

CONTEMPT CHARGE AGAINST 2 EDITORS AND A COUNCILMAN

Criticism of Referee Cleland and Wakefield & Co. Basis of Action Against Maguire, Sawyer and Dana Sleeth.

Contempt of court proceedings were started yesterday in the circuit court against Councilman James Maguire, Edmond O. Sawyer, editor of the Daily News, and Dana Sleeth, a special writer for the paper. The complaint was filed in behalf of Robert Wakefield & Co. Judge Kavanaugh agreed this morning to take the matter up at 3 o'clock this afternoon, when he will determine whether to issue warrants for the arrest of the three men, citing them to appear and show cause why they should not be punished for contempt.

The complaint is the outgrowth of criticism of the Wakefield company and former Judge John B. Cleland. The latter is sitting as referee in the case of the company against the city to recover \$408,000 for building the Mt. Tabor reservoirs.

Councilman Maguire is taken to task for introducing and speaking in favor of a resolution before the city council, calling for the appointment of a committee to find out who is responsible for the appointment of Judge Cleland as referee.

The editor and special writer are complained against for articles appearing in the Daily News. These articles are alleged to have reflected upon the Wakefield company and Referee Cleland. Each of the three defendants is accused of intimidating the court.

Attorneys Thomas Mannix, E. E. Covert and the firm of Wilbur, Spencer & Dibble appear for the Wakefield company in the civil suit and the criminal contempt suit. The contempt action is brought in relation to the state, therefore must have the signature of District Attorney Cameron. That official had not signed the complaint at noon, but his signature was promised for this afternoon.

In the complaint against Councilman Maguire, C. F. Swigert makes an affidavit which sets forth that the Wakefield case is on trial before Judge Cleland. Swigert recites that at a council meeting August 18 Councilman Maguire introduced a resolution, and in the course of his remarks upon its adoption accused the Wakefield company of wrongful methods in obtaining the appointment of Judge Cleland as referee.

"This outfit (meaning the company) which is bringing this case against the city is the rottenest aggregation of grafters in the county," is one expression Swigert uses in the contempt action. "Being a dirty ring," is another alleged statement objected to. "Wakefield is notorious for just such schemes," and "this is not the first time by any means that he has been connected with such a proposition" are other statements credited to the councilman. Each statement and insinuation is declared false by Swigert.

Editor Sawyer is accused of using articles in the Daily News on July 12 and July 26. The articles are set forth in the affidavit of Swigert, who declares them false, malicious and made with the intent to impede the progress of justice in the case. The articles, as well as the statements of Councilman Maguire, are further declared by the plaintiffs to intend to cast aspersions on the court and inflame public opinion against the plaintiff company.

Man Gored by Bull; Seriously Injured
William Scott a killer employed by the Union Meat company was gored and perhaps fatally injured this morning by a huge bull which he was about to slaughter, when the animal swung on him and one of its horns struck the man in the head. He was rushed to St. Vincent's hospital in the Red Cross ambulance where he is unconscious and where it is feared he may not survive. Scott lives at Kenton and has a family.

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HARRIMAN LINE HEAD WILL ARRIVE SUNDAY

Judge Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the executive committee of the Harriman system, will arrive in Portland next Sunday evening to remain in this part of the state possibly a whole week.

It is now more than a year since Judge Lovett was in Portland, his intended visit here last spring having been canceled on account of matters coming up in New York that required his personal attention when he was in San Francisco planning to extend his Pacific coast visit to Oregon.

Since his last visit here the Harriman system has begun work on several important projects, particularly the east and west line from Vancouver, British Columbia, to the coast, and the construction of a line from Eugene to Coos Bay. Judge Lovett will, in all probability, make an extended tour of the Willamette valley and western Oregon, although the only information received here so far is to the effect that he will arrive at the Union depot Sunday evening with the intention of spending a week or more in and about Portland.

MURDERER OF CHILD IS UNCAUGHT; REWARD BIG

(Special to The Journal.) Eugene, Or., Aug. 23.—Officers here have reached nothing new today in the search for the murderer of Mildred Green. Citizens have raised practically \$1500 as a reward for his capture, which, together with \$1000 offered by the county court, makes a total of \$2500 offered here. The negroes arrested at Roseburg and Medford have not yet been brought to Eugene.

A man answering the description of the murderer of the child, Mildred Green, boarded a Broadway car yesterday morning. Patrolman Pender saw him, but let him get away. The police last night were asked by the Eugene officials to look for a man about five feet four inches tall, about 40 years of age, with red face and light curly hair, who together with \$1000 offered by the county court, makes a total of \$2500 offered here. The negroes arrested at Roseburg and Medford have not yet been brought to Eugene.

PAPER MILL WORKMAN DEAD FROM INJURIES

Oregon City, Or., Aug. 23.—Walter E. Yoder died at the Oregon City hospital Thursday from injuries received about two weeks ago at the Willamette Pulp & Paper company's mill. Yoder was burned on the chest by a hot brass cylinder. Blood poisoning set in and he was removed to the hospital. The deceased is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Yoder of Oregon City; four sisters, Mrs. J. Morris of Rock Island, Ill.; Mrs. C. F. Antonson of Portland; Mrs. E. J. McNeel of Portland; and four brothers, Levi D. Yoder of British Columbia; Fred and Robert Yoder of Oregon City, and Harold Yoder of Spokane, Wash.

SILVER TROPHY FOR COMMUNITY EXHIBIT

F. W. Graham, industrial and immigration agent for the Great Northern railway, today notified G. E. A. Bond, secretary-manager of the Pacific Northwest Land Products show, that he has received a letter from General Immigration Agent E. C. Leedy of the Great Northern that L. W. Hill, chairman of the Great Northern executive board, is immensely interested in making the forthcoming show a grand success and that he will offer a \$50 silver trophy for the best community exhibit of agricultural and horticultural products. In addition to this trophy, Mr. Hill will give 100 first and second prize ribbons for individual awards at the show.

PLAYER PIANOS, TOO

Everybody knows that Player Pianos—good ones—always bring \$550, \$650 and as high as \$1000 for the finest and most elaborate designs. In this Closing-Out Sale we are offering the very finest \$650, \$700 and \$800 Player Pianos—the very latest 88-note instruments, with the newest improvements, for \$477, \$563 and \$530. The regular \$525 Player Pianos are now marked \$319 and some are marked as low as \$297.

PRICES IN PLAIN FIGURES

Again we say—and most emphatically—that prices have never been so low on highest grade dependable pianos as will be found in this bona fide Closing-Out Sale. Remember, each and every instrument is fully and unconditionally warranted. We guarantee the quality and we guarantee the price. You take no chances whatsoever. "Money Back" if not exactly as represented and satisfactory after delivery. Payments of \$15, \$20 or \$25 down, and at the rate of \$5, \$8 or \$10 a month can be arranged.

EVERYTHING MUST GO

Store and office fixtures, typewriters, desks, safes, rugs, carpets, shelving, cases, oil paintings, everything is for sale, and delivery right after sale closes. Make us a bid. Open day and night until everything is disposed of. Reed-French Piano Mfg. Co., established since 1906. Sixth and Burnside streets (Commonwealth Building).

ROBERTS' DECK SAVED BY 11TH HOUR REPRIEVE

(Herald Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Aug. 23.—At 11 o'clock today, exactly 60 minutes before the hour set for the execution of H. E. Roberts, sentenced to be hanged at 12 o'clock for the murder of Donald Stewart, Governor West announced a reprieve until Friday, December 13. The governor said the reprieve was granted because the abolition of capital punishment is being submitted to a vote of the people at the November election.

Roberts is the fourth condemned murderer whose reprieve expires on the fatal day, in December. These do not include the two Humphreys brothers, convicted of the Griffith murder, whose case is still in the courts.

Roberts, an ex-convict, endeavored to hold up an automobile party for the purpose of robbery. He killed Stewart outright and wounded one of the other occupants.

BRIDEGROOM LAYS HIS ARREST TO JOKE'S

R. S. Young, a bridegroom of two months, who formerly was in the automobile business at Medford, Or., was arrested last night by Detective Hoyle, on a warrant from Medford, charging him with fraud. He is alleged to have mortgaged a rented house to a loan agent for \$50, to have stolen two valuable dogs, and is charged with obtaining a talking machine and a motorcycle on false pretenses. Young has been in Portland a month, leaving Medford shortly after his marriage to Miss Josie Talent, a prominent girl of that city. He is now being held pending the arrival of officers from the southern Oregon city.

The young man claims that he knows of nothing to cause the arrest, but lays it to practical joke's. He stated that some time ago, when a friend got married, he was tied in a bear cage of a circus, and paraded through the city. He now believes that the friend caused his arrest in a spirit of revenge.

GRAND JURY CONSIDERS BAKER ASSAULT CASE

The Adam Baker case was taken before the grand jury this morning. Oscar Carlin, Charles Chittenden, Harry Carlin and Robert Burns are held for Baker's death, which was caused by a beating the quartet gave him at Second and Yamhill streets, three weeks ago. Detective Heilger and Howell were before the jury, relating how the four young men met and assaulted Baker. They also submitted the confessions of the arrested men.

Witnesses held by the police in raids made last night against disorderly houses were also taken before the jury. Charges in the municipal court against the men and women arrested are held in abeyance until the grand jury acts. The consideration of these cases is the only work the grand jury has done along moral lines.

STRANGER COMMITS SUICIDE BY SHOOTING

Leaving a note paying a tribute to his mother and saying that she would know why he did not care to live longer, George W. Potts, aged 37, yesterday morning committed suicide in a room at the Butte rooming house, 125 1/2 North Sixth street, by shooting himself through the heart. The body was not discovered until late yesterday afternoon when the landlady entered the room. Potts was not known to her, as he had not rented the room, but had come there unannounced to her. The note was addressed to Mrs. J. D. Potts, Main Street, county, Wash. The young man had been employed as a laborer at one of Twoby Bros.' grading camps.

PASSENGER AGENTS TO BE ENTERTAINED

The Portland Transportation club will have charge of the entertainment of the 200 or more general passenger agents who will arrive in Portland, Monday, September 16, on their way home from the annual convention to be held in Seattle September 13 and 14. The party will arrive at 2:30 in the afternoon and will meet at the depot by a committee with automobiles and taken for a ride about the city. The committee will represent other elvite and commercial organizations of the city. After the auto ride the visitors will be guests at a dinner at the Portland Commercial club.

GAIN OF \$730,000 IS SHOWN FOR A WEEK IN BANK CLEARINGS

- Bank clearings for the week ending a noon today show a gain of \$730,000, or 7.7 per cent, over the clearings of the same week one year ago. The figures in detail are: 1911, \$5,452,485.32; 1912, \$10,182,957.62.
- A gain of practically \$1,000,000 was made last week over the clearings of the same date in 1911.

POLICE CONTINUE ACTIVE; MORE ARRESTS ARE MADE

Following the several raids that were made on the disorderly houses in the north end last Wednesday night and yesterday morning, the plain clothes officers who were responsible for the arrests last night made several more detections but all the persons arrested were to be held as witnesses for the grand jury.

Just how far this order to clean up the city will go is not yet known, but Chief Slover declares that the city is to be thoroughly renovated of all such characters. Those arrested last night were Mike Pulas at Fifth and Couch streets; Florence Mattson, Sixth and Couch streets; Harry Starfus, 104 1/2 North Sixth street; Helen Myers, Third and Flanders, and Gertrude Hall, at Park and Burnside streets.

Two of the plain clothes men who were making the rounds last night reported that they met rebuffs at several places where they went to investigate affairs and they consider this an indication that the various places about town are being "tipped off" of all approaching danger. This will be investigated and the leak will be stopped if possible.

Twins Mere Specks.
(United Press Local Wire.) Santa Monica, Cal., Aug. 23.—The smallest twins on record here are thriving in an incubator. They are the son and daughter of Mrs. A. Dominguez and their combined weight is 3 1/2 pounds. Both are well and hungry.

QUAKERS TO SLICE PORTLAND PAPER

Seven Days' Interest, Together With Tax of 3 Per Cent, Will Be Charged.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 23.—Every check, draft and note dated Portland hereafter deposited with any Philadelphia trust company will be taxed 3 per cent of the face value plus seven days' interest at 8 per cent "for collection." This levy must be made now to prevent a clearing through the rigid enforcement of a clearing house rule. To avoid charging and paying these costs the trust companies will open reciprocal accounts with Portland trust companies and collect items direct.

Local bankers ridicule the proposal of Philadelphia trust companies to discount Portland checks and drafts 3 per cent. The proposition to charge seven days' interest on checks and drafts forwarded from Portland is not unreasonable.

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Men's Fall Suits

You owe it to yourself to come in now and see these new Fall Suits we have just put on display. Here are handsomely tailored fabrics from both foreign and home looms—styles to please anyone—the box back, the conservative, the English and the semi-English.

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