

VOTING MACHINES BEING CONSIDERED BY COUNTY BOARD

The possibility of presenting to the voters of Multnomah county a proposal to issue bonds for the purchase of voting machines for every precinct was discussed by the county commissioners at their session today. When the necessity for some definite action was urged by Senator W. W. Banks, father of the bill passed by the legislature authorizing use of machines at general elections.

A representative of the company which makes the voting machines used by Seattle and King county was present. He urged that if Multnomah county hopes to have the use of voting machines at its next general election the order should be placed as speedily as possible. He showed how the states and localities using machines have been forced to practically double their equipment, because of the giving of suffrage to women.

In the discussion it was brought out that King county owns the voting machines used at Seattle, but at municipal election times rents them to the city for half the amount saved over the old method of conducting such elections. In the case of Multnomah county, it was said, instead of each precinct having 10 members of the election board—five for day and five for night—a board of three members could conduct the entire election in each precinct.

The price quoted on the voting machines is \$1087 f. o. b. Jamestown, N. Y. It would be possible, it was stated, to consolidate election precincts if the machines are used, but if the old methods are retained a number of new precincts will have to be created before the next general election, thus increasing the general expense. The entire subject will be given further consideration by the commissioners before the 1921 budget is completed.

A. L. Mohler Here To Go Duck Hunting

A. L. Mohler, president of the old O. R. & N. Co. from July 1, 1897, to April 1, 1904, is visiting in Portland today. Mohler is a resident of Omaha since his retirement from railroad duties in 1916 and comes to Oregon each fall for duck hunting.

Mohler was also president of the Portland & Astoria Steamship company during his seven years in Portland. After leaving here he became vice president of the Union Pacific railway until 1911, vice president of the Oregon Short line until 1912 and president of the Union Pacific railway company until retirement. He is at the Imperial hotel and will leave in two or three days for Omaha.

J. M. Plowik Scalded
J. M. Plowik, 714 South Kellogg street, was severely scalded about the head and shoulders Sunday when a boiler of water being used in washing clothes was upset. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

Flood Waters in Sacramento River Menace Farmers

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 22.—(U. P.)—Rain has fallen throughout the Sacramento valley at intervals since noon yesterday. The river here continues to rise, although it has begun to subside above Colusa.

Continued showers for the next two or three days would bring about a flood condition in the lower Sacramento valley and would cause heavy damage, said N. R. Taylor, local weather man, today. The discharge of the American, Feather and Yuba rivers into the Sacramento is a cause of worry to valley farmers. The rivers are rising rapidly, increasing the burden of the Sacramento.

\$5700 TAKEN IN ROBBERY OF BANK

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 22.—(I. N. S.)—Three armed bandits entered the Penn Avenue branch of the Metropolitan Trust company, a few minutes before noon today, held up Gashier James A. Richardson and two girl clerks, grabbed a number of packages containing \$5700 lying on the counter and then escaped in an automobile.

350 Reservists Are Wanted for Naval Dreadnought Cruise

Three hundred and fifty naval reservists are wanted by the bureau of navigation to make a four months' cruise on the dreadnoughts of the Pacific fleet to the South Seas, beginning December 10.

Lieutenant Commander John A. Beck, with, commander of the Portland sub-district of the reserves, has received a telegram from the bureau announcing that the cruise will be on ships of division eight of the fleet. The ships of this division are the New Mexico, Idaho and Mississippi. It was announced by the bureau that the cruise would be to the west coast of South America, New Zealand, Australia and return by way of the Hawaiian Islands. The cruise will begin December 10 and will last about a first of April.

W. C. Barker Accused Of Traffic Violation

William C. Barker, 163 Twelfth street, well known young man about town, was arrested Sunday night on a charge of driving while intoxicated, after his auto had collided with another machine driven by R. Molohon, 548 Hoyt street, at Twelfth and Washington streets. Barker recently appeared before Judge Rossman on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. That case was held over for grand jury investigation and he was released on \$250 bail.

HOLLADAY ESTATE MORTGAGE BID IN FOR \$1,415,159.87

The largest foreclosure sale ever made in Multnomah county took place at the main entrance to the court house this morning, and created scarcely a ripple of excitement. It involved Portland property that was bid in by mortgage holders for \$1,415,159.87.

This was the foreclosure of a mortgage given by the Anglo-Pacific Realty company to the Oregon Real Estate company, Balfour-Guthrie & Co. were the local agents for the Anglo-Pacific concern, which entered the Portland field in 1913 and purchased the lands of the Holladay and C. X. Larrabee tracts along both sides of Sullivan's gulch, beginning at the east end of the Harrison bridge and extending easterly. The purchase price was \$2,225,000. A payment of \$1,000,000 or more was made on the properties, and the foreclosure was for the remainder of the purchase price, interest, taxes and assessments. John Lang, Portland agent, was stated, the Seattle representative the bidders in today's sale by the sheriff.

\$500,000 CORPORATION TO HAVE HEADQUARTERS HERE

A \$500,000 corporation—the Spaulding Miami Lumber company—filed its articles of incorporation Monday with the Multnomah county clerk, showing Portland as the principal place of business and Charles K. Spaulding, C. S. Funk and H. M. Johnson as the incorporators. The Independent Bible Spiritualist Society and Church of Portland filed its articles, showing Ida M. Schori, Jacob C. Schori and Homer H. Goehner as the trustees. Its purpose is to conduct religious, benevolent, educational and charitable institutions. The society has \$1000 in funds and property and will be maintained by donations and legacies.

The Young's Bay Investment company, Portland, capitalized at \$20,000, filed its articles, showing R. W. Wilbur, H. B. Beckett and F. C. Howell as the incorporators.

JUDGE SPEEDS UP APPEAL FROM THE CITY COURT

"The court is not going to hold up these cases of appeal from the municipal court. These cases must go to trial without further delay. In view of the court's previous statements this should be clearly understood by the attorneys interested."

This was the emphatic declaration of Presiding Judge Tazewell Monday morning when the list of appeal cases was called, and in the very first three cases called attorneys for the appellants tried to get continuances.

The city was ready to proceed with the trials, Deputy City Attorney Lansing being reinforced by Deputies Mackay, Latourette and Myers of the city attorney's office. All cases possible were assigned for immediate trial, and 10 appeal cases were set down for trial Tuesday. Judge Tazewell gave warning to the attorneys that he would expect them in each case to have their witnesses on hand to avoid any delays.

CRIPPLED VETERAN ADMITS HE STOLE TO GET ALONG

L. C. Wygant and Frank Jacobson, who are alleged to have robbed stores at Sheridan and Ballston and who were held in Portland, where considerable clothing alleged to have been taken in these thefts was recovered, have been taken to McMinnville for trial. Jacobson is a crippled overseas veteran, and in the municipal court here he told Judge Rossman he had found it impossible to live on his pension of \$28 a month, and in desperation had resorted to burglary.

His case has excited the interest of local ex-service men who will urge the Yamhill county judge to consider his case with extreme leniency.

Divorce Mill

Wilford W. Williams filed suit for divorce Monday against Bernadette Williams, charging desertion. He goes a little out of the usual in such cases by asking the court to restore Mrs. Williams to her former name of Wilson. He says that while he was in the military service overseas his wife became estranged from him and refused to live with him again on his return.

Fifty Citizens in Making

The last batch of hearings on applications for final citizenship papers is being heard before Presiding Judge Tazewell today. There are about 50 applicants. Hereafter all naturalization cases will be heard exclusively in the federal courts.

Army Recruiting Is Brisk in Portland Since November 1

Passing all former records, except that during war time, the Portland army recruiting station has enlisted 358 men since the first of the month, it was announced today.

A competitive campaign among the members of the station for the greatest number of recruits is on, the period of each cycle being 10 days. For the past 10 days the station has a record of 170. Corporal John T. Stevens holds first place with 21 to his credit, followed by Sergeant August Anderson with 19. Corporal Martin Basser came in for third place with 13 recruits.

The station is now recruiting men for the Second division, the "Indian Head." At Camp Travis, Texas. This division is the one ordered by the war department to be kept up to war strength. The division was the one that held the line against the Germans at Belleau Wood. Recruits enlisting have the opportunity of taking the vocational training courses. Schools are conducted in academic studies, printing, drafting, sign painting, carpentry, signals, both radio and wire, commercial subjects, music, plumbing and electric wiring.

Sale of Seats for "Mandarin" Halted

The soft pedal has been applied to seat sales for "The Mandarin," which will be produced Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at The Auditorium for the benefit of the municipal Christmas tree fund. Although the public sale started only Saturday, there are enough tickets out, it is believed, to fill The Auditorium for both shows, according to the statements of committeemen of the Portland Lodge of Elks, which is in charge.

Contract Breach Charged Against Dairymen of Coos

Marshfield, Nov. 22.—The Oregon Dairymen's league has filed suit against J. D. Jarman, a dairymen, who, it is claimed, contracted to furnish milk to the league and has sold it elsewhere. This is the second of such suits begun by the league in this locality. It is alleged that Jarman has broken his contract and has delivered milk elsewhere than to the league stations. It is asked that he be restrained from delivering to anyone else, that he be made to give an accounting of the product of his dairy, that he pay 5 cents a gallon damages for all milk delivered elsewhere and that he be compelled to give his milk to the league in the future. The league also asks for \$600 attorney fees.

Mazamas Remove Paint Desecrations From Larch Peak

The white paint smears on the pinnacle of Larch mountain, which have been an eyesore to lovers of the outdoors for several months, were Sunday removed by Mazamas who applied over them a soft gray paint. If this does not actually match the color of the natural rock, it relieves the harshness of the hideous white lettering.

Mazamas at a recent council meeting protested against the cheapening of Larch mountain pinnacle by the removal of the white paint. The idea of painting over the offensive letters originated with Vincent Stroup, one of the most active members. Stroup purchased the paint and carried it up the mountain and in the early dawn he and a few workers, with icy blasts driving sleet into their faces, erased the lettering. The wind was so bitter that turns had to be taken in applying the brush.

Sea Captain Wanted Here on Smuggling Charge Is Arrested

Captain V. S. Agidus of the barkentine Hawaii, whose alleged attempt to smuggle opium into Portland was frustrated by revenue agents, was arrested Sunday in San Francisco as he alighted from the Portland train, according to telegraphic information received by United States Attorney Charles Reames today. San Francisco officials were asked to set bail at \$8000 to \$10,000. A complaint charging violation of the Harrison narcotic act has been mailed. The arrest was made by S. D. Conside of the San Francisco internal revenue office, and Reames will ask for a removal order. Customs officials said this morning that Captain Agidus cannot be charged with deserting his vessel, as he informed other parties he was going to San Francisco and appointed a man to take his place.

Oregon Legislative Advisors Named; Callan Chairman

Formation of the Oregon congressional advisory committee, authorized by officials of civic clubs of the state at a meeting of the State Chamber of Commerce two weeks ago, was completed this morning by the appointment of the personnel of the committee.

A. C. Callan, president of the Pacific International company, is chairman. Other members are: C. S. Hudson, president of the First National bank of Bend; Whitney L. Boise, chairman of the land settlement commission; B. P. Stone of Astoria and Senator L. E. Bean of Eugene.

The purpose of this committee is to consider all matters of interest in Oregon development and to prevent duplication of efforts in calling worthy projects to the attention of congress and members of the Oregon delegation.

Mayor to Wind Up His Police Inquiry Before Going Away

Investigation of the police department and final action thereon will be brought to conclusion before the close of the present week, if Mayor Baker's hopes are realized. The mayor announced Monday morning that he had not reached a final conclusion in the cases of Patrolmen Russell and Huntington and had not decided what action would be taken in the hearing of Patrolman Taylor.

"I want to get away to some quiet spot in California with Mrs. Baker for a much-needed two-weeks' period of rest, which we both need badly, and I hope to start early next week," the mayor said, "but I will leave before concluding the police department investigation." Final disposition of the Russell, Huntington and Taylor hearings before the mayor last week will be made Tuesday, the mayor stated.

Federal Auto Act Violation Charged

Federal court complaints charging violation of the national motor vehicle theft act were filed this morning by Assistant United States Attorney Reames against George Boll, 18, and A. Robinson, 19. They are charged with transporting a stolen automobile from Sacramento to Portland and are held in the county jail in default of \$2000 bail each.

Raid on Home Nets Police Much Mash

One hundred boxes of grapes at \$3.60, totaling \$360, were confiscated Sunday in the shape of mash and finished wine by a squad of patrolmen under Police Sergeant Schad in a raid on the home of Frank Hancock, 609 Raleigh street. Hancock is charged with violating the prohibition law. The police took 289 gallons of wine and 370 gallons of mash to headquarters as evidence.

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FAKE PROMOTER IS TERMED ARCH BUSINESS ENEMY

The fake promoter, with a line of worthless stock of unsound corporations to unload on the gullible public, is the worst enemy legitimate business has to deal with, according to Richard Lee of New York, who arrived from Seattle this morning.

Lee is counsel of the Associated Advertising clubs and special counsel of the national vigilance committee of the Better Business bureau. He addressed the members' forum of the Chamber of Commerce at noon and is scheduled to address Portland's National Advertisers this afternoon and a special meeting of the men's and women's advertising clubs in the Crystal room of the Benson hotel at 6 p. m.

"The national movement for more truthful advertising proposes to take from the shoulders of the legitimate business man a class of competition with which it is impossible for him to compete," said Lee. "It is not a reform movement but a sane, sound effort on the part of honest business men to perform a definite service to the public."

The Better Business bureau has headquarters at New York and 30 paid bureaus throughout the country, the Portland branch being in charge of Charles W. English with offices in the Oregon building. Lee will make his final address here Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the green room of the Chamber of Commerce.

Philosophers Bust Up in Row When Cuspidors Hurlled

Socrates and three other philosophers, Lewis Versa, Mike Willis and Jake Koppick, sat in deep discussion about a coffee table in the Athens cafe, 24 North Fourth street, Sunday.

No one knows who first threw the apple of discord, but presently, to emphasize weighty arguments, the four wise men seized chairs and cuspidors, which they hurled about the cafe with that abandon known only to indignant sophists.

Socrates, whose family name is Geontas, the proprietor of the cafe, got the worst of the bout and was taken to St. Vincent's hospital to have his bruises dressed. The other three men are being held in the city jail on disorderly conduct charges.

Janitors Held Up In Own Bedroom By Armed Bandits

Held at bay with a revolver while he lay in bed Sunday night Fred Johansen, janitor at Lucille court apartments, 228 North Twenty-second street, was robbed of \$55 by two men who broke into his room, according to a report made to the police. Johansen stated that the money was mostly from collections on milk bills.

It was a vain thief who robbed the room of B. E. Cleveland, 450 Goldsmith street, Sunday. Besides \$14 in cash, the robber took a silver hand mirror.

Ada Rapp reported that a quantity of cigars were taken from his grocery store at 816 Union avenue north.

ZIG ZAG GRADING NEARS COMPLETION

The Johnson Construction company has finished grading from Zig Zag to Government Camp and has established a camp at Brightwood, to be able to continue the road to Sandy from there. The contract for the new extension is expected to be let about December 1.

Henry Koch, a farmer near Cherryvale, is said to be charging toll to travelers going across his farm in order to avoid the quagmires and plunging chuckholes and wallows of the Sandy-Cherryville road. His schedule is said to be from 75 cents to \$1. Traffic has been diverted from the Firwood or upper road to the lower road, which it is declared by residents will soon be reduced to the impassable condition of the upper road.

Juvenile Explorers' Travels Cut Short By Deputy Sheriff

Equipped with two bicycles, a limited knowledge of geography and an inexhaustible store of enthusiasm, Tom and Glenn Mills, aged 9 and 11, set out to prove for themselves that Columbus knew what he was talking about. They decided to reverse the explorer's route, and instead of India, selected Pocatello, Idaho, as their immediate objective.

Unfortunately they didn't have Queen Isabella to provide marketable jewels, and in their extremity, they borrowed two bicycles belonging to Dayton Berg, 1716 Dwight street, and C. C. Jones, 616

Market street, without owners. A deputy sheriff at Cascade 1, unsympathetic, and the two adventurers were brought back to Portland, where they will be kept pending a hearing before the juvenile court. The boys proudly told of making 47 miles in one day.

Contract for Metal Work Given Local Concern by County

Despite the remonstrance of a representative of an eastern concern, the county commissioners today decided to stand by their decision to favor a local product in awarding the contract for metal fixtures for the tax department of the sheriff's office. District Attorney Evans was authorized to prepare the formal contract between the county and the Albion Metal Furniture company at a price of \$10,045.

Objection was made that this concern had not produced the class of work called for and that the county was really backing it in experimental work. All members of the commission declared they felt the county should support home industry in every reasonable manner and that they were willing to chance the home concern. Representatives of the Albion company declared their full ability to do the work and that it would be completed without any requests for extension of time.

Faces Federal Charge

Alex Malecki, alias Alex Baker, brother of Paul Malecki, who was arrested as a suspect the night of Patrolman Palmer's murder, was charged with theft of government property from the Army in a complaint filed this morning by Assistant United States Attorney Charles Reames. Three guns found in his possession were stolen from the Army.

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