

ROSS' SENTENCE FIVE YEARS AND FINE OF \$575,094

Portland Banker Punished For Manipulation of State School Funds.

HEARS PUNISHMENT WITHOUT EMOTION.

Is Allowed Freedom on Bail Pending Appeal From Judge Burnett's Court.

(By Associated Press.)

SALEM, Ore., May 28.—Judge Burnett of the circuit court, today sentenced J. Thorburn Ross, the Portland banker, to five years imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$575,094. Ross was convicted of wrongful conversions of state school funds in his capacity as president of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company of Portland.

Ross will be confined in the Multnomah county jail. He is allowed to reduce his fine at the expiration of his regular term of imprisonment at the rate of \$2 a day. Pending an appeal he was released under \$6,000 bonds. He took his sentence apparently with indifference.

Mr. Ross was for years one of the best known men in Oregon. He was prominent in church circles, being superintendent of a Sunday school class. His troubles over the wrongful diversion of funds followed the failure of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company.

The state's attorneys have announced their intention of beginning action against State Treasurer Steele in the same case.

AGED WOMAN SENTENCED.

Given 18 Months For Perjury In Druce Case.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, May 28.—Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, aged seventy, a witness in the identity case of the Duke of Portland and T. C. Druce, was sentenced today to eighteen months imprisonment for perjury.

PREPARES TO PUT NEW BOAT IN OPERATION SOON

Charles Thom Purchases Equipment For Gasoline Schooner to Ply Out of Coos Bay.

Chas. Thom, formerly a Roseburg citizen, but now of North Bend, was in Roseburg en route to Portland, where he goes to finish purchasing the equipment for his new gasoline schooner, which will be launched from the North Bend ship yards on June 1 next. This new boat is for 100 tons burden, and the two magnificent gasoline engine of 75 horse power each have been already received.

On this trip Mr. Thom will purchase the compass and the gally outfit, and other minor parts of the equipment.

The craft will be equipped with an electric lighting system, and has an 8 horse power hoist for handling heavy freight, which has a capacity of 1,400 pounds per minute. This new coaster is one of the staunchest boats ever built on the coast, and will ply from Coos Bay to Coquille and Port Orford on the South, and from Coos Bay to Gardiner and Yaquina on the north. The boat will cost complete \$20,000. She will touch at Gardiner once a week, thereby relieving the people of the lower Umpqua of the exorbitant freight rates the one company now operating in this river have exacted for some many years.—Roseburg News.

THE NEW MELROSE.

Is now open in its new home near the postoffice. Quick lunch a specialty.

A CARD.

To the Republican voters of Coos County: I hereby announce myself as the regular Republican nominee for coroner of Coos County, subject to your approval, at the coming election, June 1, 1908.

T. J. LEWIS.

FLEET WILL LEAVE TACOMA

Part of Vessels Sail For San Francisco and Others for Bremerton.

(By Associated Press.)

TACOMA, Wash., May 28.—The Atlantic battleship fleet was again divided today by the sailing of the flagship Connecticut, the Kansas, Vermont and Louisiana for San Francisco. The Fourth Division of the fleet composed of the Georgia, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Virginia, under command of Captain Richard Wainwright, will remain here until Saturday when they will go to the navy yard at Bremerton. The officers and men of the fleet were entertained in various ways by Tacoma citizens today.

BIG FIRM CLOSED.

Assets of Pittsburg Co. \$350,000 Against \$1,800,000 Liabilities.

(By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, May 28.—A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed today against George W. Lackmullin & Co. The liabilities are \$1,800,000 and the assets \$350,000 or less. A receiver has been appointed.

COOS BAY TO HAVE DREDGE

Congressman Hawley Wires That Prospects are Good to Secure Money.

Numerous letters have been exchanged between the Chamber of Commerce and the Oregon delegation in congress concerning the diversion of \$25,225 to be used for inside dredging. Finally notice was received that a resolution authorizing the diversion passed the senate. Effort has since been directed in trying to induce Mr. Hawley to see that the measure was put through the House. Fearing that a slip might be made at the last, a wire was sent the congressmen Monday and the following reply was received by Sec. Lyon:

"We are endeavoring to provide for operation of dredge and hope to succeed."

Work On Dredge.

Work on the new dredger is progressing very favorably. Colonel C. S. Roessler has written Secretary Lyon as follows:

"Replying to your letter of May 23, I have to advise you that very good progress is being made on the construction of the new dredge for use on coast waters. The contract provides that the work shall be completed within 8 months from February 12th, and I am advised by the contractors that they expect to have the dredge completed and ready for operation by August next. At the present rate of progress it is safe to say that their contract will be completed considerably in advance of the time limit—how much I am unable to say."

DATE IS UNCERTAIN.

Speaker Cannon Says Congress' Finish Is Indefinite.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 28.—"We may adjourn in two days or we may adjourn in two weeks," was the terse comment of Speaker Cannon after a conference with President Roosevelt.

REPORTS ON PRINT PAPER TARIFF

Minority of Special Committee of Congress Condemns Ma- nufacturers While Majority Plays For Time in Their Be- half.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The special committee of the House appointed on the complaint of the American Newspaper Publishers Association to investigate the wood pulp print paper situation in relation to the tariff and with regard to an alleged conspiracy in restraint of trade today, submitted a minority and majority report. The majority report recommends that no legislation affecting wood pulp and print paper be enacted until the committee has finished its investigation and reported. The majority report declares that the present price of print paper would not to any considerable degree be affected by the repeal of tariff and "As the passage of the

Stevens bill in its present form might spell ruin to the paper industry and result in ruinously high prices for paper in the near future, your committee believes it the part of wisdom before making a recommendation for positive legislation to await until its investigation has been completed and thoroughly digested."

The Minority Report.

The minority report endorses the Stevens bill in its entirety and recommends its passage. In discussing the issue between the publishers and the paper manufacturers, the report states that an acute situation which may be termed "Trade Hysteria" was precipitated in 1907 in newspaper print manufacture when a group of sixteen Wisconsin mills, known as the Wisconsin Wood Pulp Association, bought fifty thousand cords of pulp wood in Quebec, Canada, and "introduced new and unlooked for factors into what was more or less a speculative operation," and which "Demoralized wood pulp manufacture of the United States as well as Canada."

BAD CYCLONE HITS KANSAS

At Least One Killed and Eleven or More Injured Near Beloit Today.

(By Associated Press.)

SALINA, Kan., May 28.—A tornado, the proportions of which are not known, swept over Beloit and vicinity today.

At least one person was killed outright. Eleven or more were injured.

The property loss will run far up into the thousands of dollars.

The wires are down and particulars cannot be secured. Aid is being rushed to the stricken section.

GENERAL LEE DIED TODAY

Noted Confederate Leader Succumbs to Over Exertions at Reunion.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, May 28.—A special from Vicksburg, Miss., says that General Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief of the United States Confederate Veterans, and one of the last three surviving lieutenant-generals of the confederacy, died there today at the residence of Captain W. T. Riddy. Over exertion last Thursday in the ceremonies attending the reunion of the Iowa and Wisconsin veterans of the G. A. R. at Vicksburg brought on the illness which ended in death. General Lee was born in South Carolina in 1833.

WILL GO TO LONDON AS EPISCOPAL DELEGATE

Bennett Swanton of Marshfield, Will be One of Oregon's Representa- tives at Pan-Angelican Conference

Bennett Swanton will leave Saturday for London, England, where he goes as a delegate from the Oregon Episcopal diocese to the Pan-Angelican Conference of the Episcopal church. He is one of six delegates from Oregon. The conference opens June 15 and will be in session until June 26, so that he will have barely two weeks in which to make the trip from Coos Bay. He figures that he can make the trip to New York in six or seven days and cross the ocean in about five days.

After the conference, Mr. Swanton will go to his home in Dublin, Ireland, to visit his mother whom he has not seen in twelve years. He will also visit other points in England and Ireland and will not return until about September 1st.

BREAKWATER BREAKS SPEED RECORD OF COAST

Made Run From Columbia River Bar to Coos Bay in Thirteen and One- Half Hours Last Time.

PORTLAND, May 28.—From the Columbia river to the Coos Bay bar the steamer Breakwater, Captain Magenn, completed the passage on her last down trip in 13 1/2 hours, which is the quickest on record. She would have maintained the same rate of speed on the return voyage had it not been for dense banks of fog into which she ran shortly after leaving Marshfield.

Heretofore the best passage between the Columbia river and Coos Bay bar was completed in 14 hours and 59 minutes. Hence the Breakwater lowered the previous record by 1 hour and 20 minutes. The fog she encountered is said to have been so thick that it could have been cut with a knife.

NOW OPEN.

The Melrose is now open for business in its new home. Popular prices and quick service a specialty.

HOO HOO LODGE TO BE STARTED AT BANDON.

Lumbermen Will Hold Big Concate- nation at City by the Sea on June 24.

Announcement has just been made that the Hoo Hoo Fraternity will establish a branch at Bandon, June 24 being fixed as the date of the concatenation. The organization is for lumbermen and it is expected that a large number engaged in this work in southwestern Oregon will join.

George M. Cornwall, editor of the Timberman at Portland, has charge of the preliminary work for the concatenation. Robert D. Inman, president of the Inman-Poulsen Lumber Company, ex-Snark of the Universe; J. S. Hamilton, a member of the Supreme Nine; L. J. Wentworth, manager of the Portland Lumber Co., and several other prominent members of Hoo Hoo from Portland, will be present to assist in the concatenation.

MINNESOTA NIGHT SPEAKERS ARE NAMED

Program For Friday Night's Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Announced Today.

Secretary Walter Lyon of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, today announced that the program for the regular Friday night meeting would be as follows:

Minnesota State Song Chorus
Mandolin Duet Isaacson Bros.
Pioneer Days of Minnesota. Miss Hall
Orator of the occasion. John D. Goss
Response Francis H. Clarke
Mandolin Number Isaacson Bros.

THE BEST INDEX TO PROGRES- SIVE CIVILIZATION IS GOOD ROADS AND GOOD SCHOOLS. DO NOT FORGET TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE OREGON UNIVERSITY AP- PROPRIATION BILL, MONDAY.

ANDERSON & HALL agents for
South Marshfield Coal. Phone 817.

BIG INCREASE IN NUMBER OF COOS COUNTY VOTERS

LYONS BUYS OUT PARTNER

Secures Fred Hollister's Inter- est in Coos Bay Steam Laundry.

Announcement was made today that J. E. Lyons had purchased the interest of Fred Hollister of North Bend in the Coos Bay Steam Laundry. Mr. Hollister has been a silent partner in the company and the deal was prompted by Mr. Lyons' desire to give some of his employees a working interest in the business and make it profit sharing in its nature.

Mr. Lyons will immediately arrange to incorporate the company with \$25,000 capital. Aside from his personal holdings, which will be a controlling interest, the additional money that it will represent above the present valuation of the plant will be used in making improvements to accommodate the growing business. J. C. Jones who has been foreman of the company will become a stockholder and be made manager of the business.

Mr. Lyons' business interests in the north will necessitate the absence of himself and wife from Coos Bay after September, during the winter. During this time, the management of the business will devolve upon Mr. Jones.

NEW HOMES BUILT HERE

Many Residences Started or Completed in Marshfield During Last Few Weeks.

Considerable building is in progress on Coos Bay. So far it is limited almost entirely to residences and a few frame store buildings and probably the first large building will be the new High School or the Chandler hotel which will be started soon.

Since the last resume of building work here was printed in The Times, the following buildings have been started or completed:

R. Wooley, six-room house in East Marshfield.

Frank Lindgren, six-room rouse in East Marshfield.

J. C. Doan, eight-room house at Washington and Broadway.

F. E. Allen, residence in Railroad addition.

J. L. French, bungalow in South Marshfield.

Mrs. L. Dolan, eight-room house. W. B. Cox, six-room cottage in West Marshfield.

O. M. Roos, six-room house in Millington.

Geo. Smallwood, residence in East-side.

Mrs. Lizzie Bentz, two cottages in Bunker Hill.

Pat Hennessy, barn, in South Marshfield.

George Downing, cottage.

Taylor Siglin, repairing and rebuilding brickyard on Isthmus Inlet that was recently destroyed by fire.

John Merchant, fine residence on 'C' street in West Marshfield.

Arthur Wright, cottage in Boise addition.

C. L. Pennock, eight-room house in West Marshfield.

Ben Mathison, residence in Bunker Hill.

Charles Metlin, house in South Marshfield.

Thomas Baines, cottage in South Marshfield.

DROP IN FOR LUNCH.

At the Melrose in its new quarters near the postoffice. Quick service a specialty.

Registration This Year Fifty Per Cent Greater Than Vote in 1906.

INDICATES UNUSUAL GROWTH OF SECTION.

Since Primaries, 940 Names Have Been Registered Mak- ing Total 3,644.

Coos County Vote.
Total 1908 registration 3,644
Gain since primaries 940
Total vote in 1906 2,422
Increase in two years 1,222

The above figures will be decidedly interesting from a political standpoint but are also interesting as an index of the rapid growth of Coos county during the past two years. According to the usual city directory basis used in computing population, five are allowed for each voter and this would make the total population of Coos county at present 18,220 against 12,110 two years ago, a gain of about fifty per cent.

The total vote for 1906, which was 2,422, was that cast on the prohibition question then.

As a number of the recent arrivals on Coos Bay and in Coos county are of foreign origin and many of them have not been here the required time to become naturalized, they are not included in the registration. Hence the growth of the county has been even greater than is indicated by the above registration figures.

The increase has been pretty well distributed throughout the county, the precincts on Coos Bay perhaps having the greatest gain.

IMPROVE "B" STREET SOON

Prepare Plans For Opening New Thoroughfare to West Marshfield.

City Engineer Sandberg is preparing plans for the opening and improving of 'B' street from Fifth to West Marshfield. The work will cost about \$10,000 but practically all of the leading property owners have signified their approval of the plan so the work will probably be ordered at the next meeting of the council and completed this season.

The proposed improvement of 'B' street was brought up immediately after it was found that it would probably be impossible to improve 'C' street this year. It is believed that the value of the property in West Marshfield on the proposed street will be enhanced a great deal more than the improvement will cost.

There has been talk of extending the improvement to Front street and this will probably be done if the consent of the property owners between Fifth street and Front street can be secured. Plank will be used for paving on the street.

The improvement will be on 'B' street from Fifth to Seventh and then, owing to a jog of about twenty or thirty feet to the north, it will be continued on Prospect avenue (as 'B' street is called beyond Seventh), to Davidson street. An elevated plank roadway will be put in across the flat.

Councilmen Savage, Sacchi and Nasburg, composing the street committee, City Engineer Sandberg and Messrs. Street, I. S. Smith and L. W. Shaw representing some of the affected property held a conference about the matter yesterday and agreed upon some of the plans.

The proposed improvement will be a great benefit to the city in general and West Marshfield in particular.