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LONG CASE ENDED

Hyde and Schneider Found Guilty of Land Frauds

JURY OUT SINCE FRIDAY

Diamond and Benson Acquitted, Although Later Faces 10-Year Term of Imprisonment

Special to the Evening Review. WASHINGTON, June 22.—After being out since last Friday evening a Federal jury this morning returned a verdict of guilty on all counts against Frederick A. Hyde and John H. Schneider and a verdict of not guilty as to John A. Benson and Henry Diamond, thus finishing another chapter in one of the most celebrated land fraud cases in the history of the country. Early this morning the jury reported that it could not agree upon a verdict. Judge Stafford asked the jurors to throw aside prejudices and try again, whereupon the jury once more retired and in a short time reached its verdict.

The quartet of defendants were indicted nearly four years ago on the charge of unlawfully conspiring to defraud the government out of public lands in northern California and southern Oregon. It was alleged that Hyde and Benson secured title to school lands in state forest reservations by alleged fraudulent methods and that these titles were then assigned to the United States government for selection purposes under the act of 1897, securing the government attorneys allege, 100,000 acres in the manner.

Schneider, who was charged with securing titles to school lands in Oregon, was in the employ of Hyde for many years. The prosecution endeavored to prove that Diamond, who was an attorney-at-law in San Francisco, was aware of the alleged overt acts of Hyde and Benson while acting as their attorney.

Woodford D. Harlan and William E. Walk, formerly clerks in the general land office in this city, were witnesses for the government and admitted on the stand that they received money from Benson for executing his application in the land office for the land selection.

During the trial Benson barely escaped commitment to jail for contempt of court by refusing to answer certain questions after Justice Stafford had informed him that it was his duty to do so.

It is estimated that the prosecution of this case cost the government not less than \$1,000,000. The cases against Benson, Diamond, Schneider and Hyde have been dragging along for the last four years. John A. Benson is regarded as the principal in the alleged conspiracy. For many years he has been a prominent figure on the Pacific coast. Early in life he went from Ohio to San Francisco, where he established himself as a surveyor, land agent and real estate operator. From 1876 to 1879 he held the office of United States deputy surveyor. Then he proceeded to organize the Benson land firm, seeking to control contracts for surveying government land in California and the neighboring states.

MOTION IS OVERRULED

Wolverton Declines That J. H. Booth Must Stand Trial.

Special to the Evening Review. PORTLAND, Or., June 22.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon in the Federal court Judge Wolverton overruled the motion filed on Saturday to dismiss the indictment against J. H. Booth, charging him with accepting a bribe for giving out advance information on government lands while he was receiver of the U. S. land office at Roseburg. As soon as the decision of the court on the motion to dismiss was handed down, the work of selecting a jury to try the case was begun. This ruling of the court was not unexpected. Judge Hunt had made a similar ruling last year.

(The attorneys for the prosecution are U. S. Atty. John McCourt, of Portland, and Special Atty. Becker, of the Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. For the defense are Atty. Maloney and Webster, of Portland; A. C. Woodcock, of Eugene, and Dexter Rice and W. V. Cardwell, of Roseburg. The trial will perhaps occupy several days, but the attorneys for the defense are confident of a successful outcome. It is understood that the prosecution depends very largely upon the testimony of F. A. Kribs, but, of course, this remains to be developed.)

THE DAILY RAILROAD WRECK.

Special to the Evening Review. BATON ROUGE, La., June 22.—A train carrying a large number of members of the state legislature was wrecked on the Baton Rouge & Eastern R. R. this afternoon. Several persons, among them Representative Louis, are reported to have been killed and a number of other persons injured.

Heat Attacks Chicago. CHICAGO, June 22.—Two persons are dead and scores of others are prostrated as the result of the intense heat here today.

Taft in New York. NEW YORK, June 22.—Wm. H. Taft was greeted warmly upon his arrival here today. He held a conference at the Manhattan Hotel with Frank B. Kellogg, the "Trust Buster," and then departed for New Haven, Conn., to attend commencement at Yale. Taft will wind up his business at the war department next Saturday. Following this he will pay President Roosevelt a visit at Otter Bay.

GREAT FOREST FIRES.

Michigan Suffers a Loss of About \$200,000 From Fire.

DETROIT, June 21.—Fires in Northern Michigan forests fanned to great proportions by the gales of the last two days, have destroyed at least three villages, rendered hundreds homeless, swept over thousands of acres of timber land and caused damage estimated at about \$200,000.

The heaviest loss has been sustained in Presque Isle and Cheboygan counties, although Leelanau, Charlevoix and Oscoda have also suffered. In many towns houses were lighted in the sun, was obscured by the heavy smoke. The village of Oco, in Presque Isle county, was destroyed today. A special train conveyed the homeless villagers to Onaway, where they were sheltered tonight.

Legende, a little town in Cheboygan county, was also abandoned as the flames loomed. Many women and children were taken to camps in Indian river. While a big fire at Wolverine today was being fought, a forest fire threatened another section of the village. While the Wolverine department was engaged in a call for aid was received from Rossland, three miles north.

The firemen could not locate Wolverine and Rossland was the mercy of the flames. A hotel, several stores and houses and the Michigan Central station were burned. In Leelanau county a great fire raged near Fouche. All night the glow of the fire could be seen at Traverse City, 12 miles away. Several farm buildings were destroyed and Panetta's big lumber yard was wiped out. Much valuable timber was burned.

WORKED BY A FORGER.

Two Roseburg Business Firms Are Out \$16.50 Each.

Two Roseburg business firms, Rosten, Greenbaum Co., and Stephens & Perry, are each out \$16.50 as the result of the operations of a smooth forger in this city on Friday and Saturday of last week. Each firm honored a First National Bank check for \$16.50 made payable to and endorsed by a stranger signing his name as "Chas. Carroll," and to which was forged the name of Albert Abraham, the well known local attorney. The criminal has disappeared, and so far no trace of his whereabouts has been discovered. Walking into Rosten, Greenbaum Company's store Friday evening, the stranger tendered one of the spurious checks to Fred Champagne, one of the clerks. In payment for a bill of goods amounting to \$2, and received handed \$14.50 in money. In the afternoon of the following day, the forger walked into Stephens & Perry's shoe store and presented the other check to Loyal Stephens, asking merely for the amount of money that the check called for. He got it. This morning the forgeries were discovered.

BIG POWER PLANT BURNED.

PORTLAND, June 21.—An accident to the machinery at the Cazadero power plant of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, early yesterday morning, caused the complete wrecking of the station, containing a loss of \$110,000. Flying pieces of hot metal and burning insulation set fire to the building, destroying inflammable parts of the structure. The two operators who were on duty at the time had a miraculous escape from instant death.

DEADLY MINE EXPLOSION.

MONONGAHELA CITY, Pa., June 20.—Six men are dead and 20 are imprisoned in shaft No. 7 of the Ellsworth mine of the Pittsburgh Coal company, the result of an explosion which occurred in the mine last evening. The mine is burning and it has been impossible to rescue any of the entombed men.

Of the six dead whose bodies have been recovered only one has been identified, Frank Deal. The other five bodies are so badly burned as to be almost past recognition. It is almost certain that the 20 men who are in the mine will perish. Just what caused the explosion is unknown, but it is believed to have been the result of an accumulation of coal dust.

IMPROVE SUSAIA RAE.

Government Will Furnish Machinery For Proposed Jetty Work.

EUGENE, June 20.—William Kyle, the Florence merchant and capitalist, arrived in Eugene last night from Portland, and left on this morning's stage for his home. While in Portland he visited the office of the government engineers and laid before the officers in charge the plan of the citizens of the western end of the county to spend \$100,000 to improve the mouth of the Susiaua river. The scheme met with the hearty approval of the engineers and a promise was made that the promoters of the work will be furnished all the machinery and equipment necessary with which to do the work. It was stated that the improvement once started would undoubtedly be continued by the government and that it will not be many years until a first-rate harbor is made at Florence. The plan is, as soon as the bonds are voted and all ready to be completed on a jetty at the mouth of the river on the south side. This would keep the water from spreading over the south side and confine it in the south channel. It is thought that \$100,000 will be sufficient for this work and by securing all the machinery free from the government it will probably be done cheaper than that.

It will be remembered that the government, a number of years ago started to build a north jetty at the mouth of the river. The sum of \$175,000 was expended by the government and the work abandoned. It is the intention after the south jetty is completed to take up the work on the north jetty, where the government left off, and complete it. It is said that by building the south jetty alone a minimum depth of 14 feet can be obtained over the bar. This is sufficient to admit any lumber carrier on the coast, and many existing steamers could easily enter the harbor. With the completion of the north jetty also a much greater depth could be secured. If the bill empowering the issuance of the bonds is passed by the legislature next January it is planned to begin the work about next June.

"IN FULL RETREAT"

Bryan Discusses Republican Convention and Platform

TRUSTS CONTROL THE PARTY

As Shown by Convention's Decided Action Toward Important Measures of Reform

LINCOLN, Neb., June 20.—Under the caption "In Full Retreat," William J. Bryan, in the next issue of The Commoner, will discuss the Republican national convention, as follows: "The Republicans who attended the national convention as spectators and joined in the demonstration in favor of President Roosevelt and Senator LaFollette must have felt indignant as they watched the patriotic delegates routing over each other to get away from the LaFollette reforms, some of which have been endorsed by the president himself. Cooper, of Wisconsin, representing the LaFollette platform brought in a minority report signed by himself alone. Fifty-two members of the committee signed the majority report and one signed the minority report. The Republican party will find the ratio of 52 to 1 a very embarrassing one to deal with in the coming campaign."

In the same vein he alludes to Cooper's plank favoring legislation providing for the publicity of campaign contributions and its defeat by a majority of nine to one, notwithstanding the president and Secretary Taft had advocated it and that Taft had written a letter to Chairman Burrows of the convention advocating the passage of such a bill.

More Retreats.

"How fortunate," says Bryan, "was that Taft's letter was finally discovered and published. Who will deny on this subject, that the Republican party is retreating?" Next he alludes to the defeat of the plank recommending the physical valuation of railroads by a vote of nearly 15 to 1.

CLARWOMEN IN BOSTON.

Ninth Biennial Meeting Opens This Evening With Concert.

BOSTON, June 22.—Never before has this city of literature and culture been called upon to entertain so many women as have gathered today from every city and town of the land to participate in the liberations of the ninth biennial meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Thousands of delegates are in the city and there is a great throng of people. The program of the convention will be especially notable as the first held in the East. It will include a great deal of interesting deliberations, which now has a half-million women in its ranks.

A subject of the Boston convention is the "The Social Problem." The formal opening will take place tomorrow evening. It is expected that Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, the "grand old woman of America," will deliver one of the addresses of the convention. The responsible will be Mrs. Frank Child of Denver, president of the General Federation. Among the men who will speak are Senator Arthur J. Altmeyer, of Indiana, whose address will be "Child Labor," Commissioner North of the Department of Commerce and Labor, and Governor H. L. Lewis of Ohio. Attention will be paid to legislative bills relative to child labor, domestic violence, household economics and pure food. It will also come up for consideration.

FOR ROSEBURG AND VICINITY

Fair tonight, Tuesday fair and warmer.

IN CRITICISM OF THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

in criticism of the Republican platform in general, William J. Bryan tonight gave out a statement in which he assails in particular the anti-injunction plank of the Chicago platform, describing it as a "transparent fraud." The statement which will appear under the heading, "Republicans Deceiving Labor," in the next issue of Mr. Bryan's Commoner, says in part:

"The anti-injunction plank of the Republican platform, as finally adopted, is a transparent fraud. It is possible that the members of the committee were lured by some trust lawyer—that is the only charitable view that can be taken of it. Those who advocated the plank claimed to be doing so as a concession to the wage-earners and yet, if one will read the plank, he will see that it is, in fact, an announcement that the Republican party is unalterably opposed to the laboring men's position. "The plank assumes that somebody is attacking the courts and that the courts are in danger of losing support or having their powers weakened. There is no attack upon the courts; there is no thought anywhere of interfering with any legitimate function of the court. The Republican convention puts up a bunch of straw and then proceeds to demolish it; it suspects an unholy plot upon the judiciary and its unbridled indignation finds expression in a boastful assertion of its innocence of participation in any such suspected assault."

Continuing he said: "Secretary Taft is known as the father of government by injunction and his speeches in Oklahoma last year gave conclusive proof of his adherence to the position taken by him on the bench. He is still in favor of the use of the writ of injunction in labor cases and he is opposed to trial by jury."

In a speech delivered in New York last winter he said in response to questions, that the law ought to be so amended as to give a hearing before the injunction was granted, and even consented that the hearing or contempt should be held before a different judge from the one who granted the injunction, but when he came to prepare a plank for the convention he did not so far as he went in the speech. The plank that went before the convention as his plank, and so weak that it amounted to nothing, was the one which the convention adopted, a plank which not only does not grant any remedy to the laboring man, but really amplifies the injunction taken by large corporations, by building a machinery of those who are supposed to be a desire to modify the law relating to injunctions. This is the treatment received by the wage earners from the National convention of the Republican party. It is the position of the party before the election, what reason has the laboring man to hope that the party will do better after election?"

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SOCIALISM TRIUMPHANT.

Makes Large Gains in Election to German Diet.

BERLIN, June 22.—Leaders of the German Social Democracy assert that in twelve districts in Berlin six candidates will surely be elected when the definite issue takes place tomorrow, and that there is a large probability of two or three more. One Socialist was elected in Hanover at the first ballot on June 3, and the second ballot may add one or two additional members to this representation. The elections are looked upon as a great triumph for the principles of Marx, since it is the first time in history that the Socialists have gained representation in the Prussian Abgeordnetenhaus. Their entrance into that stronghold of conservatism has created a sensation and may induce the government to grant the long demanded franchise reform. Women and children of the workmen's quarter are taking part in the general jubilation, and the public demonstrations of joy at what is termed the speedy triumph of Socialism.

The victories of the Socialists are all the more remarkable because the franchise on which elections to the Diet are conducted are based on a property qualification, which confers the bulk of power to the wealthy and disfranchises the masses. The government has resisted successfully all demands for reform. Chancellor von Bulow's attitude on this question and the resultant street demonstrations last January are recalled as the latest incidents in this personal struggle.

R. L. Stephens and James A. Perry, the local shoe dealers, today dissolved partnership, Mr. Perry retiring to enter other business, which he will make known in a few days.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between R. L. Stephens and James A. Perry, boot and shoe dealers, of Roseburg, Oregon, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Perry retiring and Mr. Stephens continuing the business, assuming all of said firm's liabilities and indebtedness. Dated at Roseburg, Or., June 22, 1908.

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HURLED FROM LOG

Arthur Fulk Drowned in North Umpqua above Glide

BODY NOT YET RECOVERED

Despite Warning, He Tries to Break Jam in Rapids and is Swept to His Death

While attempting to break a log jam in a mass of swirling rapids in North Umpqua river, last Saturday afternoon, Arthur Fulk, a logger, aged about 27 years, was drowned. The accident occurred about two miles above the fish hatchery, 22 miles east of this city and a few miles below the spot where Wm. Delyria, another logger, was drowned two years ago. Although diligent search has been prosecuted ever since Fulk's death, his body has not yet been brought to light, and like Delyria's body, it may never be recovered. Fulk was in the employ of Christner & Watkins, who have a contract for floating logs to Winchester for Kendall Bros. He came to Roseburg from Idaho a little over a week ago with an older brother and another man, and the trio, being experienced loggers, were immediately engaged by Christner & Watkins.

When the jam occurred at the rapids last Saturday, Christner tried to dislodge Fulk from going out on the logs, warning him of the treacherous nature of the river. A skill was always on hand for such emergencies, but Fulk declined to use it and leaped out on the jam with his cut hook. A moment later a lurching log threw him from his balance into the water and the current carried him rapidly down the stream. He was seen to rise twice and then disappear around a slight bend. Fulk was a strong swimmer and at first no apprehension as to his safety was felt. To his fellow members of the logging crew, nine in all, it had appeared that he was gradually making his way toward the shore. As they hastened along the bank of the river, however, they saw nothing more of Fulk or any sign of where he had crawled out of the water, thus indicating unmistakably that he was drowned. That Fulk was unable to swim ashore is attributed to the belief that he was seized with a cramp, which is very probable in view of the fact that he was considerably overheated from work when he struck the very cold water of the river.

Fulk is survived by his parents and two brothers, besides the one that witnessed his fatal accident. The family home is in Crellin, Maryland.

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