

TRUST FUNDS ARE NOT TURNED OVER

Inquiry Directed to County Officials Who Withhold Funds From Treasurer.

FIELDS GIVES EXPLANATION

Admits Depositing Unclaimed Estates Under His Own Name, but Declares He Acts Under County Court's Orders.

Failure of county authorities to turn over to the Treasurer money deposited in estates is to be one of the matters of inquiry as the result of the operations of expert accountants who are now delving into the books and documents of Multnomah County.

It became known yesterday that all money of estates is not being turned over to Treasurer Lewis, as required by the law relating to the county trust fund. County Clerk Fields now has nearly \$1000 of that money deposited in a local bank in his own name. As his reason for so holding this money, he says that it was turned over to him for keeping by the County Court.

Law Clear on Subject.

The law appears to be explicit on this point, so it is pointed out. And the failure of trust fund money to reach the Treasurer's office is set down as another subject for special inquiry following the report of the expert accountants. Here is what the law has to say on the subject: A fund is hereby created for Multnomah County, to be known and designated as the Trust Fund.

The Treasurer of said county shall keep in said fund all moneys received by him from the County Coroner or other parties on account of deceased persons or any estate belonging to the heirs of any estate, or deposited in trust by any party, or from any source, and shall render a strict accounting for the same.

The sums deposited in such fund shall be disbursed only in payments of warrants drawn on that fund by the Treasurer, or by the County Court, or by the County Coroner.

The Clerk of the County shall draw a warrant on the said trust fund only in pursuance of an order of the Board of County Commissioners, which order shall be based upon the minutes and become a part of the records of the County Court.

System Is Not Followed.

Courthouse records show that this system has not been followed at all. Up to this time estate money has been assigned by the County Court to the County Clerk for custody. Mr. Fields has deposited it in one of the banks in the city, and has subject to call by representatives of the estate. The only official, so far as is known, who has followed the prescribed course is Coroner Norden, who has been turning all money taken from dead men direct to the Treasurer.

Mr. Fields, while admitting that the law indicates the money should be given to the Treasurer, says he has been left no discretion as to its disposal under the orders issued by the County Court, turning the money over to him. "These orders," he says, "have been left no discretion as to its disposal under the orders issued by the County Court, turning the money over to him. "These orders," he says, "have been left no discretion as to its disposal under the orders issued by the County Court, turning the money over to him."

Expert Will Have Assistant. On account of the enormity of the task of checking over the books, an assistant was appointed by the County Court yesterday for J. W. Ferguson, the special expert accountant. The assistant is E. F. Crosby, who already is at work with Mr. Ferguson. The salary of Ferguson is fixed at \$250 a month, and of Crosby, \$100 a month.

All the past week has been occupied in checking over the accounts of Treasurer Lewis. No flaws of any sort are reported in the affairs of this department. During the present week the Treasurer's office will have been covered and Mr. Fields' department will then be taken up. Auditor Brandes' affairs will then be perused and inquiry made as to why he has failed to check up on the various county departments during the past six years.

Expenses Are Cut Down.

In contrast with that is January for the present year with a much larger force of deputies and a vastly larger volume of business. The total expense was \$1157.30. The total receipts were \$1520.85. Excess of receipts over expenses, \$363.55. Mr. Fields' figures likewise show that he has accomplished great things in the way of saving on incidentals. The expense of registering 15,500 voters in 1902, under a former clerk was \$453.75. The expense incurred by Mr. Fields in registering 33,277 voters in 1908 was but \$2,418.52, the same system of operation being in vogue at this time as in 1902. It is also shown that the cost of extending the tax roll in 1902, with 3146 pages, was \$2994.39 while the tax roll for 1907, with 2012 pages was but \$1974.47. Printing of ballots for the June election of 1902 cost \$156 and the cost of ballots for the elections of last June was \$56.50.

CHARGE AGAINST GLENN FAILS

Defendant, However, Must Stand Trial on Second Count.

Oratory flowed freely in the trial of W. R. Glenn on a forgery charge, in the Circuit Court, yesterday afternoon. At least one gem was added to contemporary literature when Deputy District Attorney Hennessy demanded the conviction of Glenn, who was later acquitted. Mr. Hennessy sprang a figure of speech in which he had the "gentle snow" falling with a "crash" through the "sunshine." The master-piece, which moved many people to tears or mirth, follows: "Glenn's alibi fell like the snowflakes drifting down through the sunshine upon the pavement where it melts away into the gutter and passes onward to the sea. It is lost, and lost forever. His alibi fell and it fell with a crash." Glenn was acquitted on one charge.

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but there is another pending against him and he remains in jail.

Sues for \$15,000 Damages.

Gottlieb Muttli filed suit against the Multnomah Lumber & Box Company in the State Circuit Court yesterday asking \$15,000 for a ruined life. While working at the company's mill, Muttli alleges that a sawdust pile collapsed on him, breaking his back, so that he is a hopeless cripple for life.

BIG INITIATION PLANNED

Fraternal Brotherhood to Hold State Convention Here.

The state convention of the Fraternal Brotherhood will be held in this city February 10, for the purpose of electing delegates to the supreme lodge, which meets in Los Angeles, March 25. The following delegates will be present: Alice M. Neldig, Ashland; J. L. Demmer, Medford; W. E. Barker, Eugene; Bernice Van Valburg, Springfield; William P. Holman, Dallas; James La Miller, McMinnville; J. M. Brown, Hillsboro; J. E. Borwick, Reedville; Lee C. Bell, Baker City; Thomas Christianson, Haines; Walter

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\$8.00 Combination Tables \$4.50. Oak or imported mahogany; top may be raised, forming a seat.	\$33.00 Somersaultic Bed Davenport, \$21.50. Denim covering, steel construction, felt mattresses.	\$23.50 Velour Davenport, \$14.75. Mottled green color, spring edge; six-foot length.	\$5.00 Mission Card Table, \$3.50. This table can be folded flat; top is 30 inches square.	\$10.00 Upholstered Patent Rocker, \$6.75. Walnut-frame; green tapestry covering; spring seat and back.
\$35.00 Turkish Chair, \$22.50. Tapestry covering, with full spring seat, back and arms.	\$92.00 Reception Room Set, \$55.00. Polished cireassian walnut; settee, armchair and rocker.	\$3.00 Box Dining Chairs, \$1.90. Golden oak; odd chairs left over from sets.	\$14.00 Roman Chairs, \$9.50. Mission finish in quartered oak.	\$8.00 Rush Seat Chairs, \$4.90. Fine, high-grade, in polished quartered oak.
\$8.50 Piano Seat, \$5.00. Polished golden oak, three feet long.	\$16.00 Piano Seat, \$9.00. Polished burl cireassian walnut.	\$39.00 Dining Table, \$25.00. French legs, round top, claw feet; 8 feet long.	\$5.40 Heating Stove, \$3.00. Not perfect, but good in size, style and value.	\$14.00 Fancy Chair, \$8.25. Highly polished, early English finish and style; very heavy.
\$32.00 Mahogany Settee, \$18.00. Highly polished real mahogany; seats two.	\$61.50 Reception Room Set, \$34.00. Tuna mahogany, piano polish; 3 pieces, settee, armchair and rocker.	\$75.00 Dresser, \$49.00. Solid mahogany, with large French bevel mirror.	\$14.00 Arm Chair, \$7.25. Real mahogany, piano finish, a light, dainty style.	\$14.00 Hall Seat, \$6.40. Light golden finish oak. This is an extra value.
\$45.00 Buffet, \$29.00. Very odd, stylish mission piece, trimmed with leaded glass and hammered brass.	\$45.00 Parlor Cabinet, \$27.00. Mahogany, with full plate glass back, bent glass front and glass shelves.	\$20.00 Cellarette, \$10.75. This is a combination with magazine rack; mission finish on quartered oak.	\$30.00 Oak Bedstead, \$15.00. Very heavy polished quartered and hand carved; heavy roll finish head end.	\$8.00 Maple Table, \$4.50. Best birdseye, with French legs, shelf and 23-inch top.
\$45.00 Set of Chairs, \$29.00. Six elegant Mission Chairs, leather seat and back; oak frames.	\$130.00 Bedroom Suit, \$79.00. Bed and dresser, solid mahogany of highest quality.	\$4.00 Airtight Heaters, \$2.50. These are 26-inch size; for wood only, with low draft.	\$18.00 Shaving Stand, \$9.00. Mahogany, with 3 compartments; 10x13 adjustable beveled mirror.	\$1.75 Inlaid Linoleum, \$1.00. All small pieces and remnants up to ten yards at above price.
90c All-Wool Carpets, 55c. All remnants up to 12 yards on sale at this price.	\$10.00 Coil Bed Springs, \$5.00. Made of 100 spiral springs, with woven-wire top; slightly damaged.	\$8.00 Oak Hall Chair, \$3.25. A very pretty piece of specially selected oak in this.	\$15.00 Large Arm Chair, \$6.00. Made of the new grass fiber, finished in light green.	\$8.50 Kitchen Safes, \$6.75. Made of Eastern hardwood; has 4 doors and two drawers.
\$9.50 Oak Extension Tables, \$6.90. Six-foot length, golden solid top; 42 inches square.	25c Matting, 17c. All remnants and pieces up to 8 yards at this price.	\$275.00 Mahogany Bedroom Suit, \$169.00. Four-poster bed, enormous dresser, solid hand-carved mahogany.	\$15.00 Settee, \$6.00. Of solid oak, in antique finish; seats two.	\$6.50 Iron Beds, \$4.50. First-class in every way, but am overstocked in this pattern.
\$26.00 Mission Lady's Desk, \$17.00. High-grade early English finish; rounded top; book shelf below.	\$17.50 Parlor Stands, \$11.00. Real mahogany, pedestal style, with shelf and rail.	\$46.00 Mission Parlor Suit, \$34.00. Four pieces; oak frames, red leather upholstery.	\$38.50 Chair and Rocker, \$21.00. Fancy mahogany bedroom pieces, done in green haircloth.	\$15.00 Reclining Chairs, \$8.00. Good for invalids or old people; made of oak; adjustable.
\$25.00 Standing Desk, \$14.00. High Bookkeepers' Desk, with 3 drawers; 8 feet long.	\$6.50 Costumers, \$4.50. For hats and coats; made of iron; oxidized copper finish.	\$3.75 Parlor Stands, \$1.95. Large overstock makes us put a number of these on sale.	\$12.50 Pedestals, \$7.00. Polished mahogany round. Many of these in this sale.	\$36.00 Leather Rockers, \$19.75. With mahogany finish frame; spring seat and leather back.
\$33.00 Leather Chairs, \$18.00. Massive carved oak frame; high back and spring-edge seat.	\$2.00 Lace Curtains, \$1.33. One-third discount on all one and two-pair lots.	\$7.00 Brass Chairs, \$3.90. Indestructible polished brass, with leatherette seats; a novelty.	\$2.00 Child's Morris Rockers, \$1.25. Mission finish on solid oak, with reclining back.	\$7.00 Toilet Sets, \$3.50. Every fancy Toilet Set in the house is now half price.

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the delegates to Oregon City, where they will be entertained at a banquet, in the White Temple Hall, by the Oregon City lodge.

On February 16 a class of 250 candidates will be initiated at Oregon City by Supreme President James A. Foshey, of Los Angeles, who will arrive in Portland February 15. President Foshey will be accompanied by Supreme Treasurer William Mead. Delegates will be present from all the lodges in the state, three special cars going from Portland. This class of candidates has been secured since November 11, and will be one second largest initiation ever held in the state in a lodge admitting both men and women. The state manager, F. E. Taylor, has had the work in charge.

A committee consisting of James F. Nelson, Dr. C. H. Meisner, Fred Metzner and B. L. Cummings will escort President Foshey to Oregon City. President Foshey, in addition to his office in the Fraternal Brotherhood stands high in Masonic circles and was for 13 years superintendent of the Los Angeles city schools. Judge Dinick, Fred Metzner and F. E. Taylor will give talks after the initiation as will President Foshey and Treasurer Mead. The Armory at Oregon City has been secured for the occasion and will be appropriately decorated. Special music will also be furnished.

RIDDELL LECTURE TODAY

"Science and Religion" to Be Subject at White Temple Today.

Newton N. Ridgell, the popular Chautauque lecturer on science and religion and their vital relation to the problems

of life, will begin his series of ten lectures in the White Temple this afternoon at 2:30. The subject for the opening lecture will be, "Science and Religion." This has been booked for years at the Chautauque as the "Big Sunday" address. It is not a dry discussion of dogmas or tenets, but aims to mix wholesome humor with logic and reason so as to entertain as well as instruct.

Dr. Ridgell appears in Portland under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. and the men's clubs of the churches. No charge is made for admission, but a voluntary offering will be received each evening at the close of the lecture. The lectures will all be held in the White Temple and except on Sunday begin at 7:45. Question box at 8 o'clock.

REVIVAL WILL OPEN TODAY

Rev. Alexander Beers to Conduct Services at Free Methodist.

Rev. Alexander Beers, president of the Seattle Seminary, Seattle, Wash., is in Portland for the purpose of holding special revival services in the First Free Methodist Church, corner of East Ninth and East Mill streets, commencing at 11 A. M. today and continuing for ten days at least.

Rev. Mr. Beers is by no means a stranger in Portland or this part of the state. He lived in Powell Valley now known as Gresham, 30 years ago. He was converted during the great revival held in Powell Valley under Rev. Frank Ashcraft in November, 1881; shortly after his conversion he felt a call to the ministry and went to New York, where he took a course

in the A. M. Chesbrough Seminary, near Rochester. For more than 20 years he has been engaged in educational and church work. For three years he was at the head of Virginia Seminary, conducted under the auspices of his denomination at Spotsylvania Court House, Va.

When the Seattle Seminary and College was established 17 years ago, the trustees invited Mr. Beers and his wife to take charge of the institution. He has been for 17 years president of this school, which has grown to be one of the largest of the Free Methodist Church.

Mr. Beers is accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Adelaide L. Beers, who is an evangelist of recognized ability. Mrs. Beers is also preceptress of Seattle Seminary, president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Washington Congress, and is an enthusiastic church worker. One feature that promises to be a very enjoyable one in connection with this series of meetings is, the pastor, Rev. David M. Cathery, is a personal lifelong friend of Mr. Beers. Indeed, Mr. Beers is very frank to confess that he owes much of his present standing in the church to the encouragement given him by Rev. Cathery.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The Southern Pacific Railway Company has the established at Bowman, a few miles

from Auburn, in this state, a base from which it will construct improvements to its right of way over the Sierra Nevada Mountains, costing \$25,000,000.

The contemplated improvements will give the company two lines from Roseville to Truckee, and a lower grade by 1000 feet than the present line traverses. Among the great engineering feats involved is the construction of a tunnel six miles in length. Four years will be allowed for the completion of the tunnel. As headquarters for the work the company has leased two ranches and is now erecting on them

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