

# TAFT AS CHIEF JUSTICE WOULD WIELD INFLUENCE

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Washington, May 24.—If William Howard Taft becomes chief justice of the supreme court, as seems likely, he may exercise more lasting influence than he did during most of his term as president.

The chief justice has no more to say about decisions than any associate justice, but he assigns the writing of the opinions, which means something. Also, he is responsible for keeping the work moving. That is a point at which Chief Justice White was strong. He worked and made others work.

But the great influence I speak of does not rest on being chief. It rests on being the ninth man on the court. This is the only nation in the world in which nine men, appointed for life, tell the people what they are permitted to do.

**BIG ISSUES LOOM**  
Just now the big cases turn on economic and industrial issues. Back in Cleveland's time the court was able to prevent an income tax. At present the reactionary element on it is principally occupied in preventing legislation to broaden the rights of labor in preventing legislation to limit the public welfare. The court is so evenly divided that the new appointee may turn the scale.

Taft will be 64 years old when the court goes to work after its summer recess. He himself laid down the rule that a man ought not be appointed after 60. President Wilson announced and acted on the same rule.

**SLATES TENTATIVE**  
The gossip that Justice McKenna or Justice Day may be made chief is presumably without any foundation. If the place is to be filled from within the court, there is no excuse for selecting anybody except Holmes.

The slates prepared by the administration are conceded to be highly tentative. It seems to be certain, however, that ex-Senator Sutherland is to go on the court, but that he is to wait until a successor is needed to Justice McKenna. Mr. Sutherland is 59. He declined the position of solicitor general, important as that office is, in deciding on this appointment, President Harding will, as a formality, act in consultation with his attorney

general. As a matter of fact, however, the person who is most likely to be seriously consulted by him is Secretary Hughes. Mr. Hughes has not only been on the court himself, but when he was pried away from private practice to accept his present position he was the acknowledged head of the American bar.

**HUGHES CONSIDERED**  
A well-known professor in one of our leading law schools writes me that he thinks Hughes ought to go on the court, no matter how important is his influence in the cabinet. Most people, however, think he has no right at present to lay down his present work, and I do not believe he will consider it. There are comparatively few young men who have fully proved their qualifications. Such are Roscoe Pound, dean of the Harvard law school, who hails from Nebraska and is 51, and Judge Learned Hand of New York, who is 48.

But no such original appointments will be made. The place will doubtless go to Mr. Taft, and he is expected to make a good record. His legal standing is excellent.

**Local Rotary Club Bids Farewell to Its Scotland Delegates**  
With former President J. L. Wright as chairman of the day, the Portland Rotary club Tuesday noon at the Benson hotel will formally bid farewell to its delegates to the international Rotary convention in Edinburgh, Scotland. Mayor Baker and Commissioner S. C. Pier at the same meeting will authorize Portland's representatives, Estee Snedecor, international president of Rotary; A. J. Bale, president of the Portland club, and Nelson G. Pike, Northwest district governor of Rotary, to present prizes awarded in connection with the Portland international rose test garden competition. Elisha J. Hicks of Hurst, Twyford, England, who won a gold medal for his climbing rose, "Lady Hillingdon," and Hugh Dickson of Belfast, Ireland, who won a bronze medal for his climbing rose, "T. F. Crozier," will receive their awards from the Portland men at a ceremony in the Royal Gardens at London.

**Clarkston Pioneer Dies of Paralysis**  
Colfax, Wash., May 24.—A. F. Miller, a well-known pioneer of Whitman county and a large land owner, died at Clarkston Sunday of paralysis. Miller settled on a farm near Thornton in 1884 and was at one time a county commissioner. His wife was with him when he died.

# THREE HURT WHEN TRUCK LEAVES ROAD

Three men were injured Monday morning when a motor truck went over a bank on the Columbia highway 1 1/2 miles east of Delena. James Rowley, East Sixty-first street, was not seriously injured, with his right leg broken in three places. John Roberts of Mist, Rowley's son-in-law and driver of the truck, sustained a scalp wound. A third man whose name was not ascertained was hurt less seriously.

The accident occurred at 10:30 a. m. 1 1/2 miles east of Delena. The truck, driven by Roberts, left the paved highway and completely overturned. The victims were picked up by T. J. Filippin, Columbia county agricultural agent, who took them in his car to Rainier, where they were attended by Dr. Ditto. Later they were brought to Portland.

**Plans Are Complete For Bundle Day for Relief of Armenia**  
"For Bundle day for clothing and toys for Armenia next Wednesday, Portland preparations were virtually complete Monday," said J. J. Handaker, state director, today. "Shipments from over the state are already being received. Sutherland, Medford and other points have already sent liberal quantities." Several churches reported generous contributions of bundles Sunday. The Kiwanis club makes a special collection at luncheon Tuesday. Anyone unable to take a bundle to the nearest church or to any of the downtown stations, may telephone Main 2178 or Marshall 162.

**Snow Still Blocks Yellowstone Trail**  
Wallace, Idaho, May 24.—Despite efforts of the volunteer crew of shovelers Sunday on the Idaho-Montana summit, 1800 feet of snow still blocks the Yellowstone trail. More than a half mile was cleared and, with the crew now on the work, E. F. Stone, president of the Shoshone County Good Roads association, gives out the assurance of an open road Wednesday.

# Reclamation Men to Inspect Columbia Drainage Districts

Thorough investigation of all drainage districts in the Columbia river section will be made by members of the drainage section of the Oregon reclamation congress during the annual field meeting of the organization June 7, 8 and 9, according to announcement made by W. L. Powers, secretary of the organization. The drainage section of the congress was formerly the Oregon State Drainage association. The members of the organization will meet at the Imperial hotel at 9 a. m., June 7, and spend the day in investigating drainage districts along the Columbia river. A special trip will be made to the drainage district near Kelso, Wash.

On the second day a visit will be made to the Astoria branch experimental station and to the cranberry bogs and reclamation districts in the vicinity of Astoria and Seaside. On the final day of the tour a visit will be made to the drainage districts near Tillamook.

**Entries Increase For Floral Parade In Rose Festival**  
With warm, sunny days rapidly opening in the rose buds and insuring plenty of blooms for the Rose Festival next month, entries in the floral parade are becoming more brisk at headquarters. Committees who are soliciting the public to participate in the pageant believe this week will see a representative enrollment, but ask all possible entrants to make their decision early and give notification to headquarters.

Section chairmen of the Peninsula district held a meeting last night to perfect arrangements for the entry of decorated cars for each of the sectors and a superb float for the district at large. Similar action, it is anticipated, will be taken by all the various sectors organized under the Portland Service league and directed by Henry W. Kent, chairman of the floral parade committee.

# 12 Delegates for Travelers to Attend Louisville Meeting

Twelve delegates from the Oregon and Washington divisions of the Travelers' Protective association will leave here June 8 to attend the national convention of the association at Louisville, June 13 to 18. Resolutions will be presented at the convention by local delegates asking endorsement of the travelers' organization for the 1925 fair at Portland.

Members of the local delegation are: Stanhope S. Pier, president of the Oregon and Washington division; Clyde Evans, treasurer of the division; Charles A. Alphonse, C. E. Bailey, Fred J. Brady, A. E. Brown, William Fisher, F. L. Holmes, Theodore Rothschild, Paul J. Sullivan, C. K. Sufren and H. D. Williams. Delegates from other northwestern states will join the Oregon-Washington crowd in boosting for the 1925 fair, according to Evans.

**Admits He Poisoned Pigeons; Fined \$25**  
C. E. Durbin, who lives in an apartment house near East Sixth and Davis streets, appeared by attorney in the municipal court early Monday and pleaded guilty to a charge of poisoning pigeons and was fined \$25. Durbin said the birds created a nuisance in the neighborhood.

# Locomotive Shops Of Great Northern In Hillyard to Close

Spokane, Wash., May 24.—Closing of the locomotive department of the Great Northern shops at Hillyard from May 28 to July 5 was announced by company officials. About 400 men are affected. The layoff being the same as that made by the shops several weeks ago.

The Marcus division of the Great Northern has been consolidated with the Spokane division and the Marcus division superintendent's office force moved to Spokane. J. H. Doyle of Everett, formerly assistant superintendent of the Western district of the Great Northern, succeeds Barney Lantry as head of the Spokane division. Lantry becomes assistant superintendent of the consolidated Spokane district.

**It Resembled Good Scotch, but Zowie! It Kicked Like Mule**  
The label was as reassuring as an oil prospectus. The top of the bottle was covered with heavy tinfoil. Even the cork was trademarked with burnt figures. But the "hooch" that came out of the neck of that bottle—wow! Dennis Sullivan, partly sobered up now after a few vigorous slashes at his neck with a dull razor, says he has consumed much whiskey in his day, but that one drink of this "domestic" Scotch was enough to make Barnum & Bailey's menagerie look like so many cheese-eating mice.

# Land Settlement Plans Are Rushed

To aid in the land settlement plans of the State Chamber of Commerce, the Prineville Commercial club has announced that the Crook County Chamber of Commerce will send R. L. Schee to the Middle West to assist the field agents of the state organization, now working in that section. Other organizations in the state are responding to the request for aid and are planning to send special representatives to assist in organizing the special train of homeseekers which the state chamber is planning to bring to Oregon in July.


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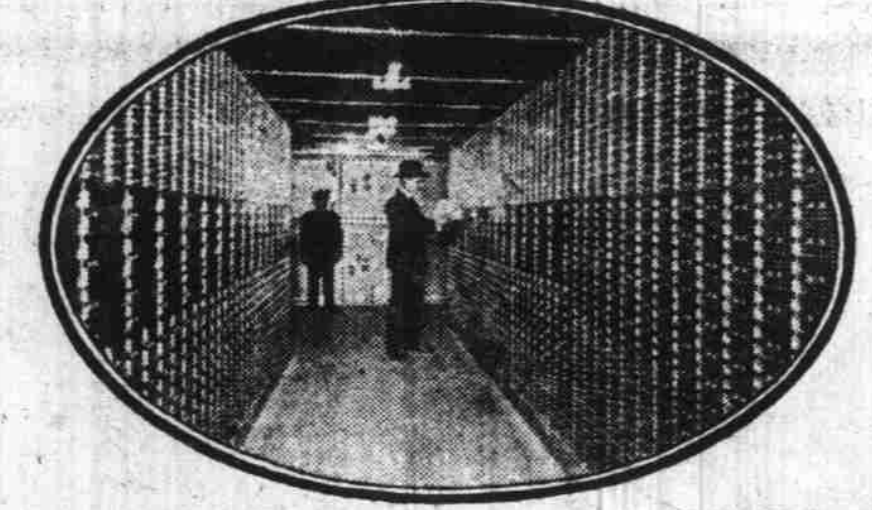
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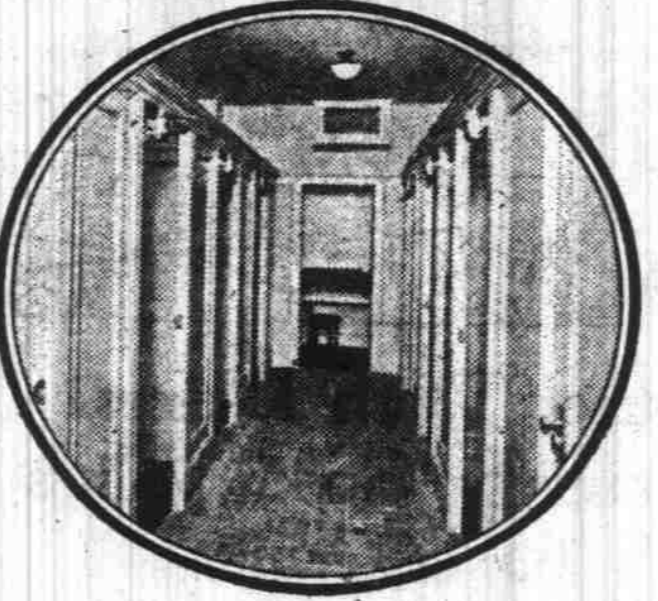
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