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CHANGES TO BE MADE IN STATE OFFICES SOON

Board of Control Will be Held in Hands of Democrats After Monday

CERTAIN OF REMOVALS

Superintendent of State Training School and Superintendent of Old Soldiers Home to Go

SALEM, Jan. 3. — Three changes in the personnel of state officials will take place here next Monday in compliance with a decree of the voters at the general election November 5.

Probably the most important of these changes will affect the state treasury department. This office will pass into the hands of Thomas B. Kay, republican, who will succeed Jefferson Myers, democrat.

The office of state treasurer is considered doubly important in that this official is a member of the state board of control, which has jurisdiction over all state institutions with the exception of the state penitentiary.

George Griffith of Salem, commander of the state department, American Legion, has been appointed deputy state treasurer by Mr. Kay and already has entered the department to become familiar with his new duties.

Newton McCoy of Portland, democrat member of the public service commission, also will retire next Monday. He will be succeeded by Edward Ostrander, republican. Mr. McCoy was elected a member of the public service commission at the recall election two years ago, but was defeated for re-election by Mr. Ostrander.

A new member of the state supreme court will be Harry Belt of Dallas, now serving as circuit court judge for Polk and Yamhill counties.

As a result of the election of a new state treasurer reorganization of the board of control probably will take place next Tuesday.

Under the new order of things state affairs will be dominated to a large extent by Mr. Kay, state treasurer-elect and Sam A. Kozar, secretary of state both republicans.

Although neither Mr. Kay nor Secretary of State Kozar has announced definitely any changes in department or institution

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WOMAN'S PLACE IS IN HOME DECLARES JUDGE

JERSEY CITY, Jan. 3.

—A wife cannot spend all her time with her mother "back home" and refuse to rejoin her husband after he has pleaded with her to return and expect to find any sympathy in a divorce court, according to a ruling made by Vice-Chancellor Fielder.

Mrs. Beula Wood is the wife. The husband is George L. Wood, a marine engineer, of Jersey City.

He told the Court his wife had returned to her folks in Newburgh, N. Y., and that try as he did she refused to return to Jersey City.

The Vice-Chancellor granted Wood a decree and dismissed a cross petition for divorce filed by Mrs. Wood.

STATE TO BE ASKED FOR MONEY TO AID STATE CHAMBER

Appropriation of \$50,000 Will be Asked to be Used in Building Up Oregon for Two Years

Already endorsed by a majority of Chambers of Commerce throughout the State, a measure is to be presented at the coming session of the Legislature by Representatives Andrew M. Collier of Klamath Falls, asking for an appropriation of \$50,000.00 a year for two years to assist the State Chamber of Commerce in its work of exploiting Oregon.

Under the provisions of the bill the expenditure of the money will be directed by a board of five consisting of the three members of the State Board of Control and two to be named by the State Chamber. In this manner the state will at all times retain supervision of disbursement of the funds allowed.

The State Chamber of Commerce is an organization fostered by the various Chambers of Commerce throughout the State and has been financed chiefly by membership dues and contributions at large. I. E. Vining of Ashland is President and A. S. Dudley is Manager. Recently Mr. Vining visited the East where he came into contact with hundreds of manufacturers and potential investors in the northwest.

His work was favorably and broadly commented upon and has been viewed as exceedingly constructive. Last year Mr. Dudley succeeded by personal solicitation in inducing the northwestern railroads to join in an extensive advertising campaign for Oregon.

It is with a view of carrying on the work of the Chamber along this and other productive lines that a move has started to provide the State organization with sufficient means to function.

Those interested in the measure express themselves as convinced that the State Chamber is an institution of great worth to the State at large and one which should enjoy state-wide support.

WOMAN CAR THIEF TAKEN IN ROSEBURG

PORTLAND, Jan. 3.

—Mrs. Erma Kemmesat, 32, a widow, charged with stealing a new \$3,100 automobile and \$55 belonging to Sol Wertheimer, former deputy constable of this city, has been arrested in Roseburg and is being held for return to Portland the police here stated today. Wertheimer who filed the charge said that he was engaged to marry Mrs. Kemmesat, when he charges, she skipped out of Portland with his car and the sum of money belonging to him.

GAS LINE IS CAUSE OF BOAT EXPLOSION

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 3.

—A leaky gas line today caused an explosion which damaged the private yacht, "Elkwood" belonging to Fred Wood, president of the Wood Lumber Company of this city to the extent of \$25,000. Two workmen, doing repair work on the vessel narrowly escaped with their lives by jumping into the bay, when their clothing caught fire after becoming saturated with gasoline.

Here Yesterday—

Mr. Homewood and son, former Ashland residents now living at Eugene were in Ashland yesterday on business.

COOLIDGE GIVES APPROVAL FOR NEW RATE BILL

Publishers Are Victorious in Hard Fight to Prevent Postal Rate Raise

NEW BILL IS DRAFTED

Believed Increase to be Placed on Parcel Post and Rural Free Delivery Mail Departments

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.

President Coolidge today put his official approval upon the compromise postal rate bill which was drafted by the postal committee of Congress after a long conference yesterday afternoon. The President's approval of the lower rates was adopted after the powerful newspaper publishers' associations of the country protested against the proposed increases, was the sentiment voiced by Senator Moses, Republican of New Hampshire, chairman of a special sub committee which held all hearings on the postal bill.

The President told Moses that he believed the new bill would operate to offset the sixty eight million dollar increase, which it is proposed to give the employees of the post office department throughout the country.

Although no definite announcement of the contents of the compromise bill has been made public, it is believed that the increase necessary to finance the salary increase will be placed upon parcel post and rural free delivery mail. It has been claimed by experts that the parcel post department, although claimed to be on a paying basis, is losing more money than any other division of the department, and that it, together with the rural delivery department, should be forced to stand the increase necessary to meet the salary raise, and not the newspapers, magazines and periodicals included in second class mail matter.

There has been but few indications as to how the vote will go on the salary increase bill which comes up for balloting in the Senate on Tuesday. Senator Edge has led the band of proponents of the bill, which was fought by the administration forces for some time, and Edge declares that almost every Senator in the body is now in favor of the bill. For a time it appeared doubtful as to whether the bill would pass, since President Coolidge refused to give it his approval until he was shown where the post office department could meet the raise. Post Master General New then devised the bill to place the increase on second class mail matter, but this bill was finally abandoned, and the present bill substituted. It is believed that when the present bill and the salary increase bill are joined and brought up for vote, there is a splendid possibility of passage.

TWO DEPUTIES ARE FIRED BY SHERIFF CALKINS AT YREKA

YREKA, Jan. 3.

—Two deputy sheriffs of Siskiyou county have been discharged by Sheriff A. S. Calkins and the grand jury will be called upon when it reconvenes January 5 to probe rumors that have reached all parts of the county that the Ku Klux Klan is attempting to wrest control from public offices and to dominate county and municipal situations, as the result of the recent session of the jury and the return by it of 19 indictments against alleged purveyors of alcoholic beverages at Weed and Shastina recently, according to rumors in Yreka.

E. R. Pritchett of Tennant and R. S. Green of Dunsuir are the deputies who have been discharged. It was said that Pritchett was dismissed for alleged disloyalty and insubordination to Sheriff Calkins and for being a member of the Klan, although Calkins will neither confirm nor deny the report. Green is said to have been discharged because his services at a dined pavilion at Dunsuir were no longer required. No new appointments have been announced by the sheriff's office.

Classified Ads Bring Results Tidings Want Ads bring results

Cleared by Investigation



William Shepherd, foster father of William McClintock, dead "millionaire orphan" who was recently cleared of all suspicion in the death of McClintock. A probe started by States Attorney Crowe in Chicago was blasted by the report of the coroner's chemist who reported, after an examination of the exhausted body of McClintock, that the youth had died of natural causes. Shepherd, highly incensed at the actions of Crowe, and others whom he classes as business enemies, is contemplating bringing suit for damages.

BARNARD JOY WINS FIRST PRIZE WITH ESSAY ON LIGHTING

Winners Announced by Members of Committee in Charge of Work in Jackson County

The 1st of local prize winners in the "Better Home Lighting" contest was made public yesterday by the committee who had charge of this contest in the Jackson county schools. First prize among the girl contestants was won by a Medford girl, Miss Dorothea Florey of the Medford high school, and first prize among the boys was won by Barnard Joy of Ashland.

There were 18 prizes in all, nine being awarded to boys and nine to girls, a complete list of the prize winners being given below:

Girls—First, Dorothea Florey, Medford high, \$50; second, Margaret Elizabeth Creason, Hawthorne, \$20; third, Lella Livelle Chastin, Lincoln, \$12.50; fourth, Thelma Valdez Jones, Griffen Creek, \$7.50; fifth, Helen Dugan, St. Marys Academy, \$5.00; sixth, Fay Harbaugh, Lincoln, medal; eighth, Catherine Coyle, St. Marys Academy, medal; ninth, Amelia Radovan, St. Marys Academy, medal.

Boys—First, Barnard Joy, Ashland high, \$50; second, Robert Reid Hammond, Medford high, \$20; third, Newman Billings, Lincoln, \$12.50; fourth, Fred MacDonald, Lincoln, \$7.50; fifth, Raymond Pederson, Jackson, \$5; sixth, Darrell Huson, Medford high, medal; seventh, Douglas B. A. Finch, Ashland Junior high, medal; eighth, James Miller, Ashland Junior high, medal; ninth, Robert Lewis, Jacksonville, grade medal.

DYNAMITE ATTEMPT MADE AT GOLD HILL

GOLD HILL, Jan. 3.

—City officials here today charged that attempts were made Thursday morning to dynamite the police station and the residence of the city recorder. Traffic officer Talent said that he surprised two men near the station, and when he flashed a light on them they ran. A terrific explosion followed near the station. He believes the charge of dynamite was carried away from the building and dropped by the men in their flight. About the same time the Kellogg family was awakened by their dog. An investigation showed that four sticks of dynamite, with the fuse burned almost to the cap before it went out, had been placed near the residence. Mayor Miller charges persons attempting retaliation for the enforcement of the speed laws.

BODY OF MISSING GIRL IS FOUND IN WATERS OF RIVER

Ilene Briggs, Lost Since Tuesday, Is Found Dead In Rogue by Searching Party

GOLD HILL, Jan. 3.—As was feared when her disappearance was discovered after 24 hours' absence Ilene Briggs, the 10 years old daughter of Mrs. Rose M. Briggs of Sardine Creek, met a tragic death by drowning last Monday afternoon while crossing a log over the swollen waters of Sardine creek enroute for her own home from that of a neighbor where she had been visiting.

On being precipitated in the flooded creek, a distance of over two miles from the Rogue river, it seems that her body was swept on to the river, where it was discovered about 100 yards below the mouth of Sardine creek Thursday forenoon.

Searching parties had been out looking for the missing girl since Tuesday. The body was discovered by S. A. and R. W. Dusenbury, members of a searching party.

Widespread sympathy is felt for the grieving mother and other members of the family. Besides the mother, Ilene Briggs is survived by May, a sister, and two brothers, George R. and Lester L. The unfortunate girl was 10 years, three months and 24 days old, and was born at Gold Hill. She was a student in the fifth grade of Alderbrook school, and was a favorite with all her fellow pupils and the neighbors of the family.

The funeral services will be held at the Rock Point cemetery on Sunday at 10 a. m., with Principal A. J. Hanby of Washington school, Medford officiating. The funeral arrangements are in charge of the Perl Funeral home.

"Air Trap" for Planes Blamed in Three Falls

CROTON, N. Y., Jan. 3.

—Recalling that two other airplanes had fallen in separate accidents in Croton a short way from where Sergeant Samuel H. Turner, United States Army, fell 2000 feet recently, Judge Anderson and other residents expressed the opinion that Croton has an "air trap."

Like Turner, the other aviators escaped with only minor injuries.

PARADE FEATURES OF INAUGURATION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.

—There will be an old fashioned inauguration parade on March 4 in this city, with a march of delegations from all the states, it was indicated today following the appointment of William Gallagher, local banker, as chairman of the inauguration committee.

RESOLUTION IS INTRODUCED TO STOP ARTICLES

Statements Concerning Wilson now Running in Magazine Hit

TO ASK INVESTIGATION

Representative Reid Declares Articles Weakening Confidence of People in President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.

Legislation which is designed to protect the memory of dead Presidents of the United States against any "malicious defamation" or "slander" was today introduced into the House of Representatives by Representative Reid, Republican of Illinois, in a bill which would make any derogatory remarks, statements of articles about dead Presidents untrue, punishable by severe jail sentences and fines.

At the same time that he introduced the bill mentioned, Reid also introduced a resolution into the House calling for a thorough Congressional investigation to determine the "truth or falsity" of some allegations which are now appearing in a weekly magazine in a series of articles on Woodrow Wilson, alleged to have been written by a woman friend of the war time President.

The allegations referred to by Representative Reid are contained in a series of articles written for and appearing in "Liberty" a weekly magazine published by the Chicago Tribune. These articles are a part of a series of articles on Woodrow Wilson which have appeared in the magazine for the past several months. The first of the series was written by William Allen White, noted newspaper editor, and at present editor of an Emporia, Kansas, paper.

The articles now appearing, according to Reid, contain many statements, which if allowed to be published, will destroy the confidence of the people in our Presidents. If the statements are false, Reid declares the magazine should be forced to make a public apology to the nation, and to relatives of Wilson. Reid declares that many of the statements are, in his belief, absolutely untrue, and are tending to make the people fearful of the moral standing of our past Presidents.

TEN CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH IN FIRES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

MONTREAL, Jan. 3.

—Nine persons, eight of them children under ten years of age last night met death in two fires in North Montreal. The fires broke out while the families were still asleep.

Two girls and one boy were the victims of the first blaze. They were trapped in the upper floor of their home, unable to escape. Although the parents of the children easily made their escape, no thought was given the children, the parents believing they had made their escape. After the fire was put out, the search for the children started. It ended when their charred bodies were found in the ruins of the home.

In the second fire, five children and a woman, whose name has not been learned were burned to death. From all indications they were overcome by the smoke while asleep, and were burned in their beds.

BOY IS INJURED

TOLEDO, Ohio, Jan. 3.

—Raymond, 4, and Bernice Solark, 7, were early this morning burned to death in their home near here. They were apparently trapped by the flames and unable to make their escape from the blazing building.

Allen Prescott seriously cut his knee when hunting in the hills yesterday for a pole with which to put up an aerial for his radio. He was taken immediately to the hospital where the wound was cared for. He is reported to be improving although he is still confined to the hospital.

TWELVE YEAR OLD RAIL STRIKE COMES TO END

BANGOR, Maine, Jan. 3.

—A sympathetic strike, which for 12 years has prevented the Bangor and Aroostook railroad from operating its trains over the tracks of the Maine Central railroad, was declared at an end Jan. 1. When 150 engines and trainmen of the Bangor and Aroostook went out on strike in 1912 the Maine Central union men refused to handle connecting line trains. This ban has been enforced until today when the Maine Central declared the sympathetic strike would not longer be recognized. No opposition is anticipated from the union, officials said.

ASHLAND FIVE EASY WINNERS OF FIRST TILT WITH NEWBERG

Northerners Handed Short End of 62-9 Score by Fighting Locals. Meet Again Tonight

BY TUT JACKSON

Showing a fifty per cent stronger outfit that took the floor in their first game here two weeks ago, the Ashland High School basketball five handed a 62-9 spanking to the Newberg High quintet at the Armory last night, in the first of a two game bill. At no time were the visitors in the running, for as the game progressed the Ashland defense became tighter. The visitors scored seven of their points in the first half, while in the second period they were held to two successful free throws.

After a few minutes of sparring around, with neither team showing much, the locals broke loose with their offense, and shots started dropping through the basket with clocklike regularity. Butterfield and Marske were the pivots in the offense, with Marske showing wonderful floor work, and feeding Butterfield, the lanky forward with beautiful passes. Bryant, Ramsey and Katzer checked beautifully, and it was not until late in the first half that the visitors were able to break into the scoring column. The half ended with the locals on the long end of a 30-7 score.

The locals went wild in the second period, showing great basketball, and scoring almost at will. Although with the period half gone, Marske was put out of the game on four personal fouls, the advent of a substitute did not break up the team play of the Ashland outfit. Although Wilson who replaced Marske did not play the floor up to the standard set by the fighting little forward, the rest of the fellows took on a new lease on life, and shot baskets from almost every angle on the court.

Butterfield was again high point man last night, with 25 markers, while Marske was in second place with 15 scores. Marske and Butterfield were running neck and neck for high point honors when the former was taken out.

The locals showed a decided weakness in shooting free throws. Last night, out of twenty one shots attempted, but six dropped through the ring.

Switzer, captain, and back guard of the visitors showed nice basketball until he was forced to leave the game with a wrenched knee.

The two outfits will tangle again tonight, with a preliminary game which is advertised as the biggest game of the year. As a warmup tussle, the Ashland Elks will take on the high school faculty team. We have hopes that the Elks do something to permanently disable L. C. Forsythe's trigger finger.

The lineup and score of last night's game follows:

Ashland (62)	Newberg (9)
F	(2) Renne
Butterfield (25)	F
Marske (15)	(2) Hanville
C	(2) Everest
Bryant (13)	G
Ramsey (7)	(0) Switzer
G	(2) Phillips
Katzer (0)	Substitutes: Wilson (2) for Marske; Baird (1) for Renne; Best for Switzer; Renne for Baird; Switzer for Best; Best for Switzer; Baird for Best.

ENGLAND FIRM IN HER STAND ON FRENCH DEBTS

Equal Sums Must be Paid Britain if America Is to Receive Payment

AMERICA IS NOTIFIED

England to Force Payments from France When Liquidating Debts to America Starts

LONDON, Jan. 3.—It was announced at the office of Prime Minister Baldwin here this afternoon that Great Britain will retain its firm stand on its policy that France, in liquidating its war debts, shall pay to England, sums equal to those France pays to the United States.

This viewpoint has been "informally communicated" to the United States' government, Baldwin announced to newspaper men who interviewed him. He stated that while Great Britain will not demand that France consider England a favored nation, it will not refuse to accept such recognition.

This attitude of Great Britain has been maintained since the opening of negotiations between the United States and France for the payments of France's war debts. Several times these negotiations have been stopped by the attitude held by England, and only recently the stand resulted in France declaring she considered her debts political obligations, which she did not necessarily need to meet.

France's stand in the matter was quickly squelched by President Coolidge, who declared all personal credits would be cut off if France maintained her stand. Immediately the French minister of finance stated that France intended paying her debts, and that when the political obligation statement was made, it was not with the intention of evading payments. Negotiations between France and America were reopened, and France was given to understand that liberal terms were to be given her. Then Great Britain announced that if France should be given easier terms, England also expected them. And her announcement was immediately forthcoming, to the effect that France must pay England, the same sums as she forwarded to the United States.

Although it is certain that England's latest attitude in the matter is in the hands of the American officials, no word from Washington has been received. It is probably, according to Baldwin, that an official note will be forwarded both to France and to the United States stating the stand England has taken in the matter.

BIG WATER PROJECT IS UNDER WAY WITH MONTAGUE CENTER

YREKA, Jan. 3.

—Twenty thousand acres of land to be irrigated, \$1,200,000 worth of bonds to be sold and a dam 70 feet high and with a storage capacity of 70,000 acre feet on the Shasta river to be constructed will form the greatest irrigation project in northern California and with three quarters of the land value and the property owners signed to a petition, the project is assured of completion by the fall of 1926.

Following three busy weeks, Dr. G. W. Dwinell and other leading men of Montague have secured more than the legally required names to the petition, which will be submitted to the board of supervisors at that body's first meeting in January, when the regularity of the petition will be passed on.

As soon as the petition is approved, it will be submitted to W. F. McClure, state engineer, for his approval, which is expected to be given within a short time after the board has passed on the regularity of the petition, and at the first meeting of the supervisors in February the final hearing as to permanent boundary lines will be held.

These routine details completed, the bounds will be prepared, approved and placed on the market, and as soon as the money has been deposited construction will begin.