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RIOT TRIALS YIELD ODD MIXTURE OF TANGLED TESTIMONY, STRANGE SHIFTS OF LAWYERS AND CLIENTS

Before a room packed with spectators, these cases, all growing more or less out of the rioting at Oswego on May 19, were tried Thursday by Justice Sievers, sitting in the circuit court room, and as a result ten of the rioters were bound over to the grand jury. J. C. Ainsberry, accused of assault with a dangerous weapon, waived examination and was bound over, a bench warrant was issued for "Blackie" Iles, who jumped bail and failed to appear, and George Mayer, accused of cutting wires of the Home Telephone company, was dismissed for "lack of sufficient evidence to warrant his being held for the grand jury." In the course of the three trials two ex-convicts appeared as defendants and as witnesses, defendant strikers to the charge of rioting were called upon for "expert testimony," considerable insight was given as to methods of union labor to "persuade" non-union men to quit their jobs, and attorneys for the defense in one case became attorneys for the prosecution in another.

Incident also to the trial, J. C. Ainsberry enjoyed about five minutes freedom, following his release through habeas corpus proceedings in Portland, and before his re-arrest upon a warrant issued in Wyoming charging him with burglary and penitentiary-breaking. During the five minutes Ainsberry stood upon the steps of the courthouse, talking with his wife's sister, but a moment later he was returned for the third time to a cell in the Clackamas county jail. Since May 19 Ainsberry has been in jail four times; three times here and once in Portland, has been released twice on bail and twice on habeas corpus proceedings; and now is in jail on one charge without bail, and is "released" on \$1,000 bail on another charge.

Many Lawyers Appear.
The case of the rioters was called first. Messrs. Pike Davis, and F. X. Ledoux, of Portland, and Senator W. A. Dimick, of Oregon City, appeared as counsel in their behalf. Lily Stipp, deputy district attorney, appeared for the state, and was assisted by J. E. Hedges and counsel for the Home Telephone company. Upon the opening of the case it was discovered that of the 12 original defendants all were present but Fred Ream, who is in a Portland hospital suffering from a revolver wound, and "Blackie" Iles, a striker, who failed to materialize. Justice Sievers forfeited his bail, \$300 and issued a bench warrant for his arrest. Attorney Pike Davis gave the court a check for the forfeited bail, and then the trial opened.

Evidence was introduced to show that the ten defendants had gone from Portland to Oswego on the day of the riot, had approached non-union men in the employ of the Home Telephone company, that in the argument that followed one non-union man had been kicked in the jaw and that a general fight had followed. In this fight "Red" McCann, a 200-pound employee of the Home Telephone company, hurled a hand-axe at the strikers, and J. C. Ainsberry shot Ream in the groin. The strikers, on the other hand, had hurled pebbles, stones and tamping bars at the non-union men, and at the office of the Home Telephone company.

Same Story Told.
Evidence for the defense was startlingly similar. Witness after witness—the defendants themselves—testified that they had heard at union headquarters that there were some "rats" working at Oswego, and that twelve of them had volunteered to journey out there and try to induce the non-union men to leave their work. The party had taken a train from the Jefferson street depot, and at the station had been joined by "Blackie" Iles, the missing defendant. All agreed that "Blackie" was drunk, and that they had protested at his going with them, but "Blackie" went.

Arriving at Oswego the defendants walked up the street to where the non-union men were working, and talked with the Home Telephone company employees. Each witness, it seemed, had failed to note the start of the trouble, which they said was "a skirmish somewhere." Following that, however, almost to a man noted that "Red" McCann had backed away from them as they "just walked towards him," and hurled his hand-axe. At the same time "somebody" fired a shot, and "somebody" dropped, said the defendants. Later they discovered that "the gun man" was Ainsberry, and saw that he had shot Ream. They noted that Ainsberry then leaped into a wagon and drove rapidly away. Some of the witnesses further admitted that somebody—identification was never positive—had thrown a pebble at Ainsberry.

"Blackie" is Blamed
On cross examination it was the unanimous opinion of the defendants that "Blackie" Iles had thrown the pebble, and that Iles had probably started the "skirmish" because he was drunk. All but one of the ten defendants said he had seen Iles come out of a saloon near the Jefferson street depot before the party started. None of the ten had seen any other violence, save that of McCann and Ainsberry, they said.

Justice Sievers, in reviewing the case, said it was plainly evident that there had been a riot, and that the ten defendants had gone to Oswego to persuade the men employed there to leave their positions, and bound the whole ten over to the grand jury in \$1,500 bail for the crew, with the stipulation that \$400 be deducted from the amount for each man who might fail to appear. At the suggestion of Mr. Davis it was left optional that a bond of \$2,000, with the same stipulation, be given.

Ainsberry Waives Trial
The case of J. C. Ainsberry was next called. Messrs. Davis, Ledoux and Dimick thereupon switched from defense to prosecution, and became interested with Deputy District Attorney Stipp, while the Home Telephone attorneys and Mr. Hedges took up the defense. Ainsberry waived examination, and was held for the grand jury in \$1,900 bail. This brought forth bitter protest from Messrs. Davis and Dimick, who protested that Ainsberry was an ex-convict, having served time in California, where he broke his parole, and in Wyoming, where he escaped. Replying, attorneys for the defense remarked that the prosecution had nothing on them, as "your aide, informer and witness" George Mayer, is also an ex-convict, a fellow prisoner, in fact, with Ainsberry at San Quentin. Justice Sievers stilled the personalities, and called the case against Mayer.

Mayer was accused of having cut Home Telephone company wires in the Postal Telegraph office in Oregon City a day or so after the rioting at Oswego. Mayer got into the limelight in the rioting case by informing Sheriff E. T. Mass that Ainsberry was a parole breaker from the California penitentiary. The local operator for the Postal people was the chief witness against him, and testified that Mayer had entered his office, cut the telephone wires with pliers, while a friend of his asked the operator not to say anything about it as "it's a scab phone, anyway."

Mayer Admits Record
Put on the stand in his own defense Mayer denied the charge. On cross examination he admitted that he had served two years out of a three and a half year sentence in San Quentin of "issuing a bank check with intent to defraud." This was in 1910. He also admitted that he had served time in Chicago for a similar offense, doing nine months in 1904 or 1905, he could not remember which. Mayer said that he was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, and that until recently he had been in the employ of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company.

The cut wire was introduced as evidence, and strikers in the riot case were called as "experts" to convince the court that the wire had not been cut by pliers, but had been hacked apart with a knife or saw. Three defendants in the rioting case so testified.

The Honors of the Day Belong to None Except the Gallant Boys of Sixty-one.



They march—the boys of Sixty-one—with banners proudly flying,
But not of strife the whistling fife is singing as they tramp
To where their gallant comrades of another day are lying,
Serene in deep and dreamless sleep in Glory's peaceful camp.

They halt—the boys of Sixty-one—the ranks are quickly broken,
The thin array soon melts away; the stirring march is done,
And then their children's children come, each offering a token
To one who gave his youth to save the flag in Sixty-one.

HEROES OF WAR TO BE HONORED

Observation of Memorial Day will be general throughout Oregon City. All places of business will be closed, and no county or municipal activity will be carried on. Special services will be observed in some of the churches, and the Methodist church, of which the Rev. T. B. Ford is pastor, will be open all day for those who wish to rest or hold devotions within.

Meade Post, G. A. R., and the Women's Relief Corps, will be in charge of the special observation of the day, and J. Mallett will be marshal of ceremonies. At 9:45 a. m. members of the Post and Relief Corps will assemble on Main street, and will be joined by the Sons of Veterans. Escorted by the drum corps, and by Company G, of the National Guard, the column will proceed to the suspension bridge, where flowers will be scattered upon the Willamette in honor of those who died in the naval battles of the Civil War.

At the close of this ceremony the column will proceed to Shively's hall, where exercises will be held. The program will be:

Music—Oregon Veteran Drum Corps
Prayer—Rev. J. R. Landsborough
Star Spangled Banner
Introduction by Mrs. Imogen Harding-Brodie
Commander H. L. Hull
Solo—Linn E. Jones
President of Day
Mayo—"Fighting Tonight"
Mrs. Nellie Cooper
Address—H. E. Cross
Quartet—Allred Brothers
Taps, sung by
Mrs. Imogen Harding-Brodie
The column will then reform, and will move to Mountain View Cemetery, where the graves of departed comrades will be decorated, and ritualistic services held. The program will be as follows:

Drum Corps
Address—Commander
Prayer—Chaplain
Crowning Monument
"Our Unknown Dead"
Hon. W. A. Dimick
Lincoln's Address at Gettysburg
Ted Miller
Ceremonies of Meade Relief Corps
No. 18
Roll of Honor—Adjutant
Taps, with bugle—Ed McFarland
Benediction—Rev. T. B. Ford
Decorations of Comrades' Graves
By Comrades

MISS PARKER IS HOSTESS

The Bachelor Girls club met Wednesday night at the home of Myrtle Parker and 500 was played during the evening. The parlor was decorated with Scotch bloom. Among those present were: Miss Neita Harding, Mrs. Kenneth Stanton, Mrs. Maud Gallogly, Miss Ethel Graves, of Portland, Miss Dolly Pratt, Miss Helen B. Daulton, Miss Hester Dannaman, Miss Elaine, Miss Wynne Hanny, Miss Hazel Walker, Miss Zeta Goldsmith, and Miss Myrtle Parker.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk Mulvey to Anna Margretta Larson and Carl Johnson, of Gladstone; and to Nora Cneup and Lawrence Bohan, of Portland.

**5 ACRES
\$130 Down**

All level and in high state of cultivation; fine soil; lays 1 1/2 miles south of Oregon City on the Pacific Highway, good side-walks right to the land. Why pay rent on a house and lot when you can buy a 5-acre tract for \$1,350 where you can raise all of your living. \$130 down and \$10 a month.

E. P. ELLIOTT & SON

**IT'S TIME RIGHT NOW TO BE CHOOSING
THAT WEDDING
GIFT or
GRADUATION
PRESENT!**

Within the next few weeks one of your friends will be married or will graduate. The logical gift for either occasion is jewelry—a well selected gem or jewel that, in five years from now, will still bring thoughts of regard and friendship for the giver.

The problem of jewelry buying is very simple in this city. It is an easy matter to step into our store any day. When you get here, we will show you so many beautiful and appropriate articles at such a wide range of prices that it will be no trouble at all to make a selection. You will never put off your gift buying again.

One of the most appreciated gifts in a WATCH. We carry an immense stock of all the leading makes of Watches, namely, Waltham, Elgin, Howard, Hamilton, and South Bend fitted in gold, gold filled, silver and nickel cases. All Fully Guaranteed by U.S.

Below we list a few suitable gifts for Weddings and Graduations: Watches, Rings, Chains, Lockets, Bracelets, Brooches, Pendants, Stickpins, Cuff Buttons, Tie Clips, Silver Mesh Bags, Waterman Fountain Pens, Brownie Cameras, Etc.

Sterling Silver, Community and 1897 Rogers Bros. Silver Plated Tea Spoons, Knives and Forks, Trays, Cake Baskets, Berry Spoons, Napkin Rings, Cream Ladies, etc.—Libbey Cut Glass, Sugar and Creamers, Nappies, Water Sets, Berry Bowls, etc.—Haviland and Hand Painted China Plates, Salad Bowls, Salts and Peppers, Chocolate Sets, Etc.

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OREGON CITY JEWELERS
SUSPENSION BRIDGE CORNER
WE ENGRAVE ARTICLES WE SELL FREE OF CHARGE

MISS OSWALD SURPRISED

A surprise party was given in honor of Miss Pansy Oswald, at Fern Ridge, Wednesday evening. About twenty-five of the younger set of Gladstone were present. Games were played and refreshments served later in the evening. A solo was rendered by Lyle Gault, and was greatly enjoyed and he has earned a number of times. Miss Oswald was a delightful hostess.

Wanted!
Girls and Women
To operate sewing machines in garment factory.
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THEATRE**

**CHORUS GIRLS
CONTEST**

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in connection with the regular performance

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IN TWO REELS**

The Most Complete historical feature ever produced
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A STORY OF THE FRANCO-GERMAN WAR

ABSENT-MINDED MR. BOOB
Mr. and Mrs. Boob are discovered breakfasting in their country place. He is as small and insignificant as she is buxom and important. He is consuming the contents of the "Pop Edition," and taking a bite of solid food. The whistle of the train reminds him and he jumps into his overcoat, but neglects to put on his hat. He is followed by the fleet and faithful maid of all-work, who jams the handpiece on him just as he climbs in the train. He has forgotten his commuter ticket so he pays cash, and then he keeps trumping his partner's age in a friendly game. His wife is invited to the city and have their child photographed. It requires a photographer and a corps of assistants to scare the baby into an attitude of restful content for a picture.

Mr. Boob arrives an hour before his train is made up, so he buries himself in his newspaper. His wife comes in with the infant, but he is too much engrossed to see her. At that moment a pickpocket relieves her of her chatelaine. She grabs the man, cannot hold him. She rushes to her husband and throwing the baby in his lap, starts hot foot after the thief. The big policeman outside, has nabbed him, but insists she must go with them and lodge complaint. Mr. Boob suddenly burdened with a baby does not recognize it as his own, and trots off to the station-house where he leaves the wail. In the interim his wife goes home and is surprised to find he has not reported. He comes on a late train, babbling of his experience. His wife tells him it was his own baby and consternation issues. They spend a restless night locating the darling.

"THE STRONGER SEX"
Women exercise a strong influence over men, either for good or bad. In most instances, men are the weaker sex, but in this case a young man resists the charm of a designing woman and proves himself the stronger. His uncle, an elderly gentleman, is married to a young woman and she tries to fascinate his nephew. When she fails, she tells her husband that the young man insulted her. When confronted by both men, she confesses her duplicity and finds herself ignored and despised. The strong point brought before us will be evident to all who see the picture.

SOME CHICKEN
An educational, showing the output of an incubator.

The Grand will open Early Today and have a Continuous Show