

A. F. HOFER CROSSES THE GREAT DIVIDE

The End Came Suddenly and Unexpectedly and Was a Shock to Entire City.

WORKED HARD FOR CITY

Was Leading Factor in Every Enterprise Tending to City's Permanent Welfare.

A. F. Hofer, of this city, passed away very suddenly and unexpectedly at his home, Twentieth and Court streets, on Sunday at 2 p. m.

Mr. Hofer had not complained or showed any outward signs of ill health, and was about his work as usual, having put in a full day Saturday at his office in the Hubbard building.

Andrew Franz Hofer was born in Clayton county, Iowa, May 11, 1869. He was educated in the common schools, and learned the printing trade on the McGregor, Iowa, News, under Willis L. Osborne.

In 1887 he was united in marriage to Miss Anna Sophia Ballou. In 1889 Mr. Hofer moved to Salem with his family, and in company with his brother, E. Hofer, and together, they became owners of The Capital Journal.

The death of Mr. Hofer is an irretrievable loss to this city, and in a larger sense to the state.

For the past five years he has given himself heart and soul to the promotion and publicity work that has made Salem the leading city of interior Oregon.

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Send Ashes by Mail. Oakland, Cal., April 21.—The shipping of the ashes of a cremated person by parcels post from Oakland to Milford, Mass., was learned today.

HIS SKULL FRACTURED IN BICYCLE ACCIDENT

Ward Smith, a Capital Journal Carrier Boy, Meets With Serious Accident.

Ward Smith, aged about 15, one of the carrier boys of The Capital Journal, delivering the paper in the district between High and Summer streets from State to the creek, met with a serious accident Sunday that will lay him up for some time.

Ward is a splendid boy, quiet and gentlemanly, and was manfully working to assist his mother, who is a widow, and his little earnings will be sadly missed by the family.

PRESIDENT TO ASSIST IN STOPPING OPIUM TRAFFIC

Washington, April 21.—President Wilson sent a special message to congress on the subject of opium today, transmitting a special report to Secretary of State Bryan.

"I strongly urge the immediate appropriation of the \$20,000 asked and the enactment of requisite anti-drug legislation to which our government is pledged internationally."

The report said eradication of opium traffic means an annual loss of \$50,000,000 in revenue to the powers concerned and \$500,000,000 to China.

SAN FRANCISCO HAS A BIG GRAFT SCANDAL

Members of Notorious Gang of Swindlers Charges Police With Grafting.

PAID THEM 15 PER CENT

Charges Enumerate the Officers Guilty of Accepting Money and Protecting Them.

San Francisco, April 21.—Following alleged charges by Maurice DeMartini, a member of the notorious DePietro gang of swindlers, which secured \$100,000 here, that Police Captain Eugene Wall, Detective Sergeant Arthur McPhee, Acting Lieutenant James McGowan and Patrolman Frank Esola and Louis Groulet took "protection money" from this gang, a grand jury investigation of the police department that may astound the country, was ordered today.

The accused members of the police department declare the accusations are made in retaliation for their unceasing warfare upon the bunco operators here. Chief of Police White denies knowledge of the alleged confession.

The Pope Steadily Improves. Rome, April 21.—It was said today that the vatican pentecostal celebration at St. Peter's, in memory of the Emperor Constantine, which was scheduled for May 11, is indefinitely postponed.

Togo Gets a Job. Tokio, April 21.—Rear-Admiral Togo was today appointed admiral of the fleet, by a special government order.

Weather Forecast.

Oregon—Showers tonight or Tuesday. Cooler tonight. South westerly winds.

WORLD'S GREATEST SHIP IS LAUNCHED

The Aquitania, 900 Feet Long and 99 Foot Beam Off the Ways.

REGISTERS 50,000 TONS

Accommodates 4000 Passengers and Has 80 Turbines of 1000 Horse Power Each.

STATE WILL SECURE ITS LIQUOR SELECTIONS

Action to be Taken Regarding Tracts After 12 Years Delay and Loss of \$100,000 Interest.

Governor West received word from the general land office and the Oregon delegation at Washington today that action is about to be taken on the state's liquor selections, after a delay of 12 years, during which time the matter has been pigeon-holed in the land office.

QUITS THE OREGONIAN TO PRACTICE LAW

Donald H. Upjohn, who for about two years has been the Salem correspondent of the Oregonian, has tendered his resignation, and will soon leave for Dallas, where he will take up the practice of law.

ROBBER OF OFFICE IS SOON IN THE TOILS

Frank Redfield a Dope Fiend and Ex-convict Putted for Robbing a Doctor's Office.

A clever catch was effected last Saturday afternoon when Day Officer Welch arrested Frank Redfield, alias Rawson, Slade, Jones and several other cognomens, on the charge of robbing the offices of Drs. Morse and Robertson of several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry and valuable papers.

MAN BORN IN SALEM IN YEAR 1869 IS NO MORE

Prince A. Byrne a native-born Salem man and one who was known by almost every old-time resident in this city, passed away at his home on the Fair Ground road yesterday at 12 o'clock after a lingering illness of several weeks.

Mr. Byrne was born in Salem in 1849 and has been a resident here ever since. His principal occupation has been farming and hop raising. He was united in marriage to Miss Ella Savage, the daughter of the late John Savage in 1882, who is also a life-long resident of this city.

ASTORIA IS TO HOLD A BIG REGATTA

part of her Fourth of July celebration.

A POLITICAL TRICK, AND EASILY TURNED

There is no reason, so far as can be learned, for the voters of the Third ward to wish Gideon Stolz to represent them in the city council.

The remainder of the trail over which Mr. Stolz was to walk into office, then was free of rocks and stumbling blocks. Mr. Cornelius was elected. He acted as councilman but a comparatively short time when his appointment came, as formerly agreed upon, to the office of street commissioner.

This was the bargain, or frame-up, and Mr. Cornelius admitted such to a well known local man. He told this business man that he wanted to be street commissioner and that by aiding Stolz and fighting Lafky, he could succeed. He succeeded admirably, but now how about Mr. Lafky's friends?

They are beginning to inquire and investigate. They believe he was given a raw deal—in other words—real old-fashioned machine politics, directed by a master hand at the game, was the cause of his defeat in the primaries, and according to the manner in which Mr. Stolz was launched into the city

administration again. Mr. Lafky's friends have steered pretty close to the truth of the whole transaction.

Was Mr. Lafky too severe with some special interest or interests, or too dangerous in his efforts to straighten out a few things in connection with the city government to be allowed to remain longer as a servant of the people?

It is said by a former councilman, and one who professes to know, that a few friends of Mr. Stolz prevailed upon him to accept the office. "If this be a fact, what are the other taxpayers going to do about it? If a few people can succeed in securing an appointment of a councilman by inducing the council to transfer a member of the body to a paying position on the street force, elections and recalls are not necessary to carry out the wishes of the people in Salem.

Mr. Cornelius admits, and other taxpayers of the Third ward declare, that Mr. Lafky was not wanted in the council to represent them. But, upon being asked to give a reason, they simply say they did not want him to act further.

Can this same statement be made concerning his successor?

IMMENSE POWER IS TO BE DEVELOPED

Oregon City Man Granted Permission to Install Electric Plant on Clackamas.

WILL GET 100 FEET FALL

And Will Develop 11,364 Horse Power—River Now Yielding 83,000 Horse Power.

State Engineer Lewis has approved the application of B. T. McBain, of Oregon City, for the development of 11,364 horse power on the Clackamas river. The development of the power involves the construction of a dam 30 feet high and 1400 feet long in section 19-3-4.

A Good Investment.

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Makes Quick Haul.

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Bad Actor.

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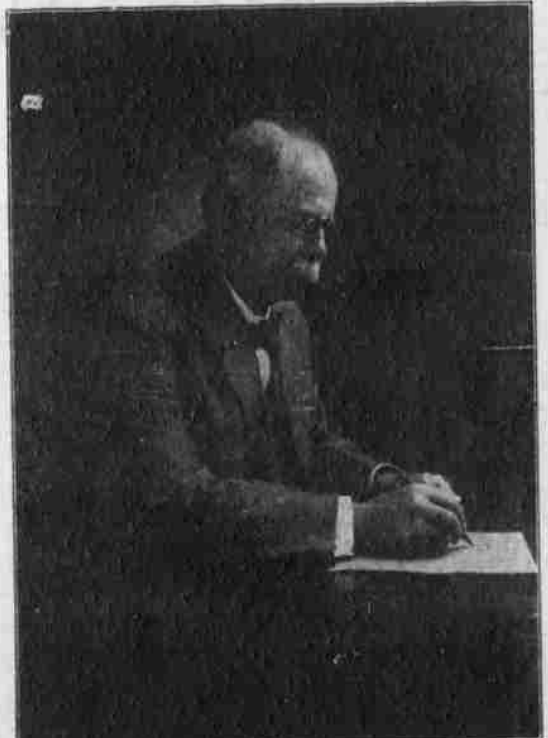
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