

WEST ON CURRENCY REFORM DEMANDED

FAULTS OF SYSTEM

OREGON'S GOVERNOR, IN EASTERN INTERVIEW, DECLARES FOR SIMPLER AND MORE ELASTIC BANKING METHODS

Special to The Herald NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—That the business interests of the West are even more alive to the necessity of banking and currency reform than those of the East was evident from a frank statement made by Governor West of Oregon to an interviewer on the eastern tour on the western govern-

"We are strong for banking and currency reform in our state," said Governor West. "We take an interest in public questions. I could take you through my state let you interview every man you met, farmer, miner, business man, and I believe every one of them would give you an intelligent and emphatic opinion on the subject of this country's banking system and what's wrong with it.

"We're very independent in Oregon. You could build a fence around the state and we would get on very well with our own resources. But our banks and our currency are part and parcel of the country's banking system, and we want the system adjusted to our needs.

"In the panic of 1907 the examples of a good and bad banking system were brought straight home to us. At that time our home banks were practically forced to suspend business. They broke down. So severe was the crisis that the governor declared legal holidays, lasting from October 28 to December 14, during which time the banks, as well as individuals, were authorized to decline payment when unduly pressed, or when they saw fit.

"There was one bank that continued to do business just as if nothing had happened. That one bank was a Canadian bank. It made cash payments right along, extended its loans, instead of curtailing them, gave credit and cash in other words, when both were needed most. This bank is a unit in the Canadian branch banking system. It is not a detached institution, but a part of a great one with great resources.

"Individually, our own banks were sound, in that crisis, sound to the core. We have some of the strongest banks in this country, and are proud of them. They had millions in resources in 1907, but they had no system back of them. By that I mean they had no co-operation. Each one, by our present system, or lack of system, is isolated, selfish, detached. In time of trouble they are compelled to fight alone and against each other.

"One of our banks with over two millions in deposits and over a million in cash and exchange, was unable to make cash payments. It called for its cash from St. Louis, Chicago and New York. Out of these three cities only one bank in New York responded. The trouble was that these big banks were also forced to fight for their own safety.

"We need some huge reservoir of credit, with co-operative feeding system connecting up all our banks so that when trouble comes, and at all

times, the supply of credit can be kept flowing and fed out wherever it is needed. "Another thing at fault is our currency. It ought to be simplified, and it ought to be more elastic. Our national bank notes are based upon government bonds. This may have been a good scheme at the time of the Civil War, when this government needed credit, but it doesn't fit present conditions at all. Our bank notes should be based upon commercial paper and on adequate gold reserves, so that we can have a sufficient supply when business slows down."

Other governors on the train joined with Governor West in urging the necessity of early currency legislation.

WOMEN OFFICERS NAMED BY MAYOR OF EVERETT

One Is Appointed to Place on Board of Health While Other Will Sit as Member of Park Board of The City By the Sound

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—Cognizance of the important part played by women orators and campaigners in the recent mayoralty election in Everett, has been taken by Mayor-Elect Hassell, who announces that two women will be appointed to office under his administration.

Dr. Margaret Tiegn will be honored with one of the two places on the city board of health, while Dr. Ida McIntyre, wife of a former governor of Colorado, will be made a member of the Everett park board.

To Mrs. McIntyre is given most of the credit for the winning fight made by Mayor-Elect Hassell, who is a former Baptist minister. She succeeded in getting out the women voters to the meetings and often out-generated Anna Maloy, the socialist leader of National-wide prominence, in rallying the newly-enfranchised electors under the banner of reform.

LYMAN IS GUILTY PRISON LIKELY

FAMOUS MEDICAL MAN WHO CONSPIRED TO GET OUT OF FEDERAL CLUTCHES, CONVICTED OF CHARGE

Dr. John Grant Lyman, wearer of pink pajamas, blue hosiery and generally lovely haberdashery, who has been accused of violating mail laws by sending bunko letters on a land scheme through the post, and whose trial for conspiring to escape from the United States officials at San Francisco has been on at the Golden Gate city, was yesterday found guilty of the conspiracy charge.

C. M. Courtwright, deputy United States marshal, who helped the medical manipulator of terra firma to liberty, was also found guilty. The pair will be sentenced Friday.

Forest Assistant At Reservation To Look After Trees And Their Sale

John M. Bedford, wife and child, are registered at the White Pelican, having arrived here last night. Mr. Bedford, who is from Livingston, Mont., is in the Indian service, and comes to take the position of forest assistant on the Klamath reservation, a position paying \$1,500 per year. Mr. Bedford and family will leave on Saturday for the reservation, where he will take up his new line of work, reporting to Superintendent Watson of the reservation, who, in turn gives an accounting of government matters to B. G. Valentine, commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington. The sending of a forest assistant to

As Lyman was under a federal accusation before the escape, which resulted in an indictment, and made an attempt to get away prior to the successful attempt, it is believed that he will get about the maximum penalty for the offense of which he has been convicted. He may have to serve 12-18 months in a federal prison.

If he had merely escaped without involving anybody else his crime might be considered less serious, but as it involved the making culpable of a federal officer, Courtwright, as well as the actual getaway, the chances are that the court may not be inclined to regard the doctor's flight in the same high light of a joke as the doctor, who told the Evening Herald that "On the square, I thought it would be a great joke to get away from those fellows, and I did it as much for that as anything else."

The joke has been a very costly one to Uncle Sam, but by the time the promoter serves time which the court will in all likelihood inflict as a sentence for the offense, he will feel that his elopement from the custody of federal espionage is much less of a jest than he claimed to think it was.

CHILLY EVENING IN ATTENDANCE

WEATHER LAST NIGHT SOMEWHAT CHIMPY, BUT FORTUNATELY WIND AND MIST WERE NOT ON RAMPAGE

Last night was somewhat crimpy. There was no mist to speak of, which left one of the chilling elements missing from the atmosphere, and the wind was also marked as not in attendance.

If these two had been on tap, assuming that the mist would stay in place and not be blown away by the circumambient air, it would have been a night to suffer out of doors.

The low was 11 at 7:30 a. m., with 17 at 8 a. m. Last night it was 20 at 8 o'clock, against 12 the previous night. Yesterday at 8 a. m. it was 18, while the low the night before was 9 at 11 p. m. Yesterday's high was 32 at 3 p. m., against 24 at 1 p. m. the previous day.

H. E. Earnest, now of the Hawthorne auto school, Portland, a former resident of Klamath Falls, at which time he was connected with the Link River Electric company, is in the city for a week, visiting friends.

WHO SAID HE WAS LOST?

Charles Otis, the genial engineer for the Strange Maguire Paving company, returned this morning from a two weeks' visit with friends in Poe Valley and Bonanza. Charley was expected Saturday night, and when he failed to put in an appearance some humorous (?) party started the story that he had been lost in the woods while bear hunting, and numerous inquiries as to his welfare resulted. Anyone acquainted with Otis knows that he is not going to get lost in any place or any crowd at any time.

SMALL BANK SUSPENDS BUSINESS AT PORTLAND

State Superintendent of Banks Directs Institution to Close Its Doors, and It Will Probably Settle at Seventy-Five Per Cent

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—The American Bank and Trust company, a small financial institution that has maintained a more or less precarious existence for several years, failed to open its doors by direction of State Superintendent of Banks Will Wright. The banking house is at the corner of Sixth and Oak, and its capital is \$150,000.

According to Mr. Wright the bank should pay 50 per cent of its \$179,043.41 deposits within thirty days. He said after a cursory examination he believed the bank would pay in all about 75 cents on the dollar, though if a deal the officers have on to dispose of certain of their real estate is successful the bank will pay in full. There are 2,300 depositors, most of them with small accounts. The county of Multnomah has about \$20,000 on deposit.

COUNTY COURT COMPLIMENTED

CAPITAL JOURNAL EDITORIAL COMMENTS ON ORGANIZATION, SAYING IT WEARS MEDAL FOR ROAD WORK

Colonel E. Hofer's paper, the Capital Journal, in the issue of Monday, December 18th, has for its leading editorial, under the caption "Little County Does Things," an expression on the road work accomplished by the Klamath county court, which reads as follows:

Klamath county, the third smallest county in the state, spent \$101,509.30 this year on roads.

It is, as we remember rightly, the third smallest in population of any county in the state of Oregon.

It is, if we remember rightly, the Klamath Falls—a city of six thousand, and a great deal of mountain territory.

The county court this year graded up fifty miles of heavy grade new road from sixteen to thirty feet wide.

The new grade is well ditched and drained, in some cases the ditches leading away a quarter of a mile.

About 250 miles of mountain road was put in good condition, the high centers, rocks and fallen timber removed.

A second rock crusher has now been bought, and hard surfacing will be done in 1912 on a large scale.

As much money will be spent in 1912, and the tax is raised on a valuation of \$16,000,000.

The county court of Klamath county has broken all records, and wears the medal for actually doing things on roads.

County Judge Worden and Commissioners Merrill and Summers wear the belt for actually being good road builders.

They have gone ahead and done things without waiting for state legislation, state aid or Portland promoters.

They have also decided to wait no longer for better laws about organization, and will abolish the road supervisor system.

They are going to take the bit in their teeth and build roads on modern, scientific lines with the law and authority they now have.

They have gone a step further, and have put on care takers to protect the roads they do build against being destroyed.

They were in Salem to ask the governor for the use of fifty convicts for their 1912 campaign, and will use them, too.

That is the spirit that must put Oregon ahead, instead of waiting for the wrangling politicians and the kicks of kickers.

The county courts now have enough law and authority to go ahead and build roads, and the Klamath men have set the pace.

NON-SUIT MOTION IS NOT GRANTED

TRIAL OF CASE AGAINST RAILROAD COMPANY FOR KILLING HORSE PROCEEDS BEFORE A JURY

Attorney Charles F. Stone's motion for non-suit in the jury case of the Farmers' Implement and Supply company vs. Southern Pacific Railroad company for \$495.75 for loss of one horse and damage to dray and harness April 19th, when eight freight cars on a down grade, with no engine attached, struck the rig, failed. The attorney argued that as the plaintiff in the case had been negligent in leaving the team where it was struck, that the railroad company was not liable, contributory negligence barring recovery.

would have been unable to get his freight, for which purpose he had gone to the railroad station. He was at the railroad station at the invitation of the railroad company, said the attorney, and had placed his team where it was by consent of the company. If he had stayed away from his team too long, then contributory negligence might be justly asserted, he said. Mr. Rutenic went on the theory that as the driver was there by invitation of the railroad company only ordinary care could be required of him, that he could relax more in that care than if crossing the railroad track with his team, and that he could even enter a box car, assuming that the railroad company would guard the general safety in the situation.

On behalf of the railroad company, Mr. Stone took the position that it was negligence for the driver to take his team there, and further negligence to tie the lines to the dray and go away and leave the team standing by itself in a dangerous spot.

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MORTGAGE STOLEN COMPLAINT SAYS

WOMAN BRINGS SUIT AGAINST GRANTEE TO HAVE RE-EXECUTION OF IT AND FIVE NOTES, TOTAL, \$2,500

Suit has been entered by Gertrude Thomas, wife of John Thomas, against Joseph Martin, Lois Martin, his wife, to enforce re-execution of a mortgage for \$2,500 and the five notes of \$500 each which the mortgage secured. It is alleged that the instruments were made and stolen.

The bill of complaint recites that on September 5th last the plaintiff owned the S 1/2 of NE 1/4, and NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, section 18, and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, section 17, township 40 south, range 12 east, Willamette meridian, Klamath county, 160 acres all told, and on that day conveyed it to the defendant for \$2,500, the amount being secured by the mortgage. She asserts that the defendant, Lola Martin, filed the deed for record with County Clerk Charles R. De Lap, it being recorded in deed record No. 33, page 303, for Klamath county.

The plaintiff says the defendants are occupying the quarter section, and the county records show the property as unincumbered, while in fact there is against the property the mortgage for \$2,500, which is the sum of the five notes. She says she tried to get the defendants to re-execute the mortgage and notes, and that they refused.

The bill recites that the plaintiff had left the mortgage and notes in her trunk and gone away from home one day, and that when she returned in the evening, found the trunk broken open and the mortgage and notes missing.

Pictures in endless variety. Books and Christmas goods at the Klamath Falls Music House 30-4t

BIGGER RECLAMATION IN UMATILLA PROJECT

Want Western Extension of Undertaking Which Will Mean Redemption of Acreage Now Estimated at 60,000, Which Will Support Many

Special to The Herald PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—A state-wide campaign will be started by commercial organizations of Oregon to get recognition from the government, to which the state is entitled in the distribution of reclamation funds. This movement will be along the lines adopted by the Pendleton Commercial Association at its recent meeting in endorsing the west extension of the Umatilla project.

C. C. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Development League, who attended the Pendleton meeting, believes the campaign will succeed. He finds the prospects exceedingly favorable for the president to make the allotment to Oregon for the Umatilla project, now that the people of Pendleton and the surrounding country have gone on record favoring the extension.

"There was much opposition at the Pendleton meeting," said Secretary Chapman, "based on fears that it would work a hardship on settlers and landowners of Umatilla county. In spite of this opposition, the proposition was endorsed on its merits, and steps will be taken to secure recognition of claims of settlers who may feel themselves damaged. In the face of this feeling of private interests Pendleton business men endorsed the extension, believing it would be of benefit to Oregon.

TUBERCULOSIS IN INDIAN CHILDREN

MANY ARE SUFFERING

PROBABLY ONE OUT OF FIVE OF TENDER AGE ON KLAMATH RESERVATION SO AFFECTED, MANY THROUGH HEREDITY

Between forty and fifty Indian children between 12 and 15 years of age, on the Klamath reservation are suffering with some form of tubercular trouble. This is probably a proportion of one to each five children of that age. Superintendent Edson Watson of the reservation, who is in the city today says that he believes the condition is largely due to hereditary affection.

"There seems to be an inclination among young children to develop this disease just about the time they are going from childhood into a changed condition in life," said Mr. Watson. "It is often the case that the parents have a form of disease from which they appear to become improved as time goes on, but when their children grow up the ailment becomes apparent in the progeny. Sometimes the condition is a fibroid one, in which the patient seems to be much in the same condition practically all the time, without the disease leading to death or a very low condition, while in others it takes the form of a more literal consumption and falling away of tissue. In the fibroid condition the tissues harden.

"The population of the reservation is probably a little greater now than it was a year ago, despite the tubercular troubles and the large number of deaths between July 1, 1910, and July 1, 1911, for since the past summer the number of births has been considerable. But I cannot give you any figures save to say that in the year between the dates mentioned there was a decrease of ten in the population.

Ed McBloom of Barnes Valley, who has been in this city for a few days, will start this evening for San Francisco to spend the holidays with relatives and friends. Before returning to Barnes Valley Ed will visit several Oregon cities, including Corvallis and Portland.

The Illustrated London News and Graphic, the Black and White, Dramatic News and other highly illustrated Christmas numbers, with beautifully engraved supplements worth twice the price, at Klamath Falls Music House. 30-4t

Call at the Livermore hotel and let Dr. Hermann relieve those headaches by a pair of well fitted glasses. 191t

ARE LOSERS IN CLOSED BANK

KLAMATH FALLS MEN ARE UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE MONEY IN INSTITUTION CLOSED, BUT MAY GET MOST OF IT

Several Klamath Falls men are understood to have had money on deposit in the American Bank and Trust company at Portland, which has closed its doors. Major Charles Elmer Worden is understood to have been one of those who did business with the unfortunate institution, but stated this morning that he could not well go into details on the subject.

As the state bank superintendent, Will Wright, says that half the deposits ought to be paid within thirty days, and more after that, the chances are that the losses of the local depositors will not be serious in the end.

Order Of Eastern Star Picks Women For Officers For Term Of One Year

When the Order of Eastern Star holds its installation of officers in Masonic hall next Tuesday night jointly with the Blue Lodge and Royal Arch Masons, the following will be honored into office, being newly elected for the ensuing term of one year: Worthy matron, Mrs. Minnie Henry; secretary, Mrs. Jennie Momyer; treasurer, Mrs. Ella McMillan; conductress, Mrs. Jennie Mills, associate conductress, Mrs. Lisa Martin; chaplain, Mrs. Hettie Morland; marshal, Mrs. Core Sanderson; trustees, Mrs. Laura Willis, Mrs. Jennie Reamer, Mrs. Minnie Ward; five points of the Eastern Star, Miss Gladys Roberts, Mrs.

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HICKSON STABS SELF, CONSCIENCE IMPELLED

United Press Service—BOSTON Dec. 20.—Rev. Richardson, alleged murderer of Avis Linsell, stabbed himself in the groin in his Boston cell at 2:30 o'clock this morning.

His condition is critical. He has not confessed, and it is believed the act was impelled by conscience. Physicians say the wound could not have been inflicted by a normal minded man.

RETRIAL DENIED BY JUDGE KELLY

In the case of Martin vs. Yaden, in which plaintiff got a verdict after a jury trial the motion of E. L. Elliott, attorney for the defendant, asking a new trial on the ground that the jury was not kept to itself in charge of Bailiff Clarence Morgan, the court was evidently of the opinion that so serious difficulty had presented itself, for Judge Percy R. Kelly has denied the motion.

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