

# MIST FACE TRIAL

## Marie L. Ware, H. G. McKinley, S. A. D. Puter

### INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

### Charges Are Forgery and Conspiracy to Defraud.

### "JOHN DOE" NOT YET KNOWN

### Twenty-Six Counts Allege Signing of Fictitious Names to Homestead Petitions in Order to Get United States Lands.

Indictments charging them with forgery and conspiracy in a scheme to defraud the Government out of land, were returned yesterday by the Federal grand jury against ex-United States Commissioner Marie L. Ware, Horace G. McKinley and S. A. D. Puter. Other indictments growing out of the land fraud investigation are expected today. It is understood that one more charge is sure to be made. This person is supposed to be John Doe in the case about the identity of whom there has been considerable speculation. The indictments against the trio from Eugene were not formally returned into court yesterday, but when the jury appeared to hand in another indictment, it was announced that these three matters were ready for return, and the judge ordered them sent in. As soon as this is done the defendants will be re-arrested and placed under new bonds for appearance at trial. It is expected that the new bonds will be in the sum of \$500 each, instead of \$200, as at present. The final trial of the cases will probably be had during November or December.

It was hardly expected, either by the parties directly concerned, or others, that the indictments would be returned against Miss Ware and her associates in the land frauds yesterday. As a consequence, the action of the jury was a complete surprise to them. The indicted parties accept the situation with the air of those submitting to the inevitable, but it is their expressed intention to fight the cases through to the end, and in an endeavor to clear themselves from the accusations.

### Twenty-Six Counts Returned.

The findings of the jury in the case of the three accused is a voluminous affair covering 26 pages. A total of 26 counts were returned. In the indictment, the alleged transactions that have been brought before the jury, according to reliable information, Miss Ware figured more prominently than either of her two co-conspirators. In other words, as far as was expressed, was the tool used by the others to attain desired ends and assume the burden of responsibility.

The specific acts against the indicted parties is that they forged fictitious names to homestead applications and conspired to defraud the Government of land. According to the findings of the jury, the trio created for their own use six other persons, the nonexistence of whom made it convenient for their bestowal names to be used in signing applications and proofs on claims to property that the conspirators may have desired for speculative purposes. Judging from the number of counts returned against the conspirators, the fictitious six were kept pretty busy. Robert Simpson, James E. Warwick, Robert G. Tupman, Frank E. Herne, Samuel L. Carson and William A. Watkins.

### Does Robert Simpson Exist?

It was apparently an easy matter to prove that five of the six were not real persons, but a question was raised in regard to the existence or nonexistence of Robert Simpson. Two witnesses appeared before the grand jury, who said that they had met a person by the name of Robert Simpson, but their information about him, who he was, where he lived, or what connection he might have had with the land office, was scant. The jury, after further investigation, concluded that whether Simpson existed or not, his name was forged to the application bearing it, and that the parties accused were guilty to that extent.

The place of residence of these six signers of applications was another matter that aided in the decision that they live nowhere but in the creative imagination of the conspirators. The applications showed that they resided in Cottage Grove. Officers made diligent search of that place but could get no trace of the alleged residents. There was no one in the town who had ever heard of the alleged persons, and not even a tradition of their residence there in the remote past could be dug up.

As a final link of evidence against the accused parties, an expert on penmanship testified that the names signed to the documents in evidence were written by the hand of Miss Ware. The expert was J. A. Wasco. He examined the signatures carefully and was confident in his testimony that he could not be mistaken about Miss Ware's writing.

The documentary evidence examined by the grand jury was the same as that taken by Commissioner Sladen when the accused parties were before him for preliminary hearing. At that time witness after witness was called in an effort to learn something about the signers of the applications, but not a witness had ever seen or heard of such parties as those whose names appeared on the documents in evidence.

### Severe Blow to Defendants.

The news of the action of the grand jury reached the defendants and their parties soon after the indictment was made and it came as a severe blow. If they expected such a result at all, they did not look for it so soon. Their faces gave evidence of worry and anxiety. Miss Ware was about the street during the afternoon apparently intently engaged in shopping, but the expression upon her face was that of one whose thoughts were not upon what she was doing. She would not talk about the matter, declining to be seen at all.

H. G. McKinley, when seen during the evening, said he was surprised to learn that an indictment had been made. I did not expect it, neither did Miss Ware nor Mr. Puter. But it has come and we must face it. It is our intention to fight the matter through to the end and we expect to be able to clear ourselves before the matter is settled.

The grand jury is to continue investigations in the land fraud matter today, and it is stated upon good authority that more indictments will probably be made. One is expected to be returned this morning. When the jury went before Judge Bellinger yesterday morning it returned an

indictment against John King also. King, who was arrested at Baker City recently, is accused of having in his possession and with having passed counterfeit 5-cent pieces upon various persons in Baker City. J. C. Coggins, who was indicted by the grand jury a few days ago upon a charge of having raised two money orders from 50 cents to \$35, appeared before Judge Bellinger and pleaded guilty to the charge. He was sentenced to four years' imprisonment in the Federal prison at McNeil's Island for his offense. He will begin his long term of incarceration as soon as he has been transferred to the prison.

### TRIAL JURY IS DRAWN.

### Men Some of Whom Will Try Timber Land Fraud Cases.

The list of trial jurors for the October term of the Federal Court was drawn yesterday by order of Judge C. B. Bellinger. The panel consists of 50 men, selected from all parts of the state. The jurors will report to Judge Bellinger on Monday, November 1st.

It is likely that some of these jurors will be called upon to sit in judgment upon the cases of Miss Marie Ware, H. G. McKinley and S. A. D. Puter. The list is as follows:

William Welch, Senece, Grant County.  
C. E. Cummings, Newberg, Yamhill County.  
Charles Hegels, Portland, Multnomah County.  
Horace Nicholson, Medford, Jackson County.  
Wilbur Jones, Medford, Jackson County.  
A. L. Mills, Portland, Multnomah County.  
F. M. Gentry, Heppner, Morrow County.  
Theo. B. Wilcox, Portland, Multnomah County.  
William Sheehy, Portland, Multnomah County.



Miss Marie Ware.

# HE FEARS STRIKES

## Why Owner Does Not Enlarge Perkins Hotel.

### IT MIGHT BE LEFT ROOFLESS

### Much-Needed Improvement Prevented First by High Price of Real Estate, Then by Uncertain Labor Market.

Some time ago C. S. Spalding, the millionaire owner of the Perkins Hotel, contemplated the enlargement of the hostelry by building two additional stories on the present structure. The cost estimated by the architect was approximately \$40,000. The project was abandoned, and recently was again investigated by Charles McIlraith, the resident agent of the owner. The cost of building the two stories proposed was found to have increased nearly 50 per cent, and the idea has once more lapsed.

"Three years ago," said Mr. McIlraith, "when first we thought of enlarging our hotel building we tried to buy the property adjoining us on Fifth street, and intended to erect an annex there. The price, however, was far too high, and I



Horace G. McKinley.

John P. Cole, Barlow, Clackamas County.  
S. C. Denny, McCoy, Polk County.  
W. A. Taylor, Macleas, Marion County.  
E. L. Barnett, Athena, Umatilla County.  
J. R. Rowland, Corvallis, Benton County.  
M. K. Young, Parkers, Baker County.  
J. M. Freeman, Portland, Multnomah County.  
L. L. Jewell, Grant's Pass, Josephine County.  
H. C. Whitworth, Lakeview, Lake County.  
J. M. Duncan, Nyssa, Malheur County.  
G. E. Levens, Burns, Harney County.  
C. Lystrup, Reddville, Washington County.  
J. K. Fisher, Haines, Baker County.  
W. R. South, Lacombe, Linn County.  
G. H. Small, Silver Lake, Lake County.  
Charles Kennedy, Summit, Benton County.  
I. H. Allen, Rickreall, Polk County.  
R. H. Graves, Gibbon, Umatilla County.  
D. B. Troutman, Tallman, Linn County.  
J. R. Chapman, Wilbur, Douglas County.  
C. A. Dunnigan, Scott's Mill, Marion County.  
S. W. Sigler, Dayton, Yamhill County.  
J. H. Smith, Grass Valley, Sherman County.  
Joseph Hume, Brownsville, Linn County.  
John P. Hannon, Huntington, Baker County.  
Arnold S. Graham, Marshland, Columbia County.  
Edward C. Dick, Portland, Multnomah County.  
W. L. Smith, Wasco, Sherman County.  
H. Duncan, Lenggill Valley, Klamath County.  
E. A. Stinchfield, Mayville, Gilliam County.  
Charles N. Cable, St. Helens, Columbia County.

offered to buy the property across the street, which is really more valuable, and to trade it for the adjoining ground which we wanted. This offer also was refused. We then investigated the idea of building two more stories on our hotel.

"One of the reasons," said Mr. McIlraith, "why we are not going to build just now, is that we are afraid of being left without any roof to the hotel. In order to add the new stories we would have to take off the roof, and in view of the unsettled condition of the labor market we are afraid that a sudden strike might leave us roofless for an indefinite period. I am in favor of labor unions. I know that a single workman is powerless to fight a corporation and that often he ought to fight it; but I think also that some of the unions have been going pretty fast lately. Time will settle all these things. In our present social condition capital will not seek investment if it cannot make interest on the money. I represent some capital here and I am by no means satisfied that an addition to the Perkins would pay interest on the investment, even if the roof were not left off."

### MOST ELEGANT WORK

To Be Seen at the B. B. Rich Curio Store, Sixth and Washington Sts.

We are showing this week a beautiful line of Mexican drawwork imported by us direct from the City of Mexico. We have handkerchiefs, dollies, table centers and buffet runners. We invite you to come up and see them. The entrance is on Sixth, near Washington.

### Constructor to Leave Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.—Naval



S. A. D. PUTER.

F. B. Churchman, Sheridan, Yamhill County.  
James R. Ewing, Portland, Multnomah County.  
Jon Lewis, Portland, Multnomah County.  
A. L. Goff, Oakland, Douglas County.  
A. C. Dayton, Salem, Marion County.  
M. G. Edwards, Dundee, Yamhill County.  
R. T. Dibble, Molalla, Clackamas County.  
A. J. Chapman, Eugene, Lane County.  
J. B. Johnson, Telocast, Union County.

### DO YOU WEAR GLASSES?

Properly fitting glasses and MURINE promote eye comfort. Murine makes weak eyes strong. Druggists and opticians, or Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.



F. B. Churchman.

Constructor H. G. Smith, now on duty in the bureau of construction and repair, will shortly resign in order to accept a position with the shipbuilding company of which Rear Admiral Bowles, who has resigned as chief constructor of the navy, is to become president.

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Trunks, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, Telescopes—Largest showing in city. Lowest prices—3d fl'r. "Peninsular" Stoves, Ranges, Wood Heaters—50 models—Every good style and size—Basem't.

# Shoe Bargains Worth Investigating

There's surely a reason for our mighty big shoe business. It's not difficult to find that reason, either. Today's bargain news—every pair of shoes offered illustrates the character of this shoe store—must be of vital interest to every woman and child who has a footwear need. There's no historical benediction or flimsy excuse connected with this sale—a plain statement of where to buy the "best shoes at the lowest prices." Thousands of pairs included and there's variety large enough to please everyone. This bargain is the best to be found in town—we guarantee that. All sizes and widths. Sale commences this morning and continues through the week. Give your shoe needs early attention if you are economically inclined.

## \$5 Shoes \$3.55

400 pairs of J. & T. Cousins' Famous Shoes for women, patent leather, patent vici and kid with stock or patent tips, French and Cuban-heel styles, every pair the regular \$5.00 values, for this sale only at the **\$3.55** low price of, pair

## \$2.50, \$3.00 Slippers \$1.58

Twenty-five styles of women's \$2.50 to \$5.00 slippers, handsome dress styles in fancy and black leathers, all sizes, we're cleaning up the entire lot at the exceptionally low price of, **\$1.58** pair.

400 pairs of Misses' Kid Shoes, sizes 11 to 2, low heel and spring heel, great values at the low price of, **\$1.35** pair.

Children's kid and patent leather Shoes, Blucher style, spring heel, sizes 5 to 8, pair **\$1.30**

Children's Kid Shoes, lace or button styles, sizes 5 to 8 for, **60c** pair.

## \$2.50 and \$3.00 Shoes \$1.48

600 pairs of ladies' \$2.50 and \$3.00 Shoes—fine kid lace styles in heavy or light soles, all sizes and widths, the regular \$2.50 and \$3.00 values for **\$1.48** this sale only at, pair

## Misses', Children's

Shoes in vici kid and box calf, light and heavy soles, **\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes \$1.50**  
**\$3.00 Shoes reduced to \$1.75**

Misses' and Children's Shoes in sizes 8 to 10½ at these reductions:  
**\$1.75, \$2.00 Styles now \$1.35**  
**\$1.50 Style reduced to \$1.10**

Misses' Patent Colt Bluchers  
Sizes 11 to 2, **\$2.50 styles \$1.85**  
Sizes 8 to 11, **\$2 styles \$1.60**

Infants' Shoes in red, tan and black, sizes 2 to 5, great special values at, **40c** per pair

## \$3.50 Shoes at \$2.65

500 pairs of J. & T. Cousins' \$3.50 Shoes for women, turned and welt sole, vici kid, stock or patent tip, light or heavy sole, regular **\$3.50** values, pair **\$2.65**

## Boys' Shoes

Boys' Satin Calf Lace Shoes in plain and quilted sole,  
Sizes 2½ to 5½, reduced to, pr **\$1.52**  
Sizes 13½ to 2, reduced to, pr **\$1.22**  
Sizes 11 to 13, reduced to, pr **\$1.02**

### IN KANGAROO CALF

Sizes 2½ to 5½, **\$2.25 value \$1.72**  
Sizes 13½ to 2, **\$2.00 value \$1.52**  
Sizes 11 to 13, **\$1.75 value \$1.32**

Little Gents' Vici Kid Shoes, heel or spring-heel, satin calf and kangarette calf, plain or quilted sole, **\$1.12** 11 to 13½, pair

Infants' fancy leather Shoes in sizes 2-2 to 5-1-2, regular \$1.25 values, **85c** for this sale, pair

## "Rubdry" Towels

Special display this week of "Rubdry," the famous Bath Towel—Made of long fiber Egyptian cotton, they absorb the water immediately and leave no lint on the face or body, big size, handsome wide openwork border, each one in a separate carton—Once you use a "Rubdry" you'll never again be without a half dozen in the house—They are far superior to the ordinary Turkish bath towel and cost no more.

## 50c each

Let us show them to you—At the Linen Counters.

## French Lingerie 1-4 Off

Ten Thousand Dollars' Worth of High-Class French Lingerie for your choosing at one-quarter off the regular prices—Every garment our own importation and originally, marked at unusually low selling prices. Magnificent Gowns, Chemise, Skirts and Drawers of the finest India cottons, hand-made, hand-embroidered, trimmed with real valenciennes laces, real torchon laces, daintiest of embroideries, all big full sizes, gowns in high and low neck, long or short sleeves, a variety larger than and better than Portland has ever seen before—The inducement for buying this week is 25 per cent off regular prices.

Gowns \$3.00 to \$35.00; Skirts \$2.50 to \$45.00  
Chemise \$1.00 to \$12.00; Drawers \$1.75 to \$12

## "Keiser" Neckwear

Sole Portland agents for the celebrated "Keiser" Neckwear for women—A new shipment of Silk and Cotton Novelties just received—Are marked at reasonable prices.

## Picture Framing

To your order—Largest line of new moldings—Best workmanship—All orders promptly executed at the very lowest prices. Second Floor.

## The October Linen Sale

Continues to interest scores of housekeepers as well as hotel and restaurant-keepers. Never before had quite so many friends among the hotel-keepers. They recognize the saving in buying only good linens—John S. Brown & Sons' "Standard of the world." This October sale offers many money-saving opportunities in all lines—Here's a few of the specials.

64-inch all-linen half-bleached Table Damask in the very best patterns, per **58c** yard

72-inch all-linen half-bleached Table Damask, large variety of the best patterns, **72c** yard

72-inch all-linen bleached Satin Damask, fine quality, the best patterns, per **89c** yard

Special fine all-linen bleached Satin Damask, 72-inch, beautiful designs at, **\$1.08** yard

21x21-inch all-linen bleached Damask Napkins, best quality and patterns, **\$1.55** per dozen

Men's and Boys' Clothing at special low prices.

All-linen bleached Satin Damask Napkins, 22x22-inch, unusual value at, dozen **\$2.40**

All-linen bleached Satin Damask Napkins, best patterns, 24 x 24 inches, big value, doz **\$3.35**

All-linen Satin Damask Tray Cloths, hemstitched, 20x28-inch, great value at, **44c** each

Hemstitched Linen Huck Towels 19x24 inches, unusual value at **21c**

Linen Roller Towels, two and one-half yards—long, a great value at the low **21c** price of, each

Great special values in ladies' Aprons—Second Floor.

## Lace Bargains of Merit

Just the kind of Laces you want at the present time for dress trimming marked at economy point—Bargains that caused active selling at the lace counters Monday and Tuesday.

Venise Applique and Bands, white, cream and Arabian, 2 1-2 to 5 in. wide, beautiful designs, values up to \$2.25 yard, for this sale only, yard **\$1.69**

Evening Nets, La Tosca, Figured Chantilla and Point Esprit, white, black and colors, very best styles and patterns, great special value, yard **69c**

Black and White Chantilly and Brocaded Chiffon in beautiful variety, value extraordinary at this sale only at the **\$1.17** low price of

Black and White Figured Chantilly, great special value at, per yard **\$1.48**

Black and White Silk Applique, Silk Muslin Embroidered Medallions and Sprays, very richest effects, all new desirable styles, values up to \$1.50 yard **57c**

## Men's Underwear

Sale continues with unabated enthusiasm—The best bargains in Men's Underwear the town has ever known.

Three grades of "Hohenzollern" Shirts and Drawers—finest imported garments—all sizes—regular \$2.50 to \$3.50 values—garment **\$1.59**

Men's "Hohenzollern" Night **\$2.49**

Hobes—regular \$3.50 values for **\$2.49**

"Hohenzollern" Combination Suits—\$3.00 values at **\$1.58-\$3.50** **\$3.49** values at

Men's natural wool and camelhair Shirts and Drawers, odd sizes, **49c** regular 75c value, at

400 garments in Men's Camelhair Shirts and Drawers—random striped—about all sizes—regular 90c value—garment **14c**

Men's natural gray wool Shirts and Drawers, double fold; about 300 garments in the lot, broken sizes: **89c** values at

Cooper's derby-ribbed Drawers, light blue and pink, finely made and trimmed; regular \$2.00 values; **\$1.24** all sizes, at