

GOVERNOR WILL NOT EXPLAIN ACT

MANY PEOPLE PLEAD WITH THE STATE EXECUTIVE

The First Hanging Tomorrow Will Occur at 11:30 Instead of at 7:30, as It Was Originally Planned—This Is Taken to Indicate That Noble Faulder Will Be Reprieved by the Governor

SALEM, Dec. 12.—John W. Taylor, condemned with four others to be hanged tomorrow, will not walk on the scaffold, as his sentence was commuted this afternoon to life imprisonment by Governor West, who declined to make any statement regarding the matter.

It is considered almost certain that Faulder will be reprieved. It is reported that he is insane, and it is probable that he will be examined by a board.

The first hanging, it was announced this afternoon, will take place at 11:30 tomorrow morning. As it was first announced that Faulder would be hanged at 7:30 in the morning, the change is considered to mean that the governor will reprieve Faulder.

There were many people, opponents to the capital punishment plan, who visited the governor this morning. They came here from different parts of the state to protest against the hangings scheduled for tomorrow.

The movement was the result of the response to a proposal made in Portland last Sunday at an anti-capital punishment meeting that everyone present see the governor in person and plead with him.

WALLEN LEARNS

FATE MONDAY

Arthur V. Wallen, convicted yesterday of the crime of rape upon his daughter, will be sentenced by Judge Benson Monday morning. The minimum penalty for this crime is twenty years in the state penitentiary, the maximum is life imprisonment.

HOUSTON'S NEW

YEAR'S RANCE

John Houston's annual New Year's masquerade, the seventeenth this time, will be given New Year's eve instead of New Year's day this year, according to announcement made today by Mr. Houston. With the exception of the change in date, there will be the same big dance at the opera house, the same prizes, and last, but by no means the least, the same veteran announcer, Chap Graves, editor of the Merrill Record, who has officiated as announcer at every one of the seventeen annual masques.

The New Year's masquerade at the opera house has become a great feature with Klamath Falls people, and in addition to the large number of maskers, there are always hundreds of spectators, who fill the gallery and stage. Prizes are awarded to the best sustained, most original and the most comical characters.

GURTE WANTS

\$10,000 DAMAGES

Trial of the damage suit against George C. Clark, in which James Gurgeotes seeks to recover \$10,000, was begun in circuit court Friday morning. Gurgeotes is represented by Attorney Fred H. Mills, and Clark has retained George Noland as counsel. The plaintiff was in the employ of Clark in 1911, when the latter built the diversion dam on Lost River for the reclamation service. He states that he was injured by falling sacks of cement that had not been properly piled, and in addition to \$600 medical fees, he seeks to recover damages in the sum of \$10,000.

The defense hold Gurgeotes' injury was due to his own carelessness. It also alleges that Gurgeotes, upon payment of \$25 by Clark, signed a paper releasing Clark from any responsibility for the action, and that Gurgeotes, by his conduct after the accident, greatly aggravated the extent of his injury.

The following were chosen to act as jurors Friday morning: Frank L. Applegate, M. Motschenbacher, John Hagelstein, Charles Loomis, M. F. Orr, E. W. Wilkerson, I. J. Straw, Robert A. Emmitt, Frank Downey, Alex Cheyne Jr., H. A. Talbot and Thomas A. Barrows Jr.

CHURCH BAZAAR

ATTRACTS CROWD

The main floor of the new White building presents a pretty scene today, bedecked as it is with the tastefully arranged booths and tables used by the bazaar and cafeteria being held there today by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church. The bazaar opened this afternoon, and will continue until late this evening.

All kinds of art work, fancy work articles of wearing apparel, etc., are offered for sale, and a large crowd has taken advantage of the bazaar to purchase handiwork for Christmas

presents. A candy sale, conducted at an elaborate booth by the Christian Endeavor, is also attracting a great many.

This evening between 5:30 and 8 o'clock a cafeteria chicken supper will be served. The menu includes chicken pie, baked beans and many other home cooked delicacies.

Keeney Is Sick

Judd Keeney was brought to this city from Algoma Friday afternoon by Dr. Chilton, and placed in the Blackburn hospital. Keeney is suffering from bowel trouble, and it may be necessary to perform an operation upon him.

NEW BILL AIMS AT LAWYERS

Believing that the widespread criticism of the courts is due directly to the preventable methods now in vogue, W. O. Smith, joint representative-elect of Klamath, Lake and Crook counties, will introduce a bill in the forthcoming legislature to facilitate court work and to prevent the customary temporizing in court work.

It is not Mr. Smith's idea to revolutionize the practice or to abolish the profession of the law, but to make the practice practical by bringing certain limitations to bear on the professional work of lawyers and judges.

For instance, in circuit court work the attorney who files a suit or action will be required to secure the issuance of a summons within one day thereafter, and if the defendant can be found within the county where the complaint has been filed, service must be made within ten days from the time of the issuance of the summons.

If the service is to be made in any other county in the state, it must be secured within twenty days. At the present time a suit or action may be filed and remain quiescent for an indefinite time before the issuance of summons, and after summons shall have been issued service of same may be delayed a year, and then, after such service the sheriff may delay his return of same until he retires from office. There is no statute requiring that official to make his return of service within any specified time.

In the event of the service of summons being secured by publication the first notice of same must be published within ten days after summons shall have been issued. This requirement will make the lawyer who files a complaint to investigate many matters upon which he should be informed before he begins procedure, which he does now at his leisure after filing the case, and thus congesting the court docket and adding to the impression that it takes years instead of a month to transact any court business.

Then, after the filing of a complaint and service of summons the case must be tried within ten days unless the court is actually engaged in the trial of cases previously filed. The measure to be introduced by Mr. Smith will take away the powers of the courts to extend the time for answering for trial, even on stipulation of opposing counsel, except for unusual circumstances, and then the moving party shall pay to his opponent all expenses, including attorney fee to date. In no case shall more than one continuance be granted.

The bill will also place a time limit on the decision of the judge on matters submitted. Every question must be decided within ten days from the time it goes to the court for that purpose.

The author of the measure is likewise of the opinion that too much time is frittered away at present by attorneys in the examination of proposed jurors.

Six hours actual examination should be ample in cases where the charge is murder in the first degree, and in an average civil case there is no apparent reason why the time should be more than one hour. Beyond these periods, respectively, the parties should be deemed to have waived all right to challenge a juror peremptorily.

CONDUCTOR TO

PAY DAMAGES

Alexander Lindsay, special freight conductor running between Dunsmuir and Klamath Falls, had a verdict of \$5,500 rendered against him by the Tehama county court.

E. E. Setzer, a bill collector, climbed into the caboose on the train that Lindsay was in charge of, trying to find a brakeman that he had a bill against. Lindsay, on being awakened, started a row in which the bill collector had his leg broken in two places.

As a result of publishing Colonel Roosevelt's speech denouncing the Idaho supreme court, the Boise Statesman publishers may be cited for contempt. The publishers of the Boise Capital News have been cited for the same offense.

BISHOP PAYS SANTA CLAUS A VISIT

WELL KNOWN ODESSA MAN COMES TO THE CITY AND RETURNS WITH PRESENTS FOR HIS TWO YOUNG CHILDREN

Fearing that the weather might prevent Santa Claus from making a visit to his ranch on Christmas Day, B. St. Geo. Bishop came to this city Sunday night, and after a lengthy interview with the distributor of happiness for children, started Monday afternoon on the return trip with his launch, carrying a heavy load of things which Santa set aside for the two Bishop children.

Mr. Bishop resides near Odessa. When he started from home early Sunday morning he was not certain that he would be able to reach this city, on account of the ice in the lake. However, he made it, and expects to be able to get home all right tonight. "In a few days I believe that it will be impossible to travel in a launch on the lake," said Mr. Bishop. "So I thought I would be on the safe side, and personally interview Santa Claus in advance of his appointed day of visitation."

Although he was elected justice of peace of the Odessa district, Mr. Bishop has not yet qualified. The result is that he shys a trifle at the title of "judge" which has been conferred on him by his friends.

ANCIENT PAPER

OWNED IN CITY

A copy of the Ulster County Gazette, printed at Kingston, Ulster county, New York, on Saturday, January 4, 1890, is one of the prized possessions of Dr. E. V. Morrow of this city. The paper has been preserved by the Morrow family for the past century. An account of the death and funeral of George Washington is the most interesting article in the old publication.

"HELLO" GIRLS

LEARNING BOARD

"People of Klamath Falls will be enjoying the advantages of the most up-to-date telephone exchange in Oregon by the middle of next week," said L. R. Robertson, the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company's manager today, in speaking of the removal of the office and the advent of the central energy system here.

The installation of new instruments in the homes of subscribers is nearly completed, and the telephone operators are daily receiving instructions in the work of answering calls on the new board, so that everything will be in readiness when the exchange is "cut over" from the old system to the central energy system.

The date that the change will be made has not been definitely announced, as there are several minor matters to be attended to at the company's new brick building on Seventh street before the cranking process of calling central is dispensed with.

HARRIMAN LODGE

WORK SUSPENDED

A. L. Bragg, superintendent of construction for the Klamath Development company at Harriman Lodge, returned from the upper end of the lake on Sunday, after working his crew of carpenters as long as weather conditions would permit. Work at the Lodge has been abandoned until spring.

The four cottages being erected at the Lodge for summer guests are finished with the exception of painting and papering, says Mr. Bragg, and good progress has been made on the \$12,000 bungalow being constructed for Herbert Fleischacker. The piling for the big boathouse are driven, and enough work has been done on the structure to insure its completion by the time the motorboat fleet is ready to resume navigation in the spring.

Mr. Bragg will spend the winter in this city and in visiting California points.

FAULDER CASE

FORMALLY ENDED

County Clerk De Lap on Monday received a return of execution in the case of Noble Faulder, who was hanged at Salem Friday for the killing of Louis Gebhardt. The return signed by B. K. Lawson, superintendent of the penitentiary, has attached to it the death warrant, issued March 13th by Judge Benson, the reprieve from May 3 to December 13, signed by Governor Oswald West, and a statement signed by twelve witnesses to the execution that the sentence was carried out.

O. M. Hector is home from Sacramento, where he spent the greater portion of the week purchasing broken lots of goods from a wholesale house moving to a new location. The goods will be sold with the bankrupt stock.

WALLEN GETS A LIFE SENTENCE

JUDGE BENSON DECREES THAT FATHER WHO ASSAULTED HIS DAUGHTER SHALL SPEND BALANCE OF LIFE IN PEN.

For assaulting his 15-year-old daughter, Arthur D. Wallen must spend the remainder of his life in the state penitentiary. This was the sentence imposed upon him by Circuit Judge Henry L. Benson on Monday morning.

Wallen appeared in court alone, his attorney and relatives being absent. "Your honor, I wish to say that I am absolutely innocent of this crime. I'm charged with," said Wallen in a low voice, when asked if he had anything to say before being sentenced.

Barely had he finished when Judge Benson pronounced the extreme penalty for the crime. The judge made no remarks about the case.

A large crowd of men were present when sentence was pronounced.

The story told on the witness stand by Wallen's daughter was most convincing, but when Wallen went on the stand, against the wishes of his own attorney, he injured his case still more. In his own defense he told his version of the affair, a story that horrified all present, and stamped him as a pervers of the most dangerous sort.

DARING AVIATOR

BEING SOUGHT

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—Ships in the vicinity are being sent wireless instructions to search for Aviator Horace Kearny and Chester Lawrence a newspaper man, who were lost in a hydroplane flight from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

Launches and land parties are patrolling the beach between Santa Monica and Ventura.

NATIONAL EDUCATOR IS

KLAMATH FALLS BOOSTER

Dr. A. E. Winship, one of the world's most famous educators, likes the Klamath country. He admits it. In an article contributed to the Journal of Education, published in Boston, Mass., he tells of the trip he made here during the summer when he was engaged as a lecturer at teachers' institutes. The article, in part, follows:

The pet name of numerous cities all through the West, especially in the Far West, is "The Gateway." One of the one hundred and one gateways is Klamath Falls, an interesting young-old city, just out of California. It is a lovely spot, and no mistake—a surprise in its loveliness. It is at the falls between two charming lakes. Not asking you to take my word for it, let me call your attention to the fact that when the late E. H. Harriman and Mrs. Harriman, with their limitless millions, looked over all of America for the loveliest of all spots by lake, mountain and forest, for their glorious retreat, they selected a spot on the shores of Pelican Bay on the Upper Klamath Lake for the Harriman mountain lodge.

Mr. Harriman was so infatuated with this vast empire, which he entered with a railroad as far as Klamath Falls—just over the California line—that his interests purchased the marvelous forest of sugar pine and white pine, amounting to 29,000,000, 000 feet of matchless timber.

In the heart of this region, only a short automobile ride from Klamath Falls, is a government reservation, with Crater Lake as its chief charm, of more than 200 square miles.

When Mr. Harriman received the reports of his engineers, who had carefully examined the timber resources tributary to the Klamath Lakes, he found that five saw-milling concerns cutting 100,000 feet of lumber daily, making a total of 500,000 feet per day, would require 200 years to harvest the forest tributary to Klamath Falls. If this material were reduced to carloads of 15,000 feet each, the train would contain 1,333, 333 cars. This will mean pay rolls of over \$200,000,000.

The Upper Klamath Lake, forty miles long and ten miles wide, more than sixty feet above the vast, rich Klamath basin, with virtually exhaustless supply for irrigation, is to be utilized through a mammoth irrigation project, for which the United States government has already appropriated \$4,500,000 for work at Klamath Falls, one of the grandest feats of engineering it has ever undertaken.

There seems to be nothing left out of the marvelous distribution of blessings for this city, since hot springs furnish hot water for all heating purposes.

The White Pelican is as good a hotel as we ever ask to enjoy. It is up-to-date in every respect, and wholly unique in its adaptation to the peculiarly attractive country of which the city is the gateway.

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four long days. It was the only first-class hotel life we enjoyed in the Oregon we were to explore for three weeks.

P. C. Carlson returned on Friday from a business trip to Weed. Mr. Carlson has contracted with the Weed Lumber company for all their block wood, and it will be shipped to this city.

H. W. Bridgeford and wife are here from Bray to do their Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. "Buck" Anderson returned to their Bly home Friday, after spending several days in this city.

POPULAR GIRL BECOMES A BRIDE

MISS JESSIE MARPLE IS MARRIED TO CHARLES I. ROBERTSON, A BROTHER OF MANAGER OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. E. M. Marple, on Cedar street, Dr. H. Collins Sunday night performed the ceremony uniting Miss Jessie Marple and Charles I. Robertson in matrimony. Only the members of the two families were present.

Both of the young people are well and favorably known in this city, the bride having lived here the greater part of her life. The groom is a brother of L. R. Robertson, county manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, and he has a responsible position with the same firm.

Deane Hopkins left Sunday for his home in Racine, Wis. Mr. Hopkins has been connected with the Big Basin Lumber company for the past year.

E. O. McClure, superintendent of the Big Basin Lumber company's branch yard at Dorris, made a business trip to Klamath Falls Saturday. He returned to Dorris the following morning.

BUSINESS MEN FORCED ON JURY

IN SPITE OF PROTESTS, JUSTICE HOLDS TALESMEN

Rev. Stubblefield Is the Only One Excused—Second Trial of the McFerrin Case Is in Progress—First Jury Failed to Agree—Charge Is Trapping a Beaver—Case Being Fought Hard

"Do you know of any reason why you could not act as a jurymen in this case and render a fair and impartial verdict?" asked Attorney C. M. O'Neill in the course of examining a prospective juror in the McFerrin case Friday afternoon.

"None at all, except the fact that I would rather be excused," was the reply of Rev. J. S. Stubblefield, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who was summoned by Deputy Sheriff Harry Pearson.

"There are five other men who feel just the same as you do, but they are not going to be excused," remarked Justice Graves.

Rev. Stubblefield was excused, but not so William Hurn, hardware merchant. Such was not the case with Harry Ackley, sawmill operator. Neither was A. C. Lewis, grocer, able to escape jury duty, while E. C. Atkinson, dry goods merchant, and R. C. Spink, jeweler, were also accepted, much against their will. A recess was taken after Rev. Stubblefield was excused, in order to give Pearson an opportunity to inveigle another prospective jurymen.

The case is the second trial of Jas. McFerrin, who is charged by Deputy District Game Warden J. J. Furber with trapping a beaver. The case was tried in the justice court Thursday, but the jury failed to agree.

An application for full citizenship papers has been filed in the circuit court by William R. Brotherton, a North Pole Valley rancher. Mr. Brotherton is a native of Canada, and his first papers were taken out in Minnesota.

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