FLOOD HURTS BOTH ROADS

O. R. & N. Resumes Schedule Under Slow Steam—North Bank Still Blocked by Washout—South Bank Is Hit Hardest by Water.

Regular movement of passenger trains on all O. R. & N. lines was resumed today, and the operating department began the running of freight trains. No. 6, eastbound train for Chicago, which left Portland at the usual time last evening, is getting through all right, although reported five hours late at Echo on account of careful running over freshly repaired tracks.

The north bank road remains out of commission today because of the piling up of drift and wash of loose dirt at bridges and trestles. The pressure of the log jam at Washougal river has been relieved and there is no longer danger of serious damage.

There was trouble at four points, namely, Washougal river bridge, where the false work had not been taken out and a flood carried a mass of logs into it; Wind river bridge, where drift came down and choked the channel; Hathaway creek, where similar trouble occurred, and at Woodward creek, just west of Buller station, where a large amount of drift came down and closed the channel.

A new channel was made yesterday and it was thought the Woodward creek trouble was over, but last night it was closed and there was more water today than before. The operating department has a large number of men at work at every point where the floods made trouble, and it is said the line will be clear for the running of through trains both ways over the entire line tomorrow.

It is not yet certain that the train out of Vancouver will be started tomorrow morning at the usual hour of 9 o'clock. On the west end a train has been running regularly between Pasco and Lyle. The flood damage has occurred at points west of Lyle.

The last two days has shown the north bank officials that they have a splendid piece of construction work the entire distance between Pasco and Lyle. The only point at which difficult repair work is made necessary by the flood is at Woodward bridge, where the accumulation of centuries in the hills was washed down into the stream channel of the bridge. Rails were loaded at Cape Horn today and taken to Woodward bridge, where a shoofly track around the damaged structure is being built.

O. R. & N. Heaviest Loser.

The O. R. & N. company's tracks on the south bank have been badly damaged at various points. This company has much larger streams to contend with and a vastly greater area is drained by them. The numerous washouts of the last two days' storms have been quickly repaired by means of piling bridges, and the softened tracks have been relieved by drainage.

The delayed westbound trains that have been held up at various points east of The Dalles are today being brought into Portland, with large numbers of passengers, and masses of baggage and mail. They are run in three sections. Section No. 1 left La Grande at 10 o'clock last night. The second section left 30 minutes later. The third section is regular train No. 5, which left Huntington on time and passed Pendleton at 7:10 o'clock this morning. All these trains, running slowly on account of condition of tracks, will arrive in Portland early this afternoon.

METCALF TO END WARSHIP SCRAP

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, March 18.—Secretary of the Navy Metcalf today announced that in order to settle the much-mooted question of the efficiency of the armor belt on American battleships, he proposed to ask Admiral Evans for a detailed report as to the position of the water-line belts of the battleships during the target practice now being conducted. The information will be given to the senate naval committee. In addition the secretary says he will personally inspect each ship following the review at San Francisco, and that following this he may have something to say himself on the matter.

Washington, March 18.—At the navy department today it was stated that the battleship fleet will probably arrive at Manila about September 15. Admiral Emory, who will take the fleet that far, will be relieved of the command about October 30 and will be succeeded by Captain Porter.

JAMES COLE FILES PETITION FOR OFFICE

Salem, Or., March 18—James Cole of Portland this morning filed his petition for the Republican nomination to the district attorneyship of the Fourth district.

W. H. Hurlburt of Portland has filed his petition for nomination for railroad commissioner on the Republican ticket.

Cure for Drunkenness

Orrine Treatment to Be Used at Home Without Publicity, or Loss of Time From Business.

The best aid to temperance is something that will strengthen the drunkard's wrecked nervous system and cure his unnatural craving for drink. We believe that any man who really desires to be cured of the liquor habit can cure himself by using Orrine. This remarkable treatment has made so many cures that we are glad to sell it under an absolute guarantee to refund the money if it does not cure.

It is in two forms: No. 1, that can be given secretly, and No. 2, for those who wish to be cured. It is not only the most reliable treatment known, but it is also the most economical, as it costs only $1 a box, and there is no detention from the usual duties, while if a cure is not effected, there is no expense whatever. Mail orders filled on receipt of price in plain sealed package. Write for free booklet. The Orrine Co., Washington, D. C., or Clarke-Woodward Drug Co., and nearly all druggists in Portland.

Foster & Kleiser Signs

SACRIFICE BUSINESS OF CITY TO FIGHT MAYOR

Majority Party of Council Little Concerned About Portland's Welfare—Determined to Make Things Uncomfortable as Possible for Lane.

Mayor Lane appointed Councilmen Kellaher, Vaughn and Rushlight as a special franchise committee to investigate franchises granted by the city, thus replacing the committee decapitated by the council last week. This is another step in the fight the majority party of the council started on Mayor Lane last week and delivers a blow to the majority party in that Mayor Lane appointed the same members to his committee that served on the beheaded committee save Councilman Menefee, a member of the majority party, who is replaced by Rushlight.

This leaves the majority without a representative on one of the most important committees of the council, but rather than accept defeat at the hands of the mayor the majority party will in all probability refer measures reported upon by the franchise committee to a special committee to be appointed by the majority party.

The result will be that business of the city will be delayed to satisfy the political fight started against the mayor. The committee to be appointed by the majority party will either have to concur in the reports of the franchise committee appointed by the mayor or recommend a report of its own. This in itself would seem proper to the uninitiated, but those who have watched the workings of the majority party know that the report will be only along the lines of the fight inaugurated against the city's executive.

Mayor Lane's action in appointing the committee only serves to draw the fighting line between the warring factions more clearly, and it is taken as an indication that the mayor is more than ready to slash back at his opponents wherever they open themselves to attack.

Just what will be the outcome of the present struggle, or when it will cease, is a matter of speculation. The crisis is expected at the next council meeting, but a line will be obtained when the committee on judiciary and elections meets Monday to consider the ordinance rescinding the appropriation of $5,000 to be used by the subway committee of which Mayor Lane is a member. The ordinance also provides for the recall of the committee. If the committee takes up the measure and disposes of it by making a recommendation to the council, the affair can be expected to be threshed out before the council next week.

Inasmuch as the committee on judiciary and elections consists of three members, two of whom—Bennett and Cellars—are of the majority party, it is likely the ordinance recalling the subway committee will be debated upon but little in the committee. If the measure goes to the council next week, fireworks can be looked for, because the members of the majority have announced that they are "after the mayor."

300 STANFORD BOYS CONFESS TO RIOTING

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Stanford University, Cal., March 18.—A petition and "confession" signed by 300 students and embracing in the list the names of virtually all the leaders in the various branches of college life was sent to the students' affairs committee today. The document stated that the signers were equally guilty with the 10 men suspended last night, and prayed that the latter might be reinstated.

As Professor Clark has stated that all students connected with the anti-faculty demonstration of March 12, which precipitated last night's trouble, would be suspended, the 300 signers of today's petition know the chances they are taking. Should they be suspended, the blow will be the hardest ever dealt a student body in America. Here is what will happen:

Sixteen Greek-letter fraternities will be closed.

The Daily Palo Alto (student paper) will suspend.

The junior opera company will disband.

The 'varsity boat crew will be broken up.

The track team will be disorganized.

The baseball nine will call all games off.

Eighty seniors will be prevented from graduating in May.

All the talk on the campus today favors a student strike by the band of 300 should the reinstatement of the 10 suspended students be refused.

AT EMERYVILLE TRACK TODAY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 18.—Today's scratches at Emeryville:

First race—Wahoo.

Second race—Prince Ormonde.

Fourth race—Ocean Shore.

First race, futurity course, selling, three-year-olds and up—John H. Sheehan, 105, 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 2 to 5, won; Dick Wilson, 112, 10 to 1, 4 to 1, second; Prince Brutus, 109, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:11.

ERIN'S SONS SING PRAISES OF SAINT

It was the green flag of Erin that spoke to the thousands of spectators at the St. Patrick's day meeting held in the Armory last night. Nearly every seat in the auditorium was taken by some loyal Irishman or Irishwoman, and for the one night in the year they devoted themselves to the traditions of their native land.

The music—for the most part haunting old folk-songs of the Celts, with their imaginative music and words—was exceptionally well sung, and the address of the evening, made by Father Peter C. Yorke of San Francisco, was received with enthusiasm.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, under whose direction the affair was carried out, arranged every detail carefully, and the program was a most interesting and inspiring one.

The Irish and American flags were used as decorations, while shamrocks and green ribbon were everywhere.

Dom J. Zan sang "Sweet Eileen Aroon," with Professor J. Hutchison as accompanist. Miss Kathleen Lawler sang "Killarney," and Frank D. Hennessy "Barney From Sweet Killarney," with Miss Helen Lightner as accompanist. The Meistersingers quartet sang "An Old Irish Folk-Song" and "Off in the Stilly Night." Mrs. Walter Reed sang the favorite "Kathleen Mavourneen."

Father Yorke was introduced by Archbishop Christie. The speaker took as his topic "St. Patrick." He said that the influence of St. Patrick and the Irish church was one of the most potent for good in the history of the world. St. Patrick came at the time when he was needed most, and when his personality and his idealism had the most effect on the rest of Europe. Ireland stood alone at that time as a Christian nation. The rest of Europe was in darkness, and the men of Europe were without civilization or Christianity or other refining influences. It was the church of Ireland and the people of Ireland who brought Europe out of the dark ages.

Speaking of America and American politics, Father Yorke said that the great trouble was that the movements of today were not backed by religious faith and belief. No movement, he said, could hope to succeed and have lasting good results unless it was accompanied by the desire to better the people and the country. A political movement without the aid of Christianity was of little consequence.

HALF SECTION FOR DRY LAND FARMERS

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, March 18—Senator Smoot will report from the senate public lands committee a bill giving settlers the right to take 320-acre dry land homesteads. Those who have taken 160 can take an additional 160. Oregon and Washington are included in the bill. Idaho is excluded.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL TO INCREASE STOCK

New York, March 18.—Directors of the Illinois Central railroad at their meeting today, decided to ask the stockholders to vote at a special meeting in May for an increase of 30 per cent in the company's capital stock.

SOUTH PORTLAND WANTS OUTLET

Representatives from every manufacturing establishment in South Portland appeared before the Oregon Railroad commission in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday and testified for the complainant in the suit to compel the Southern Pacific to allow the United Railways company to connect its track with that of the Yamhill division at Columbia and Water streets.

The suit was brought by 22 South Portland manufacturers who are seeking a direct outlet to the terminal grounds for the various industries located along the Southern Pacific line south of Lincoln street. All the witnesses that were on the stand yesterday testified to the benefits that would come to South Portland industries by connecting the tracks of the two systems. The reasons advanced were a direct connection with the terminal grounds, more prompt delivery of cars, saving of time in delivering freight to Portland customers and the ability to ship products throughout the state at less expense than the Southern Pacific now exacts.

Long Roundabout Haul.

It was shown that in order to bring freight from South Portland to the terminal grounds, the cars must be hauled to Whiteson and back to the city over the West Side division of the Southern Pacific. It was also shown that a charge of 5 to 7½ cents per 100 pounds is made by the Southern Pacific on all such shipments west of Pocatello.

F. A. Douty of the Multnomah Box and Lumber company was one of the witnesses who gave as his reason for wanting the connection the doing away of this extra charge on shipments. Mr. Douty said that frequent delays in getting cars had caused his concern to lose business, and that in order to overcome this difficulty his company often carted freight from the mill in South Portland to the Terminal grounds and there loaded it into cars and saved time by the operation. He spoke of one shipment of fruit boxes to The Dalles, which the Southern Pacific delayed two weeks, resulting in loss of further business from that customer. He also told of a shipment to the east that lay in the east side yards two weeks before being sent out, and of a shipment of boxes to the Grand Ronde valley that took nearly three weeks to reach its destination.

Proposed Willsburg Cut-Off.

O. H. Schwerdtmann of the Oregon Box and Manufacturing company testified to practically the same effect as Mr. Douty. He said that he did not believe the Willsburg cut-off, when built by the Southern Pacific, would serve the same purpose as would connecting the track of the United Railways with the track of the Yamhill division of the Southern Pacific.

F. A. S. Sullivan of the Portland Lumber company and W. L. Benham of the United Railways were on the stand during the afternoon.

The hearing will be resumed next Saturday, when the Southern Pacific will offer testimony against the contention of the South Portland manufacturers. The Southern Pacific declined to permit the United Railways to connect with its track, contending that it would not afford the Southern Pacific any traffic, and that the United Railways would reap all the benefit from the connection.

TURN DOWN PERMIT ASKED BY HOTEL

The Perkins Hotel company will get a "turn-down" in its request for a permit to extend its ornamental decorations over the sidewalk on Fifth street when the special committee, consisting of City Engineer D. W. Taylor, City Attorney John Kavanaugh and City Building Inspector W. Irving Spencer, makes its report. The committee has already framed its report to the council, and states that after a thorough investigation the privileges asked for by the hotel could be granted only with an irrevocable permit, and therefore recommends that the petition of the company for a revocable permit be denied.

The hotel company is remodeling the hotel at Fifth and Washington streets and desires to place several columns that will extend 20 inches over the sidewalk. The company asked for a revocable permit to do this.

LUMBERMEN IN RETREAT

Michigan Men Opposing Fulton Resolution Admit Possibility of Losing Grant Lands — Resolution May Pass in Present Form.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)

Washington, March 18.—The Michigan lumbermen announced today that they would leave this evening for home, making no further effort to defeat or amend Senator Fulton's Southern Pacific grant lands resolution before the house committee. The belief seems to be general that the committee will report the resolution substantially as it is now.

Arthur M. Hill of Saginaw, Michigan, a member of the Brooth-Kelly Lumber company, announced that he and his associates would protect all bonds issued by the Booth-Kelly company if the court should decide against the company's title to lands acquired from the Southern Pacific.

J. N. Teal of Portland, having completed his brief in the lumber rate cases, left for New York today.

FLEET ENGAGED IN TARGET WORK

(By Norman Rose, special representative of the United Press, on board the United States ship Georgia.)

Magdalena Bay, March 18.—(By Wireless to San Diego.)—Target practice, which was inaugurated on Monday morning, is progressing satisfactorily, although as yet no records have been broken. No definite statement as to the probable date on which target practice will be finished can be secured at this time. Nearly all of the battleships are replenishing their coal supply from the colliers which accompanied the fleet from the Atlantic. This work will require several days and then the big warships will have full bunkers that will last until they arrive at Mare Island navy yard. Officers and men of the fleet are eagerly looking forward to the visits to be paid the California coast cities, and they are particularly pleased with the announcement of the visit to Australian ports. News that the fleet will return to the Atlantic by way of the Suez canal is received with great interest. Men and officers alike express regret that Rear Admiral Evans will be unable to continue in command.

CONNOLLY PRAISES AMERICAN OFFICERS AND TARS OF FLEET

Los Angeles, March 18.—James B. Connolly, the magazine writer and author who accompanied Admiral Evans' fleet as the personal civilian representative of President Roosevelt, arrived here today and gave out the first of his impressions of the fleet's cruise.

BY JAMES B. CONNOLLY.

With the coming to anchor in Magdalena bay of the Atlantic fleet a great cruise was ended.

Here is the problem: Sixteen battleships of five classes and as many sizes, speeds and equipments were suddenly called upon to get ready for sea.

To take this fleet around were some hundreds of officers, young and old, experienced and otherwise, and some 13,000 men, of whom half probably had never before been to sea.

Upon the bridges of these ships were the scores of young officers who had to be trained to their work.

The officer who on this cruise held a ship in place during an evolution where a mistake might mean the loss of one or more ships and a thousand or two of men is the man who will later handle a ship in battle or where else incapacity might mean the last of a ship, his fleet or his country's prestige.

The passage of the Magellan straits, of the perils of which so much has been said, was made by the fleet at regulation speed at regulation intervals.

The worst part of the passage, making from the straits into the Pacific, was made at night in the usual formation, in a fog and at 10 knots an hour, without one ship for a single instant endangering the safety of the next in line.

The fleet impressed as no one thing ever did before, upon the minds of the people of the South American republics the military power of the United States. No less than the size and power of the fleet did the behavior of our sailors ashore leave their impression upon the South American people.

At every port the men were given liberty. At no port did they reflect anything but credit upon the service and the nation. There they were, clean, well set, intelligent-looking, well-behaving young fellows, 3,000 or 4,000 of them some days, making the rounds of the shops, museums, anything, any place that would interest the young fellow eager to see the world. And among all these things so few of them played the rowdy that we all had to feel proud of them.

Cut in Two.

In our forced-out sale we are offering a number of elegant upright pianos just returned from renting. These instruments, like the sheet music and musical merchandise, have been cut in two in order to dispose of them at once. The pianos are strictly high grade, just as good as new; in fact, several cannot be told from new. Prices range from $115 upward, which secures an elegant upright, and $184 now gets a superb $350 upright. Easy terms. Graves & Co., 328 Washington street.

THIN STREAM OF VOTERS SIGN REGISTER

The registration barometer took a downward plunge yesterday, only 354 names being entered during the day. If any- [illegible] is to be polled in the primaries the voters must speed up in the time that remains until April 7. Several west side precincts are still far below the vote polled at the last election, the east side being far ahead in the game so far.

There were 21,488 registered this morning. The Republicans have 16,825, the Democrats 3,596 and all others 1,067.

Wyatt Disbarment Case.

Charges looking to the disbarment of J. R. Wyatt, an Albany attorney, have been filed with the grievance committee of the state bar association. The charges result from the accusations made by W. L. Pason, who says that Wyatt offered him money to leave the state and avoid giving testimony in local option prosecutions at Albany.

HAS PHOTO TAKEN THEN KILLS SELF

Eddie Nestle Has Distorted Views of Life and Cures Them.

After having half a dozen photographs taken of himself, which were later found in his pocket, Eddie Nestle committed suicide this morning because of despondency. He was found dead in the hallway outside the door of his room shortly after 4 o'clock. Nestle used carbolic acid in accomplishing his destruction.

Nestle was employed as a driver for the bakery of J. A. Wright, 304 Russell street, and occupied a room with a fellow employe, George Wishart, at 511 Rodney avenue. When Wishart awoke this morning he found a note on the bureau, and upon making an investigation discovered Nestle's dead body on the floor of the hallway outside the room. The note was as follows:

"Good-bye, George. I wish you good luck. Tell father I am tired of living like a dog and being kicked around every place I go. Good-bye. Twelve o'clock."

Nestle was 20 years old. His father, to whom he refers in his message of farewell, lives at Woodmere station on the Mount Scott carline. The young man's friends and acquaintances agree in saying he was of a morose temperament and was given to looking on life through pessimistic eyes. He labored constantly under the hallucination that every man's hand was against him and that professed friends were in truth his secret enemies.

Nestle had frequently announced his intention of taking his own life, and once, about six months ago, attempted self-destruction by taking a dose of chloroform and then turning on the gas in his sleeping apartment. Timely discovery and heroic treatment by the attending physician saved his life in that instance.

Coroner Finley was notified of Nestle's death and after making an investigation took charge of the body. He has not yet decided whether it will be necessary to hold an inquest.

Eddie Nestle.

Metzger, jeweler, 342 Washington.

CHANCE TO SAVE HEAVY TAX IMPOST

Although the great rush in paying taxes is over, there is still abundance of work for the deputies in the tax collection department of the sheriff's office to perform. They are clearing away the avalanche of checks that came in last week and Monday and receiving many new payments as well from those who prefer the plan of paying one half down, the remaining half being extended until October. Payments must be made on or before April 6 to escape penalty, for on that date all taxes unpaid become delinquent and 10 per cent is added. After that, so long as they remain unpaid, 1 per cent per month will be added.

DEMENTED GIRL USED HANDAX ON NEIGHBORS

At the hearing of Pearl Daisy McLung, a 13-year-old girl charged with incorrigibility, before the juvenile court yesterday afternoon, the evidence developed that she is probably weak-minded and she was remanded to the care of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society, pending an examination before Judge Webster as to her sanity. The girl was found by the police at her home several days ago bound hand and foot. Her parents reported that she was unmanageable and had to be restrained in this manner. At yesterday's hearing several neighbors of the McLung family swore that the girl was dangerous when at large. It was brought out that she had a habit of arming herself with a hatchet and chasing the neighbors.

Metzger, jeweler, 342 Washington.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND TO LOGGER'S FAMILY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., March 18.—The widow and two children of Benjamin Gauthier, a locomotive fireman who was killed on a logging train in Snohomish county, have obtained confirmation in the supreme court of a judgment of $15,000 damages against the owners of the logging outfit, Wood & Iverson. Gauthier was on the footboard of the tender, and the "rooster" coupling buckled as a result of a defect while the train was backing up hill. Gauthier was crushed to death by the coming together of the cars.

ENERGETIC YEGGMEN CRACK TYLER'S SAFE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Richmond, Cal., March 18.—Police are today hot on the trail of two energetic crackmen who last night pulled off three jobs. The yeggs' only successful haul was at the Catholic church, where they got considerable valuable service. They then burglarized the Enterprise Brewing company's offices, but passed the safe up as too hard a job. Their last call was made on the Henly-Tyler Lumber company, where they cracked the safe and aroused Watchman Weber, who exchanged shots with them as they fled.

A Hampton operator of beauty and fairness restored by Batin skin complexion powder. 25c.

BRISTOL'S WORK ENDS

Retiring United States District Attorney Complimented by Court for His Vigorous and Faithful Performance of Duty.

W. C. Bristol has ceased to be the center of the firing line in the scramble over the United States district attorneyship. This morning in the federal court he turned over his office to John McCourt. In doing so he asked that the grand jury, which commenced work yesterday morning, be allowed by the court to take a recess until Tuesday afternoon next at 2 o'clock in order that time be given Mr. McCourt to reach the city and be installed in office. This was allowed by the court.

Mr. Bristol in stepping out of active charge of the district attorney's office thanked the court for its kindness to him. He said:

Bristol Withdraws.

"Since the convention of the grand jury John McCourt has been confirmed as district attorney. By the decision of the supreme court the position of a recess appointee ceases to have legal power upon the confirmation of a regular appointee. For that reason I now have no further power or legal right to appear before the grand jury or to lead it in its investigations.

"Mr. McCourt lives in Pendleton, and owing to the storms it is uncertain just when he can reach the city. I take it then that it would not be fair to the jury to keep it here doing nothing until Mr. McCourt could reach Portland. Neither would it be fair to Mr. McCourt to proceed with the investigations at this time, and I do not wish to do anything that will in any way embarrass him. I will therefore suggest to the court that an adjournment be taken until Tuesday.

Mr. Bristol in closing said he desired to thank the members of the jury for the consideration they had shown him and he also desired to thank the court for the kindness and forbearance shown him by the bench.

Court Compliments Attorney.

Judge Wolverton complimented Mr. Bristol, saying:

"I desire to say to Mr. Bristol that your association with the court while district attorney has been very pleasant. You have been strenuous and earnest in the discharge of your duty and have rendered the court great assistance."

It is supposed that Mr. McCourt will be in Portland by the first of the week and that he will assume charge of the office at once. Mr. Bristol will in retiring from the office give the new appointee what assistance he may in commencing his work and becoming acquainted with the routine of the office.

While neither Mr. Tucker nor Mr. Evans, Mr. Bristol's present deputies, expect to remain in the office after the arrival of Mr. McCourt, both have expressed a willingness to aid the new official in becoming acquainted with the workings of his new office.

The grand jury made a record yesterday in the consideration and disposal of cases, returning six indicements involving 12 men before 5 o'clock. The indictments returned and the disposition made of them by the court under the pleas of guilty were as follows

Claud G. Hornsberger, alias Sam A. Bootham, charged with fraudulent use of the mails in July, 1907; pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the county jail.

Harry H. Higley, alias Sam Smith, alias Harry West, charged with sending obscene letters through the mails; pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 120 days in the county jail.

Fred Kuhn and John Anderson, charged with making counterfeit money, pleaded guilty and were sentenced to pay a fine of $100 each and serve one year each at McNeil's island.

G. D. Salnave, alias Bert Salnave, pleaded guilty to sending obscene letters through the mails and was sentenced to 180 days in the county jail.

Frank McPherson, Frank Johnson, John Simpson and Walter H. Lawrence, charged with robbing the substoffice, Tenth and Jefferson streets, of $17.50 in money and stamps, pleaded guilty and sentence was deferred until Monday.

Merle West, Earl Hanke and Robert Hayward, alias Del Hayward, charged with robbing the Hillsdale postoffice February 3 last, pleaded guilty and sentence was postponed until next Monday.

All prisoners held for examination by the grand jury in the county jail have now been attended to. There is one remaining case involving alleged fraudulent use of the United States mails. This is the case in which four men are accused of sending notes of the old Planter's bank of Georgia through the mails with fraudulent intent. There are other investigations yet to be made, practically all of them for misuse of the mails, but none of these have been submitted to the district attorney's office by the postal inspector's department. They will be taken up next week.

CANDIDATES DODGE STATEMENT NO. 1

George W. Holcomb and George W. McMillan are formally entered in the race for the Republican nomination for representative in the legislature by declarations filed with the county clerk. Both stand on the "Republican voters' choice" platform. New aspirants for precinct committeemen on the Republican side are Michael J. Brennan in precinct 38, Thomas W. Corder in 102, James Warner in 33, J. F. Wilson in 77 and L. A. Sauvie in 76.

MOTHER APPEALS FOR CHESTER GILLETTE

Albany, N. Y., March 18.—Mrs. Gillette, mother of Chester Gillette, who is condemned to die for the murder of Grace Brown, today made a pathetic plea to Governor Hughes to give her son life imprisonment. The governor promised her that he would consider her appeal.

INSPECTION OF NEW BUILDING AT O. A. C.

Salem, Or., March 18.—Governor Chamberlain and State Superintendent of Schools Ackerman returned from Corvallis last night after an inspection of the new building for the schools of mechanical arts. Everything appeared satisfactory, but before the state board will accept the building as completed a more careful examination will be made by the supervising architect and President Kerr of the Agricultural college.

PERSONAL

Rev. G. A. Blair, who recently resigned from the pastorate of Vernon Presbyterian church of this city, has accepted the position of superintendent of church extension in San Francisco.

Father Yorke, the noted San Francisco priest, will deliver an address to members of the Building Trades council, Waterfront, Federated Trades and Iron Trades councils, Friday night. No place has yet been selected upon for the meeting, but will be announced later.

S. & S. SITE IS OPPOSED

Chamber of Commerce After Investigating Proposed Location Reports Adversely—Plant Inside Limits Not for Best Interests.

Trustees of the Portland chamber of commerce, in special session, today took a position antagonistic to the proposed Schwartzschild & Sulzburger packing plant in the Zimmerman slaughter-house site in South Portland. Expressions extremely friendly to the packers were expressed, but it was decided that no meat-packing plant should be located within the city's residence and manufacturing districts.

A special committee appointed by President Swigert to investigate the question made its report, which was opposed to the concessions asked for by the packing company. The company now has before the city council an ordinance by which it is proposed to repeal the ordinance passed some years ago, prohibiting the operation of slaughter-houses within the city limits. The committee urges that the old ordinance should not be repealed.

In a lengthy report it says the city should not permit any slaughter-house or pork or other flesh or meat-packing plant to be built on the site proposed. It is declared to be impossible for any company to maintain a meat-packing plant without obnoxious odors, and especially is it undesirable to locate such a plant on the Willamette river in the upper part of the city, as at low stage of water the sewage would be sufficient to pollute the river.

The report is signed by S. H. Gruber, J. C. Ainsworth, F. N. Pendleton and J. O. Rountree. The only dissenting member of the committee was J. A. Keating, vice-president of the Bankers' & Lumbermen's bank, who took the opposite view and declined to sign the report.

The trustees of the chamber met at 11:30 o'clock today to consider the report, and after an hour's discussion of all its phases, during which the packers' views were given by J. S. Heisey, Pacific coast representative of the Sulzberger firm, the trustees adopted the report.

In eastern locations packing plants are usually maintained just outside the city limits. The chamber made inquiry by telegraph at Kansas City, where the packing plants are at the city limits. The following reply was received from E. D. Bigelow, secretary of the Kansas City board of trade:

"Cannot say that up-to-date packing plant is odorless, but we do not regard them as obnoxious. Have eight plants, and would welcome more."

Metzger, optician, 342 Washington.

NON-SUPPORT CASES TO CIRCUIT COURT

Hereafter it is probable that at least a portion of the non-support cases brought against neglectful husbands will be tried in the circuit court. Heretofore Judge Webster has been hearing all such cases in the county court, but at his suggestion the district attorney's office a few days ago filed a case in the circuit court, which has concurrent jurisdiction with the county court in the matter.

Judge Webster this morning explained that he is not trying to shirk work. He is the author of the non-support law, and in the act as originally drawn jurisdiction in such cases was conferred on the circuit courts exclusively. This was objected to by members of the legislature from the less populous counties, where the circuit court is in session for comparatively a short time during the year, and where great hardship might be inflicted upon defendants if they had to stay in jail while awaiting trial in the circuit court. For this reason the county court was given the right to try the cases.

Another reason why such cases should be tried in the circuit court, Judge Webster says, is because he frequently has personal knowledge of cases where the law is or should be invoked, because of his connection with the county relief work in an official way. This sometimes places him in a difficult position, as he cannot advise the bringing of a non-support action in a case where he must later sit as judge.

As the matter stands, the district attorney may file cases under the non-support law in either the county or circuit court. In the future all or a portion of these cases will doubtless find their way to the higher court.

New Notaries.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., March 18.—Notorial commissions have been issued to the following: J. T. Simpson, Sheridan; George E. Martin, McMinnville; James A. Fee, Pendleton; J. F. Minney, Vida; T. D. Tweedy, Hood River; Charles F. Chatten, Sumpter; Platt T. Randall, Burns; James L. Conley, C. W. Garland, W. S. Marcum, Charles S. Gaylord and F. L. Wood, Salem.

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