

CITY SOON TO OWN MULTNOMAH FALLS

S. Benson to Purchase Property When Title Is Clear and Give It for Park.

SUIT TO FIX OWNERSHIP

While Rival Claimants Are Fighting in Courts Condemnation Action Is Begun and Offer of \$5000 Is Made.

Multnomah Falls, through the generosity of S. Benson, soon is to become the property of the city of Portland. As soon as the difficulties that confuse the title are cleared away Mr. Benson will purchase the property in which the falls are included and present it to the city as a public park.

Miss Jennie Griswold, a former resident of Portland, now living at Washington, D. C., holds title to the property. Against her title, however, stands a suit brought a few months ago by George Wetherby, who died recently, and who alleged a lease with option of purchase.

Mr. Benson has offered to pay the successful claimant in this suit, which now is pending in the Multnomah County Circuit Court, \$5000 for possession of the property under agreement to deed the land and the falls to the city. The Wetherby heirs are continuing the action against Miss Griswold.

City Brings Condemnation Suit.

Meanwhile the City of Portland, acting on the suggestion of Mr. Benson, has brought condemnation proceedings against both Miss Griswold and the Wetherby heirs for possession of the property, with the understanding that Mr. Benson will pay the price assessed. If a jury fixes the value at more than \$5000, however, the property will not be accepted.

Efforts now are being made by E. E. Covert, Mr. Benson's friend and personal attorney, to have the sum of \$5000 placed in escrow in the hands of a court to be awarded to the winner of the Wetherby versus Griswold suit, with the stipulation that the property pass into the possession of Mr. Benson. Under this arrangement the condemnation proceedings would be discontinued.

Secure in his belief that he will soon meet into possession the property, Mr. Benson last week went through the formality of presenting a "deed" to the county officials. This action was wholly perfunctory, as Mr. Benson understood, and planned only for the benefit of a moving-picture operator. An evening paper, however, grasped the opportunity to print a story claiming that the actual presentation had been made.

Benson Plans Park.

Mr. Benson plans to beautify the property surrounding the falls and make the whole into a natural park. He proposes to have the National Congress withdraw from entry 240 acres of land immediately adjoining the property owned by Miss Griswold and present it, also, to the city.

The Griswold property consists of 161.78 acres, which would give the city a park area of 461.76 acres surrounding the waterfall. All this would be made into a beautiful playground for the people of Portland.

The property has a frontage of more than a mile on the Columbia River and extends back beyond the high bridge into the water. A road, which would be a distance of more than two miles, and a station reservation of 20 acres is included in the property. It is through the operation of the railroad officials, will be included in the park scheme.

City Can Own Property.

Although the park has no physical connection with the city proper, the charter will permit the city to acquire the property and hold it for park purposes. Mr. Benson has presented his plan to the city officials and they have expressed an eagerness to acquire property on behalf of the people of Portland.

Adjoining the Multnomah Falls property immediately on the west is the property owned by Mr. Gordon Falk. Mr. Benson already owns this property and now is converting it into a public park. A force of men is at work removing brush and clearing it of fallen timber.

Oneonta Gorge and Horsetail Falls adjoin the Gordon property on the west and it is understood that the owners propose to include these attractions in this park scheme.

BANKER TO BE INDICTED

Lorimer Institution Receives Deposits When Insolvent, Is Charged.

CHICAGO, June 20.—State's Attorney Hoyle said today he had apparently a prima facie case against at least one officer of the La Salle Street Trust & Savings Bank, a Lorimer institution, and that at least one indictment would be found. Accepting deposits after the bank was known to be insolvent will be the charge.

Receiver Niblack said he hoped to have money enough in two weeks to pay the depositors 10 cents on the dollar. Time loans owing on June 12 totaled more than \$500,000, he said, and demand loans totaled \$1,400,000.

Stockholders of the Illinois State Bank will file another intervening petition Monday for \$115,000, which was deposited in the La Salle Street Trust & Savings Bank. With the return of this \$115,000 the stockholders are confident the Illinois bank could resume business.

BOND AMOUNT IS DOUBLE

School Clerks Must Furnish Twice Sum Handled, Says Crawford.

SALEM, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—In an opinion handed by C. G. Spencer, of Oregon City, Attorney-General Crawford today held that the bonds of school clerks must be double the amount of money it is estimated they will handle. The bonds must be approved by the School Boards and the County School Superintendents. He said the directors, however, would not be liable because of an error in estimating the amount of the money to be in the custody of the clerks in case of loss.

Mr. Crawford informed the Industrial Welfare Commission that the law prohibiting women from working in certain establishments after 9 o'clock in the evening applied to women connected with cigar stands conducted by hotels.

VANCOUVER PREPARES FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.



DOROTHY MCMASTER AND IRMA MARSH.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—The Fourth of July celebration in Vancouver this year will be the greatest in many ways, and more important, much different from anything heretofore attempted here.

For years "Columbia" and "The Goddess of Liberty" have ridden on hay-racks or other horse-drawn vehicles. This year these goddesses will ride in appropriately decorated automobiles. Each will be given \$25 with which to decorate their floats.

The Fourth of July committee already has announced that Miss Dorothy McMaster, accomplished daughter of Donald McMaster, former judge of the Superior Court of this county, will be this year's Columbia, and Miss Irma Marsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Marsh, pioneers of this city, the "Goddess of Liberty."

The young ladies already are preparing their costumes and making arrangements for decorating their automobiles.

The big prizes offered for the best drilling teams of fraternal organizations has brought forth a large number of entries. The champion state team of the Knights of Pythias, from Camas, will contest for first place.

WILSON IS HOPEFUL

Mediation Outlook Regarded as Better Than Ever.

STATEMENT IS GIVEN OUT

United States Takes Position Entire Mexican People Has Chance for Advancement—Leaders Expected to Yield.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—President Wilson authorized today the statement that the outlook for the success of mediation in the Mexican situation was more hopeful than ever. He made known this attitude in view of his conference last night with one of the South American mediators, Dr. Romulo S. Naon, the Argentine minister who came to Washington to consult with the Secretary of State.

Secretary Bryan also declared that hopes for success of mediation were by no means dimmed despite the apparent diplomatic deadlock at Niagara Falls, and the President and Secretary of State were supported in this view by the government of the Administration and the Secretary of State.

Officials here indicated that joint deliberations between the mediators and representatives of General Huerta and the Provisional States would be resumed Monday.

Lenders Expected to Accept View.

The United States, it was said, took the position that the opportunity presented for giving the whole people a chance for advancement and that, irrespective of personal ambitions, leaders of all factions could be brought to reason on this basis. It was pointed out that Mexico should be re-organized now it was argued that bloodshed and the horrors of war would continue until such reorganization was accomplished. General Huerta was declared to be cognizant of this situation and willing to yield to the common enemy should personal ambitions be waived.

The first constitutionalist chief, General Carranza, also was reported to be willing to accept a provisional government and to supervise a constitutional election and even General Villa, the military power in the revolution, was said to be willing to substitute reason for bullets to restore Mexico to its own people. Involved in such a settlement of Mexican affairs, it was pointed out, would be the interests of citizens of Great Britain, Germany and other nations besides those of the United States.

Reform Element Insisted On.

All that the United States insists on, it is reported, is that the provisional government of Mexico to succeed the Huerta regime should be dominated by recognized representatives of reform. All connected with them in the provisional government effort to reorganize the government of Mexico on such a basis, and that General Huerta's delegates at Niagara Falls, with assurances of co-operation from responsible leaders of the revolution, could be induced to yield to the position of the United States in the crisis was believed in official quarters to be probable.

HINDUS GROW VIOLENT

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towing of the vessel and the keeping of order on board for a run of nearly 100 miles.

The chance of a fight between the Hindus aboard and the crew, the possibility of the passengers overpowering the Japanese officers and steering the ship ashore or setting her afire, or of leaping overboard to be rescued by their compatriots from launches, will all have to be taken, if this course is decided on.

The kind of reprisal and every one in close touch with the situation believes that they will resort to desperate measures before they allow an added crew aboard or the lifting of the anchor.

Rather than let the issue come before the courts, Chief Immigration In-

SCULPTOR GETS DECREE

SEATTLE EXPOSITION ARCHITECT DIVORCES POET-WIFE.

Finna Haakon Frolich, Once Divorced and Reconciled, Accuses Spouse of Deep Affection for ex-Convict.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—(Special.)—Judge Griffin today granted Finna Haakon Frolich an interlocutory decree of divorce from Helen M. Frolich, on the ground of desertion and cruelty. Frolich was the chief sculptor for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. Mrs. Frolich is a poet.

Since their first marriage in Victoria four years ago, the Frolichs have spent most of their time in the divorce court. The wife obtained a divorce from the sculptor within a few months of their wedding. She was a college student at the time.

Frolich left the Northwest and came to this city, to be followed shortly by Mrs. Frolich. They became reconciled and were remarried here in November, 1912, only to separate again on January 10, 1913. Frolich then filed suit for divorce, charging his wife with having a deep attachment for Donald Lowrie, a literary ex-convict.

Judge Griffin denied the husband a divorce on the evidence introduced, but Frolich filed an amended complaint alleging desertion and cruelty.

The final suit was bitterly contested, for the reason that both plaintiff and defendant wanted the custody of their 2-year-old daughter, Helen. The court settled the dispute over the baby by ordering Frolich to pay his wife \$20 a month for its support.

PORTLAND MAN HEADS G. A. R. DEPARTMENT.

H. S. Fargo.

H. S. Fargo, of this city, who was elected department commander at the annual state encampment at Tillamook, is a member of Sumner Post No. 13, G. A. R. He was born in New York and moved to Michigan, where he enlisted in the Third Michigan Volunteer Infantry, serving from 1862 to 1865 in the second corps of the Army of the Potomac. He was admitted to practice law in 1872, and has been a resident of Portland for the past six years.

Mr. Fargo said yesterday that the Tillamook people accorded the veterans a fine reception and treated them royally during the sessions of the state encampment.

EUROPE GETS GOLD

New York Subtreasury's Supply Requires Replenishing.

Denver and San Francisco Draw On Heavily—Exports This Year Are \$70,000,000, but Treasurer Burke Is Calm.

MOVEMENT IS PHENOMENAL

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Treasury Department officials show only a passing interest in the phenomenal exportation of gold which is taking place through New York. Since January 1 the amount of gold exported has been about \$70,000,000. The gold reserve at New York sub-treasury was practically exhausted and more than \$40,000,000 worth of gold bars and coins was sent to New York last week from other sub-treasuries.

"What difference does it make if Europe draws on us for \$100,000,000 of gold, or \$200,000,000 worth?" John Burke, treasurer of the United States, replied today, when asked about the movement toward Europe of gold. "We are not States that have only a limited amount. We have more than \$1,000,000,000 worth of gold in reserve. A 600,000,000 worth of trade against us can easily start the gold moving toward Europe, and I understand that two railway corporations are about to raise some bond issues in Europe which must be met with gold."

Of the shipments of gold received in New York last week from other sub-treasuries, Denver supplied about \$25,000,000 and San Francisco also contributed a large consignment.

Denver has far the largest reserve of the sub-treasuries. On June 15 that city had \$72,202,226 worth of gold bars and \$486,217,866 in gold coin, a total of \$558,420,092. This total is \$60,000,000 less at the present time. San Francisco had \$17,354,914 in gold bars on June 14 and \$128,245,794 in gold coin, a total of \$145,600,708.

George E. Roberts, Director of the Mint, believes the new currency of Europe will check the flow of gold to Europe.

COUPLE ACCUSE LAWYER

OREGON TEACHER SAYS DOUBLE GAME WAS PLAYED.

San Francisco Bar Association Moves to Disbar A. E. Miller on Charge of C. R. Larimer.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—(Special.)—As a result of prosecution by C. R. Larimer, of Portland, a committee of the San Francisco Bar Association has been appointed to institute disbarment proceedings against Arthur E. Miller, an attorney of this city.

Larimer, who has been teaching school near Portland, met Mrs. Mary E. Leahy through an advertisement.

Mrs. Leahy won his heart and he lent her money. When she told him she had married Larimer, he introduced her to Miller, whom he had met casually. Larimer went back to Portland and while there wrote to Mrs. Leahy. It is said, telling her to go through bankruptcy and join him in Portland. Then came letters from Miller casting aspersions on Mrs. Leahy and advising Larimer to sue her for the money he had advanced her.

Larimer hastened to San Francisco and began suit. He said that Miller prevented him from seeing Mrs. Leahy by saying that she had threatened to shoot Larimer on sight. Then, Larimer says, Miller induced him to drop the suit by saying Larimer had been going to prosecute him for advising her to go through bankruptcy.

Larimer charges that he discovered Miller had been playing the same game with Mrs. Leahy. He and Mrs. Leahy became reconciled and joined in making charges against Miller.

HILLSBORO FARMER TAKEN

Lee's Second Arrest Holds, This Time by Federal Official.

James G. Lee was arrested yesterday on his farm, 18 miles from Hillsboro, Or., yesterday, by Deputy United States Marshal Jackson, on a complaint alleging that he had in his possession legging of the United States Government. He was brought to Portland yesterday afternoon and lodged in the County Jail. He was arrested earlier in the week by Washington County officials, but later released.

Michael Schuh was arrested yesterday in Portland, charged with having taken property of the United States from the Army in Portland.

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TRUE VOTE IS JUDGE'S WISH

Signing of Stipulation Denied but Speedy End Desired.

SALEM, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—Charles L. McNary, when asked tonight if he had signed a stipulation with Henry L. Benson agreeing that the ballot boxes containing duplicate tally sheets in the race for the Republican nomination for Supreme Court Justice in Multnomah County be opened as reported in a Portland paper, stated that he had not yet received such a stipulation and did not know its purport or the precincts to be affected, but said: "It is my desire that such action be taken as will fairly expose the true situation so that the contestant receiving the certificate of nomination shall not be heard from County Clerk Coffey, Judge Benson has told me over the telephone that his count, as canvassed, had been over-estimated by 10 votes. Consequently, instead of losing 20 votes by the canvass I have lost but 10 votes, this discovery having been made by a friend of mine in the presence of County Clerk Coffey and a representative of Judge Benson."

Upon receipt of the stipulation I shall give it my serious consideration to the end that this unfortunate contest shall be terminated speedily."

ACADEMY GRADUATES FOUR

Diplomas and Medals Awarded at Exercises on Tuesday.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—The commencement exercises of the Provisional Academy took place on Tuesday evening. The graduates were: Mary E. McKenna, Lucille V. Ellis, Catherine M. Claver and Rosna M. Bruhl.

The Providence Alumnae medal for English was won by Mary E. McKenna and the Knight's of Columbus medal for history was awarded to Lucille V. Ellis. A prize for application was awarded Catherine Claver and one for Christian doctrine to Rosna M. Bruhl.

The program was as follows: Lucia L. Bertham, A. Doherty; poika, concert, R. Bruhl; address to graduates, Rev. J. Sweeney; National Anthem, E. J. Hartley; presentation of diplomas and medals; chorus, "Farewell to Alma Mater."

SHOPMEN HAVE PICNIC

Special Carries 1500 O-W. R. & N. Employees to Bonnevillie.

Employees of the O-W. R. & N. Company's shops at Albina went on a special train to Bonnevillie yesterday, where they enjoyed a picnic under the shade of the trees. A big mogul engine drew the special train of 11 coaches. More than 1500 men and women were on board when the train left the Albina depot.

The cars were decorated with bunting and flags as well as flowers and evergreen boughs. A band recruited among shop employees furnished the music. Many officials of the company were in the party, including M. J. Buckley, general superintendent; J. O. Graham, superintendent of motive power; U. K. Hall, storekeeper; T. J. Lanley, assistant general manager; and "D" Todd, superintendent of water lines.

INVENTORS TO COMPETE

Vancouver Men Will Try Flight in Pet Machines July 4.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 20.—(Special.)—Bill Komm, inventor, and builder of several hydroplanes, and Leo Nagel, who has built an aeroglider, will compete for honors here July 4. Their attempts at flying will be one of the big events of the day.

Both have well-built and well-equipped aeroplanes and they have been making short flights.

ST. HELENS HAS ROSE SHOW.

ST. HELENS, Or., June 20.—(Special.)—St. Helens yesterday had a rose show which it is proposed to make an annual event. There was a fine display of roses.

Trunk straps made of steel links have been invented that are intended to withstand more rough handling than leather ones.

SUMMER EXCURSIONS TO THE EAST

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