BAR HOST IN HONOR OF MR. M'CAMANT

Newly Appointed Member of Supreme Court Recipient of Congratulations.

DINNER HAPPY OCCASION

Successor to Justice Eakin Is Bidden Farewell and Given Best Wishes by Members of Multnomah County Bar.

Farewell and good wishes were spoken to Wallace McCamant, newly-appointed Justice of the Supreme Court, to succeed Justice Eakin, retired, at a complimentary dinner given by members of the Multnomah County bar at the Hotel Portland last night.

The grillroom was filled with fellow attorneys, judges and Justices of the Supreme Court, who came from Salem to pay honor to the incoming member. Frank Branch Riley was toastmaster. The arrangements committee was made up of the following: Judge J. P. Kavanaugh, Judge H. H. Northup, William C. Bristol, J. F. Boothe, John McCourt, Charles J. Schnabel, George Rossman and Albert B. Ridgway.

Gathering Is Jolly One.

Solemnity was barred from last night's gathering. It was declared to be a time, not for mourning, but for jollity, and not a glum moment was included in the gathering.

"The only fly in the pot of ointment for me," said Mr. McCamant, "is the fact that this honor has come to me through the misfortune of a man who has been my friend for 20 years. I would much have preferred that Judge Eakin should have continued his eminent and valued service for the public."

Mr. McCamant spoke of the high responsibilities felt by bench and bar alike, and said their work is for one purpose only, that of administering justice. Mr. McCamant pledged his best service to the work before him and ended his remarks with sincere thanks for the honor of the gathering.

Other talks were in light vein. Judge Martin L. Pipes, who was introduced in a particularly happy manner by Toastmaster Riley, as dean of the Multnomah bar, was greeted with an ovation.

Pleasantries Are Related.

W. W. Cotton narrated a number of pleasantries that were piquant, and one story was astonishingly funny. Ernest W. Hardy and Frederic H. Whitfield refused to take the occasion seriously, as did, in fact, nearly all the speakers.

John F. Logan spoke of the interest Portland attorneys have taken in the organization of an auxiliary unit to the Naval Militia in the interests of National defense in time of war.

Judge Lionel R. Webster spoke of his experiences as judge and made a plea for high conceptions of duty by members of the profession.

STATE CAN FIX RATES

RAILWAY PETITION TO ENJOIN 2-CENT FARE DISMISSED.

Appeal to United States Supreme Court to Be Taken by 28 Lines in Illinois.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Authority of the State of Illinois to fix railroad rates within its own borders was upheld in the United States District Court today when Judge Landis dismissed, for want of equity, the petition of 28 railroad companies asking an injunction against the enforcement of the 2-cent-a-mile passenger rate.

The railroads announced they would appeal the case to the United States Supreme Court. The ruling of the higher court may affect ten other states where 2-cent passenger rates now are in effect.

In deciding the case Judge Landis said:

"It is my opinion that there is no earthly power, no possible power in the Interstate Commerce Commission under the guise of relieving St. Louis and Keokuk of discrimination, to repeal the Illinois 2-cent fare law."

A committee of railroad attorneys and passenger traffic managers left for Washington, D. C., today to apply to the Interstate Commerce Commission for a suspension of the order requiring the railroads to put into effect January 15 the new tariff of 2.4 cents per mile pending the outcome of the appeal of the railroads.

In order to obtain a suspension of the order before Monday, the committee planned to ask the Commission to sit Sunday and hear its petition.

As a result of Judge Landis' decision the railroads are left in a peculiar position. The Interstate Commerce Commission has ordered a 2.4 cent rate, while the State Legislature has decreed that a 2-cent rate shall be charged. The 2-cent rate is now in effect in Illinois.

CLUB SITE IS SOUGHT

Oregon City Building to Have Every Convenience.

OREGON CITY, Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Preliminary plans for the clubhouse of the Oregon City Young People's Institute have been prepared and the officers and committees of the organization are now hunting for a suitable site.

The question of a location is a puzzling one, as the officers of the institute want a site in the heart of the city so that classes of business men can be formed and the building can serve all districts of the city alike.

With the decision to raise $20,000 instead of $5000, a much better building now is proposed. The building will probably be concrete, three stories high and 75 by 60 feet.

On the first floor will be a swimming pool, 20 by 60 feet; a bowling alley, heating plant, lockers, shower baths and galleries for both the swimming pool and the bowling alley.

The second, or main, floor will have the office, library, billiard-room, smoking-room, junior gymnasium and a large lobby.

The third floor will be in reality two stories high, or 22 feet, making the height of the building equal to the ordinary four-story structure. It will contain the main gymnasium, 40 by 75 feet and with a ceiling 22 feet high. It will have a moveable stage. The total seating capacity will be 800.

ROAD CODE IS INDORSED

FUND MATCHING BY STATE AND COUNTIES IS OPPOSED.

Classification of Highways Is Considered Better Way as Bonds Too Often Strain Finances.

No controversy could develop over the subject under discussion at the luncheon of the Civic League yesterday, the proposed highway code, because everybody seemed to be equally in favor of a codification of the highway laws to produce harmony and co-operation between state and county, and the differences of opinion as to method even were apparently slight.

J. D. Brown, president of the Farmers' Union; Rufus E. Holman, County Commissioner, and O. W. Taylor, chairman of the Highway Code Committee which has been working on the new code to be introduced at the present session of Legislature, were the speakers.

Classification of highways under county and state jurisdiction and provision for the administration of road work under the classification in such manner that county and state may co-operate to get the maximum improvement results, were the points urged by the speakers as important in road legislation.

Mr. Brown declared that there should be no more road building on terms of the state putting up a certain amount if the county would put up an equal sum.

"Such action by the state has been responsible for many of the counties bonding themselves almost into bankruptcy," he said. "What we want is a sane and carefully worked out plan by which the development can be carried on by both the state and the county, each working in its own, well-defined jurisdiction."

ENTERTAINMENT IS GOOD

W. L. Finley Lectures at O.-W. R. & N. Employes' Club Session.

Fanciful dancing and music, both vocal and instrumental, formed an attractive feature of the entertainment given last night by the O.-W. R. & N. Employes' Club at the Lincoln High School auditorium. An illustrated lecture by W. L. Finley, State Biologist, dealing with scenery of Oregon and also of the Yellowstone National Park, was given. Several comedy films preceded the lecture and vaudeville programme.

Esthetic and fanciful dancing by Miss Axa Genevieve Paget formed one of the most attractive numbers on the programme. Miss Paget was accompanied by Miss Jean Latimer. Other numbers included solo and piona numbers by Virginia Ryder, vocal solos by Warren A. Erwin and selections by the Columbia Ladies' Orchestra.

WHITE TEMPLE GETS MAN

Rev. Charles B. Waller, of Asheville, N. C., Accepts Pastorate.

Rev. Charles B. Waller, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Asheville, North Carolina, accepted the pastorate of the White Temple in Portland in a telegram which was received last night by F. E. Hilton, chairman of the pulpit committee. Rev. Mr. Waller was called to the White Temple about a month ago after he had occupied the pulpit here for the last two Sundays of last year.

The new minister of the White Temple will take up his duties in Portland in March, Mr. Hilton announced.

Rev. Mr. Waller has been pastor of the First Baptist Church at Asheville for the last six years. Previous to that he was at Chattanooga.

The pastorate of the White Temple has been vacant since the resignation of Dr. W. B. Hinson, a year ago.

R. EDWARD HOLMAN DIES

Transfer Man and Native of Portland Victim of Pneumonia.

R. Edward Holman, of the Holman Transfer Company, died yesterday morning at 2:30, after a brief illness from pneumonia. His death occurred at the home of his sister, Mrs. Emily Kellogg, 716½ Union avenue North. Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, from the Edward Holman undertaking chapel.

Mr. Holman was a native of Portland, being born here on November 26, 1865. His father was Robert Holman, former chief of the Fire Department and ex-captain of police. Three uncles, Edward, George and William, are all residents of this city.

Three sisters also survive him, Mrs. Emily Kellogg and Mrs. Robinson, of this city, and Mrs. Mary E. Huntington, of Castle Rock, Wash.

ALBERTA MARKET ELECTS

Move for Rose Garden for City Is Indorsed by Association.

The Alberta Market Association held its annual meeting last night at the home of William Brown, 1111 East Twenty-fifth street North, and elected officers as follows: President, C. M. James; first vice-president, William Brown; second vice-president, Mrs. Bertha Slater Smith; secretary, M. A. Thompson; treasurer, H. D. Smith.

The association voted to join with other organizations in the movement to obtain for Portland the headquarters of the National Rose Test Garden. The date of reopening the Alberta public market was fixed for March 3. The next meeting of the association will be held at the home of President James, 1021 East Twenty-seventh street North, on February 3.

Battery A Auxiliary to Elect.

The regular meeting of Battery A Auxiliary will take place Tuesday morning in the Story-hour room, Central Library, at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present to elect officers. Sarah A. Hyatt is the secretary.

OFFER MADE NAVY

Bethlehem Company Would Construct Two Cruisers.

ASCERTAINED COST ASKED

Willingness Expressed to Contract to Build Vessel Quicker Than Government Can—Attitude Is Based on Patriotism.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—Speaking before the Terrapin Club here tonight on the complaint of the Navy Department against the high bids received for warships, Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, said his company had determined to make an offer to the Government that if it will build two of the four authorized battle cruisers in Navy-yards the Bethlehem Company will construct the other two at the ascertained cost of building the ships in the Government yards, without additional expense or commissions of any kind.

"We also will contract to have our ships ready for service ahead of the Government ships," he said.

Drawing attention to a letter written by the Secretary of the Navy to the chairman of the House committee on naval affairs asking for an appropriation of $12,000,000 to equip Navy-yards to build the four ships, Mr. Grace said the request was made without any assurance that the Government can build the cruisers cheaper than private ship builders.

"It would be a real advantage to the Bethlehem Steel ship-yards to be relieved of any obligation to enter upon this naval construction," Mr. Grace said. "The profit from it cannot possibly amount to much and the responsibility is enormous. But we do feel a patriotic obligation in the matter and we realize it is our duty to do everything we can to make our plant and experience available for the use of the American Government."

The policy of the Navy Department, Mr. Grace said, seems to embody an effort to discourage private enterprise and to divert all work for National defense to Government plants.

Referring to a recent announcement that a British manufacturer had underbid American concerns for shells for the Navy, Mr. Grace said it should be remembered that the British navy has seen but little action and that it is entirely conceivable that there is a surplus of naval shells on hand which the British government might be willing to have its munition makers dump in the United States and turn the proceeds into shells for use on the battlefields.

KAISER SCORES ANSWER

GERMANY DECLARED READY FOR ALL SACRIFICES.

"Burning Indignation and Hot Wrath" Will Redouble Strength, Says Proclamation to Subjects.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Jan. 12.—The following proclamation by the Emperor to the German people has been officially published in Berlin:

"Our enemies have dropped the mask. After refusing with scorn and hypocritical words of love of peace and humanity our honest peace offer they have now, in their reply to the United States, gone beyond that and admitted their lust for conquest, the baseness of which is further enhanced by their calumnous assertions. Their aim is the crushing of Germany, the dismemberment of the powers allied with us and the enslavement of the freedom of Europe and the seas, under the same yoke that Greece, with the gnashing of teeth, is now enduring.

"But what they could not achieve in 30 months of the bloodiest fighting and unscrupulous economic war they will also fail to accomplish in the future. Our glorious victories and our iron strength of will with which our fighting people at the front and at home have borne all hardships and distress guarantee that also in the future our beloved fatherland has nothing to fear. Burning indignation and holy wrath will redouble the strength of every German man and woman, whether it is devoted to fighting, to work or to suffering.

We are ready for all sacrifices. The God who planted his glorious spirit of freedom in the hearts of our brave people will also give us and our loyal allies, tested in battle, the full victory over all the enemies' lust for power and rage for destruction.

"WILLIAM, I. R."

WILLAPA BUOY IS SPOOKY

Four Mariners Report Light Out, and Four Visits Find it Burning.

Four times mariners have reported the Willapa gas buoy not burning. Four times a Government lighthouse tender has visited the buoy and found it on the job and burning brightly. The master of the steamer Hoquiam made the last report, but the investigation resulted like the previous ones. The light is fast becoming known among mariners as the spook light.

Vessels plying to Oregon ports being under the restriction of the prohibition laws, the lighthouse service people are convinced that the mariners' reports were correct, but careful examination has failed to reveal anything wrong with the buoy.

LEGISLATORS TO PREACH

Father of Dry Law Is to Speak at Oregon City Today.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Members of the Oregon Legislature will gather here tomorrow and conduct a service at the First Methodist Church. Senator M. D. Shanks, of Condon, and Representative J. E. Anderson, of The Dalles, who introduced the prohibition bill in the 1915 Legislature, will speak. R. P. Hutton, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, will also appear on the programme. The meeting will begin at 3 o'clock.

The meeting is a part of the field-day activities of the Anti-Saloon League. Representatives of the league will appear in all the Protestant churches at the morning services.

HIGHWAY CODE IS TOPIC

J. B. Yeon and L. I. Hewes Will Speak at Chamber Luncheon.

Discussion of the proposed highway code, drafted by the Federal Bureau of Public Roads for consideration by the Oregon Legislature, will be the subject of the programme at the luncheon of the members' council of the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow noon.

John B. Yeon, county roadmaster, and L. I. Hewes, district engineer in charge of the Federal road district in the Northwest, will be the speakers. Dr. Hewes will discuss the provisions of the act to co-ordinate Federal, state and county administration of road matters, and Mr. Yeon will discuss the proposed measure in relation to the present legislative session.

MEN FIND RAINBOW'S FOOT

Ship's Crew Each Returns to San Francisco With Bag of Gold.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 13.—Every member of the crew of the steamer San Pedro, which arrived here today from Navidad Bay, 35 miles from Manzanillo, Mex., had a bag of gold washed from the sands of a creek that tumbled into the bay near where the steamer was loading cedar logs.

One of the crew, formerly a prospector, discovered the gold when he panned out some of the sand in a skillet. All hands quit work loading logs, and with dipper, pans and skillets started a hunt for the gold.

The skipper finally promised that if the men would finish loading the steamer he would give them a whole day to hunt gold. He kept his word. They averaged for the day's work $60 apiece. One man had more than $200 in dust.

NEXT HOUSE 215 TO 215

Balance Rests With 2 Bull Moose, 1 Prohi, 1 Socialist, 1 Independent.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—An advance list of members of the next House of Representatives, prepared by South Trimble, clerk of the House, and made public today, gives 215 Democrats, 215 Republicans, 2 Progressives, one Prohibitionist, one Socialist and one independent.

The tabulation, which is unofficial, has been held up pending the outcome of close contests, and finally was issued after announcement that Representative Scully, Democrat, of New Jersey, had been re-elected.

Republicans, while conceding its accuracy, declared today that a final decision that Representative Barchfeld, Republican, of Pennsylvania, had been elected, would upset the figures. The name of Representative Barchfeld's opponent is given in the list.

SHERIDAN DEBATERS WIN

Tillamook High Loses Argument on Health Insurance.

SHERIDAN, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The Sheridan High School's debating team was victorious last night over Tillamook High School. The question debated was: "Resolved, That Oregon should adopt a health insurance law embodying the essential features of the standard bill of the American Association of Labor."

Sheridan's team, represented by Ruth Slaughter and Manila Gutbrod, argued the affirmative side of the question. Sheridan's boys' debating team argued the negative side of the same question against McMinnville High School at McMinnville.

DR. COLEMAN LECTURES

Oregonian Staff Hears Reed College Professor Saturdays.

Members of The Oregonian staff and others are enjoying, on Saturday noon of each week, a series of lectures by Dr. Norman F. Coleman, of Reed College, on the social aspects of 19th century literature. Last week Dr. Coleman lectured on Wordsworth's "Michael," and yesterday on Shelley's "Prometheus Unbound."

The subject of next week's lecture will be Tennyson's "The Palace of Art." The lectures have been arranged for newspaper workers of the city and any persons active in literary work or interested in the subjects in hand.

NOVELIST'S RELATIVE DIES

Joseph Cooper, 81, and James Fenimore Cooper of Same Family.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Joseph Cooper, 81, who died at the State Hospital here yesterday, was the only living relative, aside from lineal descendants, of James Fenimore Cooper, the famous American novelist, it became known today.

He was born at Cooperstown, N. Y. He was committed to the State Hospital from Polk County.

Bank of Gresham Elects.

GRESHAM, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The Bank of Gresham held its annual stockholders' meeting and elected the following directors to serve for the coming year: A. F. Miller, F. A. Halliday, Gust Larson, Emanuel Anderson, K. A. Miller, all being re-elected, and added the following two to its directorate, making seven now instead of five: W. E. Markell and State Senator H. A. Lewis. The directors elected the following officers: A. F. Miller, president; W. E. Markell, vice-president; K. A. Miller, cashier; Miss Emelie M. G. Anderson, assistant cashier. The resources of the bank have reached the $100,000 mark, and it also will be possible for the bank to pay a dividend, the first since 1912.

Detectives Arrest Youth.

Clyde A. Walton, 18 years old, was arrested last night by Detectives Price and Mallett, who have been investigating an attempt to pass an alleged worthless check for $21.50 on Dahl & Penne, proprietors of a soft drink establishment at Second and Alder streets. The check was signed with the name of Zan Bros., 52 Front street. Young Walton's home is in Great Falls, Mont., but his father formerly was a barber in Portland.

Jitney Starter Arrested.

B. Gillan, starter of jitney buses at Third and Washington streets, was arrested last night by Patrolman Breuning on a charge of soliciting without a license. The police interpret the starter's announcements of jitney destinations as solicitations for passengers. Gillan was released on $10 bail.

Alleged Liquor Seller Held.

W. M. R. Gaskin was brought to Portland last night and held pending the action of the Federal grand jury on a charge of selling liquor on the Klamath Indian Reservation. He is in the County Jail.

"Sam" Hutchinson Is Dead.

"Sam" Hutchinson, who had been in charge of the tourist agency of the Chicago & Northwestern and Union Pacific lines for more than 20 years, died recently at his home in Chicago. He was known in the railroad world as "Yellowstone Sam" and did much to popularize the Mondia route to Wyoming's famous natural resort. He had been in the employ of the Union Pacific since 1875. Howard H. Hayes has been appointed as his successor, with headquarters at Chicago.

Astoria Asks $300,000 for Base.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—The Mayor and Council of this city have forwarded a resolution to the State Legislature, asking it to adopt a memorial to Congress petitioning the United States Government to appropriate $300,000 for the establishment of a naval base on the Columbia River.