

SUPPORT OF LOCAL MINING PROJECTS URGED AT FORUM

Colonel Leland of Grants Pass was the principal speaker at the Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon held at the Hotel Medford this noon. The subject of the meeting, mining activity in Southern Oregon, was outlined by Col. Leland in an interesting manner, laying the plain facts before the assembly and urged local support of the mining business. He declared that outside finance for big projects could not be obtained unless local people displayed sufficient confidence by investing. He urged that prospectors seeking grubstakes be financed to enable them to search the hills to open up new properties.

He advised the organization of a special committee of the Chamber of Commerce for the boosting of mining and the eradication of dishonest promoters. He declared that statistics showed fewer failures in mining in the United States than in retail business and that skepticism toward mining and especially mining in southern Oregon was due to the activities of "skinflint promoters."

Col. Leland pointed out the natural advantages facilitating the operation of mine in this district—the concentration of timber, water and electric power and the unquestionably valuable bodies of ore. In ending his speech he advised local business men of the community to wake up and quoted the old saying, "God helps those who help themselves."

A. L. Hill acted as chairman of the meeting and read a paper on the history of the Red Eagle mine, outlining its discovery, development and possibilities and illustrating the advantage to be derived by the community should it be financed locally.

Under the direction of D. E. Millard a new song, "I Ain't Got Weary Yet," was introduced and those present gave it their hearty approval.

"Dapper Dan" Not Caught.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The New York detective bureau denied today a report that it had received word of the arrest in Miami, Fla., of "Dapper Dan" Collins, wanted here in connection with the shooting of John R. Reid, silk manufacturer and in Los Angeles in connection with the slaying of William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director. No trace has been found of Collins since he disappeared from New York last May.

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SURPRISE WITNESS FOR FATTY FOUND, NEXT TRIAL LONG

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—Gavin McNab, chief counsel for Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle in the present manslaughter action against him disclaimed all knowledge today of the reported determination of Albert Sabath, a Chicago attorney, to come to San Francisco with a surprise defense witness for Arbuckle's third trial.

Statements of Sabath that the defense will probe more fully the past life of Miss Virginia Rappe, whose death was made the basis for the charge against Arbuckle, were also contradicted by McNab.

"Sabath's sole service for the defense is the gathering of depositions in Chicago," McNab said. "We know nothing of his intended visit to San Francisco or the witness he is supposed to have found."

"It is not our intention to probe into the past of Miss Rappe any more than we have done heretofore. The next trial will be longer than either of the others because of the necessity of introducing new evidence."

INCREASE BAIL IN WOLGAMOTT CASE

In the justice court here today, a motion was made before Acting Justice F. P. Farrell, by Attorney George A. Coddling, acting for the district attorney's office, asking that the bail of Dud Wolgamott be increased from the \$500 originally set by the court. Glenn O. Taylor, the regular justice of the peace, was on his vacation several weeks ago when the case came up.

This case is the one in which Wolgamott was arrested after officers had searched his home and found six quarts of whiskey concealed behind fireplace.

Acting Justice Farrell, before whom the case was originally tried on the charge of having intoxicating liquor in possession, in response to the motion filed this noon increased the bail from \$500 to \$1000, and Wolgamott was turned over into the custody of Deputy Sheriff Millard until he furnished the increased bail. Up to early this afternoon Wolgamott was still trying to raise this bail.

NEW QUARTERS RELIEVE SCHOOL CONGESTION

The workmen have about completed the changes and additions necessary in fitting up the new room in the basement of Lincoln school. One of the lower grades will occupy this to make room above for an additional 7th and 8th grade departmental room. This new room will relieve to some extent the overcrowded situation in the upper grades departmental rooms of both Washington and Lincoln schools.

It was decided to make this arrangement rather than transport an entire room to one of the outlying schools, as was done early in the year, to relieve the overcrowded intermediate grades at Washington school when a room of 3rd and 4th grade pupils were sent to Roosevelt school.

PAPER RUBLES IN RUSSIA SURPASSES ALL COMPUTATION

MOSCOW—More billions no longer suffice to indicate the amount of paper rubles annually issued by the soviet government. It runs into trillions.

A. Krestinsky, the commissar of finance, has informed the congress of soviets that the government contemplates the issuance in 1922 of 23,000,000,000 paper rubles which, he estimates, should have a buying power of 230,000,000 gold rubles.

He pointed out to the congress that this issue while large in figures, is by no means large in buying power, for it is based on his estimate that the gold ruble is equivalent in buying power to 100,000 paper rubles. These paper rubles are the ordinary medium of exchange.

He explained that the total paper issue for 1916 was 24,000,000,000 rubles, then worth \$23,000,000 gold rubles. The issue for 1917 was 123,000,000,000 rubles, worth 399,000,000 gold rubles. The issue for 1920 was 958,000,000,000 rubles, worth 290,000,000 gold rubles. The issue for 1921 was 10,000,000,000,000 rubles, worth 200,000,000 gold rubles. This makes the total paper money issue to date 11,142,000,000,000 rubles.

The value of one gold ruble has been legally fixed at 100,000 paper rubles for the months of January, February and March, but when this rate was fixed a dollar, which is worth about two gold rubles, brought in the open market 250,000 to 275,000 paper rubles.

MILD FLU EPIDEMIC CURBS GATHERINGS

The epidemic of mild flu throughout the city is playing havoc with the attendance at public gatherings as so many persons are ill or just recovering from the ailment, and others fear to become part of large crowds. Several scheduled functions in the next few days have been postponed on this account.

The Elks had times dance of last night had a much smaller attendance than is customary at such functions of the Elks. The lecture and musical entertainment to have been given at the Presbyterian church next Friday night has been postponed, as has the annual get-together meeting and banquet of the Christian church which was also to have been held Friday night.

Many are coming down with the flu sickness daily, and the list of those convalescing is large. A number of business concerns are crippled through employers or employees having the flu. The prevailing type of flu locally is in the form of a severe cold lasting from three days to a week and leaving the patient in a weak and languid condition for several more days.

Among those down with the flu are Patrick Dalley and William Hammett. George Alden is just recovering from the ailment. Eighteen members of the Elks lodge are reported among the victims.

MAY OPEN AN AUTO MECHANICS SCHOOL

Mr. Smith, the city superintendent of schools, announces that A. R. Nichols, of Corvallis, the trades and industries supervisor for the state board of vocational education, will be in Medford next week. He comes to investigate the situation in regard to opening an auto mechanics school here. This school is intended for mechanics on in service and not for boys in school, although possibly a few of these may be admitted. If conditions and the demand is favorable, Mr. Nichols will organize a school under the state board while here.

—Anyone interested should communicate with Superintendent Smith.

SURPRISE WITNESS TO BARE RAPPE RECORD

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Attorney Albert Sabath will leave for San Francisco within a few days with a surprise witness, who it is said will tell new and important facts in the trial of Roscoe Arbuckle.

The attorney disclosed his plan today but refused to tell the name of the witness or tell of the information which will be given.

Mr. Sabath said that the defense, goaded by their failure to free Arbuckle in two trials, will lay bare every shred of information bearing on the past of the dead film beauty, Virginia Rappe.

ATTEMPT TO STOP PROBE
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The Examiner withheld the remainder of the letter from publication.

The disappearance from Taylor's

home of a woman's pink silk night dress which was said by Henry Peavey, houseman, to have been kept there was another item in the list of occurrences referent to the investigation and vigorous efforts were being made to find out what became of it.

Captain David L. Adams, who is in charge of the investigation said: "I know nothing about any pink night dress or any letters returned to actresses. I have several letters, four or five of which the newspapers have not seen and which they will not see. They are from Taylor's mother and daughter and others and are not connected with the case."

The sheriff's office was also continuing a careful independent investigation today. It was indicated that Peavey, the houseman would be again questioned about certain details which it was commonly reported he had withheld in previous statements, but had disclosed to friends.

Summons of Peavey by representatives of the sheriff's office, they said, was to go over in detail the occurrence on last Wednesday night at Taylor's home just prior to the time the investigation indicates the murder occurred. Belle was expressed by deputy sheriffs that Peavey holds the most important key to the motive for the murder of the director.

It was said that he will be asked in detail concerning the visit of Mabel Normand on that night and what occurred just before his departure when he left Mabel Normand alone

with his employer, who was shot and killed, investigators say, within an hour or probably within half an hour of this time.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.—Location of Mabel Normand and Mary Miles Minter's letters to William Desmond Taylor, murdered film director; the possibility of the issuance of a complaint charging murder against Edward F. Sands, Taylor's missing former butler-secretary, and renewed activity of detectives towards declarations that the sweetheart of a screen actress was seen near the Taylor apartment the night of the murder were angles early today of the police investigation into the motion picture mystery.

The letters written to Taylor by Miss Normand and for which she searched his apartment vainly two days after his murder have been returned to her, according to three detectives working on the case. The return was made, it was declared after a man connected with the film world who had taken them for some unknown reason during the confusion surrounding the finding of Taylor's body, had been threatened with a grand jury investigation.

Police Haven't Letters.
Captain of Detectives David L. Adams stated the police never had been in possession of Miss Normand's letters nor of those written by Miss Minter to Taylor, although the latter also, according to Captain Adams, have been returned to the writer. (Her attorney however, denied she had received them.)

William C. Doras, chief deputy district attorney stated if a complaint

charging Sands, or Edward Fitz Strathmore, as he also is known, with the murder of Taylor, might be issued today, depending upon developments. Detective Sergeant Edward King, who was assigned to duty at the district attorney's office, previously had made a similar statement.

It was reported also that more information had been given to the police to the effect that a man in love with a screen actress, who did not return his love, but who was believed to have affection for Taylor had been seen near the Taylor apartment before the murder.

Chauffeur Man seen.
A story told by Howard Fellows, chauffeur for Taylor, that about 8:15 o'clock the night of the murder he returned to the apartment with Taylor's car, was said by the police to have satisfied them that it was he who was seen there by Mrs. Douglas MacLean, wife of a film actor, and her maid.

Fellows left Taylor's house at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon on the night of the day Taylor was slain, he said. He was instructed to be sure to telephone at 7:30 o'clock. He said he telephoned from a girl's house at 7:55 o'clock and there being no answer from Taylor's home, he went there. He arrived at 8:15 o'clock and rang the bell and knocked at the door. There was no response, so he put up the car and went home.

"I am the man Mrs. Douglas MacLean saw standing on the porch and leaving the house," Fellows said. "I wore a cap and overcoat."

Mabel Normand had informed the police that she left Taylor between 7:30 and 7:45 o'clock and with Fellows telephoning at 7:55 o'clock, it

is indicated that the murder was committed some time between 7:30 and 7:55 o'clock.

Quarrelled With Mabel Normand.
Fellows told of a quarrel between Taylor and Mabel Normand, according to the Los Angeles Examiner today.

"I was driving Mr. Taylor and Miss Normand from the Ambassador hotel where they had attended a New Year's eve party, to her home," Fellows is reported to have said.

"On the way they had a quarrel. I don't know what it was about, but both were very much excited. Mr. Taylor took Miss Normand home and then returned to his apartment. Upon arriving there he broke down and went. On the following morning he did up some jewelry in a package and took it to Miss Normand at her home."

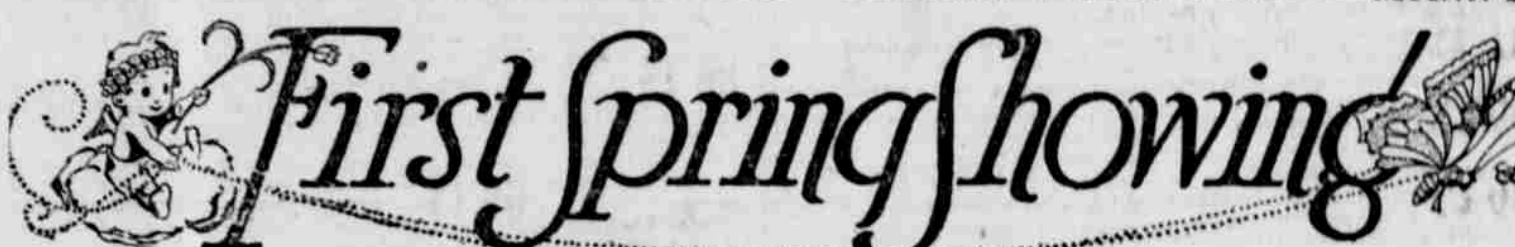
Harry Peavey, negro houseman for Taylor, and who found the slain director's body, confirmed Fellows' statements. Fellows said Taylor and Miss Normand "were very affectionate."

Another Casard.

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 8.—Miami city police have no knowledge of the purported arrest here yesterday of Don Collins, ex-convict and New York tenor-habitue, in connection with the murder of William Desmond Taylor, Hollywood motion picture director, as reported in New York dispatches.

The police are holding for Los Angeles authorities, Tom Ferrandez, alias White, wanted for embezzlement and it is believed here that the arrest of Ferrandez may have caused the erroneous report.

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- 36 inch heavy quality Wash Satin in Flesh and White, \$2.50 values. This Big Sale, yard **\$1.98**
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Women's Silk Waists, all new styles and colors, up to \$7.50 values. For this Big Sale, each **\$3.48**

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- 36 inch Percales, heavy grade. Cheap at 25c. This Big Sale, yard **15c**
- 32 inch Fine Tissue Gingham, new patterns. Very special, yard **75c**
- 36 inch Pajama Cloth in White and Flesh. Special for this sale, yard **30c**

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Women's Winter Hats, all good styles, up to \$15.00 values. Sale price, each **\$2.85**

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Women's Silk Hose, in all colors. Up to \$1.75 values. This sale, pair **\$1.00**

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Women's good Model Corsets, odd sizes. Up to \$3.00 values, This Big Sale, pair **98c**

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40 inch Heavy Crepe De Chene, in all colors, \$2.25 values. This Sale, yard **\$1.98**

40 inch Canton Crepe, \$4.00 values. Very special for this sale, yard **\$3.48**

40 inch Silk Pannu Velvet. Sold at \$6.50 yard. This Big Sale, yard **\$3.19**

40 inch Charmeuse, extra fine grade, in new colors, \$3.50 values. This Big Sale, yard **\$2.98**

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