

SALT TRUST GUILTY

Confesses to Maintaining Illegal Monopoly.

RAISED PRICES ENORMOUSLY

First Conviction Obtained Under the Sherman Anti-Trust Law—Maximum Fine That Can Be Imposed by Judge is \$5000.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—Before Judge De Haven, in the United States District Court today, the Federal Salt Company, of which D. E. Skinner was president, was convicted of maintaining a monopoly contrary to the Sherman anti-trust law.

Judge De Haven will pronounce sentence on Thursday. The maximum fine is \$5000. This case marks the first conviction under the Sherman law, which went into effect in 1890.

PALOUSE IS PROSPEROUS.

And Indications Point to a Continuance of the Good Times.

COLFAX, Wash., May 12.—A copious rain has fallen throughout the grain-growing districts of Eastern Washington, and the drouth, which had continued for nearly a month, has been broken.

The acreage of grain in the Palouse country is about the same as last year, less Fall and more Spring wheat than usual, this being due to the unfavorable weather for sowing wheat last Fall.

This country is in a very prosperous condition now, everything the farmer produces bringing good prices, and the demand for all of his products more than equaling the supply.

Death of Judge Fitzgerald. BUTTE, Mont., May 12.—Judge William Fitzgerald, of California, ex-Attorney General of the state, once member of the Supreme Court and Judge of the Superior Court of Los Angeles, died this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lewis P. Sanders, where he had been staying for a month or two.

AUTOMATIC FISH CLEANER.

Machine That Will Revolutionize the Canning Industry.

NEW WESTMINSTER, May 12.—(Special.)—A machine to take the place of hand labor in the cleaning and washing of salmon in canneries is being manufactured by the Shackle Machine Works, at New Westminster.

Water Works Planned for Yreka.

YREKA, Cal., May 12.—(Special.)—The City of Yreka is having plans prepared and is making preparation to construct municipal water works. The engineer, C. E. Moore, of Santa Clara, Cal., is now in Yreka procuring data for the final plans.

Sanguine Prohibition Speaker.

PROSSER, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—Rev. R. E. Dunlap, of Seattle, representing the Prohibition party, spoke to a small audience at the M. E. Church last night. He says that Washington will be thoroughly organized in the interests of the party and that its adherents will be numbered by thousands.

Saved From Penitentiary.

YREKA, Cal., May 12.—(Special.)—T. P. Collins, who was tried in the Superior Court, charged with burglary, which was committed in the town of Dunsmuir, this county, was brought into court this morning for sentence. Owing to being only 13 years of age, Judge Bartlett thought best to save him the penitentiary stripes, and consequently sentenced him to the Whittier Reform School for four years.

Democratic Leaders in Salem.

SALEM, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—E. A. Reames, Democratic candidate for Congress; Sam White, chairman, and R. W. Montague, secretary of the Democratic state central committee, were in Salem today in the interests of Mr. Reames' campaign. Both Mr. Reames and Mr. Hermann will speak here tomorrow evening.

NATURAL RESERVOIR SITE.

Irrigation Expert Favorably Impressed With Harper Basin.

SALEM, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—Arthur P. Davis, of Washington, D. C., of the United States Geological Survey, and principal engineer of the Arid Land Reclamation Service, has visited Vale, having come in from a tour of inspection of reservoir sites, which had been favorably reported upon by his subordinate engineer, Mr. Whistler, who had visited Malheur County a month previously.

Mr. Davis states that he has never seen a more favorable site for the establishment of a National reservoir than the Harper Basin, on the Malheur River, about 25 miles from Vale, and speaks in terms of great praise of the excellency of the soil and of the great quantity of land that might be reclaimed by this proposed reservoir.

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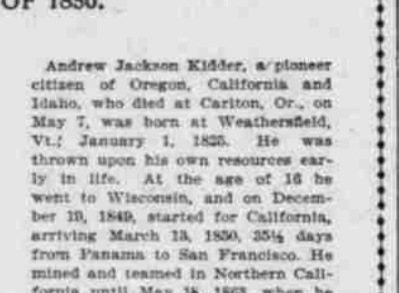
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BASEBALL ON MEMORIAL DAY. EUGENE, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—In answer to his telegram from the Seattle High School track team asking to arrange another date than May 30 for the track meet with Eugene High School, Manager Davis, of the Eugene team, has received a reply that the Seattle team can come here on no other date.

Cases From Eastern Oregon.

SALEM, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—The Superior Judges have returned from Eastern Oregon, where they held the Pendleton term of court. Twenty-three cases were decided and taken under advisement. The Supreme Court will decide these cases before trying any new cases, except, possibly, criminal or important civil cases.

Rural Free-Delivery Service.

FOREST GROVE, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—E. C. Clement, special agent and examiner, rural free delivery service, will be here Thursday for the purpose of establishing a route via Greenville and Banks and the Verboort Catholic settlement to Forest Grove, covering a distance of 20 miles and supplying daily mail to about 400 patrons.

Injured While Testing Boiler.

NEWPORT, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—While steaming up the boiler of the Waldport sawmill, one of the tubes burst. The furnace door was blown off and struck Engineer Charles Strauder on the left side of his face, injuring him severely.

Vancouver Firemen Elect Chief.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—A regular meeting of the Vancouver fire department was held last night at the rooms of the resignation of Thomas Corlie as chief, was accepted, he having removed from the city. L. D. Seal, a prominent business man, was elected to the position.

Want Washington Coke.

NANAIMO, B. C., May 12.—It is current here that unless the Ladysmith and Crofton smelters are smelted in an endeavor to secure coke from Washington, both will be forced to close down within the next ten days or two weeks. It is just possible that coke may be secured from the smelters there seeking a supply.

Led Party of Sheep-Killers.

DILLON, Mont., May 12.—Oliver Wilcomb, a rich rancher of Twin Bridge, is arrested for leading the party of men who slaughtered Max Lauterbach's sheep a week ago. The men rode up in the darkness and virtually annihilated the whole band. The slaughter was between cattlemen and sheepmen.

Academy Challenges University.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—The college baseball men are practicing with the city league team. Captain Chandler says that he has received a challenge from the Hill Military Academy asking for a game with the 'varsity nine to be played on the professional baseball grounds in this city May 23.

Frozen in the Far North.

SEATTLE, May 12.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Dawson says that John Page, of San Francisco, was frozen to death near Rampart City last March. Page and a partner were within eight miles of their camp. He broke through the crusted snow and was immersed in the water. His feet froze and he died of sheer exhaustion.

Memory Failed for a Time.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 12.—George A. Kolb, business manager of the Marine Engineers' Association, who so mysteriously disappeared from New York a week ago, was located today in San Francisco. He said he remembered nothing from the time he left New York until he reached El Paso. Then he came to himself and began to realize where he was.

North Yakima Printers Unite.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 12.—(Special.)—The printers of this city organized a typographical union last night with the following officers: President, H. P. Hammer; vice-president, James C. Berry; secretary, J. R. Montgomery; treasurer, Bernard Wilkinson. There were 13 charter members.

Killed While Blasting Stumps.

TACOMA, May 12.—A man named Hairs, while blasting stumps in the camp of the Northwestern Improvement Company, 25 miles from this city, on the line of the Tacoma, Eastern Railway, was struck in his tent by a fragment of a stump and instantly killed, his neck being broken.

Children to See President.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—The Board of Directors of the Oregon City schools have decided to give the pupils a half holiday on Thursday, May 21, the day President Roosevelt passes through this city. Classes will be dismissed for the afternoon.

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