

CHARGES LIKELY AGAINST SALMON

Albert Salmon, Agent of Money Brokers, Quits Employ of Ashley & Rumelin After Disagreement Over a Warrant.

Since Monday last Albert Salmon, the courthouse agent of Ashley & Rumelin, money brokers, at 245 Stark street, has not been at his accustomed post of duty. He is no longer in the employ of the firm and it is known that this is due to a disagreement between his employers and himself over money matters. In this connection, if the expected materializes, a charge of embezzlement will be placed against Salmon. He anticipated this himself, but maintains that he has nothing to fear and will be found at the Hotel Belvedere or on the street whenever he is wanted.

One point in controversy between Salmon and the firm is the amount he paid W. F. Andrus, a solicitor for the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance company, for an order for a warrant. It is alleged that while only \$9 was due Andrus for three days' work in the county clerk's office, and while the amount was paid him for an order for the warrant by Salmon, the account turned in to Ashley & Rumelin showed he had been paid \$10 at one time and \$4 at another. Salmon says he paid Andrus only \$9.

The name of W. Cederburg, night janitor at the courthouse, and of a deputy sheriff who recently arrived in the city from Montana, are also mentioned in connection with orders for warrants over which controversy has arisen between Salmon and his former employers.

Salmon is one of the best-known characters in the city. He has a host of friends, who are loath to believe him guilty of wrongdoing. Not only does Salmon maintain his innocence of the charges contained in the sensational stories afloat, but he declares that if it comes to a legal battle he can disclose a number of things that will not elate his employers. He was not discharged, but quit work voluntarily last Monday. It is asserted, however, that he will not again be employed by the firm.

"I paid Andrus exactly what was coming to him," said Salmon today. "I quit work Monday because I was sick. On account of the trouble that has come up they wanted me to go into a back room at the office and talk it over. I told them I was too sick and came up to the hotel and went to bed. Part of my salary for January has not been paid yet, and I have \$45 coming for February. I am afraid of no charge that can be brought against me. I shall be right here or on the street when I am wanted. If a charge is brought I can tell very few things myself that these people would not like to have come out."

After leaving the hotel, Salmon went to the sheriff's office and judicially informed the deputies there that he could be found at any time he was wanted and "no handcuffs would be needed."

FIRST M. E. PASTOR IS A MODEST MAN

Rev. and Mrs. F. Burgette Short arrived this morning from San Francisco, Cal. Dr. Short has come at the request of Bishop Hamilton to take charge of Taylor Street Methodist church until a permanent pastor is appointed. Dr. Short is a young man, prepossessing in appearance and an entertaining talker. He speaks very modestly about his successful work in the ministry.

"I am here, and if you wait for a while you will find out just what I am made of. I was born in Delaware. I graduated from the Wilmington Conference academy, the Delaware college and the Drew Theological seminary. I have been in the ministry for 14 years. I built the Harrison street church in Wilmington, Del. It is a handsome edifice, erected at a cost of \$25,000. When I became pastor there was a membership of 50 and the number gradually increased to 250. I was also pastor of the Epworth church in Wilmington. I was invited to go back there, but I came here at the request of Bishop Hamilton."

Dr. and Mrs. Short will be the guests of honor at a reception to be held this evening after the usual prayer meeting. Sunday morning he will speak on "The Mission of Methodism."

OFFICERS HART AND JONES WORK WELL

Patrolmen Hart and Jones this morning arrested W. C. Filmore just after he had robbed Myers' second-hand store, corner of Second and Couch streets. The officers saw Filmore enter the store, and they decided to wait for him, and place him under arrest with stolen goods in his possession.

Within a few minutes after first sighting Filmore, the officers saw him slip out of the store and start down Couch street. When ordered to halt Filmore looked around and saw the officers. He at once started to run, but a shot fired by Patrolman Hart wrenched so close to the ears of the fleeing stranger that he gave up.

In the municipal court this morning, Judge Hogue continued the case against Filmore until March 4.

Patrolmen Hart and Jones arrested Thomas Moore, a negro, last Sunday morning. Moore is said to have confessed to having robbed a number of houses in Portland, besides having held up a logger.

NO IMPROVEMENT FOR YAQUINA BAY

SMALL INCREASE IN TONNAGE ENTERING THAT HARBOR AFTER EXPENDITURES MADE FOR ITS IMPROVEMENT CAUSES ENGLISHMEN'S DECISION.

"It is the opinion of the board that it is not desirable for the United States to continue the improvement of Yaquina bay, with a view to securing increased depth at the harbor entrance."

This is the conclusion reached by the board of engineers for rivers and harbors after considering the report of a special board of army engineers which made the investigation personally.

The examining board submitted to the higher body a lengthy report, which included a map of Yaquina bay, figures showing the amount of shipping entering and leaving the harbor and comparisons with other bays and as those of the Tillamook and Umpqua rivers.

The special board of engineers, composed of W. H. Heuer, Lieut.-Col. John Mills, Maj. W. C. Langitt, Maj. and Brig.-Gen. G. L. Gillespie, chief of engineers, reported in part as follows:

"It is not found that the conditions warrant continuing the improvement at present with a view to securing increased depth at the harbor entrance. The board believes, however, that existing works should be maintained in such a state of efficiency as to maintain existing favorable results."

The special board of engineers based its report against the deepening of the bay chiefly on the fact that the work already performed had not brought any great increase in tonnage entering the port. The board's position is clearly outlined in a sentence of their report:

"While the depths of Yaquina bay compare favorably with those of other harbors, the commerce over it does not—that is, the facilities for commerce now offered at Yaquina bay are not utilized in spite of the general prosperity of the last few years and the great development of transportation and commerce."

The board of engineers for rivers and harbors in forwarding the report of the special board to the secretary of war advised:

"It is desirable that existing works should be kept in a state of efficiency. To provide for the maintenance of existing works for several years, including the repair of damages occasioned by storms, it is recommended that there be appropriated the sum of \$25,000."

The two reports were submitted December 14 to the speaker of the house of representatives by Secretary of War Ethan A. Ross, and there were also included letters from Binger Hermann, Mayor Irvine of Corvallis, Judge H. M. Palmer, J. J. Whitney and other representative citizens arguing for the increased efficiency of this Oregon harbor.

On account of illness, M. C. George, judge of department four in the state circuit court, has been unable to go on the bench for two days. He is now confined to his bed with a severe cold. It is not thought his illness will reach the serious stage.

In his answer to the charge of cruelty preferred by Bertha Winters in her cross-complaint to his suit for divorce, George A. L. Winters pleads that the offense was condoned. Other allegations in the cross-complaint are denied.

PEACEFUL POLITICS

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The lists against Williamson, and this ambition is intensified by the bitter feeling which exists between the two candidates. It has been generally assumed that if Simon should carry the primaries in this county, Moody would receive the nomination. But this is by no means certain. It is reported that on occasion more than once to question the loyalty of Moody, and he has never been an out-and-out adherent of their cause. Moreover, they hesitate to become involved in the feud between Moody and Williamson, as would be the case if they made the former their nominee.

It is quite possible that Eastern Oregon may put forward a candidate in case Simon is in control when the convention meets. State Senator Rand of Baker City has been talked of as a possible candidate, and though he has been lined up with the Mitchell faction and voted for both Corbett and Fulton, some of his friends believe that the Simon delegates might come to his support if that should be necessary in order to defeat Williamson.

As Multnomah county will have 71 out of the 184 delegates in the second district congressional convention, speculation necessarily hinges upon the result of the local primaries, which will determine whether the Mitchell faction or the Simon faction is to name the delegation.

SOCIALISTS MEET.

Many Delegates Attend State and District Conventions.

The Socialists' state and congressional district conventions are in session today at Socialist hall, 309 Davis street, with an attendance of 60 or 70 delegates. The delegates assembled at 10 o'clock this morning and were called to order by the state chairman, C. S. Harnish. B. F. Ramp was elected temporary chairman and State Secretary W. S. Richards was chosen temporary secretary. The morning session was occupied by the selection of the standing committee and the consideration of reports.

The personnel of the committee follows:

Committee on platform—Joseph Green, W. Robbins, M. Thomas, N. J. Folen, C. W. Barzee, R. R. Ryan, M. Armstrong, P. L. Miller, W. Vandergoot.

Committee on constitution—William McDevitt, Dr. G. P. DeGeissen, R. F. Wickham, E. E. Archard, J. W. Wiley, George R. Cook, J. N. Eaton.

Committee on order of business—C. S. Harnish, J. Hinck, C. S. Howard, Thomas Bush, H. M. Manville.

The temporary officers were made permanent and the convention proceeded at 10 o'clock to nominate candidates for state and district offices. The Socialists expect to materially increase in June the vote cast for their nominees two years ago. In a number of counties they will present candidates for local offices and in Coos, Curry, Marion, Clatskanie and Jackson counties tickets have already been put in the field. At La Grande a full city ticket has been nominated.

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SERGEANTS WILL HAVE NEW TEST

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION DOES NOT APPROVE OF CHIEF HUNT'S PLAN OF PROMOTION, AND WILL HAVE SERGEANTS REGULARLY EXAMINED.

If there are to be sergeants attached to the police department of Portland the civil service commission is determined they shall be put through a rigid examination before being appointed. At a meeting held yesterday afternoon at the city hall it was decided to hold examinations for patrolmen and sergeants for the police force on March 18.

The decision of the civil service commission to make police sergeants undergo examination is a new thing in Portland. It is said to mean that the board is not satisfied with the present status of the sergeants; that the board is not pleased with the detaching of patrolmen from the ranks by the chief to be placed in the rank of sergeants, and that in the future a new system would be acceptable to the board.

"Sergeants are all right, and there should be men in those positions," said a member of the civil service commission today, "but we want the men to pass an examination for the positions, and be placed on a proper plane as the rank requires."

The city charter does not provide for sergeants, and there was none from the time Chief Hunt took office until six months ago. "The chief at that time decided he needed three sergeants, and he presented the names of Patrolmen Carpenter, Slover and Hogeboom to the executive board. They were not recommended by the police committee, they were accepted by the board."

It is said Chief Hunt's method of handling the sergeants has not met with the approval of the civil service commission. They have not been placed in charge of squads, as is customary everywhere else, but have been detailed in plain clothes to do detective work. It is said much dissension in the ranks has resulted from sergeants "shadowing" officers on their beats.

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ESCAPES TERM IN COUNTY JAIL

ROBERT LUCAS IS FREED FOR LACK OF PROSECUTION AFTER HAVING ONCE BEEN SENTENCED FOR LARCENY—REASONS NOT FORTHCOMING.

Robert Lucas, last November convicted of larceny and sentenced by H. W. Hogue, judge of the police court, to serve a year in the county jail, was released yesterday on recommendation of H. B. Adams, deputy district attorney, who secured his conviction in the police court.

The case of Lucas was taken on appeal to the state circuit court. In asking the discharge of the prisoner Adams declared that prosecution was lacking from those vitally interested.

Lucas was accused by Lydia Marks of stealing a hat valued at \$13, November 6, 1903. He was arrested November 8 and tried before Judge Hogue the following day on entering a plea of not guilty. Evidence in the case was so clear that he was convicted and sentenced. Since that time he has been on the rockpile. An appeal to the state circuit court was taken by his counsel, W. T. Hume, December 8.

About 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Adams and Hume appeared before John B. Cleland, the presiding judge. Hume asked for a dismissal of the case on the ground of lack of prosecution. Adams then formally moved that the court dismiss the case. His reason was that the witnesses had left the city. The complaining witness and another woman whose testimony was necessary, he said, were thought to be in Seattle. He made no explanation of why the district attorney permitted the witnesses to leave, or why the case had not been brought to the attention of the state circuit court immediately upon the appeal being taken.

As he had no other recourse, in view of the representations made by Adams, Judge Cleland entered an order for the prisoner's release, which was placed in the hands of Jailer Jackson by a sheriff's deputy. At the time the order for release was given Lucas was at work on the rockpile. His brother went after him with an order and in a short time Robert Lucas was once again free.

"The counsel of the prisoner had 30 days in which to make an appeal from the decision of the lower court after his trial there," said Deputy District Attorney Adams this morning. "Of course, we could not anticipate an appeal and had no right to hold the witnesses. They have left the city and we believe they are in Seattle. We have made due inquiry for them. This being a misdemeanor case, we could not bring them back even if we succeeded in locating them, unless they were willing."

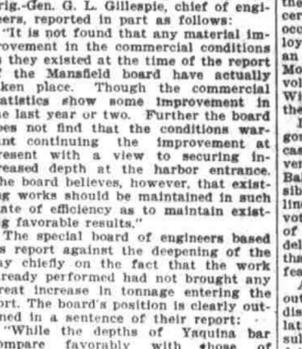
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SUDDENLY DIES OF DRINK IN A SALOON

James P. Proudfoot, formerly a window dresser in the employ of the Hub Clothing company, died last night in a box in a saloon near Fourth and Alder streets. The body will be held until some word is received from Proudfoot's relatives, who reside in Des Moines, Ia.

The autopsy on Proudfoot, conducted by Dr. Curtis Holcomb this morning, revealed the fact that death was due to a blood clot in the heart, caused by excessive drinking.

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"The Oregon Cattle Growers' association was organized to promote and protect the cattle industry generally, and special attention is devoted to the question of transportation and rates," said Grant Mays, secretary of the association, today. "We have about 150 members, the majority of them being from eastern Oregon, though the whole state is represented, and southern Oregon has its fair share. Personally I favor some provision for leasing the government land and I think that is the attitude of practically all of our members. No feasible plan has been proposed, but it would not be difficult to get one up that would be satisfactory, and we purpose doing work along these lines."

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