

MOB KILLS A NEGRO

Were Coating With Tar and Feathers at Mojave.

THE VICTIM RESISTS AND DIES

Determined Crowd Had Taken the Stranger From Jail, Where He Had Been Confined on a Very Serious Charge.

MOJAVE, Cal., March 12.—An unknown negro was taken from the local jail by a mob last night, and after being tarred and feathered was either shot to death or killed by being struck over the head with a heavy piece of iron.

The negro was arrested yesterday afternoon for an unmentionable crime, and was confined in the Mojave Jail, preparatory to taking him to Bakerfield. The facts concerning the crime became noised about the town, and before the officers could place the man aboard the train a determined crowd had gathered about the jail, which is an insignificant affair, and unguarded, and within a short time the prisoner was in their hands.

It was the evident intention of the leaders of the mob to go no further than to apply a coat of tar and feathers, and to that end there had been provided a big pot of hot tar and a number of feather pillows. This form of punishment was meted out to the negro, who continued to resist the efforts of his captors.

His resistance angered some of those in the mob, with the result that in the midst of the scuffle the negro was either shot in the head or struck with some heavy instrument.

NEW CORPORATIONS FORMED.

Articles Filed With the Secretary of State at Salem.

SALEM, March 12.—(Special).—Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of the Secretary of State this week as follows:

- Crayne-Lindl Irrigation Company, Pennington; \$500; Walter M. Pierce, Annie M. Markham, A. D. Stillman. Leona Mills Lumber Company, Leona, Douglas County; \$100,000; J. J. Kenny, T. R. Sheridan, W. H. Kenny. The Modern Confectionery Company, Portland; \$25,000; C. A. Plinton, J. W. Vogen, James G. Wilson. Merchants' Loan & Trust Company, Portland; \$500; W. J. MacCall, George J. Cameron, A. C. Emmons. Prosper Canning Company, Prosper, Coos County; \$10,000; Samuel Nass, R. W. Bullard, William Hanson. Purpose, to can fish. Reckard & Co., Portland; \$10,000; A. M. Reckard, Alice Reckard, A. C. Emmons. Object, to deal in bicycles. Oregon Savings and Finance Company, Portland; \$100,000; L. O. Ralston, W. C. Morris, J. E. Lancaster. Fox Leg Milling and Milling Company, Portland; \$100,000; W. C. Lowengart, Fred H. Rothchild, Sig Siegel. Portland Safe and Lock Company, Portland; \$250; supplemental articles changing the name to Portland Safe Company. The Medford Furniture Company, Medford; \$15,000; F. W. Hollis, D. S. Busey, John H. Butler. Lasselle Brothers & Company, Albany; \$500; Jerome Lasselle, Sanford Lasselle, F. E. Allen. Pacific Coast Advertising Company, Portland; \$10,000; J. A. Kellogg, G. E. Kellogg, G. A. Palmer. Washington County Publishing Company, Forest Grove; \$250; Earl B. Hawks, Philip French, Will French, Mabel E. Hawks. Pacific States Mercantile Company, San Francisco; \$25,000; R. J. Glover, Portland, attorney-in-fact. Greenback Gold Mining Company, Arizona; \$10,000; W. C. Glover, Portland, attorney-in-fact. Josephine County, attorney-in-fact.

CROOK LEANS TOWARD MOODY

Ex-Representative Has Many Friends in the County.

PRINEVILLE, Or., March 12.—(Special).—Crook County politics are modeled after her backward seasons and are perhaps the last in the state to warm up and assume tangible shape. While in the past the county has been normally Republican by at least 150, recent immigration has increased this to a majority conservatism estimated at 200.

Aspirants for county offices are very scarce among the followings of both parties. The Democratic column seems to be of the opinion that a renomination of their present officers, Sheriff C. Sam Smith, Clerk J. J. Smith and Judge M. R. Biggs, will command more favor with their party, while the Republicans seem generally agreed upon the renomination of Clerk and J. L. Luckey for Judge, while they have several probable nominees for Sheriff.

Although this county is the former home of J. N. Williamson, M. A. Moody has many friends among its substantial voters, and an issue is likely to arise that will have for its termination some effect on the Congressional situation. Mr. Williamson's friends seem confident of a pledged delegation for their standard-bearer, while Mr. Moody's friends aver that should certain exigencies arise an unpledged delegation will carry Crook's Congressional banner to Portland that will be in hearty accord with Roosevelt and friendly toward the ex-representative.

Thus the situation has again evolved itself into a factional fight that jeopardizes the strength of Mr. Williamson in this county. Should he lose his hold here the moral effect would be far-reaching, indeed, as Crook is still counted his home.

VOTE FOR A WATER SYSTEM.

Port Townsend Will Get Supply at Distance of Eighteen Miles.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., March 12.—A special election held today to authorize the City of Port Townsend to issue bonds for \$200,000 in order to enable the city to construct and own a water system, was carried almost unanimously. Out of 465 votes cast only two were against the municipal ownership of the water works.

It is proposed by the city officials to bring the water from Snow Creek, a distance of 18 miles. The War Department has offered to enter into a contract with the City of Port Townsend for supplying Fens Worden and Fiesler. Construction work on the proposed water system will be commenced at an early date.

WITNESS HAS DISAPPEARED.

Anti-Saloon Informer Loses Support of Corroborator.

ASHLAND, Or., March 12.—(Special).—There has been great interest here today in the progress of cases against the keepers of five joints who were arrested last night charged with violating the city's prohibition ordinance. The defendants were all released last night on \$100 bonds each and when they appeared before the City Recorder this morning at 10 o'clock to answer to the charge against them a jury trial was demanded in the first case

RAISE MONEY ORDERS

FORGERS WORKING SAN FRANCISCO AND VICINITY.

Coggins, Originator of the Method, is Serving a Sentence in the Salem Penitentiary.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 12.—(Special).—An old scheme for obtaining money from merchants by use of money orders raised from small amounts through use of chemicals is being worked in San Francisco and vicinity. It has already proved expensive to several victims. The Postoffice inspectors have learned that little less than \$40 was obtained this week from Judah Boas, a money lender. They are satisfied that one or more crooks are attempting to make big clean-ups in the towns of the Coast and that other cases will be reported. They are convinced the scheme has been taught to the present operators by J. C. Coggins, a man now serving a sentence in the Salem Penitentiary.

EXTENSION OF SILVER LAKE.

Four Miles of Track Will Be Added Toward St. Helens.

KALAMA, Wash., March 12.—(Special).—The Silver Lake Railroad & Lumber Company, of which E. E. Collins, of Ostrander, Wash., is the head, has a large surveying crew at work surveying the extension to the road which will be built at once. The railroad starts at Castle Rock and is already completed about four miles, and the extension of four miles will bring the road to Barnes Mill, on Silver Lake. The company owns 7000 acres of fine timber land around Silver Lake, which is about four miles long and one-half mile wide. The plan is to put the logs into the lake and float them down to Barnes Mill, where they can be either loaded on cars and hauled to the Cowlitz River and rafted or can be cut into lumber and the lumber loaded into standard-gauge cars at the mill and sent direct to market by connection with the Northern Pacific, without unloading.

The Silver Lake road will later on be extended to the Mount St. Helens mining district.

Knowingly Bought Stolen Goods.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 12.—The Washington Supreme Court has sustained the King County Superior Court in sentencing Moses Druxman to serve a term of years in the state penitentiary for purchasing goods which he knew to have been stolen. Druxman was proprietor of a notion and second-hand store in Seattle and purchased a case of shoes which it was afterward proved was stolen from the depot of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. The goods were still in charge of the company, and not having been delivered the company was liable for the value of the shoes. Druxman alleged he was innocent of any crime, as he had no knowledge that the shoes were stolen, but the court held that the circumstances under which he made the purchase were sufficient to establish his guilt.

La Grande Municipal Nominees.

LA GRANDE, Or., March 12.—(Special).—The La Grande city ticket for the city election which takes place Monday, reads as follows: For Mayor—J. E. Foley, Citizens; Bird F. Lewis, Socialist; William Miller, Citizens; H. T. Williams, Citizens. For Marshal—H. C. Cotner, Independent; W. T. Cross, Independent; John E. Fitzgerald, Socialist; L. Rayburn, Citizens. For Treasurer—Edgar C. Davis, Socialist; J. M. Murphy, Citizens; E. J. Walsh, Independent. For Councilmen—First Ward, J. D. Heddenreich, Socialist; A. L. Richardson, Citizens. The Socialists have their first ticket in the field this year.

Fishing Limit is Raised.

ASTORIA, Or., March 12.—(Special).—The Alaska Fishermen's Union, received a letter today from the secretary of the kindred organization at San Francisco, giving the details of the compromise between the union and the cannermen regarding the prices for the coming season. The letter states that the prices will be the same as last season, but the limit is increased from 1000 to 1100 fish per day per boat.

The local union will hold a meeting on Monday evening, when these prices will be voted upon. The fishing companies have been provided for a half-cent raise in the price of red fish and an advance of 25 in the wages for working the vessel to and from Alaska.

Divorce Trial With Features.

DAYTON, Or., March 12.—A sensational divorce trial in which August Engel is the plaintiff and Emma Morabach Engel the defendant, has been in progress here this week in the Superior Court. Four days were required to present the evidence in the case, which involves the custody of six children and the disposition of \$12,000 or \$15,000 worth of property, with an indebtedness against it of \$5000 or \$6000. It will probably be four or five weeks before the case ends.

Cold-Storage Plant Completed.

ASTORIA, Or., March 12.—(Special).—The new cold-storage plant erected by the Sauerbrey Packing Company has been completed and the machinery was operated for the first time today. The plant will have a capacity of 300 tierces of pickled fish during the season.

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