

TRIAL OF ALLEGED REDS IN PORTLAND APPROACHING END

The fate of the three Communist Labor party members accused of original syndicalism, probably will be in the hands of the jury by noon Friday. The case has been on trial two weeks.

With the appearance of Claude Hurst, the last of the defendants, and a few character witnesses, this afternoon, W. S. U'Ren, defense attorney, expected to finish the evidence for the accused men. Karl W. Oster and Fred Frye, the other two defendants, have already appeared on the stand, Frye spending the entire morning reading from excerpts of various documents presented by the defense.

A large portion of William C. Bullitt's report on conditions in Russia was read to the jury by Frye. The report stated that nearly Utopian conditions existed under Bolshevik rule, women being economically independent, all workers getting "a fair share" of what they produced, and everyone being compelled to work. The slogan, "No work, no food," was the basis of the government's policy, Bullitt declared.

It is admitted by the defense that the Communist Labor party desires changes from the present order, and it is contended that the three defendants are members of the party.

It is stoutly maintained, however, that the party intends to accomplish its so-called reforms through the ballot box and not through force. The state urges just as vigorously that the party does advocate violence, and numerous party documents and publications have been introduced to sustain this contention. George F. Vanderveer, attorney for the I. W. W. members recently convicted of the murder of Warren O. Grimm in the Centralia Armistice day massacre, is in Portland preparing his defense for the 26 members of the organization indicted under the criminal syndicalism act. Trial of these men will follow immediately upon the conclusion of the present case.

SURPRISE IS SPRUNG BY

STATE IN FORGERY CASE
A surprise bomb was sprung in the trial of Lawrence H. Tucker, ministerial agent accused of forgery, by Deputy District Attorney Sam Pierce for the state, this morning.

In a format trial on the same charge, Tucker blamed the entire affair on Gordon G. Head, a former associate who had left some time previously for California.

Head was produced in court this morning by the state and made a general denial of all accusations made against him by Tucker. Tucker claimed that Head had given him about a dozen checks with instructions to cash them. Innocently, he stated, he did this and netted about \$200, of which he gave \$50 to Head.

Head, who is the son of a former judge of the superior court of California, asserted that he had left Portland December 5 and that he had never given the checks to Tucker. Most of the checks were passed after Head claims to have left Portland. The case went to the jury following the noon recess.

HUSBAND "HAD TOO MANY

GIRLS' PHONE NUMBERS"
He not only went to public dances and secured the telephone numbers of girls but told them that he was single and lived with his mother, Frances Olive Williams alleges in her divorce complaint against Sylvian Williams. They were married in Portland in 1917 and in 1919, she avers, he enlisted in the regular army.

The life there being too strenuous, in April, 1919, she requested the judge to sign certain affidavits, thus effecting his release. She even sent him a ticket to come home with, and he cashed it, she claims. He finally did struggle home and then, according to the complaint, the nightly dance life began. When some of the telephone numbers of girls fell into her hands

it was too much, and the suit resulted. Elizabeth H. Pearce filed suit for divorce against John B. Pearce in circuit court Tuesday morning.

SECOND TRIAL OF MILLER,

ACCUSED SLAYER, BEGINS
Thomas R. Miller, admitted slayer of Guy R. Nelson on the night of November 23, went on trial for second degree murder again this morning in Judge Stapleton's court.

Miller was tried in the same court a few weeks ago on the same charge, but the jury failed to agree. The killing is acknowledged by the defendant, but he maintains that it was in self-defense that he committed the act.

May Daly, sister-in-law of the slain man, who was the state's star witness in the first trial, was an interested spectator during the opening formalities of court this morning. A jury was empaneled and opening statements were made by noon.

JUDGE REFUSES TO BELIEVE

ACCUSED MAN IS A CRIMINAL
Although William Faulhaber, indicted on the charge of larceny by bailee, expressed his willingness to plead guilty to the charge, Presiding Judge McCourt Monday afternoon expressed his belief that the man was not a criminal and refused to make him a felon. With the acquiescence of the district attorney's office, Faulhaber pleaded guilty to simple larceny and received a jail sentence of one year, from which he was paroled by the judge. The indictment arose from a mixed-up automobile transaction and the judge's leniency was based upon the man's statement that he would make restitution within one year.

65 ROVING MARINES AND BAND FROM MARE ISLAND TO ENTERTAIN PORTLAND

Extolling marine corps life via music, motion pictures and drama, 65 roving marines, including the famous Mare Island band, will arrive in Portland next Monday for a four day engagement. They will give a complete road show every night.

Everyone—men, women and children—is invited to the first performance at The Auditorium, 8 p. m. Monday. Featured will be the 35 piece Mare Island band, a saxophone quintet, vocal singing, a jazz orchestra and motion pictures showing a marine's life.

Tuesday night the Roving Marines will appear at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. Wednesday night at Everyman's club on Gordon street, between Second and Third streets, and Thursday night at the East Side Business Men's club. These meetings will be for young men only and tickets can be obtained either at the marine corps recruiting office, Third and Alder streets, or at the performances.

After appearing in Portland the Roving Marines will visit Astoria and The Dalles and then will go to Puget Sound. They are touring the West, and already have been two months on the road.

Price Inquiry Being Conducted by U. S. Staff of Experts

Extensive investigation of clothing, shoe and food prices today is being made by two federal inspectors assigned to duty under Federal Fair Price Commissioner Will H. Daly here. Their report, daily announcements, probably will not be ready for many days yet.

Daly is having difficulty establishing headquarters, as the Federal building already is overcrowded with offices. He hopes to have a room within a short time, United States Attorney L. W. Humphreys having requested some action from Washington.

Ashland Pioneer Dies
Ashland, March 17.—A pioneer of Jackson county and a resident of Ashland for the past 56 years, Mrs. Ellen Fene Wells died Monday.

DOCTORS IMMUNE TO DAMAGE SUITS, IS COURT RULING

Physicians and surgeons, although advising a certain operation, cannot guarantee a cure, and if proper care and diligence are exercised, cannot be recovered against for alleged malpractice even if the operation was unsuccessful or caused serious physical and mental pain, ruled Federal Judge Wolverton, late Tuesday when he instructed a jury in a damage case.

"A physician or surgeon cannot be recovered against for error in judgment," the judge said.

This instruction in the case of Matilda Oudenaert against Dr. William Thomas of Hot Lake sanitarium for \$25,000 damages was believed by attorneys today to have been the cause of a deadlock of verdict after the jury had been out for more than 15 hours.

"We seem unable to reach a verdict either way," the jury foreman told the judge today when court convened. He said the jury had balloted all night. Mrs. Oudenaert alleges Dr. Thomas negligently performed an operation on her leg in January, 1918, the result being that her left leg and foot were paralyzed and required amputation, and her right lower leg and foot were paralyzed. She also claimed that the cast on her leg was put on too tight, retarding blood circulation and thus partly bringing about her disability.

Dr. Thomas, through fellow practitioners and nurses in his sanitarium, refuted Mrs. Oudenaert's assertions, and asserted that outside causes and a poor physical condition that existed before he took her under treatment were responsible for her condition.

Government to Tie Up Nearly 600 of New Wooden Ships

San Francisco, March 17.—(I. N. S.)—Nearly 600 wooden ships, operated by the United States shipping board, will be taken up indefinitely, it became known here today. The ships will go out of duty on their arrival from current voyages, it was said.

The action, it is said, follows losses to the board on operation of all wooden vessels.

"Withdrawal of wooden shipping board steamers from active duty will have little effect on the Pacific coast, as few of the government owned vessels remain on this coast," says J. W. Hall, assistant general manager of wood ship construction in the Oregon district. News of the removal of the vessels from trade routes came as a surprise locally and officials of the wooden construction division of the board in this city expressed the opinion that it was not the fault of the vessels that they are to be tied up.

Home Economics Students to Meet

The senior women in the home economics department of Oregon Agricultural college, accompanied by Dean Ava B. Millam, are expected to arrive at the Multnomah hotel this evening. Two days will be spent visiting places of household interest and Saturday will be taken up with attending the annual meeting of the State Home Economics association at the Girls' Polytechnic school.

Fall Cause of Death

Ashland, March 17.—As a result of injuries occasioned by a fall from a building on which he was working at Phoenix Friday, Grover C. Walters, 29 years, died at Ashland.

Interchurch Plan Is Taken Up During Local Conference

Superintendents of the California, Oregon, Washington and Montana districts of the United Brethren church will conclude tonight a two-day session with Bishop William H. Washington, general superintendent. Those attending the conference are the Rev. L. S. Woodruff of Stockton, Cal., the Rev. G. L. Stine of Beach, N. D., the Rev. W. A. Nicolson of Spokane and the Rev. G. E. McDonald of Portland.

Careful consideration was given the Inter-Church World movement and the united enlistment movement, immediate plans calling for \$4,000,000 for the next two years. Ten million dollars will be asked for the next five years to carry on home and foreign mission work, church erection, education and preachers' pension fund. Dr. Stine is the speaker tonight. Dr. Woodruff spoke Tuesday night.

WORLD'S SALVATION IS BASED ON TEACHING OF YOUNG, WORKERS SAY

"If the problems of the world are to be settled, if the unrest in America is to be met, there must be done through the nurture and instruction of the young," declared Otto Mayer of the national survey department of the Interchurch movement, who was the speaker at a campaign training conference being held by the movement in the First Congregational church.

"The problem of religious education," said Mayer, "as based on the survey being made by the Interchurch movement, will be to provide proper Christian standards for the next generation. Through the instruction secured from this religious education survey the Protestant churches of America will have clearly before them an outline of the steps which must be taken to create a just respect for our government and a knowledge of the underlying causes of discontent and unrest and the way they are to be eliminated."

Interchurch and denominational county financial campaign directors from all parts of Oregon are meeting to outline plans for the simultaneous campaign which runs between April 25 and May 2, in which Oregon's quota of the \$336,777,572, financial goal of the Interchurch movement for 1930, is to be met. The conference was held at the Multnomah hotel, where Frank C. Jackson, Oregon campaign director, and Frank G. Moran of Seattle, regional director of the campaign.

Captain William L. Fisher, formerly chaplain in the American army, delivered an address at a noon luncheon attended by the delegates at the Multnomah hotel. The afternoon was given over to denominational meetings.

Funeral Services for Dr. Mackenzie to Be Thursday Afternoon

Funeral services for Dr. K. A. J. Mackenzie will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday at Trinity Episcopal church, 515 Ninth and Everett streets. Dr. A. A. Morrison will officiate. Interment will be in Riverview cemetery. Services at the grave will be private. Dr. Mackenzie died Monday of heart disease. Honorary pallbearers will be C. F. Adams, A. L. Mills, William D. Wheelwright, Peter Kerr, Thomas Kerr, Dr. Ernest D. E. Kerr, Dr. C. O. H. C. Cabell, Dr. Lawrence Selling and Elliott R. Corbett.

William Wolfstein

Funeral services for William Wolfstein were held at the family residence at 173 Vista avenue at 1 p. m. today. Interment was at Beth Israel cemetery. Wolfstein was born in Westphalia, Germany, January 22, 1848, and came to the United States in his early years. He lived at Walla Walla for a while before engaging in the mercantile business in Portland with which he was identified for 30 years. He is survived by his widow and three daughters, Mrs. Harold Vetsberg and Bertha and Isabel Wolfstein.

Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thomas

Mrs. Elizabeth H. Thomas died at her home, 613 East Thirteenth street north, Tuesday afternoon, from pneumonia, at the age of 73 years. Mrs. Thomas was a native of Carmarthen, Wales, and had lived in Oregon since 1876. She is survived by a son, John M. Thomas, who is connected with the Pacific Grain company.

Wood Appears First Choice of Voters in Minnesota Primary

St. Paul, Minn., March 17.—(U. P.)—Indications late today were that General Leonard Wood will be the majority choice of Minnesota county conventions for president. Delays due to adverse weather made it apparent many conventions would not act until late in the evening.

Heavy voting for Hiram Johnson and Herbert Hoover in the precinct primaries Monday was noted somewhat by the fact that Wood appeared to have the delegations from the larger centers.

Chinese Sent to Jail On Gambling Charge

Ten Chinese and six Filipinos, arrested in a Chinese gambling den at 75 North Fourth street Tuesday afternoon, were sentenced to serve 10 days each in the city jail this morning by Municipal Judge Roseman. Ah Boo was charged with having conducted the game and Ah Yook was accused of carrying a concealed weapon. Judge Roseman has always held that it is not so serious an offense when Chinese meet together and gamble. He objects seriously when men of other nationalities are found in the Chinese dens by the police.

Talks on Soldiers' Insurance

A mass meeting of all ex-service men to advise them of government insurance privileges, will be held Monday night at Central library hall, when Braley Fowkes of Seattle initiates a campaign to reinstate war risk insurance. He will show several reels of motion pictures explaining advantages of the war risk insurance and urge that ex-service men reinstate their insurance before July 1.

CITY'S SMALLPOX HOSPITAL HELD TO BE UNFIT PLACE

That criminals are bred by conditions existing in the present city smallpox hospital at Kelly Butte, in that persons afflicted break the law in preference to entering the jail-hospital, was the statement of Miss Emily L. Loveridge, superintendent of Good Samaritan hospital, to the city council this morning in urging that body to appropriate money to provide a hospital fit to house smallpox patients.

She characterized the present institution as a "terrible place," and added that it is unfair for the city to compel hospitals to take contagious diseases, which they have done during the recent epidemic, and expose other patients and nurses to the disease and thereby, possibly, further spread the malady.

"We have been compelled to take smallpox patients because we could not turn them out on the streets, nor send them to homes where vaccination and diseases are ridiculed," Miss Loveridge stated. "We had to expose nurses and other patients, and if they contracted the disease the despicable place at Kelly Butte was their only refuge."

"One man whose wife was afflicted with smallpox told me that he would find a room for her but that he would not report the case to the city. I told him he would be breaking the law. He replied that he would rather break the law than send his wife to the abandoned jail at Kelly Butte."

DENONCES HOSPITAL

H. E. Jaeger of San Francisco, who became a sufferer from smallpox in Portland and was confined at the Butte, denounced conditions as shameful.

"I want to tell you gentlemen of my humiliation at being removed from a comfortable room to that abandoned jail at Kelly Butte when I caught smallpox in your city," Jaeger volunteered. "I was put in an iron bunk, on one side were steel bars and the other a concrete wall. For two days there were no lavatory facilities, the sanitary conditions were terrible, the blankets smelled as though they had come from a stable, and dopey friends were next me. I asked if there were private rooms and was laughed at. I was asked to remove a man's socks, and they were actually rotted to his feet. Not far from me was a woman who had fits every three hours, and her cries were punctuated with the curses of a colored woman."

"If the city council has the interest of the city at heart, and desires to avoid the advertising that is bound to follow maintenance of such conditions, it will assuredly remedy the existing status."

A measure providing for a new hospital will come to a vote at the postponed meeting of the council this afternoon. To date, Commissioner Bickelov is the official that has opposed creation of the new institution.

KEEN COMPETITION SHOWN

IN BIDS FOR CITY WORK
Keen competition by various contracting firms characterized the various bids that were opened before the city council this morning by City Auditor George R. Funk on street improvements and sewer construction over the city.

The list of street improvement bids included the following: East Seventeenth street: M. Hansen & Co., \$6057.70; Warren Construction company, \$6081.40; East Ninth street: United Contracting company, \$19,908; Clarendon street: Hahn & Rehman, \$3200; Cochran Brothers, \$5087.50; East Forty-third street: Star East company, \$20,912; United Contracting company, \$21,169.50; Cochran Brothers, \$21,280; East Forty-third street S. E.: Cochran Brothers, \$44,270; Warren Construction company, \$44,409; M. Hansen & Co., \$44,929; East Sixtieth street S. E.: M. Hansen & Co., \$12,507; United Contracting company, \$12,577.25. Bids for sewer construction that were

opened included the following: Ainsworth avenue and East Thirteenth street: Braley & Cusick, cement sewer pipe, \$4807.30; Elliott & Scoggin, vitrified sewer pipe, \$46,360.25; Campbell street and Portland boulevard: Azar & Co., \$20,693.35; Braley & Cusick, \$20,786.75; Elliott & Scoggin, \$21,895.35; Lundstrom & Carlson, \$22,891.57; John Keating, \$23,849.50; Glenn avenue and Ainsworth avenue: Jack Bakel, \$5015.43.

FOUNT REPAIRS ORDERED

Drinking Fountain at Sixth and Alder to Be Reopened

Downtown shoppers have wondered for some time why Commissioner John M. Mann, in charge of the water bureau, has been unable to have the Benson fountain at Sixth and Alder streets repaired. It was frozen during the snowstorm in December, was later struck by a truck and has since been out of use.

"I have asked Commissioner Mann a dozen times to repair the fountain," said Mayor Baker. "However it seems that the thing has been allowed to slide along."

Mann said this morning that he would attend to the repair of the fountain immediately.

ONLY 10 SO FAR ON BOARD TO ACT ON BONDSMEN'S CLAIMS

In two weeks the city council has been able to enlist only one man, Richard Martin, architect, to serve on a board of arbitration consisting of three members that was recently authorized by the council to investigate claims of the bondsmen of Hans Pederson, contractor, for losses amounting to \$76,000. The board was to meet at the construction of The Auditorium.

Wallace McCamant, John B. Cleland, Jay Smith and several others have been asked to serve but pressure of business has prevented, according to Mayor Baker. The resolution passed by the council designating that one member of the board must be an attorney who has practiced in the supreme court for five years, another an architect and the third a business man.

Pictures Feature Reed's Annual

"Now watch the little birdie," is the slogan at Reed college this week, while "Ham and Hunter," a student photographic combination, are snapping photographs for the college annual. Monday noon began the picture-taking, when the sophomore class fell in for its portrait, and the week will show a score of pictures if the present schedule is not raised. According to Glenn Quigg, editor-in-chief of "The Griffin," as the annual is to be known, announced Monday that the pictorial review of the year's events will be an important feature.

Fast Auto Driver Sentenced to Fine And 2 Days in Jail

S. Dunham will have two days in jail to think over the dangers which accompany fast automobile driving. This morning Judge Roseman sentenced him to pay a \$35 fine besides. Dunham was arrested on the Linnton road after a chase of one mile. Other heavy fines imposed were: Peter E. Karantheas \$25, Jack Lambert \$20 and D. E. Gates \$12. Eighteen other motorists were fined from \$1 to \$10 each when found guilty of double parking, jockeying on the bridges, operating cars with defective mufflers, open exhausts and with cutting corners. Harry Ankles was fined \$5 for scattering glass in the street.

Fire Damage Is \$100

Fire of unexplained origin, but possibly caused by a match or cigarette stub, did about \$100 damage to the apartments of Mrs. C. McCauley, 2614, Fourteenth street, about 9:30 this morning. Three young men, Victory McCauley, Wilson Crane and George Radcliffe, were in the apartment when the fire was discovered, but they could not extinguish it. Engines 3, 22 and 15 and truck 2 responded.

Umatilla Has Sandstorm

Umatilla, March 17.—One of the most severe sand storms in the state's history, combined with unusually cold weather for the season, halted building activity and caused the closing of the gravel pits.

ASTRONOMER TO FLY FOR SKY SECRETS

NEW YORK, March 17.—(U. P.)—Professor David Todd, director of the astronomical observatory at Amherst college, has announced that within a few weeks he will attempt to establish a new airplane altitude record in a flight from Omaha, Neb. The plane will be driven by Major Leo Stevens, who is here to consult with Professor Todd.

The main purpose of the expedition is to obtain new astronomical and meteorological data.

Revenue Officers Search House; Two Tenants Arrested

Ell and Ora Hartsell, 708 Milwaukee avenue, are closeted behind prison bars today, while government officials prepare charges against them of violating the national prohibition act. They were arrested Tuesday night at their home after revenue officers discovered five plums of moonshine secreted behind a bathtub.

The Hartsells waived reading of the search warrant when the revenue agents introduced themselves, but after discovery of the whiskey became abusive, it was said.

"This stuff you found belongs to John Doe," Ell, the father, is alleged to have said.

"What right have you to search this house?" then queried Ora, the son.

The agents showed them the warrant, permitting search of the premises of "John Doe, 708 Milwaukee." "Must be all right," said an officer. "See, it says John Doe right on this warrant." A barrel, odorless and reminiscent of moonshine whiskey, was found upstairs, empty. A hole to accommodate it was discovered in the cellar.

Kiwanis Luncheon Interesting Affair

Impromptu, comical stunts featured the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis club at the Benson hotel Tuesday. Under leadership of M. G. Farr, elected presiding officer after good natured wrangling and heckling, individual members attempted to sing, made caustic speeches about one another and otherwise made fun of orderly procedure. Members who fail to attend Kiwanis sessions this week will be prescribed for by physicians.

Many Are Converted

La Grande, March 17.—The Christian church of this city has completed a successful three weeks' evangelistic campaign, during the course of which 136 conversions were made. Rev. O. E. Hamilton of Mountain Grove, Mo., was in charge.

COOPERATIVE SHOP ORGANIZATION IS FAVORED BY CLUB

Employer-employee shop organization to harmonize industrial relations in Portland and to give each side full opportunity for expression, was submitted in the form of a plan, subsequently adopted, to the Rotary club, Tuesday afternoon by a special committee composed of George C. Mason, chairman; Franklin T. Griffith, Eric V. Hauser, Robert Lincoln Sabin, Fred Spoerl, Ralph J. Staehli, Dr. W. W. Youngson.

Steps include general installation of the shop committee plan, a nominating board which will represent the public in industrial disputes and a campaign of education calculated to bring the public, the employer and the employee to understanding of the "difference in the industrial relation and the desirability of working together to the end that these differences may be eliminated."

Chairman Mason announced that the nominating board had been selected, each by the organization he represents, as follows: Norman E. Coleman, Portland Federation of Churches; P. E. Sullivan, Catholic War council; N. U. Carpenter, Oregon Bankers' association; Judge John B. Cleland, Bar Association of Oregon; Robert G. Dieck, Portland Teachers' association; W. H. Galvani, Portland Press club; Ion Lewis, American Institute of Architects.

The Rotary club voted to hold an evening meeting in the near future when Franklin T. Griffith will discuss the industrial relations plan from the viewpoint of the employer and Nelson G. Pike from the viewpoint of the employee.

Shop arbitration committees contemplated would deal with piece work rates, overtime, grievances, changes of processes, absenteeism, labor turnover, technical training, business education, production, promotion, welfare work.

Health Bureau Wins; Sentences Suspended

Inspectors from the health bureau won two cases this morning in the municipal court, but the judge suspended sentence on condition that the health laws be complied with. D. Bellamy, living in St. Johns, was fined \$25 for keeping live pigs on his premises. Oluff Solum was fined \$25 for occupying a room at 24 1/2 Front street without the required number of windows.

Capitalization Is Increased

Salem, March 17.—Stockholders of the Oregon Pulp & Paper company, which is erecting a paper mill here, met Monday and voted to increase the capitalization of the company from \$500,000 to \$1,200,000.

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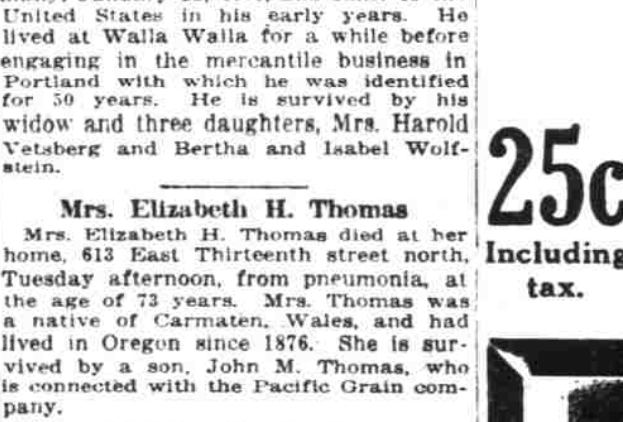
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