PLANS TO FREE RUEF

District Attorney Langdon Will Not Attempt to Convict Curly Boss When Cases Come for Trial Before Dunne.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—The trial of Patrick Calhoun will not be taken up until after every indictment against Abe Ruef, now pending before Judge Dunne, is dismissed. This is the decision reached by the graft prosecution on account of the firm stand taken by Judge Dunne in regard to the entering into any agreement with the district attorney over the granting of immunity to Ruef and the latter's firm determination to testify to nothing until positive that he will be granted absolute immunity. Calhoun will not be placed on trial on February 1, as first agreed to by the district attorney, but in his place one of the minor officials of the United Railroads will be tried without the testimony of Ruef, and by that time it is expected that the Parkside indictments and the fight trust indictments against the ex-boss, which are the only cases before Judge Dunne, will have been disposed of.

Judge Dunne this morning firmly reiterated his former statement that under no circumstances would he grant immunity to Ruef, as it is his opinion that enough immunity contracts have already been granted by the district attorney's office and that this is the proper time to stop them.

The only way in which the prosecution could surmount the obstacle placed in its path by Judge Dunne is by moving to dismiss the indictments against Ruef. This Judge Dunne will never agree to. The next move upon the part of the prosecution will be to go to trial upon the indictments, but no effort will be made to secure conviction against Ruef.

After all of Ruef's cases before Judge Dunne have been thus disposed of, his cases before Judge Lawlor will then be taken up. Just what course Judge Lawlor will take in the matter cannot be ascertained but it is the opinion of the district attorney's office that unlike Dunne he will agree to their plan of securing immunity for Ruef.

Neither District Attorney Langdon nor Ruef would this morning discuss their plans. Langdon was still reticent and declared that time for making his plans known to the public had not yet come but that some time in the near future he would be in a position to make a statement covering the entire matter.

Ruef was equally shy in discussing his future plans. "I have made my demands and will stand by them," is all the information that could be secured from him.

This afternoon at 4:30 o'clock another conference is to be held between Ruef and those in charge of the graft prosecution at the office of District Attorney Langdon where the feasibility of the district attorney's latest plans is to be discussed.

EVIDENCE SHOWS TRIO TO BE BAD ACTORS

Evidence recently acquired by police led to arrest this morning of James Miller, one of the three men accused of beating and robbing Benardotte Machele, an Italian laborer who occupied a tent near the Slavin road, three weeks ago. Miller, T. J. McGlynn and J. J. Crawford were arrested the day following the commission of the crime and charged with the offense. Although the evidence against them was not wholly convincing, Judge Cameron held them to await the action of the grand jury. Bonds were fixed at $500 for each of the men. McGlynn and Miller succeeded in getting bondsmen and were released, but Crawford is still in jail in default of the necessary bail.

Crawford has since been subjected to the sweating process and has told enough of his connection with the other two men to convince the police that they are dangerous criminals who have been responsible for other crimes than the one with which they stand charged. The chief of police of Vancouver has also come forward with facts to show that the three men have been associated together for a long time and have followed the grading camps where Italian workmen are employed for many months. Robberies in these camps have been of frequent occurrence, the victims being in every instance ignorant Italians who had hoarded their wages and kept the cash about their persons.

The police have been prosecuting a search for Miller for several days, but without success. This morning he walked into the police court for some purpose known only to himself. He was espied by Judge Cameron who ordered his arrest. He was captured as he was leaving the building by Policeman Nelson. Judge Cameron made an order fixing his bail at $1,000. In default of this amount Miller was locked up and will again be sent to the county jail unless he can secure bondsmen.

DALLAS CAMP'S NEW OFFICERS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Dallas, Or., Jan. 15.—The officers of Dallas camp, Woodmen of the World, installed by General Organizer H. L. Day of Portland, are the following: Consul, A. Longnecker; advisor, W. L. Cochren; clerk, W. G. Vassall; banker, F. J. Craven; escort, H. C. Seymore; watchman, H. W. Stump; sentry, J. R. Corvert; managers, W. A. Ayers, Judge J. E. Sibley and R. E. Reed.

The members of Dallas camp are making arrangements to entertain the committeemen from all the camps of Polk county. They will meet with the Dallas camp January 21, to arrange for the county campaign for the increase of membership.

SULLY WILL TRY TO CORNER COTTON CROP

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Jan. 15.—The cotton exchange received a shock today when the members were told that Dan J. Sully, the erstwhile cotton king, is mounting his guns to engineer another "corner" in cotton. According to some authorities he already holds 500,000 bales and is in a better position to "corner" the market today than he was in 1904, when his attempt resulted in such a disastrous failure.

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HALL AND MAYS ONLY DEFENDANTS ON TRIAL

Heney Grants Request, Drops Others Out of Alleged Conspiracy Case and Will Give Separate Trial to Two —Evidence of Bad Tangle on Both Sides.

Split wide open by some mysterious cause the trial of the Hall land fencing case has gone to trial with John H. Hall and Edwin P. Mays standing side by side as the only defendants in the case. Binger Hermann, who was already excused from the present trial upon stipulation, Franklin P. Mays, W. W. Steiwer, H. H. Hendricks, C. B. Zachary, A. C. Zachary, Charles A. Watson, Clark E. Loomis and E. B. Stratford were all cut out of the present trial by Mr. Heney this morning, who said the government was willing to accede to the request of Hall and Mays for a separate trial.

Case Is Mysterious.

Back of the action of Mr. Heney is a world of mystery, upon which he refuses to cast any light. He derides the idea that any of the defendants have made arrangements to testify against Hall and Mays, but at the same time it is evident that there is some dissention in the ranks of the defense.

John H. Hall, the central figure in the trial, does not know Steiwer or Hendricks by sight, and there is a sharp line of divergence between the lines of defense as it stands from the viewpoint of Hall and Mays and that of the other defendants. Hall was district attorney at the time the alleged crime was supposed to have taken place. Mays was his deputy.

The other defendants were either land holders and stockmen of Wheeler county, the scene of the action, or were government employes supposed to have been in the conspiracy. Therefore, it is apparent that Hall's line of defense could well be different from that of the other defendants.

Neither Heney nor the defense will state the condition of the tangle, but it is believed that Steiwer, Hendricks and perhaps some of the other defendants will plead guilty to the charge of fencing government land, though they will deny that they entered into a conspiracy. If they do take this action, it is believed they will take the stand as government witnesses in the hope that an immunity bath will be prepared for them by the government.

Mr. Hall and his associates lean to this theory, but say they are not afraid of any evidence which their former co-defendants can give.

Hall Himself Threatens Prosecution.

"I am perfectly willing for any of the men to tell all they know of the transactions or conditions surrounding the actions back of this indictment," said Mr. Hall this morning. "They do not know anything damaging to me. You can say for me, however," continued the chief figure in the defense, "that if any one goes upon the stand in this case and gives any evidence that is perjured or in any way untrue I will prosecute him to the full limit of the law."

Mr. Heney, on the other hand, is noncommittal. "I do not know anything about the immunity rumor," he said. "You will have to go ask the fellow that started the story in the first place. I never said it."

"What does this severance mean, then?" he was asked.

"Why," he replied, "they asked for it, and I like to give the defense what they ask for if it is possible."

It is not believed that F. P. Mays, who pleaded not guilty to the indictment this morning, will be tried under the charge if it should come up later. He has already been found guilty under one indictment and the supposition is that he will not be held to answer the penalty in this indictment should the case be carried further.

Five jurors were accepted by the attorneys during the morning session of the court. They were: Alfred Freerkser, a farmer from Linn county; William Fuqua, farmer from Gresham, Multnomah county; R. W. Fry, Linn county; Samuel W. Miles, stockman, Linn county; Charles J. Sunderland, a fruitgrower, from Multnomah county; A. N. Clark, a stockman, from Columbia county, was put aside by the defense with a peremptory challenge just at the close of the morning session of the court.

Grants Defendant's Request.

It was after 11 o'clock before the selection of the jury began, all of the time prior to that having been taken up in the consideration of the Mays plea in abatement and the other motions entered by the defense. The pleas were overruled by Judge Hunt and after the plea of F. P. Mays had been made and entered Mr. Heney sprang his surprise by stating his willingness to proceed with the trial of Hall and Mays, eliminating the remainder of the defendants from the case.

H. S. Wilson, attorney for E. P. Mays, filed a demurrer to the indictment objecting to the instrument on several grounds. He argued that it did not set out sufficient facts to constitute a crime, that the charges were not clearly set forth, that a map had been used in showing the lands involved instead of a description, and that it was impossible to discover from the indictment what crime had in reality been charged.

This demurrer was overruled by Judge Hunt and the selection of the jury began. Almost immediately the first fireworks were set off. Judge Hunt asked the defendants to come forward and plead to the indictment.

"Why," said Mr. Wilson, "the defendants pleaded years ago. I do not know but what the statute of limitations has run against their plea by this time." Everybody smiled and Mr. Heney took up the examination of Alfred Freerksen, the first juror. He was satisfied and passed him.

Tilt Number One.

"I suppose," said Mr. Wilson, "that Mr. Heney understands that his passing the juror means his acceptance by the prosecution?"

"No," said Heney, "I don't understand anything of the kind."

"Well," responded Wilson, "that is the way he did it before."

"Did I do that?" said Heney, beginning to look interested.

"Yes," said Wilson, "that is the state practice."

"Is it?" said Heney, "I did not know that."

"Well, I supposed you had come up here to start a kindergarten to teach us how to select juries," retorted Wilson.

"I am not going to start any kindergarten to teach you. You are not qualified to get in," smiled back Mr. Heney. "You are not old enough to enter a kindergarten." Then things settled down and proceeded without a hitch, Judge Webster taking up the examination of the jurors for the defense.

ASSESSORS URGE TAX EXEMPTION

Would Affect Municipal, Educational, Factories and Other Kinds of Properties.

Exemption from taxation for dwelling houses, factories, livestock, machinery and property devoted to municipal, educational, literary, scientific, religious and charitable purposes, was the theme upon which the speakers at the Oregon association of county assessors dwelt this morning when the members assembled in the offices of County Assessor Sigler at the city hall.

H. D. Wagnon, E. S. J. McAllister and H. W. Stone, representatives from the Oregon Tax Reform association, were the principal speakers. They urged the assessors to use their efforts to promote the initiative petition which the tax reform association is fathering on the ground that its adoption would bring factories to Oregon, encourage settlers of moderate circumstances to take up residence in the Beaver state and otherwise help to develop the resources of the Oregon country.

Following is the measure which the association is endeavoring to have passed by the initiative law:

"The legislative assembly shall provide by law for uniform and equal rate of assessment and taxation; and shall prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation for taxation of all property, both real and personal, excepting that all dwelling houses, barns, sheds, outhouses and all other appurtenances thereto, all machinery and buildings used exclusively for manufacturing purposes, and the appurtenances thereto, all fences, farm machinery and appliances used as such, all fruit trees, vines, shrubs and all other improvements on farms, all livestock, all household furniture in use, and all tools owned by workmen and in use, shall be exempt from taxation; excepting also such property for municipal, educational, literary, scientific, religious or charitable purposes, as may be specially exempted by law."

The members met this afternoon to further discuss the tax reform plan and after additional remarks by the representatives of the tax reform association will take up the question informally.

DUNNE REFUSES TO FREE DALZELL BROWN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—Judge Dunne this morning denied the motion of J. Dalzell Brown, manager of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company to dismiss the indictments against him.

Brown's attorney this morning moved that the indictments be dismissed on statutory grounds, claiming that six members of the grand jury were biased and prejudiced against the defendant on account of the fact that they had accounts with the banks and which they lost at the time of its suspension.

COLD HARBOR HERO DIES AT WORCESTER

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 15.—General Josiah Pickett, commander of the famous Massachusetts Twenty-fifth regiment during the civil war, and known as the hero of Cold Harbor, is dead here, aged 89 years.

HOT ASSAULT ON FOREST SYSTEM

Carter and Heyburn Letters Read to Wool Men at Helena.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Helena, Mont., Jan. 15.—At the opening of the morning session of the National Wool Growers' association, Senator Carter's letter was read on the subject of the attitude of the general government towards the western states as forest lands and grazing. This had never been treated as a party question, he said, and hence he did not hesitate to criticise the administration's policy. The president had been unconsciously led into erroneous views and conclusions. He strongly condemned the present system of leasing, which was creating the vicious features of landlordism under the United States government. Settlers should be protected from the herding of sheep adjacent to their homesteads, but the wool growers themselves could remedy this.

Senator Heyburn in his letter said the trouble lay in the conflict of the federal land policy with the land laws of the United States. He declared in favor of free and open ranges.

Governor Brooks of Wyoming, in a stirring address on "The Great Future of the West," said the wool growers welcomed homesteaders, but repudiated the necessity of government supervision over the business industries of the west. He condemned the proposed Burkett land bill.

F. J. Primrose of Philadelphia, made an address.

AI PARRISH WAS AN EARLY PIONEER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Sodaville, Or., Jan. 15.—Al Parrish, who died Saturday, aged 61 years, and was buried Monday at Lebanon, was born in Noble county, Ohio, February 15, 1846. The family crossed the plains in 1852 and settled near Albany. A brother, David Parrish, died in September, 1878; a sister Martha in December, 1885, and his father, Jesse B. Parrish, in November, 1898. He leaves a wife, one son, A. H. Parrish of Sodaville, three sisters, Mrs. Delia Overton of Woodburn, Mrs. Estella Blevins of Portland and Mrs. Allie McCully of Halsey, Oregon; five grandchildren, his mother, three sisters and three brothers.

OPIUM SHIPMENTS SUSPICIOUSLY LIGHT

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 15.—Among the interesting features of the business of the last year, transacted by officials of the Puget sound customs districts is the showing that for the entire period importations of opium reached the insignificant total of 238 pounds. The duty thereon amounted to less than $2,000.

The district is presumed to cover practically all of the output of British Columbia refineries which operate on a large scale. The light shipment is regarded as suspicious.

Parents Went on Bond.

"Dr." J. D. Dunn, who was held to answer to the grand jury yesterday by Municipal Judge Cameron on a charge of assaulting a 14-year-old girl named Hallie Williams, was not placed in the custody of the sheriff, as he furnished a bond of $2,000 for his appearance. The bond was signed by his father and mother and Dunn accompanied them from the city prison to his home.

THAW LEFT CIGARETTES

Steward at Club Declares Prisoner Made Mystery of Small Package Which Contained Three Tinfoiled Brain Tablets.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, Jan. 15.—The most startling testimony that has been given so far in the second trial of Harry Thaw for the murder of Stanford White was related today by Christopher Buggin, formerly steward of the New York Whist club, where Thaw frequently played cards.

The purpose of this evidence was to show that the defendant was a mental wreck during the daylight hours just preceding the moment of the tragedy. Buggin testified that on the day of June 25, 1906, Thaw played cards at the club and that on that occasion gave marked evidences of his eccentricities; that his cheeks possessed an unnatural pallor and that he was extremely nervous.

The startling part of Buggin's testimony came when he recited an incident that occurred that day. He said on the morning preceding the shooting Thaw gave him a package, saying that it contained something of great value and must be kept in the safe in the clubhouse.

Thaw failed to call for the package and through curiosity Buggin opened it. He was greatly surprised when he discovered that it contained three cigarettes rolled in tinfoil.

Noon recess was ordered after a member of the coroner's jury that held Thaw for murder and three other witnesses gave testimony supporting the claim that Thaw was of unsound mind.

POLITICS MIXED IN $20 FINE

The matter of a $20 fine is just now demanding the attention of the officials of the municipal court, and from present indications some interesting developments may be expected in the near future. The two persons most in the limelight at present are Max Cohn and M. Goldbert.

Cohn is the secretary of the Union Republican club, while Goldbert is the junk dealer who was convicted several days ago on a charge of cruelty to animals. The evidence produced in court against Goldbert was to the effect that he allowed his horse to become so weak for lack of proper food that the animal finally became too weak to stand and had to be killed by an officer of the humane society. In passing sentence, Judge Cameron declared the case to be one of shameful cruelty, but that inasmuch as Goldbert is a poor man, the fine imposed would be only $20.

After sentence had been passed Goldbert left the courtroom, but neglected to deposit the amount of the fine with the clerk of the court. He has continued to neglect this little formality from day to day. This morning Clerk Hennessy issued a subpoena for Goldbert, ordering his appearance in court forthwith. Instead of Goldbert came Max Cohn, who held up to view before the clerk a $20 gold piece as visible evidence of the truth of his statement that he had the money to pay Goldbert's fine if such a proceeding became necessary as a last resort.

"The fine is too large," declared Cohn, with an air of finality, "and I am going to see if I cannot have it reduced. I am going to see the judge. Maybe I'll send you a check tonight or tomorrow. I'll see about it."

Judge Cameron, when informed of the circumstances of Cohn's visit to the clerk, declared that the fine would under no circumstances be reduced, and that it must be paid at once.

"We'll get Mr. Goldbert and get the amount of the fine or know the reason why," was the way he put it.

Unless the full amount of the fine is forthcoming by tomorrow a bench warrant will be issued for Goldbert's arrest.

WANT SEATTLE FAIR POSTPONED

Seattle, Jan. 15.—While the idea is not received here with approval by the majority of the people, Colonel Blethen of the Times, and others, have recently began a movement to postpone the Alaska-Yukon exposition until 1910. The financial conditions in all parts of the country and failure to realize on certain investments cause this plan to be considered. Definite action will be taken within the next few days.

LOGGERS WANT SILETZ RIVER DECLARED FREE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Newport, Or., Jan. 15.—The Fir and Spruce Lumber company, which has large holdings of timber land adjoining the Siletz river in Lincoln county, has petitioned the Lincoln county court to declare the Siletz river a free river for the purpose of establishing a boom at Siletz bay for catching and holding logs. The county is to control and establish the price of toll for logs passing through the boom.

The project, as far as is known, is considered favorable, as it opens the way of transportation for individual holders of small tracts of timber who may see fit to do their own logging.

NO POLITICS ALLOWED BY NEVADA SOLONS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Carson, Nev., Jan. 15.—Both branches of the legislature today passed resolutions providing for the appointment of a committee of 10 men from each house to consider all bills to be introduced. The resolution obliterates all politics from the session, as both parties are equally represented on the committee.

The Goldfield situation has not been taken up directly as yet, but it is likely that the first bill affecting the gold camp will be presented tomorrow.

VICIOUS HORSE KICKS BLACKSMITH

Russell Harrison, a blacksmith at A. C. Lohmire's shop, 287 Taylor street, was kicked by a horse this afternoon and injured about the head and knee. His forehead was severely lacerated by the animal's hoof. The young man lives in Mount Tabor.

SHORTAGE FOR APPROPRIATIONS

Chairman Tawney of Rivers and Harbors Says It Will Be $80,000,000.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Growing out of the inquiry as to why no rivers and harbors bill has been prepared for this session in response to the undoubted demand of the people for annual appropriations of $50,000,000 therefor, Chairman Tawney today made the remarkable statement that there would be a deficit of approximately $80,000,000 this fiscal year on money needed for regular appropriations. The last fiscal year showed a surplus of about $70,000,000. The outlook, therefore, is discouraging for all appropriations.

EAST SIDE REALTY JUMPS TO FRONT

Real estate transfers valued at nearly $45,000 were filed for record yesterday, and all but about $5,000 represented transactions in east side residence property.

Among the more important sales reported are the following: A two-story frame residence and 50-foot lot at the southwest corner of East Ash and East Fifteenth streets was sold by W. J. Funk to Mrs. Anna Peterson for $4,500.

Another $4,500 sale was that of an up-to-date frame dwelling on Wasco street, between East Second and East Third streets, purchased by Sarah E. Huston from Margaret C. McKenzie.

Charles L. Brubaker has sold to Mrs. Diena Wilkes a building site 111 by 152 feet on East Thirty-fourth and East Lincoln streets, consideration $3,000.

France Theodore Olson has purchased from Flody B. Tucker a building lot on East Twentieth between East Main and East Madison streets for $1,750.

The single lot at the northwest corner of San Rafael street and Rodney avenue, occupied by three cottages, has been sold to A. P. Morse by Mrs. Florence M. McClure of Oakland, California, for $5,750. The sale was negotiated through the agency of Wakefield, Fries & Co.

Johan Berg has purchased from Olaf Hill a lot on East Twentieth street at the head of East Washington for $1,500.

The Portland Trust company has sold to John Knapp a fractional lot on Corbett street near Hawthorne avenue for $1,300.

Albert J. Paul has sold to Caroline Fuqua four lots, all improved, at the corner of Peal street and Williams avenue, Piedmont, consideration $11,000. This sale was made about one month ago but was not closed up until recently.

EASTERN FIRM AFTER MEARS' SERVICES

E. C. Mears, receiver of the Title Guarantee & Trust company, has received an offer to represent an eastern firm and it is probable that he will accept, following the order of the United States court allowing William M. Ladd to take over the affairs of the suspended bank.

In settling the accounts of the Title Guarantee & Trust company Mr. Ladd will probably move the headquarters of the bank to that of his own. At the same time some one in his employ will be appointed by Judge Wolverton at the request of Mr. Ladd to act as receiver while the business of the bank is being settled.

Mr. Mears will make his report to the court during the next few days. He was largely instrumental in bringing about the final adjustment of the bank's affairs, whereby Mr. Ladd assumed the obligations of the institution. Since his appointment as receiver Mr. Mears has been busily engaged in bringing order out of the chaos which resulted from the failure and this work is expected to be of material assistance in the ultimate adjustment with creditors. His past experience in banking, both as cashier of the Lumbermen's bank and earlier as paying teller of the Merchants National, was of great value in the conduct of the Title Guarantee receivership.

CONSCIENCE GOADED; JOHNSON CONFESSED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Aberdeen, Wash., Jan. 15.—A peculiar case of the pricking of a guilty conscience has just come to light in the confession of William Johnson, a married man of this place, to the chief of police that he not only lately stole $70 from his brother but also about two years ago embezzled $825 from the C. E. Burrows company while in charge of the company's warehouse on the waterfront. His pilferings extended over six months and when an accounting was made he was suspected. He strenuously denied his guilt, but his denial did not entirely save him, as he was discharged.

Not long ago, according to his own story, he stole from his brother, and remorse had since so preyed upon his mind that he sought a policeman to whom he told his story.

He was taken to the chief, who held him until the matter could be investigated, when it was found to be true in every particular.

As it seems to be considered that Johnson's mind is unbalanced, it is doubtful if the company will prosecute him.

When searched he had a bottle of carbolic acid on his person.

SUB-COMMITTEES TO PREPARE FOR SESSION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Jan. 15.—The local committee having in charge preparations for the state Y. P. S. C. E. convention which meets in Eugene, February 20-23, has appointed the following sub-committees:

Finance—C. A. McClaine, W. A. Gressman, F. A. McMahon and Percy McDonald.

Entertainment—H. A. Scullen, Miss Pearl McMahon, Percy McDonald.

Reception—Miss Mae Bradley, William Irvin, Alfred Scullen ad Marshall Petis.

Decoration—Miss Myrtle Bell, Miss Ellen Loomis, Miss Mary Wetherbee and Mr. Childers.

Press—W. A. Dill.

SOUND GUNNERS ARE ORDERED TO PRACTICE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 15—Without explanation other than that orders for such had come from war department officials, target shooting by the heavy armament of the Puget sound artillery fortification works was commenced yesterday morning. It is generally believed that the result of the gunners' work is to be used in connection with efforts now before the president to secure additions to the present defenses.

HOOTERS GATHER TO HOLD HOOTFEST

Brotherhood of Wise Birds Blink at Each Other in Grand Nest.

See the men with the green and gold badges and the broad smile on the streets today?

They're the Owls from all over the country who have gathered in Portland with a great fluttering of wings and a chorus of hootings for the grand nest of the Brotherhood of Owls. The nest has been made in the Woodmen building at Eleventh and Alder streets and there the birds have gathered for a four days' convention.

About 150 delegates to the grand nest are in the city. The grand executive, H. L. Leavitt of Seattle, who is general manager for the Sullivan & Considine vaudeville circuit, arrived last night and called the meeting to order this morning. A special order of business was set for this morning's session. J. H. Upton delivered the address of welcome and presented Mr. Leavitt with a handsomely carved and mounted gavel, the work of E. J. Carr of Portland, which is to be used through the present convention and will then become the personal property of Mr. Leavitt.

Mr. Leavitt gave a resume of the foundation of the order, tracing it down to the present. It was organized in Walla Walla, Washington, September 17, 1906, and Portland's nest was the fourth to be organized.

The reports of the executive and treasurer were read and were accepted. Mr. Leavitt has announced that while his office was made perpetual at the time he was elected, his business affairs will not allow him to remain at the head of the order, and a new grand executive will be chosen during the sessions in this city.

The principal business of the convention will be to effect certain constitutional changes and the convention is really a consitutional one in large part.

Tonight the grand nest and the Portland nest will be the guests of the Grand theatre at a special performance. They will assemble in the Oregon hotel at 7 p. m. and march from there in a body to the theatre.

CHURCH FINDS ITS TREASURY FLOURISHING

The annual meeting of the church society of the First Unitarian church was held last night in the chapel and there was a large attendance of the church people. The annual reports were read by the presidents of the various subordinate societies of the church and all branches of the church work proved to be in a flourishing condition. Dr. T. L. Eliot, pastor emeritus, and Rev. W. G. Eliot Jr., active pastor of the church, spoke of the year's work. W. F. Woodward, president of the trustees, presided.

W. P. Olds, treasurer, read the financial report of the year and showed the church to be in a better monetary condition than ever before. During the year the debt for street improvements on Seventh and Yamhill streets, amounting to $1,200 was entirely paid off by personal subscriptions. This was the only church debt and there is the sum of about $600 now in the treasury.

The following trustees were elected to succeed those whose terms have expired: William Burrage and Mrs. R. S. Greenleaf. A social evening followed the business meeting.

NEW BUILDINGS AT STANFORD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Stanford University, Cal., Jan. 15.—Two new structures are being added to the university buildings and will probably be completed some time this month. A new metallurgy furnace-room is being built as an addition to the mechanical engineering building. It will be fireproof and well equipped. The purpose of the new building is to do away with fire on the inner quadrangle.

A new one-story reenforced concrete building is also being added to the old machine shop.

Work on the engineering building, which suffered so heavily during the earthquake, is progressing rapidly and it will soon be restored to its former condition.

I. O. O. F. OFFICERS AT TYGH VALLEY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Tygh Valley, Or., Jan. 15.—Officers of Tygh Valley lodge No. 178, I. O. O. F., have been installed by D. D. G. M. Bennett of Mosier as follows: I. T. Harper, N. G.; H. F. Woodcock, V. G.; J. H. Fitzpatrick, secretary; E. V. McCorkle, treasurer; D. A. Moad, warden; I. D. Driver, conductor; Emil Mertz, I. G.; L. Wing, O. G.; R. W. McCorkle, R. S. N. G.; I. F. Miller, L. S. N. G.; A. C. Moad, R. S. V. G.; J. E. Wing, L. S. V. G.; K. L. Hansen, R. S. S.; R. B. Driver, L. S. S.; F. E. Fogue, chaplain.

Tygh lodge is in a very thriving condition. It has doubled its membership since it was organized, less than four years ago.

ALBANY AFRAID RIVER WILL CHANGE

Albany, Or., Jan. 15.—The Albany Business Men's club last evening elected the following officers: President, G. A. Flood; vice-president, W. A. Eastburn; secretary, L. L. Swain; treasurer, F. M. French; directors, Charles Knecht, Percy A. Young, J. L. Tomlinson, M. Meiser and W. B. Stevens.

Resolutions were adopted to protect the city from the possibility of a change in the course of the Willamette river. During extremely high water the river is deflected northeasterly away from the city, toward Spring hill, almost directly north of Albany. An appropriation is to be asked for to put in revetment work to protect the fields adjacent and the city itself from isolation.

EUGENE THIRST IS NOT ALLOWED TO LIVE

Eugene, Or., Jan. 15.—Grank Goodman, owner of a cigar store in Eugene, was arrested yesterday afternoon, charged with violating the local option law. He will be given a trial in the justice court today. Constable Plank made a trip to Cottage Grove last night for the purpose of arresting three men there on the same charge. They were brought to Eugene today and will be given a trial before Judge Bryson of the justice court.

ROCKWELL WANTS TO RIDE WITH ROOSEVELT

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 15.—T. D. Rockwell of Spokane, state tax commissioner, announces his candidacy for the Republican congressional nomination from the Third district, declaring that he stood for the doctrines of Roosevelt, and if elected would do all in his power to advance the policies of the president. He favors the opening of the Columbia and the Snake rivers and the reclamation of the arid lands of the state.

DAVID BREWER DIES AT TACOM

Indian Who Was Discip narian at Chemawa Succumbs.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Salem, Or., Jan. 15.—David J. Brew for many years disciplinarian of Indian Training school at Chema died at St. Joseph's hospital, Taco this morning, after a short illness.

He was about 50 years old and always taken a deep interest in a letic work of Indian schools. He one of the first students when school was established at Forest Gr in 1880, coming there as one of Puyallup children. With the excepti of two years he was in the Ind service constantly.

PORTLAND MUST LOOK TO COOS BAY LAUREL

Since the San Francisco disaster 1906 Portland wholesale houses ha practically had the entire business the merchants of the Coos Bay count Now, however, the San Francisco de ers are getting on their feet again a traveling men representing Golden Ga houses are flocking into the country an endeavor to regain the trade whic for more than a year, has gone els where.

This is the news brought to Portla by Walter Lyon, secretary of the char ber of commerce at Marshfield. M Lyon is here to get 40,000 bookle which were printed here for the Mars field organization and the people North Bend. The booklets are all t same, Marshfield taking 30,000 of the and North Bend the remainder. The are illustrated with reference to r sources of the Coos Bay country.

"Lumber mills have not been clos in this county and work is going more advanced than ever before," M Lyon said this morning. "C. A. Smit the lumber king, is preparing to sta up. He will have a pay roll of some thing like 2,000 men.

"The employment of such large num bers of men in these lumber camps an other industries makes their business a important one. Before the San Fran cisco fire the trade was about equall divided between the wholesale houses o Portland and the California metropoli Since the city had her setback, how ever, Portland dealers have had muc the best of the deal. But now the Cali fornians are coming in and Portlan wholesalers expect more competitio than ever before for the Coos Ba trade."

Mr. Lyon is at the Imperial and wil remain several days.

MELANCHOLY FATE OF A POOR INJUN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 15.—What chance to escape the cruel hand of law he has allowed to escape him wil probably never be known to Peter Cor bett, the Umatilla Indian, until he comes out from under the influence o the long jag which he had been en joying for several weeks. Peter was reported dead, not dead drunk, but dead and the Pendleton papers played him up with long obituaries bemoaning his fate at the hands of some terrible ruf fian at Pasco who did not know of Peter's harmlessness. That an Indian bearing all the earmarks, long scar across the face and all that has made Peter a familiar character to the people of Pendleton, bought a ticket here for Pasco one night last week, was found dead in the rear of a Pasco sa loon, and that word was brought back to this city that it was Peter is true. That Peter, like Banquo's ghost, would not down, that his scarred face and un certain steps were not to be forgotten were impressed upon his acquaintances when early the morning following his alleged demise, to the consternation of all, he appeared on the streets.

Peter cannot read, and is drunk, and therefore does not understand that he has been bemoaned as dead by all here. And the part that he will regret most when his befuddled mind clears is the fact that he had such an excellent chance to cheat justice and was not in condition to take advantage of that chance. He is out under bond for assisting two brothers of his breed in rolling another Indian in the O. R. & N. yards here some weeks ago. His trial will come up in the courts here soon.

EUGENE YOUTH TO FACE CIRCUIT COURT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Jan. 15.—Clyde Woolwine a youth of 20 years, residing in Eugene is in the county jail here, charged with assault against Hattie Chapman, aged 15 years. Woolwine was bound over by Justice of the Peace Bryson to await trial in the circuit court.

The Chapman girl attempted to commit suicide a few days ago by drinking carbolic acid, but the attempt was not successful.

Lumbermen in Denver.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Denver, Col., Jan. 15.—Members of the Colorado and Wyoming Lumber Dealers' association gathered in Denver today for their sixth annual meeting. A meeting of the board of directors was held this afternoon, and the regular order of business will be taken up tomorrow.

Among the subjects that will be discussed by the convention are catalogue houses, cement as a building material, the relations between wholesaler and retailer, the use and abuse of credits and lumber insurance.

Evangelists at Albany.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Jan. 15.—Special evangelistic meetings are being held in the First Presbyterian church by Rev. Marcotte of Portland, assisted by Rev. Tracy B. Griswold of the local church. The meetings will continue throughout the week. The First Christian church has just closed a series of meetings five weeks in length.

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