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ADAMS BROS.

Oregon City's Big Cash Store

Why did the Big Store succeed in building up the largest retail business in Oregon City?

- Because** We Buy and Sell More Merchandise at retail than any firm in Oregon City. We buy more because we sell more, and we sell more because we sell cheaper; and we sell cheaper because we buy cheaper.
- Because** We Buy for Cash Only. We are wedded to no factory or manufacturing concerns. We buy for cash, and where we can buy to the best advantage.
- Because** We Sell at One Price Only. We give no discounts, no rebates, no private arrangements of any sort, to anyone. A child can buy here as safely as an expert.
- Because** We Refund Money. It's your greatest safeguard. Whenever you do not like your purchase you can get your money back, quick as a wink, at this store.
- Because** We Give Quick Service, Quick Deliveries, and are quick in adjusting claims without lengthy arguments.
- Because** We Have a Smaller Expense Ratio than any other store that we know of, and can, therefore, afford to sell cheaper. The larger the business, the smaller the expense percentage, and that means lower prices for you.
- Because** We are Attending to Our Own Business. "With malice toward none, and charity for all," we look straight ahead and attend to our own affairs. We are not jealous of competing stores, we do not hope for nor do we predict the failure of others; we have no desire to plant the ascending star of our success in place of the descending star of another store, but are happy to live and let live.
- Because** We Do Not Misrepresent, in the store or out of the store, and we do not permit our employees to do so either. We say what we mean, mean what we say, and live strictly up to the letter and spirit of our advertisements.
- Because** We Permit No One to Undersell Us. We consider it our special mission to sell "Better goods for the same money" than other stores, and, come what may, we will fulfill this promise.
- Because** We Sell No Eastern Job Lots, Auction Remnants or Factory Seconds.
- Because** We Sell for Cash Only. Our customers are not asked to pay an additional profit to pay cost of goods sold to others who never pay.

Economical Buyers to whom dependable merchandise come here to Shop

AGENTS FOR

- "Black Cat" Stockings
- W. B. Corsets
- Brainerd & Armstrong's Silks
- Banner Brand Shirt Waists
- Defender Brand Muslin Underwear
- Dr. Reed's Cushion Sole Shoes
- "Sorosis" Underskirts
- Crouse & Brandegee Clothing
- Monarch Shirts
- Arrow Brand Collars
- Brown's Star-Five Star Shoes
- Dr. Wright's Underwear
- Strauss Bros., Tailors
- Selz Royal Blue Shoes
- Stetson Hats.
- We Sell McCall Dress Patterns

Sewing Machines Given Away Every Saturday Night

Saturday, January 7, 1905. Ticket No. 2047 MRS. G. W. TYACKE, Oregon City	Saturday, January 21, 1905. Ticket No. 15519 MISS ROSE CHIPMAN, Corvallis, Ore.
Saturday, January 14, 1905. Ticket No. 2734 MRS. THOS. ARMSTRONG, West O. C.	Saturday, January 28, 1905. Ticket No. 12167 MRS. GEO. TAYLOR, Elyville, Ore.
Saturday, February 4, 1905. Ticket No. 372 Mr. E. C. Case, Canby, Ore.	Saturday, February 11, 1905. Ticket No. 5943 Uncalled for.

FOUR MEN ARE NOW INDICTED

Clackamas County Officials in Deep Water.

CONSPIRACY IS CHARGED

Government Acts on Pre-sumption That Affidavits Were Known to Be False.

Four Clackamas county men have now been indicted by the Grand Jury: Ex-Surveyor General Henry Meldrum, State Senator George C. Brownell, Ex-U. S. Examiner of Surveys D. W. Kinnard and Justice of the Peace Livy Stipp.

All of these men are accused of conspiring to defraud the government, in one way and another, of public lands. New indictments have been returned against Congressman Binger Hermann, Ex-United States District Attorney John H. Hall, Ex-Assistant United States Attorney Edwin Mays, State Senator Franklin P. Mays, of Multnomah county, George E. Waggoner, ex-chief clerk in the office of Ex-Surveyor General Meldrum, Frank H. Duncan and George Sorenson, both notaries public.

The last indictment against Meldrum, Kinnard and Stipp, alleges that

the defendants conspired to defraud the government by false and fraudulent surveys on April 18, 1902, by taking advantage of the fact that there were on file in the office of Meldrum, at that time Surveyor-General, a number of false and fraudulent applications for surveys.

These applications purported to be petitions from actual settlers asking for surveys to be made on lands in the southwestern part of the state. It is alleged that these applications were spurious and that there were no settlers in the districts represented.

The defendants named in the indictment knew that these petitions were fraudulent, so it is alleged, and took advantage of that fact to secure Government funds allotted for Oregon surveys.

Meldrum without advertising for bids, so it is said, entered into contract with Benjamin F. Minton and Gustave Klatsch, who were deputy surveyors, which contracts were signed on May 23, 1902. Meldrum then, it is alleged, made up the field notes of the survey in his office, and these were signed by the deputies and affidavits made by them to the effect that the work had been done to the best of their ability. On October 24, 1904, the two deputies subscribed to the account held by them against the Government in the sum of \$2534.90, which sum was afterwards paid to them.

The names of Sorenson, Stipp and Duncan were brought into the indictment by the fact that they, as notaries, administered the oath and took the affidavits of the surveyors, presumably knowing that they were fraudulent, or at least were not properly made. Their connection is the same as that of Senator George C. Brownell.

Upon motion of Mr. Heney each of the persons under indictment will be required to give \$4000 bonds, the same amount asked of all the people against whom indictments have been returned so far by the present grand jury.

THEODORE WYGANT DEAD.

Was a Pioneer Resident of Oregon City Where He Lived Ten Years.

Theodore Wygant died in Portland last week, after an attack of appendicitis. He was born in New York in 1831, coming to Oregon in the early '50's settling in this city. For a time he found occupation at odd jobs, served a few months as deputy sheriff and in 1853 he began steamboating on the upper Willamette river as clerk of the pioneer boat Canemah. Later he became agent for the joint steamboat companies at Oregon City. In 1863 he came to Portland as secretary of the Oregon Steam Navigation company. When Henry Villard reorganized the company and changed its name to that of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, Mr. Wygant remained with the company until his resignation in 1857. Since that time he has engaged in real estate business.

He was married in 1852 to Margaret Glen Rae, who was a grand daughter of the late Dr. John McLoughlin, Oregon's most famous pioneer after Lewis and Clark. She was born on the ship Beaver, during a voyage on the Pacific Ocean, and was a daughter of William G. Rae, an agent of the Hudson Bay company and a brother of Dr. John Rae, the famous Scottish Arctic explorer.

They have resided in Portland for the last 41 years. He is survived by a widow and three daughters: Mrs. Martin Winch, Mrs. W. M. Whidden, and Miss Marie Louise Wygant and one son, William R. Wygant, a hardware merchant.

He was a Scottish Rite Mason and several times had served as treasurer of the Oregon grand lodge. Since the organization of the Unitarian church in Oregon he has been one of its most valued members. Mr. Wygant was formerly the owner of the Roos property on Main and Eighth streets.

Ice cream and ice cream soda every day at Kozy Kandy Kitchen.

\$2,150,000 TWO YEARS

Oregon Requires Over a Million a Year.

INCREASE IS \$250,000

Insane Asylum, Penal and Educational Institutions Get \$1,000,000.

Appropriations by the legislature foot up to over two millions. It will cost over \$1,000,000 a year to run the affairs of the state of Oregon for the coming two years. All the normal schools have been granted what they asked for maintenance, but none will be given anything for new buildings. The State University has been given \$62,000 for additional maintenance, library building and women's dormitory, but has been denied \$17,000 asked for the engineering department.

Two years ago the total appropriations were \$2,600,000 of which \$500,000 was for the Fair, \$265,000 for the portage road and canal, and \$100,000 for Indian War veterans, leaving less than \$1,730,000 for ordinary state expenses. The extraordinary appropriations at this session amount to about \$150,000, so that it appears that this session is spending something like \$250,000 more than the last for the ordinary items of expense.

The largest appropriation bill of the session was made up Thursday. It foots up a little over \$1,000,000 and includes \$500,000 for the insane asylum, the other \$500,000 being for educational, penal and eleemosynary institutions.

The first appropriation bill introduced was the deficiency bill for \$133,147, and the next the bill for salaries and departments, aggregating \$454,641. There will be one bill in addition to the bill prepared Thursday, making appropriations for the charitable institutions and Historical Society in Portland, the items of which will amount to \$30,000.

Standing appropriations, and special acts of this session add \$500,000 more, the chief items of which are the university, \$95,000; militia, \$30,000; swamp land warrants, \$60,000; Agricultural College, \$50,000; Portage Road, \$35,000 and Indian War veterans, \$40,000. The items of the bill made up are as follows:

Insane asylum	\$325,000
Penitentiary	135,000
Reform School	64,000
Mute School	41,000
Blind School	21,000
State University, library building	25,000
University girls' dormitory	5,000
University, additional maintenance and repairs	32,500
Eastern Oregon Experiment Station	10,000
Agricultural College, dormitory	65,000
Monmouth Normal	36,000
Ashland Normal	31,000
Drain Normal	21,000
Weston Normal	25,000
Soldiers' Home, additional maintenance	9,220
Miscellaneous	12,260

SOLDIERS TO GUARD FAIR.

Major McDonnell Selected to Command Picked Men at Exposition.

Plans for the organization of the Lewis and Clark Exposition Guards are now completed and men to form the guard are being enlisted. Major C. E. McDonnell, of Portland, has been chosen chief of the guards and he will be assisted by three other officers.

The guard will consist of seventy-five men selected by the company commanders from the military companies of Oregon. A height of five feet, eight inches is required. The command will wear military uniforms and carry guns loaned by the state military authorities. The strictest military discipline will be maintained. The band of seventy-five men will be divided into three shifts, each commanded by an officer and each shift will serve eight hours, the schedule being from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m.; from 4 p. m. to midnight, and from midnight to 8 a. m. The soldiers will be paid \$1.50 per day with free board and lodging. They will live in tents outside the grounds, in a fashion somewhat similar to that adopted at summer encampments. The guards will begin their duties about the middle of March and their term of service will continue until the middle of November, a month after the close of the Exposition.

Firemen's Election Approaching.

Chief—J. A. McGlashan, of Fountain Hose Co. No. 1; Frank McGinnis, Columbia Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1.

Assistant chief—E. L. McFarland of Cataract Hose Co. No. 2.

Fire Commissioners—E. Crozier, Hill Hose Co. No. 3; r. S. Finucane, Cataract Hose Co. No. 2; Henry Roos, Fountain Hose Co. No. 1; Charles W. Pope, Columbia Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1. It is expected that 150 votes will be cast at the annual firemen's election, which will be held Monday, March 6, in this city. The fight will be on chief and personal popularity is the luck of both men, who are known to almost every member of the department. The bone of contention will be in the fact that Mr. McGinnis is an employe of the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, and to this fact is due some opposition, as the company's mills are on the west side of the river, outside the limits of the city and many firemen favor a candidate who will be promptly on hand in the event of a fire. McGinnis is considered an able fireman, who would make a good chief and it may be that the opposition developed from location will not be strong enough to encompass his defeat. In any event, the race will be a close one.

HOW ABOUT THE WAGON?

A Granger Says the Organization is Strong Enough to Lead.

Editor Courier: In your paper of February 10th I noticed a communication from Molalla Grange No. 310, in regard to a Pomona Grange Hall, "Centrally Located." I would say that if the grangers of Clackamas county were as loyal to their own organization as they are to some other ideas, the prize wagon need not be the only way of "rolling up funds" for a fair and a Pomona hall. I have heard it asserted, and I believe it true in a large measure, that there could be derived from the disposal of that much talked of wagon, \$1000, were the funds to go where some that are interested wish them to go now, if this is so, with the 1300 or 1400 grangers in our county, if they were properly approached I think they would nearly all subscribe at least one dollar, hoping to secure the said wagon and also to help along an enterprise for the good of our order. If even 1000 of them would do this, I think we would have quite a respectable "bung hole" around which to build our barrel. We may joke about this matter if we will, but it is up to us to do something in this line soon to both propositions. We have got to make some provision in regard to Clackamas Pomona and as to the fair proposition, if we do not take the initiative, some one else will before many years. I understand that at the meeting of the Horticultural Society, held in Portland in January, there was a strong sentiment in favor of holding a county exhibit and there is other sentiment along that same line. Now the question is, do we, of the 1300 or 1400 grangers, want to lead in this matter or as in the past in too many instances follow meekly along behind?

A. GRANGER.

"GOOD BY MARY, GOOD BY!"

Attempted Suicide Prevented From Jumping Off Bridge.

Friday night as Chris Kelly was crossing the suspension bridge, he noticed a man on the outside of the bridge wires holding on to the iron rods. He had a soldering iron in his hand and he was apparently trying to stick the iron down his neck, it is supposed with the object of making his weight greater so that he would sink when he leaped in the water, but just below him was a pile of rocks that would have broken every bone in his body had he leaped to his death. The man is probably mentally unbalanced, and Mr. Kelly heard him say:

"Good by, Mary, good by!"

Kelly grabbed the man and escorted him to the city jail.

BIG MEN UNDER INDICTMENT

Grave Charges Against Oregon Citizens.

MITCHELL TOOK BRIBES

Grand Jury Has Hermann, Williamson and Other Politicians in A Net.

The Federal grand jury adjourned Monday. A. H. Tanner, the law partner of Senator Mitchell, has confessed to the crime of perjury and will be used by the government as a witness. Judge Tanner will be pardoned by the president after giving his testimony. Harry Robertson, Mitchell's private secretary, carried a letter from Mitchell to Tanner and his letter was delivered to the grand jury. Its contents point to the "guilt of Oregon's senior senator. Three checks, in possession of the government, show plainly that Senator Mitchell received money for his services in expediting claims before the general land office. It is considered generally that the confession of Judge Tanner has dealt a death blow to the cause of Senator Mitchell and that there is absolutely no hope for anything but conviction in his case when it comes to trial. There is a growing belief that the senator will not stand trial.

Monday the grand jury returned indictments against John H. Mitchell, senator of Oregon; Binger Hermann, representative in congress; John N. Williamson, representative in congress; Franklin P. Mays, state senator and Portland attorney; W. N. Jones; George Sorenson, ex-deputy sheriff and timber dealer. It is alleged that the defendants conspired to defraud the United States of land to be obtained in exchange for school lands fraudulently obtained the state, and to be included in the proposed Blue Mountain Reserve.

Indictments were also returned against John H. Hall, ex-United States attorney; Henry Ford, private detective; Harry L. Rees, ex-major in United States army; A. P. Cayler, a Portland grain merchant; John Cordano, a deputy sheriff; J. H. Hitchings, a Portland lawyer; John Northrop, juror in the Sorenson case; Charles Lord, a Portland attorney.

It is alleged that the defendants conspired together to form a plot which would cause the removal of District Attorney Heney from office by blackening his character before the public and proving him to be a man of lax morals. The conspiracy was to bring witnesses who would swear to improper relations between Mr. Heney and Marie Ware.

Representative John Newton Williamson, Dr. Van Gesner, the business partner of Mr. Williamson, and United States Commissioner Marion R. Biggs were indicted for subordination of perjury committed on June 1, 1902, by the Federal grand jury.

It is alleged in the indictment that the men were guilty of having induced 45 persons to file on timber and stone land in township 15 south of range 19 east in order to preserve the land as summer range for the Williamson-Gesner Sheep Company.

It is also alleged that these claims were taken up under contract to revert in title to Williamson and Gesner at a future date, and the money for the filing and other fees was furnished the claimants by Dr. Gesner.

In addition to the 45 persons secured, Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, Dr. Gesner, two nephews of Mr. Williamson, Commissioner Biggs and a number of herders in the employ of the firm of Williamson & Gesner also filed on claims.

INDOOR BASEBALL A TIE.

Local Team Wins at Basket Ball By a Score of 20 to 4.

The Portland and Oregon City Young Men's Christian Association indoor baseball teams struggled on the floor of the local Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last Saturday for supremacy through nine innings of the hardest kind of playing, but without a victory for either team. The playing was even throughout, and at the end of the ninth inning the score was 13 to 13, and the Portland men were compelled to catch the car for home, and a deciding inning could not be played.

Oregon City won the basket ball game by a score of 20 to 4 from the Albina team. At the end of the first half the score was 13 to 3 in favor of the home team. Will Telford was the bright particular star for Oregon City, and threw six baskets, three of them from fouls. Goetting secured one, Bernier one, Parks two and Wilson two, one of them from a foul. Farrell threw two baskets from fouls and Mont had to his credit a goal from the floor.

Utah will have a comprehensive exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. It is expected that a state pavilion will be erected.