

LAWYER MAY REQUEST GRAND JURY INQUIRY INTO LOAN METHODS

Woman Testifies Furniture Replevied After Face of Note Had Been Paid.

DEFENDANT WINS CASE

Judge Dayton Decides Case in Favor of Defendant and Allowed Her Costs.

Characterizing a replevin suit brought by George Harvey, 755 Rodney avenue, as a "shameless exploitation of one in temporary distress," Attorney Bradley A. Ewers, in District Judge Dayton's court today, declared he would take the matter of alleged usurious practices to the district attorney in an effort to secure an investigation by the present grand jury of alleged loan shark methods.

He was defending Mrs. Schlottbauer, who on the stand testified that she had given a chattel mortgage on her furniture for what she thought was a \$50 loan, at 10 per cent per annum, from Irving W. Kessenthal, manager of the Elby company in the Lumber Exchange building.

In securing the money she said she had been charged a fee of \$5, and that \$15 of this was retained by Kessenthal as a "commission" for acting as "broker" and securing the loan from Harvey. The \$5 fee which was signed by Harvey, was held fast down on the table, she testified, and she was told to endorse it. This she did, believing it was for \$50. She said she thought she was doing business with the Elby company and did not know Harvey was interested. The only time she saw Harvey was when he came to her home and looked over the furniture to see whether it was good security. For this she said she gave him \$100, as he told her, something that Harvey denied.

This was in January of 1913. Since then she said she had paid back the original loan of \$50, but failed to get interest, and a replevin suit to secure the furniture was brought to enable mortgage foreclosure proceedings later. In the complaint Harvey alleges the furniture is worth about \$37.50. Mrs. Schlottbauer declares it cost her more than \$400 and represents savings of several years of her husband's salary.

Without leaving his chair, Judge Dayton decided in favor of the defendant and allowed her costs in addition. Harvey's attorneys filed notice of appeal.

Stewardship Topic Conference Speaker

Dr. Kendall of Ohio Makes Principal Address at the Meeting of United Brethren Churches Today.

"Christian Stewardship" was the topic upon which Dr. J. F. Kendall of Dayton, Ohio, the principal speaker for the conference of United Brethren churches of western Oregon and Washington, spoke this morning at the United Brethren church at East Fifteenth and Morrison streets.

Dr. Kendall pointed out the proper spirit with which the church must be supported and the proper responsibility for the financial support of the church which rested on the communicant. His address was eagerly listened to by the visitors.

This afternoon the Christian Endeavor delegates with E. F. Dork, the president in charge, will have charge of the conference. Their accomplishments for the year will be taken up and plans for the coming year discussed. Tonight and each night the speakers will be the special choir under the direction of Professor P. P. Billhorn will sing.

Close to Vote on Tolls in Senate

Poll Taken by Three Senators Shows That Repeal is Favored by a Majority of Nine at the Least.

Washington, June 2.—A vote in the senate on the resolution providing for the repeal of the toll exemption clause of the Panama canal act will be taken this week or early next week.

A poll of the senate made by Senators Lodge, Simmons and Keen showed that 52 members favor the repeal of the exemption clause. They declared the poll did not include any of the senators on the doubtful list, but will give the resolution a majority of nine, though a much larger majority is expected.

Beginning tomorrow the senate committee expects to press a demand for a vote.

GRAND LARCENY CHARGED

A man giving the name of Dr. Charles A. Pryor was arrested here today on telegraphic warrant received by the police from San Francisco. Aside from giving the bare charge, no explanation of nature of the crime with which the man is charged was furnished. Pryor, who appears to be a man of some standing, judging by his dress and actions, was arrested by a detective when he appeared at the postoffice and inquired for his mail.

Mrs. Edith Hawley Adjudged Insane

Unfortunate Woman Who Attempted to Poison Family With Candy Will Be Committed to Asylum Tomorrow.

Following an examination conducted by Dr. S. E. Joseph, for the county, Mrs. Edith Hawley, who was arrested in March for sending poisoned candy by mail to her three stepchildren and her own baby, was adjudged insane and tomorrow will be committed to the state asylum at Salem by Judge Cleaton.

The findings today are in harmony with a report made by Drs. House and Williamson who examined her for the government. Mrs. Hawley was turned over to District Attorney Evans yesterday by United States Attorney Reames. A suit for forces which she instituted against her husband, Robert H. Hawley, an employee of the Central Door & Sash company, will be dropped.

Mrs. Hawley was arrested March 19 by Detectives Sweetness and Maloney to whom she confessed soon afterward. The woman is 34 years of age and has been married three times. She is now confined in the county jail.

Pleads Cause Before State Supreme Court

Deputy District Attorney Maguire Argues in Wilkins Murder and Von Klein Bigamy Cases.

Deputy District Attorney Maguire is in Salem today where he is representing the state in connection with the arguments on the appeals of Lloyd Wilkins, charged with murder, and E. E. C. Von Klein, bigamist, now before the supreme court.

Wilkins is under sentence of death for killing Lou Winters last October in front of his home.

Von Klein is under sentence of from one to four years in the penitentiary for bigamy. He had two wives, one in San Francisco under the name of George B. Lewis when he had another wife living in Minneapolis. He came to Portland a few days after the marriage and deserted Miss Newcomb.

TRAINMEN WILL VOTE ON GREAT WALKOUT ON WESTERN ROADS

Negotiations Between General Managers of Lines and Men Fail.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Ill., June 2.—All negotiations between the railroad men and general managers representing 98 railroads west of Chicago were off today and the question of whether the trainmen, including engineers and firemen, will join in a monster walkout was submitted to the employees by Grand Chief Stone of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and President Carter of the Firemen's brotherhood. It will require at least a month to complete the vote.

The trainmen demanded increased pay, reduced hours and higher overtime wages. The general managers asserted present conditions did not warrant such demands, and that if they were met the payrolls of the railroads would be increased \$33,000,000 annually.

The affected lines include the Illinois Central and all Canadian lines west of Port William except the Grand Trunk Pacific. If a strike is ordered it will affect workers on 14,000 miles of railroads, receiving more than \$69,000,000 annually in wages.

Home Figuratively Built by Rotarians

Program Develops That Club Has Members in Position to Construct Rotary House on Columbia Highway.

The model home expertly built and furnished was figuratively constructed before the Rotary club today by members who are in the business of architecture, engineering, contracting, building materials and fire and liability insurance. It was found as a result of the program that the club has in its membership those who are in position to supply everything needed in a "Rotary House" on the Columbia highway.

The meeting was made occasion for announcing that a movement will be set on foot to build a Rotary house near the city as a week-end resort for the members. George D. Lee acted as advertising manager of the program, and D. L. Williams, the supervising architect.

County Clerk Coffey completed the official canvass this morning of the votes on names written in for state offices on the Democratic ticket. The figures show that W. L. Page is the Democratic nominee for state senator from the thirteenth senatorial district. R. P. Hill is the Democratic nominee for the fourteenth senatorial district. A resolution voting the nomination for joint representative from the seventeenth representative district.

With four candidates for the legislature from the eighteenth district on the ballot, the following complete list of 12 needed to make a full ticket: John Gill, P. S. Seelye, Frank Schlegel, E. R. Lumborg, Ben. Selving, Dr. C. Lewis, Ed White and J. M. Yates. These eight leading the candidates whose names were written in.

Selling, Gil and Lewis are also Republican nominees.

JUNE 12 TO BE HOLIDAY

Friday, June 12, the last day of the Rose Festival, will be observed as a holiday, it was announced this morning by Mayor Eugene. The city executive said he would issue a proclamation later in the week calling upon citizens to observe the date by laying aside all business. Governor West has agreed to make a state wide proclamation for the same day.

FIRST MANUFACTURER OF CEREAL FOOD IN NORTHWEST IS DEAD

John Milne in Early Days Found Oregon Grain to His Liking.

MILNE'S STILL STANDING

Too Active, Insured in Portland After Death of His Brother.

Hillsboro, Or., June 2.—John Milne, pioneer miller and the first manufacturer of cereals in the northwest, died at midnight Sunday at his home in Hillsboro. He was 82 years old and had been in failing health several months. In 1910 he returned from a journey around the world, on which he was accompanied by his daughter, and which included visits to New Zealand and Australia. Since then his health had gradually failed.

Mr. Milne came to America in 1857 and for a time operated a mill at Ingersoll, Ontario. In 1868 he went to Australia and later to Tasmania, where he operated a mill for 18 months, but business conditions being unsatisfactory he came to the United States, landing at San Francisco. It was his intention to establish his business in California, but standards of the state were too high for him.

He investigated further and found in Oregon what he always asserted to be the best wheat grown. It required more than six months to assemble the necessary machinery, and Mr. Milne was always proud of the fact that he made everything except the burrs with his own hands.

The first began operations in 1870 and the first oat meal made in the northwest was manufactured. The project was an immediate success and it was soon necessary to enlarge the plant, machinery for the purpose being brought from Scotland. At the same time facilities were added for the manufacture of flour and bran. Mr. Milne embarked on extensive operations in buying and selling grain, which laid the foundation for his large fortune. He was associated with the leaders in the development of Portland and prior to his retirement was a well known figure in the big business of the state.

A feature in connection with his retirement from business was that the mill which he established and operated was not sold, but was merely closed. It still contains the machinery and has never been dismantled. The building stands adjacent to the Southern Pacific tracks and is a landmark.

John Milne was born May 24, 1832, in Banffshire, Scotland. His wife was Margaret Linklater, a sister of Dr. S. T. Linklater, whose death by accident attracted attention recently. Mr. Milne died in 1901, and he is survived by three children—John Jr., Jacob and Mrs. Elizabeth Ireland, wife of Willis Ireland, cashier of the Hillsboro Commercial bank. The funeral is being held from the residence this afternoon, with interment in the cemetery of the Tualatin Plains Presbyterian church.

LANDSLIDE COVERS TRACK

Loosened by a cloudburst in the Deschutes canyon, a great slide of earth last night swept down the slope near McLennons and covered 180 feet of track operated by the O-V. R. & N. company to a depth of four feet. Trains were derailed from Celilo to North Junction over the Oregon Trunk. McLennons is about 60 miles south of Celilo. It was announced that local headquarters today that the slide had been cleared away at 8 o'clock this morning.

ROBBERS GET \$2500

Mahomet, Ill., June 2.—Speeding into Mahomet in an automobile early today, four robbers stood guard over Bussey's bank, a private institution, while they dismantled the vault. They escaped with \$2500.

BRIEF NEWS OF NORTHWEST

Fire in Medford Bakery. Medford, Or., June 2.—Fire at 2:30 this morning scorched the Blaine Klum paint shop and burned the Jorgensen bakery on North Central avenue, causing damage estimated at \$2500, covered by \$1200 insurance. The origin is believed to have been in the bake ovens. The fire for a time threatened a serious conflagration in the business district. A general alarm was turned in, and in an hour the fire was under control.

Had Judge's Revolver. Pendleton, Or., June 2.—After outwitting the police for two days, during which he was alleged to have snatched purses, robbed houses, bagged and peddled, a man giving the name of John Shultz, was arrested last night on his way to attend his son's wedding in Madrid and on his return trip to the United States. The "white permit" is issued only to visiting rulers, former rulers and members of royal families. It authorizes the bearer to pass police lines at all times.

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Villa Gives Credit for Victory to Men

Announces His Name Must Not Be Used in Any Controversy Designed to Add to Discord in His Country.

Torreon, June 2.—Serving notice on his countrymen that he had no personal ambitions in connection with Mexico's future and would not permit himself to be used as a chess piece in the controversy calculated to prolong its troubles, General Villa issued today a proclamation giving full credit to the rank and file of his army for all the victories they have won under his command.

"I solemnly declare," said the proclamation, "that I have no other ambition than the success of our revolution nor more interest than that of contributing to the establishment of a democratic, just government, deriving its strength from the people and not from the sword and the bayonet of the country."

Music Teachers to Meet Here Monday

Sixth Annual Convention Is Expected to Draw Many Visitors From All Parts of Northwest.

The printed program for the sixth annual convention of the Northwest Music Teachers' association, to be held here June 8, 9 and 10, was issued this morning.

The convention will open with an organ recital at Columbia theatre by Lucien E. Becker, at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning. At 10:30 o'clock the first business session will convene in Ellers Hotel, where a number of papers will be read by music teachers from various parts of the states represented.

At 12:30 o'clock the visitors will attend luncheon at the Portland hotel under the auspices of the Musicians' club of Portland. At 2 o'clock the teachers will return to Ellers hall to hear papers and musical demonstrations. At 4 o'clock a reception will be held at Multnomah hotel by the Coterie Musical club. Monday evening a concert will be given in the Lincoln High school.

Tuesday morning Frederick W. Goodrich will give an organ recital at Columbia theatre, and Tuesday afternoon the Portland high school orchestra will give a concert at the Multnomah hotel, while during the intervening hours more papers will be read in Ellers hall.

Tuesday night a big banquet will be the feature at the Multnomah hotel. Wednesday morning Elias Blum of Walla Walla will give an organ recital at Columbia theatre.

Woman Arrested at Instance of Lover

Timber Worker Charges Girl Obtained Money From Him; She Declares the Amount to Be a Loan.

Pearl Elliott, formerly of Roseburg, was arrested at the Union depot yesterday on a complaint of Oscar Peterson, a timber worker, who charged the young woman with obtaining \$750 from him in view of their engagement to marry. The municipal court this morning the girl said the money was a loan, and arranged to refund \$480 and sign a note of \$300. This satisfied Peterson, thereby settling the matter.

Peterson said the Elliott woman was working in the Silver rail last January, when he became acquainted with her. She told him of her need of money, upon the strength of which he gave her \$300. Part of this money was used to pay her attorney for getting a divorce, which was granted recently. Later he loaned her more money, but yesterday became suspicious that she was going to leave the city.

Strikers Burn Town in Sicilian Fight

Railroad Torn Up and Wire Communication Out; Government Sends Troops to Aid Carbineers Force.

Nice, France, June 2.—Reports are current here today of small civil war between troops of striking sulphur miners at Porto Empedocle, Sicily.

The Italian censorship did not permit news of the situation to get out, but it was known that much of the town had been burned, the railroad torn up and wire communication severed.

The local authorities tried and failed to cope with the outbreak. Then a strong force of carbineers, or rural police, was sent. Evidently the strikers still had the better of the fighting, for finally the government dispatched troops.

According to some accounts there was considerable loss of life.

Lovett Protests Anti-Trust Bills

Washington, June 2.—Judge Lovett of the United Pacific and General Counsel A. E. Thomas of the Southern Pacific, witnesses before the senate commerce committee, protested vigorously today against the railroad provisions in the administration's anti-trust bills.

Clements was also a witness before the committee. The committee members offered little hope of an early report on the bills.

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TELEPHONE COMPANY VOICES DISAPPROVAL OF FIVE-PARTY LINE

Officials Heard by City Commissioners Resist Attempt of Daly to Restore Service.

CRITICISM IS PREDICTED

System Abolished, It Was Stated, Because Unsatisfactory to Patrons; Cheaper Rates Insisted On.

In an endeavor to require the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company to give cheaper service to its patrons, Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, has initiated a movement to require the company to restore its two wire five party service. Opposition to the scheme was voiced by the officials of the telephone company meeting with the city commissioners yesterday afternoon.

When the city first granted the company a franchise the schedule of rates called for a two wire five party service to be supplied at \$1.25 a month. Later this service was discarded and has not been in use for a number of years. Commissioner Daly says that by discarding this service the company has violated provisions of its grant. Now he wants the company to restore the same rate or some service equally as cheap.

Appearing for the company were C. H. Carey, attorney; J. H. Thatcher, general agent; W. J. Phillips, division commercial superintendent; C. H. Moore, district commercial superintendent; J. C. Corcoran, division traffic agent; and W. D. Moore, division superintendent of plant.

Company officials stated that a return to the old two wire five party service would bring all kinds of criticism on the company. They argued that service of that type had long been abolished in most cities as it had proven unsatisfactory to the patrons. According to their statements this service put too many people on the same line and allowed a number of cavedroppers on the line.

In place of the discarded service the company officials explained that it might be possible to supply measured service with a register on the telephone and have patrons pay according to the number of calls.

As it was the consensus of opinion of the council, that some cheaper service should be given, the city council at present it was decided to allow the company until the first Monday in July to work out some plan for a new service. On that date another hearing will be held by the company and the city officials in an endeavor to reach an agreement.

CONFERRING ON FRANCHISE

City and State Officials and Labor Representatives Meet.

With a view to setting aside the franchise of the Portland Gas & Coke company, Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, and Attorney General A. M. Crawford will hold a series of conferences with the legislative committee of the Central Labor Council. The first will commence this afternoon.

The committee from the labor council will be instructed several days ago to prepare and submit for signatures an initiative measure to revoke the franchise of the company. Should the suggestion of Attorney General Crawford regarding court action be accepted the petitions will not be circulated at this time.

WOULD BUILD LARGE TANK

Gas Company Negotiates for Site on Clinton Street.

Unable to get a permit from the city council for the erection of a gas tank at East Twelfth and Clinton streets, the Portland Gas & Coke company has negotiated for property on Clinton street near East Eleventh just south of the Ford factory, and is now seeking permission from the city to build a large holder.

The permit for the use of property at East Twelfth and Clinton streets, which had been given to the company by adjoining property owners. The new site is 250 feet from the nearest residence.

"White Permit" Is Prepared for T. R.

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Dog and Burglar Fight in the Dark

Dog's Master Awakes in Morning to Find Animal Insolent in Mailway, Which Is Blood-spattered.

Los Angeles, June 2.—A bulldog and a burglar waged a terrific battle early today in the home of E. W. Kahlhagen, and the burglar, believed to be seriously wounded, escaped after he had beaten the dog into insensibility. The hall where the fight occurred was spattered with blood, and bits of torn flesh and clothing were found on the floor. Furniture was overturned and a window broken.

Kohlhagen and his family slept through the battle. They found the badly injured dog upon rising and took him to an animal hospital.

Fake Mediums Find Rich People Easy

Woman Arrested in San Francisco May Know What Has Become of Millionaire P. Lewis Clark.

San Francisco, June 2.—In custody of Detective Sergeant Bruce, Marie Ellis Allen left San Francisco for Los Angeles today to face a charge alleging the complicity with a ring of fake mediums and blackmailers who, the police say, have been victimizing wealthy men and women of southern California. Y. O. Allen was arrested here last night.

Responsibility for the disappearance of P. Lewis Clark, a Spokane millionaire, from Santa Barbara last February to the ring. It was at first believed Clark had committed suicide but recently Mrs. Clark received a letter saying her husband would be restored to her if \$50,000 be given the writer. A threatening letter, designed to extort money from Earl Nash, a wealthy resident of Santa Monica, is also charged to the ring.

Apprenticeship to Last Only One Year

Industrial Welfare Commission Declines Not to Accept Recommendations of Committee of Employers.

The Industrial Welfare commission at a meeting held this morning decided not to accept the recommendations of the committee of the mercantile employers to reopen the question of increasing the length of apprenticeship for women workers.

The commission had fixed the length of time for apprenticeship at one year, while the recommendation was made that it be increased from 18 months to two years. The meeting was to have been held some time ago, but owing to the absence of Rev. Edwin V. O'Hara, who has been holding of the city, it was not held until today.

A large number of business houses and manufacturing concerns will have to abide by this ruling.

WILLIAMS SENTENCED TWO TO FIVE YEARS IN THE PENITENTIARY

Man Had Obtained Goods From Local Stores by Means of Bad Checks.

Paul Williams, alias Earl Carl, who, with his young wife, secured several hundred dollars' worth of goods from local stores by bad checks and quick changes of clothes in a taxicab, today was given a sentence of from two to five years in the penitentiary. While sentence is in effect his wife was deferred. Sentence was pronounced by Judge Morrow, following Carl's change of plea from not guilty to guilty.

Carl's sentencing is the result of a series of bold attempts on his part to escape justice, and it is said that the sheriff's office is now hot on the trail of some local people who aided the young man to escape from the county jail by having "fitts."

The couple was married at Tacoma. They came to Portland, got acquainted with local department store employees by buying goods and cashing good checks. Then one afternoon they withdrew their bank funds, hired a taxi and started on a grand shopping tour. They would enter a store, buy goods, pay for them with worthless checks and while en route to the next store Mrs. Carl would change her clothes and appear in a new costume so she could not be traced by any description.

With two trunksful of loot, they went to Los Angeles where they were finally arrested and returned to Portland.

In the county jail Carl developed "fitts" and was removed to the county hospital where, one evening, he jumped from the second story and disappeared. It is said he was awaiting him nearby with clothing and an automobile. But he was soon recaptured and will be closely guarded on his way to the state's prison.

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Charged Former Real Estate Operator and Insurance Man Deposited Bad Checks

Salem, Or., June 2.—A. E. Cook, real estate man and cheerian, is being sought today by police officials for alleged wholesale raids on the pockets of various Salem business men. Deputy Sheriff Needham, who stated that a warrant for his arrest was issued, today estimates that he got away with \$500 or \$600 in cash and fine suits, trunks and other pieces of merchandise.

It is alleged that Cook, who has been doing a real estate and insurance business here for the last two years, made his haul last Thursday and Friday and got away Saturday. He is being sought on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. He deposited \$500 checks, drawn on the Colonial Trust & Savings bank of Chicago and bearing the name "Ed Baker," with the Ladd & Bush bank and the United States National bank with which he had been carrying accounts. Then it is alleged he sailed forth and began making purchases and paying standing accounts with checks, which generally were drawn for larger amounts than the exact bill, so he would receive some money in change.

When Cook was sought his house was locked and he and his wife were absent.

Jenny's Jaw Broken.

Washougal, Wash., June 2.—Thomas Jenny of the Fir Grove district has a broken jaw and lost some teeth as the result of an alleged assault with a club by William McCoy, a neighbor. It is charged that the trouble followed a dispute over cattle grazing.

Japanese Steamer Reports.

S. S. Tamba Maru at sea 2 p. m. June 1, 1914 (via Victoria). In latitude 51 degrees north; longitude 134 west; barometer 29.85; temperature 41; wind light; smooth sea. Nagaoya, commander.