

### McCOY PLANS COURT TEST OF CANDIDACY

Mandamus to Force Issue on Committeemen Is Aim.

### SECRETARY IS NOTIFIED

Democratic Convention Ruling on Term of Office Declared in Conflict With Oregon Law.

SALEM, Or., April 16.—(Special.)—Mandamus proceedings to compel the secretary of state to place the name of Newton McCoy, of Portland, on the democratic primary ballot for national committeeman, will be filed in the supreme court within the next few days as the result of the refusal of Sam A. Koser, assistant secretary of state, to receive his declaration of candidacy here today.

In refusing to file Mr. McCoy's declaration the secretary of state acted in compliance with a legal opinion of Attorney-General Brown, in which it was held that under a law passed in 1913 national committeemen in Oregon are elected every four years and that the next election of these officers will be held in 1922. Mr. McCoy was accompanied to Salem by Colonel Robert Miller, and upon being advised of the attorney-general's opinion, made formal tender of his declaration to the secretary of state. The declaration was refused.

**Mandamus Is Planned.**  
Mr. McCoy at that time informed Mr. Koser that in tendering his declaration he desired to lay grounds for mandamus proceedings which would follow.

In a subsequent statement Mr. McCoy declared that at the democratic national convention in St. Louis in 1918 a resolution was adopted which provided that the term of committeemen should terminate at the adjournment of the next following convention. In the Oregon case, under this ruling, Mr. McCoy said the term of Dr. J. W. Morrow, who was seated as Oregon committeeman over the former's protest, would terminate on June 23, the last day of the democratic national convention to be held in San Francisco. Mr. McCoy also asserted that under the ruling of the convention the national committee was the exclusive judge of the qualifications of its members.

### Court Action is Afoot.

Mr. McCoy declared that while the law passed in 1913 provided that national committeemen shall be elected every four years, in case of a vacancy it is the spirit of the statute that the persons appointed to fill out the term should serve only until the following election. It was also asserted by Mr. McCoy that the persons appointed to fill public offices by ballot at the earliest possible opportunity, which is a principle of the constitution, should be in issue would be at the primary election on May 21.

Plans for filing the mandamus proceedings were completed today and the formal papers in the action may reach the supreme court early Monday. Because the secretary of state is required to have the ballots in the hands of the printer 30 days before election, the suit, if filed, probably will be set on the supreme court calendar and receive preference over cases of less importance.

The opinion of the attorney-general followed by Mr. Koser in refusing to accept Mr. McCoy's declaration was requested yesterday following the receipt of a letter from J. D. Brown, chairman of the Oregon state committee, in which he inclosed the declaration of Dr. Morrow for national committeeman. The mandamus proceedings threatened by Mr. McCoy would determine the question raised in the filing of Dr. Morrow as well. The ruling of the democratic national convention regarding the length of term of committeemen is in direct conflict with the Oregon law passed in 1913, and which was quoted as a part of the opinion given by Mr. Brown.

### NEW HOSPITAL PLANNED

Structure Will Rise at Burns at Cost of \$50,000.

BAKER, Or., April 16.—(Special.)—A new hospital is to be erected at Burns, the county seat of Harney county, in the near future. Rev. Father Francis of the Order of Franciscan Brothers, in charge of the Burns parish, was in Baker yesterday and accepted the plans drawn by M. P. White, local architect, for the proposed building, funds for the construction of which already have been received.

The cost of the structure will be \$50,000. The building is to occupy 28x100 feet of ground, and will be three stories high and constructed of stone. It is to be modern in every detail.

### GRAIN ACREAGE NORMAL

Conditions in Washington Better Than Expected, Says Expert.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 16.—(Special.)—Grain conditions are better in the Big Bend district this year than was expected, according to F. H. McKay, farm loan expert of the Union Trust company, who has returned from a trip of inspection and who left again today for the Colville country. He says the acreage is normal.

"We had heard a lot of conflicting reports, mostly of a discouraging sort about the crop outlook in the Big Bend and so decided to investigate for ourselves," said Mr. McKay today. "I made a trip of 250 miles through that district."

### ASTORIA SEES CADETS

Hill Students Parade While on Way to Fort Stevens.

ASTORIA, Or., April 16.—Three companies of cadets from the Hill Military academy of Portland paraded here today while awaiting a boat which took them to Fort Stevens.

The cadets are on their way to the fort for three days of military instruction in coast defense.

### ALLEGED RADICALS FLEE

Mysterious Jail Delivery Is Made at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 16.—Manuel A. Cardinale, Samuel King and Ernest Watson, three alleged radicals, who were being held by the department of immigration for deportation, mysteriously escaped from the immigration station jail Thursday. Jail of-

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### POTATO BOYCOTT IS ON

Railroad Shopmen Declare Fight Against Ascending Prices.

TACOMA, Wash., April 15.—(Special.)—Hundreds of railroad shopmen in Tacoma will continue a potato boycott started last Saturday until such time as the price falls. They announced through their organizations today that they will continue the fight against ascending prices, thereby bolstering up the campaign being waged by Tacoma clubwomen and members of kindred organizations.

The railroad men said that the spirit of co-operation in making the boycott a success should soften the potato market in Tacoma, as hundreds of families will not use the tuber while the price is at its present level.

### Centralia Leads Washington.

CENTRALIA, Wash., April 15.—(Special.)—Centralia so far holds the banner record in the state in the mat-

ter of contributions to the Marno memorial fund, according to a letter received today by City Superintendent Reed from Mrs. Josephine Preston, state superintendent, Lewis county. Mrs. Preston said, also leads the other counties of the state in proportion to its size.

**Women Make Service Flag.**  
CENTRALIA, Wash., April 15.—(Special.)—Women of Centralia are making a large service flag for presentation to the city, sewing being held weekly in various sections of the city for this purpose.

Four large gold stars will be placed on the flag for Dale Hubbard, Warren Grimm, Arthur McElfresh and Ben Cassagrande, four victims of the I. W. W. on Armistice day.

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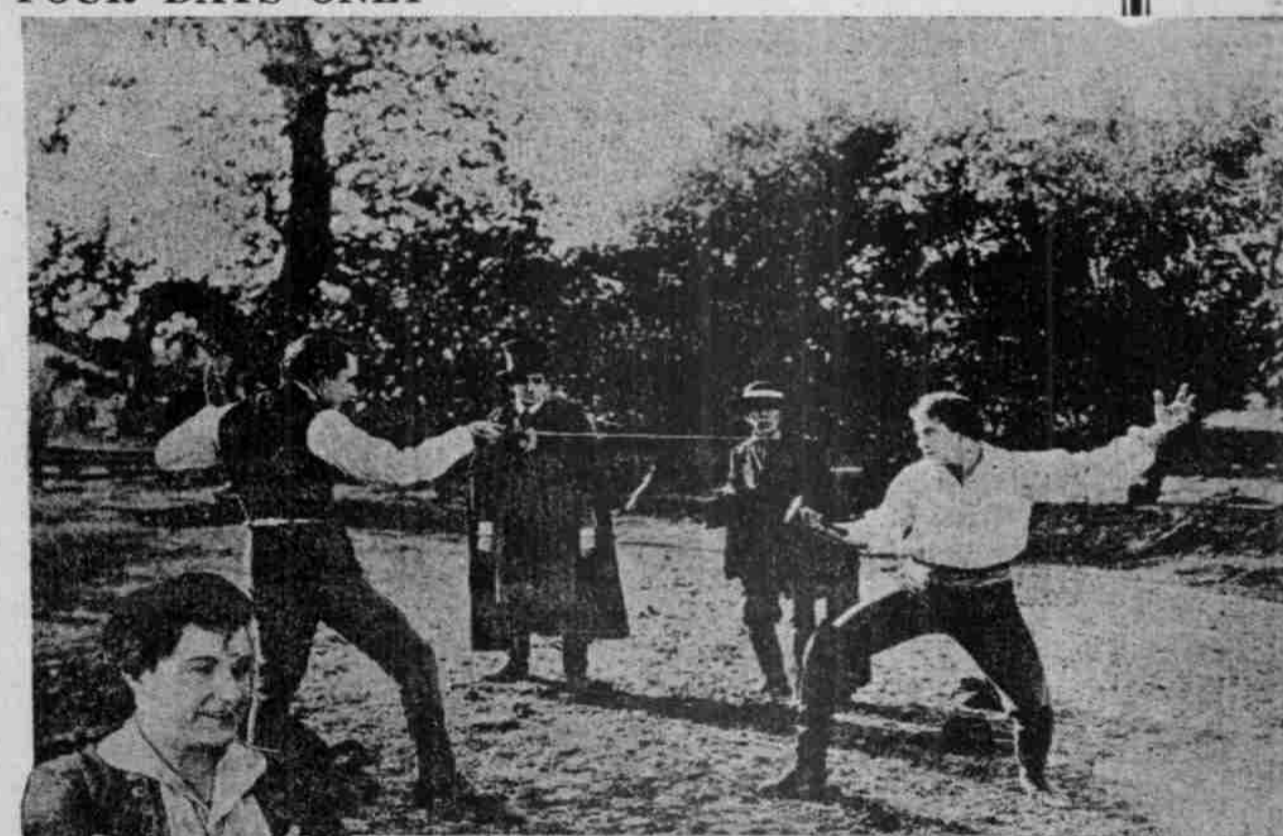
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