COMPROMISE OFFER MADE IN TAX FIGHT

William Reid Has Chance to Save $600 Penalties.

TIME LIMIT IS TUESDAY

Case in Court Since 1913 When Administration's Valuation of Estate Was Attached.

Through an offer extended by two of the county commissioners, William Reid, virtually branded by the state supreme court as a tax-dodger, has until Tuesday of this week to save $600 of tax penalties assessed against him. The compromise offer made Reid by the commissioners is that he may settle the tax fight against him, which has been in litigation since 1913 and now involves about $4500, by paying the tax and interest due and $600 as representing one-half the accrued penalties.

Commissioner Hoyt voted against the compromise offer and Commissioners Rudeen and Holman voted for it. Commissioner Rudeen said yesterday that District Attorney Myers had advised the commissioners that it was good business to effect such a compromise with Reid. Mr. Myers said that he was inclined to believe it "pretty good business" to settle the contested case with a reasonable compromise, but that he had advised the commissioners simply that they had the legal right to make a compromise in a tax case involving litigation.

Case Started in 1913.

The case originated in 1913, when Reid was administrator for the estate of David C. Pelton, his father-in-law. He made a return to the assessor showing that the estate owned little more than an automobile of nominal value. Under direction of Henry E. Reed, who was then assessor, an investigation was made which, according to testimony in court, disclosed as property of the estate notes and a small amount of cash, the total amounting to $123,450. Of this amount $100,000 represented promissory notes given by Reid. While the allegation seemed not to have been sustained in court, Reid insists that these notes had been settled between himself, his mother-in-law and his wife and represented no asset of the estate.

In accordance with the findings of the assesor's investigators, property of the Pelton estate was entered on the 1913 assessment role at $81,390, against which a tax of $2197.53 was levied. Reid was discharged as administrator of the estate during the year 1913 and this tax remained unpaid. Subseqently the assessor, acting under implied statutory powers, levied the tax against lots owned by Reid in East Portland.

Decision Won by Reid.

Reid refused to pay the tax and won the decision in the circuit court before Judge Gatens. Appeal was taken to the supreme court by the county and the previous decision was reversed. The higher court in reality did not rule on the question as to whether the county could legally hold an administrator personally responsible for tax on the estate he administers but held that Reid had no right to come into court in the first place.

"A complainant who has been guilty of bad faith, fraud or tax-dodging in the individual transaction which forms the basis of his suit has no right in court, said the opinion written by Judge Brown.

Attitude Is Not Revealed.

W. P. Richardson, who is now Mr. Reid's legal adviser, said yesterday that he did not know whether his client would take advantage of the commissioners' compromise offer or not, but seemingly was inclined to accept it and pay up. Mr. Richardson said that he advises against such action in the belief that he can defeat the county in legal battle over the real question at issue.

The lots on the east side against which the county now has a claim are a part of the rather extensive holdings on which the Southern Pacific company has taken an option from Reid. The county's claim, as it stands, constitutes a cloud on the title which interferes with an actual transfer.

The implication of the commissioners' offer, limited to expire on December 5, is that if Reid does not accept and pay up they will attempt to collect the entire amount.

Pageant of Cinderella Is a Notable Success.

Children Portray Fairy Tale in Municipal Auditorium.

NONE of us needs a little fairy at home so long as there are Mrs. Idaliene Meredths in the world to weave fairy stories for us. All the little boys and girls in Portland seemingly were at the municipal auditorium yesterday afternoon and last night to see a whole lovely fairy story come true. The story was that favorite one of "Cinderella," the poor little princess whose tragic beginning and happy ending have provided a plot for many a bigger story or play of later days.

Mrs. Idaliene Meredith, who is a well-known director of pageantry and who has long been identified with achievements of this nature in Hollywood and in Pacific coast cities, trained the hundreds of little boys and girls who took part in the pageant, and their clever work reflected credit to their instructor. The story of "Cinderella" had been retained in all its details and in her adherence to the text Mrs. Meredith found great approval from her audience of children. Pretty specialties in dance and song had been interwoven in the telling of the story and the entire development was charming.

Much care and attention had been paid to the costuming of the various characters and the dancing groups and the result was colorful and picturesque.

Scenic scenery was charming as it usually is and besides being a clever little dramatic actress and reading her lines well, she gave several graceful and interesting specialties in ballet dancing. Helen Parrish was admirable as the Prince charming in doublet and hose. She too contributed brilliant dancing. The fairy queen, June Erickson, a diminutive ballet dancer, delighted with her pretty steps, and Avis Olson as the fairy godmother was charming and added interest by her singing. Comedy of a very real sort was given by Dorothy Meredith and Kathleen Quigly as the two stepsisters. Their makeup and manners did much to entertain the audience. Aileen Eshelman and Edra Kintzley as two princes who looked out for the ugly step-sisters, and Donald Chamberlain as the court herald in picturesque attire, and Gertrude Meredith James as the cruel stepmother, completed the cast of principals.

There were four acts. The first showed the garden in the home of Cinderella and then came the palace ballroom, then Cinderella's home, and the last act was the wedding party.

In the ball room scene and in the wedding scene opportunities were plentiful for dance specialties, and Mrs. Meredith had provided a generous number of these. One of the real surprises was afforded in the arrival of a real coach of gold drawn by two handsome little Shetland ponies and driven by a coachman with footmen on behind and bearing Cinderella inside it to the ball.

Little Geraldine Peterson contributed a charming dance as "Morning," and petite Jane Parrish as a rose of pink with a group of pretty little dancers garbed as butterflies gave one of the cleverest spectacles.

A smart artistic tango oddity was contributed by Eleanor Winders and Donald Confrey, and a group of graceful little maids in red, white and blue gave a pretty drill.

A sword dance of Scotch flavor was given by Thyra Bergeson Shaw, and Betty Frost gave a dainty firefly dance. The minuet was danced by a group of children in pretty attire. The trying on of the silver slipper afforded great excitement in the audience.

The wedding banquet was portrayed in an original way, with groups of dancing children arrayed as food. There were oysters with forks dancing around, four little dancers were dishes of ice cream with four dancing spoons, a red lobster salad affords fun, and four cakes pranced about in dance. Other contributions were a song by Norma Parrish, the Highland fling by tiny Ruby Asquith and a gay little hula number by June Murtinger, another small girl.

MILWAUKIE TO ELECT

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO BE CHOSEN.

Spirited Contests for Offices and Heavy Vote Is Expected at Polls Tomorrow.

With a spirited contest in prospect for the office of mayor, the annual city election for Milwaukie will be held Monday. Charles H. Counsell and A. E. Cowell are the two aspirants for the mayor's position, and a big community vote is predicted as a result of the warmth of the campaign. Statements have been issued by both the candidates.

Contests for the positions of councilman are also assured through the fact that two candidates are entered in the race for each of the positions. E. D. Farrington and C. Kerr aspire to the city council from the first ward, H. N. Hopkins and Roy McIntyre are contestants for councilman from the second ward and for councilman at large Tyler Johnson and Samuel Riley are the candidates.

The coveted position of city marshal also has two candidates in the race as a result of the latest cahvass of the field. Jesse A. Keck and W. T. Augustine seek the office. For two of the city official positions it appears that there will be no contest. David P. Mathews is still alone in the race for city recorder and Phillip Streib is the only aspiring candidate for city treasurer.

CHURCH DEDICATION DUE

Presbyterian Edifice to Be Scene of Services Today.

Dedication of the new Moreland Presbyterian church, corner Bybee and East Eighteenth streets, will occur next Sunday, when services will be held in the edifice almost throughout the day. The building has been erected at a cost of $20,000 and will contain a pipe organ costing approximately $1300.

Dr. R. S Donaldson, educational secretary of the Presbyterian church, with headquarters at San Francisco, will deliver the chief address at the dedicatory service, at an hour to be announced later. A chorus choir trained by Gilbert Charters will sing at the services.

Rev. W. S. McCullagh is pastor of the church. The building committee, which has had important part in raising the funds and directing construction of the church, is composed of Mr. Charters, William Gardner, David McMillan and John Reeler.

PRESIDENT HAS SALMON

Mr. Harding and Mr. Wilson Enjoy Pacific Northwest Fish.

Fresh salmon from the Pacific coast was on the Thanksgiving day menus of President Harding and Woodrow Wilson, ex-president, as a result of the thoughtfulness of the Pacific Fish company of Portland.

"The president appreciates the courtesy which you have been good enough to extend to him. He is grateful to you for your thoughtfulness," says a letter received by the company from George B. Christian, secretary to President Harding.

"Mr. Wilson asks me to thank you very warmly for your thoughtful Thanksgiving day gift to him," says a letter from John Randolph Bolling, secretary to Mr. Wilson. "The fish arrived yesterday and apparently was in A-1 shape, as there was a quantity of ice still around it."

WHISKY FOUND IN GARAGE

F. G. Barlow Arrested on Charge of Bootlegging.

F. G. Barlow, who conducts a garage at 448 Burnside street, was arrested yesterday by Constable Glos and Deputy Constable Watkinds when they uncovered three dozen bottles of whisky in his place of business. The liquor, though in bottles bearing the label of a once widely advertised whisky, is said to be of moonshine quality.

The liquor was found in the back of a car, said to be in storage at the garage. Barlow insisted that he knew nothing about its presence in his establishment. The officers think otherwise and will press a bootlegging charge. Bail was first set at $500 by District Judge Deich, but was subsequently reduced to $250, when the prisoner and his attorney proffered this amount in cash.

Parish Bazaar Friday.

Members of St. Johns' parish in Milwaukie will hold their annual bazaar in their recently completed new parish house on Friday and Saturday. The committee in charge is making elaborate preparations for the affair and a programme is to be provided for the entertainment of the visitors.

DRIVE IS ORGANIZED TO PROMOTE OREGON

Commerce Chamber to Begin Campaign Tuesday.

$300,000 TO BE RAISED

Portland Expected to Finance Publicity Movement to Put State in Forefront.

Representatives of the Portland Chamber of Commerce will launch a drive Tuesday morning for a $300,000 state development fund, $200,000 of which will be spent in advertising the state's resources, scenic advantages and opportunities and $100,000 in development work. The work will be spread over a two-year period.

"The Chamber of Commerce regards this as one of the most constructive programmes that ever has been suggested in this city, and it is being launched at a time when the entire state is sadly in need of some such movement," said O. W. Mielke, president of the chamber, yesterday. "For that reason I am sure that it will receive strong financial support from those who are asked for funds.

Plan Business Proposition.

"The money will be raised in Portland and will come from those who are whole-heartedly interested in the welfare and progress of Oregon. It will be a rapid-fire drive, and in the rush it is possible that some persons who would wish to take part may be overlooked. This will be unintentional and a general invitation is extended to all to enlist their financial aid.

"I have used the word 'invest,' for none other will fit in this case. We are not asking for donations, for we are certain that the returns from what money is spent will be many fold. The suggestion is made that business houses place a certain sum for this purpose in their monthly budgets, or regard the investment as a part of their overheads. In no way can the subscriptions made be considered as gifts. The whole plan is a business proposition all the way, and they will realize this later. They are investing in Oregon—and backing with their money their confidence in its future."

Campaign Workers Organized.

Workers in the campaign have been segregated into teams as follows:

George Young, captain; E. B. Sterling, lieutenant; John M. Jones, Bernard Metzger, Jerry Mann, S. C. Rasmussen, Cy Burg and Conda J. Ham.

O. C. Bortzmeyer, captain; William Depenbrink, lieutenant; W. H. Fear, B. Lee Paget, John Plagemann, Isaac Staples, James M. I. Wood, Frank L. Nagel, A. M. Lara and A. B. Carlson.

Harold Wendell, captain; John McKay, lieutenant; O. W. Davidson, R. L. Doke, C. H. Feldman, C. L. Linde and J. P. Mulder.

T. G. Williams, captain; R. W. Maris, lieutenant; William H. Barton, John M. Dolph, R. J. Griesel, R. M. Hopkins, W. A. Montgomery, E. C. Sammons, Fred Speeri, E. G. Swink, Cachot Therkelsen and Frank Woodward.

Oscar M. Smith, captain; J. O. Bailey, lieutenant; Ralph C. Dean, Sidney J. Graham, Jay S. Hamilton, S. E. Holcomb, Carl G. Johnson, R. A. Stewart, A. M. Work, Walter T. Horner and Fred W. Rogers.

E. C. Bechtold, captain; Dr. George S. Breiting, Paul Doty, Frank L. Emery, A. F. Flagel, Glen B. Hite, Charles Holbrook, David Levine, T. O. Peck and George A. Lovejoy.

Lionel Mackay, captain; Ray Fennell, lieutenant; Alfred Aya, A. M. Clark, E. R. Conway, George M. Cornwall, George Lawrence Jr., R. V. Lewis and George Grayson.

R. T. Jacob, captain; A. E. Bryson, C. W. DeGraff, W. J. Roope, C. L. St. Clair, W. H. Sexton, Joseph Shemanski, Thomas J. Swivel and F. W. Vogler.

Dan Beckwith, captain; George N. Angell, lieutenant; H. J. Bleasing, J. L. Bowman, R. W. Childs, Percy Allen, C. E. Willard, Frank P. Tebbetts, George A. Braley, Harry Skuse and J. A. Davidson.

John T. Dougall, captain; A. A. Goldsmith, lieutenant; Dr. J. Earl Else, O. V. Gamble, J. H. Joyce, Henry Isaacs, Tommy Luke, A. C. Ramsey, T. J. Webb, C. T. Burg, Robert Campbell and R. E. Manning.

LIQUOR SUSPECT JAILED

Henry Schirmer Is Rearrested, Due to Defect in Bond.

Because of a defect in the bond under which Henry Schirmer was at liberty pending hearing of the liquor case he appealed from the municipal court, he was rearrested yesterday by deputy sheriffs and lodged in the county jail. Discovery had been made that the bond undertaking was valueless because it was made out on behalf of "Harry" instead of Henry Schirmer.

The prisoner was arrested on July 1 and two weeks later was fined $250 in municipal court on a charge of possessing a still. Morris Goldstein, acting as his attorney, immediately filed notice of appeal to the circuit court and Schirmer was released under $500 bond, then presented to the court, and only recently discovered to be invalid. Members of the sheriff's force said yesterday they had grown tired of waiting for fulfillment of promises that a valid bond would be brought in.

SEAL SALE NETS $4630

Many Checks Sent in to Oregon Tuberculosis Association.

A check for $100 and one for $50 constituted bright spots in the mail sale returns for Christmas seals received at the office of the Oregon Tuberculosis association Saturday. Scores of other checks arrived, bringing the total on this division of the campaign up to $4630.60. The booth sale for Saturday conducted by the Portland Business Woman's club totaled $89.65. The several Portland chapters of the P. E. O. sisterhood, with Miss Marthine Grimsby, chairman, will be in charge of the booths Monday.

The first reorder for seals came from Klamath county, where an additional $500 worth were requested. One hundred dollars' worth of seals have been sold in Condon. Medford is using the mail sale, street sale and school sale and has already reordered.

Kalama Caucus Names Ticket.

KALAMA, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—At the Kalama town caucus held the first of the week the following result was obtained: A. H. Imus was nominated for mayor, Charles Windnagle and Eli Gaither for councilmen for two years, Walter McClelland and C. A. Bradt, councilmen for one year; Elsie Potter, city treasurer. J. G. Gruver was the only candidate for port commissioner. The port election was held this afternoon.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Maude Smith Porter.

Mrs. Maude Smith Porter, daughter of the late Jasper Smith and Sarah A. Smith, formerly of Cloverdale and Tillamook city, and a niece of the late Judge Seneca Smith of Portland, died suddenly at her home, 152 East Twentieth street, Thursday, November 16.

She was the third of 11 children and was born near Butteville March 6, 1871. Later the family moved to Tillamook county near Woods, where she resided most of the time until her marriage to J. C. Porter of Newberg on November 18, 1896.

Besides her husband Mrs. Porter is survived by a son, Delmar S. Porter, who is attending the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis, and a daughter, Mrs. Bonita Phipps of Portland. There are also a grandson, Ray Porter Phipps of Portland; her mother, Mrs. Sarah A. Smith, and a sister, Mrs. Hazel Moore, both of Newberg, and the following brothers: W. C. Smith of Parma, Idaho; C. J. Smith, E. P. Smith of Maplewood, Or.; R. R. Smith, Portland; H. S. Smith, Hebo, Or.; D. S. Smith, Toppenish, Wash., and Rex R. Smith of Vader, Wash.

Mrs. Porter was an active member of the First Spiritualist church of Portland.

The body was taken to Newberg where the Order of the Eastern Star was in charge of the funeral. Entombment was at the Portland Crematorium.

Isaac Pritchett.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Isaac Pritchett died November 28 at the age of 77 years. He was born in Ohio and came to this county 20 years ago and engaged in farming. He is survived by three sons, Isaac and Jesse of this state, and Charles of Nebraska; seven daughters, Mrs. Dora Kidder of Carlton, Mrs. Clara Reid of Elowa, Mrs. Laura Fletcher of McMinnville, Mrs. Ida Planz of North Bend, Mrs. Madge Ivaleotes of Carlton, Mrs. Genevieve Hurner of Carlton and Mrs. Rozalia Laughlin of Corvallis. The funeral services were conducted Friday at the Macy chapel, in this city, and Rev. Charles Dark officiated. The interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

William H. Morgan.

CORVALLIS, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—William H. Morgan, a resident of Benton county for eight years, died today at the family home at Philomath following a brief illness. Mr. Morgan, who was 71 years of age, came to Oregon 40 years ago, and prior to locating at Philomath resided near Marshfield. He is survived by his widow and seven children, Mrs. Idaho Magee of Lakeside, Or., A. J. Morgan, Berkeley, Cal.; N. V. Morgan, Idaho; Mrs. Agnes Congdon, Horton, Or.; Mrs. Lucia Pimm, Portland; Mrs. Gertrude Danielson, Tillamook, and W. C. Morgan, Marshfield. The funeral will be held from the United Brethren church in Philomath Monday. Interment will be in Newton cemetery.

Lee S. Whittaker.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The funeral of Lee S. Whittaker, 64, for many years a Lane county resident, who died at his home at Springfield, November 29, will be held tomorrow. Besides his widow he is survived by the following children: Mrs. Ida Cole, Springfield; Mrs. E. A. Pinker, Los Angeles; Mrs. Lettie Bettis, Harrisburg; Miss Lottie Whittaker, Springfield; B. L. Whittaker, Williamsport, W. Va.; W. W. Whittaker, Oakland, Cal.; Nelson Whittaker, Eugene, and Clay Whittaker, Marshfield.

John P. Murphy.

Jonn P. Murphy, aged 42, former resident of Portland, died at his home in Hoquiam Wash., Wednesday, November 22. He belonged to the Loyal Order of Moose and that organization assumed charge of his burial in Hoquiam. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Millie Murphy; a daughter, Lucille Murphy; two brothers, Eddie of Tacoma and Arthur of San Francisco, and a sister, Mrs. Ned Dragomanovich of San Francisco.

Ira Clarke Rowe.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Ira Clark Rowe, 63 years old, died here last Tuesday. He came to Oregon in 1867, the family settling in Benton county. In 1908 he came to Tillamook county and purchased a farm, where he remained until his death. Mr. Rowe is survived by his widow and four daughters, and two sons by a former marriage. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and of the United Evangelical church.

P. P. Martindale.

KALAMA, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—P. P. Martindale, 86 years old, a resident of Cowlitz county for some forty years, died Wednesday night after a short illness. He was born in New York, was unmarried and is survived by a niece and nephew in Portland. The funeral was held from the Methodist church this morning.

Miss Ellen Janette Way.

Miss Ellen Janette Way, who for 29 years was a teacher in the Portland public schools, died Saturday, November 4, in Flanders, Conn., at the age of 85 years. Death was thought to be due to old age. Miss Way had been a school teacher the greater part of her life and during her younger years was a member of the teaching staffs at Flanders and Black Point, Conn. In 1859 Miss Way came to the Pacific coast, making the trip by way of the Isthmus of Panama and up the west coast of Oregon, then a territory. She retired from teaching in 1890 and returned to Flanders, spending her declining years with Mrs. Adelaide Sanburn in East Lyme.

Miss Way had many friends and acquaintances in Oregon, who knew her during her 29 years here. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Sanburn of East Lyme, and Mrs. Joseph W. Bradbury of Lyme. She was born January, 1832, the daughter of Nathan S. and Sally Tinker Way.

Mrs. Anna Lutcia Pace.

CORVALLIS, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Mrs. Anna Lutcia Pace of this city died Thanksgiving day at the home at 544 North Fifteenth street. The funeral services will be held from Bovees chapel at 10 o'clock Monday morning, with Rev. I. B. Wood officiating and interment will be in Crystal Lake cemetery.

Mrs. Pace was born April 19, 1860, in Munsey, Ind., and was married to John Milton Pace, January 14, 1878, the wedding taking place at York Center, Ia. The family came to Washington in 1887 and resided near Kelso until 1910, when they moved to Corvallis and have since resided in this city. Mrs. Pace was the mother of 12 children who, with the husband, survive. They are: Mrs. Martha Yadham of Kelso, Wash.; E. A. Pace, La Fay Pace and J. M. Pace, Portland; Mrs. Caroline Grindle, Hoe, Wash.; Mrs. Charlotte David, Banks, Or.; L. H. Pace, Clackamas; Mrs. William Carlton, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. Esther Wyatt, Mrs. Robert Hamill, Miss Frances Pace and F. D. Pace of Corvallis.

Dr. C. H. Newth.

PHILOMATH, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Dr. C. H. Newth, prominent physician of this city, died suddenly at his home last Wednesday from heart disease. Dr. Newth was born in Shurston, England, in 1857, and came to this country when he was 13 years old, locating at Harvard, Neb. Later he went to the medical college at Ensworth, St. Joseph, Mo., where he was graduated in 1889. He came to Vernonia, Or., in 1891, later moving to Philomath, where he has resided ever since. Dr. Newth has been married twice and is survived by his second wife, Mrs. Amanda Newth, and a son, Corrol Newth, and two daughters, Winnifred and Fay Newth.

Rev. A. J. McKenzie.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The funeral services for the late Rev. A. J. McKenzie of the Chehalis Methodist church will be held at the new church, just being completed by that organization, tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. District Superintendent Hill of the Vancouver district will preach the sermon. Plans had been made for dedication of the church building the first Sunday in January. Largely due to the work of the Rev. Mr. McKenzie was construction of the new edifice made possible and it is proposed to honor him by holding his funeral services there. Burial will be in Mountain View cemetery.

Nels Peter Nelson.

GRAYS RIVER, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Nels Peter Nelson, a pioneer resident of Wahkiakum county, died Thanksgiving day at the home of his grand-daughter, Mrs. Olga Erickson of Rosburg, from the infirmities of age. Mr. Nelson was born in Denmark, December 12, 1848. He came to this section 35 years ago and engaged in farming on the place where he ended his life. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. N. C. Peterson, and four grand-children, Mrs. Gust Magnusson, Mrs. Olga Erickson, Mrs. Ervin Buhakka and Antone Peterson.

Mrs. Harriet Clark.

Mrs. Harriett Clark of this city, widow of the late J. Fred Clark, prominent Portland realty man, died November 27, the day following her 85th birthday. Though possessing no near relatives a large circle of devoted friends will mourn her death. Her husband was one of the developers of the tract called Belmont park, a large part of which is now a part of Tabor park, at Mount Tabor.

Angeline Wills.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Angeline Wills of this city died November 27 at the age of 88 years and one day. She was born in Virginia and had lived near McMinnville for the last 17 years. The funeral services were held last Tuesday at the Macy chapel, and Rev. Cady officiated. The interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

TREASURY POST REFUSED

RALPH E. WILLIAMS NOT TO LEAVE COMMITTEE.

Vice-President of Republican Organization Sends Word to Portland Friends.

Ralph E. Williams will not accept the appointment of assistant secretary of the treasury. Mr. Williams sent word to this effect to Portland friends yesterday, explaining that acceptance would compel him to resign his position on the republican national committee. Mr Williams is now vice-president of the national committee, having been elected to the place when Will H. Hays resigned.

Eastern newspapers have carried lengthy articles telling of the offer to the Oregon man. It was said that the position of assistant secretary carries with it more patronage than any other in the government outside of the cabinet, as the assistant secretary has charge of the appointment of thousands of employes of the internal revenue bureau, the prohibition unit and the customs service. If Mr. Williams accepted he was to have had a free hand in the making of appointments. The salary is $5000 a year and Secretary Mellon has had difficulty in finding a man of the caliber he wants to fill the bill because of the comparatively small compensation. Mr. Williams was financially able to make the sacrifice.

Several weeks ago it became known that the position was offered to the Oregon national committeeman and Mr. Williams said that he would not make answer until he went to Washington. He stated that he would not take the place if it would necessitate leaving the national committee. In Washington, a few days ago, when the situation was gone over and the eastern press was discussing the offer to Mr. Williams, the latter learned that he would have to sever his connection with the committee, so he declined.

Budget Reduced Road Funds.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The county budget compiled by the county court, F. O. Richards, commissioner-elect, and an advisory board composed of George Leorpabel, W. H. Christensen and Forrest Ayer, makes a retrenchment of nearly $40,000, brought about by reducing the amount for road work next year. In the 1921 budget each of the three road districts received $68,000, while the budget just compiled allows only $45,000 for each of the districts.

Roseburg Muscovites Initiate.

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—A class of more than 50 Oddfellows was initiated today into the Muscovite order in a ceremonial and initiation held in this city today. More than 200 delegates were present from all parts of the state. Candidates were brought from Grants Pass, Eugene, Junction City and other points in addition to the class of 40 in Roseburg. A banquet was held at the lodge hall at 6 o'clock, after which a torchlight parade was held.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

GRAND JURY CALLED FOR BONUS INQUIRY

Federal Inquisitors to Probe Mail Frauds.

REALTY VALUES PADDED

Sixty Prominent Central Oregon Citizens Summoned to Appear as Government Witnesses.

A number of important criminal cases, among which is the recent bonus fraud in central Oregon, will be laid before the new federal grand jury, which will be impaneled tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. With several score of narcotics and liquor cases, half a dozen white slave charges and numerous other criminal matters, it is expected that the jurors will be kept busy for several weeks.

For some time it has been known that that phase of the central Oregon soldier bonus fraud, concerning the fraudulent use of the mails, would be laid before the grand jurors. Though cases coming before the inquisitorial body are supposed to be matters of secrecy, the unusual interest attached to the case, together with the numerous "leaks," has made the airing of the fraud a public matter.

Details of Frauds Known.

So open is the investigation that some 60 citizens of Deschutes county have been summoned to appear, and a special railroad coach has been ordered by United States Marshal Hotchkiss to transport the witnesses to Portland. Deputy Marshal Wells has spent several days in the district serving the subpoenas in person. Among those ordered to present themselves before the grand jury are C. S. Hudson, president of the First National bank of Bend; J. Ryan, E. L. Vinal, B. F. Riedel, Charles Carroll, Charles Haines, J. B. Miner, real estate dealers; Charles W. Erskine, attorney for the bonus commission in Deschutes county; J. H. Haner, county clerk; H. H. Dearmond, Ross Farnham, E. O. Stadter, local attorneys; Cassie Flynn, Cecil Erickson, L. D. Poole, L. P. Rooney, Robert Casebeer, Ed Casebeer, Ray Golden, Ed Daugherty, William Lane, Frank McCaffery, John A. Knight, Lynn Covert, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cleveland, Chester Bertrand, Fred N. Wallace, O. B. Hardy, William Belmont, Frank Gasbar, A. J. Goggins, Stanley Smith and Eugene Smith.

Bonus Appraisers Involved.

The inquiry comes as a result of the dismissal of H. J. Overturf and O. B. Hardy, bonus appraisers for Deschutes county, by Governor Olcott for alleged padding of values on real estate offered as security for loans under the Oregon soldier bonus act.

Robert McGuire and Wilbur Henderson have been appinted as special prosecutors by the bonus commission.

BONUS WITNESSES READY

Special Sleeper to Carry Crowd From Bend to Portland.

BEND, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Made necessary by the number of witnesses who will leave Bend Sunday night to testify before the federal grand jury in its investigation of the workings of the soldier bonus in Deschutes county, an extra 12-section standard sleeper will be added to the Spokane, Portland & Seattle outgoing train. Names of 34 of the witnesses were obtained this morning, following the visit of Deputy United States Marshal Wells to Bend yesterday.

Included in the list of witnesses are the names of O. B. Hardy of Redmond and Fred N. Wallace of Tumalo, ex-members of the Deschutes county board of appraisers. Wallace resigned several months ago, due to the press of other work, and Hardy with H. J. Overturf was summarily dismissed as an appraiser on charges of padding appraisements preferred by the state bonus commission. Overturf was not subpenaed, but will go to Portland tonight or tomorrow night.

Other witnesses are Charles W. Erskine, E. O. Stadter, County Clerk Haner, C. S. Hudson, J. Ryan, Cassie Flynn, Cecil Erickson, L. D. Poole, L. P. Rooney, H. H. Dearmond, B. F. Riedel, Ross Farnham, E. L. Vinal, Robert Casebeer, Ed. Casebeer, Ray Golden, Ed. Daugherty, Charles Carroll, Charles Haines, William Lane, Frank McCaffery, John A. Knight, Lynn Coovert, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cleveland, Chester Bertrand, William Belmont, A. J. Goggans, Frank Gasbar, Stanley Smith and Eugene Smith.

REPUTED SLAVER HELD

Ernest Blue, White, With Red Hair, Steals Wife of Brother.

"Being a patriotic citizen and a staunch supporter of Old Glory, I hate to prosecute this man," said Assistant United States Attorney Bynon yesterday morning, when duty demanded that he present the facts in the case against Ernest Blue to Federal Judge Bean.

For the man's name was Blue—he was white—and his hair was the color of the alternate stripes on Old Glory.

"Red, white and Blue," said the prosecutor; "patriotic even to the color of his hair."

However, the facts in the case demanded action. Blue, according to evidence, had decamped with his brother's wife, several months ago, and leaving her two children behind, during the temporary absence of their father, had transported the woman to Kelso, Wash. In due time the father returned, discovered his brother's treachery, and laid the case before federal officials. A warrant, charging white slaving, was sworn out. Blue was arrested at Kelso, Friday. At the request of Mr Bynon, bail was set at $3000.

Blue went to the county jail to await official action by the United States grand jury.

CEMENT PLANT PLANNED

Establishment on Oregon Side of Snake River Proposed.

The Sun Portland Cement company, a concern recently organized with a capital of $1,000,000, will establish a plant at Home, on the Oregon side of the Snake river, 15 miles from Huntington, for the manufacture of cement, it was announced yesterday by L. C. Newlands of this city, vice-president of the new concern.

The new plant will have an initial capacity of 1000 barrels daily, Mr. Newlands said.

The Sun Portland company is composed largely of shareholders of the Oregon Portland Cement company, whose manufacturing plant is at Oswego. Articles of incorporation under the laws of Nevada will be filed next week, it was announced yesterday. H. A. Ross of Victoria, B. C., is president; L. C. Newlands, vice-president; George Macdonald of Portland, secretary, and H. L. Knappenberger of Home, Idaho, treasurer. The principal office will be maintained in Portland.

The new plant will be ready for operation next summer, according to plans.

LONE FIR CHANGE FOUGHT

HELP OF CEMETERY LOT OWNERS IS SOUGHT.

Mrs. Lou E. B. Philips Says Ten Acres Have Not Been Transferred to Association.

Strenuous opposition to abandonment of Lone Fir cemetery will be made by a group led by Mrs. Lou Ellen Barrell Philips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colburn Barrell, who established this cemetery.

Attention has been called by Mrs. Philips to the fact that ten acres of the Lone Fir cemetery has never been transferred from the Barrell estate to the cemetery association. Mrs. Philips has laid a mass of evidence before Mayor Baker in this connection.

The movement to transfer bodies interred in this cemetery to Mount Scott cemetery is being backed by the East Side Business Men's club. Recently the club petitioned Mayor Baker to inaugurate proceedings for abandonment of the Lone Fir cemetery.

Mrs. Philips has pointed out that the cemetery was established in 1854 by her parents, both of whom were pioneers of Oregon, Mr. Barrell having come to Oregon in 1849 and his wife in 1853.

The cemetery was first known as Mount Crawford cemetery. The property was purchased from Sheldon Murray.

Mrs. Philips, who lives at 796 East Yamhill, is making an effort to communicate with lot owners or other interested persons to aid her in the effort to prevent disturbance of the bodies in the cemetery.

REPUBLICAN TICKET WINS

'STICKERS' CROWDED OUT IN VANCOUVER ELECTION.

Rumor of Raid on Polls by Independent Group Brings Out Heavy Balloting.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—The reported "sticker" campaign against the republican ticket for municipal offices failed to materialize today and the ticket was elected with little or no opposition. The rumors of an independent group of candidates who were said to be planning a "raid" on the polls brought out a fairly large vote. Following are the newly elected city officers: Mayor, N. E. Allen; attorney, William C. Bates; clerk, D. E. Crandall; treasurer, Ralph G. Percival; councilmen, first ward, Dr. Joseph Roane; second ward, E. M. Blurock; fourth, E. M. Dietderich; fifth, W. J. Andrews; sixth, George Lampka; at large, O. W. Storey.

Harry R. Porter and W. E. Carter were elected to the school board. They were unopposed.

C. A. Sperber, a rancher living on route 4, Vancouver, developed as a last-minute candidate to succeed W. F. Edwards on the port commission. As no one had filed for the office and Mr. Sperber was the only candidate, his election was assured, although the voters were compelled to write in his name on the ballots. Two of the commissioners, Floyd Swan and J. J. Donovan, held over.

ROAD LEVY IS VOTED

Six-Mill Tax Authorized for Milwaukie District.

A 6 mill tax levy for needed road improvements in the Milwaukie district was voted at a special meeting of the taxpayers and legal voters of road district No. 17 in Clackamas county, held recently at the Wichita school. A budget committee reported on the proposed roads to be paved and graveled and some $14,000 was voted for the purpose. Ryan road, Lake road, Glover road and Sunnyside road were included in the hard surfacing programme which is to be carried out.

Grading and graveling of several less important roads was also decided at the meeting and several thousand dollars will be spent in this work in the vinicity of Ardenwald and Milwaukie.

AUTOISTS URGED TO ACT

Early Application for 1923 Licenses Declared Advisable.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 2.—(Special.)—Unless motor vehicle owners get busy and submit their applications to the secretary of state without unnecessary delay, there will be such a congestion during the few days preceding January 1 that it will be impossible to issue licenses promptly upon receipt of requests, said Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state, today.

"Although there are 15,000 more cars in the state now than a year ago, fewer applications for 1923 licenses have been filed up to this time than last year," said Mr. Kozer.

Electrical Examinations Set.

The board of electrical examiners will hold a test for persons seeking licenses to act as electrical supervisors. This examination will be held in the city hall Saturday at 9 A. M. Application to take part in the examination should be made early this week to the electrical division at the city hall.

Autoist Hurt in Wreck.

Collision with a telephone pole resulted in a fractured right leg for G. W. Blue, 29, a rug maker residing at 61 East Eighty-third street North. The accident occurred yesterday afternoon at East Thirty-ninth and Belmont streets. Blue gave no explanation to account for it. His car was badly damaged.

Soldiers Await Passage Home.

CHERBOURG, Dec. 2.—The steamer Berengaria today took aboard 4,127,000 francs in gold. Two hundred and sixteen Americans, the majority of them veterans of the world war and some of them with their wives and children, have reached here and are awaiting return to the United States by the steamer President Polk.

NEW BUILDING PLANNED

Two-Story Structure to Go Up on Star Theater Site.

A two-story building will be erected on the site of the old Star theater, northwest corner of Park and Washington streets as a result of a deal closed yesterday, whereby George Celsi and associates leased the site for a term of years from August Berg, the owner.

The building to be erected, it was announced, will be made modern in every respect and will be arranged for the accommodation of retail establishments. A portion of the structure will be retained as a permanent home for the housing of the Basket grocery.

Both sides in the transaction yesterday were represented by Cachot Therkelsen of the office of William F. Merry company.

Mowers Standard Oil Man.

F. A. Mowers, driver of the oil truck which struck down Joseph Tichey Jr. on the Linnton road Wednesday and inflicted injuries from which the lad died, was in the employ of the Standard Oil company and not of the Union Oil company, as previously stated. Police reports of the occurence listed Mowers as a driver for the latter company.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

A REAL BUY.
Auto repair shop and paint shop over four years' lease. Take it for deposit on lease and cost of tools and equipment; ideal location, west side. BF 149, Oregonian.

I WANT a clean residence l