

SHIPPING FRAUDS REPORTED FOUND

Millions of Dollars Are Said to Have Been Misappropriated on Pacific Coast.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—(L. N. S.)—Frauds amounting into the millions of dollars in shipbuilding on the Pacific coast, have been unearthed by government investigators here; it was declared today.

All information is closely guarded by government agents, who have been working on the case, but some indication of the importance of the investigation was seen today in the appointment of William H. Tidwell, special agent of the treasury department, as chief assistant to Bert Schlesinger, recently named special assistant United States attorney general to investigate and prosecute shipyard frauds.

Shipyards involved, it is understood, are those in Washington, Oregon and California.

The frauds are said to have been accomplished through the use of vouchers in boosting the cost of production upon which shipyard owners received a percentage of profit from the government, according to their contracts.

WILL HAYS IS LIKE SPHINX ABOUT HOOVER

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the support of that party exemplifying that ideal.

"As a life-long Republican, I believe that only one conceivable development could place him on the Democratic ticket. I believe that would come about only if over-confidence in his own political prospects blinds the Republican party to adopt a non-progressive platform and to nominate candidates of reaction."

The 1100 diners cheered each reference to Hoover as a presidential possibility.

LEADERS ARE SURPRISED AT BARNES' ANNOUNCEMENT

Washington, Jan. 15.—(U. P.)—Democrats in Washington today were obviously surprised and a trifle shocked at the announcement of Julius Barnes, director of the United States Grain Corporation, in New York last night that Herbert Hoover is a "Progressive Republican."

Many Democrats apparently had been counting on Hoover as a possible presidential nominee and some of the most influential had been engaged in "boosting his stock" under the impression that he was a Democrat. James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, is one of those who has been putting in a good word for Hoover whenever possible.

The attitude of the Democrats seemed about summed up in the remark of Champ Clark, former speaker of the house. When Clark heard that Barnes said Hoover was a "Progressive Republican" but would abandon that party and join the Democrats if the Republicans adopted a non-progressive platform, Clark sarcastically said:

CLARK IS SARCASTIC

"The gentleman is singularly fortunate to have his choice of being the candidate of either party."

Senator Moses, Republican and manager of General Leonard Wood's headquarters, took issue with Barnes' statement that Hoover was a "Progressive Republican," saying:

"I didn't know there was any division in the Republican party."

There seemed to be a general impression that Barnes' speech was made with the intention of putting Hoover in the running for the Republican nomination.

HOOVER DENIES CANDIDACY

Hoover today reiterated that he is not seeking to be nominated for the presidency.

Asked whether Julius Barnes' speech in New York last night meant that Hoover would accept the Republican nomination on a Progressive platform, Hoover said:

"Less than one week ago I stated clearly that I am not seeking a nomination. I do not wish to make daily statements on my position. I have nothing to say beyond what I said a week ago."

With regard to Barnes' statement that Hoover was a "Progressive Republican" in politics, Hoover declared he had nothing to say.

Early Day Settler, 81 Years Old, Is Dead at Klamath

Klamath Falls, Jan. 15.—George McDonald, early day settler of Klamath county, died Monday at the age of 81 years. Mr. McDonald was born in Green, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, and came to this country while a boy. He settled in Klamath county in 1872. Mrs. Mary E. McDonald, the widow, and James A. and Levi L. sons, and Mrs. Bert E. Withrow, daughter, all reside here.

Vandals broke into the Mondale theatre here and, in an attempt to locate valuables, destroyed valuable property. They turned over the piano and scattered 8000 handbills about the place.

K. of C. Free Night School Opens

Tonight will mark the opening of the free night school which the Knights of Columbus committee on war activities will maintain in Portland. Students in the following subjects will meet: Elementary arithmetic, commercial law, radio, Spanish, stenography, penmanship, typewriting, salesmanship and public speaking. Friday evening these will meet: Accountancy, bookkeeping, beginner's English, business English, mechanical drawing, high school mathematics and auto mechanics. The school will be conducted at 290 Grand avenue, and classes will begin at 7:15 o'clock.

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Umatilla Jail and Pest House, Relic Of Old Days, Burns

Umatilla, Jan. 15.—Umatilla lost a landmark and relic when the jail and pest house went up in smoke. One smallpox patient was occupying the building at the time, but was rescued. While victims of contagious diseases will miss the building, others are happy on account of the incident.

MARSHFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLANS BIG 1920 CAMPAIGN

Aid to Be Extended in Building Terminal Dock and New \$20,000 Armory for City.

Marshfield, Jan. 15.—A. L. Martin, general manager for the Mountain States Power company, was re-elected president of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting. Stewart Lyons was elected vice president and J. H. Flanagan, treasurer. Four trustees chosen were John C. Kendall, Ben Chandler, E. P. Lewis and Earl Gates. The office of secretary is filled by the board.

W. A. Reid has been serving satisfactorily in that capacity.

The annual income of the chamber is nearly \$6000, more than double what it was a year ago, due to a membership drive. During the coming year it is hoped to raise the membership to 350, securing an income of \$8000. Dairymen of the district have been invited to become members.

The chamber expects to make 1920 particularly lively in the way of development. Some of the things which the organization expects to accomplish are: Cooperation in securing the Roosevelt highway, aid in the terminal dock to be built by the port, extensive advertising, securing of better train service, urging an additional \$20,000 for the completion of the Armory in Marshfield, opening an auto camp grounds, furthering the fortification and improvement of the harbor and providing better housing facilities.

President Martin has served one term in that office and for two years was a member of the board. In his annual address he said that he believed Coos Bay was on the eve of the greatest development in the history of this section. Martin has been with the Byllesby interests of Chicago, owning the Mountain States Power company, for 17 years and has been in Oregon since 1911. He was located at Corvallis and Dallas before coming to Marshfield three years ago.

Funds for Airplane Mail Knocked Out

Washington, Jan. 15.—(U. P.)—Funds for the continuation of the airplane mail service were struck from the annual postoffice appropriation bill today on a point of order raised by Republican Leader Mondell.

Fined \$10 a Gallon

Guista (Genedetti), 414 East Clay street, was fined \$10 a gallon Wednesday by Municipal Judge Rossmore when found guilty of violating the prohibition law. Patrolmen Huntington and Russell found eight gallons of wine in his possession.

CLOSED! The United Apparel Shop Sold Out in Bulk

The stock is now being made ready for disposal. See tomorrow (Friday's) Journal for big announcement.

Effort Being Made to Save W. Ireland From Courtmartial

A motion for a temporary writ of habeas corpus restraining Sheriff T. M. Hurlburt from turning Willis Ireland, an ex-soldier, over to the army authorities at Vancouver Barracks, was granted this morning by Presiding Judge McCourt.

Ireland today completed an eight months' sentence imposed by Judge Roseman July 18 when the boy pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny of an automobile. A telegram was received a few days ago from army officials at Rockwell Field, Cal., requesting Sheriff Hurlburt to turn Ireland over to the authorities at Vancouver Barracks. No reason was given and no charges were filed. It is believed, however, that the Rockwell Field officers wish to court martial him on the charge of desertion.

Ireland, who served the greater part of his enlistment period at the California aviation field, has an honorable discharge from the army, which he has

shown to state officers. At the time of his discharge, he says, there was some sort of verbal agreement that he would reenlist, but he later changed his mind. This is the only charge he knows of on which they could wish to hold him.

The Portland branch of the American Legion was appealed to and is investigating the matter.

Boys Said to Have Confessed That They Robbed Groceryman

Ben Pearlman, alias Saunders, and Everett McDonald have confessed to robbing J. T. Grant of the Home grocery store, 347 Williams avenue, according to Lieutenant Inspector John Goltz, who questioned the boys Wednesday. Goltz got signed confessions in which they said they stole an automobile from the library about 4 o'clock and drove about the city for the remainder of the evening. Pearlman said they found a revolver in an automobile at West Park and Ankeny streets. They left the automobile about 20 p.m. from the store and entered, asking for cigarettes. Pearl-

man held the gun on Grant and ordered him into the back room, according to the statements, while McDonald rifled the cash drawer and secured \$19. R. C. Dart of the shipping board followed the pair in another automobile to Williams avenue and Russell street, where they eluded him in the maze of traffic. Grant has signed complaints against both, charging assault and robbery. The boys were arrested two days ago by Patrolmen Craig and Waits of the "flying squadron."

Janitor Puts Out Incipient Fire
A small fire broke out in room 219 Goodnough building Wednesday night, but the janitor extinguished it without calling the fire department. The police were unable to ascertain the cause. The bedding in the room was burned.

Urge Care of Children
The Dalles, Jan. 15.—The Dalles Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution urging the legislature to consider the care of child wards of the state.

Theodore F. Hayes, Oregon Pioneer, Dies At Woodburn Home

Woodburn, Jan. 15.—Theodore Freeling Hayes, a pioneer of 1852, died Friday at the age of 76 years. He was born in Indiana, August 11, 1844, and crossed the plains with his parents when 8 years old. His father died the same year, and the son, when 14 years old, became a wage-earner to aid in supporting the family, spending three months a year at school.



He spent several years mining in Idaho and on his return purchased his mother's donation land claim near Mount Angel, where he farmed until 1888, when he moved to the Woodburn district. In 1900 he moved to Woodburn.

He served as justice of the peace for 22 years, resigning last year on account of failing health. His wife and four children, Henry M. Hayes of Vancouver, Wash.; Cynthia R. Robbins of Oregon City; Leona G. Hendricks of Portland and Addie L. Doud of Woodburn, and eight grandchildren, survive.

An Englishman has invented a pen wiper consisting of a glass cup filled with a sponge saturated with glycerin which has a preservative effect on pens.

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