

PROMINENT MEN OF ILLINOIS ARE UNDER SUSPICION

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Nov. 13.—Thomas Haage, clothier, former chairman of the republican county committee; John W. Potter, publisher, and John M. Colligan, managing editor of the Rock Island Argus and Jake Ramser, jeweler were arrested here late yesterday in connection with the death on October 6, 1922, of John Conner Looney, son of John Looney, former owner of The Rock Island News.

Warrants for them were issued after A. W. Billburg and George Holsappe, under sentence for the killing, filed affidavits in circuit court charging Ramser with firing the shots that killed Looney, and the others with conspiracy to murder.

They were released in bonds of \$10,000 each and their preliminary hearing set for Monday. Billburg, Holsappe, George Buckley and Dan Drost were found guilty of the killing and sentenced to prison and applications for new trials were denied.

The elder Looney, who fled to New Mexico ten days after his son's death, was recently arrested there on a charge of violation of the Dyer motor vehicle act, but resisted extradition.

Planning Terms
Billburg and Holsappe are said to be planning their flight terms next week.

The affidavit said that it was Ramser who suggested the party that resulted in the killing of young Looney in front of the Sherman hotel, which at that time was managed by L. M. Pedigo, a lieutenant of John Looney and a co-defendant with Looney in

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FARM ADDRESS IS GIVEN AT GRANGE MEET BY TABER

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Nov. 12.—Declaring that the problems of the farmer are economic and not political, Louis J. Taber of Barnesville, Ohio, master of the National Grange, in addressing the opening session of the National Grange annual meeting on Wednesday, urged the 800,000 members of the organization to seek cure for their troubles through adherence to sound business principles, rather than by legislation.

As Mr. Taber is being groomed by the National Grange as its candidate for secretary of agriculture, his address was taken to be an enunciation of his views regarding the farm problem.

"We have cold contempt for the army of politicians," he continued, "who believe the intelligence of the farmer by insisting that his prosperity is dependent upon their support. True, the farmer needs legislation the same as labor, finance and industry, but legislation at best is but an enabling act. Self help and not governmental help will secure real prosperity. Orators have expounded, commissions have investigated, writers have given us a deluge of book and literature on the farmer's conditions and its cure, with little benefit."

He pointed out that during the last three years farm values had shrunk twenty billions of dollars and that during 1922 that over 1,100,000 tillers of the soil had left the farm and there probably were more during last year.

"The cooperative system of marketing and production," he was also touched upon. Mr. Taber declaring that both required careful study.

Mr. Taber suggested that the federal tax on automobiles be used exclusively for the construction and maintenance of highways and that the farm to market roads should not be neglected in the development of a national highway system.

He urged rigid enforcement of law, particularly prohibition, and the elimination of officials who have betrayed the trust of the people.

"From every cross road in America," he said, "there is coming an insistent demand for a new deal in politics and public affairs. The cringing cowardly politician of the old school, who puts party welfare and party expediency above the people's good, and who is willing to traffic in the spoils of office, has no place in the civilization ahead."

**MANY HOMES HERE
TO BE BEAUTIFIED**

Demands for ornamental shrubbery for home beautification is showing a big increase in Eugene indicating that considerable work in this line is to be done during the coming months, according to Roy Woodruff, local nursery man. The home beautiful movement in regard to outdoor ornamentation is not only confined to Eugene but at other communities of Lane and is the best ever recorded, dealers in plantings report.

Work has already started on the grounds of many Eugene homes and ornamental nursery stock is being shipped in larger quantities than ever before," Mr. Woodruff states.

The demand for yearling fruit trees is also showing a big increase with walnut, cherry and pear trees in the lead. The demand for prune trees has shown a falling off from last year, the nursery man said.

The demand for Christmas trees from Lane county is also expected to be heavy this season but the cutting of these will not be started until some time early in December, Mr. Woodruff states. Many dealers of Lane each year ship out large quantities of fir trees during the Yuletide season, especially to California.

**Mr. Jones Discusses
Road Controversy**

LONDON, Ore., Nov. 8.—(To The Guard)—As the committee that wrote the resolutions on the London road for the Coast fork local of the farmers' union have been criticized both in your paper and the Register, I, as one of that committee, feel we should be entitled to a small space in your columns to reply to the charges made against us.

The first we wish to notice is the one made by P. M. Morse in the Register of about October 18 in which he states that either Mr. Jones or Mr. McBride came to his office and called for the cost, at the crusher, of the rock that was used on the London road in 1923. Mr. Morse then gives his version of why the cost of the rock at the crusher was wanted.

To the charge of appearing at his office I plead guilty, but to the other charges I plead not guilty. The facts are as follows:

On Saturday, October 4, I called at the office of Mr. Morse and asked for the amount and cost of rock placed on the London road in 1923.

After spending some time looking

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over the records of 1923 he said about all he could tell me was, that there was about \$14,000 of the bond money used on the London road in 1923, later he gave me the following information: That there were 308,952 yards of rock used at a cost of \$2.34 per yard. He also showed me the cost of some maintenance material that had been placed on the same piece of road this year. The price of this was 72 1/2¢ per yard. I asked if this meant delivered on the road and he said, "No, that was what it cost to put it to the crusher." To the best of my knowledge this was the only time the crusher was mentioned while I was in his office.

It seems that Mr. Morse, Mr. Crowe and Mr. Bede have taken some interest in wanting the public to understand that this rock cost \$2.34 per cubic yard in the bunkers and that it cost about \$1 more to incorporate it in the road.

By request I have received a statement from J. A. Elledge that may be of interest in connection with this subject. Mr. Elledge was patrolman of road district No. 15, in 1923, and had full charge of both the grading and rocking of the London road.

He states that his records show that the crusher was operated in October, 1923, 27 days with an average of 60 1/2 yards per day at a cost of \$1.05 per yard in the bin. In November, 24 days with an average of 57 yards per day at a cost of \$1.10 1/2 per yard in the bin. This included wages, wood and oil, but nothing for wear or breakage of machinery. This rock was put on the road with two trucks at an actual cost of \$8.50 per day including wages, gas and oil but Mr. Elledge states he thinks the cost figured the trucks at \$15 per day.

It seems the figures given by Mr. Elledge, adding sprinkling, rolling and a reasonable allowance for wear on and maintenance of the machinery and tools, would run very close to \$2.34 for rock on the finished road. That is, one cubic yard of crushed rock measured loose in bins or trucks cost about \$2.34 for quarrying, crushing, hauling, spreading, sprinkling and rolling.

No doubt one reason for placing so much stress on the \$2.34 in the bunkers is to pacify the members of the Coast fork local and make them think they got a bargain in the gravel at \$2.15 but they are still wondering why some one does not tell them why the contractors were paid about \$27,000 for a piece of work that the county could have done for half of the amount allowed.

Mr. Crowe in his article in the Register of October 24 stated that the Coast fork local made a misstatement when it said the court rejected all bids for crushed rock. He stated that they only switched the bid for crushed rock to gravel. Let that be as it may we surely lost the rock and got the gravel.

As to the charges made against the committee by A. S. Newton in the Coast fork local made a misstatement when it said the court rejected all bids for crushed rock. Let that be as it may we surely lost the rock and got the gravel.

WM. T. JONES.

**Salvation Corps
Cares For Needy
Families in City**

About a dozen families of Eugene and vicinity will be helped with the donation of clothing and food at Thanksgiving, according to Adjutant Roe, commandant of the Eugene corps of the Salvation Army, who is now making preparations for the holiday charitable work of the army here.

"We have many calls for assistance from men who are passing through but for the most part these are transient laborers and they cannot be included in the charity program of the army to a large extent," the adjutant said.

At the present time there is no more unemployment here than at similar seasons during the past, although there are several families that need assistance as the result of lack of employment as the result of other causes than work conditions, it is reported.

The Salvation Army expects to hold the annual Christmas dinner here as in the past and a distribution of clothing, food and holiday gifts will be made. The street-kettles which are an annual feature of the campaign to raise funds for the charity program are also to be out this year, the commandant states.

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FINAL RETURNS IN OREGON ELECTION ARE MADE PUBLIC

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 13.—Complete returns from Oregon's election were available today as a result of arrival of a delayed report from Curry county, where the county clerk last night finished the official canvass.

Prostration of wires due to storms prevented assembling complete unofficial returns from this county.

The complete state figures, which include official totals from Lincoln and Grant counties, not available when the last tabulation was made Saturday show the state's vote on president:

Coolidge 141,978; Davis 67,244; La Follette 67,793; Johnson 10,225.

These figures are based on official reports from 11 counties and unofficial for the remaining 25.

United States senator: McNary 172,956; Miller 66,285; Robinson 58,931; Couter 21,094.

McNary's lead 106,671.

Secretary of state, first district: Hawley 72,808; Clark 25,262; Butler 13,633; Upton 2636.

Hawley's lead 47,546.

Congressman, second district: Sinnott 29,046; Graham 19,200.

Sinnott's lead 9747.

Congressman, first district: Francis 11,279; Koser 180,815; Hembree 50,718.

Koser's lead 130,097.

State treasurer: Kay 154,502; Kern 47,174; Myers 94,085.

Kay's lead 60,417.

Justice of supreme court: Belt 158,638; Coshaw 107,275; Kelly 95,644.

Belt and Coshaw elected.

Attorney general: Van Winkle 166,203; Adams 50,523; Pursuet 20,731.

Van Winkle's lead 115,770.

Public service commissioner, west: Ostrander 106,989; McCoy 77,832.

Ostrander's lead 29,157.

Public service commissioner, east: Corey 28,979; Johns 14,428.

Corey's lead 14,551.

Vote's literary amendment: yes 183,333; no 49,330.

Majority for 134,003.

Public use and welfare amendment: yes 133,189; no 64,706.

Majority for 68,474.

Bonus amendment: yes 130,203; no 91,904.

Majority for 37,399.

Oleomargarine bill: yes 91,210; no 154,839.

Majority against 63,729.

Naturopath bill: yes 74,840; no 122,218.

Majority against 47,378.

Compensation measure: yes 74,732; no 148,060.

Majority against 73,328.

Income tax repeal: yes 122,838; no 110,579.

Majority for 12,259.

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