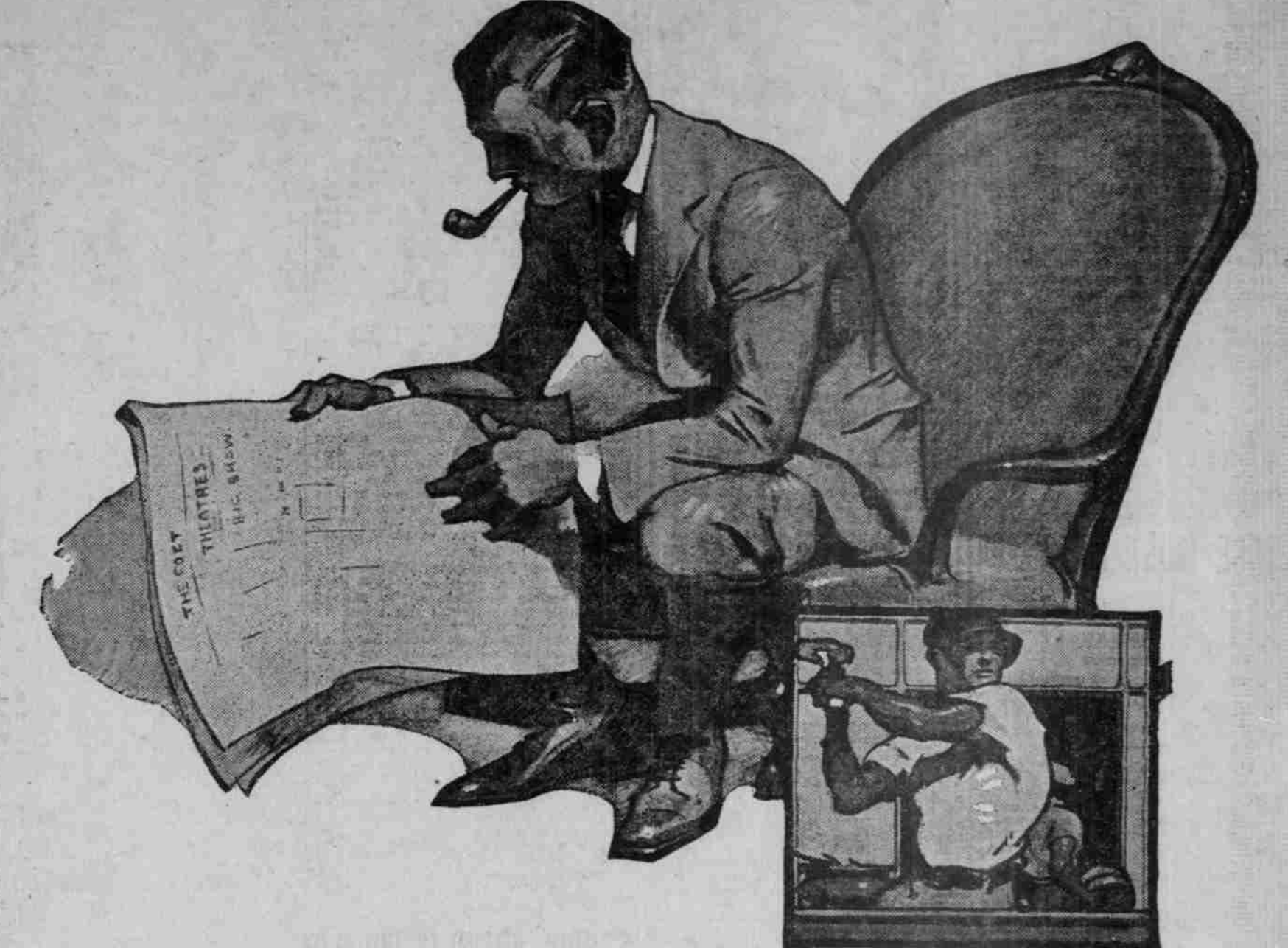
### COUPLE TO GO TO AFRICA

Eugene Graduates of Bible University to Be Missionaries.

EUGENE, Or., April 6.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. David Byerlee of this city will sail from an Atlantic port some time in August for Bolenge, Africa, where they will engage in missionary work. Both are graduates of the Eugene Bible university. Mr. Byerlee also was instructor in music in that institution.

Mr. Byerlee is a practical printer and will manage a printing establishment. He has been employed on the local papers in that capacity for a number of years.

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Grand total			84,683