

CHANGES IN IDAHO OFFICES DUE SOON

Leroy C. Jones, State Game Warden, Liable to Be Made U. S. Marshal.

THORPE TO BE SUCCESSOR

Pressure Being Brought to Bear on Governor to Force Changes in Personnel of State Compensation Commission.

BOISE, Idaho, March 9.—(Special.)—The dispensing of some of Idaho's Federal patronage during the current month is anticipated by Democratic leaders. They expect to see Leroy C. Jones, present State Game Warden, appointed to succeed Thomas B. Martin, whose term expires as United States Marshal.

It is said by party leaders that the incumbent does not expect to be reappointed.

W. H. Thorpe, present Chief Deputy of the fish and game department, will probably fall heir to the game wardenship if Jones is advanced to the more important office of Marshal.

This change, when it takes place, will conclude one of the most interesting chapters in Democratic politics in the state. The forecast is freely made that it will come about because of the break that occurred between United States Senator John F. Nugent and National Committeeman Robert H. Elder, who is alleged to have induced George H. Fisher, chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Commission, throwing down Jones, who had been one of his staunchest supporters.

Jones Is Nugent Supporter.
There is deep interest among members of the Democratic party in the expected changes. State Game Warden Jones is a recognized Nugent supporter and has for years been active in Democratic politics. The cause leading up to the prospective change in the Marshalship was the altercation that took place at Coeur d'Alene during the Federal term of court there last fall between Marshal Martin and his deputy, C. B. Steunenberg.

Shortly after this episode State Game Warden Jones announced his candidacy for the Marshalship. Upon the heels of the announcement came that of Marshal Martin that he, too, would be a candidate.

While the Marshalship appears to be settled, there still remains to be concluded the other chapter of the political controversy which involves a majority of the members of the Workmen's Compensation Commission, or George H. Fisher, chairman, and H. H. Barnes. The charge was made and often repeated in political circles that National Committeeman Robert H. Elder had induced Fisher for Marshalship in return for this endorsement competition with the state was to be allowed by the compensation commission in the matter of workmen's compensation insurance.

Fisher Denies Allegation.
Fisher has persistently denied the allegation, Elder admitted that he had induced Fisher and Barnes to accept the Marshalship in a business way, one of the reciprocal insurance companies handling compensation insurance.

Within a week after the compensation commission met it cast a majority vote to permit the casualty and reciprocal insurance companies to compete with the state in the matter of handling state insurance. Chairman Fisher and Commissioner Barnes voted to let down the bars. E. F. Caton, the third and labor commissioner, voted against so doing. The act caused a rumpus. Governor Alexander, responsible for the appointment of the commissioners, was committed to state monopoly and was disappointed in the action taken.

The labor organizations in the state, headed by the executive committee of the Idaho State Federation of Labor, immediately demanded the removal of both Fisher and Barnes, alleging that the interests of labor should not be jeopardized as the result of a political deal, that the compensation law was passed in behalf of the laborer, and it was intended the state should have a monopoly in the handling of compensation insurance.

It will occasion no surprise if Governor Alexander soon makes a quick and definite move in the compensation commission matter. When he does, it is said here, two instead of one official heads will fall and the personnel of the commission will experience a radical change. It is known that pressure is being brought to bear on the chief executive through the labor organizations for him to act.

SCHOOLS TO HELP WIN

PRESIDENT HOPES CHILDREN WILL MAKE SOIL YIELD HEAVILY.

Every School Should Have Regiment in War Garden Army, Mr. Wilson Says in Letter.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Wilson, in a letter to Secretary Lane, expressed the hope that "every school will have a regiment in the volunteer war garden army," the army of school children that it is estimated may raise this year produce valued at \$500,000,000.

The President's letter, in part, said: "I sincerely hope that you may be successful through the Bureau of Education in arousing the interest of teachers and children in the schools of the United States in the cultivation of home gardens. Every boy and girl who really sees what the home garden may mean will, I am sure, enter into the purpose with high spirits because I am sure they would all like to feel that they are in effect fighting in France by joining the home garden army."

"The movement to establish gardens and to have the children work in them is just as real and patriotic an effort as the building of ships or the firing of cannon. I hope that this Spring every school will have a regiment in the volunteer war garden army."

It is Secretary Lane's idea that is being worked out through Commissioner Claxton of the Bureau of Education, to have 5,000,000 boys and girls of the schools in every city, town and village in the country captured by 40,000 teachers produce as nearly as possible all of the vegetables, small fruits and eggs for their home consumption.

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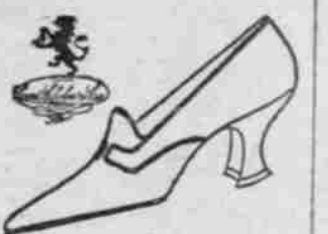
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DISQUE WILL ARBITRATE

PINE MILLS OF EASTERN OREGON WILL SEE NO WALKOUT.

Employers and Employees Agree to Leave Settlement of Wage Differences to Head of Spruce Division.

BEND, Or., March 9.—(Special.)—The lumbermen and loggers employed in this section will leave the settlement of wage differences between themselves and their employers to Colonel Bruce Disque, of Portland. This statement was made public this afternoon by Ray R. Canterbury, secretary of the International Union of Timber Workers, following a conference held yesterday with the sawmill operators of this city.

The recent order of Colonel Disque placing pine mills of Eastern Oregon on an eight-hour day, in common with fir and spruce mills west of the Cascades, has caused some discussion between employers and employees as regards wages. Colonel Disque asked that the employers adopt a scale of wage based on 40 cents per hour for common labor, practically the scale in effect before January 1. The local union contends that employees shall receive the scale applying to the present 10 hours, which is \$2.55 cents for common labor.

Rumors of a general walkout at the mills Monday morning have been prevalent all day, but as a greater majority of the men belong to the International Timber Workers' Union, a statement made by Mr. Canterbury today says the members of the organization will remain at work.

No trouble is anticipated until Colonel Disque shall have had an opportunity to pass upon the differences.

A mass meeting of timber workers will be held Sunday afternoon, at which the question will be further discussed.

LEADER TALKS AT LEBANON

Largest Crowd in History of City Assembles to Hear Address.

LEBANON, Or., March 9.—(Special.)—The largest crowd ever assembled in the Methodist Church in this city assembled Thursday night to hear the address by Colonel John H. Leader, late of the Royal Irish Rifles, who is now commander of the military company at the University of Oregon.

The speaker was accompanied here by Dr. George H. Parkinson, of Eugene. His address pertained largely to his observations and experiences of three years' service on the western front in France and the great battle of the Somme. Sixty members of the Lebanon Home Guards, under command of Captain Frank James and Lieutenant William Robins, attended in a body.

COURT-MARTIAL ACQUITS

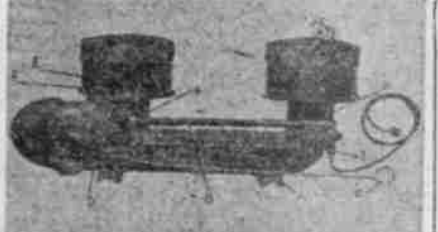
Antone Salvagno, Retired U. S. Musician Freed After Two Months.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 9.—(Special.)—Antone Salvagno, retired musician of the United States Army, where he served for 20 years, and who was arrested about two months ago charged with making seditious utterances, was tried before court-martial yesterday and was acquitted of the charge of sedition. Mr. Salvagno has two sons in the service of the Government, one in the Navy and one in the Army.

It is held that as Mr. Salvagno speaks brokenly Italian, English, Russian and his native tongue of Austria, he may have said things which he did not know the meaning of and these were used against him.

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