

DIGGS GOES TO JAIL IN LIEU OF \$10,000 BAIL; SAYS HE IS INNOCENT

San Francisco, Feb. 2.—Maury I. Diggs, charged with a serious statutory offense against 17-year-old Ida Peering, failed to be ready with bail when his case came up before Judge Judge Crist at 10 a. m. today.

His case was continued until Thursday at the same hour, and he was returned to the city prison, declaring he would have sureties ready to sign his bond later in the day.

Walter Gilligan, jointly accused with him, was also locked up in default of \$10,000 bail, the same figure as that specified for Diggs.

It was in the afternoon that the motion picture was shown. As the man undoubtedly would give testimony of much value to the state Thursday, he said, he probably would ask the dismissal of the charge against him at that time, and it was for this reason that he thought it unnecessary to hold him.

Diggs glanced up quickly as Oppenheim spoke, and his face lost its smile. The judge complied with the prosecutor's request.

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PAYMENTS OF 1913 TAXES COMMENCED

Receipts First Day Aggregate \$6000; Biggest Payment, \$1670.

Receipts of taxes for the first morning of collections were swelled by the payment of \$1570, one half of the taxes assessed against an individual 11-23 interest in the quarter block on the northeast corner of Sixth and Washington streets.

Payments were made by 150 property owners this morning for an aggregate of approximately \$6000, an exceptionally good record for the first morning of collections.

The suit of S. Price against his son, H. L. Price, which was filed in the office of the county clerk last Thursday, was dismissed this morning on the request of the elder Price.

A heroic attempt on the part of John Newman, driver for the Redkey, a runaway team with his one horse delivery wagon, resulted unexpectedly in the death of his own horse.

While the work maintained on the rockpile on Terwilliger boulevard increased the number of hammers of the city, it decreased the amount of personal property of Foreman Williams who had charge of the rock-breaking.

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SLOVER BARS HIMSELF FROM REINSTATEMENT IF INJUNCTION STANDS

Deputy City Attorney Tomlinson Takes Position in Considering Case.

Unless E. A. Slover, discharged police captain, has the restraining order issued by Judge Morrow Saturday afternoon, preventing the municipal civil service board from hearing his appeal, dismissed, he has no chance to get back into the service of the city, according to Deputy City Attorney Tomlinson this morning.

Under the charter, after an employee is discharged by a commissioner, he may within 10 days file an application for an appeal before the civil service board.

By such action, according to Mr. Tomlinson, Slover is out of a job as far as the city is concerned and the only way he can get back into the city is to have the board hear his appeal.

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MANNING PRESENTS HIS GUBERNATORIAL PLATFORM

Democratic Candidate Stands on Record as Former District Attorney.

John Manning, who served seven years as district attorney of Multnomah county, and who is an aspirant for the democratic nomination for governor, standing upon his record as such public official, has announced his platform upon which he intends to make a vigorous campaign.

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DR. WITCOMBE IN RACE FOR REPUBLICAN FAVOR FOR GOVERNOR

Will Place Campaign in the Hands of His Friends Because He Is Busy.

Corvallis, Or., Feb. 2.—Dr. James Witcombe of this city has entered the race for the Republican nomination for governor. This announcement was made here Saturday by Dr. Witcombe after a conference with friends and advisers.

It is the plan of Dr. Witcombe to place his campaign in the hands of his friends. He states that this was one of the conditions under which he accepted the nomination.

Dr. Witcombe's acceptance came in the form of a letter addressed to the signers of a number of petitions which have recently been presented to him. In this letter he said:

"If successful it will be my purpose to become a candidate for the office of governor, I fully realize the great responsibility involved in this position. It is my duty to present to you briefly my views on the most important issues before the voters of this state."

"The most important problem confronting the people of Oregon today is better means of transportation. We need better roads, deeper channels to the sea, and more railroads.

"I stand for rigid enforcement and advocate the repeal of all useless laws. I am heartily in sympathy with the principle that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and every effort should be put forth to harmonize conflicting differences between capital and labor in the interest of the highest industrial achievement.

Dr. Witcombe was born in England and came to this country in 1871 with his parents, three brothers and a sister. He was educated at Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis.

After receiving a verdict for \$5000 against the Portland Railway, Light & Power company on account of the death of her husband, Mrs. Mina Surface began suit against the company for \$4000 on account of injuries she received in the same accident. Surface and his wife were riding on a motorcycle when they collided with a street car on Hawthorne avenue last June.

The first case was tried before Judge Kavanagh in the city. Mrs. Surface attended the trial on a stretcher. Of the damages asked \$1500 is for hospital and surgical expenses. Attorney J. C. Simmons represents Mrs. Surface.

Two Baptist churches and the Patton Home for the Aged were remembered in the will of Mrs. M. Wright who died January 11 at the age of 84 years. The will was filed for probate this morning by Attorney Stapleton & Sleight.

The Oregon Agricultural college also club, 25 strong, will arrive in Portland tomorrow night for the college concert here Wednesday. The quartet will sing at Jefferson high school and at the same time at the Washington high school at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

An order for payment of \$12.25 to Mrs. J. L. Morris, whose husband is serving nine months on the rockpile for nonpayment, was signed by the county commissioner this morning. Morris was sentenced January 26. She is eligible to draw \$1.75 a day for herself and three children.

Articles of incorporation of two contracting firms, the Guthrie-McDougal company, capitalized at \$50,000, and the Butler Contracting company, capitalized at \$100,000, were filed with County Clerk Coffey this morning.

HARWOOD'S FATHER STARTS TO RESCUE

Outfits Party to Hunt for Son, Supposed to Be Prisoner in Mexico.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 2.—Benjamin Harwood, wealthy rancher of Marysville and father of Robert W. Harwood, the newspaper man who dropped mysteriously from sight following his arrest as a spy at Tijuana last Wednesday by Mexican federal soldiers, who marched him into the mountains in the direction of Ensenada, left today with a party of friends for San Diego. He proposes to hire a machine, and, with guards, traverse the trail taken by his son, in the hope of finding him.

Harwood's father, who is believed to be in Mexico, is reported to have been rescued through official channels to save young Harwood.

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DEDICATING ARMORY TODAY AT ASHLAND

Governor West, His Staff and Coast Artillery Band Attend Function.

Asheville, Or., Feb. 2.—Governor West and staff and the Coast Artillery Reserve band of Portland arrived here today to dedicate the new guard armory. The visitors were met by the flag company and the Grand Army of the Republic at the depot and escorted to the armory.

The dedication services are being held this afternoon and will be followed by guard music, a band concert and a grand military ball this evening.

Constable Andy Weinberger requested the county commissioners to appoint W. P. J. J. deputy constable for three months at a salary of \$100 a month to work under the Portland Hygiene commission in an effort to rid the city of quack doctors.

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