

MEIER ORDERS JUSTICE QUERY

Executive Interference is Due to Reports Laws Aren't Enforced

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said to have been injured arose from shutting down the Gold Beach Electric company of which B. E. Friske is head, and the subsequent interruption of service to a motion picture show and to other subscribers of the Electric company.

A writ of attachment was served on the Electric company by R. H. Turner, sheriff, and the service was accordingly interrupted in the evening of Oct. 31, 1931.

Leith and Costelloe allege they were injured in the melee which followed when officers and patrons of the company became incensed at the shut-down.

The governor's action in demanding a summary hearing is not new in the Oregon history, but the law under which such action has been taken seldom invoked. Governor Oswald West was the last executive to exercise such power. The hearing will be presided over by Judge Brand who is given full power to subpoena all necessary witnesses.

SEEK AFFIRMATION OF REED SENTENCE

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 1 (AP)—Affirmation of the life term sentence imposed upon Albert W. Reed of Denver, Colo., convicted of the murder of Victor Knott, Ashland policeman, last November, will be sought by District Attorney George A. Coddling, in a motion to be presented to the state supreme court next Tuesday, the official said today.

The time limit for filing an appeal to the supreme court expired last Friday. The day previous counsel for Reed was denied a motion by the circuit court for \$200 to pay for expense of preparing a transcript of the testimony. Neither Reed nor his friends and kin have the necessary funds.

Reed's appeal had it been perfect would have been based on the discovery of new evidence. Affidavits were made by two Ashland residents, that they saw Reed in a hamburger stand three blocks from the scene of the murder, at the time of its commission. The affidavits aver they recognized Reed as the man the final day of the trial when they visited the courtroom.

ASSERTED HIT-RUN DRIVER IS KILLED

PORTLAND, Sept. 3.—(AP)—A wild chase over roads in the Oswego district tonight ended in the death of Charles Lewis, Portland, and the probable fatal injury of Fred Lyman, also of Portland.

R. M. Holman, Clackamas county coroner, said Lewis was driving in a car on the Boones Ferry road west of Oswego when it sideswiped another machine. Lyman was riding with Lewis.

Lewis failed to stop and instead made a dash for Oswego the other car in hot pursuit. When Lewis entered the outskirts of the town he turned off his lights and attempted to negotiate a sharp turn in the darkness. His car swerved into a lamp post and was demolished. Lewis' back was broken and he died 30 minutes later. Lyman was taken to a hospital in Oregon City. He suffered several broken ribs and probably a punctured lung.

Church Notes

SOUTH SALEM FRIENDS
South Commercial at Washington St. Charles C. Haworth, pastor. Sunday services: 10 a. m. School, Nathan Cook. Sept. 11 Morning worship. Sermon: "Christ's Invitation to Labor." 7:30 p. m. Evening worship. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting and Bible study.

CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
Eighteenth and State streets. Rev. Amos E. Minneman, A. M., pastor. German 9:45 a. m. Subject: "Not Desires of Vain Glory." English 11 a. m. Subject: "Bear Ye One Another's Burden." Sunday school 9:40 a. m. Mrs. Amos E. Minneman, Supt. No Luther League meeting.

LATTE DAY SAINTS
Nelson Edg., corner of Chesapeake and Liberty streets. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Testimony meeting immediately after.

The Stroller Observes . . .

By THE STROLLER

The Stroller called at the South Commercial street home of Joseph Baker and wife 'toiler' day and found them both in good health and excellent spirits, although the two recently had quite a tussle with Mr. Fla. Mr. Baker is past 94 years of age and his wife is running him a close second, being about six years younger. The couple have been married over sixty-five years, having one son, Ed, who is employed as accountant at Miller's Department store. Mr. Baker gave up active business pursuits a goodly number of years ago and the two are spending the latter years of their life in quietness and enjoying the society of their many friends, some of which they have had for many years ago.

The memory of each is exceptionally keen and they can recall many interesting events from the days long past. Their home life is ideal in every respect and they are given the loving attention due to their advanced years.

What would the state capitol be without the presence of George Brown? He has been connected with the office of the state land board for many years and each year his services grow of more value to the state. Since The Stroller has worn short pants he has known George Brown—and, believe me, folks, that was years and years ago. But George doesn't seem to grow any older with the advancing years, although the locks atop his head are becoming somewhat grayish in color.

The Stroller knew Rex Davis when he was but a youngster—also his brothers, Jim and Walter. Rex first got a strangle-hold on life by traveling for a San Francisco wholesale grocery firm. Now he is employed in a responsible capacity in the state treasurer's office and has the opportunity of handling more money than he ever did before.

Many of our residents have often wondered why A. N. (Nore) Bush wears his hat brim turned up in front. This has been a habit of his for years and years.

Gardner Kluck who has charge of the city parks is a man who takes an intense pride in his work. His mind is as sharp as his knife and he is always ready to pause and swap a few yarns with The Stroller who was familiar with Willson Park when it was Willson Avenue. Part of the old place consisted of a tennis court, a band stand and a dirt bicycle track where Zedoc Riggs, Boyd Richardson, Perry Card, Chester Murphy, "Bill" Babcock, Rik Dearborn and Watt Ship delighted in demonstrating their speed on the two-wheeled vehicles.

Charles Gabrielson shows up at his Salem home semi-occasionally and after saluting his family in the customary manner he lies

Unusual Cruelty To Lad Charged

OSHKOSH, Neb., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Testimony that a five-year-old boy was whipped with a board and then forced to run bare-footed across a field of sand bars was given in county court at the preliminary hearing of Roy E. Deshmazer, Lewellen, Neb., farmer.

He was charged with assault and battery with intent to do great bodily injury to his son, Junior.

Salem Youth is Union's Officer

PORTLAND, Sept. 3.—(AP)—Ruth Mitchell, of Deep Creek, Wash., has been elected president of the Young Peoples' union of the Oregon conference of the United Brotherhood church, it was announced here today.

Other officers elected included Marion Chase, of Salem, corresponding secretary.

Wife of Carey Seeks Divorce

PORTLAND, Sept. 3.—(AP)—James W. Carey, of the firm of Carey & Harlan, rate engineers, was made defendant in a divorce suit filed in circuit court today by his wife, Edna M. Carey. Mrs. Carey alleged cruel and inhuman treatment.

CURTIS KIN DIES
TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 3.—(AP)—Jerome A. Colvin, 49, brother-in-law of Vice-President Charles Curtis, died in his office here late today after an attack of indigestion.

DAY OF RECKONING IN FINANCE LOOMS

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trary to consistency in state budgeting and inimicable to the state's financial status, would be this: The commission could ignore the deficit in income tax receipts in 1932 and not subtract it from the estimate of 1933 income tax returns. This would "add" \$1,201,029 to probable income and of course, would add this much to state deficit. Such a policy adopted by the state tax commission would be entirely contrary to the accounting practice always followed before wherein the commission from year to year adjusted its estimates and its actual receipts of revenue: subtracting the shortage where receipts did not meet estimates or counting in the surplus when income exceeded estimate.

Such maneuvering of figures would beat the devil around the bush to the extent of \$1,201,029 and thus reduce by slightly more than a mill the probable direct property tax but it would add that much to the state's deficit. While the state's finances may be able to carry a deficit of \$2,000,000 due to borrowing between funds in the treasurer's offices at seasons of the year when cash is depleted or by open-market borrowing. When and if the state's deficit should amount to \$4,000,000 the state treasury would be continually embarrassed and attempted loans from bankers might meet the rejoinder that the state should make its revenues equal its expenses rather than cover up the difference by additional borrowing.

Bonus Commission May Be Made Goat
Moreover \$550,000 of the necessary direct tax might again be obtained by refusing in 1932 as in 1931 to make any general levy for the state bonus commission. Suppose the law is ignored again and this is done: what may happen in 1933 when the bonus commission's bonds come due and no funds are available for payment? The only way out for the commission would be to offer to sell refunding bonds. These are general obligations of the state. Suppose counsel in examining these bonds ascertains that the minimum half-mill levy has not

been made annually as required by law. Would not an unfavorable opinion on the bonds ensue? If so the state would find itself in the perilous position of having \$2,000,000 bonus bonds due, without funds to pay them, and cut off from refunding operations by the illegal practices followed in two years. Apparently the minimum half-mill tax on all property must be restored in the 1933 tax levy.

The state commission, cognate with the state of Oregon's finances, is hoping, probably praying and certainly working all it dares, to see the 8 per cent income tax constitutional amendment made into law. If it becomes law at the polls November 8 the commission figures an additional \$1,500,000 tax will be raised in 1933. This \$1,500,000 taken from the contemplated \$2,698,071 property tax would leave only \$1,198,071 to be raised in 1933 by direct taxation.

Doesn't Dare Work Hard for Increase
The commission dares not spend too much time working for the 8 per cent income tax. It knows it will be criticized for becoming a tax-changing body rather than simply a tax levying and collecting agency. The commission's sympathies are all with higher income tax and a lessened or abolished tax on real property for state purposes. It has the firm support of the governor and the chief executive's tax league.

Merely seeking higher taxes and getting them passed by substantial majorities are two different things especially in 1932. Add to this fact the knowledge that a well-paid campaign, originated with wealthy Portlanders will be waged against higher state income taxes in Oregon, and the chances of victory for the 8 per cent income tax levy at the polls becomes exceedingly doubtful. The majority of property taxpayers want further relief; whether they will seek it by voting a higher income tax or attempting to have the state's case, the impossible device of getting lower property taxes simply by reducing expenses, remains to be seen.

If the income tax fails, the governor, Mr. Hanson and the state's case, the impossible device of getting lower property taxes simply by reducing expenses, remains to be seen.

Why go to California? Salem has a Hollywood of its own. No horse show or races at the State Fair this year. Blame Old Man Depression for the omissions. Do your Christmas shopping early.—In Salem.

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RODRIGUEZ TO BE MEXICO'S LEADER

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 3.—(AP)—General Abelardo L. Rodriguez, the scourge of the Escobar revolt in 1929, will be designated president of Mexico by congress tomorrow in succession to President Pascual Ortiz Rubio, it was assumed tonight.

General Rodriguez received the unanimous approval of the national revolutionary bloc in congress at a meeting of senators and deputies and he will appear before a joint session to take the oath of office tomorrow.

Senator Ortiz Rubio will have his resignation given to congress and acted on previously. Tomorrow night he will leave for Hot Springs, Ark., for rest and treatment. Former Minister of War Joaquin Amaro will accompany him as far as the border.

The outgoing president said he had received health benefits at Hot Springs before and he hoped his condition would again be improved. After his return he indicated he might accept a diplomatic post abroad, perhaps in Berlin where he formerly served.

Egan Cace Jury Fails to Agree

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3.—(AP)—The jury deliberating the case of Frank J. Egan, deposed public defender, and Albert Tinsley, his co-defendant, charged with the murder of Mrs. Jessie Scott Hughes, was locked up at 11:30 p. m. without having reached a verdict. The jury will resume its deliberations at 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Hopewell Peach Crop is Large

HOPEWELL, Sept. 3.—Hopewell will continue for some time yet in the Will Magness hop yard at Wheatland, since the pickers are allowed only half days. Roy Michael will probably finish Saturday in his yard. The price this year is 80 cents a hundred.

Peaches are abundant in the community and the prices vary. They will still be available a long time.

Barbara Rogers returned from eastern Oregon where she assisted in a cook wagon for a threshing crew.

THEFT IS CHARGE
City police caught two transient men in the act of stealing a robe out of an automobile, they said. T. S. Heyer and H. Foster were arrested as a result.

Intyre and Beulah Campbell met with an accident one half mile east of Hopewell. Mr. McIntyre, the driver, seemed to have lost control of the machine which swerved into the ditch, turning entirely around and on its right side.

The occupants were thrown to the ground. Neither received more serious injuries than bruises and sprains. The car was completely demolished.

School Tuition Case Argument Set Next Week

The case of Weinacht against Oscar Bower, as sheriff of Marion county, involving the constitutionality of the high school tuition law, has been set for argument by the state supreme court at 10 a. m., September 13.

Judge Lawelling of the Marion county circuit court held that the act was constitutional, whereupon Weinacht appealed to the supreme court. Attorneys filed a petition asking that the case be advanced on the supreme court docket.

Grain Crops in Zena District All Harvested

ZENA, Sept. 3.—Grain crops have all been harvested in this valley and most farmers have finished baling hay and straw. An unusually large acreage was seeded to hay this year because of the hay shortage last year as many farmers had to buy hay elsewhere.

The Stratton clover huller commenced work on the Clarence Merrick farm Saturday.

McIntyre Meets With Accident

HOPEWELL, Sept. 3.—While driving to work to Magness hop yard Thursday morning, Mr. McIntyre met with an accident.

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