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GOVERNOR OUTLINES HIS OFFER

Will be Submitted to County Court at once

DR. J. F. REDDY WILL BE NAMED BY WEST TO CARE FOR THE MEN

County Must Furnish Convicts With Board and Lodging and Pay Them Twenty-five Cents a Day for Their Work on the Road.

GOVERNOR ASKS THAT ACTION BE TAKEN SOON

As Terms of the Men Expire Their Places Will Be Filled by Others From the Penitentiary.

Oswald West, governor of Oregon, has submitted the terms and conditions of his offer of twenty-five convicts to be employed on the Crater Lake highway to the Medford commercial club which recently appointed a committee to act between the governor and the county court in regard to the matter. This committee, which consists of Dr. J. F. Reddy, William Gerig and G. Putnam will meet with the county court at once and submit formally to that body the offer of the governor. It is believed that by November 1 twenty-five convicts will be at work on the highway, which in the estimation of the governor is a state project.

According to the terms of the offer submitted by the governor Dr. J. F. Reddy of this city will be named as the prison representative and will exercise the same control over the men that would be exercised by the superintendent were they within the confines of the prison. The governor will send twenty-five convicts to work on the roads, accompanied by two cooks and a blacksmith.

The county must furnish the men with board and lodging and such additional shoes and clothing as they may need from time to time. The county must also pay the men twenty-five cents a day for their own purposes, which they use for the purchase of tobacco and clothing.

No guards are needed. Only one man will be employed by the county. He will camp with the men and direct their work.

The complete details of the governor's offer, as outlined in a letter to the commercial club follows:

"Finding it impossible to come to Medford at this time to take up the matter with you in person, I wish to advise you that we are prepared to turn over to the committee named by the Medford commercial club, for the use of Jackson county, twenty-five able-bodied convicts, suitable for road work and in addition one or two cooks and a blacksmith. This crew which will be a good one, can be turned over to you at any time—the sooner the better—and under the following conditions:

"Dr. J. F. Reddy of your committee will be named as the prison representative and will exercise the same control over the men that would be exercised by the superintendent were they within the confines of the prison.

"The men will be fitted out each with a couple of pairs of blankets and will be equipped with good shoes and clothing.

"The prison warden will deliver the men to Dr. Reddy at Medford and will be pleased to accompany them to the camp on the Crater Lake road for the purpose of assisting in getting them located. The railroad fare and expenses of the men en route to be by Jackson county. We think it possible to secure reduced rates for them and will endeavor to so arrange it.

"The county will be expected to provide their food and such additional shoes and clothing as they may need from time to time.

"The men to be allowed twenty-five cents a day by the county court to be used by them for any legitimate purpose. We find that such money is usually used for tobacco and clothing.

"The sentences of the men sent you will expire at different times and as fast as they are released other able-bodied men will be sent to

PERTINENT POINTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFER

He will send twenty-five convicts to work on Crater Lake road, accompanied by two cooks and a blacksmith.

Dr. J. F. Reddy will act as prison representative and exercise full control over the men.

Jackson county will pay the men 25 cents a day and furnish them with board and lodging. The county will also pay the men's railroad fare.

As the sentences of the men expire they will be replaced by others. If plan works county can have the men indefinitely.

Only one man need be employed by the county, who will camp with the men and direct their work.

Work should start at once to get material on the ground to provide quarters for them. The earlier the men arrive the better.

COMICE SELL AT \$3.24 HALF BOX

Carload of Rogue River Pears Disposed of at London for Fancy Prices for the Different Varieties of the Fruit.

A carload of Rogue River valley pears sold in London yesterday at prices very satisfactory to the producers.

D'Anjou, in half boxes, brought \$2.40 per box; comice, in half boxes, \$3.24; comice, seconds, in full boxes brought \$4.32; DeAnjou, seconds, \$4.32; Bose, seconds, \$3.39. This carload was shipped from Medford on September 18, and was sold in London just one month later.

The fruit was from the orchards of Charles Darby, D. R. Hill, F. H. Hopkins and Dr. Bissell, and was handled through the Producers' Fruit company.

DEATH RIDES ON CREST OF WAVE

Towns of San Blas and Sihutanejo in State of Tepic, Mexico, Said to Have Been Destroyed by Great Tidal Wave.

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 19.—Another tidal wave is reported today to have destroyed the towns of San Blas and Sihutanejo, in the state of Tepic, having a population of 2000 and 5000 respectively.

Communication with Tepic has been severed. Many persons are reported dead in the two towns.

take their place. If the plans work out satisfactorily and the county agrees to keep them men indefinitely I can see no reason why it should not have them.

"If the county wishes these men I would be pleased to have your committee advise me at an early date. I would ask also that steps be taken at once to get material on the ground for the purpose of providing quarters for them.

"Our experience is that good treatment of these men is a good investment. Give them plenty of good plain food to eat and a good place to sleep and you will get lots of work out of them. You will need no guards. Nor will you need to employ any men, except the one man, who will camp with them and direct their work."

ELEVEN MEN ARE PASSED BY DEFENSE

Both Sides in McNamara Case Anxiously Awaiting Bordwell's Decision as to Man's Belief in Dynamite or Gas Theory.

REPORT THAT SCHMIDT IS FOUND IS REVIEWED

Honey Figures in Trial Today—Court Will Invite Argument Soon on Mooted Point.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 19.—John W. Roberts, dealer in Mexican lands.

Robert, Bain, carpenter. H. T. Quackenbush, retired carpenter and general laborer.

A. R. McIntosh, retired baker and restaurant proprietor. T. W. Adams, pioneer real estate man, retired.

George W. McKee, retired builder. Otto A. Jensen, farmer. C. B. Mannins, rancher.

Ernest F. Decker, landscape gardener. E. C. Robinson, carpenter and cement worker.

F. D. Green, orange grower. These eleven men had been interrogated by the defense when court opened in the McNamara trial today and have all been passed for cause.

Both sides are anxiously awaiting Judge Bordwell's decision whether a man who believed dynamite caused the explosion that preceded the destruction of the Times is eligible. If he holds that such a juror, if he is willing to say that his opinion in no way touches the guilt or innocence of McNamara, is competent to serve on this point after the defense has finally examined twelve men.

Honey Figures. Injection of the personality of Francis J. Honey into the examination of talesmen has complicated the situation. Attorney Davis demanded whether Robinson approved of Honey's statement that "because he knew Burns" the McNamaras must necessarily prove to be guilty as charged. The state sought to keep this question out but failed. Robinson, however, had not read Honey's speech. The decision of the court, however, opened up a wide field for the interrogation of coming talesmen.

The report that the state has at last unearthed David Kaplan and M. A. Schmidt, alleged to have been concerned in the original purchase of the dynamite used to destroy the Times, was revived today. It has appeared in one form or another ever since the trial opened. Today it resulted from the issuance of a subpoena for Milton A. Schmidt, but neither the prosecution nor the Burns men handling the case would say who this particular Schmidt is, or where he is. Inasmuch as there is a murder indictment hanging over Schmidt's head, it was hard to understand why he should be subpoenaed and not arrested, and the prosecutor refused to explain.

NEW VARIETY OF APPLES FOUND

Bears Ripe Fruit From May Until November, Having Blossoms Green and Ripe Fruit on Its Branches at the Same Time.

ALBANY, Ore., Oct. 19.—Believing that new variety of apple tree has been discovered a local nursery company has just purchased an "ever-bearing" tree from David Jenkins, paying \$600.

For several years the tree has borne ripe fruit from May until November of each year, having blossoms, green and ripe fruit on its branches at the same time.

The company will attempt to propagate the "ever-bearing" tree.

IMPERIAL FORCES SAID TO HAVE SUFFERED CRUSHING DEFEAT

All Communication with Hankow Suddenly Ceases; Troops said to have Deserted

HEARING ON CASE ATTACKING NEW LAW START SOON

Attorney General Crawford Will Leave for Washington Next Week to Defend Initiative and Referendum Before U. S. Supreme Court.

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 19.—According to telegrams received here today from attorneys at Washington engaged by the Oregon state to assist the state's officials in defending an attack on the initiative and referendum law by the Pacific States Telegraph and Telephone company, hearings before the United States supreme court will commence October 30.

Attorney General Crawford will leave for Washington next week to defend the popular measure.

Should the corporation be upheld in its contention that the Oregon law is unconstitutional it would virtually mean the death of the initiative and referendum in every state that has adopted it.

FROST FOR TAFT; CHEERS FOR BOB

Progressives and Standpatters of Tacoma Are Comparing Significant Reception Given Taft and One Given Mention of LaFollette.

TACOMA, Wn., Oct. 19.—Progressives and standpatters are both counting today the significance in the reception given last night to Gifford Pinchot and Senator Miles Pondexter at a meeting called at a few hours notice, to the rather chilly greeting which met President Taft, whose visit had been exploited for weeks.

When Pinchot referred to that "Fearless and conscientious man, who fights and loses and keeps on fighting—Robert M. LaFollette," the cheering lasted for several minutes.

BIG POWER PLANT TO BE ERECTED

Northern California Power Company Plans to Construct \$4,000,000 Power Plant on the Slopes of Mount Shasta.

REDDING, Cal., Oct. 19.—What is said to be the greatest electrical undertaking in California was begun today when the final move was completed for beginning a \$4,000,000 power plant that will soon be developing 120,000 horsepower from the melting snows of Mount Shasta.

E. V. B. Johnson, manager of the company, estimates that the machinery, diversion dam, tunnels and powerhouse will cost \$3,000,000 and that the "tower line" for transmitting the power will cost another million.

The company is known as the Northern California Power company.

RAIN COMES TO AID OF GIANTS

Another Day's Rest Given Teams—Philly Fans Say This Materially Aids New York by Giving Maty and Marquard a Chance.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 19.—On account of rain all last night, which left the diamond at Shibe park in a muddy condition, there will be no game between the Athletics and Giants today.

Baseball experts, irrespective of partisanship, generally concede that the Giants are now fighting with their backs to the wall in the world's series. If the Athletics win the next game, it is predicted, the series is as good as settled. A victory for New York means a revival of Giant hopes.

How They Hit. The Giants are hitting the ball at .145, while the Athletics lead at .200. Neither club is hitting up to form.

The Giants have shown themselves weak in batting, fielding and baserunning and with the exception of Baker and Collins the Athletics have been weak in batting also. The Mackmen have played better ball than the Giants, to date.

STRIKERS TO ASK GOVERNORS TO ENFORCE LAW

General Secretary Scott of Shopmen's Federation Declares Law Is Being Violated and Declares Governors Will Be Asked to Enforce It

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 19.—Governors of the 14 states directly affected by the strike of the Federation of employes on the Harriman lines will be asked to take a hand in the attempt to compel adequate inspection of cars and locomotives under the interstate commerce laws, according to General Secretary Scott of the shopmen's federation, in a statement issued to the men here today.

Scott asked the strikers everywhere to report specific instances of violation of the inspection laws to the secretary of the interstate commerce commission at Washington, and violations of the laws governing safety appliances on trains to H. W. Belknap, chief inspector, at Washington.

MAY BE JUSTICE. WICKERSHAM MAY BE TAFT'S CHOICE

Attorney General Looms Up on Political Horizon as Most Likely Candidate for Vacancy on Supreme Court Bench.

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Out of a long list of eligibles which President Taft began ordering for the appointment today Wickersham seemed to be the favorite. The president declined to discuss the appointment for publication but it was learned here that there is only a remote possibility of a progressive receiving the place. In the list the only name which could be considered progressive is that of Walter L. Fisher, secretary of the interior, whose chances are very poor.

While President Taft realizes that the appointment of Wickersham might possibly provoke criticism because of his former Wallstreet connection, he believes that the attorney general's recent fine record as a prosecutor and dissolver of trusts will overbalance this criticism. The president has a very high opinion of Wickersham's legal abilities and many of his advisors strongly favor getting the present attorney general out of the cabinet.

TEDDY TO STAY OUT OF CAMPAIGN

Will Observe Silence During the Coming National Campaign—Will Refrain From Giving Utterance to Any Opinions.

RICHMOND, Va., Oct. 19.—That former President Roosevelt will observe silence during the coming national campaign is indicated today in a letter which he wrote to Congressman J. Hampton Moore.

"From now on," the letter read, "I wish to avoid any speeches. I cannot do anything further of that sort now."

The portions of the letters were interpreted to mean that Colonel Roosevelt wished to refrain from giving utterance to any opinions which might be construed in connection with the presidential campaign.

OPEN WAR NOW; FOLK AND CLARK HAS SECRETARY WILSON QUIT?

Leading Missourians Are Fighting for Presidential Nomination From Their State—Folk Openly Defies Clark to Test His Strength.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 19.—With openly expressed defiance of Speaker Clark's political strength throughout the state, by former Governor Joseph W. Folk, war was today declared between the Clark and Folk factions of the Missouri democrats, striving for state endorsement of their respective leaders as candidates for presidential nomination.

Folk openly defied Clark to test his strength at the state primaries, backing up his declaration of war with the following statement issued today from Folk and followers:

"The democrats of Missouri have endorsed Folk for the democratic presidential nomination. This endorsement was a part of the last democratic platform and was accepted in good faith by a large part of the democrats of the state. We can back that endorsement with 80 per cent of the people of the state."

Look for the ad that offers it to you, second-hand, at a real bargain!



GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM
PHOTO BY HENNING

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REBELS FORCED TO RETIRE WEDNESDAY BY LACK OF POWDER

With Arrival of More Ammunition They Expect to Be in Control of Hankow Within 24 Hours—Attack Is Momentarily Expected.

OVER 300 PERISHED IN FIRST DAY'S FIGHT

Imperial Forces Show Unexpected Weakness in Battle—One German Struck by Bullet.

PEKING, Oct. 19.—All communication with Hankow was suddenly broken off today, and it is rumored here that the imperial forces have suffered a crushing defeat. Serious disaffection in the army is believed to have culminated in a large body of the troops going over to the rebels.

Rebel Attack Expected. HANKOW, Oct. 19.—Desertory firing continues between the royalists and rebels near Wu Chang. An attack from the rebels is momentarily expected. The revolutionists did not suffer an overwhelming defeat yesterday as the imperialists represented, and had their ammunition held out the victory would have undoubtedly gone to the rebel colors, under which the best fighting was done. Three hundred fell in yesterday's battle, both sides suffering about equally.

With the arrival of expected ammunition the rebels will make another attempt to regain the vantage won, only to be lost to them again on the north bank of the Han river yesterday. The rebels are fighting hard for permanent possession of the Hankow railway station but the lack of ammunition has hindered them from holding any taken position in the vicinity.

Take Hankow Soon. Rebel leaders say they will have Hankow within twenty-four hours and feel that yesterday's engagement shows the weakness of the imperial troops.

The only known foreigner injured was a German sailor, who was struck by a stray bullet.

TAFJUMPS FROM SUN TO FROST-LADEN AIR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 19.—A report that Secretary Wilson has submitted his resignation to take effect November 15, to President Taft, is widely circulated here today.

There was a foot of snow on the streets of Butte when the presidential train pulled in here, and the temperature was down below freezing. Only the day before yesterday the president sweltered in a temperature of 95 to 98 in Los Angeles and Pasadena.