

NOTE THE GATES POULTRY DEALERS

Priebe, Food Official, Said to Be Swift Hiring When "L. F. S." Note Found.

Washington, Feb. 2.—(U. P.)—Two memorandums referring to connections of W. F. Priebe, poultry man and member of the food administration, were read at the senate packers' hearing today by Francis J. Heney.

One signed "L. F. S." said: "Priebe's matter shows up rotten. I am ashamed if he got this way and I cannot change over to Swift & Co. or sell out. Think we must—L. F. S."

Priebe is head of the L. F. S. Co., poultry dealers, alleged to be owned by Swift & Co. This was denied, however, by Swift and Herbert Hoover when criticism arose after Priebe was appointed head of the packers' division of the food administration, apparently in answer to the first, was signed "L. A. C." said to be L. A. Carton, treasurer of Swift & Co.

"L. F. S. It is embarrassing—the whole poultry business is. Whether would be less so by changing name to Swift & Co. or by changing name to you and the others and is without conclusion—L. A. C."

Heney said he found the memorandum among his papers last week after Swift had been cross examined before the senate agricultural committee. It apparently got into his papers by accident, Heney said. Senator Gore sharply questioned the propriety of using the memorandum, but it was later read into the record.

"This memorandum was strictly private and confidential," Page objected. "It was obtained by mistake and to take it up is absolutely without justification."

"Then if a burglar takes your tools, you would not be justified in using them to convict?" asked Heney.

Senator Gore said it was a public matter and not solely a private communication.

January's Record of Precipitation Over the Average

Precipitation during the month of January this year was nearly three inches over the average rainfall for the month in previous years.

Rain was recorded on 17 days, but on ten of these the precipitation did not amount to much and the actual percent of sunshine was about 40.

On January 27 a solar halo was noted, and on the eighth a lunar halo was seen. The city had eight days of fog and one thunders storm near Portland on visit January 23.

The total rainfall since September 1, 1918, has been 21.64 inches which is 4.20 inches over the average precipitation for this period.

SENATOR EDDY WILL ASK JOINT MEETING ON RECONSTRUCTION

Bill Outlined Provides Commission and Appropriation of \$250,000.

Salem, Feb. 3.—Senator E. L. Eddy, chairman of the senate reconstruction committee, returned to the legislature today after being confined at home a week with a severe cold.

Up to this time there has been no definite program for reconstruction legislation as the other members of the committee in the senate have been awaiting the return of Senator Eddy.

The bill outlined by Senator Eddy provides for the creation of a commission of five members, to be appointed by the governor. It carries an appropriation of \$250,000.

The duties of the commission will be to purchase suitable land for developing farms for soldiers. The farm will be stocked and developed under the direction of the Oregon Agricultural college.

NEW TRIAL MOTION PLACED IN CASE OF REAL ESTATE FRAUD

Alleges Misconduct in District Attorney's Office and on Part of Juror.

A motion for a new trial for D. A. Hatfield, convicted recently of fraud in a real estate transaction, was filed in the circuit court this morning by Attorneys Garland and Travis.

Misconduct on the part of the district attorney's office in bringing before the jury evidence that had been ruled out by the judge, misconduct on the part of juror Carl Schieve and newly discovered evidence are the grounds offered.

Schieve, it is stated in the motion, denied, when being questioned as to his acquaintanceship with any of the witnesses, that he knew Oscar Gerhauser, the prosecution's star witness, whereas, so it is set forth in the motion, he owed Gerhauser \$800, and during the progress of the trial conspired with and promised to pay Gerhauser.

Schieve, it is alleged further, was partial to the prosecution in his evidence and influenced the other jurors on behalf of the defendant.

Hatfield, it was testified to at the trial before Circuit Judge Tucker, procured the signature of Carl Koch to property on the February 27, 1914, exchange for property in Clarke county, Washington, which it was alleged he did not own.

P. R. L. & P. SUED FOR \$10,000. Man Thrown From Motorcycle Is Liable in Damage Case.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company is defendant in a suit for \$10,000 damages begun before a jury in Circuit Judge Morrow's court this morning.

Andrew Huber, also a motorcyclist, filed a new suit demanding \$9988 from D. L. Veal and Fred Rose, who he alleges, ran him down with an automobile on the Sandy road near Eighty-second street July 14 last.

The steering gear on the automobile was out of order, due to a previous collision, Huber declares.

came from his office or that he had consented to the publication of information regarding it.

"A secret indictment is supposed to be secret," he said, "and how information leaked out I don't know and I don't care. It is none of my business so long as the information does not come from my office."

"In this particular instance," he continued, "no harm was done. The object of keeping an indictment secret is to prevent the fact of the charge being accused and enable him to escape arrest."

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That Ernest P. Smith is possessor of a violent temper is set forth in the divorce complaint of Charlotte M. Smith. They were married in 1903 and have three children, whose custody the mother asks.

Zachariah S. Elliott, captain in the Portland fire department, was made defendant in a suit filed by Ellen A. Elliott, who charges him with cruelty and infidelity. They were married in October, 1913, and have one daughter.

Rachel Williams asks for a decree of divorce from Arthur F. Williams, alleging desertion.

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S. Ball, desertion; J. C. Gates from Ines L. Gates, desertion; Cloe Soderstrom from Grell Soderstrom, cruelty and non-support; Frank H. Smith from Lulu D. Smith, desertion; Ethel Robertson from L. Allen Edly, cruelty; Jane Newton from Martin W. Newton, cruelty; Emma Patten from Charles J. Patten, cruelty; Grace Thomas from R. S. Thomas, cruelty.

Sorensen Demurrer Overruled. The demurrer of N. P. Sorensen, indicted on a charge of having killed Mrs. Minnie Smith by running her down with an automobile at Oak and West Park streets recently, was overruled by Presiding Judge Stapleton Saturday.

Letters of Administration Issued. Letters of administration on the estate of Antonine Piazza, who died December 2, were issued by County Judge Tatwell this morning to Ignazio Piazza, a brother.

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Crosses Seas With Odd Sub Chaser to Make Sale to Dutch

Special Cable to The Journal and the Chicago Daily News. Amsterdam, Holland, Feb. 3.—Captain Nathaniel Rubinkam of 1560 East Sixty-first street, Chicago, has arrived in Rotterdam harbor on board the submarine chaser No. 18 and is offering the vessel for sale in Holland.

That the raw, hoarse throat must be soothed. That phlegm-loaded chest must be loosened. That cough must be choked so you can sleep.

Dr. King's New Discovery has been relieving colds and coughs for half a century without the least disagreeable after-effects.

Your druggist has it because it is well known and in big demand. 60c and \$1.20.

Try this for Constipation. Keep the bowels on schedule time with Dr. King's New Life Pills, the system freed from poison, the complexion clear, the stomach sweet, the tongue uncoated, the breath untainted. Mild yet positive in action.

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Fiance Whose Gift Is Car Freed From Charge of Larceny

A charge of larceny preferred by Mrs. Elsie Fenish against Marie Stitt was not sustained Saturday in the municipal court and Miss Stitt was discharged.

The controversy arose over the possession of an automobile which belonged to the late Alfred Fenish, sister of Mrs. Fenish and the fiance of Miss Stitt.

The young woman testified that Fenish presented her with the car as a gift before he died. The stepmother objected, and when the young woman took the machine from the garage, she filed a charge of larceny.

Judge Rossman declared that the young woman should never have been brought into court on such a charge.

Seat Reservations in Dining Cars Plan. Reservation of seats in dining cars is provided by new rules announced today by officials of the United States Railroad administration.

Tong War Is Not Liable Here, Say Officials of Police

Police officials expressed the opinion this morning that there was no immediate danger of a tong war breaking out in the city even though the Seattle tongs were having trouble.

Precautions were taken Sunday evening to prevent an outbreak, but they were not found necessary when the tongs in Chinatown were opened this morning as usual, which led the police to believe local Chinese leaders do not anticipate trouble.

Reports from Seattle are that the Bing Kung-Bow Leong tong and the Hop Sing tong had trouble over \$600 said to have been stolen in a gambling game at the Bing Kung-Bow Leong tong alleged the rival tong stole the money off the table.

The police are endeavoring to have the difference settled without bloodshed.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED. Salem, Feb. 3.—The following bills were introduced in the house this morning:

H. B. 324, by Sheldon—Providing for Oregon reconstruction commission to investigate reconstruction problems.

H. B. 325, by Sheldon—Providing for special election October 14, 1919, to vote on measures referred by legislative assembly.

H. B. 326, by Sheldon and Ideman—Appropriating \$10,000 to provide appropriate medals for Oregon soldiers and sailors.

H. B. 327, by Sheldon—Appropriating \$125,000 for new cell house unit at state prison.

H. B. 328, by Gordon—Providing for distribution of lands from Interstate bridge.

H. B. 329, by Mrs. Thompson (by request)—Regulating stock running at large.

H. B. 330, by Gordon (by request)—Regulating dairy products.

H. B. 331, by Mrs. Thompson—To protect water of cities and towns from pollution.

H. B. 332, by Schuebel—Limiting amounts received by state institutions to 50 per cent over preceding appropriations.

H. B. 333, by Schuebel—Providing for eight-hour day.

H. B. 334, by Mrs. Thompson—Requiring jurors to be taxpayers as question of competency.

H. B. 335, by Thrift—Relating to uterine cancer.

H. B. 336, by Thrift—Providing for county meat inspectors.

H. B. 337, by Thrift—Providing for payment of indemnity on certain livestock in Coos county.

H. B. 338, by Merryman—Relating to irrigation districts.

H. B. 339, by Woodson—Relating to drainage.

H. B. 340, by Gordon—Limiting time of action to test validity of drainage district.

H. B. 341, by Sheldon—To reimburse counties of Pacific highway.

H. B. 342, by Schuebel—To prohibit employment of legislative lobbyists.

H. B. 343, by Sheldon (substitute for H. B. 342)—Regulating means of approval of claims by highway commission.

H. B. 344, by Coffey (by request of Afro-American league)—Extending equal privileges in hotels, theatres and other public buildings.

H. B. 345, by Ideman (by request)—Relating to vacancies at nominating elections.

H. B. 346, by Ideman (by request)—Relating to vacancies at general elections.

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