MANY MEN TO MAKE CONTEST

Death of Patterson Causes Sudden Change in Political Situation

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field, has been generally conceded to be a candidate for the republican nomination in May. Asked Monday if he would run, the senator replied that "the family and the friends of the late governor are weighed down with grief and all citizens of Oregon are bowing their heads in sorrowful respect. Under these circumstances I do not care to make a public statement."

Denial that he was a candidate for the nomination was made by Tom Kay, state treasurer, in response to a printed story Monday afternoon in the Capital Journal in which the headline read: "Tom Kay to be a Candidate for Governor." Mr. Kay declared that a "great many people had urged him to take up the race but as yet I have not had time to think about it." Kay said that within the next few days he was going to give the matter considerable thought. He added that he had heard a great deal of encouragement for a race even before the death of the governor but that he never seriously considered opposing his long-standing friend. "Wait a few days," said Mr. Kay in making final statement.

Bennett Not Yet Quite Ready to Talk

Senator J. E. Bennett of Multnomah county, already generally understood to be a candidate, declared to The Statesman representative that "I am rather reluctant to discuss my candidacy at such an early date but since you ask me, I will say that my record as a representative and also as a state senator will be my platform."

Bennett declared that "other issues will be freely discussed as they are brought out." He said further: "It is my hope that this election may prove a turning point in Oregon politics and that people will cast their vote for or against a candidate on his past record of performances, rather than on promises. In this campaign as in my previous ones I shall rely for my support upon the men and women of Oregon who believe in the things for which I have fought and further believe that we need more business men in public office."

Kozer Not in Race He Announces

Some discussion was current about Salem Monday concerning Sam Kozer, long-time secretary of state and now budget officer. Kozer told The Statesman Monday night that any discussion of his candidacy was entirely foreign to him and that he had no plans made for entering the race.

At least two members of the state highway commission have been talked about as candidates but neither of them could be reached Monday night. Judge Robert W. Sawyer of Bend, and for two years president of the state editorial association, is close to party leaders and is generally considered good material for a campaign. Four weeks ago the judge declared to friends that he would in no wise be a candidate to race against Mr. Patterson but whether the new turn of events would cause him to revise his views is problematical. There seems no secret that C. W. "Pop" Gates of Medford, may be an entrant in the fray, but as yet he has made no committal on his part.

NEW FIRST LADY IS SAID FRIENDLY SORT

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They lived there for three years. Walter was born there. They had always talked about coming west but nothing was done about it until Mr. Norblad had a case which brought him west.

When he returned to the east he told Mrs. Norblad that he thought he had found a wonderful place in the west and that "some day" they would come. Mrs. Norblad laughed and said, "I told him we had always talked about coming. If he had found the place, we would set a date and on that date we would go. June 15 was the date set and we did go." And for 20 years the Norblads have lived in Astoria where Mr. Norblad has built up his practice and established himself in the state.

"I really feel quite at home in Salem," said Mrs. Norblad, "for I have been here off and on since 1919 when Mr. Norblad first entered the legislature. I like it here and have always enjoyed myself here very much."

But she expressed her position in Salem now as being "unreal." "We don't seem to belong here," she said looking about the office. "The whole thing has been so sudden that neither Mr. Norblad nor myself can think clearly about it. The Pattersons and Mr. Norblad and myself have been strong personal friends for years. Mr. Norblad and Governor Patterson were in the legislature together. They have visited us in Astoria.

"We did not even know that the late governor was at all seriously ill. The only intimation that we had that he was ill was a little note in the Oregonian which spoke of his having a cold and being confined to his home."

"Then came the telegram. Al was stretched out on the davenport smoking, everything was peaceful, and then suddenly the dreadful news." We just can't think yet. There is our house to be cared for in Astoria. Mr. Norblad has not even seen his law partner since the telegram came. We must find a house here. But we will do nothing until after Christmas. By that time we can think more clearly."

Mrs. Norblad indicated that she and Eleanor would not come to Salem until the end of the first school semester in the middle of January. Just here Miss Walton came in and Mrs. Norblad announced that she and Miss Walton were neighbors in Astoria when Miss Walton taught there.

And Miss Walton added, "Yes, I taught Walter. He had the most toothsome smile and was the most modest child."

Speaking of modesty, Walter must come by his honestly for Mrs. Norblad truly is modest. In discussing a house, which had been suggested as a possibility for solving their living quarters, she asked if there was an oil burner and said she would not know what to do without one—then hastily she added, "but don't make a point of it when you ask about the house for someone might think I am fussy." This same modesty came to light when her picture came in for discussion. It had been in the Portland papers, and was to appear in both Salem papers; sh ewas despairing that it should have to be so, and then said, "The first joys of being a public person-"

It would seem from meeting and talking with Mrs. Norblad that, not unlike her predecessor, she is a very real, very human, very interesting and interested "first lady of the state."

GOVERNOR NORBLAD AND HIS FAMILY

—Courtsey Portland Oregonian

Governor A. W. Norblad, Mrs. Norblad and their two children, Albin Walter, Jr., and Eleanor Lyle. Picture taken just after Governor Norblad took the oath of office in Portland. Upper insert, Mrs. Norblad (Gunnell & Robb photo); lower insert, Governor Norblad (Brown Studio photo).

Beatrice Walton to Carry On Despite Sudden Blow Taking Friend and Chief

Standing at a window from which the late Governor Patterson had many times stood and looking out over the tops of the same great trees of the state house grounds over which he had looked, Miss Beatrice Walton, private secretary to the late governor spoke over the telephone to some friend calling to offer consolation Monday afternoon following the funeral service for the late Governor I. L. Patterson. She spoke in a low voice misty with unshed tears, very contrary to her usual crisp, efficient tone, and this is what she was saying, "I shall do as he would have done—tear a sheet from the book, and try to forget!"

In all the routine of continuing the great state's business, the cruel, but perhaps necessary haste which seemed to leave little room for the expression of any feeling except that of excitement and bustle, there was one who perhaps more than any other save Mrs. Patterson, who really knew the man for whom the state was supposed to grieve, and whose heart was truly aching with a loss so sudden that it even staggered the cold machinery of routine.

From the window she turned and sat down at her accustomed desk facing me. Her eyes were heavy with tears that had been shed, and with those that would still come quickly if sternest self-control had not been used; and they circled with loss of sleep. Miss Walton, thinking the governor to be in nowise a serious condition had left Saturday for San Francisco on business. She received the wire telling of the governor's sudden death, Saturday night on the train, but not until it was too late for her to make connections with a train returning to Portland. She had to go on to San Francisco and there she turned back and immediately retraced her steps arriving at the state house during the impressive funeral service conducted in the house of representatives.

Her first words as she faced me were "I am terribly distressed that pened. I had no idea that such a I was not here when this happthing had the remotest possibility of happening."

And then she continued in a voice that did not stay perfectly steady all of the time. "He was the finest man and the most considerate man for whom I have ever worked. I never saw him lose his point in all the three years in which I had been associated with him. He was never visibly disturbed."

Continuing more slowly she said, "He was always kindly and considerate of the comfort and pleasure of those who worked with him, or those who came to him for help or advice or requests. It made no difference how small the matter. It has been a valuable three years for me. He taught me much. He was judicially minded to a remarkable degree; both sides of a question would be viewed impartially, a decision would be made as fairly as he knew how to make it and then he would dismiss the matter from his mind."

Governor Patterson's unfinished term of office will go down in history as one of the outstandingly smooth and efficient terms in Oregon state history. Miss Walton says this is true not because the term was uneventful or free from disturbing influences—far from it—but because of the marvelous ability of the man at the helm to iron out difficulties, quietly and justly.

But with all this sadness in her heart, Miss Walton turned to the problems of the new governor and his wife left almost in bewilderment with the sudden responsibilities and displayed some of the poise which she perhaps had absorbed from the man so recently her superior. Speaking with Mrs. Norblad in the governor's office, she said, "The problems will all ravel out if you take things slowly and give them a bit of time," and continued that with Mr. Norblad's fine background of legal training and his serious and thorough training in the legislature there would be every reason to make his tenure of office a success. And she concluded by quietly pledging her every effort toward that end.

National World Peace Week to Be Noted Here

Salem churches will observe national world peace week from January 5 to 12, it was voted at the bi-monthly ministerial association meeting held yesterday morning at the Y. M. C. A. The city will be divided into five districts, as for the annual Thanksgiving services, for the peace observance, and services held several nights in each of the churches. Rev. Harry E. Gardner, pastor of the Jason Lee Methodist church, is chairman of the committee in charge of arrangement of the services.

Miss Mary Findley gave a talk on the world peace and its progress at a meeting yesterday morning and Rev. L. D. Smith of the Nazarene church led the devotions. Rev. Fred C. Taylor is president and Rev. L. W. Biddle, secretary, of the association.

PANTAGES EXAMINED

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23. —(AP)—District Attorney Buron Fitts said tonight he would appoint three disinterested physicians to examine Alexander T. Pantages, convicted of an assault on Eunice Pringle, young dancer.

BAILEY FEELS HOPEFUL

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 23.—(AP) —Edward F. Bailey, state senator from Lane county, is being groomed as democratic candidate for governor, his friends announced here today.

Diphtheria Case Imported Here From Ashland

Another case of diphtheria, and the fifth to appear in the county since just before Thanksgiving, was reported yesterday to the county health officer. The fifth patient is a woman, who arrived here late last week from Ashland. She was ill when she came, but the sickness was not diagnosed as diphtheria until a physician was called in. The county health officer notified the Jackson county health officer and asked him to notify the husband.

All contacts which the woman made here have been given toxin-antitoxin treatment by the health officer and it is believed no further cases will result from this one.

BLAZE KILLS THREE

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23. —(AP)—Three men were killed and another badly burned in an explosion and fire late today at the plant of the Redmond and Bramley Oil Company, Inc., in Rensselaer, just across the Hudson from here.

BRIEF, SIMPLE SERVICES HELD

National Guard Units Bring Touch of Military Dignity to Rites

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Honorary pall bearers were: Governor A. W. Norblad; Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer; Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state; O. P. Coshow, chief justice; Justices John L. Rand, Henry L. Bean, Harry H. Belt, George M. Brown, Thos. A. McBride, George Rossman; Acting Justice J. W. Hamilton; Major General George A. White; H. B. Van Duzer, chairman state highway commission; Sam Kozer, director of budget; Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent state hospital; I. H. Van Winkle, attorney general; Henry L. Meyers, superintendent state penitentiary; Dr. A. B. Hall, president University of Oregon; Dr. W. J. Kerr, president Oregon State Agricultural college; C. L. Starr, president state board of higher education; C. A. Howard, superintendent of public instruction; W. D. McNary, superintendent eastern Oregon hospital; Senator Isaac C. Staples.

Active pall bearers were named by Lieut. Col. Libby from among the captains of the Oregon National guard. They were:

Capt. Francis W. Maison, Co. H, 162nd Inf.; Capt. Glenn A. Webster, Bat. C. 218 F. A.; Capt. Oswald M. Day, Co. F., 162nd Inf.; Alva L. Merrill, Hdr. Co., 162nd Inf.; Capt. Joseph M. Wackrow, State staff; Capt. Patrick W. Kelly, Hdr. Co., 82nd Brig.; Cept. Karl F. Glos, Hdr. Co. 162nd Inf.; Capt. Wm. H. Lehman, Co. E, 162nd Inf. All are from Portland.

In front of the mausoleum the troops were massed in company fronts. A benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Taylor. Three volleys were fired by a squad of guardsmen. Off in the distance two buglers sounded taps while troops stood at "present arms" and the throng with heads bowed.

The band struck up "Nearer My God to Thee." The casket was lowered from the hearse and, as it was bourne into the mausoleum, a gentle Oregon mist began falling in quiet requiem.

BIG CHAIN MERGER PLAN CALLED OFF

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(AP) —E. C. Sams, president of the J. C. Penney company, which operates a nationwide chain of 1400 retail drygoods and apparel stores, announced today that negotiations for a merger with Sears, Roebuck and company, have been definitely terminated.

Mr. Sams said that no basis for a merger had been found during a study of its economic advantages by the executives of both companies.

"The possibility of the J. C. enney company's strained personnel handling the lines developed by the Penney company in its 1400 drygoods and apparel stores, was the occasion of the study" said the statement, but since no basis for a merger was found, negotiations have been definitely terminated.

Reports that the two concerns were contemplating a merger were first heard a few weeks ago and it then became known that the possible advantages of such a consolidation were to be surveyed.

Mr. Sams said that this study, deemed advisabe because of the possibility of uniting the wide variety of lines developed by Sears, Roebuck with the drygoods and apparel lines handled by the Penney retail stores had been terminated and that a negative decision had been reached.

Hill Asks Local Folk to Support Park Near Here

Advice to "get busy" on the program to obtain a national park in the Silver Creek Falls area, was included in the talk given by Dr. David B. Hill at the Salem chamber of commerce luncheon Monday in connection with the showing of motion pictures of area, including ten waterfalls of considerable size and some smaller ones. He also showed pictures of the Chemeketans' Mt. Hood climb.

The chamber of commerce members stood silently with bowed heads for a minute at the opening of the program, out of respect to the memory of Governor Patterson.

The Call Board . .

By OLIVE M. DOAK

CAPITOL

Today — "In the Headlines" Grant Withers and Marion Nixon.

Wednesday—"The Three Live Ghosts."

FOX ELSINORE

Today — "The Thirteenth Chair" and Fanchon and Marco in "Idea in Green."

Christmas — "Sweetie" with Nancy Carroll.

Saturday—"Half Way to Heavin," with Fanchon and Marco.

GRAND

Today—"The Road to Ruin."

Wednesday — "His Last Haul."

Thursday—"River Pirate" —Frazier players.

Friday — "River Pirate" —Frazier players.

HOLLYWOOD

Today—"The Long, Long Trail" with Hoot Gibson.

Wednesday—"Our Modern Maidens"—Manhattan players in "A Ruined Honeymoon.

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Friday — "Kid Gloves" with Conrad Nagel.

Every tragedy has to have a bit of humor about it whether it be real life or the stage. In real life it is very likely to go by unnoticed unless an Irishman be present, but on the screen or the stage the bit of comedy is necessary to keep up the high tone of tenseness which would become too wearysome to be amusing if it were not relieved. In "The Thirteenth Chair" now showing at the Fox Elsinore, Bertram Johns is the man who introduces the relief laugh, in between the searchings for murders and the hesitant revelations of the medium.

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Hoot Gibson at the Hollywood is known as the "Ramblin' Kid" in the "Long, Long Trail" and he has a hobby for pretending to be drunk and shooting up the town in which he happens to find himself. He hates women with the ordinary degree of hate with which most "women haters" really hate—just enough to make them fall in love with terrific force—and he did. But there is some very beastly trickery, gallant riding and straight shooting before he knows that he has at least won in love.

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Robert McGowan has been directing the famous "Our Gang," the kid comedies which everybody likes to see, for eight years without a vacation. This year he gave himself a Christmas present and se and his family set sail for Honolulu the first of December where they will remain for some time "just playing." James Horne will direct the lively folk during Mr. McGowan's vacation.

At present the "gang" is Mary Ann Jackson, Wheezer, Farina, Jackie Cooper, Norman Chaney and Pete, the pup.

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"The Road to Ruin" is playing to packed houses at the Grand theatre.

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"In the Headlines" is the "how" of news—if you ever wonder "how the paper got that"—well, see the picture and it will help you to understand. It is now showing at the Capitol.

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Frank Bligh and Archie Holt are being hosts to members of the Statesman staff with the picture "In the Headlines" while it is being shown this week.

Patterson Now Entombed With 2 Ex-Governors

Governor Isaac Lee Patterson was entombed in the Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum at City View cemetery, there to keep company with the memories of two other Oregon governors, Ex-Governor William Paine Lord and James Withycombe, the latter of whom died quite suddenly on March 2, 1919, while he was still in office.

Lord and Withycombe are entombed in the old corridor of the mausoleum, but the final resting place of Governor Patterson is in the new corridor, completed only last month.

Ex-Supreme Court Judge Henry L. Benson is another state official whose remains are in the mausoleum. And strangely enough Governor Patterson's old partner in business, A. N. Gilbert, was entombed in Mt. Crest Abbey. One of the old mercantile establishments in Salem was operated by A. N. Gilbert and I. L. Patterson.

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FARMER KILLS TWO WITH DEADLY FIRE

CAMERON, Tex., Dec. 23 —(AP)—Running amuck with an automatic rifle Anton Huebner, Cameron farmer, killed two men and wounded a third today before he was slain by an armed citizen who rushed to the scene.

Apparently seeking revenge for a previous difference with a salesman for a motor company, Huebner appeared at the door of the motor company at the lunch hour and started shooting. Hubert Hefley, automobile dealer, and Constable Charles Sens were killed and Sheriff Blaylock wounded before the rifle was silenced.

For twenty minutes Huebner ruled the downtown street after killing the two men, shooting at everyone in sight. Three times he emptied and reloaded his rifle, and lives of scores of workers on their way to luncheon were endangered by the promiscuous firing.

Two years ago Huebner was hit over the head with a heavy stick in a fight with a salesman for the motor company. His skull was fractured. The difference was finally adjusted in the courts. Police believe that brooding over the affair led Huebner to seek revenge.

Carols Will Be Sung Tonight at Large Gathering

Girl Reserves, Campfire Girls and Girl Scouts will unite this evening in singing carols on the west lawn of the court house grounds, near the community Christmas tree. Following the public caroling there, the girls will go to the Deaconess hospital, the state blind school and to one of the hotels. Mrs. W. J. Minkiewitz, leader of Camp Fire Girls in the city, will lead the caroling. The Girl Reserves have been trained this year by Mrs. George Rhoten.

Mrs. Elizabeth K. Gallaher, Girl Reserve director, asked yesterday that all Girl Reserves, high school, junior high and grade, gather on the west steps of the court house promptly at 7 o'clock.

Capitol Invites Statesman Folk To View Picture

Every employe of the Oregon Statesman and his wife or sweetheart will be guests of Frank Blight, owner of the Capitol theatre today at a pre-Christmas showing of "In the Headlines," a newspaper picture which starts its run today at that theatre. Archie Holt, Capitol manager, made this announcement Monday night as a preliminary to the opening of the picture.

In the play thrilling scenes from the daily life of those who write and produce a newspaper are given and woven in the plot is clever acting on the part of Grant Withers and Marian Nixon who take the leads in the production.

HUSKIES SHOW STRENGTH

SEATTLE, Dec. 23.—(AP)— The powerful University of Washington basketball team easily defeated the Sun Life quintet of Tacoma here tonight in a practice game, 60 to 17.

BOYCOTT LIFTED

LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 23.—(AP) — Without preliminary notice, trade between Mexican citizens, south of the Rio Grand and merchants of Laredo, was resumed today.

NORBLAD TAKES UP NEW DUTIES HERE

Incoming Executive Making Plans to Continue Work Of Mr. Patterson

Governor and Mrs. A. W. Norblad arrived in Salem yesterday noon to attend the funeral of Mr. Norblad's predecessor in office, I. L. Patterson. They drove from Astoria, their home, coming by the Patterson home at Eola where they paid their respect to the former governor's widow. They arrived at the state house at one o'clock. The governor was immediately greeted by newspapermen and old acquaintances.

Following the funeral Governor Norblad conferred with Miss Beatrice Walton, secretary of the governor, who reached home on the afternoon train following a hurried trip to California. He gave attention to pressing business at the executive office and then left with Mrs. Norblad to return to Astoria to spend Christmas at the family home there. The governor will return to Salem following Christmas, though he did not know just which day it would be.

Administration Along Same Lines Planned

Governor Norblad had no particular statement to make on arriving in Salem. "The whole matter of my succession to the governorship has come about so suddenly that I have scarcely had time to organize any plans," he said. "I did not ever know the governor was ill, so was quite stunned when word came of his death. I think the governor was making a successful administrator of state affairs on sane and conservative lines. I hope to continue in the same program. While I am a younger man and may have a viewpoint slightly different from Mr. Patterson's I hope my administration may be similarly sound and sane.

"I plan no change in political appointments. I want to take up the work and carry on the affairs of state with as little break as possible."

Arrangement of Private Affairs Considered

The governor mentioned the problem of handling his private business affairs. He has a substantial law practice in Astoria and arrangement must be made for carrying it forward. These problems make it uncertain just how early he may be able to return to take up the regular routine of the governorship.

Mrs. Norblad is naturally interested in a home in Salem. First she said they would have to make some plans about their Astoria home, so it would be taken care of during their absence from Astoria. We very much prefer a home of our own rather than an apartment," said the governor's wife. "But the change has come so abruptly that we haven't had time to plan anything about a home yet."

Former Salem Boy Critically Ill, San Diego

Floyd Hoogerhyde, former Salem boy, is critically ill in the Marine hospital at San Diego, according to word received here from his mother, Mrs. C. Hoogerhyde, who was called to his bedside last week. She was accompanied by her daughter Annabel. They arrived Thursday and found Floyd practically at the point of death, but he rallied a little when they came. He has been serving with the Marines in China for two and one-half years.

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