

STORMS NAMED TO HEAD STATE MINING BUREAU

L. E. Aubury Blames Removal by Governor to Politics and "Big Interests"

Criticises Rival; Injured While Running for Train; Record of Successor

Lewis E. Aubury yesterday lost his job as state mineralogist. He also fell down while running to catch a train at Burlingame yesterday morning, struck on the back of his head and may have sustained a slight fracture of the skull, the doctor doesn't know yet. It was not Aubury's day.

W. H. Storms, editor of the Mining and Scientific Press, who lives at 2437 Hildgard avenue, Berkeley, is the man whom Governor Johnson named yesterday to take Aubury's place. Storms is well known in this city as a consulting mining engineer. He also has written several books on the subject of mines and mining.

He had powerful influences behind him. He was backed by Curtis H. Lindley, Mark L. Regua, Fred W. Bradley, John H. McKenzie, Charles W. Merrill, Ralph Arnold, the oil expert, and many others. The position carries a salary of \$3,000 a year and includes the patronage of six office appointments.

AUBURY'S RECORD Aubury was originally appointed by Governor Gage and retained his office through the administrations of Governors Pardee and Gillett. His term expired last January. Aubury during his incumbency was particularly active against the timber grabbers, the wildcat oil promoters and miners, and was also the avowed enemy of eastern marble firms, whose wares he sought to replace in California buildings with the California product.

The fact that no appointment was made by Governor Johnson last January and that he had been permitted to hold over for nearly a year led Aubury and his friends to believe that his activities had been appreciated by the present administration. Yesterday's action by the governor disillusioned them. Shortly before Governor Johnson announced the appointment of Storms at Sacramento, Aubury was hurrying from his home in Burlingame to catch a train to San Francisco when he fell, striking his head.

STRIKES HIS ENEMIES He was able to return to his house, but was put to bed and a physician was summoned. Mr. Aubury stated last night that the doctor was in doubt as to whether or not the skull was slightly fractured.

Earlier in the day, however, Aubury was able to discuss his ousting by the governor. He bitterly declared that he had been fought politically by men whose schemes he had exposed and blocked. He included Storms, his successor, among his opponents, asserting that the minister had assumed, through the Mining and Scientific Press, the attempted dictation of the state mineralogist's office.

"It is evident that the mining fakery and the timber thieves have finally won out in their fight against me," said Aubury yesterday. "What influence it was that specifically brought about my removal I can not say at this time."

THINKS IT STRANGE "It certainly is strange, however, that I should have been removed by Governor Johnson when I have fought the battle of conservation for California years before Governor Johnson took office and have stood on the same platform of conservation that Johnson stands on today."

The big interests that have fought me consistently for years in my efforts to save to the people of California the resources of their state have been chiefly instrumental in my removal.

"So far as Storms, my successor, is concerned, I want to say that the Mining and Scientific Press attempted to dictate the conduct of this office, and I refused to submit to dictation by them or by any one else."

Storms Makes Statement BERKELEY, Nov. 25.—W. H. Storms, appointed by Governor Hiram W. Johnson as the successor to State Mineralogist L. T. Aubury, made an emphatic denial this evening that his appointment was political, or that he had ever attempted in any way to thwart Aubury in that official's conduct of his office.

"Governor Johnson gave me the appointment after conference with Fred W. Bradley, John H. McKenzie, Mark L. Regua, Charles W. Merrill, Albert Birch, Curtis H. Lindley, the mining attorney, and Ralph Arnold, recently of the United States geological survey, and one of the highest authorities on oil in this state. Those gentlemen, who stand among the highest in the world, many of them as mining authorities and experts, all recommended me for the position. So you can see that my appointment was not political."

SOUGHT THE PLACE "I, myself, did not know that I would get the position until 10 days ago. I was an applicant, of course. I made my application soon after the governor's inauguration. So did others, for there were fully 20 applicants. Of course, I used what influence I could

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W. H. Storms, Who Will Serve State As Mineralogist



bringing to bear on the situation, and so did all the others. So also did Aubury, who was not alone. He also had some powerful influence behind him."

Storms has lived in Berkeley 18 months, his dwelling being at 2437 Hildgard avenue. He is well known as a consulting mining engineer, having been at the head of several large mines, and several times in the state employ. He is the author of numerous state reports and bulletins, and of a book on "Mine Timbers," which is used as a text in the College of Mining in the University of California and in other universities.

CAME HERE IN 1887 He came to California in 1887, having previously been engaged for nine years in mining in the Black Hills, S. D. For 30 years, either as a mining engineer or as state agent or as publisher of technical journals, he has been in touch with the industry.

In 1892 Governor Markham made him an assistant field agent under State Mineralogist William Leland. He served a year and was retained for four years by J. J. Crawford. Resigning, he went to Tuolumne county, where for two years he had charge of a mine.

On his return to San Francisco in 1899 he became editor of the Mining and Scientific Press. He resigned to accept an appointment by Governor Henry T. Gage to make an inspection of the mother lode of the state, the result of his labors appearing in bulletin 18 of the state mining bureau, called "The Mother Lode Region of California." This appeared in 1902.

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EUROPEANS NEEDED ON STATE'S FARMS

Immigration Official Tells of Plans for Excluding All Undesirables

The immigration incidental to the opening of the Panama canal, the sources from which the newcomers will be obtained and their distribution throughout the state was the theme of an address by Robert Newton Lynch, manager of the California Development board and commissioner to the Turin exposition delivered before the Commonwealth club yesterday.

"No state of the American union with the single exception of New York is so well known in Europe as California," said Lynch.

After explaining the need of European farm labor here, particularly in the lumber camps and the fruit districts, Lynch said that the one serious weakness of the "back to the farm" movement is the undeniable fact that as an intensive farmer the American can not compete with the European, who has centuries of training in how to extract the utmost from the soil behind him.

"It is undoubtedly unfair," he said, "to encourage men unqualified by lack of experience in farming to take up that pursuit when they will have to compete against such splendid cultivators as the Portuguese have shown themselves to be, and many instances may be cited where foreign farmers have advanced their bids of the price of land in this country, well knowing that American farmers could not make as much out of a given piece of land as themselves."

After explaining the policies of the respective governments toward emigration and outlining the desirability of the immigrants which we may expect from each, Lynch said:

"There are no countries without desirable material, though there are countries where the desirable and the distinctly undesirable are so closely intermingled that there would be no possible chance of appealing to one class without including the other. It is our hope to bring the best classes of Europeans to our state, and the best wisdom dictates that we leave out of any plans we may make for publicity abroad the countries of southeastern Europe. It is curious that where the least desirable element is to be found there exists the strongest opposition on the part of the local government toward emigration, and this is especially true of that section of Europe."

Those countries having desirable material, but with laws opposed to such propaganda as we might institute, are Spain, Portugal, Germany and Russia, where there are economic conditions unfavorable to emigration, are Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Switzerland, those having desirable material and laws permitting our propaganda are Belgium, Holland, France and Italy."

CHILD BEATER TO BE SENTENCED MONDAY Freight Handler Is Guilty of Cruelty to Daughter

Frank Kocjan, a freight handler, living at 70 1/2 San Bruno avenue, accused of cruelty to a minor child, was found guilty by Police Judge Sullivan yesterday and will be sentenced Monday.

Kocjan is alleged to have brutally beaten his 5 year old daughter Lucile Wednesday and to have blackened the child's eyes.

STOLEN DEPOSITION RETURNS ON WINGS

Document Pertaining to Rose Rankin Case Is Found on Clerk's Counter

The missing deposition of Rose O'Day, an opera singer known as Rose Rankin, on which was based the charge of perjury for which she is on trial in police court, was found yesterday morning on the counter in the office of the county clerk, where it was apparently placed by the party responsible for its disappearance.

The deposition was made in connection with the divorce suit of Mrs. Jessie V. Leek against Dr. George W. Leek, pending in the superior court, and contained the statement that the deponent had seen Mrs. Leek and Prof. E. S. Bonelli coming out of an apartment. On the order of Judge Van Nostrand, the papers in the suit were turned over to Attorney Carl Westerfeldt, representing Rose Rankin. He reported that the deposition was not in the envelope and there the matter rested until the deposition reappeared yesterday as strangely as it had vanished.

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