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Daily and Sunday—5482
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RECALL PETITIONS ARE FILED

SPECIAL AGENT IS DUSTED BY MR. DAUGHERTY

Subordinate Supplies Information Relative to Prosecution of War Cases and Dismissal Follows.

BREACH OF TRUST IS GENERAL ACCUSATION

Proposed Promotion of Major Purcell Apparent Basis of Trouble

WASHINGTON, April 25.—W. D. Watts, a special agent of the department of justice, was dismissed yesterday "for good and sufficient reasons," Attorney General Daugherty said late today.

The announcement of the dismissal was made earlier in the day at the capital through the making public of a letter to Mr. Watts from Assistant Attorney General Holland which declared that the action was taken because of "disloyalty to the department."

Data Given Congressmen

At the same time there was made public a copy of a memorandum from Mr. Watts to the department which said that the dismissal had been occasioned by his supplying Representative Johnson, Republican, South Dakota, with information which the latter attacked the department of justice in a speech in the house.

"I ordered Watts to be discharged; that's all I want to say about it," Attorney General Daugherty said today. "We can't discuss the discharge of people around here. I had good and sufficient reasons for dispensing with his services."

Daugherty Not Worried

A moment later, the attorney general said in reply to a question that "whatever congress might think does not worry me a minute."

The order of removal was signed by Mr. Holland and said the step was taken "inasmuch as you have knowingly and willfully violated the rules of the department, which as you must be aware, constituted a breach of trust."

Reason of Duty Followed

In his memorandum to the department, which it was said, was submitted under orders, "Watts said he had given information to Mr. Johnson regarding prosecution of war cases and that he had been 'actuated in the public interest' in so doing because of the connection of the information had with the proposed promotion of Major Laurence M. Purcell of the quartermaster corps."

SEVERE STORMS ARE CAUSE OF 21 DEATHS NEAR DALLAS TEXAS

DALLAS, Tex., April 25.—The Red Cross will take charge of relief work tomorrow.

Millions of acres in Texas farm land, particularly cotton land are under water and cannot be cultivated before 30 days, John T. Orr, president of the Texas farm loan federation, said. Reports received miscellaneous indicated many cities were more or less flooded within a radius of 100 miles of Dallas except to the north of here where, however, rising waters were predicted.

A Mexican was reported drowned at Sonora, 125 miles west of San Antonio, making the total number of deaths in the state 21.

PATTON NEARLY SPILLS THINGS

Catches Himself Just in Time to Keep from Giving Whole Show Away

At the Kiwanis club luncheon Tuesday, E. Cooke Patton almost gave away the whole snap, for the Cherringo that is to be staged at the armory next week, May 4, 5 and 6, for the benefit of the Salem hospital. Here is an approximation of his speech:

"You might be surprised to know that the Fat Lady and the Tattooed Terror and Zulu, the hungry cannibal maiden and Martello, the Boy Giant and the Man Who Devours Raw Meat Alive, is right here at your midst today. There he is, right over—but no, I don't give him away now. You might be horrified and shudder yourself into a fit if you knew that your next-door neighbor, there eating salad and pie by your side is one of the barbarous assassins who are going to 'Saw the Woman in Two' in defiance of the law. It is—it is—but no, you might tar and feather him and break up the show."

If I were to say that Slick like the lightning short changer and Scotty, the musical wizard who will charm the change out of your pockets, are dining with us today, you might call the police and ruin the hospital fund. So I won't tell just who they are. But I'll guarantee that when you see them in action at the Cherringo, you'll wish you'd brought your whole bank roll and borrowed some more from your neighbors, for the fun of seeing them work for it in a good cause. I'll give you my personal guarantee that you'll be delighted with everything but the going home that comes so quick when a fellow's having a good time."

Last of Ten Millions Soon to Be Delivered

On Friday, the Oregon bonus commission is to deliver the last of the first \$10,000,000 issue of bonus bonds to the buyers, Ralph Schneelock & Co., of Portland. This last delivery of \$1,600,000, will make the whole sum of ten millions available. It hasn't nearly all been apportioned, though the board is passing on the applications as rapidly as possible.

The board can issue other bonds, up to the amount authorized by the state at the special election last summer. This first \$10,000, however, is sufficient for the present, and the other bonds will not be put out until necessity demands.

Last week the board passed on more than 600 claims, in the one issue day, Friday. There is reason to expect at least as many this week, probably more, as the detail work speeds up with familiarity.

Commercial Plane Wrecked in Crash at Klamath Falls

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 25.—A commercial airplane was wrecked here today by a fall of 50 feet just after starting on a flight to Bend. Alva De Garma, pilot, and a mechanic who were in the plane escaped injury. De Garma said the inability of a new propeller properly to lift the machine caused the crash.

KU KLUX KLAN IS BLAMED BY CORONER JURY

White-Robed Raiders Held Responsible for Attack That Resulted in Shooting Near Los Angeles.

INVESTIGATION BY GRAND JURY ORDERED

Plot is Formulated in Undertaking Chapel Where Inquest is Held

LOS ANGELES, April 25.—The coroner's jury which today inquired into the facts surrounding the killing of Constable M. B. Mosher, slain by another officer while the constable was participating in a raid of masked men Saturday night, returned a verdict that Mosher came to his death while a member of a masked mob "presumably instigated and directed by members of the Ku Klux Klan."

The verdict said:

"Melford M. Mosher came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by Marshal Frank Woerner in pursuit of his duty while Mosher was acting as a member of an illegal masked and armed mob, presumably instigated and directed by members of the Ku Klux Klan."

Investigation Urged

"We recommend the district attorney convene a grand jury of this county to investigate the matter further and take necessary steps to prosecute the perpetrators of this crime."

The verdict followed testimony in which these facts were sworn to:

The raid was made upon a family of Spaniards who conducted a winery under federal license but who were asserted by members of the mob to be bootleggers.

Plot Hatched in Mortuary

Plans for the attack were made Friday night at a meeting held in the undertaking chapel at which today's inquest was held.

At this same meeting, attended by 30 men, including one of the undertakers who own the chapel, several of whom took a "preliminary oath" which one witness described as the first step towards joining the Ku Klux Klan.

N. A. Baker, "Kleagle," or organizer of the Ku Klux Klan, attended the meeting and was present at the raid the following night.

Business Men Called

Six business men in Ingewood are represented as having attended the meeting Friday night. All were called to the stand and five declined to answer questions on the ground their answers might incriminate them.

William S. Coburn, grand go-blin, and Gus Willard Price, king of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, testified they went to Ingewood Saturday after hearing there had been a raid. They denied all knowledge of the meeting.

Pioneer Yakima Woman Passes Away Suddenly

YAKIMA, Wash., April 25.—Mrs. Anna Boyle, wife of James Boyle, of Prosser, died suddenly this morning at her home. She was a pioneer of the Yakima valley, having come here with her parents when a child. She was a native of Vancouver, Wash. Mrs. A. E. Larson of this city, president of the Washington State Federation of Women's clubs, is a sister.

Austin Flegel Resigns, Baldwin is Appointed

PORTLAND, April 25.—News has been received from Washington of the resignation of Austin F. Flegel, Jr., as assistant United States attorney for Oregon, to be effective May 1.

He is to be succeeded in his capacity as federal prosecutor by E. D. Baldwin, formerly private secretary to N. J. Snirot, Oregon congressman.

Venire Exhausted, Only Four Drawn in Small Case

WAUKEGAN, Ill., April 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the first venire of 100 exhausted, the trial of Governor Len Small adjourned tonight with only four men in the box, one temporarily accepted by both sides and three tentatively passed by the state. A second venire has been called for tomorrow.

Governor Small followed the day's proceedings carefully, sitting at his lawyer's table.

Relatives Sought for Man Who Killed Self

ST. HELENS, OR., April 25.—Coroner White today was trying to locate relatives of Carl Gustaf Erickson, 59, logger, whose body with the throat slashed by a razor, was found in a pasture here last night. Despondency over failure to find work was believed to have been the cause of the supposed suicide, said the coroner.

WEATHER

Wednesday fair; moderate northeasterly winds.

SAYS WOMEN REGAIN LOST BEAUTY AFTER THEY DIE



LADY DOYLE, wife of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of Sherlock Holmes, master detective and writer of several books dealing with the Great Beyond, says that only spiritualism can console the stricken world. She also says that true soulmates will be united in heaven, and that woman, even if she dies at 90, will appear as in the bloom of youth.

COLLINS AGAIN IS IN DUBLIN

Head of Provisional Irish Government Ready to Resume Conference

DUBLIN, April 25.—Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, returned to Dublin today from Tralee in readiness for the resumption tomorrow of the conference between adherents of the government and Eamon De Valera, looking to peace.

The belief was expressed here tonight that the protest of labor, which culminated in Monday's one-day strike, has had no effect in influencing the leaders on either side of the controversy to yield their viewpoints.

Dublin is Buzzing

Dublin was buzzing tonight with rumors of a possible attempt to rush the Dail Eireann and "purge" it by military forces.

Today the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, a body of mixed politics, held a largely attended meeting at which deep concern was expressed for the lack of security to life and property.

Sir Horace Plunkett was the chief speaker. He said he thought the people of the United

DOCK WORKER IS ATTACKED

First Violence of Longshoremen's Strike Occurs in Portland

PORTLAND, Or., April 23.—First violence in the strike of union longshoremen, now in its third day, occurred late today when L. F. Winters, a non-union man, was attacked and beaten as he left Couch street dock where he had been working cargo, to get his lunch.

Jack O'Brien, a striker, was arrested by police officers who said they had seen him strike and kick Winters, aided by other strikers who escaped.

Winters, seriously injured, was taken to a hospital.

Upwards of 200 men were reported to be working on the docks today but the handling of cargo was proceeding slowly in most cases.

FENCE CAUSES FIGHT

COVER D'ALENE, April 25.—Following an alleged quarrel over fence wire, Jack Moesmer, 66, was perhaps fatally shot near here today. Frank Seidl is under arrest charged with the shooting. There were no witnesses, according to Sheriff Quarles.

DOCUMENTS AIMED AT COMMISSIONERS WILLIAMS, BUCHEL

Completed petitions upon which it is proposed to submit the question of recalling Fred A. Williams and Fred G. Buchtel, members of the Oregon public service commission, to the voters at an election to be held in conjunction with the primary contests May 19, were filed officially with the secretary of state last night.

The petitions were presented for filing by W. E. Richardson, F. S. Myers and Robert G. Duncan, members of the so-called recall committee.

Figures compiled by the secretary of state last night showed that the petitions directed at Mr. Buchtel contain 33,464 names. This is approximately 800 more signatures than are necessary to refer Mr. Buchtel's name to the voters at a recall election. The petitions filed against Mr. Williams contain 42,561 signatures, or more than 1000 names in excess of the number required by law.

RUSSELL HECKER IS BOUND OVER

Witnesses Review Circumstances in Preliminary Hearing in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., April 25.—Russell Hecker, alleged slayer of Frank Bowker, was bound over to the Multnomah county grand jury today after preliminary hearing in police court in which witnesses reviewed circumstances surrounding the death of Bowker the night of April 16.

Bowker's body was found in the Calapoia river a mile from the place where Hecker told the police he threw it from a bridge.

Unique Masonry Record Is Borne by Dr. Lisle

Pacific lodge No. 50, A. F. & A. M., of Salem, boasts a new recruit who comes with an interesting history. He is Dr. James Lisle, for many years an active or honorary member of Williamette university faculty. He comes on a long-stubbing demit from Arcana lodge, of Gordon, Neb., which he helped to found in 1887. He was the first member of the lodge, and strangely enough is the first one to take a final demit or discharge in the 35 years since the lodge was established. Dr. Lisle is believed to be the oldest Mason in Salem in point of membership. He became a member of the order in an army branch of Masonry, while serving in the Union army at Little Rock, Arkansas, in 1864. It is probable that there is no other Mason in the northwest of so long standing.

Lane County Boy Dies After Teeth Are Pulled

EUGENE, Ore., April 25.—George Irl Johnson, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johns and a student of the high school at Coburg, died today following the extraction of two ulcerated teeth yesterday. The boy was prominent in athletics at the school. An investigation as to the cause of death may be made, according to relatives of the boy.

Search Still Fruitless for Missing Seaplane

KEY WEST, Fla., April 25.—Search for the commercial seaplane Santa Maria, which, with six persons aboard, has been missing since it left here early yesterday for Nassau, a flight of approximately 300 miles, has been unsuccessful so far as was known here tonight. Naval and commercial seaplanes left here early today to look for the craft and radio stations both here and at Miami requested all vessels to report any trace of the plane.

UNDER KNIFE

RIGA, April 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Lenine of soviet Russia was operated on yesterday, says a report from Moscow today. A bullet which had troubled him for three years was extracted from his side. Last accounts were that the patient was doing well.

HUG RETAINED; TEACHERS ARE ELECTED; SALARIES NO HIGHER

George W. Hug, superintendent of Salem public schools, will remain in Salem, members of the school board announced last night after an executive session of the school board. Members of the board announced that the salaries of all employees of this district will remain unchanged, recommendations for salary increases totaling \$8032 being disregarded by the executive body.

The list of faculty heads and instructors as approved by the board was returned after the closed session with 23 teachers having been dropped. Members of the board indicated that about half of these had been dropped upon Mr. Hug's recommendation. Others had resigned to accept positions with other schools.

Sacred Heart academy for the annual concert in May, Walter Winslow interposed an objection:

"These people run in opposition to the American schools and never miss an opportunity to roast our school system and I, for one, will vote against any proposal that would enable them to use these public buildings," said Mr. Winslow.

The board adopted a rental charge of \$20 a night for the auditorium with a charge of \$5 for each rehearsal, and then acted favorably upon the academy's request, Mr. Winslow casting the only negative vote.

Janitors employed at the high school were last night given instructions by the board concerning the disposal of a large pile of wood near the building. It was

After last night's executive session members of the board announced that W. C. Hoppes, supervisor of the elementary schools will not be retained for 1922-1923.

The fight to dispense with the office of supervisor of elementary grades was started two weeks ago when Dr. H. H. Olinger and other members took the position that the supervisor could be dispensed with and that his salary could be applied toward needed increases in other departments.

When the board was asked to act upon a request that the high school auditorium be rented to

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