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FOURTH YEAR.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1909.

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WORTMAN IS TAKE STEPS TO MAKE RACE EXTRADITAMENT

Councilman of Second Ward Agrees to Become Candidate to Succeed Himself—All Old Officials Will Run—Insures Improvement.

Business men of the city have finally persuaded Harry G. Wortman, councilman from the second ward to again enter the lists and become a candidate to succeed himself as a member of the city council. A petition is now being circulated placing him in nomination.

Mr. Wortman was urged to become a candidate again because of his familiarity with the water question now pending. It is thought unwise for him to terminate his association with this undertaking until it has been completed for no new councilman could familiarize himself to undertake the task.

F. E. Merrick has also been persuaded to run again. In this way the men most familiar with the question, of vital importance to the welfare of the city, can be retained and the danger of "swapping horses while crossing a stream" be done away with.

Both Mr. Merrick and Mr. Wortman have given much of their time to the city, and their efforts have been appreciated. In all probability the entire council will be retained as Mr. Eiffert's announced candidacy was most pleasing news in the third ward.

From present indications every city official whose terms expire this year will be re-elected to office, thus assuring a continued era of progress and an able handling of city affairs. The past year has been one of great progress, unmarred by strife, and the next year will see a continuance of progress.

FIRST WARD BALL WAS VERY TAME AFFAIR

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 14.—So effective was the crusade conducted against the "first ward ball" for years held by Alderman "Hinky Dink" Keena and "Bathhouse John" Coughlin that when it was held last night less than five hundred persons attended and fully three hundred policemen were present. The officers preserved order and reformers consider that they have won a great victory. The name of the entertainment was changed to the "First Ward Concert."

FREE SPEECH FIGHT IS NEARING CLOSE

Early Today 60 of Industrialists Ask to Go to Work on Rock Pile and Be Fed.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 14.—The authorities appear to have gained the upper hand in the difficulties with the members of the I. W. W.

Early today 60 of the industrialists who were arrested in connection with the Spokane free speech movement notified the authorities that they wished to be allowed to go to work on the rock pile where they would be supplied with wholesome food.

When first arrested these men refused to work on the rock pile and since have been incarcerated in Franklin school, where they have been fed on bread and water.

Leaders of the industrialists explained that this change of front was due to the fact that the men wanted to go to work where they could procure food in sufficient and quality to enable them to take up the fight anew.

May Take Him Back to Chicago to Try Him on Charge of Dealing in High Finance—New Receiver Is Asked—Under Advisement.

If the plans of the stockholders of the Golden Drift Mining company in Chicago do not miscarry steps will be taken soon to extradite C. W. Ament, in order that he may be tried for alleged deals in high finance in connection with company affairs in Josephine county. On November 23 a receiver was appointed to take charge of the company's books and business and it is reported that the allegations made in the complaint filed at the time the suit was brought for a receivership and other relief have been substantiated by what the receiver found in the books.

New Receiver.

Hon. H. K. Hanna, judge of the circuit court, has under advisement at present a motion made by Ament's attorney for the appointment of a new receiver and an increase of the bond from \$5000 to \$50,000. In making this motion Ament alleges that George E. Sanderson, who was on November 23 appointed receiver, is a stranger, having been sent to Oregon by the Chicago stockholders. Whether Judge Hanna will grant the motion is not known, but he stated from the bench when the matter was argued that he saw no reason for increasing the bond.

Deal in High Finance.

If the allegations made in the complaint are true Ament has put through a deal in "high finance" without a parallel in the annals of southern Oregon. It is claimed that he diverted to his own use nearly \$300,000 of the stockholders' money. Most of this is said to have been invested in land near Grants Pass and in the suit brought an attempt is being made to declare Ament a trustee for the company in this connection. The Golden Drift Mining company was incorporated in November, 1901, for \$1,500,000, the capital stock consisting of 1,500,000 shares. The complaint alleges that no books for subscription to the stock were opened, and after each director had been given one share there remained a balance of stock in the treasury of 1,499,993 shares.

It was then that Ament, according to the complaint, offered to convey to the company certain mining claims

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CONRAD SECRETARY FOR ENSUING YEAR

Directors of Commercial Club Hold First Meeting—Executive Committee is Named.

The new directors of the Commercial Club held a meeting Monday night at which time H. L. Conrad was elected secretary for the ensuing year. A new executive committee was named as follows: J. A. Westerland, chairman; E. B. Waterman, J. W. Root, G. Putnam and W. M. Colvig. Plans were discussed for greater activity for the coming year.

WALLA WALLA HAS NO ROOM FOR DEAD DNEs

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 14.—Her cemetery filled, Walla Walla faces a shortage in burial space, and the city council tonight will consider some plan to enlarge the present cemetery. Several offers have been made to supply land, some adjoining the cemetery, but the price on all has been prohibitive. There are less than a dozen lots left in the cemetery at present.

LEADERS IN DISSOLUTION SUIT



LEADING FIGURES IN THE GOVERNMENT'S LITIGATION TO HAVE THE STANDARD OIL COMPANY DISSOLVED.

Unless the Standard Oil company appeals to the supreme court of the United States within thirty days from the decision of Judge W. H. Sanborn of the United States circuit court for the district of Missouri his decision declaring the Standard Oil company an illegal corporation and ordering it dissolved will go into effect. Frank B. Kellogg of St. Paul was the leading attorney for the government in the case, and he was assisted by Charles B. Morrison of Chicago. John G. Milburn and others represented the oil company. John D. Archbold is now the head of the company. John D. Rockefeller recently declared that he was no longer identified with the active management, although he holds an enormous block of the company's stock. Henry M. Flagler, one of the defendants, is also a heavy stockholder.

GRANTS PASS GRANTS ALLEN FRANCHISE

LIGHT VOTE IS BEING POLLED

Election Very Quiet—From All Indications Amendment Will Be Carried.

Up to noon the vote on the proposed amendment to give the city council the privilege to grant franchises for a greater length of time than ten years, as now prescribed by the charter, was very light, less than 200 votes having been recorded in the three wards at that time.

From the general trend of sentiment, as evidenced by the expressions of the people, the amendment should carry by a good majority.

A stranger in the city would not have known whether an election was going on or not, so quiet was the day. From all indications the amendment will carry.

MONSTER SUFFRAGE PLEA TAKING SHAPE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The petition demanding votes for women, which will contain 1,000,000 names, is rapidly taking shape at the National Suffrage headquarters here. When it is presented to congress early in April, it will outdo in size, any petition ever presented to that body. Already 800,000 names have been affixed and sections of the petition are arriving every day. It is expected that the last sheet of the ponderous document will have arrived by February 1.

Signers are classified both as to occupation and sex. The names affixed include many prominent men and women. Booth Tarkington sent regrets that he could not sign one thousand times. Mark Twain, Geo. Ade, William Dean Howells, Mary Johnston and Ellen Glasgow have signed. Prominent among the governors of states is the late John A. Johnson of Minnesota. Few of the state executives have refused to sign, say the suffragists.

HANNATURNS MEDFORD DOWN

At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon Judge H. K. Hanna of the Circuit Court gave his decision in the case of M. F. Hanley vs. the City of Medford. The decision was in favor of Mr. Hanley. The city will appeal to the supreme court.

LANE PROPERTY ON FRONT STREET SOLD

Mrs. T. B. Kinsman, Mother of Dr. J. L. Helms, Buys Property Occupied by Nash Stables.

Mrs. T. B. Kinsman, formerly of Ashland but who is now residing in this city with her son, J. L. Helms, D. V. S., has purchased the S. R. Lane property on Front street, where the Nash livery stables are now located, and will later improve the property.

Mrs. Kinsman owns considerable property in Ashland and is now having plans drawn for a new brick building in that city. Recently she moved to Medford to take up her residence here with her son.

Mrs. Kinsman states that she is not decided as yet as to what improvements she will place upon the property she recently purchased in this city, that being a matter of the future.

F. S. Harrison of Ashland was a recent Medford visitor.

RIGHTS RUN FOR TERM OF 50 YEARS

Council Is Unanimous in Its Action—Ashland Considers Matter This Evening.

The city council of Grants Pass on Monday evening voted unanimously to grant John R. Allen a franchise in that city for an electric road. The action was taken after two weeks of consideration and was approved by the entire town.

The franchise provides for the right to operate an electric line in that city for a term of 50 years.

Ashland Acts Tonight.

The city council of Ashland will take action in regard to Mr. Allen's application for an electric road franchise. In all probability the matter there will be submitted to the people for a vote on the question. It will undoubtedly carry, according to expressions made by prominent men of that city.

MISS PRETZ TURNS DOWN SPOKANE'S OFFER

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 14.—Florence Pretz, the creator of Billionaire "God of things as they ought to be," had positively refused to accept the Spokane Booster club's offer of \$1000 if she would resume her art studies.

SPOKANE STRIKERS ARE STILL OUT; NO TROUBLE

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 14.—Despite the fact that no local strikers have returned to work, the officials of the railroads involved in the switchmen's strike declared today that conditions again were normal, and that the strike had been broken so far as they were concerned. The adjustment of difficulties by the use of non-union men in the local yards has averted a fuel-famine for this city. Many train loads of coal are being rushed here from the north and east.

ZELAYA SAID O'GARA MUST ABOUT TO RESIGN RECEIVE HELP

Capital in Hands of Rabid Pro-Revolution Mob, Who Shout "Hurrah for Estrada and Taft"—Big Battle Expected Soon.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 14.—Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, is in the hands of a rabid pro-revolution mob, according to a cable, apparently authentic, from Greytown late today.

The streets are thronged with excited Nicaraguans. Shouting mobs are parading before the palace, crying "Hurrah for Estrada and Taft."

Rumors that Zelaya is about to make good his declaration that he would resign have thrown the populace into the greatest excitement. Another is being circulated to the effect that the dictator is planning a flight from the country.

Demand Resignation.

The Zelayan troops are making no effort to quell the rioters and the disturbance is hourly growing in intensity. By popular cry the people are demanding the immediate abdication of Zelaya, and if his resignation is not forthcoming it is feared the palace will be stormed.

Estrada Abandons Defensive.

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, Dec. 14.—(By wireless to Colon.)—Provisional President Estrada has abandoned the defensive and is massing his forces for an attack upon the Zelayans, according to advices brought from the revolutionists' camp today. The impending battle, which promises to be the most important of the revolution, probably will be fought at Recero, 12 miles from Rama.

Gunboat to Aid.

The light gunboat Blanca, which is in the hands of the revolutionists, lies near Recero. The boat is equipped with Hotchkiss and rapid firing guns, which it is believed will be utilized in the general attack.

Estrada's sudden determination to assume the offensive is the result of urgent appeals from sympathizers with the revolutionary movement in Mexico and the United States, in addition to its Nicaraguan sponsors. His consular representative at Washington, Senor Castrillo, particularly urged that the attack be made immediately.

ORTIS HAMILTON IS FOUND GUILTY

Attorney is Preparing Application for New Trial—Penalty is From One to Ten Years.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 14.—Attorney T. M. Vance is today preparing an application for a new trial for

Ortis Hamilton, former adjutant general of the Washington state guard, who last night was found guilty of larceny by embezzlement in collecting and converting the state's funds to his own use.

While the specific charge on which Hamilton was convicted was the embezzlement of \$1188, his total pecuniations are placed in the neighborhood of \$30,000.

The penalty prescribed by statute for the offense is from one to ten years in the penitentiary. Although a sentence of one year in the county jail is discretionary with the court.

Hamilton appeared unaffected when the verdict of the jury was read, and today when asked for a statement on its finding, merely smiled and said: "There are several days to come."

Unless County Commissioners Change Their Policy in Regard to Employment of Inspectors Warfare on Orchard Pests Will Be at End.

Unless the county commissioners change their policy in regard to the employment of inspectors to assist in the warfare against fruit pests, P. J. O'Gara, pathologist of the department of agriculture, will pack up and go back to Washington to be assigned to some other district. Professor O'Gara is disgusted with the turn affairs have taken.

Inspectors Let Go.

Last month the county court cut J. C. Altken, one of the inspectors, from the list, pleading economy. Now another, T. F. Smith of Ashland, is to be let go and George W. Taylor, Jackson county's veteran inspector, has in deep disgust prepared his resignation to take effect at the first of the year. The attitude of the commissioners throughout has been lukewarm toward the fight which has done so much to aid the valley, and has given it a nation-wide reputation, and this attitude has disgusted the men who have been making the fight.

Professor O'Gara has little to say in regard to the matter, but does state that unless he is accorded full support that he can do better elsewhere.

Fruit growers of the valley are planning to take up the matter with the county commissioners direct and see what can be done. It would work great damage to the valley to allow Professor O'Gara to leave. His presence is needed and all of the orchardists realize this.

CITY MARSHAL FINED FOR PROFANE LANGUAGE

LA CENTER, Wash., Dec. 14.—It cost City Marshal W. D. Wamble just \$1 per word for using profane language on the streets of this town.

As marshal Wamble explained in the courtroom today he became "all hot up" over the remarks of a neighbor, "and just had to let off a little steam."

As the marshal only "uncorked" five "cuss" words Justice of the Peace Brothers let him off with a fine of \$5.

OKLAHOMA BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

Again Guarantee Banking Act is Called Upon to Protect Depositors.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 14.—The First State bank of Kiefer, Okla., closed its doors today as the result of the failure of the Farmers' National bank at Tulsa. The bank's officials declared that the depositors will be fully protected by the bank's guaranty fund under the Oklahoma banking laws.

HOBSON STILL IS AFTER SIX MORE BATTLESHIPS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Declaring that war is inevitable and urging the building of six battleships annually to keep the naval strength of the United States at least as great as of Japan, Richmond Pearson Hobson today made a plea in the house for war-time preparations.

He declared Pearl Harbor the pivot of the world with Japan controlling the waters around it and asked for an adequate navy in the Pacific ocean to protect against the advances of an incoming nation.