EASTERN CAPITAL LOOKING TO WEST

Oregon Lucrative Field, Says Judge Day, Head of the Equitable Life.

Judge William A. Day.

"Business is gaining throughout the country, not in the way of a boom, but in a steady growth. Since the crash of 1907 the efforts have been to place finance on a solid foundation and this was accomplished finally last fall. Since then it has been on the increase," said Judge William A. Day, president of the Equitable Life Assurance society, when interviewed at his apartments in the Portland hotel yesterday afternoon.

"The independent iron and steel plants are working full blast with orders ahead and from what I have gathered of the other plants the conditions are similar. Activity in iron and steel is generally considered a barometer of trade conditions.

"A factor in the general upward trend of conditions has been the great cotton growth of last year. Growers of the south on the whole felt that the market would be demoralized, but the crop in reality was a great benefit. The failures of former years had left the manufacturers without raw material with which to make goods at a profit and when cotton could be procured at a fair price the mills opened. Instead of there being a deficit in exports this phase of the industrial world increased. In place of 4,000,000 bales of cotton of 1910 there were 1,100,000.

"Railroad officials estimate that development expenditures of $8,500,000,000 are necessary. This amount is not to be used in extending lines, but in double tracking, in laying heavier rails, in better equipment, in better ballasting and replacing wooden culverts with stone and in generally increasing the efficiency of the present roads.

"Latest reports of farm values show a remarkable increase and this condition is of vast importance. This is especially true in your western states where so much new land is being opened up.

"Eastern capital is looking to the west for investment and this section gives a splendid field. Our society already has $8,000,000 invested in Oregon and will place more as opportunity offers."

Judge Day was accompanied by his assistant, H. L. Rosenfeld. They left last night for Seattle. During the afternoon an automobile trip over the city was taken in company with Edgar B. Smith, state agent of the society.

DANGER SIGNAL IS SOUNDED AGAINST TAFT'S PROGRAM

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ing for Root, or for any other scheme to knock him out," he says. "They can't vote for Roosevelt and then vote to drive out his delegates from other states and hope to fool anyone in Oregon."

Mr. Ackerson, who has divined the danger that may come from among the ranks of the delegates instructed for Roosevelt, gives out the following statement:

"Nearly 12,000 men voted for me for delegate. There's a reason. Applegate's name also began with "A" yet he got but one-fifth the number of votes I did. I have a host of friends all over this state, but it was more for what I stood that gave me this large vote.

"The people are dead in earnest about this Roosevelt matter. That was one reason they voted so largely for me instead of voting for Applegate.

"But there is a big job yet to be pulled off. There is blood on the moon. This Root matter shows what is up. They are going to get a chairman who will count out Roosevelt after he has been sent the delegates to elect him. But it will not work!

Lot of Cheap Talk.

"There is a lot of cheap talk going around that some of the Oregon delegates will not play fair for Roosevelt after being instructed for him. The curtain will roll down for any such here in Oregon. But I don't believe any of the delegates will try to fool the people of Oregon, or will break their oath of office. They can't simply vote for Roosevelt, and then work against him by voting for Root, or for any other scheme to knock him out. They can't vote for Rosevelt, and then vote to drive out his delegates from other states, and hope to fool any one in Oregon.

"There were 20,000 votes for Taft and 51,000 votes against him in Oregon. If there is any monkey work, I will tear it to pieces in the convention, and tell the people of Oregon about it if the papers will publish the truth. I am with the 51,000. And then there is a lot of the 20,000 who want to see Roosevelt nominated now he has the delegates."

May Favor Third Man.

Thomas McCusker, one of the Oregon delegates who personally favors La Follette, said today that he does not intend to go to Chicago to carry out a program for either Taft or Roosevelt. If a test is made on the temporary chairmanship between Root and some man proposed by the Roosevelt men, with possibility of a bolt if the Roosevelt forces lose, he said he would be inclined to favor some good third man.

"I intend to carry out my instructions in good faith," he said. "I am going to vote for Roosevelt, but merely on the first ballot, but as long as it appears he has a reasonable chance for the nomination. If the contest is prolonged and the time ever comes when a delegate instructed for Roosevelt can go to some other candidate, I hope it will swing well enough to La Follette. I will never go to Taft.

"I hope there will be no bolt, and I do not think there will be. I want to carry out instructions faithfully and I hope the situation will not become so complicated that I cannot tell what I should do. If there is a fight on organization and permanent of a doubtful convention, the delegates will have to be guided by the best judgment.

No Use for "Steam Roller."

"I mistrust McKinley and I think Roosevelt made a mighty poor selection in choosing him to manage his interests. I will not stand for a McKinley program, neither have I any use for a Taft steam roller. I hope common ground will be found in the convention. If Roosevelt is the nominee I shall be happy enough. If the ultimate result is the nomination of La Follette, I will be better pleased.

Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, a Roosevelt delegate, said he believed that Oregon delegates are morally bound to act with the Roosevelt delegates in organizing the convention as well as in voting for a president.

"When I was a candidate for delegate," he said, "I announced that if Taft carried the state I would go to W. H. Ayer, as chairman of the Taft committee, and ask him to designate some member of the delegation whose advice I should follow. I proposed to do the same if La Follette carried the state by going to Mr. McCusker, the La Follette manager.

Will Keep Pledges.

"My idea was that whoever won the state was entitled to have my vote as a delegate cast as the friends of the successful candidate wanted it cast in the convention.

"I certainly think that the Oregon delegates who personally favored other candidates should vote for a Roosevelt man for chairman of the convention and act with the Roosevelt men all the way through. The delegates are not riff-raff, and I think they will keep their pledges. A reasonable construction of the pledge under the direct primary law requires the delegates from this state to act with the Roosevelt delegates on each ballot.

Charles H. Carey, one of the delegates who would prefer Taft, is out of the city and his views could not be ascertained.

SMOKED CIGARETTE IN BED; CHARRED BODY TELLS HORRIBLE TALE

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his body was found lying near the door jamb, across the room from where his bed stood.

That the fire was started from a cigarette stub is a certainty for he has been seen smoking cigarettes in bed on many occasions and only last week his pillow caught fire from the same source and he was slightly burned at that time. Preston was said to have been intoxicated when he went to his room this morning, several people testifying to this fact, and it is believed that it was his intoxicated condition, coupled with his fright at seeing himself surrounded by flames that made it impossible for him to open the door to his room.

The fire was first discovered by Sergeant Van Overn and Patrolman Willette. The fire department was notified, and Sergeant Van Overn, with several patrolmen who responded to the alarm, ran into the building, and started routing other roomers out of bed. At least 30 sleepers were awakened, hustled into their clothes and chased into the streets, a precaution that was really unnecessary, for the fire department confined the blaze to Preston's room and the one adjoining. Nothing is known of the dead man's relatives.

Sun Brings Crowds and Joy to Oaks.

Fine weather this morning started everyone on the run to Oaks Park, Portland's great beauty spot, and the crowd there this afternoon is the largest of the season. Fine weather tonight and tomorrow promises that all season records so far will be broken.

There is a great program of free acts. The Frank Rich Musical Comedy company in the auditorium; grand opera singers, comedians and Boston Symphony orchestra on the bandstand; great London Punch and Judy show for the children and a startling open-air attraction, "leaping-the-gap" by La Belle Hurley. Everyone will be at the Oaks tonight and tomorrow. Special days are becoming a feature and Indian day is June 5.

Are you looking for a nice place to live with a refined family, where you can enjoy home cooking? Such a place as this is advertised in today's Journal in the "Room and Board" classification.

Moss may be removed from a shingle roof by scattering unslaked lime above it so that rain will carry the lime into the moss.

Oaks Rink, now skating; big crowds.

ANDERSON ACQUITTED OF SLAYING BARNES AT CANYON CITY, OR.

Second Trial Frees Man Who Removed Pioneer Lawyer of Eastern Oregon.

(Special to The Journal.)

Canyon City, Or., May 29.—George Anderson, who shot and killed George W. Barnes on the streets of Canyon City last June, was acquitted before a jury here this morning, the jury being out 29 hours and standing five for conviction until the last few hours.

The case was tried last November when the jury disagreed. This verdict was somewhat of a surprise.

The killing of Barnes by Anderson was the outcome of a long series of litigation. On the day of the killing the men met in Canyon City and engaged in several quarrels. Both were drinking. Barnes finally got into an automobile preparatory to leaving town. Some one called to him in the machine and he got out, and seeing Anderson on the street advanced to him and assumed a threatening attitude. Barnes then assaulted Anderson. Anderson retreated for a distance of 30 feet. Barnes followed and Anderson pulled a gun, firing three shots. Barnes fell in his tracks dead.

There were many eye witnesses to the tragedy, as it occurred in the afternoon with many people on the street.

George W. Barnes was a pioneer attorney of eastern Oregon, and lived a great many years in the Prineville country. He was known as a fearless man, and although never being mixed in any trouble, was prominent in the affairs of Prineville during vigilante days. He was survived by several children.

METERMAN BEFORE THE GRAND JURY; ASKS INVESTIGATION

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as a result of the investigation and it is not improbable that the spot light will be switched on the heads of the water department ere its conclusion. Not the least of these developments may be the resignations of Superintendent Frank T. Dodge and Chief Engineer D. D. Clarke of the water department.

At the outset of the present administration rumors were rife that both Dodge and Clarke would be dismissed. It is known that the former tendered his resignation to Mayor Rushlight and that at least one member of the water board did likewise. The mayor refused, however, to accept the resignations, as, it is said, he desired the present officials at the head of the department to remain until after the controversies over the new reservoirs and the Bull Run pipe line should be finally adjusted. The reservoir controversy is now in the courts and the water board has refused to settle with the contractors for the pipe line on the basis of the contractor's demands. The reorganization of the entire department has been ordered by the board, following a report of experts which shows that hundreds of thousands of dollars may have been wasted by the department in the past decade on account of mismanagement and carelessness, and in at least one instance, outright dishonesty.

May Bring About War.

Mayor Rushlight and Water Commissioner Frank W. Winn are disposed to hold the superintendent and chief engineer responsible for the lax system that has permitted these abuses. It is said, however, that a majority of the water board are unwilling to see Superintendent Dodge and Engineer Clarke leave the service. But the Murphy investigation may bring about open war between the mayor and certain members of the board and the resignations of at least two members of the board may be also expected if Dodge and Clarke are ousted.

Another interesting phase of the situation disclosed since the reinstatement of Murphy by the civil service commission is that the city attorney and the commission hold conflicting opinions as to the interpretation of the civil service amendment of 1909.

After the special committee of the water board had given Murphy a hearing he was dismissed "for the improvement of the public service." City Attorney Grant said today that, in his opinion, the charge was sufficiently specific, since the facts in the case had been threshed out at the hearing.

Says Charges Sufficient.

But the civil service commission took a directly opposite view. The members of the commission, by a vote of two to one, reinstated Murphy, on the ground that the charges made against him did not specify for what reason his dismissal would improve the public service.

Previous to taking this action the commission had asked the city attorney for an opinion on the case. In response to this request, City Attorney Grant submitted a lengthy brief. He says this clearly showed that the charges against Murphy were sufficient.

John P. Logan of the civil service commission says the brief submitted meant nothing at all, so far as he could discover. He, in common with Commissioners A. P. Armstrong and P. L. Willis, holds that a charge to be sufficient must specify why an employe is dismissed for the good of the public service.

"I am tired of having this office made a bonespittle every time a petty quarrel arises in any department," said Mr. Grant today. "The trouble has been that the dismissing authorities act first and consult me afterwards. They then blame the city attorney or his deputies for the failure of the civil service amendment to back them up in removing inefficient or dishonest employes. I may have something to say to the council later on in regard to this subject. I do not believe that it is necessary to have a representative from my office give up valuable time to attend many of these trials."

4 TAX MEASURES MADE READY FOR INITIATIVE BALLOT

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rants and moneys due or to become due from the state, or any county or other municipal subdivision thereof, all stocks and shares in incorporated or unincorporated companies, provided, that this act does not exempt bank stocks, shares and banking capital from assessment and taxation."

Drafted in harmony with the model inheritance tax law as prepared by the National Tax association, the proposed inheritance tax measure is intended to so classify property so there will be no double taxation of it, as between various states, when a similar law is enacted in all other states. And to have this done is the aim of the National Tax association. The state of New York adopted a similar law last year.

The proposed measure imposes a tax when the transfer is by will or by the intestate laws of this state of any intangible property, or of tangible property within the state, from any person dying seized or possessed thereof while a resident of the state; also when the transfer is by will or intestate law, of tangible property within the state, and the decedent was a non-resident of the state at the time of his death.

In the preparation of the bill the committee has aimed at the following: First, a reasonable tax which will provide a fair revenue, second, one that is definitely fixed and easily computed; third, a tax which, if possible, shall be uniform in the different states, especially in the imposition of a tax on intangible personal property when held by estates of non-resident decedents, and thus to avoid double taxation.

Based on Individual Bequests.

The tax is graded as to relationship and progressive as to the amount of the bequest, and is based on the value of each bequest instead of on the total value of the estate. It is levied on the transfer of tangible property having an actual situs within the state, and of tangible property wherever located, following the principle that the intangible personal property of a resident decedent should be taxed at his domicile.

The proposed measure prevents double taxation and gives a proper share of the taxable estate to the state. It follows, where practicable, the phraseology of the New York statute, which has been the subject of many judicial interpretations.

The tax imposed by the act shall be upon the full and true value of the property.

Any property devised or bequeathed to any religious, educational, benevolent or charitable corporation or association shall be exempted from the provisions of the act, providing no officer, member or employe of such organization shall receive any pecuniary profit from its operations.

Estates More Than $5000 Taxed.

This act is not to apply to estate of $5000 or less when such estates are transferred to an immediate relative or to a child to whom the donor has stood in the relationship of a parent for 10 years prior to such transfer. But on estates in excess of $5000 the following rates of taxation are to be charged:

One per cent on amounts in excess of $5000 up to and including $25,000; 1½ per cent from $25,000 to $50,000; 2 per cent from $50,000 to $100,000; 2½ per cent from $100,000 to $200,000; 3 per cent from $200,000 to $400,000; 3½ per cent from $400,000 to $600,000; 4 per cent from $600,000 to $800,000; 4½ per cent from $800,000 to $1,000,000; 5 per cent on any amount in excess of $1,000,000.

When property is transferred to persons or corporations other than those already mentioned, only $1000 is exempted. Above that sum the following rates will apply:

Alien Bequests Pay Higher.

Two per cent from $1000 to $10,000; 3 per cent from $10,000 to $25,000; 4 per cent from $25,000 to $50,000; 5 per cent from $50,000 to $100,000; 6 per cent from $100,000 to $200,000; 7 per cent from $200,000 to $400,000; 8 per cent from $400,000 to $600,000; 9 per cent from $600,000 to $800,000; 10 per cent from $800,000 to $1,000,000; 12 per cent in excess of $1,000,000.

While taxes from these sources, as provided in the proposed measure, will be paid direct to the state treasurer, the duty of collecting such taxes is imposed upon the state board of tax commissioners.

HONOR STUDENTS AT O. A. C. ARE NAMED

(Special to The Journal.)

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., May 29.—Today at convocation, which was entirely in charge of the senior class of the institution, the honor students in the different courses were announced by President Kerr. Those receiving the honors were:

J. P. Green, Twin Falls, Idaho; Morris Knox, Junction, Or., and J. C. Leedy, Sherwood, Or., in agriculture; Koren Lee Davis, Portland; Alice C. Leedy, Sherwood, and Nell Sykes, Salem, in domestic science and art; A. V. Swarthout, Pinckney, Mich., in commerce; E. M. McManus, Burns, Or., in pharmacy; C. K. Hubbard, Dundee, Or., in civil engineering; A. F. Kachlitch, Portland, in mining engineering; F. O. MacMillan, Portland, in electrical engineering; C. R. Thompson, Portland, in mechanical engineering.

Stringent requirements govern the honor awards.

The government of Venezuela has established a national bureau of sanitation.

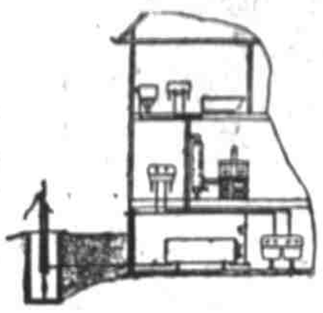
CAPTAIN LORD WILL NOT LOSE COMMAND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Liverpool, May 29.—Emphatic denial of a report from Boston that Captain Lord was to be relieved from command of the liner Californian because his vessel failed to heed distress calls from the Titanic, was made here today by General Manager Roper of the Leyland line.

It was explained by this official that the Californian was at sea under another captain because Captain Lord was compelled to remain in London to testify before the Board of Trade inquiry.

Satisfaction



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CLACKAMAS, OR.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: I am pleased with my water system that you installed. I think more of it every day, and would not take $1000 for it if I were obliged to do without it. Very respectfully yours, W. B. REYNOLDS.

Bank President Indorses Leader Tank

GRESHAM, OREGON

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Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: We wish to say that the Leader Tank which you installed for us a few months ago is giving perfect satisfaction. We had you install this tank after we had tried for six months to use a tank of another make without success. The Leader Tank has the appearance of a well-built tank. Your truly,

A. MEYERS, Pres.

A. E. Ledbury Is Pleased With His Plant

CLEONE, OREGON

CLEONE, OR., May 21, 1912.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co.—

Gentlemen: I have had the Leader Water System through a Summer and Winter, and am very much pleased with it. Would not be without it for anything. There is no drying or freezing up with this system. When you wish a force of water you can have it with the Mitchell Leader System. I live out adjoining Park Rose, 10 minutes' walk from the end of the carline. You are welcome to come out and take some pictures of my place, and if the pictures prove good I will buy them of you. Your truly, A. E. LEDBURY.

John T. Moe Says System Gives Excellent Satisfaction

PORTLAND, OREGON

PORTLAND, Route 1.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: I purchased from you last Spring a Mitchell Leader Water System, and wish to state that it has given excellent satisfaction. Can recommend it very highly. Yours very truly, JOHN T. MOE.

Vancouver Man O. K.'s the Mitchell-Leader

VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

VERY MUCH PLEASED WITH THE SYSTEM

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 16, 1912.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: I am very well pleased with my water system. Could not get along without it. Have water in the barn, woodshed, garden and in the house. The engine works very nicely. I have no pictures of my house, but will send them if I get them soon. I have also received the last pipe you sent. It was in good condition. Yours very truly, J. E. O'FLAHERTY, Route 6.

J. L. Kruse Says "Make No Mistake," Buy a Leader

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: Yours of the 29th received and contents noted. In regards to the Mitchell-Leader Water System, will say that it is fully up to our expectations, and will recommend it to all persons who are wanting a system of that kind. They will make no mistake in having one installed, for they furnish a good water supply, and then there is no trouble about having plenty of water in a dry season like the one just passed. Hoping this will be satisfactory, I am,

Yours respectfully, J. L. KRUSE.

"Should Be in Every Home" —H. J. Potter

RIDGEFIELD, WASHINGTON

RIDGEFIELD, Wash, May 16, 1912.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co.—

Dear Sirs: The Leader Water System you installed for me is entirely satisfactory in every way. It is convenient and is an economical system, which should be in every home. Yours very respectfully, H. J. POTTER.

George H. Bickford Likes His System

BORING, OREGON

BORING, Or., May 17, 1912.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: Perhaps you can use a letter from me in regard to your Mitchell-Leader Water System. I feel that I can write very approvingly of your outfit. My barn is 100 feet from the house, the bathroom is on the second floor, tank in the basement; well is about 26 feet deep, in which I have a Myers ratchet pump. I can put plenty of water to these places with no less labor than a good many pumps do ordinary pumping. I can recommend this air-pressure water system to anyone. It is advisable to install an engine where a large quantity of water is needed. Hoping this proves a welcome line, I am, respectfully, GEO. H. BICKFORD.

"Entirely Satisfactory" —A. Barnes

COVELL STATION

GIVING ENTIRE SATISFACTION

COVELL STATION, Oct. 7, 1910.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: The Mitchell-Leader Water System installed by your firm a short time ago is giving me entire satisfaction, and I shall be pleased to recommend its use whenever opportunity may arise. Yours very truly, A. BARNES, Box 173, Route 1, Milwaukie, Or.

"Cool Water for All Purposes" —W. H. Edwards

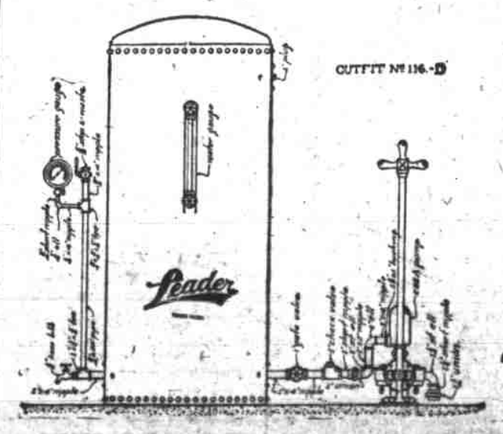
LAKEWOOD STATION

MILWAUKIE, Or., May 14, 1912.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., Portland, Or.—

Gentlemen: I am more than pleased with the Leader System you installed for me. We have cool drinking water at all times, and are able to enjoy the conveniences of the bath, washroom and other sanitary water fixtures. The system needs no attention, other than an occasional oiling, and automatically keeps a good pressure at all times, at little cost. Yours very truly, W. H. EDWARDS.

Your Home Will Never Be Complete Without Water Under Pressure



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