JOHNSON RECALLS CAMPAIGN REBUFF

Senator Fights Nomination of North Carolinan.

SENATE DEFERS DECISION

Vote Held Pledged to Californian Said to Have Been Delivered to Mr. Harding.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—As a result of opposition led by Senator Johnson, republican, California, the senate late today voted to recommit the nomination of David H. Blair of Winston-Salem, N. C., for internal revenue commissioner to the senate finance committee, with instructions to investigate Mr. Blair's qualifications.

The fight against Mr. Blair developed considerable republican opposition, principally over his course as a delegate at the republican national convention at Chicago last June.

Violation of the North Carolina primary law by Mr. Blair was said to have been charged in executive session by Senator Johnson.

Mr. Blair was chosen as a delegate to a state convention. Later in a preferential primary Senator Johnson, a republican presidential candidate, received a large majority.

Support Held Pledged.

In the convention Mr. Blair voted for Mr. Harding, despite Senator Johnson's claim that his support was pledged to the Californian until released by him.

Another objection to Mr. Blair, presented by Senator Johnson, concerned questions of income tax payments by corporations in which Mr. Blair's relatives were said to be interested. Senator Johnson issued a statement in which he said:

"I am opposed to the confirmation of Mr. Blair. My objection is based on two grounds: First, he was a delegate to the republican national convention bound under the law of North Carolina to vote for the candidate receiving the majority of votes in the presidential preference primary. I received three times as many votes as my opponent. Blair, as a delegate to the national convention did not obey the primary. He violated the law and betrayed his people. He is now nominated to the most important administrative office in the United States.

"He administers tax, prohibition and other laws. A man who will violate his own state's law is unfit to administer the nation's laws.

Income Tax Involved.

"The second objection to Mr. Blair, because of a secrecy maintained concerning income tax returns, is involved in some obscurity. Mr. Blair's father-in-law is one of the richest but not the richest man in North Carolina. He sought by forming a partnership with his family to lessen his income tax. He was required to pay and it is asserted he did pay the full amount claimed by the government and the members of his family as partners have sought a refund. Some hundreds of thousands of dollars have been at stake.

"Mr. Blair ought not to be put in a position where he is in the slightest degree connected with refunds due his wife, his father-in-law and other relatives."

The amount of tax refunds involved in the treasury department case is said to be around $1,000,000.

In the senate's executive session Mr. Blair was reported to have been defended by Senators Smoot of Utah and Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, republicans. Chairman Penrose of the finance committee, which reported Mr. Blair's nomination favorably last week, was not present.

FEDERAL CHARGE FACED

TANGLED BARDWELL DOMESTIC RELATIONS PROBED.

Man Said to Have Traveled With Minor Girl While Wife Was Ill in Hospital.

Tangled domestic relations in the family of E. K. Bardwell, a rancher living near Spokane, will be investigated by federal authorities and a complaint dispatched to Los Angeles last night to return Bardwell here for trial alleges gross misconduct on his part.

It was alleged that the Bardwell family received into its midst a delinquent girl, aged 15, ward of the juvenile court of Spokane, who had become a mother. Mrs. Bardwell was taken to a hospital for medical treatment, when it was alleged the husband, the girl and her 10-months-old baby left together for Portland. After a short stay here, it was charged the couple went to Los Angeles.

Their arrest was effected in California upon telegraphic request from the federal authorities here, who brought a charge of violation of the Mann act predicated upon their journey from Portland to Los Angeles. Upon the journey, it was charged that the girl was represented to be Bardwell's wife. Papers in the case were prepared late yesterday by Assistant United States Attorney Maguire.

GROCER IS ARRESTED

SALEM, SILVERTON AND INDEPENDENCE DEALER HELD.

C. Burton Durdall Alleged to Have Obtained Money Under False Pretenses; Bankruptcy Charged.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—C. Burton Durdall, owner of three grocery stores in Salem, Silverton and Independence, was arrested at Roseburg today on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. The complaint was filed by the United States National bank of Salem. Sheriff Lower left tonight for Roseburg, after ordering the officers there to hold the prisoner without bail. He will be returned to Salem for preliminary hearing.

Mr. Durdall left Salem suddenly about a week ago, according to District Attorney Carsons, and later it was discovered that he was insolvent and in debt about $12,000, he said. Included in Mr. Durdall's liabilities were claims of the Cherry City Milling company for $1182; Valley Packing company, $146; Olle Mercantile company, $392.91, and the Credit Service Company of Portland, $1012.

The United States National bank in its criminal charge against Mr. Durdall alleged that on February 23 the latter unlawfully and falsely represented in writing that he was solvent and a man of wealth, and had assets aggregating $22,000 in excess of his liabilities. On the strength of this statement the bank extended credit to Mr. Durdall in the sum of $1500, according to the complaint.

Since leaving the city several of Mr. Durdall's alleged debts have been assigned to the United States National bank and civil action to recover the aggregate amount is now in preparation.

Mr. Durdall operated his chain of establishments under the title of Farmers' Cash Stores. Two of these stores already have been closed by the sheriff, according to announcement made today.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—C. B. Burdall of Salem was arrested here this morning on a warrant from Marion county on a charge of embezzlement. Burdall, accompanied by his wife, and in an auto loaded with household goods, birds and dogs, was en route to California. Mrs. Burdall, refusing to be separated from her husband, was allowed to occupy the jail with him until the officers from Salem come for the prisoner.

MOTHERS ATTEND CLINIC

BABY LECTURES ATTENDED BY LARGE CROWD.

Sessions Will Continue Throughout Remainder of Week in Meier & Frank Auditorium.

A large number of mothers assembled yesterday for the well-baby clinic in the auditorium of the Meier & Frank store. Yesterday was the opening day and the clinic will continue throughout the week, opening each day at 9:30 o'clock with a baby bath and a demonstration clinic at 10 o'clock. Registered babies from the South Portland clinic will be used for the demonstrations. Mrs. A. E. Rockey, chairman of the Co-operative Infant Welfare society of Oregon, is in charge of the programmes.

Special attention yesterday was given to the feeding of babies. Dr. U. G. Moore explained that the best food for a baby is mother's milk, and only tuberculosis or insanity should be reasons for not providing nature's food for the child.

"In case of insanity the mother may kill her baby or inflict physical injury, and if the mother is suffering from active tuberculosis the child may nurse the germ," said Dr. Moore.

Miss A. B. Sproule, dietitian at Good Samaritan hospital, gave a thorough demonstration of the preparation of baby's food, and the recipes were writen on a blackboard. Features of yesterday's programme were the two health plays, "Mother Goose in Health Land" and "The House That Health Built," presented by pupils of the Ainsworth school. These plays will be repeated again at the Friday afternoon programme.

Today's clinic will open at 9:30 A. M. with a baby bath demonstration, and at 11 A. M. Dr. C. E. Staffrin will talk on "Prenatal Care." The afternoon programme will open with a moving picture at 2:30 o'clock, followed by a talk on "Diet for the Second Year" by Dr. James Rosenfeld. At 3:30 o'clock Dr. L. Howard Smith will talk on "Infant Care."

COUNCIL PROBES ARREST

Disposition of State Traffic Inspector's Case Asked.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Members of the city council, at a meting last night, demanded to know what disposition had been made of the case involving T. A. Raffety, state traffic inspector, who was reported to have been arrested here a month ago on a charge of driving his automobile without proper lights.

Because of conflicting reports regarding the alleged arrest of Mr. Raffety the council authorized Mayor Halvorsen to appoint a committee to investigate the incident and report its findings at the next meeting of the body.

It was the opinion of the councilmen that if Mr. Raffety had been arrested he should have been given a hearing the same as any other alleged traffic law violator. On the other hand, if he was not arrested, the report should not have been given publicity by the police, the councilmen said.

Wool Growers' Meetings Start.

CORVALLIS, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Leading Benton County wool growers, in company with George W. Kable, county agent, and R. A. Ward, organization manager of the Oregon Wool and Mohair Growers' Co-operative association, have begun holding a series of wool growers' meetings throughout Benton county, which have been well attended and at which growers have indorsed the association plan of co-operative marketing. Meetings are being held at Philomath, Wells, Kings Valley, Corvallis, Willamette Grange, Monroe and Alsea.

Mrs. Monteith's Will Filed.

ALBANY, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—The will of Margaret A. Monteith, widow of Walter Monteith, who with his brother, Thomas Monteith, laid out the original townsite of Albany, and on whose donation land claim part of the city is situated, was admitted to probate in the county court here yesterday. Mrs. Monteith died recently. Mrs. Monteith left her property to her son, Malcolm J. Monteith, except a nominal bequest to her grandson, Charles Duncan Monteith, of Phoenix, Ariz. The estate was valued at $8000.

Crabtree Special Election Set.

ALBANY, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—May 11 has been set as the date for a special election to be held at Crabtree on dissolution of the union high school district. An active contest has developed. The union high school district consists of the district in which the town of Crabtree is situated and the two districts adjoining the town on the east and west. The union high school was the first established in Linn county.

Civil War Veteran Dies.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—R. F. Sargent, aged 77, a veteran of the civil war, residing at the Oregon Soldiers' home, died there last night. He was a native of Indiana, but has lived on the Pacific coast for many years. He was engaged in mining for a long time after the war. He was admitted to the Soldiers' home from Josephine county April 20, 1910. Several sons and daughters survive him.

Bids for State Barn Opened.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Bids for the construction of a new barn at the state hospital farm were opened at a special meeting of the state board of control today. The lowest bid of $8200 was submitted by Albert A. Siewert, while the second lowest bid of $8575 was by Fred Erixson. Seven proposals were submitted.

HARDING OBJECTS TO DISARMING REQUEST

Clause May Be Dropped From Naval Bill.

FREE HAND IS WANTED

President Thinks He Should Not Be Hampered by Suggestions From Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—President Harding objects to the insertion in the navy appropriation bill of any provision requesting him to call a naval disarmament conference, as proposed under an amendment by Senator Borah, republican, Idaho. This became known when the senate naval committee began work today on the $396,000,000 measure passed by the house.

The president's objections will result in the bill being reported to the senate without the Borah amendment, according to Senator Poindexter, republican, Washington, and administration forces are expected to line up against the amendment for which Senator Borah plans to fight.

President Harding's views were given to Senator Poindexter and Senator Hale, republican, Maine, of the sub-committee in charge of the appropriation measure.

Free Hand Is Wanted.

The president, it was stated, expressed himself as desirous of "approximate disarmament," but was represented as opposing any suggestion from congress which might embarrass executive action or to appear to convey a congressional recommendation on international policies within jurisdiction of the executive. Senator Poindexter stated such a request as proposed by the Borah plan would be advisory merely.

It is also understood that the president reiterated his opinion that ample, immediate appropriations should be provided to continue the 1916 naval building programme with a view to rounding out the navy prior to establishment of a disarmament programme.

Amendments Held Certain.

That virtually all of the amendments aggregating $100,000,000, added at the last session to the house bill which failed of passage in the senate would be readopted by the committee was predicted by Senator Poindexter.

The chief items added last March and the subject of controversy which caused failure of the bill in the senate were for naval aviation, for new Pacific coast bases and for hastening completion of the building programme. Increased funds for completing two to four capital ships under construction also are in prospect, Senator Poindexter said.

Extensive hearings are not regarded by the committee as necessary because of the exhaustive study made last winter, when virtually the same bill was presented.

The committee plans to complete and report the bill within a few days possibly tomorrow.

PEOPLE BACK ROSE FETE

DRIVE BEGUN BY ROSARIANS TO PROCURE MONEY.

Half of $25,000 Needed Is Raised in Day and Balance Expected to Be Found Today.

Portland wants the 1921 Rose Festival and is behind it.

This is the collective judgment of 35 team leaders who, under the command of the Royal Rosarians, yesterday morning began the work of raising funds to carry on the fete this year. Approximately half of the $25,000, which it has been estimated will be needed to stage the festival, had been realized by last evening, it was announced, and the Rosarians, who will continue the work today, hope to be well towards the end of their labors by this evening.

The Royal Rosarians, at the request of the Portland Rose Festival association, this year voted to undertake the work of raising the money needed for the fete, which has been scheduled for June 8, 9 and 10, and yesterday morning the members of the organization met in the green room of the Chamber of Commerce to start the drive. Nearly 70 members were present and 35 teams were formed to carry on the soliciting. Each team was given some particular business field to cover, one team taking the jewelry firms, another the clothiers, and on down the line, in order that all business firms might be reached.

After a busy day team leaders reported at 5 o'clock last night to Frank McCrillis, prime minister of the Rosarians and leader of the drive, and from these reports, which were not complete, it was estimated approximately half of the necessary sum had been raised. Rosarians will continue the work today and on Thursday, if necessary, and by Thursday noon it is hoped to have the money raised. A meeting of the Rosarians has been called for that time at the Multnomah hotel, at which reports will be given.

BEBAN WANTS ROSE

NEW MISSION FOUND BY PORTLAND TEST GARDENS.

Motion Picture Actor Says Flower Will Be Used in Play to Be Called "Sign of the Rose."

Portland test gardens have a new mission. They will grow a new rose—a rose with 100 per cent photographic possibilities. This flower will be named the George Beban rose and it will be used by the motion-picture actor and producer in his forthcoming photoplay to be entitled, "The Sign of the Rose." The film in its distribution throughout the world will tell peoples of all countries that it came from government test gardens of Portland, Or.

Mr. Beban, who is appearing at the Liberty theater this week putting on the little playlet, "The Sign of the Rose," which will form the basis of the future motion picture, consulted Jesse A. Currey, Pacific coast director of the American Rose society, who promised him the co-operation of the government test gardens. Mr. Currey believes there are already two unnamed roses now under test which may materialize into flowers which will answer Mr. Beban's purpose.

"I have awaited with great interest my visit to Portland, for I felt if a suitable rose could be found anywhere it would be in the Rose City," said Mr. Beban. "I had heard of Mr. Currey many times before, as he has a national reputation as a rosarian, but when I called on him today I was surprised to find him instead of a florist, an engineer, daily engaged in designing and selling steel. It reveals a wonderful sentiment in a busy professional man, and if only more of our business men would take time to encourage rose culture we would have more beautiful homes, and naturally more beautiful home-life would follow."

Mr. Currey has announced that he will get in touch with rose growers not only in this country but in France and England to see if any superior to those two specimens tentatively chosen from the Portland test gardens can be found.

NIMRODS NEED BEWARE

FISHING VENTURE BEYOND OWN CITY MAY FARE ILL.

Portland Angler Fined $50 Following Acquittal of 11 Fishermen at Oregon City.

Unhappy is the lot of the Portland sportsman who falls into the hands of the law beyond the borders of his own city, as indicated by reports filed yesterday in the state game warden's office. Following close upon the heels of the acquittal of 11 men at Oregon City on charges of violation of the state fishing law for salmon, P. Donis of Portland was fined $50 and costs at Oregon City for fishing with two lines from his boat.

Donis, according to the report of the wardens, attempted to cut loose one line but sliced the end that was in the boat and held the good end in his hand. He made another attempt when the wardens reached him and in so doing gashed a warden's hand.

A. H. Mason of Portland was arrested near McMinnville with fish under the limit and was fined $25 and costs. Frank R. Johnson of Portland was arrested near St. Helens for fishing without a license and was fined $25 and costs. John Johnson of Scappoose was arrested near St. Helens for fishing for salmon out of season and was fined $50.

LEPER IS KEPT IN CAR

LOST SUFFERER RETURNS TO MARSHFIELD.

Secrecy Maintained to Keep Public Anger From Rising Against Guard Prisoner Eluded Once.

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Aggelos Mitrou, Marshfield's lost leper, returned here this afternoon, sole occupant of the car in which he rode to Portland yesterday.

Arriving here in the guarded car, Mitrou was switched to a side track, and there he remained monarch of all he could survey through the windows and past the rows of box cars. Dr. E. E. Straw, United States and city health officer, began keeping the wires busy in an attempt to learn whether Mitrou could not be disposed of by a new method.

Considerable secrecy was maintained here in order not to arouse the public against his guard who permitted him to escape quarantine, and his exact quarantine quarters were not disclosed.

Dr. Straw proposed to arrange for his keeping and remove him from the private car soon. Instructions from government and state officials indicated the county would be held responsible for his care and also for his being properly quarantined.

FRATERNITY WINS HONOR

SCHOLARSHIP SCORE MADE AT CORVALLIS.

Highest Average for Second Term Accorded Member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Body.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 3.—(Special.)—Scholarship honors were again won by the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, according to a list of fraternity averages for the second term given out by the registrar's office. Men in this house averaged 89.59 per cent perfect. This is the second consecutive term they have ranked highest among fraternities.

Pi Kappa Alpha is second with 89.06 per cent, and Theta Delta Nu third with 87.92 per cent. The Electron club, a new organization on the campus, took fourth place with an average of 87.53.

Men in fraternities averaged 84.83 per cent, while those not in fraternities got an average of 83.61. The student body average is 84.77.

Women's grades were above those made by men. Sorority women made an average of 87.61, while those not in sororities averaged 85.58.

An increase of approximately one point over the average of the first term was made by the student body as a whole.

Interest Bonds in Demand.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—More than 15 inquiries had been received at the state treasurer's office here today with relation to the proposal to sell Oregon district interest bonds in the sum of $121,875, with which to pay interest guaranteed by the state on securities of the Talent, Warm Springs, Grants Pass and Ochoco irrigation districts. Bids for the purchase of these bonds will be opened here June 1. In most instances the inquiries were received from bond brokers operating in Oregon.

Officer's Resignation Accepted.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—The resignation of First Lieutenant Maurice L. Sharp of A company, engineers, Oregon national guard, Portland, has been accepted by Adjutant General White. Second Lieutenant Hugh L. MacDonald of E company, infantry, has been selected to fill the vacancy. Sharp's resignation was made necessary because of his removal from the military district to Alaska.

Senator Staples at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Senator Staples of Multnomah county was here today on his way home from Reedsport, where he is heavily interested in property. He declared that the lower river people will largely support the $1,100,000 bond proposition to be voted on by Douglas county at the June election. He left for Portland this afternoon.

PRISONER IS MARRIED

HONEYMOON BLOCKED BY 18-MONTH SENTENCE.

M. C. Miller, Convicted of Looting Baggage, Gets Marshal's Permit for Ceremony.

Prison doors clanged an end to an all too brief honeymoon yesterday for M. C. Miller, who was sentenced to serve 18 months at the federal penitentiary at McNeil's island for wholesale looting of baggage on the O.-W. R. & N. company line and was married, all in the same hour.

An adroit plea for clemency for the self-confessed thief was made by Barnett H. Goldstein, who urged that his client had learned his lesson and would not again offend against the laws. Then it was asked that he be allowed a respite that he might marry.

Judge Bean said the prisoner was already in the custody of the United States marshal and he would not release him for any purpose. However, the marshal's office had not the heart to refuse the favor and a deputy went to a jewelry store with the prisoner and his attorney to purchase the ring.

A license was obtained and Judge Bell of district court performed the ceremony. Attorney Goldstein was best man and he and Glenn L. Hoch were witnesses in securing the license.

Straight from the wedding altar, the bridegroom went to jail and the honeymoon, scarce begun, was over.

Through the barred door, the bride, who was Blanche B. Erickson, nee Blanche Quinn, swore fidelity, and promised, tearfully, to await his release at the end of the term.

GOVERNOR HART HERE

Washington Highway Commissioner Accompanies Official.

Governor Hart of Washington, accompanied by State Highway Commissioner Allen, arrived at the Multnomah yesterday afternoon. After passing the night in Portland they will return to their own state this morning.

The governor and the commissioner have been making a personal trip of inspection over the Pacific highway from the Puget sound country to Vancouver, Wash., in order to obtain at first hand a knowledge of the present condition of this main artery.

"We've just been looking around," said the governor last evening. "Just taking a trip. The road is in good shape and we had no trouble. We've placed a large part of the Pacific highway under contract, but there is more to do."

CHAMBER MEETING HELD

Directors Canvass Situation Relative to Presidency.

Directors of the Chamber of Commerce met yesterday afternoon and canvassed the situation relative to the presidency for the coming year, but took no final action. A second meeting will be held this noon, it was announced.

It is understood the directors are a unit in the wish that H. B. Van Duzer continue as president, at least temporarily, as they explain that his services are especially needed at this time in connection with features pertaining to the city's interests in which he has played a leading part and which they want him to see through. However, his time is largely occupied in his private business and he may not be able to serve.

TAXES IN MARION SOAR

Six-Per Cent Limitation Seems Not Taken Seriously.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—The people of Marion county apparently have not taken seriously the so-called 6 per cent tax limitation amendment, and for the year 1921 have authorized levies, which, combined with the county's share of the various millage measures, has added another 20 per cent to the constitutional limit. In other words, Marion county's tax for this year is more than 26 per cent in excess of the total tax of last year.

The total tax in Marion county this year, levied on the rolls of 1920, is $1,694,327.99. Last year the assessment, levied on the rolls of 1919, was $1,340,460.34. The increase this year is $353,867.65.

YOUNG LOGGER DROWNED

Lester Godwin Falls Off Raft Into Luckiamute River.

DALLAS, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Lester Godwin, a young man residing at Buena Vista, was drowned in the Luckiamute river yesterday while working on a log raft near that place. No one saw him fall off the raft, but his coat and hat were found later by fellow workmen. The body has not yet been recovered.

Godwin was the sole support of a widowed mother and two small sisters.

Albert Estate $180,036.11.

SALEM, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—The estate of the late John H. Albert, Salem banker, who died recently, is valued at $180,036.11, according to the official appraisement filed today. The personal property aggregated $91,336.11 and the real property $88,700. The heirs include Elizabeth McNary Albert, widow; Joseph Albert and Harry E. Albert, sons, and Myra W. Wiggins and Blanch Rodgers, daughters. Mr. Albert left no will. A. Park is acting as administrator of the estate.