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SIX FOUND GUILTY IN BOOZE CASE

Sheriff James D. Agnew, Ada County Sheriff, Is Convicted.

BOISE CHIEF OF POLICE ACQUITTED

Sensational Boise and Ada County Whisky Case Is Ended; Jury Out Nearly Seven Hours.

FOUND GUILTY BY JURY.
Ed Kemp, laborer.
James D. Agnew, sheriff of Ada County.
Sylvester Kinney, deputy sheriff.
Dr. Henry Goodfriend.
Carl Sorenson, rooming house manager.
Ed Ward, taxi cab driver.
Ed Kemp, laborer.

ACQUITTED BY JURY.

Henry Griffith, Boise chief of police.

Concluding one of the most sensational trials that has occupied the attention of Idaho citizens for years, a jury in the United States district court at 1:16 o'clock Sunday morning returned a verdict of guilty against six defendants in the liquor conspiracy case. One of the remaining defendants, Chief of Police Henry Griffith, was acquitted.

Conviction on All Counts

The verdict against the six men included conviction on all six counts charged in the grand jury's indictment. Three counts on conspiracy to violate the liquor laws and three counts for violation of the internal revenue laws. Originally there were 16 persons under indictment. Mrs. Edith Sorenson, 33, in bed, was not considered in the deliberations of the jury which voted the convictions. Ed Hill, detective of the Boise police department, was set free by the court on motion of the United States district attorney, J. H. Evans, originally indicted, was not brought to trial.

In reaching a verdict the jury deliberated six hours and 25 minutes, the case having been turned over at 6:23 Saturday evening. For hours the throng which had crowded the courtroom during the entire period of the trial waited, anxious to learn the fate of the accused. When the jury re-entered early Sunday morning a hush descended. The slips of paper were handed to Judge P. S. Dietrich, who glanced at them and turned them over to William McConnold, clerk of the court, who read the verdict, stated the Idaho Stateman.

For the most part the defendants received the news of their conviction unmoved. The strain of the past six days was plainly visible in their faces but there was no breakdown after the decision had been announced. As soon as they were able to make egress from the thronged room they disappeared. Police Chief Griffith shook hands with the members of the jury that had acquitted him as they filed out.

Sentences Set for April 9.

Judge Dietrich announced that the bonds of \$2500 for Agnew and Goodfriend and of \$1500 for each of the other convicted men would be continued until the date of their sentences, which he fixed for April 9. The court also granted defense counsel 20 days in which to prepare bills of exceptions in event appeal to the United States circuit court of appeals is decided on.

Blue Five Wins From Baker 35 to 29: Game With Joseph Assured

Just before the Observer went to press, Principal E. D. Towler announced that final arrangements had been made for the La Grande-Joseph game. It will be played Wednesday evening in Enterprise at 7:30 o'clock. Enterprise having lost the two games at an earlier date. A special train will go to Enterprise providing 125 tickets are sold.

Saturday's Results.
At La Grande, Baker 29, La Grande 25.
At La Grande, La Grande girls 27, Imbler girls 2.

Baker, 29; La Grande, 25. Sweet music in the ears of the Blue and White followers! That score means many things! It means that Baker is out of the race for the divisional championship, by virtue of having lost three games while La Grande has lost but two; it means that another victory is added to the long list that La Grande has won from her ancient adversaries.

Old Man Winter Again Ushered Into Valley; Snow Seven Inches Deep

Winter returned with all its ferocity of falling snowflakes last evening. About a inch had been recorded Saturday and Sunday but commencing shortly before 6 o'clock last night, the white blanket began piling up over the Grande home valley in earnest and today the depth of the wintry covering reaches about seven inches with little promise of a long cessation. Weather reports from the federal bureau indicate that either rain or snow will be in vogue throughout the week and either will be sufficiently disagreeable to East Oregonians.

Although the snow is deep, it is not packed and starting this morning is rapidly melting the snow.

GERMANS MUST PAY CLAIMS OF UNITED STATES

Bill for Return of Alien Property Will Force Payment of San Francisco Fire Insurance.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Coinciding with the signing by President Harding of the administration bill for the return of all alien property worth of \$10,000 and under, Alien Property Custodian Thomas W. Miller, issued a statement Sunday explaining how under its terms American claims against Germany will be protected.

As finally enacted to be released from the custody of Colonel Miller 95 per cent of the individual properties seized during the war. "These citizens of California who are denied full justice by certain German insurance companies of their losses in the great fire of 1906," said Mr. Miller, "will receive a glimmer of hope in the provision placed in the bill in the senate, which provides that no such insurance companies shall receive any of the benefits of the alien property return bill until they have satisfactorily settled the claims of their policy holders in California."

Slackers Get No Money
Another feature of the bill is of an administrative character with the exception of the provision barring fugitives from justice receiving any of the benefits. This means that traitors and others like him must return and take their punishment or relinquish their money is now held by the custodian.

DIAMOND FANS MEET TONIGHT

Members of last year's baseball team and all who are interested in baseball will meet this evening in the back room of the "Home Plate" cigar store, on Adams avenue, for the purpose of electing officers for this year's nine and arranging plans for the coming season. The meeting will be held at 7:30 o'clock.

All who are interested in baseball are requested to be present to ascertain, whether an attempt will be made to revive the Inter-Mountain six-day league or promote a Baker-La Grande eight-game league with independent baseball on the side.

THE WEATHER

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Mar. 5.—Tonight and Tuesday rain in the west, fair in the eastern portion. Moderate southwesterly winds.

THE MARKET

PORTLAND, Or., Mar. 5.—Cattle, strong; hogs, steady; sheep, higher; other grades steady; sheep, steady; eggs, firm; birds one cent higher; buying prices 26 cents, selling 22 to 24 cents; butter, slow, selling price of cubes one cent lower; extra cubes 42 cents.

MANY SOLONS SAY GOOD-BYE IN CAPITAL

Sixty-Seventh United States Congress Adjourns Yesterday.

REPUBLICANS HARD HIT, ROLL DWINDLES

Many Personages Disappear to Return No More; "Uncle Joe" Cannon Among Them.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Many familiar and distinguished figures in congress faded out with the falling of the gavel, marking the end of the sixty-seventh congress. Among them are stalwarts in both of the major political parties.

From the senate will disappear such personages as John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, a democratic war horse, with thirty years in congress, Gilbert M. Hitchcock, of Nebraska, and Atlee Pomerene, of Ohio, democratic administration leaders in the memorial senate fight over the Treaty of Versailles.

Missing from the republican side will be Porter J. McCumber, of N. D., whose service record is 24 years, and who has been chairman of the powerful committee since the death of Boies Penrose; Harry S. New, of Indiana, close personal friend of President Harding, and Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, an administration leader and famous as a proponent of trusts before he answered the call to national legislative service.

Along with these will go the veteran senator from Texas, Charles S. Culberson; Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, another close personal friend of the president; Carroll S. Page, of Vermont; Miles Poindexter, of Washington, who becomes ambassador to Peru; Charles E. Townsend, of Michigan; William M. Calder, of New York; Howard Sutherland, of West Virginia; Joseph I. France, of Maryland; and Henry L. Myers, of Montana, who like Senators Williams and Page, retires voluntarily.

The House is to lose a number of members whose length of service had caused them to become regarded almost as fixtures. Among them are prominent republican party managers, including Frank W. Mondell, of Wyoming, who has served exactly a quarter of a century, and Philip P. Campbell, of Kansas, chairman of the all-powerful rules committee.

A quaint character who will be known no more to the legislative halls is Joseph W. Fordney, of Michigan, chairman of the Ways and Means committee, and joint author with Senator McCumber of the new tariff law. With 24 years of service, Mr. Fordney goes out of his own volition, planning to devote his (Continued on Page Five.)

Recess Appointment Is Tendered James McNary, Of New Mexico; Refused

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—James G. McNary of New Mexico, whose nomination for controller of currency failed of confirmation in the senate, was offered a recess appointment today by President but refused to accept it.

It was understood that D. H. Cressinger, present controller, would continue despite the fact that he has been nominated and confirmed as governor of the federal reserve board.

TRAPSHOOTERS SCORES GOOD

Despite the fact that the trapshooters yesterday had to face disagreeable weather, many good scores were turned in. Meeting at the country club links yesterday at noon and shooting until three o'clock, twenty sportsmen answered the trap roll. Claude Mackey won high score, dropping 44 birds out of 50. Other good scores were as follows: J. B. Smith, 38 out of 50; Al Andrews, 23 out of 35; H. K. O'Brien and Hannifield, 37 out of 50; W. H. Bohnenkamp, 47 out of 60; Claud Seranton, 25 out of 35; Joe Garvey, 28 out of 35; Charles Binger, 27 out of 35; Hal Bohnenkamp, 41 out of 60; and Chase Bohnenkamp, 42 out of 60. Only one scatter-gun artist in the entire twenty made lower score than 500 and on an average, the score hit around 750.

Another meet will be held next Sunday, providing the weather will permit.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM RHINELAND

Memories of the days "over there" were revived today upon the perusal of a letter received by Roy Currey from Karl Klingner, Bad Neuenahr, Rhineland, Germany, in answer to a Christmas card that Mr. Currey sent to him. He made the acquaintance of Karl while overseas, his unit, the 16th Field Hospital, of the 42nd Division, being stationed in Bad Neuenahr, where Karl makes his home. Incidentally the letter, which was mailed February 7th, carried 190 marks postage, which at pre-war ratings would amount to \$47.50.

Karl stated that Mr. Currey's card was the first he had received from a member of the A. E. F. and sent his greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Currey. He stated in the letter that at present he is well, in the French occupation zone and that the food was "getting worse each day." Karl wants to come to America and also said that his father, whom Roy remembers as "Pop" Klingner, the proprietor of a hotel, likes American tobacco very well.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Mar. 5.—Hard white \$1.35, Western Red \$1.17.

THE LAST ACT

THE FILIBUSTER BLUES

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EXTRA

ATTORNEY PROMISES EXPOSURE

(By Associated Press)
MEDFORD, Mar. 5.—Declarations that Dr. Bray would be identified by J. E. Hale, star witness, was made by Assistant Attorney General LaJequia as the opening statement when the trial at Jacksonville was resumed today. LaJequia said that Police Chief Hittson, second defendant, would be identified by voice, figure and automobile, that the third defendant, Howard Hill, would be connected with the case by his own admission in a lodge room and LaJequia also promised that the jury would be told where the robes used by the night riders came from. Court was recessed to consider the hearing of Hale's testimony in the hall room where he is ill.

ODOR ATTACKS MOB RULE

(By Associated Press)
HASTROP, La., Mar. 5.—District Judge Odum, charging the grand jury considering the recent mob atrocities, declared that if men formed illicit groups and decided on whom to punish that there was no need for government.

ANNUAL AD CLUB DINNER TUESDAY

Preparations Complete for Annual Feast of Ad Club Members; Program Is Now Arranged.

Presided over by C. E. Short, retiring president, the Union County Ad club members will meet for their annual dinner tomorrow evening in the Methodist church basement at 6:15 o'clock. The Methodist ladies will serve and although the menu has not been announced, they promise a culinary triumph that will better all their previous records.

The program for the evening, as announced by the entertainment committee, is as follows: Selection, by the Ad club quartette (C. E. Dietrich, Sherwood Williams, Elmer Suddard and W. S. Binkler) an address by Bruce Dennis, selection by the quartette, an address on "The Old Oregon Trail" by A. W. Nelson, a short report by the secretary, selection by the quartette; the installation of officers, H. E. Dixon to act as installing officer; a selection by the quartette; a speech by C. E. Short, retiring president, and a speech by C. E. Larson, newly-elected president. Throughout the dinner, Elmer Suddard will play.

A. B. Cherry, La Grande florist, has announced that he will present a bouquet of roses to one of the ladies present and his offer is creating considerable interest among the ladies.

The secretary urges that all who are planning on being present notify Ad club headquarters so as to give the Methodist ladies an estimate of how many to serve. Tickets will be on sale at the doors Tuesday evening.

President Harding Goes To "Sunny South" Today For a Month's Vacation

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—President and Mrs. Warren Harding accompanied by a party of friends, left Washington today on a special train for Florida, where they will take a vacation household trip of over a month's duration.

JUDGE KNOWLES SENTENCES TWO THIS AFTERNOON

Judge J. W. Knowles this afternoon sentenced Edman Sumpter to one year in the penitentiary for larceny of calves. Roy Couch was given a two year sentence. Judge Knowles announced that due to the fact that Sumpter entered a plea of guilty, the extra session of circuit court, that was to have been held March 12th and 13th, will be held a week later. The only case on the calendar for the extra session is that of the State vs. Herman Berger, set for Monday morning, March 19th.

TEXAS SENATOR DENIES CHARGE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Senator-elect Earl B. Mayfield of Texas, today gave out a statement here declaring as "infamous and absolutely false" the election contest charges filed recently with the senate by George B. Peck, republican and independent democrat candidate for senator defeated by Mayfield last November.

EX-CONVICT IS SLAIN BY COPS

Thomas J. Garwood, Recently Released from Prison, Killed in Battle Between Robbers and the Police.

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Mar. 5.—Thomas J. Garwood, convicted fourteen years ago in connection with the death of a grocer, and recently released from custody with a dismissal of charges with the recent escape from county jail of Herbert Wilson, convicted murderer, who was recaptured in Garwood's home, was identified today as a man slain in Santa Monica last night in a gunfight with the police following the robbery of the Crescent Creamery.

Another of three men surprised by the police in the robbery of the creamery safe was wounded, but escaped. Patrolman Cordes was wounded in the fray.

MRS. G. W. KROHN IS DEAD IN OHIO

Mrs. G. W. Krohn, mother of Mrs. P. A. McDonald, of La Grande, passed away Monday in Ohio at the home of her son-in-law, C. D. Steiner. The funeral services were held Wednesday. Many local people are extending sympathy to Mrs. McDonald in her bereavement.

Bishop Remington Starts The Red Cross Campaign

drive in Union county. There is no war on now, thank heaven, but you have within your own gates many people who need charitable assistance; you have with you that certain percentage of humanity whose luck has been hard and who must have assistance. It is a mighty fine thing that this Red Cross chapter keeps up its work, that it continues to be a going concern—a clearing house, as it were, for the charitable activities of the county. Charity, continued the Bishop, "is something that should be handled scientifically just as you are handling it here in La Grande. Charity improperly given not only is a waste of material substance but it deteriorates the individual receiving it when it is not needed. Under your plan you prevent that condition and under your plan you protect the people from indiscriminate solicitation converting the Red Cross into an agency of business help as well as an agency to relieve suffering."

Drawing a lesson from those who give the Bishop impressed upon his hearers that to give in the spirit of Jesus Christ is essential. "Don't fail to think you give," was his admonition, "don't fail to see behind the things you are giving."

You are starting your annual