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Matkins Fires Lawyers Who Would Prosecute Him

Resolution Made By County Commissioners to Stop Further Prosecution Against Beiseker, Movius and Matkins—County Attorney Erickson Thinks Otherwise.

TYLER DOES NOT LIKE TO INJURE JUD'S FEELINGS

At the Commissioners' meeting held at their rooms in Plentywood the first of this week, the Board went on record as being against prosecution of those who had robbed Sheridan county and released the lawyers who had been hired to bring these birds to justice. Needless to say, Jud Matkins was one of the principals involved and he didn't figure as being the sick stunt would work twice in an execution.

This move has long been a pet scheme of Mr. Matkins' but the time has never been quite ripe till now, because his puppets were not quite small enough trained. Tyler is very much adverse to prosecuting people who fish the taxpayers' money, especially when it happens to be anyone connected with a bank or his friend, Jud Matkins.

These culprits who have stolen hundreds of millions from Sheridan county and who have used every pretext to prevent their coming to trial even after having the case removed to a county where they figured no jury would convict a man for stealing from a county and even going so far as to get a sick certificate from a doctor as Jud Matkins did and was seen on the date of his trial hauling grain to an elevator in Redstone, are not free yet, even though the Commissioners refuse to prosecute them. The taxpayers will see that these county robbers get their just desserts. And the gates of Deer Lodge are yet yawning.

Anderson and Collins Win In First Heat

Word was received here yesterday that both Oscar Collins and J. W. Anderson had filed the necessary number of names which had been accepted by the Secretary of State and they are now in the race for Congress and Senate respectively. A strong campaign will now be put on for Mr. Collins and Mr. Anderson by the farmers and working men of the State of Montana. Remember the Primaries August 29th on the Republican ticket.

O'Connor Guilty of Corrupt Practices Is Charge of Hellstrom

Grand Forks, N. D., Aug. 7.—Sheriff C. C. Stewart of Grand Forks today received papers for service against J. F. T. O'Connor, Democratic candidate for United States Senator, in the new action instituted by E. O. Hellstrom in an attempt to nullify Mr. O'Connor's nomination. The papers are an affidavit of complaint and summons, signed by Hellstrom. No judge's name appears on the papers.

According to the announcement of action made by Hellstrom, Saturday night, the contest is based on the allegation "that the said J. F. T. O'Connor is unequalled to have, and receive nomination for the reason that he has been guilty of corrupt practices."

DEATH TOLL OF TYPHOON OVER 28,000 IN CHINA

Hank Kong, China, Aug. 7.—The toll of the typhoon of August 2 at Canton already has amounted to 28,000 dead. Coffins are lacking to provide a decent burial for many and the bodies are being interred in gunny sacks. The new figures on lives lost, which almost triples the previous estimates, were contained in a circular issued by the Hong Kong branch of the Swatow Chamber of Commerce.

Harry A. Milligan to Evelyn G. Milligan, warranty deed, lots 2-3-4, 2 NW 1-4, N 1-2 SW 1-4, SW 1-4 1-4, 3-4-53.

Senator Ladd Endorses Anderson

FAMOUS SENATOR FROM NORTH DAKOTA HOPES SENATOR ANDERSON WILL WIN THE NOMINATION, AND COMPLIMENTS HIS PLATFORM, IN THE FOLLOWING LETTER:

UNITED STATES SENATE
Washington, D. C.
July 22, 1922.

Mr. J. W. Anderson,

I have your letter of July 18th and am very glad to note that you are a candidate for the United States Senate from Montana and sincerely hope that you may be fortunate in securing the nomination at the primaries on August 29th. The platform on which you are acting is a very good one and I believe is timely and one that the people are deeply interested in at the present moment.

Very truly yours,
E. F. LADD.

Mike Pappenfus Plead Guilty To Violating the School Laws

DOLIN AND ATTY. T. W. GREER TRY TO MIX POLITICS.

During the last part of the school term taught by Miss Emma Crone in the Corkery school in the Raymond district, Norbert Pappenfus, pupil in the eighth grade was reported absent from school and did not obtain excuses. The teacher in so reporting performed her legal duty imposed upon her by law. It is a high credit to Miss Emma Crone, teacher in the district, that she had one of the best attended schools in the county and that she strictly cooperated with the Superintendent's office in the enforcement of the attendance laws. Written excuses were requested by the Co. Superintendent, and when excuses were reasonable no report was made to the Superintendent's office.

Norbert Pappenfus, not being fourteen years of age, was kept home immediately after writing examinations and it was reported to the office that Mrs. Pappenfus thought this could be very easily accomplished since there were only about eight days left of school and the school authorities would not have an opportunity to take the matter up and investigate the violation of the law. This is in substance what was stated to the teacher, Miss Crone. It is a matter of fact that during the years 1920-21 that Pappenfus had several times requested a permit for his older boy, Clarence, to remain out of school and help with the work on the farm. At that time Mr. Henry Goodman was the teacher in the Corkery school. The County Superintendent consulted with Mr. Goodman as to the advisability and necessity of granting a permit to Mr. Pappenfus to keep his boy home from school. Mr. Henry Goodman advised the office that it was unnecessary from a financial standpoint for Mr. Pappenfus to keep his boy from school to help with the farm work. Mr. Pappenfus, as stated, insisted upon keeping his boy home for the purpose of work and this office took the matter up with the State Department and Mr. Pappenfus was refused a permit.

Prior to this Mr. Pappenfus had evaded the school laws by sending the boy home two days and keeping him two days. According to the old law no parent could keep a child out of school over three days and accordingly, the teacher was required to report absences to the County Superintendent after three days. When the writer was elected to the office this matter was reported from various places in the county. The law was interpreted that no one had the right to keep any boy or girl out of school a day or fraction of a day without a proper excuse.

It appears from every reasonable source that Mr. Pappenfus was financially able to employ help and not that he had to evade the law by keeping his children below fourteen years of age home from school. In order to expediate matters this office has given the authority to the chairman and clerks of their districts to attend to matters of excuses. The same of course is to be appealed to the County Superintendent's office or to other legal remedies. Mr. Pappenfus at no time availed himself with legal permits. He was fully acquainted with the law as shown by his former evading of the law. The correspondence in the matter is given below:

May 13, 1922.

Mr. Mike Pappenfus, Raymond, Montana.

Dear Sir:

It is reported to this office that you kept your boy, Norbert, home from school about seven days after the examinations.

You are fully aware of the fact that this is entirely illegal and you have violated the law and subjected yourself to the consequences of the law by so doing. The boy is not even 14 years of age. If of legal age, he might be excused. If this office should do something so flagrant as this in violating the law in not living up to the requirements, you would be one of the first who would criticize and it is incredulous to believe that a man of your standing and honesty will deliberately violate the law and cause trouble and unnecessary work for this office as well as other officers.

How do you expect your boy to respect the law and comply with the law of our government if you are teaching him illegally to remain out of school, thus knowing that his parents are violating the law that he is taught to respect. It is the duty of this office and it is your duty as a citizen to help to enforce the laws and in the first place to obey the laws. You justly deserve to have a warrant sworn out for you and that you be taken before the court in this matter. Do you expect that I should overlook the law and not have this matter done and thus really become an accomplice in breaking the law that you are fully responsible for doing? I feel it my duty to report

to the County Superintendent's office and to the State Department.

A great deal of interest has been generated in Daniels county over the controversy as over 200 farmers in that county are directly interested in the Scobey Sentencing who claim that they should have had the bid on account of having the best bid and also being the only legal paper in the county.

Harding in Effort To Break Unions, Strike Executives Say

STRIKERS REJECT PLAN, NO "CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM"

Conference of Labor Leaders to Determine Future Action—Rail Executive Leader Silent on Proposal and Calls Meeting for Friday—Labor Board Willing to Act on Seniority Controversy.

Washington, Aug. 7.—President Harding's new proposal for settling the railroad strike apparently advances "no constructive program," leaders of the striking shop craft-tracted conference. They announced that a meeting of executives of all men announced tonight after a pro-railroad unions, including the four brotherhoods, would be summoned to consider what action should follow rejection of the proposal.

B. M. Jewell, head of the shopcrafts federation, said the president's settlement proposals constituted a "most uncalculated attempt to help the railroads break the strike," and added that "nobody ought to get the idea the shop federation will accept."

Bar Harbor, Maine, Aug. 7.—T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, tonight called a meeting of the members of the association in New York for Friday morning to consider President Harding's latest proposal to end the railway shopmen's strike.

Mr. Cuyler received the president's telegram embodying the proposal at his summer home here. Further than to announce the calling of the meeting of railroad presidents, he declined to make any comment.

WILL ACT ON SENIORITY

Chicago, Aug. 7.—The United States railroad labor board expressed its willingness to act on the seniority question now at issue between the railroads and their striking shopmen in a resolution adopted at a meeting late tonight.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of five to one. A. O. Wharton, a labor representative, voting against it. The six members were all that were in the city when the meeting was called. Ben W. Hooper, chairman, presided. Those who attended were G. W. Hanger, of the public group; Samuel Higgins, Horace Baker and J. H. Elliot of the railroad group, and Mr. Wharton and Mr. Hooper.

HARDING ISSUES "FINAL CALL"

Washington, Aug. 7.—As an "final call" from the government for immediate settlement of the rail strike, President Harding today communicated to railroad executives and heads of the striking shopcrafts unions proposals that the men be sent back to

MRS. R. TAMMAN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. R. Tamman died last Sunday at Bismarck, N. D., where she had gone about two weeks ago in the hope of receiving aid.

Mrs. Tamman leaves a husband and six children to mourn her loss: 5 girls and 1 boy; Mrs. Anna Buhman of Wheaton, Minn., Rudolph Tamman of Central City, Neb., Mrs. Vern Ankerman of this city, Mrs. Harrison Malcolm of Plentywood, Mrs. Ekskis of Haven, N. D., Mrs. Robt. Betke of Balfour, N. D.

Mrs. Tamman, together with Mr. Tamman and the children homesteaded south of Plentywood, where they had their home at the time of her death. The deceased was born in Germany and was 60 years of age at the time of her death.

The funeral was held at Bismarck on Tuesday and in Plentywood Wednesday at the Evangelical church.

The whole community extends sympathy to the bereaved husband and children in the loss of a good wife and mother.

CHAUTAUQUA IN FULL SWING

Many people are attending the Chautauqua these days, both in Plentywood and surrounding territory.

The Chautauqua is putting on about the same class of performance as in former years, there being one outstanding feature, that of Private Peat, who gave the people of this section of the country a lecture that was worth going miles to hear and one which will give a good many people something to think about. Mr. Peat is absolutely against war and he gave his reasons which were very good ones and he decided the idea of teaching in the schools and elsewhere what a grand thing war is. His lecture was attentively listened to by the large audience and this paper has only heard words of praise for Mr. Peat.

The Chautauqua will close Sunday.

ATTENTION, EIGHTH GRADERS

Eighth grade examinations will be held at Plentywood on August 24th and 25th. Pupils who have completed eighth grade work, but have not written or passed previous examinations are eligible to write.

TRY AGAIN TO HIDE ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC VIEW

The County Commissioners met in session the first of the week and after passing many bills, made another effort to suppress their actions from the public. Their efforts to prevent the public from knowing what they are doing has reached the ridiculous stage and goes to show how far these men will go to pull the deals they want to put through without the public knowing about it. If any person in Sheridan county had any idea that the County Commissioners were trying to work for the taxpayers interest, it must be shattered by this confession of their own guilt.

At the meeting immediately preceding the last meeting a resolution was passed by the Board of Commissioners that no minutes of the board should be given to the papers until after they were approved, which might be most any length of time, if they saw fit not to let the public know of their actions on the Board. The Producers News claimed that the Minutes of the Board after being put in the Journal are public records and proceed to copy the same and they were printed in last week's paper. This annoyed the County Commissioners very much and they racked their brains for another idea which would prevent the people from knowing what they are doing so they ordered the clerk not to put the minutes in the journal until after they had been approved. And then they drew a long breath of relief confident in the thought that they were secure from a public that is growing more and more irate and disgusted with the wasteful, extravagant and senseless use of their money. But the County Commissioners will not keep these records from the public and the Producers News will print them if it is necessary to send a reporter down to the Commissioners' rooms to take down their actions when they are in session.

This is but a sample of the old gang, because Tyler is as much of the old gang as Matkins is, and we have an opportunity to improve the Board 100 per cent by electing Charles Lundeen, a straight upright farmer and one who will fight such tactics as this to the last ditch and will not be afraid to let the public know what he is doing.

Bert Selvig to Lena Selvig, warranty deed, NW 1-4, S 1-2 NE 1-4, 23, W 1-2 SW 1-4, 14-97-53.

U. S. Senator Republican Ticket



J. W. ANDERSON "Humanity First"

Vote This Ticket at Primaries August 29th

Remember, polls open from 12 noon until 7 o'clock P. M. If you want to have progressive men to vote for in November, you must help nominate them at the Primaries, August 29th.

- Take Republican Ticket
- For United States Senator
J. W. ANDERSON
"Humanity First"
- For Congress
OSCAR J. COLLINS
LaFollette Republican Farmer-Labor Candidate
- For Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
E. A. LA BOSSIERE
- For State Railroad and Public Service Commissioner
L. B. SAUNDERS
- State Senator
CHARLES E. TAYLOR, Plentywood
- Representatives
CLAIR STONER, Outlook
A. TH. LARSEN, Dagmar
- County Commissioner
CHARLES LUNDEEN, Outlook
- Sheriff
RODNEY SALISBURY, Raymond
- Clerk & Recorder
B. K. O'GRADY, Raymond
- County Treasurer
D. J. OLSON, Plentywood
- County Assessor
OLE ASPELUND, Dooley
- County Attorney
A. C. ERICKSON, Medicine Lake
- County Surveyor
HANS RASMUSSEN, Dagmar
- County Coroner
MARTIN S. NELSON, Plentywood
- County Supt. of Schools
EMMA CRONE, Raymond
- Public Administrator
H. P. FOSTER, Comertown

MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY HORROR

More than 60 persons were killed and about 100 injured Saturday night when fast train No. 4 of the Missouri Pacific crashed into the rear of local passenger train No. 32 at Sulphur Springs, 26 miles south of St. Louis. An engineer who was killed was blamed for the wreck.

United States Senator William E. Crow of Pennsylvania died at his home in the mountains at Uniontown, Penn., Wednesday, August 2nd, after a very long illness. He was appointed to the United States Senate by Gov. Sprunt to succeed Sen. Knox when he died, in the summer of 1920, and has been sick ever since.

HOPE FOR COAL STRIKE END IS BRIGHT ON EVE OF MEET

Cleveland, Aug. 6.—Hope for an early settlement of the nation-wide soft coal strike was held out Sunday