

NINE CANDIDATES SEND IN NAMES

Contest for Salem Postmaster's Office Grows Warmer As Appointment Nears

Although 16 application blanks were called for at the Salem post-office, by which applications could be made to the civil service commission for serving the government as postmaster at Salem, only nine applicants have their papers in Washington, D. C., by October 25.

According to telegraphic reports from Washington, these are as follows: Walter L. Tooze, Sr., August Huckestein, Herbert Hald, Leroy Hewlett, Herman Shellberg, John H. Farrar, Andrew A. Lee, Thomas C. Smith, Jr., and Arthur E. Gibbard.

Mr. Tooze has been an avowed candidate for the position. August Huckestein, present postmaster, has been in the service more than eight years, his term expiring July 21.

Mr. Hewlett, at present captain of Company F, O. N. G., was for a dozen years or more in the postoffice service, having resigned and taken up contracting and building about two years ago.

Mr. Farrar, assistant postmaster, has been in the postoffice work for a dozen years or more, and bases his chances largely on the fact that the civil service commission has repeatedly stated that experience in the service is what counts and that the Salem appointment would be made on a civil service basis.

Mr. Lee, for 25 years a resident of Salem, and former owner of the Salem Abstract company, has been active in municipal affairs for years, and especially so in his work in serving as director for the board of education.

Dr. Smith is a dentist with offices in the United States National Bank building. While not taking an active part in the municipal affairs of the city in recent years, Dr. Smith was formerly interested in a number of enterprises.

Mr. Gibbard has been in the postal service for a dozen years or more and at present is superintendent of mails.

It is thought by those familiar with the appointments of postmasters to offices of the first class, that the next move will be to send two special civil service agents here to talk things over and size up the candidates, as well as to get the general impression regarding the standing of each.

While many old-time politicians look wise and claim that the appointment will be dictated by Senator Charles L. McNary, the impression is gaining ground that the next postmaster of Salem will really be appointed by the civil service commission, with the consent and approval of Will Hays, postmaster general, and the senator from Oregon whose home is in Salem.

RACE VIEW GIVEN BY MR. HARDING

democracy is a lie you must stand for that equality, which gives the black man a just economic opportunity. Of the shorter speeches which helped to make the president's program, the first was delivered to members of the Alabama legislature early in the day. He emphasized he had come on a non-political mission and cautioned them that the test of government efficiency was not in party emblems but in service. If the Democratic party did not serve Alabama, he said, it never could continue in power. Compliment Paid Underwood Later a similar sentiment was expressed at the luncheon given in Mr. Harding's honor. Before he paid his tribute to Senator Underwood, the Democratic leader had alluded to the close friendship between the two and declared his personal regard for the president despite their political differences. Again at the cornerstone laying a tribute to the aid of Masonry in the building of citizenship was paid by the president. Suggesting that there had been misunderstanding of the purposes and requirements of the organization, he said: "I want to tell those outside the order that there isn't anything in the ritual and oath that has any free, righteous and just American couldn't subscribe to and be the better citizen for it. I know I am

CHIEF MOFFITT MAY QUIT POST

Salem Police Head Offered Position Under Prohibition Authority

Rumors that Chief of Police Verden Moffitt had been named definitely to a position as deputy prohibition director for Oregon were not confirmed by Chief Moffitt, last night. "I have not yet decided whether I will accept the position, although I have been considering the appointment which was recently offered me," said Chief Moffitt.

"The position has its disadvantages as well as its advantages. I have always regarded Salem as my permanent home and it is difficult to leave the old home town and make the change which would be necessitated by such an appointment."

As head of Salem's police department, Chief Moffitt receives a salary of \$1800 a year. It is understood that the office of a deputy prohibition enforcement officer receives \$2040 a year at the present time while it is reported that a proposed change may increase this figure to \$2250.

Members of the police committee of the Salem council say that they have received no intimation from Chief Moffitt that he intends to resign. The report of Chief Moffitt's resignation has been the cause of an avalanche of applications for the position and Salem aldermen are reported to have sought shelter from the applicants who are already canvassing votes for the coveted appointment.

Police committee members assert that no names will be given consideration until Moffitt's resignation is actually received.

CLUB TOLD NEED OF BOY'S WORK

Boardman, Hollaway and Doney Speak Before Salem Rotarians

At the Wednesday noon luncheon of the Salem Rotary club, E. R. Boardman, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., said that Rotary clubs throughout the country are giving special attention to boys' work, and children in general.

He referred to the efforts of the Rotary clubs in Ohio which resulted in laws being enacted by which every child in the state, needing medical attention, or every cripple, is compelled to receive proper medical help.

There is a general need of giving attention to boys, Mr. Boardman said, as records show that more boys than ever before are being called before the juvenile courts of the state.

Mr. Boardman said that Rotarians could help in boys' work by supporting the plan for a boys' week, by helping boys individually, by the promotion of educational, guidance and by giving more publicity to the needs of boys. He said plans are under way for a survey of the boy situation in Salem and what should be done for the boys.

FREAK CAUSES SHORT CIRCUIT

Peculiar Accident Near Portland Cuts off Juice for Salem Users

Due to one of the most freakish Portland Railway, Light & Power company Portland street cars, the lighting system and plants operating on electrical power were without electricity in many parts of Portland Tuesday morning for a period ranging from 15 to 30 minutes and also in Salem. One of the main 60,000 volt lines from the Cazadero waterpower plant suddenly was short circuited about 11 o'clock, the time of the morning when electrical service is most needed. A short circuit opens all switches controlling service to the city system from waterpower plants, leaving two steam plants in the city to carry the load. The load is too heavy for these steam plants. After throwing all reserve service into the city lines officials of the company sent out trouble men to learn what had happened. This was not learned until late yesterday afternoon. When the cause was found the trouble men threw up their hands in honor of the "queerest" accident. This is what they discovered. A farmer was driving along the Foster road the other side of the Sycamore station about 10 miles out from Portland. His conveyance carried a high load of hay. Across the road, 20 feet from the ground, swung a telephone wire. This caught on the top of

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE IS SALEM WINTER DISH

Oregon may not be the land of everlasting summer, but it's almost the strawberry season for 1921 is already five months long, and getting longer every minute, with promise of its lasting indefinitely.

Two Salem families report fresh strawberry shortcake for last Sunday's dinner—great, heaping luscious bowls of fragrant fruit, piled up and run over with colors and flavor and delight in neither case were they the Everbearing variety—just plain strawberries, the names of which have been lost in the mist of antiquity; the John Smiths and John Does of strawberry history, the common berries that have never done anything much but live and grow and keep the wolf from the door of their owners.

Some of these late berries have been exceptionally large, while the quality has been even more delicate, if that were possible, than the seasonable fruit.

DEFENSE SHAKES STATE WITNESS

Search for Mrs. Lyda Southard Touched up in Yesterday's Proceedings

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Oct. 26.—The search for Mrs. Lyda Southard, prior to arrest, was touched upon today in testimony trial on a charge of murder, growing out of the death of Edward F. Meyer, her husband. Miss Lulu Stout, of Boise, Idaho, related conversations she said were held with V. H. Ormsby, a deputy sheriff who has collected evidence for the prosecution. Miss Stout suggested to Ormsby that during an interview with Ormsby the latter had said, "What she would think of it if, after the bodies of Lewis, McAffie and the two Dooleys, (former husbands and a brother-in-law of Mrs. Southard), were exhumed and examined, poison were found therein."

Upon cross-examination by prosecuting attorney Frank Stephens the witness answered as to date of the alleged conversations. Ormsby testified that he had no recollection of any such conversation but if he had made such a statement it was at a time prior to the actual examination of the bodies referred to.

TWO FINES ARE PAID BY ARNOLD

Police Court Assesses \$10 and Justice Court \$35 Against Offender

Wayne Arnold, arrested Tuesday night by Officer Miller Hayden on a disorderly conduct charge, met double misfortune yesterday when City Recorder Earl Race imposed a fine of \$10 upon Arnold for the disorderly conduct charge. A few moments after being released by the city officials, Arnold was re-arrested by Deputy Sheriff Lee Morelock on a charge of assault and battery upon Judge Unruh pronounced a fine of \$35.

CAPTAIN WHITE IS OUT OF GAME

Leader of Salem High Eleven Will Not Play in Game With Columbia

Due to injuries of a hip muscle received in practice last night Captain White of the Salem high school football squad will be unable to lead his men when they battle with Columbia university here Saturday and will probably be kept from the game for another two weeks. Coach "Tubby" Hendricks, Salem mentor, announced last night. White played on the line in the right tackle position and his loss may spell disaster to the red and black team. Ringle and Dailey, both ends, are also on the sick list but as partial compensation Ted Purvine is again on the eligible list and will play his backfield position

FINAL WARRANT DRAWN FOR ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE WORK

County Judge W. M. Bushey announced last night that a warrant for \$550 made out to W. J. Herwig, of the Oregon Anti-Saloon league, marked the last of a series of payments to the league for services rendered in bringing into contact with the law nearly a score of sal operators and bootleggers during the past seven months.

There has been considerable agitation against the court's action for hiring outside officers in law enforcement work," said Mr. Herwig, yesterday. "The Anti-Saloon league's operators will be withdrawn from Marion county for the present and the public will be given an opportunity to compare the work of the league with the plans advanced by opponents of league enforcement."

FOUR INJURED BY WIND STORM

Tornado Hits Sacramento and Tears Roofs from Several Buildings

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 26.—Four persons were injured today during a wind storm that took on the proportions of a tornado. Houses were unroofed and a few buildings demolished, entailing damage estimated by city officials at \$50,000.

The injured: Elizabeth Evans, a grammar school student; John Glacken, J. McDougal and William McDonald, city employees.

The wind, which followed a torrential rain, arrived in a funnel-shaped cloud and struck the Newton Booth grammar school. There it lifted one of the temporary frame class rooms and deposited it on Elizabeth Evans, who was just leaving the building. The efforts of several men were required to release her. Her hurts were said not to be serious, nor were those of the city employees, injured by flying debris.

From the school the storm took a northeast course and tore down several homes in course of construction. Gables, porches and roofs were torn from their fastenings and in some cases carried several hundred feet.

Gale is Blown Out After Reaching High Velocity

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 26.—After attaining a velocity of 85 miles an hour at sea, the southerly gale which started yesterday and continued all night blew itself out today. The barometer dropped to 29.40 during the night, but has been going up slowly since that time. Captain Maggon of the Steamer Rose City, arriving from San Francisco today, said the gale extended all the way up the coast from Cape Blanco and there was a strong inshore sea running at the rate of 10 knots. The gale was blowing from the east, and making navigation difficult.

Engagements Announced For Willamette Students

Two engagements of Willamette university men were announced at dinner at the Phi Kappa Phi fraternity house last night. Announcement was made of the engagement of Bryan H. Conley of Salem to Miss Martha Richards of Tacoma, and of John A. Green of Pueblo, Colo., and Miss Trula Burton of Hensley, Ark.

Colored Folk Post Reward for Arrest of Offenders

PORTLAND, Oct. 26.—A certified check for \$500 was posted today with the city council by colored people of the city as a reward for the arrest and conviction of the person alleged to have attacked Mrs. Elsie Reynolds last Thursday night and branded the letter "K" on her cheek.

Lower Rate on Grain and Hay Ordered in Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 26.—An order directing railroads of Missouri to make an estimated reduction of \$3,607,990 in grain, grain products and hay rates based on this year's crop, was issued today by the state public service commission. The order becomes effective November 2.

TRAMBITAS WINS

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 26.—Alex Trambitas of Portland, Or., won the referee's decision over Johnny Tillman of St. Paul in a 12-round bout here tonight. They are middleweights. Harry Bramer of Kansas City, knocked out Mike Dundee, New York, in the first round of their scheduled ten round semi-final match. They are lightweights.

ARRIVES TO PRESS DIVORCE SUIT.

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COLONEL CLARK DEAD

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Colonel Joseph T. Clark, 59, post surgeon for several years of the Presidio of San Francisco, died at his home here today of heart trouble. Colonel Clark was a graduate of the class of 1887 West Point.

SILVERTON NEWS

SILVERTON, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special to The Statesman)—T. Allen, J. Riches, A. G. Anderson, Miss Eola Rivers, Miss Lillie Madson, M. J. Madson, M. G. Gunderson and Alvin Madson were Salem callers Tuesday.

Mrs. Christina Hansen is ill at her home on Scandia. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Evenson have moved into the Elza Brown residence on West Main street.

TRAFFIC BETTER WITH STRIKE ON TEXAS RAILROAD OFFICIAL SAYS FREIGHT EMBARGO WILL BE LOOSENED

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 26.—So greatly improved are conditions over lines of the International & Great Northern railway whose 600 trains have been on strike since Saturday, that tomorrow will witness a slight loosening of the freight embargo which was clamped on at the beginning of the strike. E. G. Goforth, general manager said late today. He added that 16 freight trains moved today.

Barber is Appointed New Deputy Sheriff

W. T. Barber, a well known peace officer, and a former guard at the Oregon state penitentiary, has been selected by Sheriff Oscar Bower, as a deputy in his office in accordance with a provision recently made by the county court.

Japanese Statesman Has Word to Say on Parley

TOKIO, Oct. 26.—Yukio Ozaki, former minister of justice and noted advocate of the limitation of armaments, addressing students of the imperial university declared that the conference at Washington would succeed or fail, depending on the achievement of the primary object—limitation of armaments. Discussion of questions relating to the Far East and the Pacific separately would do more harm than good to the real object of the conference.

New Hampshire Resident Inquires About Bonus Act

Lester I. Green, who now lives in Dover, N. H., has written the American legion headquarters in Salem, asking whether he is entitled to anything under the bonus act.

Esteb, Alleged Aide of Fox, is Arrested

R. Esteb, wanted by Chief of Police Moffitt in connection with the recent series of hold-ups in north Salem, was yesterday arrested by county officers at Hillsboro, according to word received here last night.

Henderson Said to Have Shown Signs of Insanity

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 26.—Witnesses for the defense testified today in the trial of Joseph J. Henderson on the charge of murdering his wife, Gertrude Henderson, that he appeared mentally unbalanced after his wife had brought her third suit for divorce.

IRISH PARLEY MUCH DELAYED

Maps Showing Distribution of Protestants and Catholics Shown

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The committee comprising Premier Lloyd George, Austen Chamberlain, Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, appointed yesterday to endeavor to find a formula that would enable a continuance of the Irish conference, conferred another two hours today without completing its task. No date was fixed for the reassembling of the conference because the committee's report is not ready.

Religious Survey Made

Maps showing the distribution of Catholics and Protestants again were brought into the committee conference and the inference was drawn that the Sinn Fein is fighting the Ulster issue before consenting to yield on allegiance to the crown. Its arguments were marshaled by deputations which before the conference met waited from Eamon De Valera in Dublin from all sections containing nationalist majorities within the area of the northern parliament.

Break-off Possible

In replying to them Mr. De Valera declared the issue of Irish unity to be as fundamental as that of the Irish form of government. At the Irish headquarters tonight an attempt was made to convey the impression that a break off tomorrow and the immediate return home of the delegates are within probability.

Among British officials however, there appeared a disposition to believe that the committee would present its report and that a full conference would reassemble tomorrow.

"Who is the mysterious stranger who has upset Punkville?" "The boys think he's a baseball scout, while the girls hope he's rounding up beauties for a moving picture concern."—Louisville Courier-Journal.



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