

DECLARES THAT PRISON GRAFT STORY IS FALSE

Inspector of Building Alleges that the Charges Were Inspired by the Republican Campaign Committee

McAlester, Okla., Oct. 31.—Charging that W. L. Bishop, who made charges of fraud in the construction of the state penitentiary building, alleging that the state has lost \$100,000 through defective work, substituting plans and diverting of material belonging to the state, was paid to make his affidavit by the republican state central committee, Eugene Gill, state inspector of buildings, gave out a signed statement refuting the charges. Mr. Gill was employed by the state board of affairs and has had charge of the work of the construction of the new penitentiary here since it began. The statement is as follows: "Were it not for the length and publicity given to the charges made against the penitentiary authorities by W. L. Bishop, the matter would not be worthy of notice. Many of his charges on the face of them are a grotesque caricature of falsehoods. For instance, his statement that the original plans and specifications for the administration building were burned after the contract was let to the Texas Building company, and new plans substituted and a story left off the building is too ridiculous to be seriously considered by anybody. Such a fraud would implicate the architect and every state official connected in any way with it and would be too rank for anyone of ordinary sanity to attempt. "Bishop was disgraced for incompetency after working there some eight or ten weeks as a carpenter foreman. "The charge that false girders were used is absolutely without foundation. The girders were put in absolutely according to the plans and details furnished by Architect Weather's. "Bishop's statement that he received

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NO LET UP IN STRIKE

Special by United Press. New York, Oct. 31.—With the support of the national Federation of Labor, the express helpers in every large city are ready to quit work if necessary to win their demands and the strike may become national. The companies attempted today to stop the strike. All wagons were sent early this morning in charge of guards. The formal demand of the drivers is for a salary of \$89 per month. John M. Mitchell conferred with express company officials in an effort to settle the strike.

FIFTEEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Special by United Press. San Francisco, Oct. 31.—Fifteen persons were injured today in a fire which destroyed the Clyde hotel, caused by an explosion of a big oil tank. As the firemen entered the building, the explosion blew six of them into the street.

Lumberman Victim of an Auto Accident

Special by United Press. Leland, Miss., Oct. 31.—A. M. Love, head of one of the largest lumber companies in the country and one of the wealthiest men in the south, was instantly killed today in an auto accident.

Deitz Will Be Released on Bond

Special by United Press. Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 31.—John Deitz, the defender of Cameron dam, will be released tomorrow on bond furnished by Milwaukeeans, according to a statement made today by Geo. Shulte, chairman of the local Deitz defense committee. Deitz will come to Milwaukee at once.

REFUSES TO DENY HIS CANDIDACY

Special by United Press. New York, Oct. 31.—All efforts to force Roosevelt to declare that he is opposed to his own presidential nomination in 1912 have failed. The colonel today refused the managers of the Stinson campaign permission to make a public statement that Roosevelt will not be a presidential candidate in 1912.

A STRIKE BREAKER IS SERIOUSLY SLASHED

Special by United Press. Chicago, Oct. 31.—James Conrad, a strike breaking garment worker, was picked up in a dying condition today, his back being badly cut. Three men were captured as they were running away. The men said the cutting was caused by an argument over the strike and they denied that they were guilty of the cutting as charged.

Wichita Man is Held Prisoner By Denver Thugs

Special by United Press. Denver, Col., Oct. 31.—A dispatch received from Wichita today says that Judd G. Williams of that city is held a prisoner here by a band of thugs, among whom are several women who threaten death to him. Williams' wife at Wichita received a letter today from him saying that he was unconscious most of the time and was hid in some big building. He said he would escape in some way if he was not killed. The letter was dated October 28. The police here are investigating the story.

Free Picture Show at the New Star

A free show consisting of moving pictures, illustrated songs and other interesting features will be given by the Boot and Shoe Makers' International union of Boston, Mass., at the New Star theater Tuesday night, November 1. This show is educational and moral as well as highly entertaining. Women and children especially invited. Absolutely free; no admission, no collection. 31-21

Revolt Starts In Philippines

Special by United Press. Manila, P. I., Oct. 31.—As a result of the utterances of Dean C. Worcester, secretary of interior for the Philippine government, the most serious revolt since the pacification of the islands started in Mindanao today. The Manobo tribesmen are devastating the coast villages in the southern part of the island. One thousand regular troops are en route to attack the tribesmen. Eight Christians, one an American, are dead, it is reported. The trouble centers on the Gulf of Davao where much damage has been done to property and crops. The entire Moro population in that section are in open revolt. The Moros have always defied subjugation. The Philippines are holding mass meetings and demanding Worcester's resignation. The Americans generally uphold Worcester's policy.

CAMPAIGN WARMS UP

County Candidates Begin in their Swing Around the Circle

The last week of the campaign finds the democratic forces in Grady county on a war footing and carrying the war into every precinct in the county. According to plans mapped out by Chairman Bishop and Secretary Miller the county candidates began a speaking tour of the county Saturday at Tuttle, Judge Williams, John H. Venable, Geo. W. Barefoot, Col. Bob Glover, Geo. W. Petty and John M. Penn met a large crowd of voters at Tuttle and preached to them the gospel which saves. They received a cordial reception and predict that Tuttle democrats will contribute their share to the glorious victory on Nov. 8. Today the candidates visited Pocomsett and Mingo. Hon. Claud McCrory of Alva arrived in the city last night and will devote five days to speaking in this county. Hon. Jack Love, chairman of the state corporation commission, will speak in the city hall Thursday evening. Saturday will be the biggest day of all. Hon. Lee Cruise will speak at the New Star theater at 1 o'clock and he will be given a rousing reception. The band will furnish music.

Supreme Court Denies Petition

Special by United Press. Washington, D. C., Oct. 31.—The United States supreme court today denied a petition for a writ of certiorari in the Oklahoma 2-cent rate cases. The United States district court had granted an injunction against the enforcement of the 2-cent law, which was sustained by the United States circuit court of appeals. Today's action of the supreme court sustains the action of the circuit court.

GHOSTS OUT TONIGHT

Look out for ghosts tonight—it's Halloween. Chief Dosa also advises the ghosts to look out for if they get too frisky they are likely to be pinched. "Halloween," which is an abbreviation of "Hallowe'en" or hallowed evening, is the evening preceding All Saints Day, one of the holy days of the Roman Catholic church. According to church custom, the hallowed evening is kept as a vigil with prayers and devout meditations, especially upon the lives of the saints. The festival of All Saints Day originated in the seventh century. How the celebration of Halloween degenerated into the levity and frivolity which general characterizes it, it is difficult to say. Certainly there was nothing in the origin and proper significance of the occasion to warrant it.

RUSH WON THE GAME

Rush Springs, Okla., Oct. 31.—Quite a number witnessed the basket ball game between the Y. M. C. A. team of Chickasha and the High school boys at this place last Saturday night. Although the Y. M. C. A. team was composed of the best players of Chickasha and Ninnekah and also had the home boys bested in weight, they showed as the game proceeded that they were no match for the Rush Springs boys when it came to handling the ball. At the end of the first twenty minutes the score stood 8 to 2 in favor of the home team. The visiting team, hoping to gain back in the last twenty minutes what they had lost in the first twenty, did better playing but had to go down in defeat by a score of 16 to 7. Both teams did good work and the home team deserves still more credit from the fact that they were just organized last winter while the visiting team was composed of league players who have had training at the universities. The Y. M. C. A. had only three of their regular men in the line-up. Considering this and the unusually small court furnished by the Rush boys the Chickasha team does not feel in the least discouraged and hopes to meet the victors on a court of regulation size in the near future. Each of the teams have won one game, thus making a third meet necessary. Rush Springs has a strong five and should find no trouble taking the pennant over the other high schools of the state, if they go after the proper teams who are recognized as the state leaders. A meeting will be held in the association hall Tuesday evening, at which time a bunch of at least twenty basket ball players are wanted. Several teams will be formed and general plans discussed for future work.

STATE LAW ATTACKED

Special by United Press. Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 31.—The American, Wells-Fargo and United States Express companies united today in an attack on the gross revenue law, filing three suits simultaneously in the United States circuit court. The companies assert that they can not apportion their business exactly to Oklahoma. They also allege that the law interferes with interstate commerce. The three companies do business at the stations on 13,000 miles of railroad in the state.

A pair of 50c 7-inch Shears FREE With the purchase of a can of Rexall Pearl Tooth Powder, 25 cents, and two bars Harmony Rose Glycerine Soap, 25 cents, we will on Friday and Saturday October 28 and 29 Give a pair of 50 cents shears free. Only one to each customer. See these Goods in our east window H. J. BROWNSON The Leading Prescription Druggist The Rexall Store

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URGES DEFEAT OF THE SCHOOL AMENDMENT

Supt. Ranney makes the following statement which should be of great interest to voters: To the Voters of the Chickasha School District.—We wish to call your attention to the fact that senate joint resolution No. 1 of the legislative session of 1910 provides that there shall be submitted to the voters of Oklahoma an amendment to the constitution which shall be known as section 12A of article 10. The proposed amendment provides that public school taxes collected for the maintenance of the common schools and levied upon railroads, pipe lines, telegraphs, telephones and other public service corporations operating in more than one county, shall be paid into the state treasury, and distributed to all districts of the state according to the number of school children in each district. Under the present system, corporation taxes are paid directly into the county treasury and are distributed

Miss Fontron Buys Interest of Partner

A deal was closed Saturday whereby Miss Mabel Fontron purchased the interest of Frank DeVore in the DeVore & Fontron grocery. Miss Fontron has been actively identified with the business and is a thoroughly capable and experienced young business woman. She will continue to conduct the store in the most up-to-date manner. Mr. DeVore has not decided as to his future course. Judge Frank M. Bailey went to Ryan last night, returning this afternoon in time to open court at 9 o'clock.

MAKE A START! When you have a bank account you will make it grow. Every dollar you can spare will be added to it. Nothing succeeds like success. Do it now. Add dignity, independence, safety, to yourself and to those who depend on you. Get out of that rut of living beyond your income. Saving money acts on the mind like exercise acts on the muscles. It sends new ideas through the brain. Start that savings account now. We will pay you 4 per cent interest on the money you put in our bank and compound the interest every six months. OKLAHOMA STATE BANK CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA.