

PATTON NAMED STATE JOB BY GOV. NORBLAD

Miller's Place Taken on Public Service Board; McAllister Renamed

Local men are Well-Known; Patton's job Thought To be Short one

Hal D. Patton was Saturday appointed member of the state public service commission to succeed Frank J. Miller of Albany, whose term expired Saturday. He will take office Monday. His appointment is regarded locally as an interim appointment pending the possible abolition of the commission by the legislature or its reorganization by Governor Norblad. Patton is expected to continue as member probably until the legislature adjourns.

Mark D. McAllister was reappointed corporation commissioner by Governor Norblad. McAllister, a Salem man and former representative, was first named by the late Governor Patton in 1927 to succeed the late Geo. W. Davis.

Hal Patton has long been active in politics in the county and state. During the primary campaign he was the Norblad manager for Marion county, supporting the governor loyally and carrying the county for him.

Patton Says Job Was "Complete Surprise"

"The appointment came as a complete surprise to me" said Patton yesterday. "I will assume the office and endeavor to give the people good service."

Mr. Patton is a native of Marion county and has been prominent in political, civic and fraternal affairs for many years. He served three terms in the Oregon legislature, has been identified with the Salem city council for six years, being on the utilities committee now.

He has been a member of the Marion county republican central committee since 1898. Mr. Patton attended two republican national conventions as a delegate from Oregon, and has been accorded many other political honors. He is 38 years old, is married, and has two daughters.

Mr. Patton attended the public schools in Salem, and later the Bishop Scott Academy in Portland along with Julius L. Meier, and the Willamette university. He is a graduate of the Marion county institution. He served as King King of the Salem Cherrians for one term, and has been associated with the Salem chamber of commerce for several years.

Patton Family Long Active in Politics

Mr. Patton's grandfather, E. N. Cook was the first state treasurer in Oregon, while his father, T. Mc F. Patton was a member of the state legislature at the time the capitol was first located in Salem. He served in the United States army at Kobe, Japan.

Governor Norblad also announced the appointments of Mrs. B. O. Schuecking of Salem and Mrs. (Turn to page 2, col. 7)

Rates Now Will Be 'Acc. to Hal'



One-time Senator Hal Patton, named yesterday by Governor A. W. Norblad to a place on the state public service commission.

PANAMA MINISTER PREPARES FOR JOB

Alfaro Glad to Take Headship of Government; Promises Service

By EDWARD STUNTZ WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)

The legation of Panama was converted into the headquarters of Panama's new president today as Dr. Ricardo J. Alfaro today assumed the affairs of his ministry in preparation for his departure. The minister still was undecided as to the date of his embarkation. He said that first there were numerous tasks at the legation to be finished, and that his immediate presence in Panama was not urgent.

Throng of Panamanians flocked to the legation to congratulate the president-designate. With him to receive the guests between business affairs was Madame Alfaro and their five children.

8 Years Stay in U. S. Helps Strengthen Ties

In a new interview, Dr. Alfaro said: "I have been called to assume the presidency and have unhesitatingly answered the call of my country. I have been here a little over eight years. The strengthening of the exceptional ties existing between my country and the United States has been my constant endeavor."

"I will do my utmost as the head of Panama government to further promote friendship between the Panamanian and the American peoples."

"The day I leave the United States my farewell message will be essentially one of deep gratefulness for the wonderful hospitality and good will I have enjoyed here."

Under tentative plans, Madame Alfaro and their two daughters, Amelita and Yolanda, will go to Panama with the new president.

He is expected to arrive in San Francisco next Wednesday.

\$200 IN 'FAGS' TAKEN

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Police Chief John K. Actor said today Walter Newman and Fred Erickson, both 20, confessed robbing a grocery store and a pool hall here recently. The youths allegedly admitted obtaining \$200 in cash and more than \$200 worth of cigarettes in the two robberies. Police believe they may be responsible for several other robberies here lately.

LABOR ADOPTS PROGRAM

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The executive board of the Oregon State Federation of Labor here today adopted the legislative program formed at the annual convention of the federation last October in Medford.

Ben T. Osborne, executive secretary of the federation, said the organization would seek modification of the eight-hour law for laborers so that its provisions will include those working for the state highway commission.

JULIUS SENDS DELEGATES

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Governor-elect Julius L. Meier, president of the Umatilla Rapids association, today named a delegation of men to appear before a joint senate and house committee at Washington, January 15, to plead the cause of the Umatilla rapids bill. The appointees included: Homer T. Bone, Tacoma, representing the public power development interests of the state of Washington; M. N. Dana, Portland, chairman of the executive committee of the association; K. G. Harlan, Portland rapids expert; E. R. Aldrich, Pendleton publisher; and George C. Baer, Pendleton, executive secretary of the association.

LITTLE CHANCE SEEN TO UPSET VOLSTEAD LAW

Sketch Wickersham Report Shows Marked Trend to Side of Drys

No Recommendation Coming for Wine, Beer, View; Long job Ending

By JOHN F. CHESTER WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)

The long-awaited prohibition report of the Wickersham law enforcement commission was described today in high official quarters as predominately dry, with a majority of the members conceding little to anti-prohibition views.

From an official in a position to be fully cognizant of the commission's activities came this analysis:

Tentative report, agreeable to more than a majority of the 11 commissioners, has been completed. In it is no recommendation for beer or wine. The report does, however, make the major modification of the Volstead act designed to relax the enforcement structure built up around the 11-year-old dry laws. Repeal or modification of the eighteenth amendment, did not enter the picture.

Dry Law Hereafter Will Have Had Poor Trial

In effect, the view taken by a majority of the members was said to be that prohibition as such has not yet had a sufficient trial. It was asserted this stand was based upon facts recently uncovered, showing that enforcement of the dry law during at least part of the past decade has been riddled by politics and surrounded at times by graft.

The statement was made emphatically that in the final report to President Hoover there will be "no pussyfooting" concerning conditions as the commission has found them during the most extensive investigation ever made into prohibition, extending over more than 19 months of deliberation.

Corruption and graft, lax enforcement and crime resulting directly or indirectly from the dry law, it was said, will be set forth alongside the reasons why it is believed these problems can be solved.

Will Yet Before Hoover Will Be Given Report

Despite the virtual completion today of the report, authoritative word came that it could not be placed before President Hoover before the end of the week.

Even after the report has gone to the White House and prohibition-weary commissioners are free to complete the rest of their crime report, it was said small possibility existed that the present attempt to clear the report immediately to congress.

SCHMOKER BOUND OVER TO JURORS

C. J. Schmoker, 2224 North Liberty street, was bound over to the grand jury today by Justice Small following investigation of manslaughter charges growing out of an accident November 27, 1930, when Warren C. Eisenbrandt, 2036 S. Cottage street, lost his life.

Eisenbrandt was the driver of a passenger car which collided with a milk truck driven by V. J. Hertz, 1596 Court street.

Justice Small recommended to the jury that the criminal liability of Hertz should be investigated.

The unfortunate had been riding on the side of the truck which was delivering milk for the Sanitary Milk company. The car and the truck collided at Norway and Commercial streets, the truck tipping over on young Eisenbrandt. He received a leg, hip and internal injuries dying in about 45 minutes after the collision.

Woman Arrested; Police Say She Produced Beer

A woman known as "Babe" Murphy was lodged in the county jail last night following a liquor raid at her home on Broadway street by state and county prohibition officers. No charge was filed against her last night. A man was arrested with her and was being held temporarily pending further investigation as to his implication.

Four or five bottles of beer and four or five gallons of whiskey were taken. The woman manufactured the beer at the home, articles there indicated.

JOB CHECK TO START

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—With the same schedule, same inquiries, same instructions as last April, 4,500 enumerators will start a special employment census of 20 cities January 15. The ten month change in the employment problem is to be gauged since an employment census was taken last April.

Two More Roads Petitioned for

By Local Groups

Petitions for two short county roads were filed yesterday with the county court, one bearing an unusually large number of signatures for such a matter.

The many-signed petition was for a short stub road near Jefferson and is sought by Mary G. Tracy and others. This road would be an outlet for two families not now on a public road. It is less than half mile long.

Martin Hensel and others are seeking a road east of town in district 60 which would change route in a road which now goes over a steep, rocky hill. The petition proposes that the new route go around the hill. Petition for this road was made before, but was thrown out on account of errors.

Huge Strike in Cotton Industry Looms, England

LONDON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Industrial troubles in two major industries make this a busy week-end for Britain. Today a miners' conference broke down at Cardiff and in Lancashire it appeared that nothing could stop a threatened strike of 200,000 men in the cotton industry.

The miners had hoped for some sort of compromise with the owners but this afternoon their spokesman said they would have to turn to the court. They were going to try for a conference with Ramsay MacDonald on Monday.

It looked as though they would suggest once more that the government take over the pits and run the industry at least temporarily, assuring employment to miners who would face great misery in a strike.

1500-Foot Fall Made Sans Hurt, Student Pilot

SEATTLE, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Plunging 1500 feet to pierce the roof of a building in downtown Seattle when his engine went dead, P. J. Strilbing, 40, student pilot for the West Coast Aviation, emerged today from the wreckage and nonchalantly telephoned his hangar.

"Hello, in this low? This is Strilbing. I just crashed, but everything's okay. I feel kind of achy, though," he reported. He received cuts and bruises. Police attributed his miraculous escape to the tar paper and light gravel roof, which they said acted like a fire net.

Fascist Rioting On as War Film Shows in Vienna

VIENNA, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Rioting marked the opening tonight of the first Vienna showing of the American motion picture "All Quiet on the Western Front."

Fascists blocked the entrances before the screening started and when police attempted to clear the area they approached one officer received a serious head wound.

Further trouble developed inside the theatre where Fascists flung tear gas bombs and thus necessitated the airing of the place before the performance started.

Bomb Explosion Frightens Paris

PARIS, Jan. 3.—(AP)—A bomb exploded tonight on the Champs Elysees near the famous Restaurant des Ambassadeurs, making a terrific blast that was heard all over Paris but injuring no one. A large hole was burst in the wall of the restaurant which was closed, and much glass was shattered. Crowds in the theatre next door became excited. The next Saturday night through which collected outside, as it was only 10 p. m., added to the confusion.

More Auto for Money is Note at National Show

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—More cars and more value were the keynote of the 31st annual national automobile show which opened at the Grand Central Palace.

Brightly-colored literature thrust into the hands of spectators as they inspected the more than 300 models on display featured such statements as "the lowest priced car we ever built."

Demonstrators explained a multitude of mechanical improvements, while changes in design and color were left to speak for themselves.

All but three makes were equipped with fuel pumps, virtually unthought of four years ago. Five makes, Studebaker, Hudson, Auburn, Lincoln and Pierce-Arrow, featured free-wheeling, purported to be a panacea for gear shift troubles.

Studebaker introduced this feature in the middle of last year. Ten models were equipped with carburetor silencers, which Chrysler, Studebaker and a Buick brought out in the fall. Chrome plating for finished parts was al-

JOFFRE'S LIFE ENDED; NATION TO HONOR HIM

France Plans State Funeral For Great Marshal; on Next Wednesday

Long Battle Comes to end; Modest Burial Place Seems Likely

By MELVIN J. WHITELEATHER PARIS, Jan. 3.—(AP)—All the world, no less than France itself, tonight mourned the passing of Marshal Joseph Jacques Joffre, saviour of Paris in 1914, who died at 8:23 a. m., after a long and grim struggle with arthritis.

His country, plunged in grief, was preparing to honor by a great national funeral the memory of one of the most illustrious soldiers of her history.

Marshal Joffre—the "Papa" Joffre of the French polu and of all his countrymen, passed away peacefully the day before his seventy-ninth birthday. He had been critically ill for more than a fortnight and on December 19 suffered the amputation of his left leg, which had become infected with gangrene.

Smiles at Friend, Talks To Wife, Towards end

Given up by his physicians as lost, he fought with amazing vitality, although he had been unconscious most of the time for nearly a week before death came, he was able to arouse himself at times to smile at a friend or murmur a few words to Madame Joffre, who throughout his illness, remained almost constantly at his bedside.

Definite plans for the funeral have not yet been made known, but if Joffre's wishes are respected he will lie, not like his illustrious comrade Ferdinand Foch under the great dome of the Hotel Des Invalides, but in a modest chapel in the grounds of his country home at Louveciennes, high on a plateau overlooking the winding valley of the Seine.

His visit to the tomb of his father in 1917, friends revealed tonight, inspired him (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

CRAWFORD ASSUMES NEW JOB MONDAY

Henry R. Crawford, prominent Salem business man, president of the Miles Linen mill and member of the state fair board, tomorrow at noon assumes office as president of the Salem chamber of commerce. He succeeds J. N. Chambers, who served as president during 1930.

According to a custom of years standing, each director of the chamber as well as the incoming and retiring president, will be called on for a short talk.

The newly elected officers and directors and the work of each follow: Dr. M. C. Findley, vice president; W. W. Chadwick, secretary; William E. Hanson, treasurer; E. T. Barnes, social department; Oscar D. Olson, civic department; William P. Ellis, legislative department; W. M. Hamilton, industrial department; E. B. Grabenhorst, agricultural department; Carl D. Gabrielson, King King of the Cherrians.

Delayed Liner Brings Notables

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—A state-chartered Matianella docked here late today 36 hours late, bringing Alexander Pater-son, English prison commissioner, to study the American penal system.

5 MINERS DIE IN TUNNEL EXPLOSION

MIDVALE, Ohio, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Bodies of five men killed in an explosion in the No. 4 mine of the Midvale Coal company this morning were recovered by rescue workers tonight about nine hours after the blast.

The bodies were brought to the surface by a rescue crew composed of federal and state mine rescue workers and local miners just before 8 p. m.

The victims apparently were killed by the explosion, which seemed to have centered where their bodies were found scattered about the floor of the tunnel exposed 3 1/2 miles from the entrance of the drift mine, rescuers said, 10 other men in the mine when the blast let go at about 10:30 a. m., escaped without injury, a few minutes afterward.

Texas Student Absolved From Murder Charge

BEAUMONT, Tex., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Robert L. Williams, 18, University of Texas sophomore, was absolved by a grand jury today of responsibility in connection with the death of his sweetheart, Elizabeth Johnson, 16, shot to death a week ago. The investigating body returned a "no bill." Williams was released from bond of \$10,000 posted in Port Arthur, where the shooting took place.

Mott, Hungry for Job in Senate, Lacks Aid of Sen. Sam Brown

Gervais Berry-Grower Generally Thought to Hold Ace Card; Candidates Arise Like Dust in Prairie Windstorm

By C. A. SPRAGUE

The developments of the week in the senatorial vacancy situation include the touting of the candidacy of James W. Mott, representative-elect, by the Capital Journal. Defeated in its ardent longing for making W. A. Delzell, defeated candidate for congress, senator via a special election route, through the refusal of the governor to call an election and of the supreme court to order the governor to call the qualifications of Mr. Mott.

FARMERS RIOT FOR FOOD, IN ARKANSAS

Red Cross Gives Help When Need Appals; Dealers Said to be Ruined

ENGLAND, Ark., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Farmers estimates to number 500 or more stormed the business section of England late today, demanding food and threatened to take it from merchants forcibly. A hurried call to the Red Cross produced authorization of food distribution. More than 250 were provided with food but 60 still stood in line tonight.

George E. Morris, attorney, spoke to the farmers, mostly white men, but his speech was frequently interrupted by shouts of "We want food" and "Give us food for our starving families" were heard.

Merchants whose stores swarmed with the hungry men, called a hurried conference and then obtained from the Red Cross headquarters in Little Rock authorization to give the men food.

Allowances of \$2.75 for each family were authorized and C. E. Hawkins, Red Cross local chairman said 265 had obtained the food allotment at 8 p. m., the committee was working to serve the others in line tonight.

Summer's Drought Cause For Dire Distress

The farmers came from what was a rich agricultural region until it was ravaged by last summer's drought. "We are here because of the drought," said a farmer. "We are here because of the drought." "We are here because of the drought."

"We are not going to let our children starve," said another. "We are not going to let our children starve."

"We are not beggars," another pushed forward to exclaim. "We are willing to work for 50 cents a day but we're not going to starve and we're not going to let our families starve."

"Give us work and we'll not come back."

Morris said he considered the situation "very serious," adding that the men would storm the town again as soon as their present food supplies were exhausted. He also said virtually all merchants here were "broke" as a reflection of the drought situation in the countryside.

Body Back Home Of U. S. Minister

HOLLAND, Mich., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The body of Gerrit John Diekema, who died at the Hague while serving as minister to the Netherlands, arrived here today under an escort of honor provided by the state of Michigan and the city of Holland, his birthplace. Funeral service for Diekema will be held here Monday afternoon with burial in a local cemetery.

Gregory in Office Monday; 2 Problems Before Council

P. M. Gregory who came out of Hollywood, Salem's newest business district, to win a close contest election for mayor, will take his seat tomorrow night after the council meeting of the council this year. He succeeds Mayor T. A. Livezey who has served two two-year terms.

City Recorder Mark Poulson and City Treasurer C. O. Rice will also take office but both of these men are present incumbents.

Gregory, committed without reservation to municipal ownership of utilities, will find the question of how to secure the Oregon-Washington Water plant the first one to confront him.

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City Attorney Trindle O. A. Olson, chairman of the council's utility committee, has authorized him to proceed with a condemnation ordinance, authorizing the city attorney to proceed to

PAY-LOAD PLANE IS FAILURE

Broken Sextant Cause; Ship Gets Almost To Bermuda

Initial Attempt to Fly Ocean for Profit Ends Quickly

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 3.—(AP)—A damaged sextant and a shift in the wind encountered within a few miles of the first goal, caused failure today of the first attempted "pay-load" airplane flight from New York to Paris.

The monoplane Tradewind piloted by Lieutenant William S. MacLaren and Mrs. Beryl Hart, was forced to turn back and landed tonight at the Hampton Roads naval air station, more than fifteen hours after she had taken off from New York.

The fliers had flown approximately 1,500 miles when they landed at 9:25 o'clock, but were none the worse for their experience other than grime and weariness.

Lieut. MacLaren and Mrs. Hart, after anchoring their plane securely for the night, went to the quarters of Lieut. C. C. Champlin at the naval base where Mrs. Hart retired shortly after her arrival. Both announced, however, they would resume their flight to Paris Monday morning over the same route as originally planned.

The mishap, which resulted in the failure of the flight occurred before the big monoplane had left the water at New York. Because of the heavy load, Lieut. MacLaren said, it was necessary to "rock" the plane before it would rise. In so doing the sextant, which was on the gas tank, fell to the floor of the plane, and the lens in the telescope was broken.

Mishap not Discovered Until Flight Well Started

He did not discover the mishap until he was an hour and a half out of New York. Then he decided to continue, setting his course by compass and a dead reckoning. All went well until they were within a comparatively short distance of Bermuda, the first stop, when the wind shifted.

The plane was not equipped with radio and no hearing could be asked. Realizing that he might run out of gasoline in search of the island, MacLaren said he and his companion decided to turn back. Hampton Roads, where MacLaren learned to fly as a navy pilot in 1919, was selected as the nearest point and a compass course was set for the Virginia capes. It was 2:00 o'clock when the plane turned back, having been in the air then seven hours.

No trouble was encountered on the flight to Hampton Roads and a few minutes before 9 o'clock the lights of the Hampton Roads naval air station were picked up and an easy landing made in the darkened waters of Willoughby Bay, on which the air station fronts. Lieut. MacLaren said most of the piloting was done by Mrs. Hart while he looked after the navigating duties. His records showed the plane had been in the air 15 hours and 25 minutes.

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Oregon Briefs

JUDGE COUNSELS PAYMENT PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Hjalmar I. Olson stood in the court of domestic relations today listening to his former mother-in-law berate him for being in arrears in his alimony payments to his divorced wife. The court of domestic relations in contempt of court. "You better make your payments and keep them up," Judge C. H. Gilbert threatened, "or I will send you over to live with your mother-in-law."

Olson pleaded for, and was granted, 30 days in which to make up the alimony due.

MATTHEWS GIVES ALIBI MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The trial of Raleigh Matthews, of Eagle Point, charged with sale of intoxicating liquor, ended with a hung jury here today.

Matthews' defense was that he was at a neighbor's house at the time of the alleged sale.

The defendant allegedly was at a still in the Reese Creek district when officers raided the still about a month ago. Shots were fired during the raid and Everett Dahack, also of Eagle Point, was found shot to death near the still.

DAMAGED PLANE REBUILT PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Mrs. Victor Bruce, English aviatrix, arrived here today from Seattle, where her airplane, damaged in landing at Medford about two weeks ago, had been rebuilt.

Mrs. Bruce said her plane performed well on her flight from Seattle.

The round-the-world aviatrix plans to leave for Medford tomorrow but after that her plans are indefinite except that she in-