

CASH FOUND IN HUT OF SEEMING PAUPER

Canyon City Celestial of Pioneer Days Dead.

LURID RECORD IS LEFT

Oriental Declared to Have Fled From China to Avoid Arrest Succumbs at Ripe Age.

CANYON CITY, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—In the death of "China Gyp," aged and eccentric Chinese, here last Monday, Canyon City lost one of the most familiar and picturesque characters of its early mining days.

The old man was supposed to be penniless and had lived for several years in seeming want. Following his death county authorities took charge of the body, which was buried in the paupers' section of the local cemetery.

Cash Found in Hovel. An investigation of the hovel in which Gyp has lived for years was later conducted by County Judge Patterson and Sheriff Ringham, and \$465 in cash and gold dust and \$187.40 in gold nuggets found.

Local countrymen of Gyp refused to take part in the funeral of the Chinese and refused to allow his burial in the cemetery they maintain at John Day.

Little is known of the old man's past history, but he has been shunned for years by Canyon City Chinese. Older members of his race who knew him in the early days here have intimated that he was of a different race, probably a Tartar, though he spoke the same language as the local Chinese.

Pirate Story Circulated.

The story has long prevailed here that Gyp at one time had a price set on his head in China, and that he was a notorious river pirate in that country, escaping to the United States years ago to avoid punishment there.

He was feared locally and in addition to being shunned by countrymen was avoided by the women and children of the town. Even after his death few were willing to touch his remains.

MEXICAN FASCISTI GAIN

NATIONAL CONVENTION NEXT MONTH PLANNED.

Various Cities Report Clashes Between Members of New Party and Radicals.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—The fascist movement, which at its inception in Jalapa several months ago, was ridiculed as of no importance, has made such rapid strides during the past few weeks that high government officials now are recognizing it as a political factor to be reckoned with in the near future.

Reports from various cities of clashes in which the fascisti have taken part against the radicals indicate that the movement is gaining impetus. Thus far these clashes have not been of a sanguinary character.

There could be no fascism in Mexico because it was a movement against bolshevism and bolshevism did not exist in Mexico.

Fascisti headquarters here report that the movement is receiving hundreds of new adherents daily and that preparations are in progress for a national convention, which is to be held in Mexico City during the second week of January. Every State in the republic is to be represented by several hundred delegates.

BUILDINGS MUST WAIT

APPROPRIATION BY LEGISLATURE HELD UNLIKELY.

Diversion of One-fourth Mill Road Tax Is Opposed by Governor-Elect Pierce.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Despite that Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, has compiled figures showing that approximately \$300,000 will be necessary for the construction of new buildings to keep pace with the increasing population at the state institutions, legislators said today it is likely that practically all of these expenditures will be eliminated from the budget for 1923 and 1924 when it reaches the lawmakers for final consideration.

At the request of Governor Olcott the legislature at the 1921 session diverted the 1/4-mill road tax, aggregating a biennial revenue of \$280,000, to the construction of a new plant for the boys' training school. It was proposed, under the provisions of Governor Olcott's recommendation, to abandon the present boys' institution and erect the new plant on the cottage system.

Governor-elect Pierce has let it be known that he will oppose the diversion of the 1/4-mill road levy for any other purpose in that the money will be needed to continue the highway building programme and care for the maintenance of the roads already constructed.

The state school for the blind has made request in the budget now being prepared for a new fireproof dormitory. The cost of this structure was estimated at \$50,000. The present blind school plant is inadequate and consists of a large wooden structure that is a menace to the

welfare of the students. Because of the demand for economy and re-orientation of the part of the taxpayers, the construction of this dormitory will be opposed at the next session of the legislature. A friend of the institution said a compromise may be reached, however, whereby the dormitory will be constructed two years hence.

WOOD ALCOHOL FATAL

OHIO MAN DEAD AS RESULT OF CHRISTMAS PARTY.

More Than Dozen Others Reported Seriously Ill From Effects of Jug's Contents.

SHELBY, O., Dec. 24.—Ralph Longley is dead, two other men were reported near death and a dozen others were ill here tonight as a result of a "Christmas party" at which wood alcohol is declared by police to have been used as a beverage in the belief that it was "corn whiskey."

The police have the jug from which the men drank and said it contained wood alcohol, a small quantity remaining.

St. Helens Business Good.

ST. HELENS, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Merchants of St. Helens reported that the Christmas business showed a considerable increase over last year and almost equalled that of the years when the shipyards were in full operation.

The volume of mail was the heaviest in the history of the postoffice and the postal receipts were one-third more than last year, Postmaster Russell reported.

BANKERS BEAT 1 CHARGE

JURY DISAGREES REGARDING SECOND INDICTMENT.

Officials of Defunct Overland National Institution to Be Tried Again at Boise.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—R. P. Bicknell, ex-president; J. H. Black, vice-president, and G. R. Hitt, cashier of the defunct Overland National bank of this city, were today found not guilty of misapplication of the banks funds, but the jury disagreed on the charge of making false reports to the controller in the items of excess loans.

Bicknell resigned as president of the bank some months before its failure. Up to the present the bank

Three Caught With Still.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Melvin and Robert Andrews and Morris Mayfield were captured by a posse from the office of Sheriff Johnson and City Marshal Hart last night while busted around a distillery near Cascade Locks.

About 30 gallons of finished liquor was taken in the raid. The men are being held in jail awaiting trial. Mayfield said he had a wife and seven children near Pleasant Home.

Woodsaw Theft Charged.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—J. W. Rozall was arrested here today charged with stealing a muso-line woodsaw belonging to James Landing of Amseville. The theft

Mills Close for Christmas.

ST. HELENS, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—The mill of the St. Helens Lumber company closed Saturday afternoon and will not resume operation until Tuesday morning.

Ordinarily the mill operates a double shift and the night crew works Sunday. The other three mills and the crocetting plant closed also. The three vessels in port worked cargo Sunday but will be idle tomorrow.

Alleged Thief Is Caught.

CALEXICO, Cal., Dec. 24.—David Polin, said to be wanted at Los Angeles for automobile thefts and at Fresno, Cal. for bigamy and diamond larceny, was turned over to Chief of Police Hardwick here today by officials of Lower California.



Furs and individual style shops Broadway at Morrison

Tomorrow—Tuesday—our

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Clearance of all winter COATS. Formerly priced to 35.00—Tweed topcoats, mannish severe, and a number of full-lined Pollyanna dress coats are included! 19.75

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Clearance of costume OVERBLOUSES. Formerly priced to 15.00—Colorful printed crepes and blouses in flat crepe in the deep suit shades or in bobolink, mustard and henna, braided or embroidered. 9.85

Clearance of CORSETS. Formerly priced to 5.00—Front and back-laced models in satin and brocade, all of the waistline type. 1.95

Formerly priced to 45.00—Frocks in flat crepe, blister crepe, beaded, braided, embroidered; an excellent color selection! 29.50

Clearance of wool SWEATERS. Formerly priced to 7.50—Pull-over and Tuxedo models, jade, navy, red, gray and peacock. 1.95

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