



**JUDGE ALTON B. PARKER AND HIS PRESIDENTIAL BOOM.**  
Judge Parker, whose boom for the Democratic presidential nomination is now well under way all over the country, is chief judge of the court of appeals of New York state, the highest judicial office in the gift of the Empire State.

### LYONS SENTENCED

By Judge Hamilton at Eugene To Hang April 17 Next. Quick Justice

The second chapter in the history of the Lyons murder case was brought to a close Friday morning when Judge Hamilton passed sentence on the condemned man.

The arraignment, trial and conviction of Lyons is fresh in the minds of all; how an aged father and mother, the latter prostrated with grief over the deed of an erring son, were dragged into court to testify against that son making a scene which will never be forgotten by those who witnessed it and which should be a lesson of reverend value to the young manhood and womanhood of a peace loving country, says the Register.

The last chapter is yet to come when on the day named the Murderer Lyons shall at the end of a hangman's rope expiate the crime he so readily committed.

At no time has the prisoner given evidence of the feelings of remorse which it was believed that he felt. His demeanor when on trial and when sentence was pronounced was very calm. If sorrow and remorse exists in the heart of the murderer there has been no outward indication of it.

He came into the presence of the judge to receive sentence with head thrown back, chin slightly elevated, his hands clasped in front and holding his hat. This was his customary attitude all through the trial.

The manner of passing the sentence by Judge Hamilton was as follows:

"Mr Lyons you may stand up. Have you any thing to say why sentence should not be pronounced in accordance with the verdict given by the jury who tried your case and found you guilty of murder in the first degree."

"I don't know what made me do it, I didn't mean to kill him. I think it was partly Mr Smith's fault for not coming in. I was waiting for him to come in. I don't know why I did it," said the condemned prisoner.

Mr Lyons the duty which now confronts me is a most painful one. I will not allude to the conduct of your past life which has led up to this. You wantonly took the life of an officer of the law. That act of yours is past all remedy. A life has been blotted out by your hands. The verdict of the jury has been fully warranted. This responsibility of the crime you have committed rests entirely upon yourself. You have come to the end. The law makes the crime which you have committed the penalty of death."

"I therefore, direct that upon Friday, the 17th day of April, between the hours of nine and four p. m. that you be taken to a proper place provided for that purpose and in the presence of twelve men that you be hanged by the neck until you are dead."

"May God have mercy upon your soul."

While sentence was being pronounced perfect quiet prevailed in the court room which was crowded with spectators. Lyons voice while speaking was low, calm and distinct. There was no evidence of him breaking down as was expected by many, either while hearing the sentence or when leaving the court room.

#### Printers, Take Notice.

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LANE COUNTY LEADER.

Just now the selection of a place for holding the republican congressional convention in which to select a candidate to succeed the late congressman Tongue is being considered by politicians. Salem, and Eugene seem to be rivals in the race for convention honors and in this particular contest no trouble should be experienced in making the selection, Eugene being the most central and desirable place in ever particular for holding this important convention. With a late single exception—the renomination of Congressman Tongue at Roseburg last spring—these conventions have invariably been held at points in the north end of the district. It is therefore proper that the forthcoming congressional convention be held at Eugene.

#### Portland's Disastrous Fires.

Three fires destroyed property to the value of a three-quarters of a million dollars, Tuesday. Victoria dock is in ashes as the result of a fire. With this dock went all of its contents, grain and salt, mostly fifteen cars all loaded with grain, and the residence of Charles E. Nelson, of the Portland Shipbuilding Company. The total loss will be fully \$600,000, and it is probably considerably more than this. A fire which broke out at Mississippi avenue and Russell street at five o'clock a. m. destroyed a dozen two-story and three-story stores and lodging houses and one residence. The damage will aggregate \$25,000. The splendid new residence of William Faber, at Eleventh and Market streets, was completely gutted and ruined by fire at an early hour in the day. Its contents were completely destroyed. The loss is \$6,000.

#### Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The delegation today united in recommending the appointment of three postmasters in the first district—J. G. Eckman, McMinnville; James Page, Eugene, and the reappointment of S. S. Train, Albany. Page was unanimously indorsed by the Legislative delegates from Lane County.

The Senate today confirmed the nominations of the five Oregon postmasters appointed yesterday, and mentioned in another column.

#### Oregon Lumber Advancing.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The Retail Lumber Dealers' Association has made another advance in prices. Six months ago the price of rough Oregon pine was from \$10 to \$12 a thousand, and now ranges from \$19 to \$21 a thousand. Finishing pine which is clear and free of knots is worth today from \$30 a thousand and upwards. Last year No. 2 flooring cost \$20 a thousand; now it is selling at from \$30 to \$31 a 1000. Comparatively little sugar pine is used and then only for doors, sashes, etc., as it costs from \$70 to \$75 a thousand.

#### New Strike in Music Mine.

Reliable news comes from Bohemia that another rich chute of ore has been uncovered in the famous Music mine. This mine has in the past been one of the best producers in the camp, the owners having taken out nearly \$1,000,000 in gold, and it was thought by many mining men that the free ore was about exhausted, as the development work for some time has been showing up more and more high grade base ore. That theory has now been exploded by recent development work which has run into a new show up a 100-foot chute of ore which is said to surpass in richness any body of ore ever before encountered in this mine.

### WESLEY'S BIRTHDAY

HOW METHODISM WILL CELEBRATE FOUNDER'S BICENTENARY.

Commemorative Services to Be Held All Over the World—Chicago's Extension Plans—New York Buils First Methodist Church.

Methodism is deeply interested in the approaching two hundredth anniversary of the birth of the founder of the church, John Wesley, and from all over the world come notes of preparation for the celebration of the event.

In Chicago an elaborate international celebration is being planned to take place next May which will extend over a week of time. All the Methodist institutions, led by the Northwestern university, have joined in the movement, and President Edmund J. James of the university has been appointed chairman of the committee of arrangements.

It is intended to make the Chicago celebration a climax to the movement which has just resulted in the raising of a \$20,000,000 church fund. Chicago is recognized as the headquarters of Methodism in this country, and the church's strength lies in the middle west, and for that reason it is felt that the bicentennial celebration should be made international in its scope.

The first bicentennial event, however, will be held at Carnegie hall, New York, on the evening of Feb. 26 under the auspices of the Metropolitan (thank offering) commission. President Roosevelt will make the principal address of the evening, and Bishop Edward G. Edwards and Chancellor James Roscoe Day of Syracuse university will also make addresses. This bicentennial has excited the greatest interest all over the country, and the demand for tickets has exceeded the capacity of the hall by many thousands.

Wesleyan university, the oldest of the Methodist educational institutions, will have an extensive programme extending all through its commencement week next June. As Wesley's birthday draws near the celebrations will increase in number, and the church in



EDMUND J. JAMES.

England, Canada, Australia and all other countries where Methodism has a foothold will have bicentennial events.

On June 12, the Sunday nearest to Wesley's birthday, commemorative sermons will be preached in every pulpit in the denomination. The educational department of the church has prepared a special service introducing scenes from the life of Wesley, and it will be presented by all the schools of the denomination on children's day, the second Sunday in June.

John Wesley was born in Epworth, England, on June 17, 1703. He came of a long line of ministers of the Church of England. He early showed signs of religious zeal and organized a class of young men for special work. Among them were his brother Charles, afterward the famous hymn writer, and George Whitefield, destined to become a great evangelist. In 1734 Governor Oglethorpe took out to Georgia his famous colony of debtors, spendthrifts and adventurers, and John Wesley accepted his invitation to accompany him as missionary to the colony and the Indians.

After remaining in this country two years and four months he returned to England, and in 1739 the Wesleyan church was organized. In 1773 Francis Asbury was sent over to organize the church in the United States.

The honor of holding the first celebration commemorative of Wesley is claimed by New York because it was in that city that the first service of the Methodist Episcopal church in America was held. It was in 1786 that Barbara Heck and Philip Embury held the first service in Embury's house and in 1787 that the rigging loft in William street was occupied. The next year the lots now occupied by the old John street church were bought, and the Wesley chapel was dedicated before the arrival of Asbury and Dr. Thomas Coke.

Since its small beginning in the rigging loft the Methodist Episcopal church has grown great in this country. By the latest statistics it has 2,971,746 members, an increase of 24,774 over the preceding year. For benevolent purposes the church spent \$2,925,523, and for ministerial support \$1,722,550 was spent. The property owned by the church is worth \$180,000,000.

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## LEWIS & VEATCH

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Benson was found in a deserted cabin two miles west of town. He offered no resistance when caught.

A mob surrounded the jail, with loud cries of "Hang him! hang him!" but every precaution was taken against violence.

When telling his story the murderer cried like a child.

His wanderings tallied very well with the newspaper reports. He has several times been in the hands of men looking for him, but let him go after looking at his face.

He was in Tacoma half a day and then returned to Olympia.

### The Benefit of Change.

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FRED FISK, Sheriff & Tax Collector of Lane County Oregon.

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