

EX-JUDGE FRENCH IS SENT TO PRISON

Former Willowa County Magistrate to Serve One to Five Years for Forgery.

PAROLE REQUEST DENIED

Counsel Blames Weak Mind for Defalcations, but Prosecutor Opposes Showing of Mercy—Prisoner Taken to Penitentiary.

ENTERPRISE, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Jay French, County Judge of Willowa County until he resigned a month ago, was sentenced today to serve from one to five years in the Penitentiary. He is the first moon for the State Penitentiary at Salem in charge of Sheriff Marvin, his friend for many years. Sentence was imposed for obtaining money under false pretenses.

When French was arraigned two weeks ago he pleaded not guilty to each of four indictments which alleged forgery and false pretenses in obtaining public money. He appeared in court again yesterday and pleaded guilty to all four indictments. Judge Knowles passed sentence on French this morning.

Daniel Boyd and J. A. Burielgh, attorneys for French, presented affidavits to show that French's mind was impaired and that he did not realize wrongdoing when he forged names to widows' pension petitions and drew the money, or when he presented other vouchers against the county and later cashed the warrants. The attorneys argued that French had already suffered for his crime and the court was asked to parole him, but the plea for leniency was denied.

Attorney Burielgh said the county would not lose anything through Mr. French's defalcations, as everything would be paid back today, and that the county had been spared the expense of a long and tedious trial.

District Attorney Corbin referred to the high regard he and the county had had for French in the past, but said all should stand equally before the law, that French had violated the trust and confidence of the people of the county and had endeavored to enrich himself by stealing from the public.

"The parole law is good," said Judge Knowles, "but can be abused. If a parole were granted in this instance, the purpose of the law would be defeated."

Judge Knowles said further that he would not grant a parole if a petition were signed by every man, woman and child in Willowa County, but in view of the fact that French had pleaded guilty and had prepared to repay the county in full he would recommend his parole by the Governor at the end of one year.

BOARD OF CONTROL IS AIM

Bill to Handle Institutions Due in Washington Legislature.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The adoption of the board of control plan in handling Washington institutions of higher education, by appointing one board of regents to manage all that are under the jurisdiction of the state, was provided in a bill at the coming legislative session, Representative Victor Zednick, of King County, announced here today.

The chief advantage for the new plan, which its sponsor says would save from \$400,000 to \$500,000 biennially, is that it would prevent duplication of courses at the University of Washington and Washington State College. A minor advantage is a saving through making purchases for all institutions together, thus eliminating separate purchasing officers at the institutions.

NEWPORT TITLE CLEARED

Decree Regarding Bayley Estate Dismisses Claims of Heirs.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The title to more than 200 lots and parcels of ground that formerly made up the estate of J. R. Bayley was cleared up here December 5, when the decree handed down by Federal Judge Dean dismissing the claims of the heirs of the estate, entered last January by several Bayley heirs to recover the property, took effect. The time allowed to take an appeal to the higher courts lapsed some time ago.

STRIKE DEADLOCK-BROKEN

More Than 2000 Miners to Return to Work Monday in Ohio.

BELLAIRE, O., Dec. 12.—The deadlock between miners and operators in the Eastern Ohio coal field, which has existed since last April, when the miners struck for increased wages, was broken today with the announcement that 2000 men at the Fairport mine would return to work Monday under the Pittsburg scale.

COLLEGE SPORTS NOT DEAD

Contests Largely Informal, With View to Keeping Men in Trim.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 12.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Although there probably will be no official college sports at either Oxford or Cambridge until after the year, the men in college still find time for a certain amount of athletic amusement, particularly at football, soccer, golf and boxing. There is scarcely any rowing, although the coaches are giving a little preliminary training to some of the veterans.

which is being competed for by teams from the four companies of the university military training corps. At Oxford there have been several football matches between scrub varsity teams and teams from some of the nearby public schools.

COLUMBIA HIGHWAY FEATURE OF THE ANNUAL

The composite opinion of world-travelers who have viewed the Columbia Highway is that it is the equal of the most famous European roads and without parallel in America in point of changing scenery, of sweeping river and woodland views and of location and construction. There is no stretch of public highway any where that has so much wealth of water fall effects. Within a space of ten miles there are no less than half a dozen waterfalls, every one of which is in clear view from the highway. Another distinctive feature is the new type of bridge construction at Latourell Falls. This span is designed on the principle of steel bridge construction, with trussed arches, but is of concrete with hooped reinforcement. The wonders and beauties of the Columbia Highway will be graphically presented in The Oregonian Annual, supplemented with a two-page drawing and photographic views of the most interesting and scenic points along the highway.

HAY FAMINE THREATENS

FOODER BRINGS BIG PRICES IN NORTH LAKE COUNTY.

Homesteaders Haul Horse Feed 40 Miles—Shortage Due to Gain in Population.

SILVER LAKE, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Eighteen dollars a ton for timothy, alfalfa or rye hay, \$20 a ton for oats and \$12 a ton for wild marsh or tule hay. With these prices prevailing Silver Lake starts in the winter with an unprecedented shortage in fodder. Stockmen predict these prices will double before spring.

The deficiency is not due to a lack of production. In fact, more hay was harvested in Silver Lake Valley last summer than ever before. The shortage is attributed to the rapid gain in population with an attendant increase in livestock; also to the destruction of crops by rabbits and drought in the desert country, and to the hoarding of proportionately more grain than usual. Ranchers who threshed their grain are disposing of eye straw at \$3 a ton, oat at \$4 and wild marsh at \$5.

HOOD RIVER RATE IS ISSUE

Railroad Commission to Hear Lighting Differences Thursday.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The State Railroad Commission will meet here Thursday to hear the complaint of a number of ranchers who have asked that the rates for lighting companies be lowered. At the same time, a petition will be considered from the companies, which ask an increase in the rates for residential lighting. While no formal petition has been filed, the merchants have made a verbal report to the Commission to the effect that the rate charged merchants and places of business is too high.

BIDS OPENED ON MONDAY

Clarke County Prepares for Sale of Bridge Bond Issue.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Bids, if any there be, for the Clarke County bonds for the Columbia River Interstate bridge, to be built between Vancouver and Portland, will be opened by the Clarke County Commissioners at the Courthouse at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon, December 14. A special meeting has been called for this purpose.

ARIZONA HANGINGS HALTED

Six Persons, Condemned to Death, Win Governor's Clemency.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 12.—There will be no hanging of men at the Arizona penitentiary December 13. Six persons, condemned by the action of the electorate in voting November 3 against abolishment of capital punishment in Arizona, won today the clemency of Governor Hunt.

Seventy Saving Suggestions in Gift Furniture from J. G. Mack & Co.'s Closing-Out Sale. Never before at Christmas time has the gift-buying public been confronted with the opportunities to buy Gift Furniture of the worthy kind at such unusually low prices. Remember we have been notified to surrender the premises to the new lessees on Jan. 1. This means we are making final effort in disposing of our extensive stock.

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GIRL CLAIMS HONOR

Miss Jesamine Bushnell May Christen Submarine.

FAMILY TREE IS TRACED

Miss Jesamine Bushnell, of Gold Hill, Or., Thought to Be Descendant of Admiral—Secretary Daniels Seeks Warship Sponsor.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—After nearly six months' search throughout the United States to find a descendant of Admiral David Bushnell to christen the submarine to be named after him, an Oregon girl has been located and her name has been submitted to Secretary Daniels as a candidate for the honor.



Miss Jesamine Bushnell, Supposed Descendant of Famous Admiral David Bushnell, Who May Christen Submarine.

Porter, chancellor commander; A. L. Berglund, vice-chancellor; Fred Smith, prelate; C. M. Doty, master of work; E. L. Dean, keeper of records and seal; A. E. Barnum, master of finance; O. W. Moberg, master of exchequer; E. Thieson, master of arms; J. P. Dziesko, inner guard; C. W. Santee, outer guard, and C. M. Doty, A. W. Teagle and Harvey Edison, trustees.

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Many Unemployed in Goldfield. GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 12.—An influx of men without work and without means is causing a serious situation here. It was estimated today that there are 300 men in Goldfield without employment or hope of it for the winter, and the authorities do not know how they can handle more.

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