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W. RICHESON EXECUTED IN MASSACHUSETTS EARLY TODAY

Water Electrocutated for Murder of Avis Linnell at Boston.

TAKE BODY TO OLD HOME IN VIRGINIA

Propose Electric Chair to Enable Convicts to Execute Themselves.

Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.

STON, Mass., May 21.—Doug Richeson, of Chicago, a brother former clergyman, Clarence Richeson, who paid the penalty for the murder of Avis Linnell in the state prison just this morning, claimed the body to be taken back to his home in Virginia if his wishes were carried out and buried in the cemetery at Armheast Court.

Did Not Falter.

Execution is said by some witnesses to have been the most successful of the fourteen held in the prison since the electric chair was adopted. It was only necessary to apply the current once. After the Friday it was feared Richeson would not be able to stand the strain but on the way from the chamber he did not falter and he answered questions of his faith in God put by a spiritual adviser calmly.

EXECUTE THEMSELVES

Important Changes in System of Electrocutation.

BRIDGE, Mass., May 21.—Dr. B. McGrath, medical examiner of Suffolk county and one of the members of the committee on the changes in the manner of electrocutation, will recommend several important changes in the manner of electrocutation to death. He believes that death should be brought about quickly and by the prisoner himself. He expects eventually that the will be devised so that the prisoner will bring about his own death, the functions of the body naturally throwing on the current bringing death.

FRIEND FROM OREGON

Johnson, Who Attended Rev. Richeson, Formerly at Eugene, Ore., May 21.—Rev. Albert S. Johnson, mentioned in the dispatches as being the minister caring for Rev. Richeson the week, is a graduate of the University of Oregon, son of the late Rev. J. W. Johnson, and now a Baptist preacher of Boston, ministering mainly among the poor and destitute.

BOCK JOHNSON PLANS BATTLE

Champion Will Begin Training Soon for Bout With Jim Flynn.

Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.

AS VEGAS, N. M., May 21.—Bock Johnson will arrive here Sunday to begin training for his battle with Jim Flynn July Fourth, according to a message received here today. Johnson will leave Chicago Friday accompanied by his trainer, Tom Magan.

WILL TRY TO FIND OUT "WHAT IS BEER"

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—Personally conducted investigations of breweries throughout the country to determine what is beer, will be made by Doctors Doolittle, Mitchell and Dunlay of the pure food bureau. They will visit the big breweries to find out all there is to know about making beer.

ASTRO AGAIN UNDER ARREST

Seer Who Was On Coos Bay and Who Fleeced Captain O'Kelly In Trouble.

Astro, or the "Great Alexander", who spent some time on Coos Bay three years ago and who subsequently worked Capt. J. A. O'Kelly out of a considerable sum in San Francisco is again in trouble in New Orleans. Capt. O'Kelly is anxious to have him prosecuted and probably will endeavor to cooperate with the authorities in bringing him to justice.

Astro or Alexander was decidedly clever as the scores of Coos Bay people who saw his show at the Odd Fellow's hall here will remember. He was declared by some to be the best hypnotist they ever saw.

Concerning him, last Thursday's San Francisco Bulletin printed the following: "Dr." Claude Alexander Astro, alias Conlin, famed as a finder of lost heirs, "when the consideration is right," the evil genius of Detective Sergeant Joseph Redmond, and the man who led the officer a merry chase across the continent and finally cost him his place in the detective bureau, is in trouble with the police at New Orleans.

Word came to the local police identification bureau this morning that Astro had opened a clairvoyant parlor in the Crescent City; that he had been taken into custody as a suspicious character and that his record in this city was very much desired. The task of preparing the record was given over to Detective Sergeant Redmond, who, since his experience with Astro, has been restored to his old position, and this is a part of what Redmond sent on to the southern police department.

"Dr. Claude Alexander Astro, alias Conlin, was arrested here with a young woman named Stella Tynan, alias Mantell, on November 29, 1909. The complaining witness against the couple was Jasper O'Kelly, a wealthy resident of Coos Bay, and known there as the "tobacco king of Coos Bay."

Seeks Step-Daughter. O'Kelly came to San Francisco after the death of his wife at Coos Bay to search for his 18-year-old step-daughter, who had been missing for a number of years. The mother, on her death bed, had asked the husband, to find her, and restore to her \$2,000 worth of family jewels that had been left by the girl's own father.

On reaching the city, O'Kelly was advised to consult Astro, who maintained elaborate apartments on lower Market street. He visited Astro's establishment, made known his mission and exhibited a picture of his dead wife. Astro said that he believed that he would be able to help the old man.

His first help was to secure possession of the photograph of O'Kelly's dead wife. Without the knowledge of O'Kelly, he had this picture copied and gave the copy to the Tynan girl. Later he sent word to O'Kelly that he had found his long lost daughter, and sent him to a Market street apartment house to see the girl.

At the apartment house O'Kelly met Stella Tynan, who posed as the long-lost daughter. Her only proof to her claim was the copy of the picture which Astro had made. It was enough for the old man, however. He gave the young woman a large sum of money, turned over to her \$1,000 worth of the family jewelry and made an appointment to meet her the next day. Her failure to keep this appointment led to a police investigation and Redmond was detailed on the case.

Arrested at Station. Detective Redmond arrested Astro and the girl at the Southern Pacific station. They had purchased transportation east and were awaiting the coming of a train when taken into custody.

Astro was released on bail and forfeited \$2,000 when he fled the city. He was later captured at Hot Springs, Ark., and Detective Redmond, with extradition papers, was sent on for the prisoner. While fighting against extradition, Astro broke jail in Arkansas and when recaptured was seriously wounded. Before his recovery Redmond was recalled to this city by former Chief of Police John Martin and was advised on his return that he could don a police uniform and go back on street duty.

BOOST, BROTHERS, BOOST!

We cannot all be Doctor Straw, And boss the Marshfield board. We cannot all become the gent Who wins the town's reward. We cannot all become the guy Who rules the highest roost, But one thing we can do, say I— That's boost, my brothers, boost!

This town is a little better town Than anywhere you'll hit; There's naught on earth can keep it down If we keep boosting it. Let's lay the rails; let's let a yell By local pride produced There's one thing all can do as well— That's boost, my brothers, boost!

When any fellow starts to knock This town in any way, Our dads to dig, our maids to mock, Our local folks to flay Just take the knocking one aside, And ere your hold is loosed, Just whisper gently "Darn you hide, Now boost, you knocker, boost."

DEMOCRATIC ADVANTAGE IN STRIFE

Senator Stone, of Missouri, Tells of Breach Between Taft and Roosevelt—Expects Victory.

(By Associated Press to the Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—In an address in the Senate today on "The Modern Damon and Pythias and correlated subjects pertaining to current politics," Senator Stone, of Missouri, amid roars of laughter, told of the latter day relations of Taft and Roosevelt. He said it had been a case of "two souls with but a single thought, two hearts that beat as one," until the slimy and poisonous serpent of ambition crawled across the path they were walking and divided them. Both had tasted the bitter-sweet of power and liked it over much. Both were tempted, both fell.

"So instead of peace we have war with knives and knives to the

hilt. As a consequence of this ferocious contest, the country and world is treated to a series of spectacular stunts in politics without parallel in the history of the country and which I devoutly hope will not be again repeated."

Stone referred to La Follette's participation in the campaign and to the amusement of the Senate and read samples "Of polite exchanges of compliments," among the three republican candidates. He said he must grant that Taft, "innately a gentleman" was evidently reluctant to enter upon "this ruffian fight." He asserted, however, that the last words of "this black chapter of American history" will be written in Chicago. "I say the last chapter," he added, "because I cannot believe that after this storm of strife and these exposures, the American electorate will consent to return the republican party to power." He concluded with the statement that the democratic candidates are conducting themselves with a sense of propriety.

CUBAN REVOLT NIPPED IN BUD

Conspiracy Among Negroes on Island Discovered and Many Are Arrested.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The Cuban government has expressed confidence that the recently discovered conspiracy of the negro element on the island to revolt will successfully be suppressed according to State Department advisers today from the American legation in Havana. In the provinces of Santa Clara and Pinar Del Rio, a large number of negroes were arrested on the charge of being involved in a revolution conspiracy.

FEAR MORE TROUBLE

Government May Be Suppressing Information.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

HAVANA, Cuba, May 21.—The Cuban government disclaims any further knowledge regarding the uprising of the negroes but the opinion is spreading that conditions are becoming more serious. It is creditably reported today that two armed parties are operating in the Province of Malanza hitherto reported tranquil. Orders were issued today for additional troops to be prepared to take the field. The newspapers complain that the government is holding up press dispatches from the disturbed districts. In a skirmish at Mangullo near Guantanamo, two rural guards were killed. The loss of the negroes was not ascertained.

Trouble at Santiago

SANTIAGO, Cuba, May 21.—There is great unrest and grave apprehension throughout this vicinity.

NOTICE TO NAVAL MILITIA

All members of the Coos Bay divisions of the Oregon Naval Militia are requested to meet Tuesday night at the Armory when arrangements for reinstatement and for the annual cruise will be made by Lieut. G. J. Blomberg, executive officer of the U. S. S. Boston, who will be present.

By order of CAPT. T. J. MACGENN, Commander.

SAN DIEGO STILL AROUSED

Proposed Mass Meeting Cancelled—Governor Johnson Sends Attorney There.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 21.—Sentiment in opposition to the projected demonstrations by citizens against the Industrial Workers of the World and persons connected with their trials developed today, and it is said the mass meeting at the court house planned for tomorrow morning might not be held. The demonstration was planned to show that San Diego is in sympathy with J. M. Porter, the alleged vigilante leader, who is scheduled to appear in court tomorrow to show cause why he should not be judged guilty of contempt of court because of the allegation that he had interfered with Attorney Fred H. Moore in his defense of a client connected with the so-called "Free Speech" campaign here. State Senator LeRoy A. Wright, attorney for Porter, advised against the demonstration and said that nothing which could be construed as an effort to influence the court should be done.

GOV. JOHNSON ACTS.

Sends Attorney General to San Diego Today.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

SACRAMENTO, May 21.—Governor Johnson issued a formal statement today regarding the Industrial Workers of the World in San Diego in which he announced that he has instructed the attorney general to proceed to San Diego immediately.

Governor Johnson says he is convinced of the accuracy of the report made recently by Commissioner Harris Weinstein on the condition in San Diego.

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LIGHT VOTE BEING CAST IN OHIO; BETTING ON ROOSEVELT

RAILWAY NEWS OF COOS BAY

Interest Centers in Council Meeting Wednesday—Many Rumors Afloat.

Aside from the interest being manifested as to the probable action that the Marshfield city council may take tomorrow night on the Southern Pacific's application for a franchise, there was little news in the railroad situation here today. No one would hazard a guess as to what turn the franchise matter may take.

The rumors concerning activity on the Coos Bay and Boise project and the possibility of C. A. Smith getting behind it and hastening it to completion were again in circulation today but no one appeared to know just where they started.

Another rumor afloat today in connection with the franchise matter was that the Southern Pacific was considering a plan to tunnel under Knob Hill to the gulch and then going down Fourth street to connect up with their present properties. Both C. J. Mills and W. F. Miller were at Coquille this afternoon and neither could be seen about it. However, the authenticity of it is doubted.

No News of Contracts.

No word has been received here relative to the awards of the subcontracts on the construction of the last 95 miles of the road from Eugene. It was expected that they would be announced at San Francisco the first of this week by the MacArthur, Perks Co.

It was reported in this connection that the Southern Pacific was planning to put in a dock immediately at Sand Point to receive construction material and supplies. This is doubted as Mr. Hitchcock when here stated positively that they would not have any base of supplies at Sand Point.

Dredges to Gardiner.

It was stated today that the Southern Pacific or Warren Reed had closed a deal whereby the two Larson dredges will be taken to Gardiner within a short time to do some extensive work along the lower Umpqua. It is presumed that the dredging will be for the construction of new docks there to unload equipment and material for the construction crews both ways out of Gardiner.

Work Next Year.

In a letter from Portland, a Marshfield man who has been in conference with some railroad men there states that there will be little doing on the Coos Bay end of the road this year. He claims that the tunnel work will be prosecuted from the Gardiner end and that the balance of the construction down North Slough will be done next summer and will be completed when the rest of the road is. He did not name the source of his information. This would mean that Gardiner would be the center of activity this year.

Property for Marsh.

C. H. Marsh stated today that he had bought the S. C. Brown property at Third and Commercial for himself. He said that he bought it with the expectancy of turning it soon, having secured it on the partial payment basis. He denied that Right of Way Agent Buell was interested in the purchase in any way.

Negotiations for some other Commercial avenue property are reported to be under way today but they have not reached a definite stage.

Numerous sales of small outlying properties have been made during the last ten days.

ENGAGEMENT IS ANNOUNCED

The following from the Portland Telegram will be of interest to the many Coos Bay friends of the Jennings family who formerly resided here:

Miss Bronte Jennings was the inspiration for a luncheon given Friday at Jennings' Lodge, at which her engagement to Robert Cravat was announced. Throughout the house dog-wood blossoms and green foliage were effectively used decorations. The center of the table was a profusion of smilax, pink rose-buds and narcissus. The guests were Miss Jennings, Miss Florence Jennings, Miss Edna Lewis, Miss Susie Elkins, Miss Anna Rogers, Miss Pearl Finley, Miss Gertrude Nelson and Misses Margaret and May Mascher.

YESTERDAY IN HISTORY

The first gramophone or talking machine of the kind generally in use was invented in 1887 by Emile Berliner, a German-American, who was born in Hanover sixty-one years ago yesterday, May 20, 1851.

An unfilled want causes unhappiness—Times Want Ads bring results.

Fair Weather Keeps Farmers From Polls Despite Great Interest in Result.

ODDS BEING WAGED ON ROOSEVELT AND HARMON

Roosevelt and Taft Return Home to Get Ready for New Jersey Campaign.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 21.—The indications in Cleveland are that only forty per cent of the vote will be cast. Numerous wagers are being made with Roosevelt and Harmon as slight favorites. It is estimated at Cincinnati that twenty-five or thirty per cent of the total vote of Hamilton county will be cast.

Other cities report a rather low average of the total enrollment as voting.

Out of the twenty delegates to the republican state convention, fourteen are expected to be for Roosevelt as they are uncontested.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 21.—The Taft leaders early declared that the bright sunshine with which primary day dawned is indicative of a sure victory for Taft. Many farmers, they said, are far behind with their spring work and will not leave their labors to vote. The Roosevelt supporters continued to claim a majority of the delegates.

TAFT GOES EAST

Will Soon Start Campaign in New Jersey.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

CINCINNATI, May 21.—President Taft will leave for Washington today and will then prepare for the primary election in New Jersey.

NEW JERSEY IS NEXT.

Roosevelt Returns Home from Campaign in Ohio.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, May 21.—Col. Roosevelt returned from the primary campaign in Ohio today and went to his home at Oyster Bay to remain for several days before engaging in the primary fight in New Jersey. Roosevelt was pleased with the campaign in Ohio and when asked regarding the outcome remarked, "I am a better warrior than prophet."

MUNSEY DENIES RUMOR

Says Roosevelt Has Not Promised Him British Ambassadorship.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

NEW YORK, May 21.—Frank A. Munsey authorized today a denial of the statement published to the effect that Roosevelt had promised him the ambassadorship to the Court of St. James in event of Roosevelt's election.

TO NOMINATE ROOSEVELT

Wm. A. Prendergast of New York To Make Convention Speech.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

WASHINGTON, May 21.—William A. Prendergast, comptroller of the City of New York, has been chosen by Col. Roosevelt to make the speech placing him in nomination at Chicago next month.

AVIATOR KILLED BY FALL TODAY

Fred J. Southard, of Minneapolis, Drops 100 Feet at Osborn, Ohio.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

XEBIA, Ohio, May 21.—Fred J. Southard, of Minneapolis, an aviator fell one hundred feet on the Wright aviation field near Osborn early today and was instantly killed.

DOUBLES ACROSS CHANNEL

Belgian Aviator Makes Long Flight Today.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.)

DOVER, England, May 21.—H. Crombers, a Belgian aviator, crossed the English channel from Nluppert, Belgium today, circled over the fishing port of St. Margarets with a wide, graceful swoop and without landing started to return across the channel, taking the direction of Calais, a city of France.