

BURK EXPLAINS BATTLES CASE

Sheriff Understood Judge McMahan Okeh Accorded Good Time for Work

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between the sheriff's office and Judge McMahan, and so that there would be a complete understanding as to what the court wanted as to the conduct and policy of accepting and delivering prisoners for trial, etc., between the two departments. During this conference I freely and frankly stated to Judge McMahan, that I had been newly elected to office, and that since he had been there for such a long time, I felt that I would like his advice as to what had been the practice, custom and disposition of prisoners in general, in regard to their confinement. My impression was, from an outgrowth of that conversation with the judge, that the prisoner serving time in the county jail there in my custody should be allowed a day's good time for every day that he had been working for the county as a trustee; provided of course, that the man was not a vicious prisoner. Of course I adopted this policy, and so instructed the chief deputy, Newell Williams, and stated to him the source of my information. This applied to all prisoners generally.

"Naturally upon my return to the city today, I was very much surprised and sorry to find the condition that has developed for me has been in the light now of the subsequent events and particularly from the position that Judge McMahan has taken, beyond any question of a doubt I clearly misunderstood the purport of that particular conversation, relative to the good time allowance to prisoners.

Battles Returned To Serve Full Time

"In the Battles' case there has been a mistake in the computing, as it appears now in the good time, together with Battles being given credit from his first entry into the jail and confinement, rather than being computed from the date of his commitment. In this there has been a clear mistake and error in our office. Everett Battles is now and was upon my arrival into the city in the county jail, and will remain there until the full expiration of his sentence.

"At this time I desire to say further that in fair explanation of the mileage for north and south highway patrol situation, that immediately after I had taken charge of the sheriff's office numerous complaints from farmers and persons living in the county having complained of losing live stock, and particularly poultry. The result was that I placed a deputy out of my office to cooperate with another state police officer in a special effort to apprehend those guilty of these misdeeds, and to put a stop to this practice. Everyone knows that poultry thieves had been operating after dark in this county, and it has been necessary in their apprehension to travel all night long and a great many miles. To date our office has apprehended 57, 40 of whom have been duly sentenced, and convicted. One of those convicted by our office, has confessed he alone has stolen between 7000 and 10,000 chickens. There has been for many years past, and are increasingly numerous complaints of law violations that have necessitated the sending of an officer and automobile travel out of this office all over the county, such as the apprehension of insane persons, which is handled by our office exclusively. Personally I regret very much that this misunderstanding and mistakes have arisen. I have no criticism against any action or investigation that may be now or hereafter made of my office on any matters by any one. That the record of mileage and accounts of this office are public records, and no doubt can satisfactorily be explained by myself or an impartial investigator."

Too Late to Classify

Jan. 21. (Special)—After this date I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by Mrs. Virginia Johnson, having left my bed and board. E. Johnson.

Sheridan-Woodry Trial Coming Up Early This Week

A busy week is ahead in circuit court here this week before Judge L. H. McMahan. Booked for trial Tuesday is the case of Esther Sheridan against F. N. Woodry in which plaintiff seeks \$3000 for alleged assault. Wednesday the case of Dolly Painter against Mary Kurtz is scheduled for trial, plaintiff seeking \$10,000 in damages for alleged alienation of the affections of Mrs. Painter's husband, Mrs. Painter has recently filed a suit for divorce from Painter.

Other cases set in court are: January 31, Gatloff vs. Henynson; February 1, Miller vs. Sales & Service; February 6, Rauch vs. Stecklein; February 7, Dwan vs. Leach; February 13, Laughlin vs. Wallbridge; February 19, Woolery vs. Ladd & Bush; February 20, Rundlett vs. Director; February 23, Potter vs. Terry.

DR. BLACKERBY TO BE BURIED MONDAY

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1836 he opened his office at Silverton and has been in the profession here until the past few weeks. Some months ago he suffered a stroke and was forced to retire from his work for a short time but was able to return again and was at his office much of the time during the past autumn and some of the winter.

Dr. Blackerby was married to Sophia M. Gustafson in 1895 and two children were born to them. Cassandra, who married Richard H. Bruce of Enumclaw, Wash., and Meva, who married W. A. Stivers of Omak, Wash.

Dr. Blackerby served several terms as deputy county assessor and one term as assessor of Marion county. From 1906 to 1909 he was postmaster of Silverton. He acted as republican committee man for several years and was one of the few local Odd Fellows who had a 50-year jewel.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p. m. from the Ekman chapel here.

Blinkhorn Will Spend Full Time In Field, Plans

J. E. Blinkhorn, county dairy inspector, will be able to spend virtually all of his time in the field doing inspection work as the result of the employment of a clerical assistant in his office, he said last night. The clerk will be Blanche Isherwood, who has assisted from time to time in the past at the health department office.

Wynkoop Trial May Continue in Spite of Danger

CHICAGO, Jan. 20. (AP)—Although the threat of an apoplectic seizure hung over Dr. Alice Lindsay Wynkoop tonight, defense counsel announced that the 52-year-old physician had insisted on trial on charges of murdering her daughter-in-law, Rheta, be resumed Monday.

Obituary

Smith
Mrs. Esther Smith, Saturday, January 20, at the age of 77 years, mother of Arthur Smith of Salem, Charles C. of Portland and William J. of Toronto, Canada. Funeral services Monday, January 22 at 3 p. m. from the chapel of Rigdon's mortuary.

COUNTY OFFICE SPACE GREATER

Virtual Agreement on All Details of Courthouse Reached, Reported

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operator; the old elevator will be made into an automatic one. This floor like all others in the revised courthouse plans will have toilet facilities for men and women.

Second floor: The treasurer's office and vault will be located on this floor. So also will the district attorney's office, now in a downtown building. The county surveyor, the county engineer and the county school superintendent will each have offices on this floor. The surveyor and the engineer's offices will each be equipped with a vault.

Third floor: On the west side of the floor will be located the county clerk's and the county recorder's offices, each with a vault in connection. The vaults will be double the size of the present vaults and space will be provided in them for the work of abstractors. The county court will have its offices on this floor and the county judge and the two commissioners each having a separate office for transacting business, these offices being adjacent to a hearing room.

Fourth floor: Each circuit court will be located here, the larger courtroom, for department two, being on the east side of the building and the smaller courtroom, department two, on the west side. Each judge will be provided with a private office as will the court reporter. Judges will have mutual access to the county law library and two rooms will be provided for attorneys as consultation chambers. The two courts will be connected on the north side by a corridor through which the judges may go while court is in session without going through the courtroom audience space. The justice court and the justice of the peace will be housed on the south side of this floor of the courthouse. There will be two rooms for juries, one for circuit court and one for the justice court. When a jury is held out over night, one room can be used by women jurors and one by men.

Fifth floor: This floor will be used exclusively as a jail and as quarters for the jailer. A thoroughly modern jail will be provided for with space for segregation of prisoners. The size of this floor will correspond with the present fifth floor (now the attic) as the extension of the courthouse on the south and north sides is not to be carried beyond the fourth floor.

ART MUSEUM PLAN IS LAUNCHED HERE

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State meetings are set for four times a year.

Trustees were chosen by the association last night and to them was entrusted the election of officers. The trustees were also authorized to incorporate the associations. Trustees appointed included Judge Charles H. Carey, Mrs. P. G. Franklin, Douglas McKay, John Clifford, all of Salem; Harold Dickson Marsh of Portland, Professor Leo Fairbanks of Corvallis, Andrew Vincent of Eugene, Senator William F. Woodward of Portland, Antone Piers of Portland, the state board of control and Miss Harriet C. Long, the latter an ex-officio member as well as the state board of control. The association already has a number of its art pieces on exhibit at the statehouse.

Pound is Named On Playground Board for City

Mayor Douglas McKay yesterday named Dr. B. F. Pound a member of the Salem public playgrounds board succeeding C. A. Kells whose term expired. Mr. Kells asked that he not be reappointed because of the time necessitated in handling his job as secretary of the Y. M. C. A. here where staff overhauls have been constantly thrown more work on him.

Mayor McKay praised Kells' work on the playgrounds board, saying he had devoted much of his time to the welfare of the children of the city. Other members of the playgrounds board are C. P. Bishop and Mr. LaMoine R. Clark, principal of Leslie junior high school.

Salem High Mat Team Winner of Meet at Sandy

Salem high school's wrestling team won its first interscholastic meet of the year Saturday night, six grapplers winning, two losing and one getting a draw in matches at Sandy against the Sandy high team. A return match here is scheduled for the afternoon of February 3.

Winners for Salem were Yada, heavyweight; Flagg, 150 pounds; Anderson, 138; Alderin and Clark, 125; Knowles, 115. Fry figured in a draw and England and Bishop lost.

Keizer Couple Hurt in Crash

KEIZER, Jan. 20. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McClellan of this community were painfully injured Saturday afternoon in an auto accident one-fourth mile south of here. The McClellans, going north, were forced into a ditch and Mrs. McClellan was thrown from the car when an auto driven by Mr. Titus from Washington struck them. Titus reported that he swerved his car into the path of the other machine in order to avoid striking three boys who were walking on the road. Mrs. McClellan sustained internal injuries. Mr. McClellan's hands were cut by broken glass.

Case Transfer Is Not Decided

Whether the condemnation suit pending against the Oregon-Washington Water Service company by the city of Salem will be removed to federal court in Portland was undecided yesterday, Judge L. H. McMahan taking the removal motion of the defendant company under consideration. Several mooted legal points are involved and the court indicated several days would elapse before a decision was handed down.

McNEIL ARRESTED

PORTLAND, Jan. 20. (AP)—James McNeil, 28, laborer, was held here tonight as a fugitive from Salem, police said. Police said McNeil was also wanted in Eugene on a larceny charge.

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BIRDS, POLITICIANS NOTE EARLY SPRING

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Senator Brown's governorship candidacy leaves his senate post vacant; Senator Spaulding also must shortly choose between a race for reelection and a chance for the higher post. So new names are being talked for these posts. Carle Abrams, representative, would not mind elevation to the upper house although he has not decided on the race, feeling he would probably have less trouble running for reelection to his present job.

Mayor Douglas McKay is used by his friends to run; McKay protests that he needs to spend his time in business but McKay has shown aptitude in political life and has a yen for more of it. The senatorship also would keep McKay, retiring this year as mayor, in the public eye and give him a springboard for a governorship drive in 1938.

Only two courthouse jobs came up for filling this year: The county judgeship and the commissioner's post now held by James B. Smith. Both Smith and County Judge Sigmond can be counted upon as candidates to succeed themselves. Martin Ferrey will seek the judgeship, stressing his qualifications to handle the probate and the juvenile court work.

In the county and in the state, the democratic leaders are certain to enter a slate this spring. Already Chairman Marshall of the county committee here has had an executive committee meeting with democratic warhorses like A. M. Dalrymple and B. S. Martin at-

POLK COUNTY HAS BIG CWA PAYROLL

DALLAS, Jan. 20. (Special)—Polk county's CWA payroll for the past week totaled \$5855.34 according to figures by Fred Holman, disbursing officer. This figure was for the week ending Saturday, January 20, and was the largest payroll for CWA work to date.

Under the new regulations, which were effective Friday, the men working on Dallas projects will work a 24 hour week, or four six hour days. The men on projects in all other parts of Polk county will work a 15 hour week, or three days of five hours each. The new regulations provide also that no more men can be put to work until further orders, except where a worker terminates his employment, in which case he may be replaced.

At present there are 22 projects under way in this county, employing the full quota of 233 men. There are 1567 men registered here at present for the CWA work.

'Listen to Leon' Announced Next Chemeketa Play

Chemeketa Players, Inc., have started rehearsals for their next comedy production, "Listen to Leon," by Janice Guard. Under the direction of Miss Beulah Jane Graham, who directed the heavier play, "The Rock," the

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comedy will be ready for presentation beginning January 31. The cast includes Roy Cole who takes his first leading role as Leon, whose peculiar habit of talking "just little ones that don't amount to anything" but which turn out to mean a great deal, forms the theme of the play; Norris Kemp and Ruth Versbeck, whose work in "The Rock" brought general praise; George Campbell, Nathalie Panek, Charles Livenly, Marion Downs and Clara Belle Burnside.

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