

GOVERNOR JOHNSON TURNS DOWN REQUISITION FOR THE RETURN TO MEDFORD OF MRS. ADAMS

HOLD MATTER IS ONE FOR THE CIVIL COURTS

Constable Singler Forced to Return Empty Handed Owing to Action of the Chief Executive of California This Morning.

CHILD WILL REMAIN WITH MOTHER FOR TIME BEING

To Recover Custody Paul Hansen Must Bring Suit in the Civil Courts.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 4.—Governor Johnson today turned down a requisition from the governor of Oregon for the return to Medford of Mrs. J. H. Adams, charged with child stealing. It is alleged that Mrs. Adams, whose divorced husband, Paul Hansen of Medford, recently secured a modification of the decree awarding their child to the mother, removed the youngster from Oregon to her new home in Santa Rosa, Cal., subsequent to the court ruling. Governor Johnson holds that it is a matter for civil procedure.

This means that Constable Singler, who is in Sacramento, must return to Medford empty handed and that Hansen must bring suit in the civil courts in order to secure custody of the daughter. In the meantime the child will probably remain in Santa Rosa with her mother.

PROTEST HOOK FROM OREGON

State Railroad Commission Would Dislike to See Justice Hook of Kansas Elevated to the Supreme Bench.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 4.—Asserting that Justice Hook of Kansas would be a dangerous man to be placed on the United States supreme bench because he has already decided adversely on railroad rate cases, similar to those now before the supreme court of Oregon and seven other states, the railroad commission of Oregon has forwarded telegraphic protests against Hook's appointment to United States Senator Bourne of Oregon.

The telegram requests Bourne to oppose Hook's nomination as associate judge should President Taft see fit to select him on the grounds that the state's appeals ought to be passed on by a judge who had not already rendered an adverse decision on practically the same questions.

COLONEL TEDDY LIKE A SPHYNX

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Maintaining his sphynx attitude in regard to the presidential nomination Colonel Roosevelt today flatly refused to talk politics. His secretary announced that the former president would not go to his office in New York and also that he would make no statement regarding the political situation until he was ready to do so. This he added would not be soon, if at all.

Believing that there was a possibility of the statement coming today, the ex-president's home here was besieged by reporters.

BULLDOG ATTACKS AND DRAGS HORSE TO THE PAVEMENT

Canine Is Immediately Arrested, Given Hearing and Sentenced to Death—Owner Mourns.

A furious bull terrier, using old-style football tactics, this morning attacked and threw one of the heavy farm horses being driven by W. R. Lamb on East Main street. A large crowd saw the dog run under the team, seize one horse by the leg and drag it to the pavement. When this was done the dog transferred his grip to the horse's nose, closed its eyes and hung on after the manner that its ancestors have made proverbial.

The horse, crazed with pain, struggled to its feet and tossed its head and reared high in the air trying in vain to shake off the persistent pup. In a few seconds the street at Main and Bartlett was blocked with people and some of the more venturesome quieted the horse while others pried the dog's jaws loose. The horse was badly injured. An officer, who had helped in freeing the horse, arrested the now frolicsome dog, tucked it under his arm and marched him to jail.

Judge Canon gave Mr. Bull Pup a short but solemn hearing and the prisoner being unable to offer anything in his favor a death sentence was passed. In the canine happy hunting grounds the dog is now chasing anything it likes and the owner, Harry Davis, is mourning the loss of a valuable animal.

ROBLEY D. EVANS, IDOL OF THE NAVY DIES SUDDENLY

Monster Request is Made to Family to Have Body of Dead Hero Lie in State—End Came As a Shock to Entire Country.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—With an entire nation in mourning over the death of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, "Fighting Bob," telegrams of condolence from every part of the civilized world today are deluging the members of his family. The popularity of the dead naval officer was shown today when the navy department, high naval officers and "bluejackets" united in a monster request to the family to allow the body to lie in state so that they might have a last look at the man who piloted the great American battleships fleet around the Horn to San Francisco on its world girdling cruise.

The navy department will have complete charge of the funeral arrangements. These will be without pomp, as the dead officer would have desired, but nevertheless impressive. President Taft and other government officials have announced their intention to attend the obsequies. Cadets from the naval academy at Annapolis (Continued on Page Two.)

EXHIBIT AT CONGRESS TO BE GOOD ONE

Committee Plans to Have an Exhibit Far Superior to Any Yet Displayed in Southern Oregon—Will Awaken Interest.

6000 FEET OF FLOOR SPACE DEVOTED TO IT

Prospectors Pick Made of Wood in Shape of Walking Stick Will Be Souvenir.

The committee in charge of the mineral exhibit which will be displayed here during the convention of the Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining congress on Friday and Saturday, February 2 and 3, have undertaken and will make it far superior to anything of its kind ever held in the state of Oregon. It is their desire that no district in southern Oregon or northern California fail to be represented. The exhibit will have a far reaching effect in stimulating the mining interests of those portions of the two states. All mining men are earnestly requested to send their collections of minerals at an early date so the same may be properly placed in the exhibition room. Be sure and mark your samples plainly, giving the name of the property, the location of same and the name of the sender. Fully 6000 feet of floor space will be devoted to the mineral exhibit, which will be the largest and most imposing in the history of mining in this portion of the west.

A novel souvenir of the congress will be a prospectors' pick made of wood in the shape of a walking stick or cane. The whole of the pick proper will be covered with gold leaf while the handle or stick will be painted black and highly varnished. At first glance one would naturally suppose that it was a beautiful gold headed cane, but upon closer inspection it will be found to represent a prospecting pick. Across the gold head the word Medford will be beautifully painted. A number of unique and interesting surprises are in store for those who attend the congress.

First Exhibit in.

The Blue Ledge district is the first to send in an exhibit consisting of over 2000 pounds of copper ores. Another very large exhibit will be from the Tolo clay beds. This will show the evolution from the raw material to the high class of manufactured products. An automobile firm proposes to illustrate in an elaborate manner the rapid advances that have been made in the matter of vehicles since the discovery of gold in 1851 to the present day, showing the first vehicles used in the transportation of ores and supplies and the latest type as well.

Several manufacturers of mining machinery will come to the front with the latest improvements in their respective lines. It is anticipated that the display of gold nuggets this year will put all others in the shade, as the committee has been assured that there will be a very large display from all over the country.



ROAD BOND CASE IS ARGUED IN SUPREME COURT

Early Decision Is Expected As Time Is of Importance—Other Counties Are Watching the Matter Closely and Will Follow Lead of Jackson.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 4.—Attorneys in the suit brought to test the validity of Jackson county's bond issue of \$1,500,000 for the purpose of building good roads, argued the matter before the supreme court here today at some length. An early decision in the matter is expected.

A great deal of interest centers in the suit for the appeal from the lower court, which sustained the action of the county of Jackson in holding an election for the purpose of voting a bond issue under a constitutional amendment, is sustained among other counties in the state will follow the lead of Jackson county and call similar elections for the improvement of highways.

A. E. Reames appeared for the county of Jackson and C. L. Reames and Porter J. Nett for the appellant, Ed M. Andrews, a taxpayer who seeks to enjoin the county court from issuing the bonds on the ground that the constitutional amendment is inoperative until such time as the legislature passes an enabling act.

While no announcement was made it is believed that the supreme court will render an early decision, inasmuch as the county wishes to dispose of the bond issue in time to secure funds for the building of roads early in the spring.

MAN WHO CAME TO OREGON IN 1847 DEAD

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 4.—H. S. Jory, who came to Oregon as a boy in 1847, died this morning.

CAPTAIN HERE IN SEARCH OF MISSING MAN

Mystery Surrounding Disappearance of Sergeant Oliver Impenetrable—Captain Newman Is Here on Trail of the Soldier.

For the purpose of making a thorough investigation of the mysterious disappearance of Frederick A. Oliver, a sergeant of the United States army, Captain Newman of Vancouver has arrived in Medford to co-operate with local authorities. Captain Newman arrived in Medford Wednesday morning and spent the day endeavoring to pick up the trail of the missing man, and today is at Butte Falls investigating.

Sergeant Oliver disappeared in November. He was on a leave of absence and spent some time in the timber near Butte Falls hunting, accompanied for a time by a soldier friend and Chief of Police Hittson. Hittson left camp and returned to Medford, promising to look him up again in this city. Later Oliver left his friend in camp to buy supplies and stated that he might also visit Medford. He boarded the train at Butte Falls and since then has dropped from sight. When he could not be found his friend came to Medford and later went to Vancouver, where he reported the matter.

The theory that Oliver deserted from the army is not tenable. He had over \$200 at Vancouver due him, which he left. Captain Newman states that Oliver had re-enlisted in August and could have purchased his release from the army for \$30, so it is unreasonable to believe that he would have deserted, changing a prison term and leaving \$170.

The missing man has been in the service since the Spanish-American war and has a splendid record. Captain Newman is of the opinion that Oliver was either foully dealt

WASHES HANDS IN GASOLINE, THEN LIGHTS CIGARETTE

Peter Politz, Employed in Quarry Above Jacksonville, Is Badly Burned in Accident—May Lose Use of His Hands.

Because he washed his hands in gasoline and immediately afterwards lighted a cigarette, Peter Politz, a quarryman employed above Jacksonville, is today in a doctor's care, his arms and face badly burned. At least two months will elapse before he will recover and then it may be that the he will lose the use of at least one of his hands, as the flesh from the elbow down was burned to shreds.

Politz had just completed his work in the quarry and was cleaning up. He washed his hands and forearms in gasoline in order to cleanse them. Then he rolled a cigarette and applied a match. In an instant his body was wrapped in a mass of flames. Fellow workmen extinguished the flames and summoned a physician.

Two Freeze to Death.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 4.—Edwin Tallum and George Seibert were frozen to death here early today. They were lost in a blizzard.

Morgan Buys Pictures.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—According to a statement published here today, J. P. Morgan has bought for \$1,000,000 another great assemblage of art from M. Georges Hoentschel, the French collector.

with or lost his mind. The latter theory is plausible, inasmuch as Oliver's mother and sister have each lost their mind and are confined in the state asylum in Colorado.

Absolutely nothing has been learned of the man's whereabouts since he left Butte Falls for Medford. He may have been in Medford two or three days, but this fact is not known.

SAYS TREATIES PART OF PLAN TO INVOLVE U.S.

Senator Hitchcock Charges That There is a Large Fund Behind Campaign to Secure Adoption of Arbitration Treaties.

WOULD INVOLVE UNCLE SAM IN ENGLAND'S FOREIGN POLICY

Hitchcock Quotes From Speech of Sir Edward Grey, British Foreign Minister.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—That the Taft arbitration treaties are a direct attempt to lead the United States into an entanglement with England was the statement here today of Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska. Speaking before the senate, Hitchcock declared that he firmly believed that there is a fund behind the campaign to secure the adoption of the treaties.

"To place the full power of interpretation of a treaty in the hands of a commission," Hitchcock declared, "is the trap in the treaty. It is a device to permit an alliance, which, in my opinion, must inevitably lead to the entanglement of the United States in England's foreign policy."

Hitchcock quoted from the speech of Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign minister, delivered in the house of commons, in which Sir Edward was quoted as saying that he believed the arbitration treaty "probably would lead England and the United States to follow it with an agreement to join with each other in any case in which one nation had a quarrel with a third power by which arbitration was refused."

Referring directly to Sir Edward's speech, Senator Hitchcock said: "It is hard to escape the conclusion that the British foreign minister referred to Germany and it is easy to see why, in such conditions, that England would desire to follow the pending treaty with an agreement by which America would join in England's quarrel if Germany should refuse to arbitrate."

Continuing, Hitchcock said that even if the treaty did not cause an alliance, that it would inevitably promote controversies, encourage claims and cause diplomatic arrangements through which American interests would likely suffer.

GREAT LAUNDRY STRIKE MAY END

At Least Two Weeks Will Be Necessary for Back Work—Compromise Meeting is Being Held Today in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Even if the big laundry workers' strike is settled at a compromise meeting being held between the representatives of the laundries and their striking employees today, it is believed that it will be at least two weeks before the mountains of back work are finished.

While the greater part of the population of the metropolis is hopeful that an adjustment of the difficulties will be reached today, there seems to be little probability that such will be the case. Strikers are still determined to win their demands for shorter hours, increased pay and better and cleaner working conditions. That the owners will submit to all their demands is improbable.

The city is threatened with another siege by labor that is indicative of conditions almost as bad as those which accompanied the strike of the garbage collectors recently.