

WEATHER REPORT. Fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer.

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CITY OFFICIAL PAPER.

OPEN POSTAL BANKS TODAY

Each State and Territory to Have One—Klamath Falls Named in Oregon.

SYSTEM WILL BE ENLARGED AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE

Deposits Will Not Be Allowed to Go Over \$500 for Present—No Pass Books Given—Depositors Will Be Given Engraved Certificates—Small Deposits Will Be Accepted—Savings Can Be Exchanged for Bonds.

Postal savings banks were instituted in every state and territory in the union this morning. For the present there will only be one in each state, but if the system proves successful it is planned to extend the system as rapidly as possible.

Klamath Falls is the Oregon post-office designated as the postal savings depository. Among the others are the following, all of the offices being of the second class: Globe, Ariz.; Oroville, Cal.; Leadville, Colo.; Coser d'Alene, Idaho; Anaconda, Mont.; Carson City, Nev.; Klamath Falls, Or.; Provo, Utah; Olympia, Wash.; Laramie, Wyo.

No pass books will be furnished depositors, but all deposits will be evidenced by engraved postal savings certificates, issued in fixed denominations of \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$50, each bearing the name of the depositor and the date on which interests begins to accrue. The certificates are non-transferable and non-negotiable. Interest will be payable annually at the rate of 2 per cent annum.

\$500 Is Limit. By the terms of the law no account for less than \$1 may be opened and no person may deposit more than \$100 in any calendar month, or have to his credit at any one time more than \$500 exclusive of accumulated interest. Accounts may be opened by any person over ten years in his or her own name and by married women in their own names. The accounts of wives cannot be interfered with or controlled by the husbands.

For the present, deposits will be limited to patrons of the postoffices at which the system is established. The service is entirely free, no fee being required in connection with the opening of an account or the withdrawal of money deposited.

Rules Laid Down. No person connected with the post-office department will be permitted to disclose either the name of a depositor, or the amount of his deposit, unless directed to do so by the postmaster-general. Deposits may be withdrawn at any time with accrued interest or the interest alone may be withdrawn.

While deposits of less than \$1 will not be received, small amounts may be saved for deposit by the purchase of postal savings cards at 10 cents each and of 10-cent postal savings stamps, which have been specially prepared for the purpose and will be on sale at all depository offices. Each postal savings card contains blank spaces to which 10-cent savings stamps may be affixed as purchased. The postmaster will accept a postal savings card with nine 10-cent savings stamps affixed as a deposit of \$1 either in opening an account or in adding to an existing account. This feature is expected to appeal particularly to children and to encourage in them habits of thrift.

Bonds May Be Had. An interesting feature of the system is the privilege accorded a depositor of converting his savings into United States bonds, to be issued in denominations of \$20, \$40, \$60, \$80 and \$100, and multiples of \$100 up to \$500.

The bonds will be issued in both registered and coupon form and will bear interest at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent, payable semi-annually. The

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OREGON PLAN FINDS ARDENT SUPPORTER

Helena, Mont., Jan. 3.—Urging the adoption of direct primaries, and the election of senators by direct vote, under the Oregon plan, Governor Norris' message was read in the legislature today.

The document served notice that a special message would be sent in soon which would deal with conservation, forest fires, income tax and employers liability. The message today urged the passage of a public service commission law empowering cities to adopt the commission form of government. Norris is rumored as a dark horse in the senatorial scrap.

WOOLMEN GATHER IN PORTLAND

Portland, Ore., Jan. 3.—The Oregon state woolgrowers' convention was convened here this afternoon. Tomorrow the forty-seventh annual convention of the national woolgrowers' convention. It adjourns Jan. 7. The wool tariff and its effect on woolmen will be the principal topic for debate.

MANY INDIANS AT NEW YEAR'S DINNER

Nearly 300 Indians participated in the big New Year's dinner at the Tutuilla mission on the Umatilla reservation at noon today. About 200 of these are now camped at the mission, participating in the annual mid-winter camping meeting, while the others came from their homes on the reservation, especially for the big dinner which had been advertised as free to all.

Three young steers and \$50 worth of pies and cakes, besides large quantities of fish and berries were consumed by the representatives of the northwest tribes. After all had eaten until they could hold no more, baskets and sacks were filled with the "leavings" which were taken home to provide feasts in many a teepee for several days to come.

Through the courtesy of Major Swartzlander the Indian children who attend the government school at the agency were permitted to remain at the camp one day longer in order that they too could enjoy the big dinner. Missionary Cornelison says the meetings have been very successful and that several additions have been made to each of the different church organizations.

Among these recent prominent arrivals at the meetings are the following:

Matt Whitfield, Lapwai, Idaho; Andrew Moody, Cottonwood, Idaho; Miss Holloquilla, Warm Springs, Oregon; Mrs. George Waters, Yakima, Wn.; Rose Whitman, Yakima, Wn.

New U. S. Embassy in Berlin. Berlin, Jan. 3.—Ambassador and Mrs. David Jayne Hill, formally opened the new United States embassy here yesterday with a brilliant reception which was attended by a brilliant company.

LONDON ANARCHISTS FIGHT TO DEATH

Seven Robber Bandits Defeat Police and Army Barricaded in House With Inexhaustible Supply of Ammunition, They Fight Until Burned to Death—Police and Soldiers Killed.

London, Jan. 3.—Barricaded in a house in the heart of the slums, seven anarchists defied the police and fire departments and three companies of the guards, all headed by Home Secretary Churchill today, until the house was set afire by shots from machine guns and the defendants burned to death. The fight began when the police in seeking two members of the notorious "Houndsditch" gang, discovered two of them in the house.

Over 1000 citizens assisted the police and fought until the defenders were driven to the roof by tire flames and then fell into the fire. The battle raged for five hours and several times the house was rushed but with unerring rifle fire, the anarchists made the attackers retire. During one of these Sergeants Lomon, Chessam and Chick, Policemen Dyer and John Gildson and an unidentified man, were shot and are now dying.

It is believed the robber anarchists were the same who it is reported plotted to assassinate the king next June.

After the machine guns started the fire the robbers gasping through smoke, kept up the fire on the police. Finally they were driven to the roof by the heat. There they fought until with a crash the roof fell inward and they disappeared.

The police had been searching for two of the men in connection with a robbery last week. They came upon them in Sydney street. In a moment the thieves fired upon the police, who unarmed, retreated and called for aid.

The fire department and the Scott guards were called also. The men seemingly had an inexhaustible supply of ammunition. It is estimated they alone fired 1000 shots.

HIXSEY'S BODY WILL BE PRIVATELY CREMATED

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 3.—Hixsey will be buried this afternoon at 3:30 at a local undertaking parlor. The body will be privately cremated.

OHIO BALLOT BOX DISGRACE

Judge Blair Tells of Conditions Unparalleled in Any Other State.

REGISTERS A VOW TO STOP VOTE BUYING

Unique Situation Described by Jurist Who Has Disfranchised More Than Thousand Voters in Adams County—Thinks Lesson Will Be of Value to Entire State and Nation—Would Purify the Ballot Everywhere.

West Union, O., Jan. 3.—The probe by Judge A. Z. Blair of Adams county, O. into the wholesale corruption of the ballot box there, has revealed a condition without parallel in the United States. The situation is so unique that the United Press has secured from Judge Blair the following specially written statement on conditions in Adams county.

Statement by Judge Blair. (Copyright 1910, by the United Press Association.)

It has been stated that I have had personal knowledge for many years of the traffic in votes that has prevailed in Adams and other counties in my judicial district, and this is quite true. I have had both the personal knowledge and the positive proof of this practice in my district for a long time.

To the fall of 1906, I registered a vow that I would put an end to vote buying in Adams county the very first opportunity, and this is the first opportunity I have had to carry out my resolve.

The barter in votes has, I believe, prevailed to a considerable extent in about eight or ten southern Ohio counties for the past 30 years. Two years ago, during the local option campaign, I learned of money being used in Scioto county by the "wet" and I promptly called a special grand jury and had indictments returned that stopped the vote buying in that campaign and I believe prevented the use of money to any great extent in elections following in that county.

In the present investigation, I will say that the people of Adams county, including the politicians of both parties, have importuned both Judge Edwin Corn of the common pleas court and myself to break up the practice of having to raise big corruption funds every year.

Judge Corn was not acquainted with the inside workings of the game as played in Adams and I was. For that reason, I, instead of Judge Corn, came here to begin the investigation.

From results already obtained, there can be no more vote selling in old Adams. The good influence of this probe will permeate the body politic of the entire state. I believe that this strong wave of protest against the practice of corrupting elections will swell to such proportions that it will overflow the boundaries of the state and affect every state in the union. We have made the start at the root of the evil.

We hear of city councils selling out franchises, and state legislatures give the United States senatorship to the highest bidder, and men have been

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UMATILLA COUNTY MARRIAGES OUTNUMBER DIVORCES IN 1910

If anyone thinks that the institution of divorce is becoming more popular in Umatilla county than is the institution of marriage, they have but to consult the records in the office of the county clerk to be undeceived. These records show that during the year 1910, 32 decrees for divorce were handed down in the local court while 248 couples successfully applied for licenses to be joined in the holy bonds of matrimony. This would seem to indicate that the god of love still holds the balance of power in this section of the state and that the divinity of marital discord, despite the new ally he has found in the affinity germ, is still but of secondary influence.

These figures show that during the past year there has been a decided falling off in the number of divorces and a decided increase in the number of marriages. Lawyers in the city do not attempt to explain the reason for the former fact, but they do declare that the stringency of the Washington law has greatly swelled the marriage fees of this county and it is a fact that a considerable number of

BANDITS ROB AND MURDER

Two Deseradoes Hold Up Train and Wake Passengers at Revolver Point.

ESCAPE AFTER KILLING PORTER AND WOUNDING ONE

Money and Valuables to Amount of \$2500 Secured—Sheriff and Picked Posse Closing in on Robbers Who Are Making Desperate Effort to Gain Mountains—All Are Heavily Armed and Bloody Battle is Expected.

Ogden, Utah, Jan. 3.—Following a clear trail along the shores of Salt Lake, leading northward from the Southern Pacific, Sheriff Wilson and a picked posse is closing in on three bandits who held up the westbound overland limited at Reese and robbed the passengers of \$250. It is believed the bandits will be overtaken. A battle is expected, as the robbers are heavily armed. Just before the sheriff left this morning, news was received of an encounter of the high-waymen with two daughters of James Wayman on the old north road.

The Passengers in the Pullman cars who were robbed gave a good description of the desperadoes. They stopped the train by use of a fusee and drove the engineer and firemen from the cab. While attempting to enter a Pullman, William Davis, a negro porter, was shot and killed when he ordered them away. A. W. Taylor, another porter, was wounded.

The sheriff's posse is mounted and a relay of horses will await them along the route. The bandits are not attempting to hide their tracks until they reach the road's end.

After firing a number of shots the bandits entered one of the Pullmans. One of them stood guard while the other rifled the passengers. Many of them were sleeping but were awakened at revolver point and were compelled to hand over their valuables.

MINER DISCOVERS RICH QUARTZ AND GOES INSANE

San Bernardino, Cal., Jan. 3.—Prospectors today are preparing to make an attempt to find an unknown ledge of rich quartz, presumably discovered by Mojave Bill, a negro, whose real name is Joseph Smith, who was brought in from the desert last night, raving mad, his pockets stuffed with rich quartz. He left here two months ago on a prospecting trip. He was found half dead yesterday and brought in by miners.

JOHNSON WILL BE INAUGURATED TONIGHT

Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 3.—A desire to prevent a wholesale raid on the administrative appropriations of Governor-elect Johnson, by Governor Gillett, is said to have caused the progressive leaders to change their plans for the inauguration. Instead of Wednesday night they will inaugurate him tonight. Albert Wallace will be sworn in as lieutenant governor.

The public at large quickly recognizes truth at first glance.

DEPOSIT GUARANTEE LAWS UPHELD

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—Bank deposit guarantee laws were upheld today by the supreme court of the United States in two decisions. One declared that the Oklahoma state law is constitutional and the other upholds the law passed in Kansas in 1909.

POSTOFFICE SHOWS GAIN FOR YEAR

The business of the Pendleton post-office for the year just closed shows a gain of slightly more than seven per cent over the business of the preceding year. During 1909 the total receipts at the office amounted to \$205,743.56 while during the year 1910 a total of \$220,556.39 was collected at the Pendleton office.

As shown by the report just compiled by Assistant Postmaster Harry Rees, the receipts by months for the two years were as follows:

Table with columns for year (1909, 1910) and months (January-December) showing postal receipts.

Totals ... \$20,574.36 ... \$22,056.39

Gain ... \$1,482.03

From the foregoing it will be seen that with the exception of June and December each month of this year surpassed the corresponding month for last year. In the opinion of Mr. Rees the business for June and December last year was swelled by an abnormal sale of special request envelopes.

The quarterly reports show that each quarter for 1910 witnessed a gain over the corresponding quarter for 1909. The total business for the quarter that closed December 31 amounted to \$6457.99, whereas the total for that quarter one year ago amounted to but \$6339.12.

The business at the local office during 1909 showed approximately the same increase over 1908 as the 1910 business over that of last year.

PHELPS NAMED FOR CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILL SUCCEED BEAN

Portland Rumors Say Steiwer May Get District Judgeship but Local Reports Put S. P. Van Vactor in Lead for Post.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 3, 1911. East Oregonian, Pendleton, Ore.

Phelps appointed judge sixth judicial district by Bowerman today.

Looks like Steiwer for district attorney, but chances for Watts good.

UNITED PRESS.

The above message was received at the office of the East Oregonian and the first part verifies the many rumors which have been afloat since the election of Judge H. J. Bean to the supreme bench, namely, that District Attorney Gilbert W. Phelps would be Bean's successor in office. The latter part of the message, however, will come as a surprise to many people as Deputy District Attorney Frederick Steiwer was not considered in the race inasmuch as he had emphatically denied his candidacy.

In a telephone conversation with the East Oregonian this afternoon, Acting Governor Jay Bowerman, who is at present in Condon, denied that he had as yet made any appointments and intimated that the announcements would not be made until Thursday when he returned to Salem to wind up the business of the present state board.

There can be no further doubt as to the appointment of Phelps, but there are many who refuse to believe that either Steiwer or Watts will land the other plum, and these same men are equally emphatic in declaring that neither will it fall to any one of the other candidates who have figured in press conjectures, namely Charles J. Ferguson of this city, S. F. Wilson of Athena or C. C. Woodson of Heppner. A man, hitherto unmentioned in the many predictions which have been made, they declare, will be the chosen one. This man is none other than Sam P. Van Vactor, the well known attorney of Heppner.

Van Vactor is a democrat but is a personal friend of Bowerman and, it is said, was favored by the governor

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TURN TIDE OF IMMIGRATION

Western States Start Move to Divert Settlers From Canada to West.

BIG MEETING TO BE HELD IN OMAHA SOON

Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California and South Dakota All Join in Movement—Western Development Association To Be Formed—Many Approve Plan.

Omaha, Jan. 3.—In response to a demand from western governors, immigration officials and commercial associations for an association which shall devote its energies to turning the tide of immigration into the west, a call is being sent out from Omaha this week for a meeting to be held in that city between January 18 and 28 for the purpose of organizing the Western Development Association. As the meeting is called on the advice of some powerful state and private interests, the organization promises to become potential in stopping the tide of people going from the Mississippi valleys into Canada.

Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California and South Dakota are the states taking the lead in attempting to see that the new pioneers are turned from the south and from the Canadian northwest into the most fertile and promising part of the United States.

The organization of such an association for the purpose of devoting the next few years to the gigantic task of turning the tread of men and women toward the distinctively western states was proposed by the publishers of the Omaha Daily Bee and the 20th Century Farmer, which papers organized the western land products exhibit with such an end in view.

The publishers consulted western governors, heads of commercial organizations, and railroad men. That their idea is popular and will result in a more or less permanent association is shown by the following replies received to the inquiry as to whether there was a demand for such an organization:

W. S. Hall, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern railway: "Such an association could do a great deal of good if the work could be intelligently handled."

J. H. Hall, commissioner of agriculture of Montana: "The move is one in the right direction and an organization ought to be formed for that purpose."

Gov. J. H. Brady of Idaho: "We are interested in the movement you suggest so do not hesitate to call on me for anything I can do."

Col. W. E. Skinner, president Denver & Laramie R. R.: "The formation of an association looking directly to western development would be highly advantageous. We feel very grateful to you for the suggestion, and know everyone will."

E. L. Lomax, passenger traffic manager Western Pacific R. R.: "We realize the practical results that can be accomplished by the proposed organization and we think we can assure you of a hearty welcome from the states of Nevada, Utah and California, and particularly from the Western Pacific R. R., which traverses these states."

F. E. Fisher, general passenger agent, Colorado & Southern R. R.: "It would be a good plan to call such a meeting, and I believe something"

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WOULD MAKE IDAHO UNPOPULAR FOR SOME

Boise, Ida., Jan. 3.—Idaho won't longer be a divorce mecca if the suggestions in Governor Hawley's message to the legislature, delivered today is followed. He recommends a law requiring a legal residence of one year in the state before a divorce can be granted.

He also recommends the repeal of the Sunday rest law, and an enactment providing for the initiative and referendum, the income tax, and the construction of dams in the Clearwater river for the purpose of creating reservoirs in which to save the burned over timber in the forest fire territory. He also recommends an appropriation of \$100,000 to complete the main section of the capitol building.