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LAND FRAUDS ARE INVESTIGATED

Many Sensational Features---Crowning Event Today---High Officials Examined and Cross Examined

(Observer Special)

Portland Dec. 2.—There has been many sensational features connected with the investigation of the alleged public land frauds, but the crowning event was held for today. High officials have been subjected to examination and cross examination and have there fore contributed their portion to the delight of the trial, but J W Heidecke a surveyor's chairman from Detroit, Oregon, by his answers was able to throw more color upon the actions of certain men who heretofore shrouded their actions in the deepest mystery than any other witness yet produced by the government. He, when placed up on the stand admitted that he was bribed by Tarpley and Pater and they paid him the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars. The certificate of deposit was made out to Emma Watson and endorsed by her to perjure himself. This little statement by him was sufficient to make several in the court room who hitherto had been able to appear rather unconcerned, suddenly seek outside air, but those who remained to hear the rest of his testimony were rewarded for their delay by hearing him testify in clear and unconcerned tones how Inspector Loomis came to him and told him that he (Loomis)

was a party to the conspiracy. This was making a strong record, but he had still another shot which he fired with telling effect. It was to the effect that he had paid two other men ten dollars each to sign their names to affidavits which had already been filled out.

The prosecution claims to have other witnesses who know as much as Heidecke and that they will be able to produce the star witnesses in day or two which remove all question of doubt and demonstrate that frauds have been committed and who the guilty parties are.

Justifiable Homicide

(Observer Special)

New York, Dec. 2.—The coronor's jury this afternoon returned a verdict of justifiable homicide in the case of Frank Felton who was charged with the killing of Guy Roesch, a gambler. Felton had been indicted by the grand jury with murder in the first degree.

Seats for "The Little Outcast" will be on sale Sunday morning. The prices are: reserved seats 75c and 50c; balcony, 5c and 25c.

Free Bulletines

Professor James Withycombe director of the Oregon Experiment Station at Corvallis, Oregon in his annual report for the year ending June 30, just published, calls attention to the fact that there are now on hand for free distribution to such persons as will furnish him with their names and address the bulletins issued by the Experimental Station during the past year.

These bulletines are in the following subjects, "Canning Onions" by Prof. E F Fernot, "Strawberries and varieties of vegetables" by Prof. George Coot, "Swine Feeding" by Dr James Withycombe, "Plant Food" by Prof. A L Kinsely, "The apple in Oregon" by Prof. E R Lake. These bulletines contain valuable information gathered from actual experiments, and will be of much more advantage to Oregon readers than big books on the Japan and Russian war.

The L D S Quarterly Conference

The Quarterly conference of the Union Stake of the L D S will convene here tomorrow morning at ten o'clock and there will also be a session in the afternoon beginning at two o'clock. The meetings will continue until and over Sunday. Meeting will be held at ten in the morning and two in the afternoon. There will be speakers in attendance from Salt Lake and the Baker City choir will also be in attendance Sunday. The public is cordially invited to attend the meetings.

Annual School Report

Giving the Operations Of Oregon Agricultural College for the School Year Ending June 30

The Observer received Friday morning the 16th annual report of the Oregon Agricultural College and Experiment Station giving the operations of that institution for the year ending June 30 1904.

While this school is under the management of the state of Oregon the largest portion of the money expended in operating it is provided by the U S.

The report of the Finance committee of regents shows the total expenses for the year were \$83,899.13 of which sum the U S furnished \$50,943.36 as follows: From the Morrill Act \$26,000. From Hatch Act \$15,000. From the interest accumulated on the irreducible fund by Act of Congress of July 2, 1882 \$10,963.36. The state furnished \$32,955.77.

During the year ending June 30 1904 there were 530 students enrolled being less than the enrollment of 1903.

W C T U Convention

(Observer Special)

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—The National W C T U Convention which is in session here today elected its general officers for the next year.

BOUGHT FAMOUS ROCK

A local real estate agency in Tacoma closed the sale this week of a noted and picturesque piece of property on the Columbia river, known as Castle Rock being one of the great scenic attractions on the Washington side of the river between Portland and The Dalles. The sale was made to Charles E Ladd, of Portland for Jay Cooke, of Philadelphia, who has owned it for a number of years. It is intended to preserve the rock for its natural attraction. The consideration was \$2100.

Additional Locals

In a squib about the weather yesterday an oversight in the proof reader the type made us put the elevation of La Grande at one and a half miles. What was intended was to say over a half mile above sea level. La Grande is 2782 feet above sea level, which is 142 more than a half mile.

John Wood is over from Walls Walls today with a view of buying about fifty head of cattle. Since leaving Wallawa county he has gone in with Senator Levi Ankeny and purchased an 18000 acre stock farm about 70 miles from Walls Walls.

J O Ardrey returned yesterday morning from Portland near which place he has purchased a ten acre farm. He expects to leave La Grande in a short time and take possession of his new purchase. His new home is located about five miles from Portland on the road to Oregon City, and is accessible by county road, steam railway and electric railway. Mr. and Mrs. Ardrey have many friends in this city who regret their removal, but who wish them every possible success in their new home, and should they ever conclude to return to La Grande they are assured of a hearty welcome.

S E Rinehart has been appointed by the county judge administrator of the estate of Elmo Evans. Jas. Garity, Wm. Thomas and U G Couch are the appraisers of the estate.

NEW CURE FOR RHEUMATISM

The sting of a bee has long been regarded by the poorer agricultural classes of Europe as a cure of rheumatism. Dr Perc, of Harburg Germany, has recently been advocating its efficiency before a brilliant gathering of physicians to whom he declared that he thoroughly tested the treatment and demonstrated its efficiency in 500 cases. If a bee stings a person suffering from rheumatism, the stung part does not swell until the bee poison has been frequently introduced, when the rheumatic pain vanishes. Dr Perc's mode of procedure is to allow his patients to be stung at first by a few bees, gradually increasing the number. Dr Perc asserts that by this treatment he has cured patients suffering from obstinate and most painful rheumatism.

WILL LEAVE SOON

Well Known Pioneers Will Spend Winter in California

About December 12 the following well known pioneers of this valley will leave to spend the winter in California. As they have been neighbors and friends for years it goes without saying that California will be explored from one end to the other before they return. The party consists of Mr and Mrs Jos. Palmer, Mr and Mrs A C Huntington of this city and Mr and Mrs S O Swackhammer of Union.

Dr. P A Charlton, the veterinary surgeon, was called yesterday to the Wade farm near Summerville on professional business.

RUN ON A BANK

Confidence is Restored And Depositors Who Withdrew Reopened Accounts

(Observer Special)

Buffalo Dec. 2.—The run on the German-American bank which was started yesterday by rumors which were current to the effect that the bank was about to fail was stopped this afternoon. The bank was able to convince its customers that it was in first class financial condition and depositors who withdrew their accounts this morning reopened accounts again this afternoon. The bank officials state that they will discover the persons who are responsible for the unfounded rumors and will prosecute them to the fullest extent of the law.

Degree of Honor

The first district convention of the Degree of Honor convened in this city today. There were delegates from Huntington, Baker City, Sumpter and Elgin. There will be a reception held this evening to be followed by a banquet to which all members of the A O U W and their families are expected to be present.

UNDERTAKERS FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Having purchased the undertaking goods of E. Andross & Co., at an early date we expect to find suitable quarters and will open the most complete and up-to-date Undertaking Parlors in Eastern Oregon. In the meantime we are prepared to render the best possible service and will be found at the Andross & Co.'s Furniture Store.

We have had many years experience in this business and know that the public will appreciate the establishment that we will maintain. Our prices will be reasonable, and our stock complete. All calls will receive prompt attention.

GIFFIN & HOGAN.

For the present with E. Andross & Co. Phone 91

RUBBER With Life in it

When you buy anything in rubber goods it pays to get the kind with rubber in it. Many makers of rubber goods are pliant to the demand for cheapness, and hence the market is flooded with inferior goods that hardly resemble rubber. Quality counts in this line, and we are careful to buy of makers who have a reputation for turning out high grade goods only. You can have confidence in the rubber goods we offer, no matter how low the price is.

Bulb Syringes, Fountain Syringes, Hot Water Bottles, Combination Fountain Syringes and Hot Water Bottles, etc.

THE NEWLIN DRUG CO LA GRANDE OREGON

Three Important Items at Great Special Prices

\$4.75 to \$7.50 Childrens' and Misses' Jackets \$2.50

About 25 of these Jackets in Coverts Cloth, Venitian Cloth and many novelty suitings worth regular prices from \$4.50 to \$7.50, at, for choice

\$2.50

\$12.00 Ladies' Jacke's, Special \$10.00

\$11.00 Ladies' Jackets, Special 9.25

\$7.50 and \$8.00 Trimmed Hats \$4.75

All ladies' hats at specially reduced prices.

The Fair THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY