

HARTMAN OIL CO. LOSES DEMURRER IN CIRCUIT COURT

The action of the State of Oregon vs. the Hartman Syndicate of the Pacific Coast, which has been pending before Judge Thomas in circuit court for some time, on demurrer by the defendant, has been passed on by Judge Thomas, adversely to the defendant. That is the demurrer and motion of the defense has been overruled and 20 days given the defense to plead further.

The plaintiff in the action is Attorney General I. S. Van Winkle for the state, which was represented in the argument before Judge Thomas by Assistant Attorney General Willis R. Moore. Both parties to the action agree that it is a test case and that upon the opinion that has been rendered by the circuit court the matter will be carried to the supreme court for final decision.

This suit brings up a new point, and the decision and outcome will be watched all over the United States. If the defendant's contention is successful, it will mean a flood of attempts by companies to follow a like course.

In Massachusetts and California it has been held that the position taken by the defendant is good, but Judge Thomas has held with the attorney general. The real question involved is whether the defendants can avoid the Blue Sky law and state supervision, and also avoid fees of state, Judge Thomas has held they could not.

In Justice to the Hartman Syndicate and the promising great importance of their shale oil operations in this country, Judge Watson, attorney for the syndicate, says: "This is a friendly action agreed to by the attorney general and the attorneys for the syndicate for the purpose of having the law construed by the supreme court, with the understanding that whichever way the decision is the circuit court went, the losing party would appeal to the supreme court. No judgment has been rendered except overruling the demurrer and motion. It is now up to the defense to appeal to the supreme court which they are intending to do at once."

"The position of the defense is that the law of 1917 does not apply where what is known as an express trust, sometimes called a pure trust, or Massachusetts trust is involved. This is the issue and in no way involves the operations now being carried on by the syndicate, except that if the supreme court should hold that the syndicate must qualify under the act of 1917, it is up to them to do so. There are many similar concerns in the state all of whom are concerned with a construction of this law."

GRAND JURY ADJOURNS UNTIL NEXT MONDAY

The grand jury adjourned Friday evening until Monday morning, without returning any new indictments, the Saturday recess being taken owing to the religious belief of one of the grand jurors. It is expected that the work will be completed by the middle of the week, and expect to finish all the grand jury business to date.

Bank Reserves Increase
NEW YORK, April 21.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows an excess in reserve of \$15,996,740. This is an increase of \$3,563,440.

HOLD SUSPECT IN RADIO ROBBERY UNDER \$1000 BOND

H. L. Bowman of Central Point was placed under \$1000 bonds late yesterday when he was arraigned before Justice Glenn O. Taylor on a charge of complicity in the theft of the Virgin radio broadcasting set last Monday night. Time for a hearing has not yet been set.

Emery Tull and Paul Wright, who are alleged to have confessed to the burglary are in the county jail and still maintained last night that they were induced to commit the crime by Bowman. They will be tried before the juvenile court.

Bowman, according to officers, denies this absolutely, and says that he thought the apparatus which the boys left with him was a receiving set. He was to ship it to them after they got to Seattle and knew nothing of its having been stolen.

According to officers, the boys attribute every act they executed in performing the robbery to have been inspired by Bowman. The elimination of finger prints with a greasy rag, which they said Bowman took from a tool box on the side of his car and gave them for the purpose, and the wearing of rags on their feet they attribute to Bowman's suggestions.

Bowman told the officers that there had never been a tool box on his car and anyone finding a place where a tool box was or had been, could have the car.

Wright recently arrived from Los Angeles and had been working for several days at the Hotel Holland as bell boy.

URGE MERCHANTS TO DECORATE FOR WOMEN'S MEETING

A meeting of the Retail Merchants' Bureau of the Medford Chamber of Commerce was held last evening and money was appropriated to provide badges for the delegates who will attend the convention of the Oregon State Federation of Women's clubs, to be held here.

A decision was also made to hold meetings of the bureau on the second Monday of each month, as the Craters have selected the first and third Mondays. Two more meetings of the bureau are scheduled to take place before the summer vacation.

A suggestion that merchants of Medford get together and hold a picnic at the Elks' picnic grounds on Rogue River was discussed.

Before adjournment a committee was appointed to urge all merchants to decorate their windows in the colors of the Oregon State Federation of Women's clubs, yellow, red and green. The committee is as follows: E. E. Wilson, H. E. Marsh, Charles Talent and Fred Weeks.

Announcement
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C. OF COMMERCE RENTS CHURCH FOR STATE CONVENTION

The board of directors of the Medford chamber of commerce met yesterday at the Hotel Medford at luncheon and accepted the application of 678 members of the Chamber of Commerce.

The board voted to appropriate \$45 for the rent of the Presbyterian church for the Greater Medford club to be used during the convention here of the Oregon State Federation of women's clubs.

Fifteen dollars was also voted to provide premiums for high school students writing the best essays and making the best posters for Fire Prevention week.

Appreciation was voted to the Foster and Kleiser advertising company for the billboard space, posters and labor donated to the Chamber of Commerce during the recent membership drive which resulted in a saving of approximately \$190 to the chamber.

The proposition of the county court to publish 10,000 Jackson county booklets at a cost of \$675, three hundred and seventy-five of which was to have been paid by the county, two hundred by the Medford Chamber of Commerce and one hundred by the Ashland Chamber of Commerce was rejected on the grounds that the county has sufficient funds to carry on this work alone.

Publication of a road map to be distributed from the Chamber of Commerce was authorized.

The board has also offered to assume the expense of operating the Virgin broadcasting station for a period of three months and has requested the Craters club to furnish a program twice a week. The board does not look favorably upon the plan of moving the station from the fairgrounds into town however.

A wire was sent to President Harding inviting him to stop in Medford and see the beauties of the Rogue River valley on his tour of the west.

OBITUARY

DAVIS—The remains of Frank Davis, brother of J. T. and Pearl Davis of the Davis Transfer Co. of this city are expected to arrive in Medford this evening. The body will be accompanied by Mrs. Davis and daughter.

Funeral services will be held at the Conger Funeral chapel at 3:30 Sunday, Rev. Howe, of the Christian church officiating. Interment in I. O. O. F. cemetery.

MERSON—The funeral services for Benjamin F. Merson late of 19 Rose avenue Medford, will be held at Conger's Funeral Chapel Sunday at 2 p. m., Rev. J. R. Sasnett officiating. Interment will be made at Auburn, Nebraska.

PARKER—Nancy Ellen Parker, known to everyone in Butte Falls as "Grandma Parker," was born July 10, 1834 at Stouts Grove, near Springfield, Illinois, and died in Butte Falls, April 3, 1923. On December 17, 1850, in Bloomington, Illinois she married Dr. Robert L. Parker. They moved to Eldora, Iowa, in 1851. In 1864 they came to California, returning to Iowa in 1866, with teams as they had come, making the trip in three months, and three days. In 1867 they moved to Missouri, living there three and a half years, thence to Kansas and after two and a half years there back to Iowa. In 1875 they came to Oregon, by train to Reno, Nevada, thence by train to Lake county. In 1878 they moved to Eagle Point and in 1896 to Big Butte. Dr. Parker passed away on April 23, 1907, and in 1910 Grandma Parker came to Butte Falls.

She passed away on April 3, 1923 at the age of 88 years, eight months and 24 days. She leaves three children, Wm. W. Parker, Mary L. Heryford and Ella H. Smith, all of Butte Falls, Oregon, 14 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

Grandma Parker made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Smith, after moving to Butte Falls, and was known to most everyone as Grandma Parker. She was very active right up to the time of her death and enjoyed the best of health all the time except for occasional few days.

When a little girl she lived on the adjoining farm to that of Abraham Lincoln and he used to spend a lot of time at their home. She often spoke of these visits and of sitting on his lap when a child.

EADS—Ibbie Belle Eads, wife of Clarence Eads, died at her home, 128 South Holly, from tuberculosis, aged 43 years, 7 months, 1 day. Native of Illinois. Born Aug. 20, 1879. Mrs. Eads has been a resident of Medford for the past 18 years. She leaves her husband, Clarence Eads, and one daughter, Rachael Aileen; her father, Macon Sanders; one sister, Mrs. Nellie Martin, one brother, William Sanders, all of Salina, Kansas. Funeral services will be held at the Perl Funeral Home Monday at 2:30 p. m., Rev. Sharpe officiating. Interment in I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Relieves Backache
"Have had kidney trouble and backache for many years and I tried several doctors but got only temporary relief. A friend advised me to try Foley Kidney Pills, and before I used two boxes I was entirely well," writes A. C. Perkins, Summer Shade, Ky. Kidney and bladder trouble requires prompt treatment. Foley Kidney Pills give quick relief. Refuse substitutes. Insist upon Foley's. Sold everywhere. Adv.

FAREWELL DINNER GIVEN ATTORNEYS MEARS, FARRELL

A farewell dinner was given last night at the Hotel Medford in honor of Attorneys Fred L. Mears and Frank P. Farrell by the bar of Medford, both of whom have been prominent in the public and civic life of the city for years, the former as city attorney and Baptist church leader, and the latter as former commander of the American Legion post, president of the Lincoln club, and secretary of the Medford farm loan association.

Each has also been active in republican politics. Mr. Mears leaves next week for his future home at Los Angeles and Mr. Farrell will leave in a week or so to also locate in California.

The dinner proved to be a very enjoyable and informal affair attended by 27 members of the local bar, with food to the right of them and to their left and thundering down the throats from 6:29 to 8:30 p. m., the latter hour being the legal bedtime for the honored guests and most of the hosts.

C. M. Thomas, judge of the circuit court, presided as toastmaster and speeches were made by Former Judge F. M. Calkins, Porter J. Neff, Judge Glenn O. Taylor, E. E. Kelly, J. H. Carlin, Gus Newbury and O. C. Boggs, and of course, Messrs. Mears and Farrell, who along back into the teeth of the gathering the lovely things said of them and their sterling worth, and told how regretful they were to leave our beautiful valley with its charming climate and people.

After that the gathering developed into free for all discussion of various topics.

ANNOUNCES WINNERS IN JACKSON COUNTY DENTAL ESSAY CONTEST

The following pupils of Jackson county have been awarded first places in the state dental essay contest, and are listed according to rank of school, and grade in school:

District of First Class

Seventh and eighth grades—Helen Leach, 7A, Washington.

Fifth and sixth grades—Harold Gartscock, 6A, Roosevelt.

Rural Schools

Seventh and eighth grades—Catherine Cogger, 8th grade, Sams Valley school.

Fifth and sixth grades—James Odell Lance, 6th grade, Gold Hill school.

Essays to which the judging committee gave especial consideration are by the following pupils:

Medford schools—Seventh and eighth grades. Second place, Robert Hammond, 8A, Lincoln school.

Honorable mention—Ellen Williams 8B, Lincoln school; Harriet Hill, 8B, Lincoln school; Bertha Marie Cherry, 7A, Lincoln school.

Ruth Lawrence, 8A, Lincoln school.

Rural schools, seventh and eighth grades—Second place, Richard G. Scott, 8th, Rogue River schools.

Honorable mention—Harry Tonn, 8th, Lost Creek school; Frances Wilson, 7th, Sams Valley school; Lester Pickett, 7th, Rogue River schools.

Mary Lanes, 8th, Rogue River school; Coscoe Owens, 7th, Wellen school.

District 75: Jeannette McNeerney, 8th, District 60, Green Spring Mt. school.

Medford schools. Fifth and sixth grades—Second place Wilbur Fehl, 6A.

Honorable mention—Hazel Oliver, 5A, Roosevelt school; Walter Scott, 5A, Roosevelt school; Ruth Whipple, 5A, Roosevelt school; Josephine Waldron, 6A, Roosevelt school; Elizabeth Penoyer, 6A, Washington school.

Rural schools. Fifth and sixth grades—Second place, Duane O'Callilly, 5th grade, Rogue River schools.

Honorable mention—Martha Laws, Rogue River schools; Dorothy Freed, 5th grade, Rogue River schools; Deborah Pelle, 5th, District 89, Central school; Aran Van Dyke, 5th, District 42, Lost creek; Edna Roseberry, 6th, District 42, Antioch school; Felbert Rogers, 6th, District 18, Antioch school; Theodosia Sanderson, 6th, District 18, Antioch school; Edna Tyler, 6th, District 60, Green Spring Mt. school; Vivian Tyler, 6th, District 60, Green Spring Mt. school; Marguerite Porter, 6th, District 57, Gold Hill schools; Ruth Cameron, 6th, District 57, Gold Hill schools; John Chisholm, 6th, District 57, Gold Hill schools; William Edmondson, 5th, District 76, Wellen school.

The judging committee for this contest was composed of Mrs. Rose Dodge Galey, Ashland; Miss Teich, county home demonstration agent, Mrs. Harriet Minthorn, Rogue River, R. F. D. Their services so generously given made the completion of the contest possible.

(Signed)
SUSANNE CARTER HOLMES.

Burns Fatal to Three.

CHICAGO, April 21.—Three persons burned in the starch house explosion at the Corn Products plant in Argo yesterday, died.

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LEGION COMMANDER ANNOUNCES CLOSE OF ORIENTAL BALLROOM

To the Public:

With the dance at the Oriental ball room this evening, the American Legion will discontinue its series of dances for the season. The Legion desires to express its thanks and appreciation to the people of our community for the splendid patronage accorded this series of dances, and through this response the post has been able to carry on its activities and welfare work in the interest of the ex-service man. The post feels that it has given to the community one of the finest ball rooms in the state, which has been finished at a cost of several thousand dollars, and which many people have said would be a credit to a city the size of Portland. The beauty and attractiveness of this ball room is the culmination of months of work on the part of Thomas W. Swen, who is entitled to special credit for his creative ability in this work.

C. Y. TENGWALD,
Commander Medford Post.

ON TRAIL OF MURDERESS

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gram, Sheriff W. I. Traeger, of Los Angeles who is in this city today, asked that a close watch be kept on the woman as she was believed to be

CHARLIE CHAPLIN IS BEST MAN AT MARRIAGE OF DIRECTOR TO MARJORIE DAW

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Marjorie Daw, motion picture actress, and Alfred Edward Sutherland, screen actor and director, who were married last night, were back at work making pictures today. They postponed their honeymoon because of press of screen engagements. The wedding was performed at the Beverly Hills residence of Douglas Fairbanks and his wife, Mary Pickford.

Mary Pickford was matron of honor and Charlie Chaplin best man. In obtaining the license Miss Daw gave her name as Marguerite E. House and her age as 21. The groom, who is Chaplin's assistant director and professionally known as Eddie Sutherland, gave his age as 26.

desperate and might attempt suicide. Sheriff Traeger had been expecting for several days to hear of the location of Mrs. Phillips in Honduras, he said. He had traced her movements from New Orleans to Vera Cruz, Mexico and from there through San Salvador into Honduras.

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—The district attorney's office here today on request of the sheriff, started preparation of certified copies of the indictment, transcript of testimony and other evidence of the conviction of Clara Phillips on a charge of murder for use in connection with extradition proceedings should she be arrested in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Armour Lee Phillips is held in the county jail today for investigation. A writ of habeas corpus returnable Tuesday for release on bail was issued today in superior court.

Concealed in Cabin

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Clara Phillips, while being sought thruout

the nation was concealed for two weeks in a cabin at Beverly Hills, within fifteen miles of the county jail from which she escaped December 15, it became known here today. The cabin was occupied by the hammer murderess until December 18. She left the state on that date, according to information divulged here today.

J. C. Carson, believed by the sheriff's office to be with Clara Phillips in Tegucigalpa, was seen a few days after Christmas in company with Armour Lee Phillips, husband of the fugitive, according to reports on file at the sheriff's office. The report was by an officer of Inglewood, a suburb of Los Angeles, that he found Carson and Phillips in a closed car with lights extinguished and after ascertaining their identity in investigating why their lights were dark, made a report.

At that time Carson was not associated with the flight of Mrs. Phillips and therefore no significance was attached to the report then, it was said. Carson left here January 1, it is declared.

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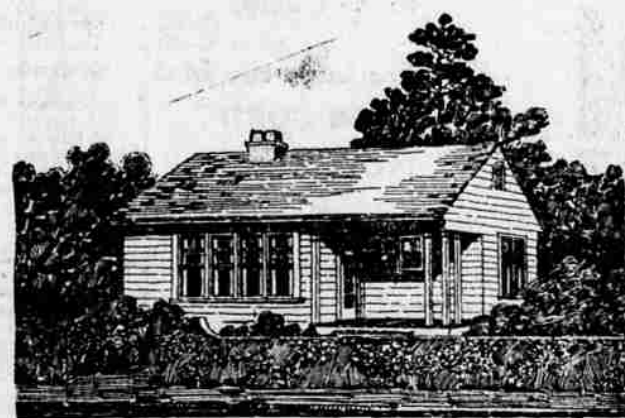
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