

NORTH SANTIAM POWER CASE IS PUT OFF AGAIN

City and Company Seeking Development Rights to Confer Soon

Firm May Not Be Required To File Over Again if Salem's Plan Fails

Definite action in connection with the application of the Northwest Power company, a subsidiary of the Pacific Northwest Public Service company, for permission to appropriate the waters of Marion Lake and the North Santiam river for power purposes was deferred Wednesday at a meeting of the state reclamation commission here until Tuesday, August 5.

The continuance followed a discussion in which it was brought out that attorneys for the city of Salem and the power company might agree upon some procedure which would protect the interests of both. The municipality previously had filed with the reclamation commission a petition asking that the application of the power company be denied, and that the city then be given six months in which to perfect its application for appropriation of the water for power.

It was specifically provided in the city's petition that in case municipality failed to perfect its filing the power company then would have authority to reestablish its rights to the water in controversy.

Object to Making Renewed Filing

O. B. Caldwell, representing the power company, contended that his employer desired to be fair, but he was not in sympathy with the plan of the city to compel the power company to start new proceedings in case the city failed to complete its filing. He urged that the proceeding merely be continued over the six months period, which would give the municipality time in which to complete its application for power development.

W. H. Trindle, attorney for the city, said this was satisfactory to the municipality did not desire to act unfairly in the controversy. Trindle said that if the municipality did not complete its filing within the six months period, then the Northwest Power company should be allowed to proceed with the development without unnecessary costs or embarrassment.

Plan for Election Told by Trindle

It was explained by Trindle that the city expected to refer to the voters at a special election in the near future the question of a charter amendment, which would authorize municipal power development.

Rhea Luper, state engineer, in response to questions propounded by members of the reclamation commission (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

Extortion Charges Follow Slaying of Buckley, Radio Man

Espousal of Recall Movement Also Suggested as Motive for Murder of Announcer; All Detroit Aroused at Crime

DETROIT, July 23.—(AP)—Police Commissioner Thomas C. Wilcox announced late today he has an affidavit from a confessed bootlegger which states Herald E. (Jerry) Buckley, radio announcer slain by gunmen early today, had extorted money from him.

Buckley was political commentator for radio station WMBE. He was an avowed enemy of gangsters and outspoken critic of the administration of Charles Bowles, Detroit's recalled mayor.

Through the microphone he had denounced lawlessness, racketeers and gangsters.

Commissioner Wilcox gave out an affidavit from an unnamed man who said he had been induced by Buckley to start bootlegging. After he became aligned with a prosperous liquor selling organization, he swore Buckley demanded and received amounts totaling \$4,000.

Police apparently accepted that purported revelation as a possible explanation of the slaying. Other theories were advanced by Buckley's associates. One group, headed by the victim's brother, Paul, former Wayne county assistant prosecutor, insisted he was killed because of his espousal of the majority recall. Others, including the police, had believed his continued attacks on gangsters offered the motive.

A third theory was he was shot to forestall his identification of the man who killed two gangsters in front of the hotel, in which the radio station is located, on July 3. Buckley witnessed that killing from the window of the radio station.

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DEVELOPMENTS IN HUSTON ROW EXPECTED SOON

G. O. P. Chairman's Delay In Making Announcement Causes Surprise

Object of Attack is Away From Washington and Cannot Be Found

By F. M. STEPHENSON

WASHINGTON, July 23.—(AP)—Confidently expecting the early retirement of Claudius Huston as chairman of the republican national committee, President Hoover and party leaders today went ahead with arranging campaign plans in the absence of Huston.

The republican campaign discussions both at the White House and at the capitol were based upon the assumption Huston is getting out. However, his continued absence from the city was beginning to receive notice.

The chairman who has been under fire of a powerful group in the party, promised early in the month to make an announcement of his intentions as chairman as soon as the senate adjourned.

When the senate adjourned Monday, the party leaders sat back to hear his statement. None was forthcoming, inquiries were launched but Huston was not to be found. His office yesterday said he was in New York but today there was no intimation of where Huston could be located.

Huston Today in Tentative Contests

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New Physica' Director Here



W. Vernon Gilmore, who succeeds "Luke" Gill as head of the boys' physical education department at Salem high, was graduated from O. S. C. in June, after starting in track athletics at the state school and devoting all the physical education courses offered there.

STREET VACATION PRECEDENT CITED

"Particularly Affected" is Phrase in Statute Paper Firm Relies Upon

"Particularly affected" are the two magic words which Walter E. Keyes, attorney for the Oregon Pulp & Paper company here, hopes to use as a key to unlock the remonstrance gate which was thrust across the vacation of Trade street in the city council Monday.

Keyes is emphatic in the statement that Section 3821 of the Oregon code relating to remonstrances to vacation of streets applies only to such petitions when filed by men and women who are particularly affected. This means, according to Keyes, property owners who would be more damaged by the vacation than the general rank and file of citizens.

"For example the party having property adjacent to a 'blind' street is more affected than the average citizen," Keyes declared. "In the case of the proposed vacation, the adjacent property owners joined with the paper mill in asking the street be granted to the latter organization."

Mr. Keyes said he was not alone in his opinion. City Attorney Grant of Portland is said to have told Keyes that in Portland cases the "particularly affected" interpretation had always been placed on the statute. Bert Macomber, local attorney, called Keyes Wednesday to assure him he was right in his view since Macy had seen a similar situation in another city.

Under this interpretation, the city council could proceed at its next meeting, August 4, to vacate the desired part of the street. Under the 22 objectors wished to carry the matter into the courts, the matter would be at an end.

If the 22 petitioners sought legal action, the next step would be to ask an injunction to prevent the city assigning the portion of the street to the paper company. The matter of the rights of the remonstrance makers under the Oregon laws as well as the rights of the city council would then be fully heard and the question of "particularly affected" determined.

In a public statement Tuesday, City Attorney Trindle said in his opinion the remonstrance of the 23 property owners in Salem could not vacate the street unless two-thirds of the property owners in town petitioned the vacation, or unless the 22 signers withdrew their remonstrance.

Murder Suspect Held in Salem's Jail Over Night

Claude Rhine, wanted in Tacoma for the murder July 11 of a night policeman and Frank Goya, a jail breaker wanted in Spokane, were in the city jail Wednesday night. The men were apprehended in San Francisco and are in custody of Officers Larry Amundson, J. E. Ferrar and Prosecuting Attorney H. Gardner, of Tacoma.

Rhine, the officers said, was staging a small hold-up in Tacoma July 11 and when the officer tried to interfere, struck him over the head with a small jack handle, causing his death.

Fund Available In Market Road Work Announced

The state highway department Wednesday announced a total of \$1,106,490.40 of market road funds are available for construction and maintenance work in Oregon during 1930.

OUTLOOK BLANK AS CONVENTION OF G. O. P. NEAR

No Answer Ready For Vital Query "Who Will Be The Nominee?"

Tom Kay Believed to Hold Inside Track But His Enemies Numerous

Tomorrow brings the opening of Oregon's "historic" political convention. It is unique in that it is the first time delegates under the primary system, shall choose the nominee. Whether it will be historic depends much on the aftermath of the gathering that on the events of Friday and the days which follow it.

With the public concerned largely in picking the winner, it is a certainty on the eve of the convention that no one, not even the delegates, have any fixed ideas on who will receive the coveted award.

Tom Kay, state treasurer, apparently has the inside track. He has been the most active campaigner among the committee men and through the press. He is undoubtedly the best qualified by legislative and office-holding experience among the field. His knowledge of Oregon's problems is thorough. He has the political advantage of being an incumbent member of the board of control and the post he would vacate if elected governor is no mean advantage in a trading convention.

Tom Kay Thought Strongest Contender

Kay's name will go before the convention as probably the strongest contender. He has known weaknesses, if not real, certainly psychological. He was not an out-and-out Joseph supporter which many will say implies a weakness while other delegates will love him for this position. Kay arouses marked antipathy from union labor. His age and previous condition of health are objections not to be forgotten by an electorate. How far these disadvantages will go is problematical.

Against Kay will be Metachan who is known to have cherished for a long time the ambition to be governor. From eastern Oregon comes Ralph Hamilton, well known enough to be a candidate but not sufficiently long-time in politics to have made many enemies or to have made notable accomplishments.

Julius Meier Not To Be Overlooked

Julius Meier is not to be overlooked. His comparative youth, his successful business experience, his friendships with Joseph Holman is eager but has not a chance for republican favor. He may break the party lines and go out to drum the utilities on an independent platform. George Neuner stands well with the dries. Without the publicity attached to a federal attorney's office, Neuner would be much less seriously considered. (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

Pioneer of Air Travel Mourned



GLENN H. CURTISS SERVICES FRIDAY

Leader in Conquest of Air Dies Suddenly After Recent Operation

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., July 23.—(AP)—Funeral service for Glenn H. Curtiss, who died in Buffalo today will take place this afternoon, it was announced tonight. The Rev. G. P. Summerfield, rector of St. James Episcopal church, here, will officiate. Burial will be in Pleasantview cemetery in Hammondsport.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 23.—(AP)—Glenn Hammond Curtiss, pioneer aviator and guiding genius of the aeronautical world, died suddenly today in the General hospital here. He had been operated on for appendicitis July 11, and had been reported out of danger and well on the way to recovery.

The cause of death was pulmonary embolus, a blood clot in a main artery close to the heart. News of the death of the man to whom aviation owed so much of its achievement in the past quarter century came with a shocking suddenness.

Mr. Curtiss was said to have been suffering from appendicitis, with recurring acute attacks, for some time. He was involved in a suit brought against him by the Herring-Curtiss company in a Rochester court to recover nearly a million dollars.

The complaint charged violation of patent right and misappropriation of funds. Curtiss failed to appear in court. Attorneys for the company charged he was feigning illness and the court ordered three physicians to conduct an examination. (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

Friday's Concert Program Is Ready

Program for the regular Friday night band concert to be held at Wilson park beginning at 8 o'clock was completed last night by Oscar Steinhilber, director. The music will begin at 8 o'clock, with members to be played in the following order:

Radio Waves March (Jewell). Selection—"The Prince of Pilsen." By Request, (Lauders). "Gems of Stephen Foster" (Tovani).

Popular Numbers. Selections—"High Jinx" (Clark). Vocal solo—Miss Eva Roberts. "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" (By Request). "Sunnyside Up."

Theme song of "My Maryland" (Fahrer). Overture "Jolly Robbers" (Suppe). The Liberty Bell March (Souza). Star Spangled Banner.

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VICTIMS OF QUAKE NEAR 700

Thousands Injured and Ten Times as Many Homeless

All Italy Stunned at Worst Catastrophe Since 1908

NAPLES, July 23.—(AP)—Southeastern Italy tonight had counted its dead to the number of 679 in half a score of towns tumbled to ruins by a series of terrific earthquakes which began an hour after midnight and had not ceased to vibrate this evening.

Government estimates placed the injured at more than a thousand and the homeless at ten times that figure. Melfi, picturesque mountain city, perched precariously upon the crater of the extinct Monte Voltore, was an area of ghastly debris. Even the ancient cathedral, dating back to the ninth century, was wrecked.

The almost inaccessible nature of some of the areas devastated made difficult the work of succor and the enumeration of casualties. Most of the towns hit the hardest are off the beaten paths of tourists and transportation is poor.

Several supply trains have been sent to points on the railroads in the interior from Naples and hundreds of relief workers tonight were penetrating recesses of the agricultural area offering relief to the still terror-stricken victims.

Worst Earthquake Since Messina, 1908

The quake stunned all Italy. It was the worst earthquake since Messina was all but obliterated in 1908. The first tremor came an hour after midnight. Its own awful nature was supplemented by a tremendous electrical storm over virtually the whole affected area.

The intense area extended from the Tyrrhenian sea to the Adriatic but the coast settlements suffered less in proportion than the mountain populations. Naples experienced several hours of panic and scores of casualties. Among the city's victims was the Countess De Rossi Vargas.

Rionero was hit by quakes in other years, suffered at least 20 deaths. San Sossio Baronia reported 14 dead and 100 injured. Varile 11 known dead with 40 injured. Rionero is known as the "home of the flowers," and is a celebrated city among tourists of the more ardent group who penetrate far into the hills.

Fully one thousand buildings were destroyed in Melfi and Rionero. Further Casualties Believed Suffered.

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Oregon Briefs

ALLOTMENT MADE WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—(AP)—Senator McNary announced today \$2,578,318 in federal aid that has been allotted to the Roosevelt highway in Oregon.

The funds have been applied to 171 miles of road construction. During the past fiscal year, McNary said, the Roosevelt highway received \$959,912 to be applied to 49 1/2 miles of road. McNary said that in addition, 60 1/2 miles of road had been completed. The Roosevelt highway has been finished with an expenditure of \$794,546 by the federal government. Another 5 1/2 miles are under construction to which \$50,000 will be allotted.

POULTRYMEN ELECT CORVALLIS, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—Fred Cockell, Milwaukie, was elected president of the Oregon Poultrymen's association at the opening meeting of the annual two day convention here today.

Other officers elected were J. L. Russell, Corvallis, vice-president; F. L. Knowlton, O. S. C., secretary-treasurer; Mrs. W. H. Thompson, Canby, and Lloyd Lee, Salem, members of the executive committee.

Cockell, the president-elect, is one of the 12 American representatives at the world poultry congress in London.

All Oregon poultrymen's convention records were broken today. More than 350 Oregon poultrymen and several from other states, are registered.

President Lee, in his annual report, advocated establishment of an association both at the state and endorsed branch county associations, and praised the work of the Oregon experiment station. He said the recovery of a new chicken pest virus more than repays all special poultry appropriations. Tariff changes, he said, will be beneficial to the poultry industry.

Coast Highway Gets Aid

Fred Cockell President Road District Opposed Infant Paralysis Noted

HEARING IS HELD JEWELL, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—For two hours, timber owners, logging operators, farmers of the Nehalem valley and Clatsop and Tillamook county commissioners filed before the state highway commission here today to protest the creation of a proposed "super road district" in Clatsop, Columbia, Washington and Tillamook counties.

Lester Shelly, Vernonia attorney, appeared before the commission with the statement he was the only sponsor of the petition for the district. The proposed district covers an area about 48 miles long and 16 miles wide. The major portion is in Clatsop county.

TWO CASES IN OREGON PORTLAND, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—Dr. Frederick D. Stricker, secretary of the state board of health, reported today there were two cases of infantile paralysis in Oregon, both of them in Portland. Dr. Stricker urged prompt attention to any unexplained ailment from which a child may be suffering.

PLEADS GUILTY PORTLAND, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—William T. Reuther, 40, pleaded guilty in circuit court today to a charge of assault and robbery while armed and Judge Hewitt sentenced him to 15 years in the state penitentiary.

Reuther was charged with robbing a pharmacy here at the point of a gun June 30. After leaving the pharmacy he fired two shots at pursuers.

CLAMDS HUGE YIELD THE DALLES, Ore., July 23.—(AP)—Clyde McCallister, Pine Creek wheat farmer, is harvesting 100 acres of Turkey hybrid which is expected to yield 4,000 bushels. He also has two acres of new soil planted to the variety and wheat from a drill row 54 feet long weighed 4 1/2 pounds. At this rate the two acres will yield more than 100 bushels to the acre.

ONE AMERICAN LAD IN RHINE DISASTER

COBLENZ, Germany, July 23.—(AP)—The recovery of 36 bodies from the Moselle river here following yesterday's collapse of a pontoon bridge marked the tragic end today of the most joyous occasions in the life of venerable President Von Hindenburg, who four days ago started from Berlin on a triumphal tour of the liberated Rhineland.

Gloom shrouded the Rhineland tonight and spread over all Germany. Radio programs, social functions, and festive celebrations were called off everywhere as an expression of national grief.

Sorrow was deepest in this city once occupied by troops of the American expeditionary force. It was for the most part citizens of this town who, eager to see the illumination of the former fortress of Ehrenbreitstein, on the right bank of the Rhine to overcrowded the frail bridge that spans an estuary of the Moselle. It was its collapse into the Rhine.

Among the victims, of whom 19 were women and girls, four young children and 13 men, there was also an American boy, 12-year old Raymond Lawler of Akron, O. Like the German youngsters alongside of him, he had stepped on the bridge with his German grandparents to gaze on the fascinating lights and the fireworks, part of the Rhineland's celebration. He and his grandfather perished.

Cooling Breeze Provides Relief From Heat Here

A cooling breeze brought relief from the brief heat wave in Salem Wednesday and the maximum temperature fell seven degrees under that registered Tuesday. The mercury hovered around 80 degrees during most of the day, reaching its peak of 85 degrees early in the afternoon.

Clear skies with moderate north and northeast winds was forecast for Thursday and Friday.

Hoboes Arrange 30-day Mourning Period For How

CINCINNATI, July 23.—(AP)—Jeff Davis, for many years recognized as "king of the hoboes," laid today said the international itinerant hoboes of America will go into a 30 day period of mourning for James "Red" How, "millionaire hobo," and a leader of the brotherhood welfare association, another hobo organization. How died yesterday at Staunton, Va.

Davis said the international hoboes organization will erect a statue of How at the East bridge on a Mississippi levee at St. Louis. The bridge was built by How's grandfather, part of whose wealth How later used fostering better conditions among hoboes.

Kentucky Belle, Now 55, Is Held On Drunk Charge

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.—(AP)—In deference to the memory of the "Belle of Kentucky," titian-haired beauty who reigned over San Francisco's night life on the hey-day of the Barbary coast, Police Judge G. J. Steiger today dismissed charges of drunkenness against May Sheehan, 55.

"Just an old woman, Judge," pleaded the prisoner, "trying to forget the indifference of those who once fought for my favor."

"Faintings of the once-beautiful May Sheehan still adorn the walls of deserted cells whose doors closed with the advent of prohibition."

JIM LONDON WINS BALTIMORE, July 23.—(AP)—Jim London, of Philadelphia, recognized in most of the east as the world's championship heavy-weight wrestler, tonight threw Karl Posella of Baltimore, a Lithuanian, with a head lock in one hour ten minutes.

Governor Would Avert Water Hole Range War

Threatened bloodshed resulting from the alleged refusal of Frank Dobkins, Lake county rancher, to allow the cattle of other farmers to cross his property to water holes, Wednesday caused Governor Norblad to send telegrams to President Hoover and C. C. Moore, commissioner general of the federal land office, asking that some immediate action be taken by the government to settle the controversy.

The telegrams were prepared after Governor Norblad had conferred with A. L. Cross and B. G. Skulason of Portland, field representative and attorney for the Oregon Humane society. Cross said he had received telegrams from livestock raisers that cattle were dying by the hundreds because they could not reach the water holes.

The trouble was said to have originated when Dobkins filed on 16 forty acre tracts of land, which entirely surrounded the water holes. These water holes are the only sources for livestock watering in a wide area of range country.

The water holes are on a quarter section of land owned by W. W. Brown, livestock raiser, who being the past 40 years has kept the water open to the entire range. Dobkins holdings completely surround Brown's quarter section, so that Brown's cattle are barred from his own water holes.

President Hoover, after receiving complaints a few months ago, withdrew from entry thousands of the "forties" before Dobkins had completed his filings. Dobkins has appealed to the general land office. Governor Norblad's telegram asked that the appeal be disposed of as soon as possible, and that the fence be kept open pending the final decision.

Cross said Wednesday that Dobkins has armed guards patrolling his fences and that the distressed cattle owners are arming their men. Cattle men declared that Dobkins is holding his rights, with a view of settling them at an exorbitant figure.

The state can act in the case only upon receipt of federal instructions.