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HALL FORCES WORK IN CHECKING OVER MULTNOMAH

Tally Sheets of Various Precincts Being Scrutinized Under Direction of Attorneys.

Investigations preparatory to a demand by Charles Hall for a recount of the vote of Multnomah county, or certain specified precincts, cast at the primary election of May 19 for governor, are being carried out at the office of the county clerk by a force of clerks, supervised by attorneys representing Hall, says the Oregon Journal.

For several days now a number of girls, working under the direction of Hall's attorneys, have been going over the tally sheets of the primary election, checking the vote cast in the various precincts with the poll books and otherwise delving into the records of the gubernatorial primary insofar as may be possible without an actual recount and an order from the presiding judge of the circuit court directing the opening of the ballot boxes and a recheck of the ballots checked in them and their comparison with the results shown on the tally sheets.

Rumor, close from the Hall camp, has it that the Coos Bay senator will file a formal demand for a recount of the vote, but that will not do so until the last possible moment before the expiration of the 20-day limitation within which such actions may be begun under the statute.

The law provides that any demand for a recount of the vote in the contest over the governorship, United States senator or congressman shall be filed within 20 days of the date upon which the official proclamation of the results was issued.

MEASURE PLANNED FOR PROTECTION OF SALMON

With 13,312 verified signatures affixed, petitions initiating the salmon fishing and propagating amendment to the state game code was filed with Secretary of State Kozler by G. G. Green of West Linn.

The proposed amendment, which goes on the November ballot for action by the voters of the state, would make it unlawful to use seines, traps and fish wheels for catching salmon in any waters of the state or over which it has concurrent jurisdiction. The amendment would also require that 50 per cent of salmon spawn be planted in the river from which it is taken not less than 20 miles from its mouth, except where a dam or falls is within such distance, when the spawn should be planted as near as practical to such dam or falls.

WIFE OF JUSTICE DEAD

Salem, Oregon, June 24.—Mrs. Mary Walker Eakin, widow of the late Justice Robert Eakin, of the Oregon supreme court, died at her home in Salem Sunday at the age of 68 years. Mrs. Eakin crossed the plains from Missouri in 1866, locating at Eugene, later moving to La Grande, and coming to Salem in 1900. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, Harold and Gertrude Eakin of Salem and Robert Eakin of La Grande.

FOR IOWA MONDAY

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Emmel and son Kenneth, will depart for Iowa Monday by automobile. They expect to take two weeks in making the trip through to Newton, Iowa, stopping at Salt Lake and Denver.

HOT WINDS WILT GRAIN

Excessive heat with a north wind, for a time Sunday curled the grain on the light soil ranches north of Athena. Henry Barrett says his Pine Creek crop may be cut to less than 30 bushels per acre this season.

U. P. Is Testing Largest Engine

The largest locomotive of its type ever constructed, and one that has been completed by the Union Pacific system for trial in hauling heavy passenger trains over mountain lines, arrived in Portland Sunday.

The big locomotive pulled Union Pacific passenger train No. 17 into Portland from Pocatello without being uncoupled. It was constructed after long study had been made by the railroad mechanics at Omaha and officials of the American Locomotive company to solve the problem of hauling heavy trains over mountain grades. The locomotive is said to be able to do the work that is ordinarily done by two engines.

From pilot to the rear end of the tender the engine is 90 feet in length. It has eight drive wheels, each with a diameter of 73 inches. Tender and engine together weight 582,800 lbs.

If the engine proves a success in the tests that are being made the officials of the railroad company plan to order a number of its type for service between Cheyenne, Wyo., and Pendleton.

RANCHER ELECTROCUTED

Tom Christensen of Haines was killed by electricity while trying to move a derrick out of the yard of his home. The pole caught on the transmission wire and the current ran through Christensen's body, killing him instantly. His fall from the pole scared his team, which ran away and pulled the heavy derrick across his body. Christensen was a prominent Haines rancher. His immediate family consists of a wife and two children.

ONLY GOVERNOR CAN PREVENT

Unless Governor Ben W. Olcott extends the reprieves granted Elvie Kirby and John Rathie, slayers of Sheriff T. J. Taylor of Umatilla county, both men will hang in the state penitentiary July 7. This was assured when information was received from Washington to the effect that an appeal to the United States supreme court had not been filed. The time to file the appeal expired June 21.

PICTURES AT STANDARD THEATRE ARE GOOD ONES

Saturday, tomorrow night, the Standard Theatre will show Bill Rogers in a "Strange Boarder." It has been several months since Rogers has been at the Standard.

Sunday night, Alice Lake and Rodolph Valentino will be seen in "Uncharted Seas" a splendid Metro production.

For Tuesday, July 4th, the Standard offers a special program in connection with the Knights of Pythias celebration. Wallace Reid, Gloria Swanson and Elliott Dexter will be starred in "Don't Tell Everybody." Buster Keaton in the smashing comedy, "The Playhouse" also is on the program. Continuous shows will be run during the afternoon and evening.

Inspects Proposed Highway

B. F. Beezley, highway engineer with the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, Portland, started from Weston Wednesday on a drive over the proposed route of the Blue Mountain Highway.

Mr. Beezley is making the trip by automobile, with J. A. Powis as driver. The highway committee at Weston is endeavoring to arrange for a later trip, probably next Monday, on which it is proposed that Mr. Beezley be accompanied by Mr. Shannon, Umatilla county roadmaster, who is familiar with the highway route and more especially with the Weston connection surveyed on Hale creek.

Engineer Beezley will make a preliminary inspection of the Blue Mountain Highway route with a view to determining what may be done, and the probable cost of making a satisfactory road. While on the other side of the mountains he will also make a similar inspection of a proposed road running from Wallowa, Oregon, to Grouse.

WORMS IN BERRIES

Complaint is heard to the effect that mountain strawberries this season are damaged by worms. Buyers have found a small worm on the stem end of the berry in some instances.

TAYLOR WEARS THE STAR

Charles Dickey, who served as city marshal since Sanford Stone has been off the force, will take his warehouse position at Adams, again this year. Bert Taylor is now wearing the star.

Athena Boys-Cadets at Hill's Military Academy



Athena is well represented at the Hill Military Academy of Portland. Reading from left to right, Lynn Ellsworth Ferguson, was graduated with the class of 1922, of which he was vice-president. He distinguished

himself in military work and was a major at the time of his graduation. He is the son of W. S. Ferguson. Lewis Berlin, the center picture, has recently been made a corporal. An other 1922 Hill Military Academy

graduate is John Eldon McIntyre, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McIntyre, who was a member of the student council, ranked high in class and military standing and wore shoulder bars of a second lieutenant.

WILL TAKE UP PROPOSITION TONIGHT TO BUILD HOSPITAL

Rev. D. H. Leach, district superintendent of Methodist Episcopal church, will arrive in Athena today, and tonight a meeting will be in the church at 7:30 to discuss Pastor Lowther's plans for the opening of a community protestant hospital in a portion of the church building.

During the past two weeks Rev. Lowther has put his proposition up to the other church bodies of the community, to the Commercial club, and to the Civic and fraternal organizations. He expects each organization to be represented at the meeting tonight, at which time the real sentiment relative to the proposal will be expressed.

NO POST ENDORSEMENT

Solicitors ranged over Athena Wednesday morning, securing subscriptions for a magazine, claiming a certain amount of the subscription price would go to assist unemployed ex-service men. They secured a number of subscribers here. Dr. Smith, commander of the local post, says these solicitors did not have the endorsement of the post, and he is of the opinion that the unemployed ex-service men the funds were to benefit, were probably the solicitors, themselves. He advises investigation through the local post when donations are made to any cause purporting to benefit ex-service men.

ASSESSED VALUATION HERE WILL BE LOWER

Umatilla county's assessed valuation will be slightly lower this year in the opinion of County Assessor R. O. Hawks, who reports to the Tribune that all returns are in, save the districts of Pilot Rock, Echo and two divisions at Milton. Last year the assessed valuation of Umatilla county was \$58,237,857.97, the highest it has ever been.

"We are doing little changing in the valuations this year with the exception of equalizing where there is evidence of change or error, and giving a slight rut in assessed valuation to the wheat lands which cannot be of so high a valuation as when wheat commanded a better price," Assessor Hawks declared.

"The low or high assessment is immaterial except for the determining of this county's share of the public utilities assessment, but what is material is that an equal assessment be made," said Hawks. "We could cut everybody's assessed valuation but that would not reduce taxation."

WONDER WHAT'S HE DOING

Friends of J. E. Jones, rural mail carrier are wondering what he is doing on his vacation trip. No one has heard tidings of him since he left two weeks ago. A timid one or two are fearful lest Jim has been run out of the country by a cougar.

WALLA WALLA WINS PENNANT

By defeating Milton-Freewater 5 to 4 Sunday, the Walla Walla Blue Mountain league team cinched the pennant, with a percentage of 667. Dayton is second in the pennant race, with Pendleton and Milton-Freewater tied in third place.

HAROLD HAYNIE AND THELMA KRETZER MARRIED

Mr. Harold W. Haynie and Miss Thelma Kretzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Kretzer, were married in Pendleton, Friday evening, June 23. Rev. Grossman, pastor of the Christian church, performed the wedding ceremony in the presence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Haynie and the bride's mother, Mrs. L. H. Kretzer.

Both the bride and the groom are well known in Athena where they have a host of friends who join in wishing them happiness and prosperity. The bride has been chief operator at the local telephone exchange for several months, and will continue her work there.

Mr. Haynie has been long in the employ of the Preston-Shaffer Milling company as bookkeeper. He has resigned to take a position with the J. C. Penney Co. store here, and began his new duties Tuesday morning.

THE JOLLY TWENTY

The Jolly 20 club was entertained by Mrs. Lulu Williby at the home of her mother, Mrs. B. D. Thaxos, on Currant street, Wednesday afternoon. The meeting of the club was held on the lawn, and a most enjoyable time was had. Sewing for a shower to the Wilson family, occupied the hours of the afternoon. Election of officers was held with following results: President, Mrs. Laura Lientzen; vice-president, Mrs. Lena Pinkerton; secretary, Mrs. Lorrain Pinkerton; treasurer, Mrs. Pearl Harris. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Dayton and Mrs. Archie McIntyre. The next meeting will be held in October.

Ships In Portland For Grain Cargoes

The departure of one full cargo of grain for the United Kingdom aboard the Japanese steamer Liverpool Maru, and the arrival of two offshore steamers in the harbor, besides the arrival and departure of a group of coasters, featured activity in the Portland harbor Saturday.

The grain cargo will be followed by others to be taken out by vessels now in port, the movement being significant of the unusual activity in grain export at the present time. The Liverpool Maru took on her cargo at the Montgomery dock, and the Portland Flouring Mills.

Other vessels now taking on wheat in the harbor and due to get away shortly include the Japanese steamers Meirou Maru and the Oregon Maru and the Norwegian steamer Havo, which are taking cargo from Kerr, Gifford & Co.; the Vancouver Maru, which is being loaded by Balfour, Guthrie & Co., with a part cargo after taking on some grain at Tacoma; and the British steamer Eirene Ariadne and the Japanese steamer, Singapore Maru, both of which are loading for the Northern Grain & Warehousing company.

PIONEER MERCHANT DEAD

Lewis Schmuck, one of Walla Walla's early day fire department chiefs and a pioneer merchant, miller and farmer of Eastern Washington, died at his home there Saturday evening at the age of 70 years. He was born in Peoria, Ill., in 1852, and came to this section in 1877 arrived in Walla Walla over Dr. Dorsey Baker's railroad from Wallula.

HOB0 KILLED BY OFFICER

Special Agent Glen Bushee of the O. W. R. & N. shot and killed a hobo named Leo Raymond, who resisted arrest after threatening to take Bushee's life with a rock. Raymond had been put off a freight train twice by Bushee. The killing was manifestly in self defense and took place near the Court street crossing in Pendleton, Tuesday afternoon.

APPEAL CASES TO TEST OREGON'S BONUS LAW

Appeals in four of the friendly suits filed against the state bonus commission to test angles of the bonus law were filed with the supreme court under a stipulation which provides for the argument of all four cases at the same time.

Points involved in the four suits include the right of a mother of a deceased ex-service man to participate in the bonus benefits, the right of an ex-service man to invest his bonus loan in business stocks and the question as to whether bonus money was to be regarded as part of the estate of a deceased ex-service man or went to the widow as a personal right.

The four suits were filed in the names of William F. Paulman, Margaret Crane, F. N. Moore and Cicero F. Hogan.

TUCKER CLAIMS BANKRUPTCY

Trajan Tucker, Weston farmer, has filed a petition in bankruptcy. He sets forth that his liabilities amount to \$6,730.63 besides unpaid taxes. His assets amount to \$4340, a part of which he claims to be exempt from claims. Carter & Smythe represent the petitioner, and the petition has been made through Thomas Fitz Gerald, referee in bankruptcy.

WALLA WALLA WAS HOT

With grain and hay throughout Walla Walla county ripening fast and the harvest opening but two weeks away, farmers in that section are experiencing trouble in getting help. The labor scarcity, according to Milo Melvor, secretary, is especially bad at Lovden in the alfalfa district and at Prescott in the grain region. Record heat was experienced there Sunday when the thermometer registered 100 degrees in the shade. The grain in that section is safe, however, according to farm bureau officials, although rain would be welcome.

DROWNS IN CULVERT

Allen King, 3-year-old son of S. E. King, Walla Walla attorney, was drowned Saturday morning when he fell into a small stream running past his home and was washed into a culvert running under the street, his body becoming lodged in the pipe, preventing for 10 minutes efforts of rescuers to save him. A palmator failed to revive him.

ALL IS IN READINESS FOR CELEBRATION JULY FOURTH

Everyone Will Bring Well Filled Baskets For the Picnic Dinner—Sports In Afternoon.

The Knights of Pythias of Umatilla county have their program for the celebration in Athena on July 4th, completed, and only inclement weather can prevent the holding of the biggest celebration in years here on that date.

The program is replete in interesting numbers. Music will be furnished by one of the best bands in the state, and there will be vocal numbers in plenty.

B. B. Richards will be chairman of the day, and Rev. G. W. Clark of Pendleton, will be the principal speaker. The races, games and sports have been well provided for the occasion, and an added attraction of racing ponies will be held in the afternoon. Milton and Walla Walla base ball teams will play for a purse at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Everyone is expected to come with well filled lunch baskets, and participate in the picnic dinner at noon. The Dokies will round out the day with a street parade and a dance in the evening at Legion Hall. The Standard Theatre will run continuous shows during the afternoon and evening. The program of the day follows:

- 9:30—Band concert on street
- March to city park
- ...where program will be held
- 10:00—Song, "America," assemblage, accompanied by band
- Invocation Rev. Lowther
- Reading
-Declaration of Independence
- Vocal Solo Mr. Clark Wood
- Overture Band
- Vocal Solo Grant Key
- Vocal Solo Mrs. M. Carmichael
- Short talks by Pythians
- Introduction of Rev. G. W. Clark, speaker of the day, by B. B. Richards, chairman.
- Music Band
- 12:00—Picnic Dinner
- 2:00—Music Band
- Races and stunts on park track
- 3:00—Band leads march to ball grounds
- Ball game
-Walla Walla vs. Milton
- 5:30—Band concert on street
- 9:00—Dokie Dance Legion Hall
- Note—Moving pictures at Standard Theatre. Continuous shows, afternoon and evening.

ESTIMATES WHEAT CROP AT 4,750,000 BUSHELS

The 1922 wheat crop in Umatilla county is estimated at 4,750,000 bushels by H. W. Collins, grain man, who has looked over the crop in various parts of the county, says the East Oregonian.

The yield, he believes, will be lighter than last year's, when the total was close to 5,000,000. The crop west of Pendleton gives promise of a smaller total than that of 1921. Mr. Collins says that while he noted some damage as the result of hot weather, it is not serious and he is, in general, favorably impressed with the wheat. Yesterday, with its warm wind was a very unfavorable day, he states.

FOREST FIRE PRECAUTION

Prediction of extremely bad forest fire weather for the next three days by the weather bureau, has led the forest service to send out warnings to all its supervisors and rangers to place on extra firemen and to extinguish at once all the small fires now burning.

MOONSHINERS IN COURT

William E. Cooper, maker of 200 gallons of moonshine was fined \$200 in justice Park's Pendleton court, and Elzie Rice and E. W. Steele are under bonds for \$250 each for a like offense.

TWO LINES OF TRAPS

Government hunters have two lines of traps covering the territory between Condon and Meacham, set for coyotes.

Bag and Baggage

