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GRAND JURY RECOMMENDED THAT THE COUNTY BOOKS BE EXPERTED

LAST REPORT TELLS NEED OF WORK

The Grand Jury Were Discharged Saturday Morning After 11 Days Labor--Returned 9 True Bills

"We respectfully recommend and urge upon the county court that they see fit to order the experting of the county books, believing that it will result in a great saving of the county funds."

Such was a paragraph in the final report of the grand jury, who submitted their final report Saturday morning and were discharged.

The report recommended that several improvements be made about the courthouse in Jacksonville, urging chiefly the work of having the books of the county experted and placed upon an up-to-date system, so that the books could be understood and looked over by the county court.

Not Unexpected. As stated in Friday's Tribune, the action of the grand jury was expected, inasmuch as they visited all of the county offices and inquired into the condition of the books.

The jury was in session 11 days, and during that time found nine true bills and seven not true bills.

BUYS ENTIRE CROP OF HOOD RIVER NEWTOWNS

Steinhardt & Kelly, a new commission firm of New York City, has purchased the entire crop of Newtowns in Hood River valley.

"Why I Am What I Am." It is interesting to hear some people tell why he or she is a Democrat, or a Republican, or a Socialist, or a Prohibitionist.

At the Christian church Sunday night various church men will tell why they hold to this or that religious belief.

This service promises to be instructive and interesting.

The morning subject, "The Price of Success," is one that every one should hear.

J. Letha, an expert gardener and orchardist of Seattle, has decided to locate near Medford.

WILL BRING PEOPLE HERE

President of Western Oregon Orchard Company Is Visiting Valley

J. A. Westerlund of Chicago, president of the Western Orchards company, owners of a 1000-acre orchard near Medford, and Ernest S. Kartott, publisher of the Swedish Post of Seattle, arrived Saturday to inspect local holdings and to make a visit to Crater lake.

Mr. Westerlund is planning to bring a trainload of eastern people to see Medford and the Rogue River valley next June.

Mr. Westerlund, who is a millionaire himself and has a large following among Scandinavians, is contemplating other investments in this vicinity and has options on several pieces of land which he proposes to plant in orchards and sell in small tracts to easterners.

LAST CONCERT OF THE SEASON TOMORROW

The last band concert of the season will be given tomorrow afternoon in the park, beginning at 4 o'clock.

RUMORED THAT HILL HAS SECURED PRISCO TERMINUS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—It is rumored in railroad circles today that the purchase of a site of 1200 acres of water front on the San Francisco Bay, accessible to deepwater vessels, is in reality a move on the part of the Northern Pacific to secure a terminal in this city.

The purchase was made ostensibly for the Hoteling railroad, which is announced to be a merger of several small railroads in this state.

This railroad will practically be a terminal company for a future transcontinental line into San Francisco.

WORK TO BE RUSHED ON LARGE STEAM PLANT

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 19.—It is announced at the offices of the Great Western Power company today that work will be rushed on the new auxiliary steam power plant of the company, which is to be 2,000,000 horse power.

H. P. Wilson of New York, vice-president of the power company, arrived here from New York last night and will superintend the starting of the work.

BELL IS TO SPEAK IN ASHLAND MONDAY NIGHT

Hon. Theodore A. Bell of California, who presided at the national democratic convention in Denver, will speak in Ashland Monday evening in the Chautauqua building.

OIL TANK BLOWS UP; KILLS THREE

Fire Started in Workshop and Reached Gasoline Storage Room

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Sept. 19.—Three men are reported dead and two dying as the result of an explosion of an oil tank on the steamer San Gabriel, which was loading lumber at the wharf of the Jerhoff-Cusner Lumber company near here at 10:15 this morning.

It has been learned that the fire was started at the door between the workshop of the barge and the gasoline storage room.

Searchers from the navy yard were at work today with grappling irons trying to locate the bodies of Chief Machinist's Mate Theodore May and A. Martin, the boy, both of whom were lost in the bay at the time of the explosion.

May could not swim, and it is regarded as certain that he was drowned when he jumped from the barge.

Martin, who was peddling fruit to the ships at the navy yard, was soon to row in near the barge just before the explosion, and when the fire had extinguished his boat was found tied to one of the tugs that was on fire.

It is stated that the board of inquiry will be in session several days. The findings will be sent to Washington, as the navy department has wired for a complete report on the accident.

PREACHER LOSES TEMPER AND SWEARS AT COP

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Sept. 19.—Angry because his devotions in his cell were broken by Chief of Police Cade, James Gardner, an itinerant preacher now under arrest, started the chief by swearing at him rudely, complaining because he had been put in the lockup for expounding his faith.

AT THE BIJOU

Picked houses all last night at the Bijou. The performance is an exceptionally strong one.

WILKENSON IS UP FOR TRIAL

Charged With Selling Liquor to a Minor Local Man Pleads Not Guilty

H. O. Wilkenon, proprietor of the saloon in this city known as "Weary Willie's," is on trial today in Jacksonville charged with having sold liquor to a minor.

It is charged that on July 3 Wilkenon sold a glass of beer to George Lowery, who is under the age of 21 years.

The preliminaries in the case of Walter Mason, colored, who is accused of stabbing Richard Roach, was held Friday, the grand jury having returned a true bill.

HAZEL FIGHTS TO ESCAPE SENTENCE

YREKA, Cal., Sept. 19.—Denny Hazel, who was convicted of murder in the first degree, as has been told in the Sacramento Bee, was in court yesterday for sentence, but instead of receiving his sentence, his counsel moved the court for a new trial on the grounds that the court erred in its decision of questions of law arising during the trial.

The whole matter went over until Thursday, October 15, in order to allow counsel for defendant to prepare and present a bill of exceptions.

On motion of defendant's counsel the court ordered all the testimony relating to the introduction of the dying statement of Joseph Silva, Jr., written by the court reporter.

Judge Finch returned to his home at Willows last night and will return on October 15, when the matter comes up again.

BELIEVES A JAPANESE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HOLDUPS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 19.—It is believed by the police that a Japanese who held up Alfred Greenbaum, president of the Alaska Cod Fishing company, late last night is responsible for a number of recent holdups which have baffled the department.

Greenbaum was returning to his home when a Japanese jumped from the shadow of a lumber pile and brandished a revolver.

MEDFORD GIRL WINS JOURNAL SCHOLARSHIP

Miss Freda Hockenys of Medford has won a scholarship in the Portland Journal's great educational scholarship contest.

Five traveling salesmen again this table families, passed through Medford this morning, returning from their annual operations here this year.

THE BILLY BEARS III.

The Two Little Bears Who Would Be President of the United States. (Written for The Tribune.) Now Billy B was up and stirring, As through the states he went a whirling, As busy as a little bee, Right on the trail of Billy T.

WRIGHT TO RUN NO MORE RISKS

Will Not Allow Any Volunteers to Occupy the Place of Selfride

LEMANS, France, Sept. 19.—In the face of the disaster which occurred to the aeroplane of Orville Wright, and resulted in the death of his assistant, Lieutenant Selfridge, a number of persons today offered to accompany his brother, Wilbur Wright, who will make another flight Monday.

Wright retains great faith in his invention and announced today that he would make no change in the construction of his aeroplane.

While he has entire faith in the ability of his aeroplane to navigate the air successfully, he will not allow any of the volunteers to take the possible risk of accompanying him in Monday's flight, but will take with him a sack of sand for ballast instead of a companion.

TULL WINS DAMAGES SUIT IN CIRCUIT COURT

Charles Tull yesterday won his suit for damages against F. W. Leismester in the Circuit court, to which it was carried by Leismester on an appeal from the justice's court.

Harvey pleaded with the judge for a light sentence. He reminded him that a jury trial had been saved—in all he saved the state some \$45, and would the judge pass only a light sentence.

FILIPINOS DESIRE THE SUCCESS OF DEMOCRATS

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 19.—William J. Bryan, in an interview today, refuted the statement made by William H. Taft on September 15 to the effect that the Independence party in the Philippines preferred a victory for the Republican party and its consequent effect on their independence, to a Bryan victory.

Bryan stated that Fiske and Warren of Boston had called to Albert Barretts at Manila asking if Taft's declaration were true.

"The Nationalist party, with immediate independence, as its creed, prefers a triumph of the Democrats. At the general convention here July 12 it was agreed unanimously to endorse enthusiastically the Bryan platform."

The Nationalist party has the largest following of any of the political organizations in the Philippines.

TRAVELING PASSENGERS AGREE TO REMOVAL

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NIMRODS WAX VERY INDIGNANT

All Enthusiastic Anglers Blame Seiners and Fish Warden For Poor Fishing

J. A. Teal of Portland, who has been fishing on the Rogue for several days, will leave soon for San Francisco.

"Fishing is poorer this year than I have ever known it. Dams, deficient fishways, seiners and lack of protection are exterminating the steelhead," said Mr. Teal.

"Toggerly Bill" Isaacs, champion of local fishermen, joins with other anglers in pronouncing the present season the poorest he has known.

Four good anglers and myself spent the entire day Friday on the Rogue, fishing every favorite haunt from Trail to Bybee's bridge.

"When there are only a few fish in the stream there is much more food for them and they do not raise for the fly as the hungry fish will.

J. E. Euyart, Jeff Heard, Frank Isaacs, Court Hall and practically all enthusiastic anglers tell the same story of poor fishing and all blame the seiners for the wholesale destruction as well as the master fish warden's neglect of the Rogue and its tributaries and the failure to enforce laws for fish protection.

INJUNCTION STAYS THE WAR ON COLUMBIA

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 19.—Judicial interference in the form of an injunction has checked the hostilities between the Oregon fish warden and the Washington fishermen over the new fish laws.

Fish Warden McAllister of Oregon is enjoined from interfering with anybody fishing on the Washington side of the Columbia river.

Federal Judge William Gilbert issued the injunction late yesterday, following a conference in Portland of federal authorities representing Oregon and Washington. When notified of the action, McAllister at once notified his deputies, who have been patrolling the lower river to demand in their efforts to stop the operations of fishermen on the Washington side.

BIG CRANE OVERTURNS IN THE MAMMOTH YARDS

KENNETT, Cal., Sept. 19.—The big steam locomotive crane used for the past six months in the Mammoth yards took a somersault yesterday that came near dismantling the handy mechanism for good.

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ELOPERS ARE ALLOWED TO GO IN PEACE

Woman Who Deserted Husband and Four Children With Her Escort Is Set Free--Back to Husband

The final chapter has been written, as far as the state of Oregon is concerned, in the case of Lottie E. Simmons and Charles W. Stinson, who eloped some months ago, the woman leaving a husband and four children, for life with Stinson.

Stinson, who was recently released from custody because the husband, John Simmons, refused to prosecute, and without him the state was powerless, as the charge upon which the couple were held is not punishable unless the wife or husband prefers it.

It was some months ago that Mrs. Simmons tired of the home which her husband provided in this city, and one night when he returned he found a cold hearthstone and his four small children awaiting him.

All through the summer months the couple have been inmates of the county jail, where, through the bars, they chatted and laughed together, evidently forgetful of their troubles.

When the grand jury took up their case, it was found that the heart of the husband had melted from its stony hardness.

Once again Mrs. Simmons is installed as queen of her husband's household. Stinson is at work in Jacksonville and it is said that ever and anon he gazes with regret in his eyes towards the little brick building where he spent the summer, with board and lodging free, slatting and oftentimes raising his voice through an excess of pure joy in song.

PREPARING FOR WINTER AT THE BLUE LEDGE

Forty men are engaged at the present time in putting the Blue Ledge mine into shape for the winter, according to Superintendent J. E. Caranham, who is in this city on business.

"This is the time of year," said Mr. Caranham, "when we do most of our work at the mine. We continue the surface work at and at the same time prepare for winter."

We have not struck anything remarkable of late, but over the mountain back of us a rich strike was reported a short time ago.

DR. W. W. GUTH IS ELECTED HEAD OF PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

PACIFIC GROVE, Cal., Sept. 19.—In a session of the Methodist conference which lasted until an early hour today, Dr. W. W. Guth of Cambridge, Mass., was elected president of the University of the Pacific at San Jose, as acting president. M. Cross was elected vice-president, and his salary increased from \$1500 to \$1600 per year.

CALDER-CARNEY — In Jacksonville, Saturday, September 19, 1908, Mr. Richard J. Calder and Miss Pansy Carney of this city. Both of the contracting parties are well known in the valley and have the congratulations and well wishes of a host of friends. They will be at home to their friends at their new home on O street after October 1.