OFFICIALS AT OLYMPIA UNEASY

Friends Rally to Support of Land Commissioner Ross, Who Is Threatened With Investigation — Schively Stands Firm.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., May 13.—Following the closing of the investigation of the state insurance department yesterday afternoon, when Commissioner J. H. Schively created something of a sensation by refusing to give further testimony on his constitutional rights, the legislative investigation committee is today engaged in checking up the office of State Treasurer John Lewis, who demanded an investigation. The commission is devoting itself particularly to examining the bonds and other securities held by the state permanent school fund and the permanent funds of various other state institutions, to determine that the collateral is actually on hand, checking up the warrants issued, and the bank deposits and balances.

When questioned as to the report that sealed charges have been forwarded to the commissioner from Seattle against Land Commissioner E. W. Ross, Chairman Allen today declared that no charges of any kind had been received by the commissioner against Ross. However, there appears to be considerable anxiety on the part of Ross' friends that his office will be brought under investigation. A rally of a number of his friends here last night and today from about the state, at least, has caused considerable speculation here. O. Bystrom of Cowlitz county, formerly assistant land commissioner under Ross, resigning about three months ago, to engage with a down sound engineering company, is here. Senator A. S. Ruth of Olympia returned home yesterday from Skagit county, where he has been engaged in a government survey contract; Dr. W. W. Beach of Shelton, state senator and strong opponent to the investigation, arrived yesterday, and ex-Representative E. B. Palmer of Seattle, who also helped fight the investigation in the senate, was here conferring with the others last evening.

Ross' Friends in Conference.

They put in considerable time around the Mitchell hotel lobby, and were closeted for about two hours with Chairman Allen and several members of the investigating committee. Fishback, an uncompromising investigator, did not attend. Allen said afterwards it was only a game of bolo. Ross has repeatedly stated he courted investigation.

Further indications that the committee intends making a clean sweep of the state offices is given in the fact that the commission notified State Superintendent H. B. Dewey that his office will be checked up, and members of the committee have been inspecting vouchers in the auditor's office of State Librarian J. M. Hitt and other officers. Neither of these offices have been brought into question in the criticism and discussion aroused by the investigations and disclosures in the state departments, and the action of the committee is taken as indicating all offices will be investigated.

Schively Won't Resign.

Insurance Commissioner J. H. Schively was called to Spokane today by a message from his attorneys there in the indictments brought by the grand jury for embezzlement and perjury in relation to his former connection with the Pacific Livestock association, as president.

Before leaving at noon, when asked the old question, if he intended to resign, he replied: "Not in 1,000,000 years, not in 2,000,000 years."

Schively referred the question, what he would do in case the governor called a special session for his impeachment, to his attorney, George C. Israel, who was with him. Mr. Israel said: "We'll not expose our ammunition to the governor by answering that question. We may wish to take some steps we do not care to make public now."

Asked if it was his intention to shift all blame for the collection of flat rate fees and alleged irregularities upon the former secretary of state, Sam Nichols, resigned, Israel stated that the advice of counsel to Mr. Schively, in regard to criminal proceedings, was that there was no statutory offense in the charging of flat rates for examination of insurance companies, in lieu of following the exact statute providing for the collection from companies of the actual cost of examination.

Holds Schively Blameless.

"We contend," said Attorney Israel, "that if there is a criminal offense Mr. Schively's only connection with the violation of the statute was that of an employe in the office of the secretary of state, ex-officio insurance commissioner, performing the duties and carrying out the policies of his chief. If there is any criminal responsibility it rests upon the secretary of state and not upon Mr. Schively. The depreciated policies of the secretary of state were abandoned when Schively took the insurance department following the last election. The past policy was abrogated."

Dissolution of Partnership.

Arthur Marshall has brought suit in the circuit court, praying that the partnership alleged to exist between himself and William Murry be dissolved and the assets equally divided.

FOUTS NOMINATED BY DEMOCRATS

Defeated Republican Candidate for Municipal Judge Taken On by Opponents.

Seneca Fouts has been nominated by the democrats of Portland for the position of municipal judge. The official count of the democratic vote as completed by City Auditor Barbur this morning shows that Fouts received 117 votes. Isaac Swett, his nearest competitor got an even 100 and Frank S. Bennett who beat Fouts at the primaries for the republican nomination got 58. Fouts however has pledged himself to support the republican nominee, F. S. Bennett, and will not consider the nomination.

Nothing goes more plainly to show the general apathy among the voters at Saturday's primary election than the peculiar vote cast by the democrats. No petitions having been filed for any democratic nomination the democratic ballot was left blank and the balloters who voted for anybody at all were forced to write in the name of the men they wished to nominate. In a majority of instances the voters simply took a sample republican ballot from the booth and glancing over the names of the various candidates selected his choice from among the republicans for each particular office and wrote that name in.

Besides nominating City Attorney J. P. Kavanaugh, City Treasurer J. E. Werlein and City Auditor A. L. Barbur for reelection, the democrats nominated other republicans as follows: Councilman, Fifth ward, C. K. Zilly, 32 votes; Third ward, G. S. Dunning, 11 votes; councilman at large, J. J. Jennings, 88 votes. The race for the democratic nomination for this last named office was close as D. A. Chambers polled 85 votes.

In the Ninth ward E. Versteeg received the democratic nomination for councilman with 37 votes. Thomas Guinean got the nomination in the Second ward. He established a record as he only got six votes, this being the lowest number cast for any successful candidate. W. T. Vaughn was renominated on the Democratic ticket for councilman from the Tenth ward.

CALHOUN WITNESS HURTS HIS CHIEF

Knowledge of $200,000 Mint Money Narrowed to Inner Circle.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, May 13.—John H. Meyer of San Mateo, director of the United Railroads, testified today in the Calhoun trial that he had no knowledge of the $200,000 in currency alleged to have been drawn from the United States mint on Calhoun's order. According to his statement the money was not mentioned at subsequent meetings of the directorate.

It is expected that the prosecution will seize upon this testimony to attempt to show that knowledge of the money said to have been drawn was confined to the defendant and others closely associated with him.

Under the guidance of counsel for the defense, Meyer averred that he had never heard of any connection between Abe Ruef and the United Railroads company and that Ruef had never been in the employ of the company.

Calhoun's right hand man in the executive offices of the United Railroads, Thornwell Mullally, today took the stand for the first time since the proceedings commenced, and denied any knowledge of the alleged bribe sum of $200,000, denying emphatically that he ever was present at the mint when Tirey L. Ford presented a currency order signed by the defendant.

Mullally was loth to leave the stand when his examination was over. Only the advice of the court to confine his answers to the questions asked by the attorneys served to stop repeated declarations of the yeoman service done by the United Railroads and its officers during the period after the fire and earthquake of April 18, 1906.

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MISSING WITNESS DELAYS THE COURT

Damage Suit Against Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Held Up.

The non-appearance of Art Schroeder of 319 Powell street, today in circuit court, where he is wanted as the principal witness for the plaintiff in the $5000 damage suit brought against the Portland, Railway, Light & Power company, by Robert T. Stewart, caused the continuance of the trial and a bench warrant being sworn out for him.

"If this case takes all the time I am on the bench, we will finish it," declared Judge Gatens. "Schroeder must either appear or leave the state. We will make every effort to compel him to obey the subpoena."

Will F. Spencer, brother-in-law of Schroeder, appeared to testify that the witness wanted had dined with him yesterday, and asserted that he did not believe himself a proper witness.

Stewart is suing the streetcar company for $5000 damages. He alleges that he was permanently injured when a Sunnyside car crashed into the furniture van which he was driving at the corner of East Twelfth and East Morrison streets. He alleges that Schroeder was standing on the corner and saw the collision.

Ed Mendenhall and Frank Motter are appearing for Stewart, and S. C. Spencer and A. M. Dibble for the streetcar company. The case has been on trial before a jury for several days.

SHUT OFF TALK, SAYS JIM HILL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 13.—"Prosperity will return to the country as soon as the oratorical steam is shut off on Capitol Hill," declared James J. Hill today. Hill had just emerged from the president's office, where he had been in conference with Taft.

He declared that the tariff agitation was the only thing now preventing the return of prosperity. Permanent prosperity would come within a short time, he said.

GRANGE HEARS WOMEN'S REPORT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

McMinnville, Or., May 13.—At the Grange convention this morning the report of the committee on women's work was read and adopted. This contained no new recommendations, but together with the memorial services occupied most of the morning session. Much of new business was introduced but yesteday's business was unfinished.

State Master Buxton arrived this morning and was greeted with the chautauqua salute. Among the visitors are Superintendent J. H. Ackerman and J. D. Lee of Portland, Miss Cornelia Mann of Salem, Miss Mary F. Isom and Miss Fox of Portland, and Professor L. R. Alderman of Union, Or.

The memorial service occupied part of this morning's session. Mrs. Florence A. Dickinson, of Oswego, had charge of the exercises, and was assisted by M. M. Birtner, chaplain, and Secretary Mary S. Howard.

Tributes were paid the following: J. S. Casto, past lecturer, and Organizer J. C. White, past treasurer of the state grange; Frank Butler, delegate of 1905 and deputy for Polk county; Strauder Froman, M. H. Wiles, Mark Miller, all of Linn county; A. M. Aspinwall, Marion county; Mrs. Esther Maxwell, Tillamook county, and Mrs. Ruby Boutom, Hope grange, Benton county. To each one of these patrons some one paid a tribute.

This afternoon will be occupied with the exemplification of the unwritten work and the lecturers' conference.

The degree work will be put on tonight.

COLUMBIA PARK TO BE IMPROVED

At its regular meeting this morning the park board adopted the report of Superintendent E. T. Mische on the improvement of Columbia park. The work with estimates of the probable cost was outlined in detail by Mr. Mische. The contract to be let provides that the improvement called for shall be completed within eight weeks.

The installation of swimming tanks, shelter houses, drives and walks and the planting of trees and shrubs is included in the recommendations of the superintendent. The estimated cost of the grading alone, is $7000.

An offer of 11 acres of land lying between East Thirty-first and East Thirty-sixth streets for park purposes was taken under advisement. The offer was made by the Ukase Investment company which agreed to give an option to the city for $1700 an acre provided that the city attorney is instructed to postpone the suit of the city to open up Thirty-second street through the property.

TEXAN SAYS HE WAS DRUGGED AND ROBBED

H. W. Case of Pecos City, Texas, has enlisted the aid of the detective force to find the men whom he says drugged and robbed him in a north end saloon early this morning. According to the story told by Case he came to Portland from San Francisco Tuesday with his wife on the way to Seattle. He stopped at the Winchester house and last night went down to visit some of the saloons. He went to Erickson's, he says, and entered a poker game for the drinks. After playing for a time he says he left the place and went out to see the sights with two chance acquaintances. One of them offered him a drink out of a bottle, and after he had drunk it he became unconscious.

The man was picked up at the Union depot by Officer Wade and taken to the station where he was booked as drunk. He subsequently told his story and the charge against him was dismissed and he was turned over to the detective force in an effort to find the men who robbed him.

Case says he was relieved of $15 in cash, a letter of credit for $150 and two gold watches. One of the watches belonged to his wife.

FILE EXPENSE BILLS WITH CITY AUDITOR

R. P. McDonald, who was an unsuccessful candidate for the office of councilman from the Tenth ward on the Republican ticket, today filed a statement of his election expenses. He swears it cost him $20.22 to try for the office. Gay Lombard, who received the Republican nomination for councilman-at-large, states the nomination cost him $91.75.

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Lot 3 at $18.75
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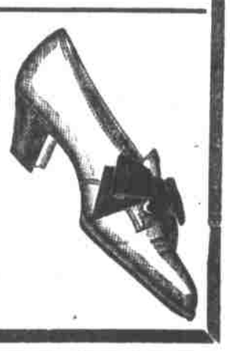

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