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COUNTY SEAT REMOVAL WILL BECOME ISSUE

State Supreme Court Orders County Clerk to Accept Petitions

LEGALITY IS SETTLED

E. D. Briggs Wins Mandamus Suit; Voters to Decide in November

All doubt as to whether or not the county seat removal controversy would be placed before the voters at the November election was removed today when the Oregon state supreme court in Salem allowed the writ of mandamus sought by Attorney E. D. Briggs of Ashland, compelling the county clerk to receive and file the county seat removal initiative petition.

The petition for the mandamus was filed with the supreme court several weeks ago, when DeWitt Stevens, county clerk, declined to accept the petition calling for the removal of the county seat from Jacksonville to Medford. The county clerk contended that 60 percent of the voters was necessary before the petition could be legally accepted and the measure placed upon the ballot at the next general election.

In his writ of mandamus, Mr. Briggs took the position that only 15 percent of the signatures of Jackson county voters was necessary, and inasmuch as the petition contained more than the required 15 percent, he demanded that the county clerk be compelled to accept and file the petition.

The supreme court upheld Mr. Briggs' stand that only 15 percent of the voters was necessary, so the question as to whether or not Jacksonville or Medford will be the county seat will be left to the fate of the voters in November.

PHILIPPINES NEED BETTER SANITATION

Inspector Says Health Must Be Improved Before Anything Else

MANILA, P. I., July 31.—Great sanitation projects to eliminate tropical diseases must precede economical development in the Philippines, Col. Carmel Thompson said on his return to Manila from an inspection trip to Mindanao.

Resources worth millions of dollars await development but the islands need a Gorgas to banish the mosquito and insure health as was done in the Panama Zone, Thompson said.

Arrest Attorney On Check Charge

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 31.—Charged with issuing a check without funds, Frank L. Mars, local attorney, was arrested this morning at his home on Wandland avenue by Constable G. B. Cosad on a warrant issued from the district attorney's office.

Stricken with a severe illness, the local attorney was unable to appear in justice court this afternoon to answer to the charge. He informed the officer that he would appear tomorrow morning.

No Date Set For Stearns Funeral

Not until the arrival of a son who is now on his way here from Oakland, Cal., will the date be set for the funeral of Orson A. Stearns, Oregon pioneer, who died Thursday night. It was planned to hold the funeral tomorrow afternoon but other relatives decided not to fix the time until the son reaches Ashland. He was expected here some time today.

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CHAINING CARS TO TREES IS TENNANT OFFICER'S METHOD

Wily Constable South of Here Has New Liquor Nabbing Plan

TENNANT, Cal., July 31.—Automobiles chained firmly to trees and padlocked may arouse the interest of tourists, but residents of Tennant township recognize it as the work of Constable E. R. Pritchett.

A bootlegger without his automobile, Pritchett believes, is like a rattlesnake without fangs. So the constable seeks the automobile rather than the liquor agent. Finding the car, he selects a large pine tree, throws two hitches with a logging chain and finishes the job with a half pound padlock.

"A bootlegger is too lazy to chop down a tree," said Pritchett, "and a trace chain is better than handcuffs in these cases."

The latest car chained up was a Chevrolet from which 12 gallons of whiskey were taken. An Oldsmobile has been tied up to a tree for nearly a year without being claimed by the owner.

WILL STOP SMOKING IN FOREST RESERVE

Added Precaution Against Fires Will Be Made Effective Monday

Effective Sunday, August 1, smoking will be prohibited in all parts of the Klamath National Forest except at improved camps and places of habitation, it was announced this morning by F. B. Douthitt, forest supervisor.

The announcement was made following a conference with S. B. Show, district forester.

"The situation in Klamath forest as regards existing fires is very much improved," the district forester said. "But due to the dry grass and the weather the situation is suitable for new fires and we felt that some measure must be taken for the protection of the forest. The closing of the forest to smoking is the minimum restriction with which we can feel satisfied."

FATALLY BURNED BY EXPLODING GASOLINE

Kelso Woman Reported Near Death as Result of Injuries

KELSO, Wash., July 31.—(UP)—Mrs. Clyde Richards, 32, was perhaps fatally burned at her home near Ostrander yesterday when a can of gasoline exploded, throwing the flaming fluid over her. With her clothing in flames Mrs. Richards had the presence of mind to run from the house and leap into a spring, extinguishing the fire. Her condition today was critical.

Flunking Will Be Lost Art Shortly

BERKELEY, Cal., July 31.—(UP)—There will be no more "flunking" among American students in a few years. Instead they will "fail."

Professor Johannes Hoops of Heidelberg University, Germany whose hobby is the study of slang and its origin has detected this breach in perfect English creeping onto the campus.

Professor Hoops, incidentally, is one savant who is not particularly opposed to slang expressions. He rather likes them. They are usually a short cut to elongated words, he says.

"Literary people tend to be conventional and refuse to adopt new and expressive terms," said the professor. "The development of the language is speeded up, however by those who are not bound to tradition."

ASHLAND WILL TRY TO KEEP OUT IN LEAD

Local Ball Club Will Invade Grants Pass Tomorrow Afternoon

NEW HURLER ARRIVES

Glen Winters in Readiness to Take Mound; Team in Good Shape

With every man on the team keyed up to a fighting pitch, and with a pair of good hurlers ready to go the full distance, the Ashland baseball club will invade Grants Pass tomorrow, determined to wipe out the defeat sustained here last week and thus keep the local club at the top of the Southern Oregon league.

The team underwent a stiff workout last night under the tutelage of Captain Watts and the boys displayed a lot of class, both in defensive work and in hitting. The return to the game of Walter Hughes has put a lot of real pep into the players, as this heady player back of the bat means a world of confidence to the pitchers as well as the rest of the players.

Curran at Second
Charley Curran will hold down second base, but the team will be the same as last Sunday, except for the advent of Glen Winters, the new pitcher, who probably will start the game if he is in good condition. Peterson is getting more accustomed to the first sack and ought to give a good account of himself.

Indications are that a big crowd of fans will journey over to Grants Pass to witness the game as interest here is high with Ashland out in front and with the other teams fighting desperately to overcome her present slender lead.

SUSPECTED LIQUOR VIOLATOR DROWNED

Supposed Rum Runner Disappears Following Fight With Cops

BELLINGHAM, July 31.—(UP)—A midnight fight between a supposed rum runner and deputy sheriffs on the Simons Mill dock at the end of Bayview street on the north waterfront, resulted in the disappearance and probable drowning of the liquor law violator.

The officers engaged in a 20-minute struggle with the man after he had been caught dropping a case of smuggled whiskey.

Religious Fight Results in Riot

MEXICO CITY, July 31.—(UP)—Riotous scenes and bloodshed marked the first closing of Mexican churches on the eve of the introduction of the anti-religious laws. At least 10 persons were injured when troops fired on crowds.

Aged Rancher is Crushed to Death

KLAMATH FALLS, July 31.—William F. Beeler, 82, of Klamath Falls, was dead today as a result of his team running away on the Spaulding ranch, in Modoc county, Calif., yesterday afternoon.

Captain of Ship To Lose License

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—The license of Captain Nerberg, who commanded the Julius Luckenback at the time it grounded, July 17, near Klama, Wash., has been suspended for 90 days because of the accident.

Press Agent Scores Again



Joyce Hawley, who took a somewhat public bath that washed Earl Carroll into criminal court in New York, sampled Chicago's courts too as soon as she got to that city. She was arrested for speeding, driving past stop lights and talking rudely to the cop who pinched her. This picture shows her in police court, where she got a \$50 fine. Beside her is Patrolman Frank Williams, who arrested her.

TEXAS FAMILY IS DRAWN TO ASHLAND BY GLOWING REPORTS FROM RELATIVES

Bernard S. Martin, with his wife, his mother and two children, parked in front of the chamber of commerce offices this morning and entered to get what information they could about Oregon. They had just arrived from San Antonio, Texas.

"Don't you remember meeting my other son?" the elder Mrs. Martin inquired of Arthur Foster of the land settlement bureau.

Mr. Foster couldn't remember. The woman then reminded him that her son had been through here two months ago and had obtained information about Oregon from Mr. Foster.

"He wrote back such glowing reports that we decided to come and see the state for ourselves, with a view of locating here permanently," explained Mr. Martin.

First off, they wanted to know all about fishing in this part of the state. Mr. Foster at once First off, they wanted to know all about fishing in this part of the state. Mr. Foster at once pressed Deputy Game Warden Roy Parr into service, and within a short time the Martin family had stocked their car with provisions and fishing supplies and were headed toward one of the trout streams to which Mr. Parr had directed them.

After they fish to their hearts' content, they are coming back and look for a place to settle down.

Fresno Romeo is Equal to Almost Any Kind of Lark

FRESNO, Calif., July 31.—A 68-year-old Romeo has just hung up some kind of a record for Fresno county in the business of speedy courting.

The man is James Fawcay, who, when he decided that he wanted to marry Mrs. Cyrene Elizabeth Hoffman, 72, gave the object of his attentions a lively and exciting period of wooing.

Candy and flowers were showered upon the woman in a manner that delighted her heart.

"He's the most impetuous man I ever knew," declared Mrs. Hoffman, happily. "It wasn't any time at all before we'd decided to get married next Sunday. He just naturally carried me off my feet."

Klamath Pioneer Is Laid to Rest

Mrs. Vesta Vaughn has returned home from Klamath Falls where she attended the funeral of her father, Robert E. L. Hunsaker, who died there this week after a lingering illness. Mrs. Hunsaker returned with her for a short visit.

Mr. Hunsaker was a Klamath county pioneer and was one of the best known men in that section. He was 61 years old and a native of Oregon, having been born at Myrtle Creek.

Leave for Portland—Hal McNair leaves Monday for Portland to attend Buyers week.

VISIT LITHIA PARK

While you are a guest in our city, be certain to visit Lithia Park, a playground of many acres, with the main entrance at the Plaza, where Nature's dearest beauties are found along the walks that lead you through the forest bordering on Ashland creek.

SECRET DOOR REVEALS BIG BOOZE PLANT

Dam Across Stream is Camouflaged by Clever Moonshine Maker

RAID IS SUCCESSFUL

Federal Sleuths Penetrate Clever Ruse and Nab Bootleg Suspect

YREKA, Cal., July 31.—An apparently innocent dam across a creek on the ranch of Edward Y. Herr, between Ager and Montague, contained spacious rooms for the manufacture of whiskey, it was revealed yesterday by W. E. Corley and M. K. Toohy, enforcement officers.

The prohibition men penetrated the camouflage and brought to light a 50 gallon still, 500 gallons of mash and 25 gallons of whiskey. Edward Herr, operator of the plant, was arrested yesterday and brought to Yreka, but was released on his own recognizance for appearance before Judge C. E. Butler today.

Just Like Beaver
In building the moonshiner's nest, Herr rivalled the industrious beaver, according to the enforcement officers. He had been at the business less than a month.

The dam was 30 feet long, 10 feet thick and about seven feet high. It was covered with straw, apparently solid beneath and appeared in every way to be the innocent construction it purported to be.

But the officers in passing by found that their noses were assailed by a familiar odor. Several investigations were without result. But the odor was persistent as were the officers.

At last a small wire was found dangling from the dam. It proved the "Open Sesame" to the secret still.

A door swung open when the officers pulled the wire, and, entering, the two men found themselves in a room that would have done credit to a German officer in the trenches.

Water was piped to the dugout from a near by spring; the still, mash and finished product were arranged efficiently and comfortably on seats provided for the operator.

McCloud Man Nabbed

The officers made another arrest this week when they visited the home of Vincenzo Poloni, a carpenter for the McCloud River Lumber Company, and surprised Poloni's wife in the act of spilling the contents of a jug.

Vincenzo tried to put responsibility for the affair on his wife. "It looks like she is selling whiskey, all right," he told the officers. "I can't tell what that woman will do."

But Vincenzo was the one arrested and was fined \$300 by Judge J. M. Longdon on the charge of possession.

Poloni's wife was convicted at Dunsmuir on a similar charge in 1921.

Alleged Artist Is Sent to Jail

PORTLAND, Ore., July 31.—W. R. McDonald, about 45, an alleged artist who had collected hundreds of nude photographs of girls is held in jail here for investigation by federal authorities. He advertised for an artist's model.

Temporary Course Now in Readiness

Otto Winter, who has charge of the building of the new golf course, urges members to take advantage of the two temporary holes this evening and tomorrow. Members can get in a lot of good practice, he says, and interest in the club will become greater if members take better advantage of the temporary course.

MAHAN OF MEDFORD WINS TENNIS TITLE IN FINAL CONTEST

Two Cups Won by Fast Work in Open Competition; Other Winners

A. T. Mahan of Medford is the champion tennis player of Southern Oregon. He won the title at the Lithia park tournament when he defeated Bailey, also of Medford, in the final match of the open men's singles. By reason of winning the open championship at the recent Medford tournament, Mahan for this year is acclaimed the leading net player in this section of the state.

The winner will have in his possession for the coming year the Lithia Park Cup which goes to the winner each year. He also won the new silver cup offered by the Ashland chamber of commerce but he graciously urged that this cup be kept in competition and not to be awarded finally until the same player had won it three times. His name will be inscribed on the new cup before it is placed in competition next year.

In the final men's doubles, Joy and Joy of Ashland defeated Gregg and Allen of Ashland. The winners meet Bally and Boggs of Medford at 4:30 this afternoon for the Lithia Park doubles title and the Southern Oregon doubles championship as well.

D. Joy of Ashland won the junior singles title by defeating H. Fitch of Medford in the fifth game. Bally of Medford defeated De Geneault of Grants Pass for the senior singles title.

Miss D. Hughes of Roseburg won the women's singles for the second consecutive year.

FIREBUG SETS NEW BLAZE IN SEATTLE

Third Incendiary Fire Within a Week Reported by Officials

SEATTLE, Wash., July 31.—The third incendiary blaze reported here in slightly more than a week was being investigated today by Fire Marshal Robert Laine. The flames destroyed a vacant house.

A firebug set fire to the Kappa Gamma sorority house last week, endangering lives of sixteen girl summer students at the university of Washington. A furniture house in the south end of the city was mysteriously set ablaze two nights ago.

ALBERT B. CUMMINS IS TAKEN SUDDENLY

Iowa Solon Dies From Heart Disease; Was Noted Political Figure

DES MOINES, Iowa, July 31.—(UP)—Iowa today mourned the passing of one of the Middle West's outstanding political leaders, Albert B. Cummins, who died here late yesterday afternoon following a brief illness from heart disease.

Senator Cummins, who was 76 years old, was defeated for re-nomination a few weeks ago by Smith W. Brookhart, insurgent republican.

Many Lives Lost In Japan Flood

TOKIO, July 31.—(UP)—Flood waters in the Nigata area have taken a toll of more than 200 lives, it was estimated last night when reports reaching here, indicated a loss of life at least this heavy. The property loss is placed at more than a million dollars.

Left For Hollywood

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Stone, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Ashland for the past week, left this morning for their home in Hollywood by way of the Redwood Highway.

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