

GREAT VICTORY

Is Won By Railroads of United States

ONLY ONE JUDGE DISSENTS

King George and Members of Royal Family Witness Amazing Water Feats—Over 100 Vessels in Procession.

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The court decided that Harriman's pooling of stocks of the Union and Southern Pacific, and their five subsidiary roads, does not constitute a merger for the control of the Western traffic. The defeat of the government's contention that Harriman conspired to monopolize the Pacific coast traffic, is a distinct railroad victory, and is considered such by the many railroad magnates. Justice Hook, alone, dissented.

Review War Fleet.

LONDON, Eng., June 24.—King George, the queen and the royal children, today reviewed the greatest war fleet ever gathered together in the world's history. The water display ended the week's coronation celebration, which has been the most gorgeous seen in the United Kingdom. The party took a special train to Portsmouth after the services where they boarded the royal yacht with diplomatic corps, and passed down the lines of British and foreign war dogs, numbering in all 130 vessels.

Miss Ruby Champagne, night telephone operator at Cottage Grove, will arrive here this evening to spend Sunday with her mother and incidentally to visit with friends.

MEN UNIDENTIFIED.

When shown photographs of Edward Allen and Ralph Andrews, suspected of having participated in the holdup and robbery of the mail car of the Shasta Limited, near Yoncalla, Friday night, the mail clerks on duty at the time, the crime was committed yesterday denied that they had any resemblance to the men who entered the car. The mail clerks maintain that the desperadoes were unmasked and that they could readily identify them by their photographs. It is noted that Allen and Andrews were suspected of the crime. Post-office Inspector Morse went to Yoncalla and obtained photographs of the men, which were turned over to the mail clerks.

ROSEBURG BAND.

Anticipates Much Benefit from Caramel Cake Baking Contest.

We wish to call our readers' attention to a full page ad. in this issue of The News, announcing a unique affair which was arranged by Mr. H. A. B. Sneeve, traveling representative for the N. K. Fairbanks Co., and which is to be pulled off under the auspices of the local merchants for the benefit of the home band. There are very few towns the size of Roseburg that have not a well organized band. Mr. Sneeve will be with the local Merchants a month in the interests of this contest and should be given hearty support by all that are interested in the welfare of a home band and Roseburg in general.

What's a town without a band?

Dr. A. C. Seely, wife and baby returned here this afternoon after a week's outing in the southern part of the county. They were accompanied here by Miss Pearl Hall and Mrs. Dr. Winton Hall and little son, all of Lakeview, Oregon.

LIQUOR ACTION TAFT SERIOUS

Gus Sparks on Trial in Circuit Court

CHARGED WITH SELLING BEER

The Grand Jury is Still in Session—Only One Indictment is Thus Far Returned—Will Adjourn Next Week.

The case of the State of Oregon vs. G. W. (Gus) Sparks, who is charged with violating the local option laws, is attracting the attention of a jury in the circuit court today. Attorneys Robert Smith, of Grants Pass, and Elbert Hermann, of Roseburg, are conducting the defense, while District Attorney Geo. M. Brown appears on behalf of the state.

The entire morning was consumed in securing a suitable jury, and not until nearly 2 o'clock this afternoon was the examination of witnesses commenced. The attorneys for the defense exercised six peremptory challenges, the full number allowed by law, while only two prospective jurors were excused for cause. The district attorney accepted all comers. The jury before whom Sparks is being tried is composed of J. R. Clayton, J. E. Medley, J. J. Gilliam, G. H. Mester, J. Harding, L. S. Coon, A. R. Haven, T. C. Johns, B. J. Bovington, W. J. Briggs, Eugene Ollivant and C. H. Lake. Those excused were A. G. Clarke, S. M. Pardee, F. F. Wells, John Dowell, B. W. Strong, W. R. Vinson, Sam Jones and A. J. Bellows.

The first witness to take the stand upon behalf of the state was Z. W. Davis, of Yoncalla. He said that he visited the resort, in which Sparks was employed, on the night of May 1, and after making a couple of rounds of drinks purchased a bottle of beer. He said that he paid 25 cents for the same and that the transaction was witnessed by Deputy Sheriff Starmer, and a couple of

THE NEWS' BARGAIN MONTH

Today was a busy one in the subscription department of both the Daily and Twice-a-Week News. All day long new and old subscribers called to take advantage of the big June reductions. Only one week more remains in which to get your name on the list for Douglas county's leading paper for practically nothing. Every mail brings from three to ten renewals or new names and our traveling representative, M. Ray Henderson, who is making a tour of the northern part of the county, reports that during his visit, every city he has visited. Don't delay, the offer soon closes.

LOCAL NEWS.

In the circuit court last evening, William Perman, formerly engaged in the grocery business in Roseburg, was granted a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Nellie Perman. The plaintiff alleged desertion, and was represented by Attorneys John T. Long and F. G. Mitchell.

County Judge Wagoner today dismissed the contest to the will of the late Cynthia A. Boon, and declared Oley Boon, a son, and Mrs. Ella C. Patterson, a daughter, sole heirs to the estate. At the time of her death, Mrs. Boon left a will in which she named Mrs. Patterson and Oley Boon as her legal heirs, and later the will was admitted to probate. Before the estate could be settled, a daughter by former marriage, Lucy Sutherland, appeared on the scene, and offered protest that she will on the grounds that it was void, and that she as well as several other children were entitled to equal shares in the estate. The contest was heard by County Judge Wagoner on June 13, and a decision was forthcoming today.

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