

JUDGE STATES REPORTER ACTED IN GOOD FAITH

Mail-Tribune Correctly Reported Sheriff's Office Regarding "Witness Advised to Leave Town"—Sheriff Mistaken As to Facts.

"I am satisfied after full investigation that the representative of the Mail Tribune received his information as it was reported in that paper from the sheriff or his employees, who were entirely mistaken in the facts as disclosed by statements made by the parties concerned in open court."

This was the statement made to the Mail-Tribune by Circuit Judge C. M. Thomas last night, concerning the article published Thursday night to the effect that a witness for the state, William Brown, had been told to leave town because there was a warrant for his arrest on a bootlegging charge.

According to Judge Thomas he questioned both Borden and Brown carefully, Friday afternoon, and is satisfied that there was nothing said by Borden to Brown which justified the sheriff's office in reporting that Brown had been approached and advised to leave town. Brown's and Borden's stories, it is declared agree in the main particulars.

The Jackson county nightriding cases will be resumed Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The court adjourned Friday afternoon, until that time upon the granting of the motion of the state, for a postponement owing to the illness of its chief witness, J. F. Hale, who was stricken Thursday afternoon with hemorrhage of the stomach.

A medical commission composed of Drs. R. W. Stearns and F. G. Thayer, appointed by the court to get with Dr. E. B. Pickel, Hale's physician, reported that he might be able to appear Monday, barring the unforeseen. The adjournment was taken with the proviso, "If the doctor's permit."

Dr. Pickel reported this morning that Hale was "resting comfortably," and that he had suffered from only one coughing spell during the night.

The state in its application for a postponement filed affidavits, which were not read, supporting its contention from Assistant Attorney General Liljeqvist, Dr. E. B. Pickel, Jay P. Hale, son of the stricken man, Tom Word, federal investigator, and John S. Orth, Medford bank official.

The defense, did not oppose the granting of the postponement motion, which the court said, he regarded in the nature of an adjournment, but asked that the state be required to file a statement of the testimony Hale was expected to give as required by law, in cases where illness overtakes a witness on the eve of trial. The defense was represented by Attorney Winslow.

Assistant Attorney General Liljeqvist argued for the state. He said he was willing for "the defendants to have all they were legitimately entitled to," and was prepared to turn over the requested statement, if the court so ruled. "The state wants the defendants to have a fair and impartial trial," said Liljeqvist, "and also expects to prosecute, as the gravity of the charges they face, demands."

The court, from the bench, denied the plea of the defense.

Lured by the prospects of hearing the opening statement of counsel, for both sides, and the taking of testimony, the largest crowd of the week attended the Friday afternoon session, which was replete with unexpected incidents.

Disarmament orders were issued to Henry Johnson and Paul York, as a result of a statement by J. Alexander Norris, that they had made threats against him, and his son-in-law, Thomas E. Goodie. Norris told the court that while in front of the courthouse early last Monday afternoon, Johnson and York had said, "that if the court don't get you, I will within the next two years," and also that "somebody will be going home with their hip pockets full of lead."

T. W. Halley said he saw the parties conversing, but did not catch the gist of their conversation.

Johnson and York are the purported main actors in the nightriding episode of last April, of which Norris and Goodie, are alleged to have been members. York was dismissed with a lecture, and Johnson given more vigorous treatment, so the story goes.

Johnson appeared and denied the charges of Norris, and the court ordered him "to turn in his gun immediately," and administered a warning. Johnson admitted that he carried a gun, "mostly at night." The two youths later in the afternoon turned in their armament.

The court also, in this connection, directed that the sheriff's office file at once a list of citizens to whom permits to carry guns had been issued during the past year.

In connection with the Brown matter, the district attorney said the federal agent, Tom Word, had turned over to him, the original and Brown, on the subject, and refused to make it public, pending investigation.

The court then suggested that the Mail-Tribune "retract its headline over the Brown story, the information for which, was secured from the sheriff's office and Federal Agent Tom Word."

The court also said that citizens should report to the court any incidents of a similar nature, and they would be handled through the regular processes of law.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS TOMORROW (Continued from page one.)

thus making Sunday an extension of today's "legislative" day.

Dozens of bills and hundreds of nominations were in today's legislative hopper but most of the 1400 on the calendars was doomed, the loss conceded and no efforts at resuscitation anticipated.

Today also was a day of "swan songs," of a scramble for accommodations on outgoing trains, of packing and clearing in capitol offices and of preparations for the first long vacation had by congress in eight years.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A vigorous attack on Representative Mondell of Wyoming, republican leader, and Chairman Campbell of the rules committee for their alleged failure to allow the house to have a vote at this session on Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals was made today in the house by Representative Jeffers, democrat, of Alabama.

Appropriations of the present session aggregated \$3,939,009,026.80, according to a statement today by Senator Overman of North Carolina, ranking democrat on the senate appropriations committee. He said this was an increase of \$264,800,000 over those for the present fiscal year and much larger than the last pre-war year of 1915, when the total was \$1,107,000,000.

The \$156,000,000 deficiency bill with its appropriation of \$400,000 for the federal coal commission was prepared during the morning for transmission to the president. Another bill to which final approval was given was that of Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, extending the authority of the coal commission. It was a busy day for Vice President Coolidge. Confusion often reigned in the senate with a dozen members on their feet at once in last determined efforts to get through minor bills. Displays of tart tempera cropped out frequently to the amusement of large crowds in the galleries. A roar went up when one senator suggested that a colleague was "not only asleep but also talking in his sleep."

In the house Representative Rodenburg, republican, Illinois, rounded out 18 years' service in congress but putting in a bill for erection in Washington of a monument to Grover Cleveland. He retires voluntarily to private life tomorrow.

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PUBLICITY AND SERVICE FUND TO BE DRIVE AIM

The committees which have been appointed to work out the various details of the Membership Expansion Campaign of the Medford Chamber of Commerce have all been busy. They have accepted their responsibility with a conscientious desire to serve well, in order that Medford may take her rightful place as one of the most progressive cities on the Pacific coast.

Three years ago the chamber secured subscriptions from business men of the community to what was known as a Budget Fund; during the present campaign money will be raised as before, but this fund will be known as the Publicity and Service Fund, instead of the Budget Fund. At the present time a committee is working on a program of activities for the Chamber of Commerce which will require extraordinary expenditures over and above the total amount which will accrue from membership dues. The members of the chamber who are in active charge of the committee work for this special fund are B. E. Harter, chairman; Fred L. Heath, C. W. McDonald, C. E. Gates, W. H. Speck, John C. Mann, George G. Hewitt and John S. Orth.

The names of seven hundred citizens have been placed on the prospect list by the prospect committee of which Elmer E. Wilson is chairman; Mr. Wilson was assisted in this work by Aubrey G. Smith, D. R. Wood, Thomas C. Bekett, A. C. Hubbard, Carl Fichtner and C. A. Swigart.

The committee in charge of the publicity of this campaign consists of H. O. Frohbach, chairman; R. W. Ruhl and C. E. Wafel, Jr.

Many meetings of the committees in charge of the various details of this membership campaign are being planned and from present indications their work will be successful, as every one of them has shown a keen interest in the work.

EX-KLAN WIZARD IS ARRESTED, ATLANTA

ATLANTA, Ga., Mar. 3.—Edward Young Clarke, former imperial wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, was arrested here today on an indictment issued against him by the federal grand jury at Houston, Texas, charging violation of the Mann act. He was released on \$1000 bond.

Mr. Clarke was arrested on a warrant issued by United States Commissioner C. Carter, following the receipt of a certified copy of the indictment found against him by the federal court in Houston. He was notified by telephone that the warrant had been issued and later appeared at the commissioner's office where he made bond for his appearance in the federal court at Houston.

The former klan official is charged with having transported a young woman from Houston to New Orleans for immoral purposes.

Condemn Women Who Scorn Husbands' Names

NEW YORK, Mar. 3.—Women who cling to their maiden names after marriage are misguided, says George W. Wickersham, former attorney general of the United States in a letter today to the Lucy Stone league, which advocates the practice he condemns. "I am firmly convinced that nothing more mistaken was ever advocated," he wrote. "Fortunately, I was born in a generation whose women thought it a glory to take their husband's name when they were married."

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MEDFORD PLANS TO PLAY SUTTER HIGH MARCH 9-10

YUBA CITY, Cal., March 3.—The Sutter Union high school basketball team, winner of the northern California high school championship, has accepted an invitation to play two games with the Medford, Ore., high school five, southern Oregon title holders, in Medford, March 9 and 10.

The above dispatch was received here this morning and local school officials state that although plans for the games are still tentative that there is a strong possibility that they will be played here next Friday and Saturday nights.

Plans for a game between the universities of California and Oregon are also being formulated for Friday night at the Nat. Coach Bohler of Oregon being the originator of the idea. The Sutter and Medford high schools may play the preliminary to

the University contest and a double admission may be charged.

Last night the crowd that witnessed the Roseburg game was the record crowd of the season but if such contests are to be staged as are being planned it is certain that the throng of fans will be even larger. No such contest has ever been staged in Medford as the proposed Oregon-California game.

The University of California team meets Idaho at Moscow Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights and on the way south to Berkeley, it is hoped, will be able to stop here. The games at Moscow will be for the Pacific Coast Conference championship.

CHIEF JUSTICE TAFT A GOOD ERRAND BOY

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A painter working on one of the government hotels near the capitol yesterday dropped his brush. It landed on the terrace and he asked a large pedestrian who passed opportunistically to hand it to him. The passerby scrambled up the terrace and lifted the brush to the workman. "Thanks," said the painter.

PREDICTS PEACE IN ERIN ST. PAT'S DAY

DUBLIN, Mar. 3.—The visit of Francis J. Lowe, secretary of the American organization of friends of the Irish free state, who has arrived in Dublin on a mission of peace and trade, and who predicts peace by St. Patrick's day, is commented upon unfavorably by the Freeman's Journal today. Mr. Lowe's proposals in connection with the appointment of Eamon DeValera as the head of a university and the freedom of prisoners on probation, was also commented upon.

The business corporations Mr. Lowe represents are prepared to give the free state credit but not a loan of money, he says.

2nd Herrin Trial Starts Monday. MARION, Ill., March 3.—(By the Associated Press)—Presentation of evidence in the second of the Herrin riot trials will start Monday by the prosecution, court having been adjourned by Judge D. T. Hartwell at the conclusion of opening statements yesterday.

PENN. LUMBER CO. BUYS BIG TRACT OF OREGON TIMBER

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 3.—Purchase by the Pacific Spruce corporation of 4200 acres of Sitka spruce and Douglas fir, 275,000,000 feet, on the western slope of the coast range in Lincoln county, Ore., from the Chautauqua Lumber company of Warren, Pa., was announced here today.

Announcement was made here today also of the consummation of the sale of the timber, sawmills and allied properties of the Buehner Lumber company in Coos county of Brookings, Ore., and Michigan and Chicago lumbermen. The 20,000 acres involved contain more than 1,000,000,000 feet of Douglas fir, Sitka spruce and Port Orford cedar. The capacity of the sawmill at North Bend is to be increased from 60,000,000 to 70,000,000 feet annually, it was announced.

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