

# The Corvallis Times.

WEEKLY AND SEMI-WEEKLY.

Vol. XVIII.-No. 17.

CORVALLIS, OREGON, OCTOBER 4, 1905.

B. F. IRVING  
and Proprietor

## Men and Boys Clothing

Our line of clothing this year is more complete and comprise some of the best weaves the market produces and our prices will interest you. Our boys line of suits and overcoats have lots of style and good material.

Greatest line of Shoes in City

**J. H. HARRIS.**

### BUT TWO LEFT.

AND ONE OF THEM UNDER INDICTMENT ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Oregon's Representatives at Washington—Effect of Williamson Verdict—The Hermann Indictments Soon to be Tried—Other News.

Washington, Sept. 30.—Unless Representatives Williamson and Hermann temporarily relinquish their seats, to which they were elected last year, Oregon will probably go through the fifty-ninth congress with but a single vote, that of Senator Fulton. It is positively known that Senator Mitchell cannot resume his seat in the senate though he may nominally hold his position and draw his salary up to the time his sentence is enforced. Williamson's recent conviction denies him the privilege of taking his seat, though it does not legally create a vacancy in the Second Oregon congressional district, and therefore does not open the way for a special election to fill that vacancy.

Until a final decision is rendered by the court of last resort, Williamson will be permitted to retain his credentials and under no authority can a special election be held in the meantime to choose another congressman from the second district. Should that final decision clear Williamson of the charges of which he was convicted, he could then present himself at the bar of the house and be sworn in, but, if the final verdict is "guilty" Williamson will be expected to promptly tender his resignation to the speaker. His failure to do so would be sufficient provocation for the house of representatives to declare a vacancy for the second Oregon district, at which time a special election would be in order.

The foregoing is the universal opinion of officials of the department of justice who are in Washington. What is true of Williamson will be true of Hermann if he shall be convicted upon any one of the indictments resting against them. In the meantime, until his case comes to trial he will be denied the privilege of taking the oath. It is the expectation however, that Hermann's cases will be heard and decided before congress meets in December.

The case of Williamson is without a known precedent. Although elected to the fifty-ninth congress, he is not in full membership, not having taken the oath of office. The fact that he was a member of the last congress has no bearing whatever upon his present standing, for he is now recognized officially as merely a member-elect. It is the understanding of law officers of the government that the statute under which Williamson was convicted does not deprive him of the right to hold a seat in the house of representatives. Even if the statute did carry this penalty, as was the case with Senator Mitchell, that restriction would not become operative so long as the case was before the courts on appeal or pending a new trial.

The house of representatives has it within its power to declare Williamson's seat vacant, for under the constitution the house is the judge of the qualifications and election of its members and can at any time for cause, declare any seat vacant, in which event a special election becomes necessary to fill the vacancy. But it is now believed that the house will exercise the right in Williamson's case unless a higher court shall approve the findings of the court below, and even then Williamson would be given reasonable time within which to resign.

In the light of precedents, it is to be inferred that the house will not declare a vacancy for the second Oregon district as long as Williamson's case is before the courts, for the house, like the senate gives its members the benefit of the doubt, and does not accept any but a final judgment of the courts. In the eyes of the house, Williamson is not guilty until a decision shall have been rendered to that effect

by the court of last resort. It is the opinion of law officials that the federal statutes would not require Williamson to resign, even should his conviction hold, but the very fact that he should be held guilty of the offense recently proven would unfit him for the office of representative in congress and that would be the basis on which the house would declare his seat vacant should he refuse to resign.

In case Williamson presents himself at the bar of the house to be sworn in next December, objection would probably be made and he would be asked to step aside, but judging from the course he followed last winter, it is not believed Williamson will come to Washington unless ultimately acquitted, for he never entered the house after being indicted.

That same unwritten rule which will prevent Williamson from taking the oath on December 4 will operate against Hermann. It is the expectation of the department of justice that Hermann will be tried both in Oregon and in this city, before congress assembles and the result of those trials will determine whether or not the first district can be represented in the house next winter. If convicted either in Washington or in Oregon, Hermann will probably appeal. In the event of his ultimate conviction he, like Williamson, will be required to serve his sentence and the influence of the administration, as shown by the statement of Secretary Hitchcock, will be used to secure the extreme penalty, which in itself, would be sufficient to deprive both Hermann and Williamson of the opportunity of taking their seats in the next congress.

Grants Pass, Sept. 28.—After diligent inquiry, authorities have become convinced that V. M. Jennings, who was found murdered in bed in his home at Granite Hill two weeks ago, was killed by his own children. Jasper Jennings, aged 16, son of the dead man, was arrested Sunday on the charge of murder and last night, Dora Jennings, aged 18, the daughter, was arrested upon a similar charge. The couple have been taken to Jacksonville for safekeeping, as the local jail is overcrowded.

Jennings was killed the night of September 7 at the Granite Hill mine, nine miles from this city. He was a wood chopper and had a contract to supply the mine with cordwood working a crew of 15 men. He was 50 years of age and had a wife who left him last spring to return to her parents in North Carolina.

He lived in a three room house at the mine with his children Dora aged 18; her sister, aged 9, and two boys, 16 and 14 years of age respectively. He slept in a small room downstairs off the living room. The two girls slept in the same room. The boys slept in the attic. The youngest son said that when

## THE BELL SYSTEM-CLOTHES

Latest Styles for Fall and Winter

There is that snap and individuality about The Bell System Clothes which attracts favorable attention everywhere.

They Look Well and Wear Well

We invite you to call and examine our line of Single and Double-Breasted Suits and Overcoats. The Bell System Clothes will fit any form.

Designed and Made by

**STERN, LAUER, SHOHL & CO.**  
CINCINNATI, O.

SOLD BY

**J. H. HARRIS**



Fine Light Sample Rooms.

**Hotel  
Corvallis**

J. C. Hammel, Prop.

Leading Hotel in Corvallis. Recently opened. New brick building. Newly furnished, with modern conveniences. Furnace Heat, Electric Lights, Fire Escapes. Hot and cold water on every floor. Fine single rooms. Elegant suites. Leading house in the Willamette Valley.

\$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00 per day.

## Students! Don't Be Alarmed!!

Unless it is by one of our Alarm Clocks, and you will be spared the annoyance of an alarm at the wrong time. Clocks guaranteed. A full line of Jewelry, O. A. C. Pins, Optical Goods. Get one of our self-filling Fountain Pens. We do all kinds of optical work. Eye-strain, headache, relieved by a pair of our glasses.

**Pratt The Jeweler & Optician.**

Licensed to Practice Optometry in the State of Oregon.

Anything from a "Calling Card" to a "One Sheet Poster" at the Times Job office.

### THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Corvallis, Oregon,

MAKES LOANS on approved security, and especially on wheat, oats, flour, wool, baled hay, chittim bark, and all other classes of produce, upon the receipt thereof stored in mills and public warehouses, or upon chattel mortgages and also upon other classes of good security.

DRAFTS BOUGHT AND SOLD upon the principal financial centers of the United States and foreign countries thus transferring money to all parts of the civilized world.

A CONSERVATIVE general business transacted in all lines of banking.

he arose to build the fire he went into the bedroom for matches and found his father dead. The children said they had not heard a shot but a man working in a mine said he heard a shot about 1 o'clock.

London, Sept. 26.—The text of the new agreement between Great Britain and Japan, which was signed by Lord Lansdowne, the British Foreign Secretary, and Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister in England, on August 12, was issued by the foreign office last evening. The momentous document is brief, comprising less than 800 words, including eight articles and a preamble.

The main features of the new agreement have already been forecasted in the Associated Press dispatches from London and Paris. The articles of this official text, however, bring out forcefully the tremendous importance to both countries of the alliance, which practically makes Great Britain, Japan and Japan Great Britain for the purpose or defense "in the regions of East Asia and India." This inclusion of India specifically as a point at which any aggression by a foreign power will call for the assistance of Japan finds much favor with the press of London.

Baron Hayashi, who was interviewed by the Associated Press after the publication of the agreement said:

"The new treaty forms an effective safeguard against the renewal of disturbances in the Far East. That is its object. We cannot say that a permanent peace has been secured,—that is too much to be sure of—but we can aver that tranquillity has been assured for a long time to come. This applies not only to Great Britain and Japan but also to all powers having political or commercial interests in that part of the world, in fact to all who have been interested in maintaining the status quo. I repeat that the treaty is a sure guarantee of peace, for that is its aim and object."

### At King's Valley.

The rains the past week have started the grass.

A few of the valley farmers attended the Jackson sale Saturday. They say the best part of the sale was the lunch furnished by Mrs. Jackson at noon.

Ralph Caves, Ed Watson and Chester Chambers are recovering from typhoid fever.

Tom Watson is suffering with lung trouble.

Some seeding has been done, principally vetch.

A big majority of our people have visited the Fair and they all speak in the very highest terms of it.

L. G. Price is having the work rushed on his new house.

Mark Stutsman is moving from the valley. He has rented a farm near Salem.

The Bell telephone company has some poles-down and wire across the road on the Hoskins branch that should be repaired.

There is rumor of another wedding in the valley but George won't admit there is any truth in the rumor.

Will Troxel has moved to his new home near Roseburg.

Cecil Price thinks Foundation Rock is rather costly when delivered at the burg when it is so plentiful all around.

Uno.

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 1.—Alexander Dowie and Chicago party arrived here this morning enroute to the proposed Zionist colony at Tamaulipas, Mexico.

Members of the party deny that Dowie has been stricken with paralysis but they admit that he is ill. He has been locked in his private car all day and all inquirers are denied admissions.

Hillsboro, Or., Sheriff J. W. Connel and Deputy F. T. Kane this morning captured the confessed murderer of W. W. Booth, killed in this city last night. The boy, a lad of 15 years, was found at the home of his grandmother near Reedville.

Young Brugger is a degenerate but never before has shown viciousness in any degree. After he had shot Booth he did not stop to rob the old man.

Manila, Sept. 27.—A typhoon swept over this city yesterday. The storm lasted three hours and at 2 p. m. the wind attained a velocity of 105 miles an hour. The property damage is estimated at \$500,000.